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## School Authority

### Captain of the School

R. H. SCOTT (Head of Freeland)

### School Prefects

D. M. Stewart (Vice-Captain of the School and Head of Nicol)  
W. R. Duncan (Head of Ruthven)    T. A. F. Jenkins (Head of Simpson)  
J. S. Hendrie (Freeland)    E. Pickard (Simpson)  
M. J. Linton (Freeland)

### School Games Captains

Rugby .....	R. H. Scott
Cricket .....	A. J. Harvey-Walker
Athletics .....	A. V. Hitching
Boxing .....	W. R. Duncan
Hockey .....	R. H. Scott
Cross Country .....	A. I. George
Sailing .....	P. M. Fisher
Fencing .....	C. A. L. Hardwick
Shooting .....	P. M. Fisher
Fives .....	W. S. Pate
Swimming .....	D. A. Cranston
Tennis .....	J. S. Hendrie

### Editors of "The Strathallian"

T. G. Crabb, L. W. Bell and N. F. Macmillan

## Editorial

ONE might well assume that 1963, the year after the School's jubilee, was rather an anti-climax. And of course, in so far as no major building was added to the school, so it was. But comparisons of this nature are invidious and prove little, and in any case the winter weather left little time to contemplate things other than the present. In common with the rest of Great Britain we survived, and our minds turned to the warmer days ahead. As usual, half the prophets confounded the other half and our days in the sun were few and far between; and yet, basking on the lawn to the sound of bat on ball, with the sun streaming in over the pavilion, one can forgive and forget all that has gone before.

Not a memorable year? It is a measure of the dynamism within the School that so much can happen and appear to be routine. New buildings, academic and domestic, have risen, new techniques have been introduced into the class-room, new games fields (of various qualities as yet) have been brought into use. Automation has arrived; after a wayward but mercifully brief adolescence the coffee machine has settled down to school life. The Second Master pioneered a new motor route down the burn.

The problems of today are new. A larger Sixth Form this year meant that all available teaching space was in constant use, and next year the Sixth Form will be bigger still. Last year the seating capacity of the Library was almost doubled; this year boys cannot find an empty chair.

The existence of these and similar problems are but proof of the success of past policies. That the School can and will solve them is inevitable. With fifty on the board we have not become complacent. Our century is already in sight.

## Staff Notes

ONE master left us at the end of the year, and it was with great regret that we lost Mr. Bland to Blundells. Mr. Bland had run the Geography Department for nine years with enthusiasm and success, but it was for his rugger and athletics that he will be remembered as the progress made in these sports was very much

due to his efforts. He was himself a wonderful example of personal fitness and it was an inspiring sight to see this Olympic figure running in all weathers and all seasons round the grounds; a determination to keep fit has now become a tradition in the School. Nine years ago the 1st XV played eight School rugby matches and lost all eight; in the last three years we have won 23 and drawn 5 of the 34 School matches played, results which were a tribute to his influence. We wish him every success in the future.

Miss Cooper left to nurse in Iran. She combined the two responsible jobs of Sister and Matron with great efficiency, and during her six years of loyal and devoted service she saw to it that the School had a very clean bill of health.

We have welcomed three new members to the staff during the year, Mr. A. J. Stewart of the university of Natal, Mr. G. W. Searle, Worcester College, Oxford, and Mr. J. L. R. Williams of St. Andrews University.

W.N.S.H.

## School Notes

A NEW Biology laboratory and improved back-stage facilities are incorporated in an extension built on the north end of the Gymnasium block.

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Scout Wood (or Law Hill) is being cleared as many trees are over mature and in a dangerous state. Replanting will start as soon as possible.

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The Lawns laid last year around the Chapel have survived the winter well and now have a permanent air.

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Two new houses for married Masters are under construction.

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A machine for the dispensing of coffee has been installed in the Study Block.

A new internal telephone system has been installed.

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The firing-point on the range has been enclosed and is now reasonably warm during the winter.

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Charlie's Acre has been brought into use for hockey practice.

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Two Cricket pitches have been cut on the Mudflats.

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The Pond has been dredged, deepened and restocked.

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Two new Honours-boards have been put in the Dining-Hall, for Fives and Scholarships.

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M. J. Linton (F) has been awarded an Open Scholarship in Natural Sciences at Pembroke College, Cambridge.

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K. R. Hunter (Old Strathallian) has been awarded the Gold Medal for Medicine at University College, London.

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J. F. Dyet and R. W. W. Paterson (Old Strathallians) were selected to play in the Scottish Hockey Trials.

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The Upper Sixth and House Prefects may wear sports jackets.

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Economics is to be an "A" Level subject.

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We record with sorrow the death last autumn of the Rev. Dr. Adam Burnet, father of Mr. R. A. L. Burnet. Dr. Burnet preached at School many times.

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Miss Whitie and Miss Woodhead, the Headmaster's secretary and the Bursar's secretary respectively, left the School at Easter to go to New Zealand; in their places we welcome Miss Stevenson and Miss Brodie.

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We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Giles, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie on the birth of sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Grigsby on the birth of a daughter.

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Dr. Evelyn Douglas assisted Miss Cooper in the Sanatorium during the Winter term.

R. W. ARMSTRONG

ROBERT ARMSTRONG (21.10.43 - 30.5.63) died in hospital after a painful illness. He left School two years ago after making a great impression on us all. He took part in many School activities with enormous enthusiasm. To see him on the rugby and cricket fields made one wonder how a boy of such short stature could apparently pull the same weight as the largest. Wiry strength and a quick sense of timing made him one of those tough young men who seem to be going to live to be a hundred.

I think it is true to say that every Master and boy in the School liked him immensely; there were no apparent faults to mar a cheerful and enterprising disposition. His loss at so early an age is a great tragedy, and we send our deepest sympathy to his family.

D.E.Y.

J. P. G. JOLLY

It was with deep regret that we heard of the sudden death of Hamish Jolly last Easter, at the age of only eighteen. He came to Riley House in September 1956, and after passing into Nicol House, left in Summer 1960. During his time here he overcame an initial shyness and joined enthusiastically in School life. His ready smile and easy manner soon won him friends and from the first he was absolutely reliable. In 1960 he went to Banff Academy but returned on one occasion to visit us, a bigger, maturer boy, ready to make his way in the world with the assistance of what had always been well above average intelligence.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Jolly for this most untimely loss.

R.A.L.B.

## Speech Day

THE Guest of Honour on Speech Day, 15th June, 1963, was Mr. Hugh Lyon, former headmaster of Edinburgh Academy and Rugby, and present head of the Public Schools Appointments Bureau.

The Chairman of the Board of Governors, Mr. G. C. Turner, began the speeches. He mentioned the alterations, present and future: the success of the new Chapel, the excellent new Biology laboratory, the proposed improvement of the Swimming Pool and the planned Sixth Form Study Block. He related sadly the necessity of clearing and replanting the Scout Wood, but courageously cheered up with his next announcement—namely the increase in fees of £15 a term to provide a 7% increase for the teaching staff's salaries. He ended with a warm tribute to the Headmaster and all the staff.

The Headmaster was glad to report no slackening of tempo after the jubilee year, but rather "strenuous endeavour in all departments", and referred again to the beneficial influence of the Chapel. Academically, he referred to the excellent "O" Level and Science "A" Level results, particularly M. J. Linton's Open Scholarship and K. R. Hunter's Gold Medal for Final Year Medicine at London University.

He then turned to the question of intense competition for University places, and recognised the frustration the increased difficulties caused. But, he said, "University education does not suit everyone" and there were many openings for talent in business and industry, which often pay for further training. This part of the speech was summarised on the B.B.C. Scottish news in an item on this Speech Day. The Headmaster also referred to our indebtedness to Glasgow University for their grant towards the Carrow excavations.

The Guest of Honour, Mr. Hugh Lyon, now took the floor and presented the Governors' Prizes for 1963. Then he began his speech with mention of his many pleasant visits to the School. Speaking specifically to the boys, he went straight to what he considered the most vital thing in their lives: the art of being good husbands and fathers. It was not only a matter of the "facts of life", he said, but emotional maturity in personal relations was most important. This was partly the task of a school. And here he considered that not only did Strathallan have good staff and governors, but an outstandingly good headmaster. The audience responded willingly to his assessment. Finally, he said the fact that the Chapel was the first and last sight of the school was significant; for true religion was the key to what he had been saying, and the beginning and end of everything.

Mr. I. MacEwen was echoing popular sentiment when he proposed a vote of thanks and wove a pleasant conceit from Mr. Lyon's initials, for the guest was interesting, eloquent and amusing.

After the Speech Day concert the meeting broke up until the afternoon, when the School and its activities were on show as usual.

L.W.B.

*(The programme of the Speech Day concert is given under Music Notes.)*

## Speech Day Prize Winners, 1963

The Smith Cup for the Captain of the School .....	R. H. Scott
Prize for the best all-round achievement in work in the School .....	M. J. Linton
Houston Prize for all-round merit .....	R. H. Scott

English Prize .....	Not awarded
Classics Prize .....	Not awarded
Classics Essay Prize .....	N. F. Macmillan
Mathematics Prize .....	R. H. Scott
Mathematics Essay Prize .....	I. W. Steven
Biology Prize .....	J. G. Clement
Physics Prize .....	Not awarded
Physics Essay Prize .....	D. H. Martyn
Chemistry Prize shared by .....	J. C. Ferguson
	J. B. Melville
History Prize .....	Not awarded
Geography Prize .....	Not awarded
Geography Field Work Prize .....	P. J. Tulloch
French Prize .....	Not awarded
Music Prize .....	P. Pradipasen
Art Prize .....	Not awarded

## Other Prizes, 1962-63

Dux of School, 1962 .....	M. J. Linton
Prize for best G.C.E. in IV A, 1963 .....	A. Y. Lawson
Prize for best G.C.E. in IV Inter, 1963 .....	R. C. Paton
Prize for best G.C.E. in V A, 1963 .....	R. M. Lyszkowski
Prize for best G.C.E. in V B, 1963 .....	L. D. C. Siedle

## SCHOOL PRIZES, SUMMER 1963

French .....	E. Pickard	Greek .....	N. F. Macmillan
Biology .....	T. A. F. Jenkins	Latin .....	R. D. Kyle
English .....	P. J. Tulloch	History .....	J. M. Prophet
	W. R. Duncan		

## DISTINCTION PRIZES — SUMMER 1963

R. G. Logan	R. M. Slater
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## FORM PRIZES 1962-63

IV B—C. A. Willson-White; IV C—J. W. B. Anderson; III A—K. D. Campbell; III B—C. H. G. Buchanan; III C—M. W. MacEwen; II—C. Handley; I—J. C. Murray.

## EXAMINATION RESULTS

### OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SCHOOLS EXAMINATION BOARD

The following were successful:

#### Advanced Level

V. A. Barron	Latin
J. G. Clement	Chemistry, Biology
T. G. Crabb	German
W. R. Duncan	English, History
J. C. Ferguson	Chemistry, Physics
P. M. Fisher	Chemistry, Biology
D. Franklin	Chemistry, Physics
A. I. George	History
J. S. Hendrie	Chemistry

A. V. Hitching	History
T. A. F. Jenkins	Biology
J. R. Keech	Geography
J. S. Logan	Maths for Science, Physics
W. E. McLachlan	Chemistry, Physics
N. F. Macmillan	Ancient History
D. H. Martyn	Chemistry, Physics
J. B. Melville	Chemistry, Physics
W. S. Pate	Chemistry
E. Pickard	English, French
P. Pradipasen	Music
J. M. Prophet	History, Geography
W. W. Quarry	Geography
W. G. Reid	Maths for Science
P. M. G. Reynolds	Chemistry, Physics, Biology
I. C. Ross	Maths for Science
I. A. Russell	Biology
M. J. D. Ryder	Geography
P. J. Shepherd	Chemistry, Physics
P. G. F. Slep	Maths for Science, Chemistry, Physics
A. I. Smith	Maths for Science, Chemistry, Physics
I. W. Steven	Maths for Science
D. M. Stewart	Physics
A. R. Thomson	Maths for Science, Chemistry, Physics
P. J. Tulloch	English, Geography
P. M. Weatherston	Chemistry, Physics, Biology
K. R. Wilson	Maths for Science, Physics

**The following boys obtained passes in five or more subjects in the G.C.E. "O" Level Examinations in July, 1963:**

Alpine, G.; Beaton, A. G.; Black, J. H. S.; Booth, A. J.; Brunton, W. A. T.; Caldwell, C. W.; Carruthers, I. T.; Carver, G. A. R.; Clark, M. G.; Clinton, C. W.; Crook, C. J.; Cumming, A. M.; Donald, J. S.; Drysdale, R. C. G.; Eadie, G. R.; Elder, R. J.; Davidson, J. F.; Fawcett, T. R.; Ferguson, C. D.; Fleming, H. A.; Galbraith, J. P.; Garden, R. W.; Gemmell, R. J.; Gibson, T.; Gilmour, M. A.; Graham, D. C. P.; Grandison, G. P.; Greig, C. A. H.; Hammett, M. P. F.; Hannay, D. R.; Henderson, R. M.; Henriksen, S.; Houston, A. G.; Hunter, J. S.; Huthart, R. A. S.; Jeffrey, D. I.; Lawson, A. Y.; Lawson, R. G.; Logan, D. W.; Lyszkowski, R. M.; McIntosh, A. J.; Mackay, E. P.; McLellan, J. E. M.; MacLeod, A. H. S.; McNaught, R. M. G.; Madjd, M. G.; Matthew, K. A. L.; Melville, W. B.; Moore, A. D.; Morrison, D. R.; Murray, R. I. M.; Ogilvie, I. R.; Paton, R. C.; Patterson, J. M.; Petty, W. M.; Piper, T. G.; Primrose, I. S.; Ritchie, D. M.; Robertson, J. D. S.; Sharp, G. R.; Siedle, L. D. C.; Slater, R. M.; Sloan, A. J.; Smart, E. A. V.; Smith, J. C. S.; Speirs, W. J.; Trusdale, T. N. W.; Watson, G. D.; Wearmouth, C. C.; Wilson, W. D.; Wright, A. L.

## SALVETE

**September, 1962**

Upper VI: Thompson, R. F. (R).

III A: Beattie, S. S. (N); Brash, A. R. (S); Brown, D. T. (F); Campbell, K. D. (Ri); Eadie, G. E. (F); Gilmore, T. H. (R); Laband, P. A. K. (R); Parsons, T. H. F. (S); Warner, G. C. (S).

- III B: Ainslie, A. J. (F); Buchanan, C. H. G. (F); McGeachy, A. L. (S); Mauchline, C. J. W. (R); Mills, A. D. F. (R); Muir, J. (N); Taylor, R. K. M. (N); Townson, C. J. R. (R); Wallace, D. R. P. (N); Wallace, N. F. (F).
- III C: Mackenzie, I. B. (N); Robertson, K. L. (S); Roy, I. A. (R); Spence, A. F. (N); Turner, A. D. (R); Young, A. (N); Ferguson, B. H. (N); Thompson, J. M. (R).
- II: Rennie, W. D. (Ri).
- I: Balfour, A. G. (Ri); Bell, A. D. (Ri); Bogie, D. M. (Ri); Hartley, N. Q. (Ri); Laverock, E. R. (Ri); Sharpe, D. J. C. (Ri); Waterston, P. F. (Ri).

### January, 1963

- III B: Ogilvie, D. A. (F).
- III C: Anderson, P. C. (S); MacFarlane, D. J. (N); Riach, N. D. (S); Ross, A. D. (S); Samples, W. P. M. (R); Stewart, A. G. (R); Sutherland, J. R. (R).
- I: Bull, G. C. (Ri); Jeffrey, A. A. (Ri); McNair, D. H. (Ri); Munro, N. M. (Ri).

### May, 1963

- IV A: Bunting, P. J. (N).
- III C: Clark, R. F. L. (F); Davie, J. P. F. F. (S); Keown, A. R. A. (S); Mackay, J. D. C. (N).
- II: Laband, A. R. M. (Ri).
- I: Angus, T. W. J. (Ri); Bell, J. C. (Ri).

## VALETE

### Autumn Term, 1962

#### Lower VI:

- Dunbar, C. C. K. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II B; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; XV 61-62, 62-63; C.Q.M.S. (Army).  
*C/o Brig. C. W. Dunbar, H.Q. 6 Infantry Group, B.F.P.O. 17.*
- Garden, D. F. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Class.); Cross-country; Lance-corporal (Army).  
*11 Pitbauchlie Bank, Dunfermline, Fife.*
- Taitt, M. P. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Class.); House Prefect 62<sup>2</sup>; Country Dancing; Fencing; Sergeant (Army).  
*Belnagarron, by Craigellachie, Banffshire.*
- Wedgwood, P. G. (S). Came 59<sup>1</sup>; II A; Tennis; Able Seaman (R.N.).  
*Lindens, Helensburgh.*

#### V A:

- McGregor, A. A. (S). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; I; Cadet (Army).  
*Streathbourne, Rede Hall Rd., Smallfield, Nr. Horley, Surrey.*

#### V B:

- Beattie, J. S. (F). Came 59<sup>3</sup>; III C; Cadet (R.A.F.).  
*Cookston, Brechin, Angus.*
- Fitzpatrick, D. W. J. (S). Came 59<sup>3</sup>; III B; Cadet (Army).  
*6 Quernmore Rd., Bromley, Kent.*
- Fletcher, I. M. (N). Came 59<sup>3</sup>; III C; Cross-country; Cadet (Army).  
*62 Woodbine Rd., Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.*

- Gilmour, J. M. (N). Came 59<sup>3</sup>; III C; Cadet (Army).  
*"Zona," Orchil Rd., Auchterarder, Perthshire.*
- Rentoul, T. S. (S). Came 59<sup>3</sup>; III C; Cross-country; Shooting; Leading Seaman (R.N.).  
*The Barn, Bridge of Weir, Renfrewshire.*

### Spring Term, 1963

#### Schol. VI:

- Laidlaw, M. G. G. (S). Came 56<sup>3</sup>; I; House Prefect 62<sup>2</sup>; President of Science Soc.; Secretary of Film Guild; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*Dyke House, Kilmacolm, Renfrewshire.*
- Linton, M. J. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; School Prefect 63<sup>1</sup>; Scholar of Pembroke College, Cambridge; Shell Industrial Scholarship; Dux of School 62; Hockey XI 62-63; Sgt. (R.A.F.).  
*10 Edinburgh Way, Queens Park, Chester.*
- Thomson, N. A. (S). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III A; Exh.; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; President of Film Guild; Sergeant (R.A.F.).  
*37 The Interval, Roslyn Estate, Roslyn, Long Island, N.Y., U.S.A.*

#### Lower VI:

- Paton, N. D. (N). Came 57<sup>2</sup>; I; President of Y.F.C.; Cadet (Army).  
*Meikle Obney, Bankfoot, Nr. Perth.*

#### IV C:

- Watson, R. N. (F). Came 62<sup>2</sup>; III C; Cadet (Army).  
*Hardiston House, Cleish, Kinross.*

### Summer Term, 1963

#### Schol. VI:

- Scott, R. H. (F). Came 55<sup>2</sup>; I A; Exh.; House Prefect 60<sup>3</sup>; School Prefect 61<sup>3</sup>; Captain of School 62-63; Head of Freeland; Dux of School 61; XV 60-61, Captain 61-62, 62-63; Hockey XI 60, 61, 62, Captain 63; Captain Scottish Schoolboys Hockey XI 63; Chairman, Science Soc. 62; Pipe Major 60-61; Senior Piping Cup 62; Under-Officer (Army).  
*Cleval's Hill, Bridge of Weir, Renfrewshire.*
- Sleap, P. G. F. (F). Came 56<sup>3</sup>; II A; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*C/o C.M.C., Skouriotissa, Nicosia, Cyprus.*
- Stewart, D. M. (N). Came 59<sup>2</sup>; IV A; House Prefect 61<sup>2</sup>; School Prefect 62<sup>2</sup>; Vice-Captain of School 62-63; Head of Nicol; XI 63; Athletics; Physics Prize 62; Coxswain (R.N.).  
*"Marrow", Leamington Rd., Broadway, Worcs.*

#### Upper VI:

- Barron, V. A. (N). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Class.); House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; XV 61-62, 62-63; Athletics; Corporal (Army).  
*9 Clepington Road, Dundee.*
- Blake, J. C. C. (F). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Mod.); House Prefect 63<sup>3</sup>; Corporal (Army).  
*53 South Street, Havant, Hants.*
- Clark, D. (N). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II B; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; XV 62-63; Hockey XI 62-63; Ski-ing; Petty Officer (R.N.).  
*George Hotel, Inveraray, Argyll.*
- Crabb, T. G. (F). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III A; House Prefect 63<sup>2</sup>; Editor of "The Strathallian"; Editor of "Wing Forward"; Librarian; Pres. of Mod. Lang. Soc.; C.Q.M.S. (Army).  
*Glynn, Gough Road, Fleet, Hants.*

- Duncan, W. R. (R). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 61<sup>3</sup>; School Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Head of Ruthven; XV 61-62, 62-63; Tennis; Athletics; Captain of Boxing; Sec. of Mod. Lang. Soc.; Pres. of Debating Soc.; C.S.M. (Army).  
*Kingsley Hotel, Brodick, Isle of Arran.*
- Ferguson, J. C. (N). Came 58<sup>1</sup>; III B (Class.); House Prefect 63<sup>2</sup>; Chemistry Prize 63; Leading Seaman (R.N.).  
*"The Lochans", Strathblane, Nr. Glasgow.*
- Fisher, P. M. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Cross-country; Captain of Sailing; Captain of Shooting; Junior Piping Cup 60; Senior Piping Cup 61; Pipe Major 62, 63; Coxswain (R.N.).  
*Torr Hill, Aberfeldy, Perthshire.*
- George, A. I. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; II B; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Tennis; Cross-country; Athletics; Highland Dancing; Lance-Corporal (Army).  
*"The Knowe," Bowfield Rd., West Kilbride, Argyll*
- Gordon, D. A. R. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 63<sup>2</sup>; Pres. of Archery Club; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*8 Hatfield Drive, Glasgow, W.2.*
- Hendrie, J. S. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 62<sup>1</sup>; School Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; XV 61-62, 62-63; Captain of Tennis; Flight Sgt. (R.A.F.).  
*116 Terregles Avenue, Glasgow, S.1.*
- Jenkins, T. A. F. (S). Came 57<sup>3</sup>; II; House Prefect 61<sup>3</sup>; School Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Head of Simpson; Tennis; Fives; Petty Officer (R.N.).  
*"Ardinhor," 23 Chalton Rd., Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire.*
- Logan, J. S. (S). Came 59<sup>2</sup>; II A; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*Curlinghall Hotel, Largs, Ayrshire.*
- McLachlan, W. E. (N). Came 56<sup>3</sup>; I; Corporal (Army).  
*3 Horseshoe Rd., Bearsden, Glasgow.*
- Martyn, D. H. (N). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II B; Physics Prize 63; XV 62-63; Leading Seaman (R.N.).  
*"Ross-March", Airbles Rd., Motherwell, Lanarkshire.*
- Melville, J. B. (N). Came 56<sup>3</sup>; I; Chemistry Prize 63; Lance-Corporal (Army).  
*41 Milton Rd., Kirkcaldy, Fife.*
- Nelson-Cole, A. A. (N). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II B; House Prefect 63<sup>1</sup>; XV 60-61, 61-62; Hockey XI 61-62; Athletics; Cross-country; Corporal (Army).  
*P.O. Box 21, Agege, Near Lagos, Nigeria.*
- Pate, W. S. (R). Came 57<sup>2</sup>; I A; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; XI 61-62, 62-63; XV 62-63; Hockey XI 62-63; Captain of Fives; Secretary Y.F.C. 62; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*Reedie Farm, Kirriemuir, Angus.*
- Pickard, E. (S). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III A; House Prefect 61<sup>3</sup>; School Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Fives; Athletics; Secretary Debating Soc.; Leading Seaman (R.N.).  
*11 Aytoun Rd., Glasgow, S.1.*
- Russell, I. A. (S). Came 59<sup>2</sup>; II A; Shooting; Sailing; Secretary Photographic Soc.; Corporal (R.A.F.).  
*4 Quarry Avenue, Acklington, Morpeth, Northumberland.*
- Shepherd, P. J. (N). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Class.); Sergeant (Army).  
*40 The Drive, Tynemouth, North Shields, Northumberland.*
- Smith, A. I. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; IIA; Corporal (Army).  
*Lady Chancellor's Rd., Port of Spain, Trinidad.*
- Thomson, A. R. (R). Came 56<sup>3</sup>; I; Able Seaman (R.N.).  
*795 Anderson Crescent, West Vancouver, Br. Columbia, Canada.*
- Thompson, R. F. (R). Came 62<sup>3</sup>; Upper VI; House Prefect 63<sup>2</sup>; English Speaking Union Scholar; Athletics; Cross-country; Able Seaman (R.N.).  
*8315 Seminole Avenue, Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.*

Tulloch, P. J. (R). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; III B (Class.); House Prefect 62<sup>2</sup>; Sgt. (R.A.F.).

*C/o Mains of Moyness, Auldean, Nairnshire.*

Wilson, K. R. (F). Came 58<sup>2</sup>; II A; House Prefect 62<sup>3</sup>; Flying Scholarship 63; Warrant Officer (R.A.F.).

*Temple Ox-gates, Longforgan, Dundee.*

#### Lower VI:

Bucher, A. R. (R). Came 59<sup>2</sup>; III C; House Prefect 63<sup>2</sup>; XI 62, 63; Captain of Ski-ing; Able Seaman (R.N.).

*Crocow Hotel, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk.*

Hardwick, C. A. L. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Class.); House Prefect 62<sup>2</sup>; Athletics; Captain of Fencing; Highland Dancing; Sgt. (Army).

*Liberty, Elie, Fife.*

Manners-Wood, C. H. (F). Came 59<sup>1</sup>; III C; Athletics; Cross-country; Cadet (Army).

*Limberlost, Cookham Dean, Berkshire.*

Ryder, M. J. D. (N). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III B (Mod.); Athletics; Able Seaman (R.N.).

*Ardgillian, Bridge of Weir, Renfrewshire.*

Steven, I. W. (F). Came 60<sup>2</sup>; III A; Sch.; Highland Dancing; Cadet (Army).

*Craighill, Carnoustie, Angus.*

#### V A:

Gilmour, M. A. (S). Came 58<sup>1</sup>; I; Lance-corporal (Army).

*101 Brownside Rd., Cambuslang, Lanarkshire.*

Logan, D. W. (R). Came 57<sup>3</sup>; I; Cadet (Army).

*Dairsie Mains, Dairsie, Cupar, Fife.*

Ritchie, D. M. (R). Came 57<sup>3</sup>; I; Cadet (Army).

*"Coiswold", Victoria Rd., Brookfield, By Johnstone, Renfrewshire.*

Speirs, W. J. (F). Came 60<sup>3</sup>; III B; Music Exh.; Shooting; Sailing; Leading Cadet (R.A.F.).

*The Hall, Northumberland St., Alnmouth, Northumberland*

#### V B:

Fleming, H. A. (R). Came 60<sup>1</sup>; II B; Cadet (Army).

*The Grange, Alyth, Perthshire.*

Fleming, J. M. S. (N). Came 57<sup>3</sup>; I; Hockey XI 62-63; Secretary of Classical Soc.; Cadet (R.A.F.).

*45 Sandford Rd., Dublin 6, Eire.*

Harvey-Walker, A. J. (S). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; III C; XI. 59. 60. 61, Captain 62. 63; Hockey XI 62-63; Lance-corporal (Army).

*"Erines", Tarbert, Loch Fyne, Argyll.*

McLellan, J. E. M. (S). Came 59<sup>2</sup>; II B; Cadet (Army).

*Cheviot House, Crowthorne, Berkshire.*

Niven, A. D. (S). Came 57<sup>2</sup>; I; Cadet (Army).

*Whitsome Hill, Duns, Berwickshire.*

Robertson, A. J. G. (N). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; I; Cadet (Army).

*91 Desswood Place, Aberdeen.*

Shanks, D. D. (R). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; I; XI 63; Cadet (R.A.F.).

*2 Pedwarden Rd., Perth.*

Wright, D. B. (N). Came 58<sup>3</sup>; I; Able Seaman (R.N.).

*"Beechworth", Queen's Rd., Dunbar, East Lothian.*

#### III C:

Ferguson, B. H. (N). Came 62<sup>3</sup>; III C; Athletics.

*6499 Alden Drive, Union Lake, Michigan, U.S.A.*

#### II:

Handley, C. (Riley). Came 60<sup>3</sup>; I.

*18 Park Farm Rd., Bickley, Kent.*

## Chapel

The preachers in Chapel this year were :

The Headmaster, The Chaplain, Rev. D. H. Whiteford, Rev. John Nelson, Rev. K. A. Arnold, Rev. R. B. Gorrie, Rt. Rev. John Howe, Rev. G. B. Hewitt, Rev. Canon L. Derrick-Large, Mr. R. A. L. Burnet, Mr. C. P. Hewson, Rev. J. R. H. Paterson, Rev. Prof. E. P. Dickie, Very Rev. Dr. J. A. Frazer, Rev. A. S. Currie, Rev. Dr. H. C. Whitley, Rev. W. D. Cattnach, Rev. A. B. Robson, Rev. Prof. W. A. D. Riach, Rev. F. Routledge Bell.

## Music Notes

IF there has been any advance musically over the past few years it has been again in the orchestra, and in particular in its string section. The latter is now much stronger in 'cellos and bass and in the second violins, so that the whole section gives a much better foundation for the wind instruments.

The orchestra has performed at two concerts, an informal one and the Speech Day Concert, the programmes of which are given below.

Its greatest testing, however, was in the accompaniment to the performances of "The Yeomen of the Guard", which it did with the support of only two guest players. There was a great quantity of music to be learnt and all too little time to learn it in; and very seldom was it possible to indulge in a healthy forte. At the final rehearsals the cast and orchestra appreciated each other's efforts with very little enthusiasm—each thought of the other only as a necessary evil. But by the time of the actual performances the orchestra was finding it possible to accompany with some discretion and thereby contributed considerably to the success of the production.

The choir has had a fairly uneventful year punctuated only by one or two particularly successful anthems, a good carol service and its combined effort with the orchestra in the excerpt from "Carmen" for the Speech Day concert.

In the Winter term Susi Jeans gave an organ recital in the Chapel. It was a delight to hear the organ played with such mastery. The items on her programme, however, were unfamiliar to most boys (even the familiar words "Trumpet Voluntary" did not produce the sounds and tune that were expected) and her conception of registration was in the baroque style and therefore rather restrained and lacking in variety. This meant that many boys found her recital rather disappointing.

There have been the usual visits to concerts in Perth of the S.N.O., the Perth Choral, Orchestra and Chamber Music Societies.

### ANTHEMS SUNG BY THE CHOIR

Thou visitest the carth (Greene); Lord, for Thy tender mercies' sake (Tye); Give ear unto me (Marcello); Hear Lord (Tchaikowsky); And the Glory of the Lord (Handel); Jubilate Deo (Vaughan Williams); Sleepers Awake (Bach); On This Day (H. C. Stewart); Subdue us by Thy Goodness (Bach); Laudete Nomen Domini (Tye); "Hallelujah" Chorus (Handel); All Holy Lord (Santa Maria); I waited for the Lord (Mendelssohn); Glory to God, the Father (Rachmaninov); Creation's Hymn (Beethoven); Jesu, Lamb of God (Mozart); Awake, thou wintry earth (Bach); Christ is Risen (Hazzler); God is Gone up (Croft); Turn Thy face from my sins (Attwood); Holy, Holy, Holy (Schubert); 23rd Psalm (Brother James' Air); Nunc Dimittis in B flat (Stanford); Let Thy merciful ears (Wielkes); Let the bright seraphim (Handel); We love the place O God (Brahms).

### Among the carols sung at the Carol Service on 16th December were:

The Lord at first did Adam make (Trad.); Break forth, O beauteous, heavenly light (Bach); The Holly and the Ivy (arr. Britten); Torches (Joubert); Today our God of his great mercies (Trad.); In natus est (Praetorius); A virgin most pure (Trad.) and Christ is born (Catalan).

### ORGAN RECITAL BY SUSI JEANS

#### in Strathallan School Chapel, Friday, 16th November, 1962

- Theme with Variations ..... *Hendrik Andriessen* (b. 1892)  
(Dedicated to Susi Jeans)
- Ciacona in E minor ..... *Buxtehude* (1637-1707)
- Three choral preludes from the Little Organ Book ..... *J. S. Bach*  
(a) "Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich"  
(b) "Nun komm der Heiden Heiland"  
(c) "In Dulci Jubilo"
- Prelude and Fugue in G major ..... *J. S. Bach*
- Three Pieces ..... *Louis Couperin*
- Three English Voluntaries:  
(a) "Voluntary for Double Organ ..... *William Croft* (1678-1727)  
(b) Voluntary (Diapasons, horns, flute, cornet) *John James* (died 1745)  
(c) Trumpet Voluntary ..... *John Reading* (1677-1764)
- Toccata Francesa ..... *Augustinus Kropfreiter* (b. 1936)  
(Dedicated to Susi Jeans)

### INFORMAL CONCERT

#### 7th December, 1962

- Orchestra. Suite of Dances from "The Virtuous Wife" ..... *Purcell*  
(a) Minuet. (b) Slow Air. (c) Hornpipe. (d) Allegro.
- Piano Solo (M. M. Miller)  
Solfegietto ..... *C. P. E. Bach*  
Two Rumanian Dances ..... *Bartok*
- Trebles. Three Carols:  
(a) Infant Holy ..... *Polish*  
(b) Shepherds' Cradle Song ..... *German*  
(c) Hasten now ye shepherds ..... *Puerto Rican*
- Oboe Solo (W. B. Melville)  
Larghetto and Allegretto from Sonata ..... *Besozzi*

5. Clarinet, Violins, Viola and Cello (R. F. Thompson,  
P. Pradipasen, R. Neil, P. Dangerfield, A. J. Burnett)  
Theme and Variations from Clarinet Quintet ..... *Mozart*
6. Orchestra  
Andante from "Great" C major Symphony ..... *Schubert*
7. Violin, Oboe and Piano (P. Pradipasen, R.C.S., G.W.)  
First Movement of Concerto for Oboe and Violin ..... *Bach*
8. Tenors and Basses  
Two Carols: Somerset Carol ..... *English*  
What child is this (tune "Greensleeves") ..... *English*  
Captain Stratton's Fancy ..... *Peter Warlock*
9. Orchestra  
March: Nibelungen ..... *Wagner*

### SPEECH DAY CONCERT

1. Orchestra  
March from "Die Meistersinger" ..... *Wagner*
2. Clarinet Solo (R. F. Thompson)  
Two movements from Concertino ..... *Tartini, arr. Jacob*
3. Orchestra  
Overture: Rosamunde ..... *Schubert*
4. Small Choir  
Trav'ling on my way; Swing low, sweet chariot;  
De battle ob Jerico ..... *Negro Spirituals*
5. Orchestra  
Czech Rustic Dance ..... *Smetana*  
Jamaican Rumba ..... *Benjamin*
6. Violin and Orchestra (P. Pradipasen)  
First movement of Concerto in A Minor ..... *Vivaldi*
7. Choir and Orchestra  
March and Chorus from "Carmen" ..... *Bizet*

### MEMBERS OF THE ORCHESTRA

Violins: Mr. J. Mouland Begbie (leader), P. Pradipasen, F. R. Bell,  
R. J. H. Neil, D. Franklin, G. P. Grandison, R. A. Lamb, D. M.  
Fairbairn, L. S. W. Tseng, A. H. M. McLaren.

Viola: P. H. Dangerfield.

Cello: A. J. Burnett. Mr. K. C. Jackson.

Double Bass: D. M. R. Bell.

Flutes: J. C. Bosshardt, R. M. M. Lang, J. M. Pow.

Oboes: Mr. R. C. Studholme, W. B. Melville, M. W. MacEwen.

Clarinets: Mr. D. A. R. Williams, I. A. Russell, R. F. Thompson, P. C.  
Cartledge.

Bassoon: Mr. N. D. Thomson.

French Horns: R. M. Henderson, A. W. S. Fea.

Trumpets: K. L. McKenzie, A. W. Gardner.

Trombone: G. Alpine.

Timpani: W. S. Speirs.

Percussion: B. A. A. Robertson, M. M. Miller.

Piano: Mr. K. C. Jackson, M. M. Miller.

**MEMBERS OF THE CHOIR**

- Trebles:** A. J. Ainslie, G. R. Aitken, P. R. Anderson, A. G. Balfour, G. W. Balfour, S. S. Beattie, A. D. Bell, A. J. Burnett, N. Fraser, J. A. E. Fleming, C. S. Y. Gillanders, R. A. Lamb, D. K. MacDougall, G. L. MacEwen, D. J. Macfarlane, D. P. Mackie, J. Michie, J. D. N. Ovenstone, P. A. Orchard, D. J. C. Sharpe, R. J. Smith, W. C. Stewart, A. J. Stuart, R. K. M. Taylor, J. M. Thompson, A. D. Turner, G. C. Warner, P. A. Webster, N. L. Wilson.
- Altos:** C. B. H. Anderson, R. D. Anderson, D. D. C. Biggart, M. K. Fenwick, A. N. H. Guthrie, A. D. L. Lyszkowski, M. W. MacEwen, S. C. M. McLean, T. G. Orchard, J. T. Shanks, A. R. Sharpe, C. J. R. Townson.
- Tenors:** B. M. S. Borland, I. W. L. Brown, A. I. George, R. M. G. McNaught, D. H. Martyn, A. A. Nelson-Cole, B. A. A. Robertson, V. A. N. Swindall, R. F. Thompson.
- Basses:** D. L. Ferguson, A. J. Fleming, M. A. Gilmour, D. A. R. Gordon, A. W. Hitching, I. K. Lamont, D. W. Logan, A. D. Niven, P. M. G. Reynolds, A. R. Thomson.

**The following have passed Associated Board Music Examinations:**

P. Pradipasen, Violin, Grade VIII (distinction); M. M. Miller, piano, Grade VI; W. B. Melville, Oboe and Theory, Grade V; I. A. Russell, Clarinet, Grade IV; A. G. Balfour, Piano, Grade IV; P. H. Dangerfield, Viola, Grade IV; R. F. H. Neil, Violin, Grade IV (merit); A. W. S. Fea, Horn, Grade III; A. W. Gardner, Trumpet, Grade III; J. C. Bosshardt, Flute, Grade III; R. M. M. Lang, Flute, Grade III; A. H. McLaren, Violin, Grade III; R. S. Lamb, Violin, Grade III (distinction); A. J. Burnett, 'Cello, Grade II (distinction).

## School Library

THIS is an appropriate time to remind users of the Library that a library on the "open access" system, like ours, depends for its efficiency on a careful observance of the Library rules. The most important are that no book should be taken out of the Library, even for a short time, without entry in the register; books should always be "signed-in" correctly; and no book should be put back on the shelves in the wrong place. Observance of these and the other rules is in your own interest as much as that of the Library staff.

This year it has been possible to add over three hundred books to the Library, instead of the usual sixty or so, and as a direct consequence there has been a three-fold increase in the number of books taken out. The expanded fiction section accounts for a good deal of this, but there has been a substantial rise in the number of non-fiction books withdrawn. This is a very healthy state of affairs, and it is hoped that this trend will continue.

The principal addition to the Library this year has been the new edition of "Encyclopaedia Britannica", in a specially durable

binding, for which we are indebted to the late Sir Alexander Cross. We also acknowledge with our thanks the receipt of the following books:

"The Epigrams of Oscar Wilde" and "The Boundary Book of Cricket", both from the Headmaster; Moore: "French Classical Literature"; O'Neill: "Castles and Cannons"; Bate: "The Achievement of Samuel Johnson"; Duveen and Stride: "History of the Gold Sovereign"; Evelyn: "Diary of John Evelyn"; Knudsen: "The Challenge", all from Professor Fordyce. Barker: "Atoms and the Cell", from Mr. P. A. Barker. Shaw: "G.B.S. on Music, from Mr. G. West, and "Latin Dictionary" (Lewis and Short) from Mr. W. S. Wilkie.

It is impossible, for reasons of space, to list all the new books. New fiction includes the major works of Lawrence Durrell, William Faulkner, Graham Greene, Ernest Hemingway, John Steinbeck and Evelyn Waugh, and new non-fiction includes:

Temple: "Christian Faith and Life; Sampson: "Anatomy of Britain"; Benemy: "Industry, Income and Investment", "Whitehall — Townhall"; Benham: "Economics"; Flanders: "Trade Unions"; Hagenbuch: "Social Economics"; O'Brien: "To Katanga and Back"; Kellen: "Kruschev"; Osmond: "The Artist in Britain; "Paintings of the World's Great Galleries"; "The Drawings of Leonardo da Vinci"; Williams: "George"; Slominsky: "Lexicon of Musical Invective"; Parkinson: "The Law and the Profits"; Kirk: "The Songs of Homer"; Ibsen: "Hedda Gabler, etc."; Schiller: "Mary Stuart" (trans. Spender); Dickinson: "Germany"; Spate: "India and Pakistan"; Gunther: "Inside Russia Today"; Gordon: "Miracle on the River Kwai"; Hill: "A Century of Revolution"; Shirer: "The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich"; Hibbert: "Benito Mussolini".

The Librarians this year have been: T. G. Crabb, L. W. Bell and N. F. Macmillan.

D.A.R.W.

## Dramatics

UNLIKE Pitlochry's "Stay six days and see six plays" we have not been in continual repertory performance at Strathallan. However, boys on exchange from the United States for one year have been able to see (and take part in) three productions in three terms. The lightweight farce "All for Mary" was produced in five weeks early in October, "The Yeomen of the Guard" was the major musical offering in March and the Summer term saw the serious historical play by Robert Bolt "A Man For All Seasons".

## “All for Mary”

To acclaim a great success is minimum praise for this performance. To all its perpetrators we are heartily grateful for an evening's riotous fun in the doldrums of the Winter term. In an already overcrowded programme of school activities such a production as this is bound to create many headaches in finding times and places for rehearsals, and it is no little tribute to perseverance that this effective, vivacious and accomplished performance took place at all. We hope it may start a tradition for similar ventures on the stage here.

The play is styled a “bedroom farce”—Mary is a glamorous divorcee revelling in the delights of an Alpine ski-ing hotel. Meanwhile new and ex-husbands are imprisoned together in the attic with chicken-pox, a Nannie, a teddy-bear, a telescope, an endlessly buzzing telephone, and a bottle of whisky which takes an unconscionably long time to turn up! Powerless to intervene, they pry on the doings of the world and his wife, and on the hotel proprietor—just what is Mary doing in the chalet?

As a farce, it is well contrived and has a first class dénouement. A slow start perhaps, but once two husbands come on the scene, the comic situations develop as fast as we can take them in, and the laughter is rarely allowed to relax.

As husband No. 1 B. M. S. Borland, arrayed in a gorgeous pair of pyjamas, carried much of the fun, and exploited his superb sense of comedy. His is a natural gift and with carefully judged timing and well-modulated clowning he extracted a maximum of laughs. D. H. Martyn as the new husband was an admirable foil. Though not possessing the same comic trait, his performance was well dove-tailed to Borland's and his intelligent co-ordination added much to the funny effects. Mention must be made of the excellently realistic pillow fight in which these were chief protagonists.

As Nannie, M. M. Miller was exquisite! He mothered his charges with most convincing devotion and for all his small size could not have looked more matronly. V. A. N. Swindall as the proprietor was an excellently voluble Frenchman with flawless accent, while K. L. MacKenzie coped, dare I say manfully, with the part of Mary—a brave attempt at an exacting task. D. R. Morrison as the porter, obviously enjoying himself thoroughly, completed the cast.

The list of plaudits is not complete without reference to the set admirably executed by J. B. Melville and his helpers. A good performance, too, from those behind stage, although it was a pity that the same care had not been taken with the sound effects as with other aspects of the production.

Best tribute of all perhaps was the spontaneous enthusiasm of the audience — enjoyment and appreciation won by honest effort culminating in assured and able performance.

CAST: *Clive Norton*, B. M. S. Borland. *Humphrey Millar*, D. H. Martyn. *Nannie Cartwright*, M. M. Miller. *Victor Monteny*, V. A. N. Swindall. *Mary Millar*, K. L. Mackenzie. *Alphonse*, D. R. Morrison.

STAGE STAFF: *Stage Manager*, J. B. Melville. *Assistants*, P. G. Wedgwood, A. I. George, J. C. S. Smith, D. R. Morrison. *Electricians*, D. F. Garden, R. A. Balfour, A. R. Bucher. *Make-up and Wardrobe*, Mrs. Bland, Mrs. Williams, Miss Cooper. *Music arranged by* Mr. West *and played by* P. Pradipasen and Mr. West. *Producer*, Mr. D. S. Rymer.

N.D.T.

## “The Yeomen of the Guard”

TRUE love marred by misunderstanding—an impersonation—a comic villain to be confounded—we all know the formula well. It will be cleared up in the happy ending with a cluster of marriages. *Twelfth Night*, *The Merchant of Venice*, *The Mikado*: it might be any one of a dozen examples.

But what of *The Yeomen of the Guard*? There are Colonel Fairfax and Phoebe Meryll. Between them stand two snags; he does not know she loves him and he is just about to be executed. And here is that impersonation that everyone has to be blind not to see through. The yeoman sergeant (P. M. G. Reynolds) has a long-absent son (R. F. Thompson suggests that he must have been absent in the States) who is impersonated by the Colonel who, unknown to the Lieutenant (A. J. Fleming) . . . well, you don't need to mind all the complications. You can enjoy the delightful tone of the Colonel's voice (V. A. N. Swindall's two first act solos were for me the highlight of the music). You can laugh at the well-timed slapstick of Shadbolt the comic villain (B. M. S. Borland) and the girl we are assuming to be the heroine. (She had a split personality. On one night J. A. E. Fleming was witty but unsure in his middle notes; on the other R. A. Lamb made more of the music and added charm to the part.) Shadbolt sneered and slithered around in his best curses-foiled-again voice.

Then Jack Point and the Maid come in; more comics one supposes. They introduce themselves in their delightful duet. Point (A. R. Thomson) in a quieter key than Shadbolt and the Maid (A. J. Burnett) with the purest voice of all the cast. But wait a minute — something is different. The formula does not fit. Phoebe, who had such a wistful solo at the start of the



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opera is being much too funny for a stock heroine. It is the travelling entertainer who is turning into the heroine. We are committed too, since she has already married the hero as a passing favour. And what about this execution? The lights go down and a sinister executioner appears (D. R. Morrison). No Ko-ko here, unable to decapitate a fly. This one has no jokes, no songs, not even a single word. The chorus "girls" have none of the merry tunes rippling around in thirds that Sullivan usually gives them. Can this be a tragedy and are we going to have every major character polished off by the end, as in *Hamlet*?

Well, not quite. No-one gets his head cut off, but Jack Point dies suddenly of a broken heart, as the spirit of a real Tudor drama invades the Victorian cardboard. As for the expected marriages, what an incompatible lot they make! The colonel marries the itinerant maid ("Are you going to live in manor house m'dear or would you rather pitch a tent on the front lawn?" one imagines him asking.) That nice girl from Act One marries, with no enthusiasm, the horrible Shadbolt. Her father, a kindly old widower, marries an objectionable old aunt (A. R. Sharpe) and one wonders if any of them will manage to live happily ever after.

It is all rather confusing. We are left feeling much as we would if Shylock married Portia or if Falstaff really had been killed at the Battle of Shrewsbury. If Gilbert seems to let us down, Sullivan and the cast provide us with some very beautiful music. The orchestra exceeded any previous school performance. The knockabout comedy went down well. The scenery was, as always, a great success. The make-up department gave us our usual difficult task of trying to recognise which ordinary junior they had turned into which glamorous chorus-girl. Mr. Rymer and Mr. West and all those involved had spent a great deal of time to give us a great deal of enjoyment. And we all left with plenty to think about.

D.E.Y.

### CAST

Wilfred Shadbolt, head jailor and assistant tormentor .....	B. M. S. BORLAND
Phoebe Meryll, daughter to Sergeant .....	J. A. E. FLEMING
Sergeant Meryll, of the Guard .....	P. M. G. REYNOLDS
Leonard Meryll, his son .....	R. F. THOMPSON
Dame Carruthers, Housekeeper of the Tower .....	A. R. SHARPE
Kate, her niece .....	R. A. LAMB
Colonel Fairfax, under sentence of death .....	V. A. N. SWINDALL
The Lieutenant of the Tower. Sir Richard Cholmondeley .....	A. J. FLEMING
Jack Point, strolling player .....	A. R. THOMSON

Elsie Maynard, strolling player .....	A. J. BURNETT
1st Yeoman .....	B. A. A. ROBERTSON
2nd Yeoman .....	D. W. LOGAN
1st Citizen .....	D. M. STEWART
2nd Citizen .....	N. A. THOMSON
Headsman .....	D. R. MORRISON

Chorus of Yeomen: George, A. I.; Laidlaw, M. G. G.; Strachan D. N.;  
Clark, B. G.; McNaught, R. M. G.; Niven, A. D.; Thompson, R. F.;  
Gunn, R. H. D.; Petty, W. M.; Gordon, D. A. R.; Patterson, J. M.

#### Chorus of Citizens:

Trebles: Orchard, P. A.; MacMillan, A. G.; Gillanders, C.; Stuart, A. J.;  
Handley, C.; MacDougall, D. K.; Bell, A. D.; Ovenstone, J. D. N.;  
MacEwen, G. L.; Wilson, N. L.; Balfour, G. W.; Sharpe, D. J. C.;  
Smith, R. J. S.; Stirling, A. A.; Warner, G. C.; Aitken, G. R.

Altos: Townson, C. J. R.; Anderson, R. D.; Guthrie, A. N. H.; Law-  
son, A. Y.; Lyszkowski, A. D. L.; Fenwick, M. K.; MacEwen,  
M. W.; Biggart, D. D. C.; Gardner, A. W.

Tenors and Basses: Brown, I. W. L.; Bell, D. M. R.; Roy, W. C.;  
Ferguson, D. L.; Lamont, I. K.

#### STAGE STAFF

Stage Managers .....	N. A. Thomson, J. B. Melville
Assistants .....	P. M. McGhee, G. R. Sharp, K. A. I. Manson, M. B. N. Patterson
Prompter ...	D. R. Morrison
Properties ...	J. P. Galbraith
Scenic Artists .....	J. C. S. Smith, D. R. Morrison
Electricians .....	A. I. Smith, R. A. Balfour, A. R. Bucher
Make-up .....	Miss A. Stevenson, Mrs. A. J. Stewart, Mrs. R. A. Burnet N. F. Macmillan, R. Wilkie, W. J. Speirs, K. R. Wilson
Wardrobe .....	Miss Cooper, Mrs. Wormald
and many unacknowledged assistants both from the boys and members of staff and their families	

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Directed by Mr. West

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Viola: P. H. Dangerfield.

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Trumpet: K. L. Mackenzie.

Trombone: G. Alpine.

Flutes: J. C. Bosshardt, R. M. M. Lang, J. M. Pow.

Oboes: Mr. R. C. Studholme, W. B. Melville.

Clarinets: Mr. D. A. R. Williams, I. A. Russell, P. C. Cartledge.

Bassoon: Mr. N. D. Thomson.

Tympani and Percussion: W. J. Speirs, M. M. Miller.

Piano: Mr. K. C. Jackson.

Musical Director: Mr. G. West.



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ALL who saw this play agree that it was the finest production of recent years. It is an excellent idea to attempt a serious modern play from time to time, overthrowing the old notion that comedies are the only safe venture for a school production. After seeing "A Man for All Seasons" a number of boys remarked to me that it was a "meaty" play, and this in itself is no small commendation.

It is common knowledge that the more you ask of people, the more you get from them. A great deal was asked of these actors, and they responded, clearly because they liked the play. The part of Sir Thomas More fitted D. M. Stewart perfectly. He had the serenity and poise of the scholar, and yet managed to give the impression of a man who dearly loved his family: the point of the play depended on the character of More, and its success was in large measure due to Stewart's performance. Borland, as the common man, gave us a lively performance, in a more controlled style than we have come to associate with him from recent productions. His task was not an easy one, for on occasions his wit and fluency threatened to outshine the quieter members of the cast. Robertson acted well as Norfolk, and was superbly made up. His gestures and speech were very convincing in themselves, and yet we were left with a slightly colourless Duke who might have been a little more awed by More's moral command and Cromwell's intellectual brilliance.

Good though these actors were, the play was missing something until Bell entered, as Thomas Cromwell, the determined and effective rationaliser of the King's wishes. The finest moments of the production occurred whenever More faced Cromwell's accusations. On the first of these the atmosphere was electric and the argument gathered momentum until Cromwell's obsequious friendliness turned into downright abuse.

Miller deserves credit for a particularly genuine Alice More, more especially because he managed so skilfully on the stairs with a leg in plaster, and Wilkie gave a suitably nervous rendering of the weak Richard Rich. Macmillan's Henry VIII was as vain and commanding as we could wish; in fact his best moments were those in which a certain nonchalance was required of him. With the exception of Mure, as Will Roper, who treated More as capably as he might treat an easy-going schoolmaster in real life, the remaining characters required one quality only. Lowden's slightly husky voice helped him to put across Wolsey's impatience with More's moral scruples, and Lamont brought off the part of the Spanish ambassador with impressive dignity.

The set and technical effects were interesting without distracting one's attention from the centre of the play — the character and moral fibre of Sir Thomas. The conventional symbols used to indicate place, such as the water-effects on the back wall, and the hats of the jurymen, reminded us that this is theatre, but much more than mere stagecraft, for the work is intensely relevant to our own world in which so few people stand up for principle, without being inhuman and priggish at the same time. We will not easily forget this production and hope for more like it in the future.

R.C.S.

#### CAST

The Common Man .....	B. M. S. BORLAND
Thomas More .....	D. M. STEWART
Richard Rich .....	R. W. WILKIE
The Duke .....	B. A. A. ROBERTSON
Alice More .....	M. M. MILLER
Margaret More .....	J. A. E. FLEMING
Cardinal Wolsey .....	G. R. LOWDEN
Chapys .....	I. K. LAMONT
Attendant .....	R. A. LAMB
Will Roper .....	G. H. L. MURE
The King .....	N. F. MACMILLAN
Archbishop Cranmer .....	R. A. TAYLOR
Thomas Cromwell .....	L. W. BELL
A Woman .....	S. J. S. STEVENSON

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under Mr. G. WEST

### STAGE STAFF

Stage Managers.....	D. R. Morrison, K. A. I. Manson, A. R. Thomson
Assistants.....	J. M. Pow, A. Willson-White
Properties.....	P. M. McGhee
Electricians.....	A. I. Smith, R. A. Balfour, K. Mills, S. McKenzie
Prompter.....	D. C. Taylor
Make-up.....	Mrs. F. A. D. Bland, Mrs. A. J. Stewart
Wardrobe.....	Miss Cooper, Mrs. E. Wormald

Producer ... Mr. Rymer

## Theatre Visits 1962-63

THERE have been two visits to the Old Vic Theatre Company's final touring appearances in Edinburgh and Glasgow. In Edinburgh forty Sixth Formers saw "The Tempest". This was a magical performance in which Alastair Sim as Prospero spirited us about his rugged enchanted island with an unusual enjoyment of his unearthly skills. Joseph O'Connor and Robert Eddison were outstanding in the comedy roles of Stephano and Trinculo.

The following week the junior forms went to Glasgow to see "Julius Caesar". This was a most uninspired production, almost comic in its inability to convey the strength of feelings which render the outrageous murder in some degree worthy of our study. Even the excellence of Joseph O'Connor's Brutus could in no way rescue this production which disappointed all who saw it.

Although there have been no visits to Perth Repertory Company this season, it is intended to continue to visit the theatre when there are suitable productions.

D.S.R.

## The Language Laboratory

A NUMBER of people have been asking just what a language laboratory really is. Perhaps it is best to begin by saying what problem we are endeavouring to solve.

In the French class we all learn a great many grammatical rules, which we attempt to remember when doing a "prose". This is not easy because, in the time available, it is impossible for each boy to have enough practice in using the phrases he learns. The master explains a new construction, and we say we understand it, but we cannot hope to be really confident in its use, until we have used it several times and seen it approved. Granted that the master's time for each boy is limited, how are we going to get enough practice to make all these rules and constructions come naturally, and as instinctive to us as they are to a Frenchman?

One answer lies in the use of the language laboratory. Each boy will have, for a certain length of time, a rather special type of tape recorded to himself. Through the headphones he might be asked to put a series of sentences into the negative. The voice would then give a short sentence, leaving a gap for his attempted answer (into the microphone). Then the voice comes in again with the right answer, leaving another gap for him to repeat this, whether he was right the first time or not. Here is an elementary example:

Master: As-tu du pain? (Pause.) N'as-tu pas de pain?

Boy: (Pause.) N'as-tu pas de pain? (Pause.) N'as-tu pas de pain?

When he has finished the exercise, he stops his recorder, runs it quickly back to the beginning, and, by pressing the play-back key, he hears both the master's voice and his own attempt, spotting at once whether he was exactly right, and how good (or bad!) his accent was. It will be seen from the example that master and boy record on different parts of the tape; therefore if he wishes to try again, his second attempt merely rubs off his first, without affecting the master's recording. Only the master can erase that.

It will be seen that, for the time he is at the machine, the boy is working 60 seconds in every minute, and it is exhausting work, but for those who persevere, results come quickly, and this makes it worthwhile.

Our equipment will start its life in a room behind the gymnasium, but we hope that it will soon be able to move to larger quarters. We will begin by using it to supplement ordinary class-work, but before long it should be possible to let sixth form non-linguists come along twice a week in the evenings to learn Spanish or German, etc. Those heading for a career in business abroad, or in the hotel trade, might find this interesting.

The design is largely the work of the Shell Company and the Army, though schools and colleges in the United States have been experimenting for some years. In a sense we profit by not being the first in the field, as we can draw on their experience. Even so, as far as is known, we shall be the first public school in Scotland to install one.

R.C.S.

## Safe in a World of Angry Young Men

SUDDENLY we find ourselves thrust into a world of the abstractness and objectivity, so characteristic of the break from realism, which today dominates several aspects of our culture. Yet, in general, apathy appears to persist amongst the majority: immediately in their line of vision is the half-clothed body of culture.

bleeding, seeking compassion, yet they insist on passing by on the other side. It is this thought which prompts me to write on three of the aspects of modern culture: the play, the poem, and music, in an attempt to enlighten the reader and so broaden his outlook on modern culture.

In 1949 drama underwent a minor revolution and broke loose from the chains of realism. Plays were written for the first time which actually reflected the younger generation's catholic taste. It was as if somebody has discovered a new mineral when "Daphne Laureola", an idiosyncratic piece by J. Bridie, with almost no plot at all, reaped success for the eminent Edith Evans; when Christopher Fry's brilliant verse play, "The Lady's Not For Burning", ran for many months; and when T. S. Eliot's mystical piece in verse, "The Cocktail Party", was acclaimed as a masterpiece when produced at the Edinburgh Festival. Also Christopher Fry's "Venus Observed" was welcomed for its splendid language, although the plot was far from perfection. Their success, in addition to the works of the later playwrights, such as John Osborne and Pinter are evidence enough that the stage is entering a new era of development.

Similarly, poetry entered a period of protestation against poetic artificiality, a period in which the main concern was the demand for a more natural language. Antiromanticism was acclaimed the poet's maxim: romantic exuberance became converted to romantic asceticism. The conception of human experience was extended and much of the old heroic and tragic subject matter dropped out. Amongst the greatest of contemporary poets are Yeats, Moore, Eliot, Frost, Auden and Thomas. They may be subjected to a limited range in comparison with Chaucer, Shakespeare and Browning, but they certainly are significant.

Just as the poets are willing to discard quantity, accent and the laws of versification and even to neglect the normal rules of syntax, in an attempt to create a purely sensuous effect, using words as symbols, so the modern composer completely discarded the traditional principle that a discord requires some kind of resolution. Just as the painters, Cezanne and Monet, who established many of the principles of Impressionism, concentrated on light and colour as the most important elements in a picture, largely ignoring former methods of composition and eschewing anything that savoured of photographic realism, so Debussy indicated the possibility of a new attitude towards the functions of discord, extending former vocabulary. He aimed at capturing sensation, at creating a parallel to contemporary literature and pictorial art, with undertones of ambiguity. Consequently two groups of moderns emerged: those who held on to tradition and those who broke the link with the past. In Britain, the national

tradition of choral music was pursued by such composers as Ireland, Howells, Bliss and the youngest of them all, Benjamin Britten, whose fertile imagination and fluent technique enables him to achieve a world-wide range of style. Although the Russian composers have to conform to the regulations published by those who dictate artistic style in the U.S.S.R., Prokofiev has composed some fine work and Shostakovitch produced a dynamic effect at the last Edinburgh Festival. The American composers tend to exhibit considerable individuality and eagerness to absorb more advanced methods (viz. Barker, Copland, Harris and Thompson). In all spheres, however, the general theme remains constant. The tendency is to treat dissonance freely and to abandon the traditional distinction between concord and discord. Chromaticism and disintegration are lost in the realms of oblivion and this accounts for the seemingly timelessness of the music. Coupled with this is the patterning with sounds and the mathematical handling of sounds: perhaps these factors composed the reaction to romanticism, which was so prevalent in the 19th century. Today, the composers seem to be following the abstract idiom which predominates in modern sculpture and painting. These are, of course, minor groups, such as the experimentalists like Bartok or the satirically-minded composers like Walton, who wrote very suitable music to Edith Sitwell's "Facade".

I hope this brief account has stimulated interest and will be rewarded by the appearance of a "good Samaritan".

M.G.C.

## Ode to a Silent Dog

BY A FORGANDENNY BARD

OF all the many creatures that proceeded from the ark,  
A certain shaggy, dusky hound was bound to cause remark.  
With lanky limbs before and aft, and very thin cross-section,  
And repaying friendly overtures with proper circumspection.

With the grace of a gorilla he strides out his domain,  
In canine bliss rejoicing, free from kennel, lock and chain.  
With appetite prodigious he surveys the refuse bins,  
And wolfs the dainty morsels served up for him in tins.

Should you at dead of night have chance to stumble on his track,  
He'll greet you with a friendly paw laid firmly on your back.  
Take care you do not startle him by turning round in haste,  
Lest you should coyly find a tail entwined round your waist.

By his name both royal and saintly, try to call him as you may,  
He'll flap a floppy ear to you, then run the other way.  
In one alone confiding, the one he knows as Lord,  
And to all other mortals entrusting not a word.

But marvel at the instinct (by heredity procured)  
With which he sleuths that master out by trace of scent allured  
O watch and wait and wonder — explain it if you can,  
The mystic sweet communion between one dog and his man.

## Under Scout Wood?

ONLY the hoariest members of the present generation of Strathallians will have memories of the gymnasium dating back to the earliest days of circuit training. To them, and to numerous old boys, the following hymn of praise, written (with apologies to the Rev. Eli Jenkins) in that primordial age, will be truly nostalgic. For the benefit of the others I have added foot notes regarding improvements which have been carried out in recent years

D.B.

Dear Gwalia, I know there are  
Gyms better built than ours,  
With polished floors,<sup>1</sup> and parallel bars,<sup>2</sup>  
And lavatories,<sup>3</sup> and showers.<sup>4</sup>

And wallbars<sup>5</sup> that are almost new,  
And dumb-bells<sup>6</sup> safe in motion,  
And fitter men than I to do  
Their circuits with devotion.

By Fenners, where equipment gleams,  
By Loughborough's fine and tall room,  
Strathallan gym<sup>7</sup> an attic seems.  
A hay-loft to a ball-room.

The shaking beams<sup>8</sup> one might think could  
Be made a little stronger,  
But let me choose and oh! I should  
Love all my days and longer

To sweat upon that dirty floor,<sup>9</sup>  
Beneath those dirty<sup>10</sup> rafters,  
And jump and heave and grunt and roar,  
Now and forever after.

<sup>1</sup> New floor fitted 1962.

<sup>2</sup> Purchased 1961.

<sup>3</sup> Built 1963.

<sup>4</sup> Built 1961.

<sup>5</sup> New wall-bars fitted 1962.

<sup>6</sup> New collars purchased 1960.

<sup>7</sup> Plastering and other renovations 1962.

<sup>8</sup> New beams fitted 1962.

<sup>9</sup> See Note 1.

<sup>10</sup> New ceiling 196?

## Home, Sweet Home

THE present distribution of Strathallan homes (Summer 1963) is as follows:

SCOTLAND	.....	69.5%
Glasgow	.....	8.0%
Edinburgh	.....	4.9%
Dundee	.....	6.8%
Fife	.....	8.6%
Central Scotland (excluding the above)	.....	31.3%
North Scotland	.....	5.7%
South Scotland	.....	4.2%
ENGLAND	.....	14.2%
North	.....	4.4%
South	.....	9.8%
OVERSEAS	.....	16.3%
Europe	.....	2.3%
Asia	.....	6.0%
Africa	.....	3.7%
America	.....	4.3%—

(Contributed by Form II.)

## Germany, 1963

ON Thursday, 11th April, 1963, ten out of the twelve members of the combined Strathallan - Glenalmond Schools Party to Germany met at Waverley Station, Edinburgh, to take the overnight train to London.

After spending an uneventful seven hours in London, as it was Good Friday, we returned to Victoria Station to be met by Mr. Barker. We took the Golden Arrow to Dover and the Channel Ferry to Ostend—the crossing was very calm but the ship was packed with parties similar to ours.

On arrival at Ostend we took the Trans-Continental train to Cologne, arriving there at about 2.0 a.m. We then took a bus to Bad Honnef, our first port of call.

Three days were spent in Bad Honnef during which we received our first impressions of Germany, which were extremely good. The weather was hot—the food (for sausage-lovers) excellent.

On the following Tuesday we left Bad Honnef and cruised up the Rhine to Bingen. Although it was not a perfect day some of the scenery was wonderful. We passed innumerable castles—including the famous Burg Rheinfels which was the strongest

fortification on the Rhine. We also passed the Lorelei—a legend-shrouded rock rising 400 feet above the Rhine. It is in this rock that the Nibelungen treasure is supposed to be hidden.

We arrived at Bingen late in the evening and were shown to our hotel. Our first impression of Bingen was of its baroque style of architecture. The next day we met Herr Henkel, the former German teacher at Glenalmond. On the following day he took some of the more senior members of the party to Mainz where they spent a most enjoyable day. On the day after that we went across the Rhine to a small village called Rüdesheim where we visited a wine cellar. There were free samples all round, of course!

We left Bingen on the Friday and went down by steamer to Koblenz. Koblenz has a population of about 95,000 (about six times that of Bingen) and we were all looking forward to a most enjoyable six days there. Eighty-five per cent. of Koblenz was destroyed in the last war and consequently it is very new. All the shops were explored and souvenirs bought. We made several excursions also. We visited Castle Chrenbrenstein which was just across the Rhine from Koblenz. We went up to the castle by cable-car but were most disappointed with it on our arrival there as it was just a lot of stone fortifications. Some of us lost our way going down from the castle and consequently ended up by going down through a forest.

On the following day we visited the Castle Stolzenfels which was extremely interesting. It is almost entirely preserved and inside there is an exact model of Cologne Cathedral made out of sugar and gelatine (so our guide told us).

We visited a small town called Boppard the next day and went up by cable-car to a point where the Rhine appeared to be four lakes.

As the mouth of the River Moselle is at Koblenz it seemed fitting that we should go some way up the Moselle. This we did to a place called Cochan—however, that day it was raining for the first time on the trip and consequently we could not do much there.

Our second last day in Germany was spent saying farewell to Koblenz. And on Friday morning we left for Ostend via Cologne. The ferry to Dover was packed with schoolchildren and we could hardly find room to sit down. We all passed through the customs safely except for one member who had to pay duty on several things. Back in London we had a meal and took the eleven o'clock sleeper to Edinburgh, arriving there to be greeted by—rain! We said our good-byes and dispersed to our various homes.

I am sure I am speaking for the other members of the party as well as myself in thanking Mr. Barker and Mr. Craig for taking us to Germany.

R. M. M. L.

## Italy, 1963

FOR many months prior to January 1st, fifteen eager Strathallians had been anticipating a glorious two weeks' holiday skiing in the Italian Alps. Their dreams, however, began to materialise when they managed to drag themselves away from the punch bowl and meet together at Waverley Station in Edinburgh. The faithful leaders of this expedition, Mr. Barker and Mr. Buchanan, had arranged the trip down to the finest detail, but betrayed by their travel agent, the party managed to miss their train to the "city of love" and were forced to eat their supper and indeed spend the night on the floor of a gusty guard's compartment. The travellers found out, however, that "all was for the best in the best of all possible worlds" when they arrived at Ultz the next day, cheered up by the sight of huge quantities of beautiful snow. The 'bus chugged up the twisty road which carried them to Sauz D'oulx and dumped them in front of the hotel. The first day was given over to fitting on boots and skis and in catching up on valuable sleep lost on the night before. The situation in Sauz D'oulx proved to be ideally suited for ski-ing, but more especially the situation of a hotel around the corner housing a party of skiers from a girls' school proved to be even more ideal. Our heroes never experienced the intriguing loneliness of skiing down a slope miles away from civilization with not a soul in sight, for they were nearly always in the charming company of these fair damsels. The boys who had never been skiing before quickly learned. The skiing instructors did their best but since their vocabulary was sorely limited our heroes often misunderstood their "maestros" or they simply assumed that they knew it all. The sheer quantity of snow provided terrific skiing, and the variety in the slopes gave good skiing for everyone despite inability or inexperience. The hotel was comfortable and the staff good natured. There were a number of gorgeous sunny days followed by some rather cold and windy ones which had the effect of freezing hands and toes in a most unpleasant manner. The cold conditions, however, only lasted two days and frequent trips to the hotel cheered the contingent and often fortified them against the cold outside. The highlight of the holiday was a party with the girls. The day of departure was a sad one and as the now veteran skiers boarded the bus which would take them back to the station at Ultz, they felt that their two weeks' stay had been more than worth the trip from every point of view. The snow had been perfect, the hotel comfortable and the holiday a complete success.

R. F. T.

*Rothiemurchus*

## Rothiemurchus — Easter, 1963

For the second year running, a party from Strathallan, consisting this time of 12 boys and 2 masters, occupied the Rothiemurchus Hut in the Cairngorms during the Easter period. Attention was divided roughly equally between ski-ing and Duke of Edinburgh Award type expeditions. Ski-ing took place every day except Saturday, and we were grateful to Mr. Reid of Glenalmond for instructing beginners and for organising a ski-trek over Ben Macdhui. Conditions were good as we had the loan of a 3-ton W.D. lorry, the ski-road was open throughout, and the Cairngorm chair-lift operated from Monday to Thursday. The fine weather we had to start with worsened at the week-end and a snow-storm on Friday tested the resilience of those sleeping out, and culminated in a call by the local police to assist in a mountain rescue operation searching for a climber lost on Cairngorm.

For the first three days we had the hut to ourselves, which was splendid, thereafter we shared it with a party of R.E.M.E. apprentices and their singing padre! It had been much improved since last year by the installation of electric light throughout, a new Calor gas cooker and showers. Compo rations were again our basis for subsistence, and last year's experience enabled us to use them to better advantage.

One evening Dr. W. J. Eggeling of the Nature Conservancy gave us a talk and showed slides on "Conservation, and the Cairngorm Nature Reserve." This took place in the Cairngorm Hotel, Aviemore—other evenings were spent there, and in the Nethybridge and Boat of Garten hotels. We went to church both in Rothiemurchus and in Glenmore, the latter providing a fitting conclusion to the camp, which will be remembered by those who joined the squeeze into the makeshift little church there on a beautiful Easter Sunday evening.

We all had a hectic, energetic and thoroughly enjoyable week, for which we are grateful to all those who helped us—we can assure them that it was all very well worth while.

*Attendance*—Mr. N. D. Thomson, Mr. R. A. H. Craig, Mr. P. L. Reid, Pradipasen, Fisher, P. M., Ferguson, D. L., Robertson, B. A. A., Atherton, Fawcett T. R., Mortimer, McNaught, McIntosh, Willson-White, Mills, K., and Lawson, R. G.

## School Films

FILMS shown during the year were:—Twelve O'clock High; Passport to Pimlico; The Singer, Not the Song; Two-way Stretch; The Conquest of Everest; Foothold on Antarctica; The Cockleshell Heroes; Henry V; and Reach for the Sky.

These proved a success with the exception of Henry V, mainly because it was so long and slow to develop.

However, there is little doubt that this year the school films have been very popular and reliable.

A. R. T.

## Astronomy

WE are again grateful to the Royal Society of Edinburgh for arranging a lecture by a prominent astronomer under the auspices of the Cormack Bequest. On 25th May, Dr. Cisar of St. Andrews University gave a lecture on "Light in Astronomy" in which he described how astronomical observations can be used to probe the secrets of the universe. He illustrated his talk with slides, which included some superb star photographs taken on the 18-in. Schmidt telescope of St. Andrews University Observatory.

N. D. T.

## Classical Society

THE society has continued to stimulate interest in the Ancient World, with an even more ambitious programme than last year. It has embraced subjects ranging from a film entitled "The Immortal Land" to a reading of Shaw's "Androcles and the Lion." Attendances ranged from the very large to the core of the faithful and a quorum even turned up during the House Boxing Finals. Throughout the year J. M. S. Fleming has been Secretary and G. R. Lowden President. Mr. Wilkie has continued to give us his invaluable help.

G. R. L.

## Ballroom Dancing

FOR the second year running classes were held weekly throughout the winter and Easter terms for those who wanted to learn ballroom dancing.

Miss Le Mesurier from Perth was our teacher and we are very grateful for the patient way in which she managed to get across so much, especially to some of the not so light-footed members of the class.

At the end of the winter term we had a chance to put to good use all that we had learnt when a class was arranged with Seymour Lodge. I think that more was learnt on that occasion, one way or another, than throughout the rest of the term!

During the Easter holidays several members of the class arranged a dance in Glasgow with the Beacon School. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

To know the basic skills of ballroom dancing is obviously a great asset and it is hoped that this will continue to feature in the education of boys at Strathallan.

T. A. F. J.

## Highland Dancing

UNDER the excellent guidance of our dancing tutor Miss Farquhar the society has had a fairly successful year. Although there were only twelve pupils they already knew most of the dances and there was no trouble in picking a team of eight.

Our first engagement took place on St. Andrew's night when the team danced the double Foursome Reel and I. W. Stevens and A. I. George the Shean Trews. Speech day, 15th June, saw us executing the double Broadwords, then at the band competition at Loretto on the 29th we competed against other Edinburgh schools in the single Foursome Reel in which we came fourth out of five teams, our team consisting of T. R.

Fawcett, J. N. Smith, I. W. Steven, and A. I. George. I. W. Steven did very well in the solo dance, the Highland Fling coming second out of twelve dancers.

Next year it is hoped that a team cup and a solo cup will be introduced to encourage more boys to learn about this vital part of their national heritage.

A. I. G.

## Debating Society

ON the much-regretted departure of Mr. Payman, the society passed into the hands of Mr. Young. No committee was elected, but W. R. Duncan and E. Pickard were appointed to the executive.

The motion for the first debate was "This House supports Britain's Entry into the Common Market." E. Pickard and C. A. L. Hardwick proposed the motion, A. A. Nelson-Cole and R. A. Taylor opposed. Pickard was straightforward and appealed skillfully to the prejudices of the House. Nelson-Cole put the Commonwealth viewpoint with cogency and sincerity and a less materialistic approach, which Hardwick restored in his somewhat disjointed speech. Taylor's diffidence contrasted with his dramatic arguments. The House then joined issue, N. A. Thomson and M. J. Linton speaking very well for the motion. Clark drew the engaging parallel of the Union of 1707, and N. F. Macmillan argued well on constitutional questions. At this point the chair intervened, asking L. W. Bell to speak against the motion on the grounds of restoring balance and practising for an inter-schools debate. He did, reluctantly. The final vote was 70 to 35, with three abstentions, in favour of the motion. At this time the subject was hackneyed, so whilst the debate was fairly successful no one said anything very original.

The next debate, "That the Scientists have gone too far" was not so good. V. A. N. Swindall and P. J. Tulloch were opposed by T. A. F. Jenkins and P. M. Weatherston. All spoke well but without answering each other's points, which makes for futility. The speeches from the house disagreed basically on whether the pursuit of knowledge was to be governed by the good or bad uses to which it might be put, but tended to hover above the question rather superficially, and often blamed the scientists for the faults of society. Speakers often confined their remarks to one sentence, despite appeals from the chair at regular intervals. The motion was defeated 48 votes to 11.

The third and last debate, "This House would vote Conservative at the next General Election," reverted to mooted only such subjects as members had already decided upon. L. W. Bell and T. G. Crabb spoke fluently in their difficult task of proposition, N. F. Macmillan and J. M. Prophet opposed with humour

and vigour. There appeared to be some Liberal support in the house, but the tone generally indicated that the loyalties or prejudices of the house were firmly conformist. The vote was 34 to 18, in whose favour the reader may imagine without much labour.

The fourth and last meeting of the year was a session of Any Questions, with a panel consisting of Messrs. Burnett, Barker, Young and Searle, and Mr. J. Williams of the Junior Debating Society, in the chair. There were more questions than could be answered, but discussion ranged widely. The contributions of the Public Schools and the Public House could not, it seemed, be directly compared, and the Ideal Wife was a myth; innocent amusement was gained from the question of the relationship between the characters of cars and owners, but not from that of Communism or death. Before the meeting broke up having greatly enjoyed itself, Mr. Young took the chair for an impromptu business meeting in order to return to the society's constitution. A committee was elected for next year, but the votes for chairman were equal; the idea of the chair having a casting vote not being welcomed, the decision was deferred till a proper Annual General Meeting next term.

This was not exactly a good year for the society. Three debates in two terms are not enough to sustain a debating tradition. But it is generally hoped that next year will see more debates, more interesting debates, and more participation by those who lead the school in other fields.

The school entered the Inter-School Debating Competition again. We were represented by L. W. Bell and M. J. Linton in the first round, which we won. In the semi-final in Dundee N. A. Thomson replaced Linton who considered the winning of an open Scholarship to Cambridge a more important fixture. Although we were not successful, the judges expressed the opinion that Bell was the best individual speaker. We hope for greater success next year.

L. W. B.

## Film Guide

THE aim of the society in promoting the viewing and discussion of worthwhile films has been maintained this year. They ranged from short educational films to full-length features of which the most difficult was Bergmann's "The Face" and the most enjoyed "Across the Bridge." A successful essay competition, won by Clement, rounded off the activities. Thanks are due to N. A. Thomson (president) and M. G. G. Laidlaw (secretary) who, under Mr. Wilkie's guidance, ran the society enthusiastically and efficiently.

W. S. W.

## Fishing

FISHING in the pond started again this term after a year's rest to allow the enlarged and cleared pond to settle and to allow the young fish to grow to a respectable size.

The season started well, with the fish in surprisingly good condition after such a hard winter. But as the weed grew, the fish retired into its depths and proved more and more difficult to catch. However, up to date 53 fish have been caught, and a further 70 have been returned as not quite up to the size limit.

The Old Boys once again invited us to Loch Leven for a day, and six boys had a very enjoyable time trying to outwit the fish, who were rising freely but short. Everybody caught at least one fish and we then retired in triumph to be feasted most excellently by the Old Boys. We would like to thank them for a very pleasant day.

The Fly Tying Club has moved once again, and is now in an excellent and suitably quiet room near the range, where a small band of enthusiasts have produced a large number of flies.

J. L. R. W.

## Modern Languages Society

THE society has had another active year, although the interest of boys in the "O" level forms often outshone that of the seniors. A junior section was therefore founded, under the able leadership of A. J. Gask, who gathered together a group of about 30 boys on several occasions. One of these was an "Any Questions" session in French, when a number of boys discovered, often with surprise, that the ability to chatter in French did not always reflect competence in class. On another occasion copies of the illustrated "Paris-Match" were distributed for reading, and boys gave a short account of an article to the meeting. On a further evening slides were shown illustrating the technique of Spanish bull-fighting. It was clear from the discussion that followed, that membership of the R.S.P.C.A. will soon be rising. On the same night more slides were shown of Berlin, the divided city, with an eye-witness account.

The senior section was led by Hitching for the first term, and by Crabb thereafter. A number of films with a French soundtrack were shown, of which the best were "Voyages extraordinaires de Jules Verne" and "L'oeuvre de Rodin." Some discovered that sculpture was not really so difficult to enjoy after all. The lighting effects were particularly good. Herr Balke came to us from Glenalmond to give a lecture on the future of the

Federal Republic. Except for the last few minutes, it was given in English, and we are looking forward to the day when it will be possible to invite a speaker to address a meeting in German.

The last big meeting of the year was a cheese tasting party, held in the school library. Mr. Robert Sampucci of Glasgow was the speaker, but I'm afraid that most of those present were more interested in what he had brought with him, than in what he had to say! For as well as bringing large quantities of Brie, Camembert, Port-Salut, Roquefort, and many others, he also brought some good Beaujolais with which to lubricate it.

T. G. C. and A. V. H.

## Photographic Society Report, 1963

At the end of the year the number of members was 27. It was decided to keep membership low and subscriptions high because of increasing costs and to give members a fair share of facilities.

Christmas cards were printed as usual with a picture of the chapel interior, and sold well.

In the Easter term the club photographers covered the boxing finals and two days later a film strip—containing fifty slides—was shown.

Once again members clubbed together with colour slides and on Speech Day there was a very successful slide show which was attended by many parents.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Thomson who kept a keen eye on our precarious finance and generally drove the horses.

I. A. R.

## Pipes and Drums

OF last year's band eight pipers and five drummers left school, leaving us with six pipers and four drummers. It was decided that we would not increase the band this year as we would concentrate on quality rather than on having a large spectacular band, so no new pipers joined the band. Clark, A. A., however, took over the big drum and after much practice he has proved to be a successful choice. Pott also joined the band as the second tenor drummer. This year Roy succeeded Duncan as leading drummer.

During the summer term we did not have any engagements. Last November, however, we had the honour of being invited to play at St. Leonard's on the occasion when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother opened the new science block. We played for two twenty-five minute periods and all had a most enjoyable day. Some of our members met Her Majesty who complimented us on our playing.

We again competed in the "Glasgow Highland Club" Band Competition held at Glasgow Academy on Friday, 14th June. Here we played Balmoral Highlanders (march), Caledonian Canal (strathspey), Jock Wilson's Ball (reel), and everything went off very smoothly except for one drummer who dropped his instrument at the end, causing us a little concern. However, we came out top against the other bands and again won the "Glasgow Highland Club" Pipe Banner which the pipe-major wears on his pipes. In the solo-piping competitions Scott was placed second out of twelve competitors in the senior class and Steven did well in attaining second place in the junior class out of fourteen competitors.

On Friday, 28th June, we competed in the East of Scotland Schools C.C.F. Band Competition which was held at Loretto School this year. However, we were not so successful and were placed eighth. We played the same set as we played at Glasgow with an additional march, Angus McKinnon. In the individual competitions, however, we did quite well. Fisher gained fourth place out of twenty competitors in the individual piping, and Roy and Gray came fourth equal in the individual drumming out of nineteen competitors. MacKenzie also came fourth in the individual bugling competition.

The band also played on Speech Day and on General Inspection Day when we played during the inspection and at the departure of the inspecting officer, but little was heard above the noise of his helicopter.

The band is very grateful to Pipe-major Sinclair for presenting his personal hair sporran to the band, to be worn by the pipe-major.

Our thanks also go to Pipe-major Sinclair, Drum-major Wilson and Mr. Henderson for their invaluable assistance, and it is partly due to their keen interest that there has been such a good spirit within the band this year.

The school individual competitions were held on Tuesday, 16th July, and competitors are to be congratulated for the high standard attained. The winners are—Senior Piping, Scott, R. H. Junior Piping, Borland, B. M. S. Senior Drumming, Roy, W. C. Junior Drumming, Fisher, J. A.

This year three pipers and two drummers are leaving, but there are many keen junior players to take their places next year.

The following promotions were made within the band:—To Drum-sergeant, Drum-corporal Roy; To Pipe-corporal, Piper Borland; To Drum-lance-corporal, Drummer Robertson.

P. M. F.

## St. Andrew's Night, 1962

THE main attraction at this year's St. Andrew's Night was the newly inaugurated band. Its members were Mr. N. D. Thomson and Ferguson, D. L., on accordions, Pradipasen and Fletcher on violins, and Robertson, B. A. A., on the drums. Their performance was excellent and it is hoped that this will become a tradition in the school, as we can truly say that they made the evening as enjoyable as it was. Compère for the evening was M. P. Taitt, who arranged and introduced the programme.

The pipe band under P.-M. Fisher gave two very creditable performances and the loudspeakers certainly made sure that all the music was well and truly heard. Steven and George danced the Shean Trews and the Highland Dancers gave a very good display which was loudly applauded by one and all.

The festivities terminated just before 10 p.m. and Taitt proposed a vote of thanks to the ladies and the masters who were so kind as to come along. Refreshments served in the Music Room made an excellent ending to what had been a most enjoyable evening, and very good fun for all who had attended. We were very grateful to all those who had organised it, and to those who had performed.

K. A. I. M.

## Science Society

MEETINGS were held throughout the Winter and Spring terms on Saturday evenings.

Films shown to the society included Project Mercury; The Story of Antracide; Criticality; Radioisotopes in Industry; Mining for Nickel; Flowing Solids; Rubber; and Escort Marine Radar.

In March Dr. Iball of Queen's College, Dundee, lectured to the society on X-Ray Diffraction.

In the Summer term about twenty members visited the B.M.C. works at Bathgate.

*President:* The Headmaster.

*Vice-President:* Mr. Gray.

*Chairman:* M. G. G. Laidlaw/A. R. Thomson.

*Secretary:* A. R. Thomson/T. I. Gray.

A. R. T.

## The Scripture Union

THE membership roll stands at the moment at 35, and we hope that there will be many more juniors joining in September. During the year a number of meetings have been held at about fortnightly intervals. Some have been Bible Studies, others discussions of a more general nature, and the filmstrip "Pilgrim's Progress" was shown. Mr. Gorrie, of the Scripture Union staff, was a welcome visitor in the autumn, and the Rev. J. Carpenter spoke to a meeting in the summer term. Attendance at these meetings has varied considerably, but at each there was a genuine spirit of enquiry, and members are finding the answers to those questions which most concern us all: what does faith really mean, etc.?

R. C. S.

## Shakespeare Society

THE society has had another successful year. The high standard of reading, which has been maintained from last year, and the variety of the plays read gave much pleasure to those who attended.

The plays read during the year were:—King John; The Shifting Heart, by Richard Benyon; Julius Caesar; King Lear; The Glass Menagerie, by Tennessee Williams; As You Like It; The Young Elizabeth, by Jeanette Dowling.

The hosts, to whom the society is indebted have been: The Headmaster and Mrs. Hoare; Mr. and Mrs. Bland; Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie; Mr. and Mrs. Fairbairn; Mr. and Mrs. Wormald; and Mr. and Mrs. MacLellan.

At the reading of "As You Like It," two members of the staff and two boys were persuaded to sing some of the songs, which added to the atmosphere of the play, as well as to the amusement of all others present.

The plays have been introduced by Mr. Rymer and the secretary, who gave the historical background to each play, and some suggestions for topics to be discussed at the end of the reading. The most provocative discussion was produced during the readings of "The Shifting Heart"—about racial problems in Australia, "The Glass Menagerie"—about parental domination, and "King Lear"—about mental capacities.

Mr. J. R. L. Williams has been co-opted on to the committee and joins Mr. Rymer, A. V. Hitching, B. M. S. Borland and V. A. N. Swindall who retain their places for the next year. Borland succeeds Hitching as secretary.

B. M. S. B.

## Stamp Club

(RILEY HOUSE)

THE Stamp Club has once again been active and has produced an exhibition for display on Speech Day. The exhibition included stamps grouped under themes which included sport, transport, queens, unusual shapes, flowers, etc.

Activity has been mostly in pursuit of laying foundations for the better presentation of stamp collections, a greater appreciation of the values of the many stamps which change hands and in trying to limit collections to certain themes or countries in order to increase the chances of achieving a full and worthwhile collection.

G. W. Balfour has been a keen and efficient secretary this year.

D. S. R.

## V.C.C.

THE end of last term saw the somewhat uncertain birth of a new society, namely the Vintage Car Club. Discreet enquiries were made by the founders and soon there were some 18 members. Mr. Addison kindly agreed to look after the financial side although he said he would be unable to spend much time with the club. It was he who discovered that Mr. Fairbairn was willing to give up his old car.

However, everyone was surprised on the first Friday of this term to see an old 1937 Austin 7 parked some way up the east drive. Although somewhat reminiscent of a car abandoned on a refuse heap it attracted a lot of interest from the school who had not expected anything to materialise.

Some time elapsed before the car was pushed to its garage on the Freeland Farm straight. It went quite fast down Tattersall Hill but the brakes proved up to the occasion and no damage was sustained.

The club, which is not receiving any financial support from the school, has as its primary aim the cultivation of interest in mechanical engineering. Old pre-war cars which can usually be obtained for as little as £5, will be bought by the club. These will be renovated as much as is necessary by stripping, cleaning and re-assembling with whatever new parts are required. The finished product will be sold and the proceeds put back into the club.

Unfortunately not much work could be done on the car this term as "A" and "O" level exams. took away most of the

members. However, after these exams, a number of members were down, devoting much of their time to preparing the car for re-assembly. Before this, it was not unusual to see some ten or more members—mostly Freeland who seem to have adopted the club as their own—working hard at it. Perhaps the most enjoyable part, certainly as far as the author is concerned, was swinging the sledge-hammer to smash the body away from the chassis. Accidents, of course, do happen and the steering-wheel suffered a severe fracture of the rim, diagnosed as incurable. Work proceeded apace and soon the car was in as many component parts as possible, almost unrecognisable as a vehicle. However, this is where the difficulty starts, because in our enthusiasm to strip the car we neglected to make a note of from where the parts came and now no one knows what goes where. Still we should manage somehow—although the finished job might resemble a nightmare more than a smart sports car.

Our garage is in fact Mr. Stewart's who has kindly lent it to us. The facilities though are almost nil—four walls, a roof, and an earthen floor—it affords us no light, most important in the winter, and no power for electrical tools.

The finances are on a limited but sound basis. The members pay 10/- a term which gives the club £30. But this sum should suffice to allow us to rebuild the car. Not unnaturally many parents and other outsiders are also interested in the club and the enthusiasm and independent manner it creates, and some have helped with tools and experienced advice.

Perhaps the car will be on view and on sale next Speech Day.

T. G. C.

## “Wing-Forward”

AT the beginning of the year “Wing-Forward” appeared to have died a natural death, and it was not until the Spring term when a new staff with some new ideas took over responsibility that it was revived.

The format was changed, the size reduced to a more manageable and readable quarto and the Wing-Forward motif put on the front.

As far as content was concerned, reports on particular activities and games were dropped and articles of a more literary flavour appeared.

Judging by the printed correspondence these changes were not popular with everyone, but that faithful yardstick, circulation, showed there is a real demand for a journal of the nature of the new “Wing-Forward,” about 200 copies of each edition being

sold within the school. Two editions a term were planned, but pressure of work prevented a second edition's being published in the Summer term.

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T. G. C.



*The Annual Inspection:  
The arrival of the Inspecting Officer*

## Combined Cadet Force

FOR some time now, various rumours have been circulating that C.C.F. contingents are to be made voluntary, or abolished or limited in some way. During the Summer term it was announced in the press and in official letters that the total numbers for the whole country are to be cut down, and various changes made. For us at Strathallan the differences should not be noticed greatly, except that boys will probably be in the pre-service section for four terms and the Army Basic Test has been abolished. This will mean in time that cadets may be able to enter the R.N. or R.A.F. sections directly, when vacancies exist.

More noticeable will be that new Arms Drill is to come into effect for examination purposes, and those who think of "sloping arms" will be out of date in favour of those learning to "shoulder arms" by tucking their rifle under their arm. A combination of new drill with old rifles has been devised by the War Office.

The Army section may suffer slightly as well, when the Black Watch depot moves from Stirling to Aberdeen, which will complete the final phase of their move from Perth. Aberdeen is a long way off when it comes to getting outside assistance on Friday afternoons, at Camp or at Cert. A boards. We shall miss them.

Once again Army Camps were held at Easter, the main one being at Stirling. A very enjoyable and strenuous week was spent, and an excellent standard of training and discipline was achieved. We were very grateful to Major Lewis of Drip Camp, for all his arrangements, and also to the Training Officer and N.C.O.s of the Depot B.W./A. & S.H., Colonel Pengelly, Captain Collins and W.O.s of the Royal Engineers and all others who helped to make the week run so smoothly. An account of some of the Camp activities appears elsewhere in this magazine. Another "arduous" Camp was held at Rothiemurchus, the main excitement of which was perhaps Mr. Thomson's driving of the 3-tonner. All returned safely, even if one wing of the vehicle was not in prime condition. We should like to thank Mr. Craig and also Mr. Reid of Glenalmond for their assistance. The R.N. and R.A.F. Sections also held their various camps described elsewhere.

The General Inspection of the Contingent took place on 21st June when Air-Marshal Sir Augustus Walker, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., A.F.C., M.A., landed by helicopter beside the parade. The O.C. soon realised why the R.A.F. have never adopted the kilt. The Air-Marshal was accompanied by P/O A. D. K. Campbell (Old Strathallian) as his A.D.C. The Contingent looked extremely smart on parade which was under the command of U/O Scott. The band played very well and the March Past was of an excellent standard, particularly the R.N. and R.A.F. sections; the Army still have some lee-way to make up. Only the numbers of pre-Service boys fainting slightly marred the proceedings. Training was inspected in the morning and early afternoon, and included swimming the pond in battle order and tin hat, firing blanks from a 25-pounder, sailing on the pond, the Link Trainer and a civil defence demonstration as well as more usual training. The Inspecting Officer addressed the Contingent in the gym. before departing. An entirely unrehearsed send-off was given to him when the Under-Officer drew up the Contingent on Little Acre and the band played a farewell as the helicopter circled the fields before going off into the distance. This showed the school's appreciation of the extremely pleasant visit of this very senior and distinguished officer, and it was the end of one of our most successful inspections. In the evening B.B.C. Television showed part of the Inspection and March-Past on their Scottish News.

The Retreat ceremony was rained off at the end of Speech Day but fortunately we were able to have it on the Sunday evening after Leave Out. We were very proud of the band once again, and all who were on parade are to be congratulated on an excellent show. Leading Seaman Mackenzie bugled very movingly as the flags came down. Cox. Stewart was in charge of the parade.

The Band won the West of Scotland Highland Club competition at Glasgow Academy, when once again we were entertained so well, but we fared less well all round at the other competition, held this year at Loretto, where Piper Steven with a second in dancing got our only honour.

We welcome Mr. J. L. R. Williams into the Corps in the Army Section, and thank Mr. Henderson for all his work with us especially since taking over the Stores. I should like to thank all the Officers and N.C.O.s for their hard work over the year.

T. C. G. F.

Senior N.C.O.s in the Army Section:—

Under-Officer Scott.

C.S.-M. Duncan.

C.Q.M.-S. Crabb.

Sgts. Cranston, Hardwick, Shepherd, Weatherston.

Pipe-major Fisher.

Drum-sgt. Roy.

## Army Camp—Easter, 1963

“AND one and two and one and two” were the sounds the birds at Back O’Hill Camp, Stirling, seemed to make in the dawn chorus. However, those who actually went outside at that time assured me that it was in fact Mr. Henderson starting the day off as it was to continue, energetically. For the area round Stirling provides many opportunities for being energetic, and we made the best use of them all.

The first day was spent in a map-reading exercise and involved a long trek across the hills. Eventually all the parties blundered through the mist to safety, although some took noticeably longer than others, and not everybody arrived at the right destination.

The Black Watch lent us three very expert and energetic sergeants who spent a day instructing us on battle craft and weapon training, which seemed to involve much running up and down steep hillsides. They also provided three very elusive enemy against whom we could practise what we had learnt. We must have learnt quite a lot, for Major Fairbairn pronounced the final platoon-in-attack on the next day’s training the best he had seen this Corps do.

Some distance from Stirling, twenty-three minutes' march at Mr. Henderson's vigorous pace, is DRIP. Everybody spent two days at Drip, one practising getting wet in assault boats and dinghies, and the other showing their skill in a regatta, which was contested so fiercely that piracy broke out on the far bank of the river, and several people got very wet, notably Madjd, who was complaining so bitterly about the unnecessary discomfort of all this cold water that he failed to notice that the boat he was about to sit in had moved. C.S.M. Duncan's syndicate tied with Cpl. Nelson-Cole's for the prize, and so the two leaders rowed off for the trophy. Despite the theft of one of his hard-earned fenders C.S.M. Duncan won the prize, a large, and very heavy anchor.

The Black Watch gave us a day on the ranges, firing the S.L.R. Mr. Henderson took us over the assault course, made us run a mile in full battle order in next to no time, and carry heavy people a hundred yards in no time at all. We marched to church through the town, which was not our only visit to Stirling: Carruthers could be seen leading small raiding parties to his favourite haunts almost any evening. The town also visited us; in an unofficial football match on a purloined pitch Cpl. Nelson-Cole's XI beat the Raploch Lads.

So it was definitely an energetic camp. It must also have been an enjoyable camp; one weary-looking boy was heard to say that he would rather stay on at camp than go back to school.

J. L. R. W.

## Royal Naval Section

CADETS from the section have been on a number of courses during the past year, most of which were up to the usual high standard of training. Last summer, a party of eight spent a week at Loch Ewe in Ross-shire at an arduous training course, which even if it was not quite so gruelling as its title suggests was well worthwhile. It appears to be becoming customary for the Admiralty to send boys for their annual training to establishments whose complements are on leave, and this was the misfortune which befell a group who went on a Naval Aviation Course to H.M.S. *Sea Hawk* at Culdrose in Cornwall, and they did not actually manage to get airborne. Both of two separate visits to H.M.S. *Dolphin*, the submarine depot at Gosport, proved to be most interesting, for although only one group had the privilege of going to sea in a submarine, the others were given the opportunity of going aboard H.M.S. *Eskimo*, one of the very latest anti-submarine frigates, while she was still doing acceptance trials around the Isle of Wight.

Field Day was spent in the Firth of Forth where three mine-sweepers were at the disposal of the section. Several demonstratory exercises were laid on, and all in all a most interesting day was spent at sea. The culmination of the year's training was a visit to the Naval Air Station at Lossiemouth where members of the section had the opportunity of having flights by helicopter in addition to inspecting the Navy's front-line low level bombing and fighting aircraft. In the Spring term the section spent a day aboard the navy's oldest ship, H.M.S. *Unicorn*.

The weekly instruction periods every Friday have been continued throughout the year, and the exceptional efficiency of the instructors, coupled with keenness of the lower ranks has led to the usual high standard of examination results being maintained. In fact 14 cadets succeeded in passing the Able Seaman's Examination, 12 passed the Proficiency, and a further 8, the Advanced Proficiency.

The co-operation of the Sailing Club has enabled a number of cadets to have practical experience in sailing on the pond, and it would appear that the section may shortly be the proud owners of a power-boat, so that the hitherto largely land-based Naval Section will shortly become fully aquatic.

*Appointments and Promotions.*

Coxswain i/c Section: D. M. Stewart.

Coxswain 2 i/c Section: P. M. Fisher.

Petty Officers: D. Clark, T. A. F. Jenkins.

Leading Seamen: D. H. Martyn, E. Pickard, J. C. Ferguson, K. L. Mackenzie, W. C. Roy.

The strength of the section has been 34 and rises to 40 in September. There are 13 cadets who have passed Advanced Proficiency, 16 who have passed Proficiency and await Advanced Proficiency and 4 who await Proficiency.

D. M. S.

## H.M.S. Dolphin

AFTER a long journey, a party of nine naval cadets arrived at Portsmouth Harbour Station. They were met by a group of naval officers who accompanied them to H.M.S. *Dolphin* on the naval ferry. A late supper revived the party and with a cursory glance at the N.A.A.F.I. they bedded down in the messdeck.

The following morning, after an early reveille and breakfast they went to the Church of England service. Unfortunately, and with amusing consequences, they did not know the order of the service. Afterwards they familiarised themselves with the local landmarks. During the afternoon some went to Portsmouth and

the remainder went sailing under the able guidance of an R.N.R. lieutenant who promptly attempted to ram the ships in the harbour. Four more cadets joined the party in the evening, fresh from the "Yeomen of the Guard."

The next morning they visited H.M.S. *Ariel* where they were shown the various aircraft in the hangars and were given a breath-taking trip in a Dominique. In the afternoon, they formed a hockey XI and beat their English rivals, Hurstpierpoint School. After tea they cleaned out the submarines *Grampus* and *Porpoise*, newly returned from under the Arctic ice-cap. The task completed they retreated to the safety of the T.V. room and the billiard saloon in the N.A.A.F.I. until 22.00 hours.

The rest of their days were spent in visiting various interesting shore bases—H.M.S. *Excellent* (Gunnery), the Fraser Gunnery Range, H.M.S. *Phoenix* (A, B, C, D), H.M.S. *Vernon* (Torpedoes) and H.M.S. *Sultan* where they saw films, were lectured to, deafened by guns and drilled on parade grounds. Also, they visited the P.T. school where they again beat their rivals, this time at water polo.

The climax of their visit was going to sea in a M.F.V. practising their navigation under the guidance of Lt.-Com. MacPhearson, Lt. Eyre, and Sub.-Lt. Rymer, and spending a day on board H.M.S. *Eskimo*, a newly commissioned frigate. The frigate was on a radar-testing exercise off the Isle of Wight.

The only mishaps encountered were the generator failing and an A.B. losing an Admiralty mug.

The party, minus two A.B.s who were left to carry boxes of linen and clothing from the messdeck to the stores, left at the crack of dawn on Saturday to various destinations. The week was enjoyed by all even though they had to pull a cutter before sunrise.

J. A. S. R. and A. M. C.

## R.A.F. Section

A LARGE intake at the beginning of the year meant that the section was the largest it had ever been, with forty-two cadets, nine of whom had Advanced Proficiency.

Field Day in October was spent with the Section split into two parties, one visiting R.A.F. Turnhouse for flying with Fl./Lt. Wormald and the other visiting R.A.F. Leuchars with Flg.Off. Barker to see round the missile servicing area; both visits were in their different ways most profitable.

In December, ten cadets sat their Advanced Proficiency and nine gained a pass, Anderson with Distinction. At the same time twenty-three cadets sat Adv. Proficiency and eleven passed, Cds. Reid, Ross and Franklin with Distinction. These results reflect the very high standard of instruction and keenness among the cadets and instructors. Recognition of the outstanding academic record this year has been made by H.Q. Air Cadets.

Annual Camp was spent at R.A.F. Leconfield in Yorkshire. At Arbroath a further ten cadets have qualified for their A and B Gliding licences, bringing the total to twenty-five, the best Gliding record ever achieved by any Section in Britain.

We were sorry to lose three senior N.C.O.s in April: F/Sgt. Thomson, who has done much for the Link Trainer (good work which has been ably continued by Cpl. Sleep); Sgt. Linton and Sen./Tech. Laidlaw, two excellent instructors.

The inspecting officer this year was Air Marshal Sir Augustus Walker, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., A.F.C., M.A., C-in-C. Flying Training Command, who congratulated the section on their outstanding record and all round smartness. His Aide was Plt.Off. A. D. K. Campbell, an ex-section commander who was recently commissioned at Cranwell, where he won the two prizes offered for Navigators.

This year has seen the completion of the renovation of the R.A.F. rooms, an excellent piece of work completed almost entirely in the spare time of the cadets.

A further twelve cadets sat Advanced Proficiency in June, only four of whom passed, but four out of four passed Proficiency.

The R.A.F. Shooting Team were very narrowly beaten in the Assegai Trophy competition, a competition open to all R.A.F. Sections in Britain. They finished first equal with Nottingham H.S. with 586 out of 600, but Nottingham were awarded the trophy on the number of bulls scored, 47 to 46. A fine effort which augurs well for the future.

The N.C.O.s at the end of the year were:

W.O.: K. R. Wilson.

F/Sgt.: J. S. Hendrie.

Sgts.: J. M. Prophet and P. J. Tulloch.

Cpls.: P. G. F. Sleep, D. N. Strachan, D. A. R. Gordon,\*

R. H. D. Gunn,\* I. A. Russell, J. S. Logan.

A/Cpls.: D. R. Anderson, W. S. Pate.\*

\* Seconded to Pre-Service as instructors.

K.R.W.

W.O. Wilson has been selected to take part in the 1963 International Air Cadet Exchange, and will visit Canada for three weeks in July-August. He is one of the thirteen C.C.F. Cadets selected from the whole of Britain, the other forty-seven are from A.T.C. Units. He is the second from this School in the last five years.

### **GLIDING 1963**

"TAKE up slack"!

An aldis flickers; a winch driver depresses his clutch. The silvery steel cable in front of the glider becomes taut, expectant.

"All out"!

An aldis flickers; 1,000 yards away across the grass a winch driver acts.

A jerk and the glider moves hesitantly forward. The pitching journey across the grass admirably contrasts against the smoothness with which it leaves the ground. It climbs steadily to 100 feet. From there, it soars up to 1,000 feet. There is a mighty rushing wind throughout the climb. At this height the pressure on the stick is eased and the release knob pulled. The nose lifts in exultation as the glider is liberated. The presence of the gods demands the respectful hush it receives. The effect is intoxicating; new emotions are born, undreamt of emotions. Feelings which cannot be imagined, for glider flying is unique; no thing on earth is so similar that it can be the basis for conjecture as to its quality. The transient glory lasts for the three minutes of actual flying time. The sweet memory alone remains as the nose-skid runs along the grass once more, on landing. The tedious launching procedure soon to be repeated seems so banal.

Some poet or musician, sincere and basic, must try and retain in a few stanzas or bars the heights of ephemeral pleasure to which a glider pilot attains, capturing its most individualistic flavour.

It was to experience such joy, and to obtain their A and B Gliding Certificates, that ten air cadets from Strathallan went to R.N.A.S. Condor near Arbroath during the last year. Five took their certificates during the Easter holidays and five on their Sundays in the summer term. All passed, bringing the number in the section with their gliding certificates to be the largest percentage of any air cadet unit in the British Isles. This is partly due to the popularity of the 662 Gliding School at Arbroath, under the command of Flight Lieutenant White, who is regarded with a similar mixture of fear and admiration both by his fellow-officers and the cadets. The difference in efficiency between his absence and his presence is extraordinary, but even when he is away the section runs more efficiently than

sections of the same standing. There was a slight draw-back as far as "Condor" was concerned in the cuisine, where the culinary standards compared unfavourably with those at Strathallan.

We were not, then, as appreciative of the virtues of free flight after lunch as before. A favourable lasting impression, however, has remained through the mists of gravy and charred potato, and no one has been heard denigrating their gliding experiences. Their subconscious respect for Fred White is just as lasting.

N.F.M.

### FACTS ABOUT GLIDING

CADETS get their first experience of gliding in a Sedbergh, a glider which has pilot and pupil sitting side by side; this is actually a sailplane and capable of quite high performances. After between six and nine flights the cadet graduates to a Kirby Cadet Mark III, in which the pupil sits in front of the pilot, connected to him by headphones, although of course the controls are absolutely duplicated in both these types.

The pupil then does up to a total of over twenty launches before he is "checked"; if the check is satisfactory the instructor gets out—attaches a ballast-bar to the glider (to balance his missing weight) and lets the pupil off on his first solo. This gives him his "A" licence—if he lands safely; two more and he gets his "B". If he can do more satisfactory things, including staying in the air for over fifteen minutes, he gets his "C" Licence. To go further he has to pass three tests at each stage, graduating through Silver and Gold to Diamond Badges. A glider pilot with three Diamonds is an International Star—there are only about twenty-five in the world. The three tests are: (i) a gain of height; (ii) fly above a certain distance; (iii) fly a fixed distance. In the case of Diamonds these are: gain 5,000 metres; fly over 500 kilometres; fly to a destination (named) over 300 kilometres away. Once a person has qualified for "A" and "B" Licences, or above, he applies to the Royal Aero Club and gets issued with one, and these licences are International.

A Cadet Glider has a gliding angle of about 1 in 19, that is for one mile of height it will glide nineteen miles, under still conditions. When learning, a cadet is launched by a winch. This winch gives the glider about 1 foot of height for every yard of cable and throws the glider up about 1,000 feet. A launch and then a circuit lasts from three to six minutes and, depending on the wind, covers from two and a half to five miles.

E.W.

### **R.A.F. LECONFIELD, EASTER 1963**

SEVEN miles just west of north from the port of Hull is the town of Beverley, with a mediaeval Minster, Tudor-timbered garages, three flea-pit cinemas and other amenities in corresponding measure. There was no civic reception committee when thirty members of Strathallan R.A.F. Section, plus two Fettesians, first graced the station square a day after the end of the Easter term; but there was a Warrant Officer with epic cross-section and handlebar moustache to chivvy us into the R.A.F. bus (which had highly elementary suspension), to be deposited at R.A.F. Leconfield. Three others arrived later, after many adventures, after the Oxford Hockey Festival.

A large, spaciouly but bleakly laid-out station; McCudden block, our billet, was conveniently opposite the airmen's mess, where the meals compared well at any rate with Strathallan cuisine. We had Rediffusion at one end for the good old mass culture, and the Tannoy at the other to breathe gently into our grateful ears the news of the day's dawning at 6.45 a.m.

At our briefing we learnt from the Station Commander, among other things, that Leconfield is one of the major front-line stations of Fighter Command, with two fighter squadrons—22 newly equipped with Lightnings and 19 (the Blue Diamonds aerobatics team) with Hunters—and also 228 with Whirlwind helicopters, air-sea rescue and a communications squadron. At this point, for the record, it started to snow, but the meteorology boys persuaded it to stop.

We got an average of two flights each in a Chipmunk. The experience of controlling an aircraft is exhilarating and unforgettable; the experience of a barrel roll after lunch is . . . interesting. We all had a tour of the area in a helicopter, and one envied N.C.O. had a flight in a Meteor jet. They even let us sit inside their precious Lightnings and explained things; these planes fly at over twice the speed of sound and, besides, they have gold-plated exhaust pipes (literally). Tell that to the Wright brothers! We saw the complex Lightning flight simulator in battle (cost £2,000,000); the Ground Controlled Approach radar in its chequered caravans; the cool frenzy of the Air Traffic Control. Then there were the Firestreak air-to-air guided weapons' workshops, where we were interested or mesmerised by the ingenious electronics of the missile and the cunning guidance system, details of which were just off the secrets list. Then, to be less aggressive, there were the parachute and brake parachute departments, dinghies and sea survival kits. There was a day excursion to the seaside resort of Bridlington, where after exploring the town we went for a long trip in a high-speed Air-Sea Rescue launch and watched a helicopter from Lecon-

field picking up pilots under-training out of the sea (temperature 38° F.). It was here, repeating this exercise, that one of the helicopters crashed about four weeks later. Back at Leconfield, we did a lot of 303 shooting and collected a lot of badges in the process.

One fated day we were taken miles north to near the Fylingdales BMEWS—and if you dislike jargon try saying Ballistic Missile Early Warning Station a few times before they land on you. An approach exercise took place over the bare Yorkshire moors and we reached the station too low for the huge fantastic globe aerals to detect our arrival. It being Sunday, only one orderly was visible to provide a cup of British Working Tea on our arrival inside.

The camp lasted a week, during which our spare time was employed in the NAAFI, camp cinema, or investigating the merits of Beverley and Hull. We attended the Palm Sunday service at Beverley Minster, and were then shown round this richly historical building, after being presented with Palm crosses. The town was very English, even to the fact that all the double-deckers of the excellent bus service must have a tapered top deck to get through one historic archway. During the camp we learnt a lot, lost a good deal of sleep, forgot to salute a lot of officers, and learnt to like the short, but large-lunged, Warrant Officer. The stoicism of the entire station in tolerating our presence speaks better than anything for the men of the R.A.F.

L.W.B.

## Pre-Service

To meet the increasing period of time spent by boys in Pre-Corps training, a varied programme of activities has been undertaken this year under the general context of citizenship. The aim has been to provide map-reading, shooting and basic military discipline for all, together with a series of courses of practical and interesting application. These have covered first aid, light rescue, cookery, internal combustion engine, close combat and elementary naval training. Lectures of general interest and visits to public utilities have also been included.

Opportunities have been given as far as possible for leadership training in small groups in the map-reading and outdoor activities. Field Day was spent on a most successful scheme on Ben Chonzie, and the results of this and other competitions contributed to the Pre-Service house competition for which a trophy is now awarded. This year's winners were Freeland.

On General Inspection day the Light Rescue group staged a demonstration of rescue from heights, outside the dining hall, which was favourably acclaimed by the Inspecting Officers, while throughout the summer Scout Wood has been the scene of a demonstration camp cooking site.

All these activities could not have taken place without the assistance of a large number of people and I gratefully acknowledge help from the following: Messrs. Ford, Dagenham, for the magnificent gift of a cut-away, demonstration engine; Messrs. Frew, Perth, for demonstration engine parts; Mrs. Douglas and Miss Cooper for running first-aid classes, and Dr. Clark of Perth for conducting exam.; Mrs. Wilkie for cookery classes; Mr. Campbell and Perth and Kinross Civil Defence Committee for instruction and loan of equipment; Mr. Rymer and N.C.O.s of naval section for naval training; Mr. Henderson for close combat classes; Firemaster, Perth and Kinross Fire Brigade, and the Head Postmaster, Perth, for arranging visits; Messrs. Studholme and Gray and Dr. Mackenzie for lectures; Mr. Williams for rabbits, and also all masters who assisted and provided transport on Field Day.

N.C.O.s in charge: Sgts. Taitt and Hardwick; L/Cpls. D. L. Ferguson, Borland and J. B. Melville; Cpls. Gordon, Pate and Gunn.

Numbers (Summer Term): 69.

N.D.T.

## The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

WITH the introduction of the annual Rothiemurchus camp for Second Series hikes, and First Aid classes as part of the Pre-Service syllabus, the means by which deserving candidates can obtain awards are now established on a firm basis. My next object is to define and enforce precisely the conditions governing the operation of the scheme in Strathallan, and thereby enhance both its own status here, and also that of successful candidates. The various activities will now take place in a yearly cycle to coincide with the school year, and candidates will be expected to complete all tests for any one series in the course of one year. At all levels, enthusiasm for the qualities of self-reliance, service to others and perseverance in constructive pursuits, are a necessary qualification, without which no-one, however competent to complete the formal tests, will be allowed to proceed to awards.

The programme of activities to date this year is:

5th Oct. — 30th Nov., 1962: First Aid Lectures by Mrs. Douglas.

17th Dec., 1962: Awards presented by Headmaster — 2nd Series: M. P. Taitt. 1st Series: P. C. Cartledge, A. A. Clark, J. S. Hunter, W. A. Macmillan, R. M. G. McNaught, M. M. Miller, J. R. G. Mortimer, N. F. M. Pott, I. S. Primrose, J. N. Smith, C. A. Willson-White.

25th Jan. — 15th Mar., 1963: First Aid Lectures by Miss Cooper.

22nd Mar., 1963: First Aid Exam. by Dr. Clark, Perth. Sixteen British Red Cross Society Junior First Aid Certificates awarded.

9th-13th Apr., 1963: Second Series Expeditions in Cairngorms from Rothiemurchus Hut.

18th-19th May and 29th-30th June, 1963: First Series Expeditions in Ochils.

2nd-3rd June, 1963: First Series Expedition in Cairngorms.

July, 1963: Pursuits and projects tests and standards.

N.D.T

## HOUSE NOTES

### Freeland House Report, 1962-1963

THIS year we have been the largest House. C. C. K. Dunbar and J. S. Beattie left at the end of the winter term, M. J. Linton and R. N. Watson at the end of the spring term, and this summer we are losing all the prefects (except D. R. Anderson) — C. H. Manners-Wood, I. W. Steven and W. J. Speirs.

School Offices held by Freeland boys have included the following: School Captain, Captain of Rugger, Captain of Hockey, Under Officer i/c the C.C.F. — R. H. Scott; Tennis Captain, Fl. Sergeant 2nd i/c the R.A.F. Section — J. S. Hendrie; Pipe-Major, Shooting Captain, Sailing Captain, Cox 2nd i/c R.N. Section — P. M. Fisher; W.O. i/c R.A.F. Section — K. R. Wilson; C.Q.M.S. in Army Section, School Librarian, Editor of *Strathallian* and *Wing Forward* — T. G. Crabb; Cross-Country Captain — C. H. Manners-Wood.

M. J. Linton won the Dux Medal for the best "A" Level results in 1962, an Open Scholarship in Natural Sciences to Pembroke College, Cambridge, and a Shell Industrial Scholar-

ship. On Speech Day, R. H. Scott was awarded the Smith Cup, the Houston Prize and the Mathematics Prize, and I. W. Steven was awarded the Mathematics Essay Prize.

Five members of the House held their First XV Colours, and in a most exciting match we were defeated by Simpson in the House Matches. Four members of the House held their First XI Hockey Colours, and Scott captained the Scottish Schoolboys' XI, while Linton was given a final trial. Only D. R. Anderson held First XI Colours for Cricket, and while the Seniors were fourth in the House Matches, the Juniors were equal first. Keech was awarded School Athletics Colours and was placed third in the Scottish Schoolboys' Discus event at Goldenacre. Matthew held Swimming Colours, and Darling held Summer Hockey Colours and was runner-up for the Middle Victor Ludorum.

The House won the Sailing Cup and were equal first in fives, and also won a new cup, the Pre-Service Cup. P. M. Fisher won the Shooting Cup for the fourth time, Scott the senior piping and Borland the junior piping. Freeland provided half the band, and practically the whole of the dancing team. Steven was placed second in the individual dancing competition at the East of Scotland Band Competition at Loretto. M. W. MacEwen won the junior drumming.

We have had news of a number of past members of the House and we congratulate K. R. Hunter on winning a gold medal for medicine and J. F. Dyet for getting a final trial for the Scottish Hockey XI.

House Captain:

R. H. Scott.

School Prefects:

J. S. Hendrie, M. J. Linton.

House Prefects:

C. C. K. Dunbar, P. M. Fisher, P. G. F. Sleaf, K. R. Wilson,  
D. R. Anderson, T. G. Crabb, D. A. R. Gordon, J. C. C. Blake.

House Captains of Sports:

Rugby and Hockey: R. H. Scott.

Cricket and Fives: D. R. Anderson.

Shooting and Sailing: P. M. Fisher.

Boxing: C. C. K. Dunbar, C. H. Manners-Wood.

Tennis: J. S. Hendrie.

Swimming: K. A. L. Matthew.

Athletics: T. G. Crabb.

Music: D. A. R. Gordon.

Librarian: M. G. Clark.

P.R.S.

## Nicol House Report, 1962-1963

LUCK in the games field this year has not entirely run our way. The effort, however, has always been there, with a good example set by the senior members of the House, and this looks encouraging for the future.

We were very unfortunate when our principal rugger star, A. A. Nelson-Cole, broke his leg right at the beginning of the season, though he continued coaching our teams on crutches. In the Senior competition we went down fighting to Freeland and Simpson, who both had stronger potential than ourselves. Nevertheless we won the Junior and Minor Rugby cups to offset this. Barron, D. Clark and D. H. Martyn played regularly for the School XV, and Barron was chosen to play for the Scottish Schoolboys' XV. We won the newly inaugurated goal-kicking cup, thanks mainly to the efforts of D. M. Stewart.

We were very successful in winning the Boxing Cup, having nine finalists in the competition.

D. M. Stewart and Sloan were awarded their School cricket colours. We only came third in the Senior cricket competition, though our team was very young, but we tied for first place with Freeland and Ruthven in the Junior competition.

In the other sports we did not dominate the field, doing very well in standards in the Athletics, but disappointingly in the Finals. A. W. Wilkinson was Senior swimming champion and broke the School long distance record.

D. Clark and J. M. S. Fleming were awarded their School hockey colours, Wilkinson his swimming colours and Coldwell his tennis colours. Hitching was School Captain of Athletics.

In the field of work, J. C. Ferguson and J. B. Melville shared the Chemistry prize on Speech Day, while Martyn won the Physics prize. Slater was awarded a prize for gaining five distinctions in work through the year.

The House was well represented in two School stage productions. Swindall deserving special mention for his performance in the "Yeomen of the Guard", and Stewart giving an outstanding performance in the exacting role of Sir Thomas More in "A Man For All Seasons". Members of the House have also contributed to the various cultural societies in the School.

In the C.C.F., Stewart has been Coxswain in charge of the Naval Section. Roy has been Drum Sergeant and won the Senior Drumming Cup again, and we have had six members in the Band. Mackenzie was the bugler at Retreat.

We say goodbye to a large number of valuable seniors once again, but hope that their loss will be made up for by the promising middles of this year.

House Captain and Vice-Captain of the School:

D. M. Stewart.

House Prefects:

A. V. Hitching, V. A. Barron, D. Clark, A. A. Nelson-Cole,  
J. C. Ferguson, B. G. Clark, V. A. N. Swindall.

House Captains of Sports:

Rugby: A. A. Nelson-Cole.

Cross-Country: A. V. Hitching.

Cricket: D. M. Stewart.

Sailing: A. W. Wilkinson.

Hockey: A. A. Nelson-Cole.

Swimming: J. A. Kilgour.

Athletics: A. V. Hitching.

Shooting: D. M. Stewart.

Boxing: W. C. Roy.

Tennis: V. A. Barron.

Fives: D. M. Stewart.

Music: A. A. Nelson-Cole.

During the year House Colours were awarded to:

D. Clark, A. V. Hitching, D. H. Martyn, W. C. Roy, K. L. Mackenzie, A. J. Sloan, B. A. A. Robertson and A. W. Wilkinson.

T.C.G.F.

## Ruthven House Report, 1962-63

ONCE again the House has had a very good year and the healthy spirit has been due to the lead given by the prefects. There has been a greater atmosphere of work and, without exception, the external examinations have been taken seriously. The tone for this was set last year and this by the "A" Level candidates—in 1962 they achieved fourteen passes with only three fails. At a lower level, much of the extra work seems to have been on writing lines—nearly eighty-three thousand of them! Although we are known to be a strict House, this is actually welcomed rather than resented. We congratulate P. J. Tulloch on winning the Geography prize.

Our critics accuse us of "pot-hunting"—again we have won nearly half of the team trophies—but we feel that if a thing is worth doing it is worth doing well, and encouragement is given to everyone to contribute towards our successes. There were two good examples of this. In the cross-country races, as well as having the first four seniors home and seven juniors in the first ten, no one was in the last nine of any race; and secondly, records show that only eight boys have not represented us in some sport. There is a growing danger of Houses becoming mere administrative units, but in a large community the individual must make his mark somewhere, and this is best done initially in his House, where later on he will have his first chance of taking responsibility. There is still a place for House spirit, if kept in the right proportion.

We have been proud of our contribution to the successes of School teams, where W. S. Pate, A. J. Fleming, W. R. Duncan and M. I. M. Dawson have been notable. The former two, along with A. R. Bucher, have done well in the 1st XI, and our strength in cricket has continued, with five in the 1st XI, five in the 2nd XI, four in the Colts and seven in the Junior Colts. We also had five members of the 1st XV, but in all our own teams we lacked weight, and the drain on stamina was such that three matches were lost in the last minute.

In swimming, although A. R. Thomson was our only medallist, two very fine team efforts won us the senior and junior relays. W. S. Pate won his fourth consecutive cross-country medal—surely a record and a notable achievement for a hockey-player! We won back the Shooting Cup and hope that once more it will long remain in our possession. The cups we retained were for Fives, Tennis, Senior and Junior Cricket, Cross-Country and, for the third time in three years (and also in thirty), Athletics. A. J. Fleming was the outstanding athlete on the track, gaining six medals to retain his *Victor Ludorum* title, while J. H. S. Black and R. G. Lawson (who represented us in every event) won all but the high jump between them and took six second places as well. Lawson just won the Junior trophy to add to his cross-country medal. We have several other good junior athletes, but they did not get a chance to show themselves.

We welcomed to the House this year an exchange scholar of the English Speaking Union, R. F. Thomson, from St. George's, Philadelphia. He brought a breath of fresh air to our communal life, not least in the musical line, where his unusual choices for choir and orchestra in the Music Competition were widely welcomed. He gallantly tried to make up for our lack of orchestral strength, and was most successful with the choir. We have a number of good voices, and most of the Chapel Choir soloists have come from the House. Mention must also be made of the major part played by members of the House, particularly A. I. Smith, in the stage work for the dramatic productions each term—this is becoming a Ruthven tradition.

For the past fifteen months most members have been contributing regularly to OXFAM, and must be congratulated on keeping this up. Over £51 has been given, and our thanks are due to P. J. Tulloch, A. R. Thomson and R. D. Kyle, who have been treasurer in turn.

Our thanks for their work and our good wishes for the future go to W. R. Duncan, R. F. Thompson, A. I. Smith and A. R. Thomson, who hope to go on to university; to P. J. Tulloch, A. I. George, C. A. L. Hardwick, A. R. Bucher and D. Ritchie, who are going into the world of business and

commerce, and to W. S. Pate, H. A. Fleming, D. W. Logan and D. D. Shanks, who will be taking up agriculture of one sort or another.

House Captain:  
W. R. Duncan.

Vice-Captain:  
P. J. Tulloch.

Prefects:  
A. I. George, P. M. G. Reynolds, A. J. Fleming, C. A. L. Hardwick, W. S. Pate, A. R. Bucher, R. F. Thompson.

House Captains of Sports:  
Rugby: W. R. Duncan, W. S. Pate.  
Cricket: W. S. Pate, A. J. Fleming.  
Hockey: W. S. Pate.  
Athletics: W. R. Duncan.

Boxing: W. R. Duncan.	Sailing: A. I. Smith.
Cross-Country: A. I. George.	Shooting: L. D. C. Siedle.
Fives: W. S. Pate.	Swimming: I. T. Carruthers.
Music: R. F. Thompson.	Tennis: A. I. George.

House Colours are held by:

W. S. Pate, W. R. Duncan, A. J. Fleming, M. I. M. Dawson, C. A. L. Hardwick, A. R. Bucher, J. D. A. Brown, A. I. George, R. G. Lawson, H. A. Fleming, D. D. Shanks.

P.T.M.

## Simpson House Report, 1962-63

T. A. F. JENKINS has maintained the traditions of House Captain, E. Pickard was Vice-Captain, and the house prefects during the year were M. G. G. Laidlaw, N. A. Thomson, A. J. Harvey-Walker, J. M. Prophet, J. G. Clement (these last two are brothers of earlier members of the House), P. Pradipasen, P. Weatherston and I. Russell.

The academic successes of the year include Thomson's place at Magdalen, Cambridge, and Laidlaw's place at St. Andrews; any other university candidates will have to wait for their "A" Level results. Governors' or School Prizes were won in Biology (2), Music, Latin, Greek, History and French. L. W. Bell competed with much success in inter-school competitions in Debating and Latin Speaking.

This year we have won the senior rugby, hockey, swimming and music cups, and the individual awards for tennis singles, middle athletics and middle swimming. We shared the lives cup. Harvey-Walker has been a notable cricket captain and D. A. Cranston led the School swimming with great enthusiasm.

Finally, an unusual record is provided by three chapel sermons being preached by fathers of present members of the House. Do all these ministers' sons come to us for our saintly atmosphere? Or is it that we are most in need of salvation?

D.E.Y.

## GAMES SECTION

### Rugby Retrospect

ALTHOUGH snow and ice both in the Christmas and Easter terms ruined much of the season, the XV managed to play fourteen matches. Included in these were three games we played against the English schools—Felsted, Ipswich and Gresham's. This East Anglian tour was a most pleasant and successful venture and we look forward to having Felsted as our visitors here next season. The challenge of playing against new teams, and the excellence of the English playing pitches, provided a splendid climax to what was on the whole a very good season.

To start the season there was plenty of good material fore and aft; unfortunately we lost Nelson-Cole (who played brilliantly at full back the previous year) in the first practice, with a broken leg. We found it impossible to replace him and the side suffered considerably in consequence. Despite that loss and our inability to kick goals, even in front of the posts, the team played remarkably well on the whole and open rugby was the keynote of the side.

The House Goal Kicking Competition for a cup, presented by Mr. R. S. Johnston, was introduced this year, and it is to be hoped that the standard of goal kicking will improve in future.

V. A. Barron is to be congratulated on being chosen to play for the London Scottish schoolboys' side against their English counterparts. Unfortunately the match was cancelled because of frost, for the second year in succession.

Once again the members of the staff, who help with the coaching and refereeing, are to be thanked, and in particular, Mr. Bland. He has proved the ideal coach—enthusiastic, fit and friendly, and yet having the priceless ability to pass on to others his invaluable experience of the game. His departure to Blundell's will be a great loss to Strathallan rugby, although his influence will still be felt here for some time to come.

The Record was:

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points for	Points against
14	8	2	4	111	61

1st XV colours were awarded to:

D. R. Anderson; V. A. Barron; D. Clark; M. I. M. Dawson; C. C. K. Dunbar; W. R. Duncan; A. J. Fleming; J. S. Hendrie; J. R. N. Keech; W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet; P. Pradipasen; R. H. Scott; D. N. Strachan.

2nd XV colours were awarded to:

B. M. S. Borland; J. D. A. Brown; G. A. R. Carver; J. G. Clement; A. M. Cumming; A. J. S. Currie; C. A. L. Hardwick; T. A. F. Jenkins; D. H. Martyn; E. Pickard; B. A. A. Robertson; I. A. Russell; P. G. F. Sleaf; D. M. Stewart; R. Wilkie.

R.H.S.

**1st XV MATCH REPORTS****October 6th—v. Strathallian XV—Home—Lost 9-3 (6-3)**

The Old Boys brought up a formidable team which included Pate, Galt, Wingate, Mackenzie and Macmillan. Play was fairly even until the Old Boys began to press and their efforts were rewarded when Pate scored a try near the corner-flag. Soon afterwards Galt made a neat and precise movement and Taylor who was backing up scored. The conversion was unsuccessful. The school then hit back and Keech gathered a loose ball and scored near the posts. This was unconverted.

After half-time, Pate narrowly failed to score after a penalty had been awarded against the school. Play then began to open up with pressure on the school. Another penalty was awarded to the Old Boys and from this Pate scored, bringing the score to 9-3. The school fought back but, although they exerted considerable pressure on the Old Boys' line, they were unable to score again.

*Team:* D. J. S. Currie; A. J. Fleming, C. A. L. Hardwick, R. H. Scott, W. R. Duncan; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, I. A. Russell, J. S. Hendrie; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. R. Anderson; J. R. N. Keech, R. Wilkie, V. A. Barron.

**October 9th—v. Perth Academy—Home—Won 26-3 (13-3)**

Perth kicked off but were soon harassed by the school side which was both fitter and faster. A fine break by Scott resulted in Fleming's scoring near the corner. This was well converted by Anderson. Soon after the restart Fleming ran a good 25 yards to score. All the play was now in the visitors' half, and a lovely switch of direction by Scott resulted in his scoring, again converted by Anderson.

The school kicked off and a few forward rushes by the Academy threatened the school line. The school dismissed the momentary danger and play surged back into the opponents' half and the fine handling, in a movement by the forwards, terminated in a try by Keech. Anderson again converted. The school dominated the play and Scott dummied his way through to score. The conversion failed. After the restart the Academy took the play into the school's twenty-five and scored through their outside centre. The conversion failed. In the dying seconds Prophet scored again for the school.

*Team:* D. J. S. Currie; W. R. Duncan, C. A. L. Hardwick, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, I. A. Russell, J. S. Hendrie; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

**October 13th—v. Edinburgh Academy—Away—Lost 13-8 (8-3)**

The school kicked off but the Academy pressed and their efforts were rewarded when their captain, Sands, ran over for a well-taken try, which he converted. No sooner had the school kicked off than the Academy scored again through a penalty. The school were now 8-0 in arrears after only ten minutes and as they pressed for another five minutes it seemed that the Academy would score again in this half; however, Strathallan fought their way back by degrees and Dunbar reduced the gap with a good penalty from the 10-yard line.

In the second half the school attacked vigorously and would have scored if any one had been backing Scott up. Against the run of play the Academy broke away in the school's half and scored a try which was converted. The school looked in a hopeless position with the score at 13-3. However, from the school's twenty-five Dawson made a break and passed to Scott who drew the full-back and passed to Fleming who ran the rest of the way to score a try which was well converted by Dunbar. The last few minutes of the



game were spent with the school in the Academy twenty-five. But the school just could not cross the line before the final whistle.

*Team:* D. J. S. Currie; A. J. Fleming, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, W. R. Duncan; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, B. M. S. Borland, J. S. Hendrie; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

#### **October 18th—v. Keil School—Home—Won 25-0 (6-0)**

This match was played on a fairly hard ground. The school pressed right from the start, and we would have scored, but for the opposing full-back, through Fleming, who made a dazzling run down the wing. However, the school's efforts were rewarded when Pate scored after Clark had broken through a line-out near the visitors' line. The conversion failed. Keil made a break for the school line but the pressure was relieved by Fleming who broke away, only to be brought down just short of the line. Strachan scored near the end of the first half after Pate had broken away from a scrum.

In the second half we had further tries from Clark, Duncan, Barron, who converted his try, Strachan and Fleming. Keil had no answer to the school's fitness and speed, although they defended stoutly.

*Team:* G. A. R. Carver; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

#### **October 24th—v. Dollar Academy—Away—Won 3-0 (3-0)**

The match was played on a very soft pitch and we could see that the ball was going to be rather slippery.

Dollar kicked off and were pressing at the beginning. The ball surged back and forward with neither team gaining any advantage. However, when Dollar were attacking the ball was heeled from a loose scrum by us and Dawson passed to Fleming who sped down the wing right to the try line where he was tackled. Strachan, who was backing up, collected the ball and scored. The school were now beginning to play reasonably and some fine tackling and falling checked any attacks by Dollar.

Again in the second half neither side could gain the advantage and both sides resorted to kicking. In consequence there was some rather scrappy rugby. A dropped goal was attempted by the school but failed. The game gradually petered out because both sides had a good defence and the ball was difficult to handle.

In this game the pack did not play with their usual fire but we did see some intelligent kicking by the backs towards the end of the second half.

*Team:* G. A. R. Carver; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

#### **October 27th—v. Morrison's Academy—Away—Won 9-5 (3-0)**

The match began in heavy rain but this slackened after ten minutes or so. The school kicked off and pressed for most of the first half. The pack were playing well but the three-quarters were rather slow to settle down. The Academy were rather careless in the set scrums and consequently the school were awarded a number of penalties. The first score came through Prophet after the pack had made a lot of ground with their feet. The conversion failed.

The second half was much the same pattern, with the school pressing. The scrum scored a perfect push-over try to make the score 6-0. Soon afterwards the Academy winger collected the ball and ran a good 40 yards to score. This was well converted. Both sides now began to open out and

we saw some fine movements by the school. At last they broke through the home defence and Barron scored in the best movement of the game.

*Team:* G. A. R. Carver; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; D. Clark, C. C. K. Dunbar; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

#### **October 30th—v. Edinburgh Wanderers' Colts—Home—Won 3-0 (3-0)**

This was played on a wet pitch with heavy showers during the game. The school kicked off and pressed right from the start. Dawson made a fine break which just failed when he was tackled on the line. Then a high diagonal kick led to a set scrum in the corner from which Pate gave the ball to Fleming who ran over for a good try. The play on the whole was rather untidy. The school suffered a blow when Prophet had to leave the field with an injured ankle. Although he returned after treatment he was of little use to the scrum thereafter. However, the school came near to scoring when Keech touched down but the whistle had already gone for an infringement.

The second half was much the same in character as the first. The Wanderers were now taking advantage of the weakness in the school scrum and they began to dominate the play. The school defended well and the back row in particular held the visitors at bay. Dawson, too, covered well, and at no-side the school still had a narrow lead.

*Team:* G. A. R. Carver; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; D. Clark, C. C. K. Dunbar; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, V. A. Barron.

#### **November 10th—v. West of Scotland Colts—Home—Draw 0-0**

The visitors kicked off on a very soft ground and from a set scrum Fleming came close to scoring but was tackled just short of the line. The school were not playing very constructively but fortunately the defence held together and managed to prevent the Colts from capitalising on some good attacking movements. Towards the end of the first half the school started to play much better and they nearly went ahead from a penalty.

After the restart we saw some fine movements from the backs. It was noticeable that the Colts did better in the line-outs, while the school had the better of the set scrums. Play began to open up and Duncan almost went over but was brought down by the opposing winger. In the closing stages the school pressed hard but failed to score.

*Team:* E. Pickard; A. J. Fleming, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, W. R. Duncan; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. S. Hendrie, P. Pradipasen, J. G. Clement; C. C. K. Dunbar, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. R. Anderson, D. H. Martyn.

#### **December 1st—v. Aberdeen Grammar School—Away—Lost 11-0 (0-0)**

An unbeaten Grammar side kicked off against the school who had not had any match play for three weeks, owing to bad weather. The school pressed in the first half and the majority of play was in the opponents' half. The school came close to scoring on several occasions. First Keech had a good run but with no one backing him up he was tackled by the opposing full-back, and secondly Pate dived round the blind side only to find himself plant the ball down inches from the line.

In the second half the school made a series of mistakes which resulted in their downfall. Aberdeen scored in the corner through their forwards, this try being unconverted. A few minutes later they scored again by charging down the full-back's kick, this being converted. The school tried to retaliate but they could not get moving because they kept dropping the ball. Aberdeen

were awarded a penalty on the school's ten yard line which was well converted making the score 11-0 to Aberdeen, a score, which although flattering our opponents, showed up our weakness at full back.

*Team:* E. Pickard; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; D. R. Anderson, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. H. Martyn, J. D. A. Brown.

#### **December 5th—v. Glasgow Academy—Home—Draw 11-11 (11-3)**

Strathallan, losing the toss, kicked off into a slight wind which did not, however, deter the forwards who followed up Scott's kick magnificently. The forwards soon had the school within the Academy's twenty-five and so within striking distance of their line. Halfway through the first half Fleming scored in the corner. Clark converted this with a fine kick. Good forward play resulted in a breakaway by Clark who was responsible for Fleming's second try which was unconverted. Glasgow Academy soon replied with a determined three-quarter movement resulting in a try which was unconverted. Strathallan were soon back on top and Scott scored an unconverted try from a diagonal kick.

At the beginning of the second half the Academy showed much more spirit and their scrum half ran round the blind side to score an unconverted try. The Academy following up a high cross kick scored under the posts, this being converted. The score was now 11-11. The Academy did not score again and in fact were lucky to draw because on several occasions Strathallan came close to scoring. Strathallan had only themselves to blame. For some reason after much fire and open play in the first half, the forwards resorted to holding the ball and making ineffectual wheels. In the last ten minutes of the game we decided to play open Rugger once more and then completely dominated our opponents.

*Team:* W. S. Pate; A. J. Fleming, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, W. R. Duncan; M. I. M. Dawson, P. G. F. Sleaf, J. S. Hendrie, P. Pradipasen, J. M. Prophet; D. R. Anderson, D. Clark; J. R. N. Keech, D. H. Martyn, J. D. A. Brown.

#### **December 8th—v. Glenalmond — Away—Lost 6-0 (6-0)**

The School kicked off against a strong wind and in a heavy hailstorm. The pitch was extremely muddy and wet and hardly fit for rugby.

Glenalmond pressed right from the start and they made use of the wind and the rain by kicking the ball high into the air and down into the School half. Because of this we saw a lot of rugged play with Glenalmond getting slightly the better of it. They went ahead when they were awarded a penalty in the School's twenty-five. After another ten minutes of unimpressive play Glenalmond went further ahead when they followed up a high kick and managed to score.

The rain and the wind had ceased in the second half and when the School kicked off, Fleming, Dawson, Anderson and Scott all had good breaks but they failed to score. The School used the high kick but all too often the ball, now greasy and heavy, slipped off the kicker's boot and Glenalmond gained ground. As the match went on it was extremely difficult to distinguish one side from the other, because both sides were covered in mud from head to toe. Neither Glenalmond or the School ever really looked like scoring despite the occasional bursts by the forwards.

*Team:* J. R. N. Keech; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. M. Prophet, P. Pradipasen, J. S. Hendrie; D. Clark, D. R. Anderson; J. D. A. Brown, D. H. Martyn, V. A. Barron.

## THE ENGLISH TOUR

### **December 11th—v. Felsted—at Felsted—Won 3-0 (3-0)**

We lined up with determination mingled with a certain amount of trepidation as we had very little indication of their standard of rugby. Scott won the toss and we played with the wind. Right from the start Strathallan had the better of the exchanges and Felsted were pressed continually in the early stages of the game. The pack were playing hard and, with Pradipasen hooking well, were well on top. The Felsted three-quarters were obviously good and dangerous although their handling was inferior to our own. They did not, however, get much of the ball. The first score came near the end of the first half when Fleming went over in the corner, from a forward movement in which Clark figured prominently.

Throughout the second half Felsted improved and the School had to rely much on their defence, which, fortunately, was sound. There was some excitement near the end when Felsted were awarded a penalty near the posts but the kick was missed and Strathallan won the game 3-0. We were much encouraged by this win as Felsted were reputed to be our strongest opponents.

*Team:* J. R. N. Keech; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. S. Hendrie, P. Pradipasen, J. M. Prophet; D. Clark, D. R. Anderson; R. Wilkie, J. D. A. Brown, V. A. Barron.

### **December 12th—v. Ipswich Grammar School—at Ipswich—Won 3-0 (0-0)**

Although it was another poor day, cold and windy, conditions underfoot were excellent. Scott again won the toss and we played with the wind. We soon found that they had a very good line-out jumper but he was competently dealt with as the game settled down to a steady grind. The packs were very evenly matched and it was a very close game. Pate and Duncan were well marked and there was little open play. Anderson nearly went over from a short penalty and Scott made a fine attempt at a drop goal, only missing very narrowly.

After half-time play was very much on the halfway line until Dawson dropped a magnificent goal from about 35 yards. This seemed to inspire Ipswich and we spent a troubled quarter of an hour while they were pressing hard. Both sides found it difficult to gain ground and the final score was once again 3-0 to Strathallan.

*Team:* J. R. N. Keech; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. S. Hendrie, P. Pradipasen, J. M. Prophet; D. Clark, D. R. Anderson; R. Wilkie, J. D. A. Brown, D. H. Martyn.

### **December 14th—v. Greshams—at Greshams—Won 17-3 (6-3)**

Although it was a cold day conditions at Greshams were perfect. Everybody was nervous although we were all determined to win as it was the last match of the tour. Scott lost the toss and Strathallan kicked off. This developed into the most eventful match of the tour; from the beginning play was fast and furious. Clark missed a difficult penalty but Anderson opened the scoring with a penalty goal from the touchline. A forward movement and a pass from Anderson put Fleming over the line in the corner for the next score. Greshams retaliated strongly and scored a good try with a magnificent run through our defence.

Although Greshams seemed to be on top at the beginning of the second half, Strathallan soon recovered their form. The next score came from Pate who took a pass from Clark and, after some fine deception, touched down. Dawson crossed the line soon afterwards but the try was disallowed. The next try came from Hendrie after completely confusing the opposite team in the line-out. Strathallan continued to press hard and Duncan had a fine

run which nearly resulted in a try. The last try came from Strachan who went over in the corner after a splendid run by Fleming. A good kick by Clark converted the try, and the final score was 17 pts. to 3 for Strathallan.

*Team:* J. R. N. Keech; W. R. Duncan, D. N. Strachan, R. H. Scott, A. J. Fleming; M. I. M. Dawson, W. S. Pate; J. S. Hendrie, P. Pradipasen, J. M. Prophet; D. Clark, D. R. Anderson; R. Wilkie, J. D. A. Brown, V. A. Barron.

### 2nd XV RESULTS

<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>	<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>
Perth Academy (A) .....	19 0	Dundee High School (A) .....	3 6
Dollar Academy (H) .....	11 0	Glasgow Academy (A) .....	11 0
Morrison's Academy (H) .....	6 3	Trinity College, Glenalmond	
Fettes College (A) .....	3 5	(A) .....	0 3
Loretto (H) .....	6 6		

### 3rd XV RESULTS

<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>	<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>
Queen Victoria School (A) ....	14 3	Loretto (H) .....	3 5
Dollar Academy (H) .....	12 6	Rannoch (A) .....	5 11
Fettes College (A) .....	8 9	Glasgow Academy (H) .....	0 0

### 4th XV RESULTS

	<i>F. A.</i>
Perth Academy (A) .....	6 6

## COLTS RUGBY, 1962-63

THIS year's colts side was not outstanding although it contained many useful players. The pack was on the light side but nevertheless was the strong point of the team. Tindal was an aggressive prop while Lamont, Kirkby and Smith, J. N. (captain) were equally able in their respective positions. Outside the pack there were definite weaknesses, particularly in tackling, and above all we lacked anyone with real speed or penetration. Carruthers at stand-off held the outsides together with some excellent handling and kicking. Of the more important matches we narrowly lost to Fettes before the side settled down but Loretto proved far too good for us. Merchiston were bigger and stronger and only a magnificent effort by the whole team prevented them from overwhelming us while we narrowly beat Glenalmond in a most exciting game.

G. W. S.

*Team:* McInroy; Nicolson, Scott, D. A., Clark, A. W., Carswell; Carruthers, Mure; Tindal, Wallace, J. D., Henrikson, Slater, Houston, Lamont, Taylor, R. A., Smith, J. N., Kirkby, Graham.

### RESULTS

<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>	<i>Opponents</i>	<i>F. A.</i>
Fettes (H) .....	0 9	Loretto (A) .....	0 17
Keil (H) .....	16 0	Merchiston (H) .....	0 9
Morrison's (H) .....	17 0	Glenalmond (H) .....	8 9

**14½ RUGBY, 1962-63**

THIS was one of the most useful sides produced in the last six years. It beat all the under 14½ teams it played, except Loretto, and scored more tries than any other recent 14½ side, scoring seven against Fettes, ten against Glenalmond, three against Merchiston, etc., but, less than twelve goals were kicked. Burt captained the side well until his injury against Morrison's, but the main value of the side was in, firstly, its team spirit and secondly in the way the forwards usually subordinated their own desires and simply gave the ball to some very penetrating three-quarters. They played attractive rugby, and their main idea always appeared to be that they must score.

**Match Record**

Played 11; Won 7; Lost 4; Points for 153; against 86.

E. W.

**13½ RUGBY, 1962-63**

1st XV: Played 7; Won 5; Lost 2; Drawn 0. For 83; Against 20.

2nd XV: Played 1; Won 1; Lost 0; Drawn 0. For 12; Against 0.

**Senior House Matches**

Winners—Simpson

**Junior House Matches**

Winners—Nicol

## Hockey Report, 1963

SUCH was the weather in the Spring term that after three matches had been cancelled the First XI had still only had half an hour's practice before taking on a practised Loretto side at Loretto, the Strathallan pitches being still unplayable. The Under 15½ and Under 14½ were even less fortunate having to take on the Fettes Colts and Junior Colts at Fettes without having held a stick in their hand since the previous year. Indeed several of the 190-odd listed as hockey players in the Senior School never got a game at all. The First XI, however, had a full programme of hockey interspersed with Rugger House Matches, and Cross-country running, and played some most attractive hockey with good passing by the forwards and excellent play by the halves.

At the Oxford Hockey Festival the XI continued to play well and won three of their five matches, although not by as large a margin as they might, had they had more preliminary practice. The weather was on the whole fine, the reputation of Strathallan as a hockey school was enhanced and a most enjoyable time was

had by all. The School began by losing to Campbell College, Belfast, and Cranleigh but in both cases our opponents left the match with feelings of respect for Strathallan skill, and they were, we subsequently discovered, not a little impressed by the forcefulness of the Strathallan hitting. Sherborne and Stowe never really looked like scoring, but it must be confessed that a very high proportion of Strathallan's shots at goal failed to go in. The final match was against the Puffins, a composite team of boys and masters, including one Scottish International, and was an enjoyable affair. Strachan and Anderson had by this time left Oxford, so that Sleaf and Nelson-Cole played in the forwards and Dawson moved back to right half.

Scott and Pate played for the Scottish Schoolboys Hockey XI in the Quadrangular Tournament at Cardiff, Scott captaining the side. Linton also played in the Final Trial.

Apart from a short spell in late June the full-sized hockey pitch on Little Acre was fast and true, and the standard of hockey quite high. The Summer XI won all its School Matches, but certainly the fastest games were against Ruthrieston Ramblers from Aberdeen and Morgan F.P. from Dundee, who this year won the Scottish Hockey Cup. For this last game, two regular members of the Summer Hockey XI were not available and the side was strengthened by four cricketers including Pate. The Morgan team included G. D. Carr, the Scottish left-half.

P. R. S.

#### HOUSE MATCHES. Winners—Simpson

##### Wednesday, 20th March

Simpson beat Freeland .....	3	0
Ruthven beat Nicol .....	3	2

##### Saturday, 23rd March

Simpson beat Ruthven.....	5	2
Freeland beat Nicol .....	3	2

##### Thursday, 28th March

Freeland beat Ruthven .....	1	0
Simpson beat Nicol .....	4	0

#### Saturday, 16th March. School v. Loretto. Lost 1-2

*Team:* J. M. S. Fleming, D. Clark, M. J. Linton, D. R. Anderson, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, D. N. Strachan, M. I. M. Dawson, A. J. Harvey-Walker, W. S. Pate, J. R. Keech.

Having had little practice, the School were not surprisingly lacking a good deal of finish in this first game of the season, played at Loretto. Loretto, with good passing and keen marking, made better use of the ball when in possession. As a result, they scored twice early in the first half.

In the second half, strong running by the Strathallan forwards, supported by the dominating Strathallan halves, kept Loretto on the defence. However, they lacked scoring power and despite several very close misses, it was only late in this half that Harvey-Walker scored from a penalty flick. Strathallan continued to press, but the score remained 2-1 to Loretto.

**Tuesday, 19th March. School v. Fettes. Drawn 2-2**

*Team:* J. M. S. Fleming, D. Clark, M. J. Linton, D. R. Anderson, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, D. N. Strachan, M. I. M. Dawson, A. J. Harvey-Walker, W. S. Pate, J. R. N. Keech.

This game was played at Fettes, in sunshine on a damp but firm pitch. Fettes moved fast in attack and, catching the defence on the wrong foot, scored an early goal. Strathallan passed intelligently and, despite many good attacks, failed once again to produce the necessary scoring shots. Another quick venture into the School circles by Fettes made the half-time score 2-0.

Strathallan continued to play well and were rewarded when Harvey-Walker netted a fine goal from a well-placed through pass by Pate. Fifteen minutes from the end, Harvey-Walker equalised with a strong shot from a short corner. From then, the ball moved very fast with Strathallan pressing almost continually. Fettes, however, managed to keep the ball out of the net and this good game ended in a draw.

**Friday, 22nd March. School v. the Masters. Won 1-0**

*Team:* J. M. S. Fleming, D. Clark, M. J. Linton, D. R. Anderson, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, M. I. M. Dawson, D. N. Strachan, A. J. Harvey-Walker, W. S. Pate, J. R. N. Keech.

Once again the Masters sportingly agreed to play the 1st XI; and they chose a strategic day, most of the XI having played in senior house rugby matches the previous day. However, this strategy was not sufficient to neutralise the fitness advantage of the School, who were attacking for the greater part of the game.

Play was scrappy on the rather muddy pitch, with the School backs passing inaccurately and the forwards not using their superior speed. As a result, the first and only goal was scored by Pate early in the second half. Thereafter the Masters, by one means or another, successfully prevented further score.

**Saturday, 23rd March. School v. Gordonstoun. Won 6-3**

*Team:* J. M. S. Fleming, D. Clark, M. J. Linton, D. R. Anderson, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, M. I. M. Dawson, D. N. Strachan, A. J. Harvey-Walker, W. S. Pate, J. R. N. Keech.

This match was played on the Garden pitch in almost perfect conditions and proved to be most exciting. One member of the Gordonstoun team unfortunately contracted flu just before the match and they had to play their reserve. However, they quickly illustrated their ability with an early goal. From a long corner, Harvey-Walker neatly dummied and Pate slammed the ball into the net to equalise. Shortly afterwards, a good attack enabled Pate to put the School ahead. Undaunted, Gordonstoun immediately scored from the bully-off with baffling speed, and then proceeded to take the lead with a good goal from a corner. Just before half-time Harvey-Walker, following up a shot, flicked the ball into the goal to equalise once again.

In the first half, rapid movement of the ball often changed defence into attack for both sides. However, in the second half, Strathallan, keeping possession for increasing periods, began to gain the upper hand. Communication between the backs and forwards was excellent and the forwards used the through pass with great success. This strong attack was rewarded with a goal scored by Strachan. Gordonstoun, however, still looked dangerous on occasions and the good cover defence of Pate and Strachan was invaluable in clearing. Keech then scored virtually to clinch the result and Harvey-Walker finalised the score just before time.

The continued determination of the Gordonstoun team and the imaginative Strathallan play contributed to make this enjoyable match one of the best played here in recent years.

**Tuesday, 26th March. School v. the Picts. Drawn 3-3**

*Team:* J. M. S. Fleming, D. Clark, M. J. Linton, D. R. Anderson, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, M. I. M. Dawson, D. N. Strachan, A. J. Harvey-Walker, W. S. Pate, J. R. N. Keech.

This match, played on a firm pitch at Raeburn Place, illustrated to the School some of the finer points of hockey. The Picts by good positioning intercepted many Strathallan passes and embarked on devastating attacks. They were soon 3-0 up and the School replied with only one goal, scored by Strachan, just before half-time.

However, in the second half, the continued determined tackles of the backs and the superior fitness of the School interrupted the fluency of the Picts' attack, allowing the forwards more scope. They used this freedom well and Harvey-Walker was able to score two good goals to equalise.

This was a good game for the School and a draw was a very satisfactory result against experienced players.

**1st XI HOCKEY COLOURS, 1963**

Anderson, D. R.	Harvey-Walker, A. J.
Brown, I. W. L.	Keech, J. R. N.
Clark, D.	Linton, M. J.
Dawson, M. I. M.	Pate, W. S.
Fleming, J. M. S.	Strachan, D. N.

**HOCKEY FESTIVAL RESULTS***Opponents*

Campbell College .....	Lost 2 0
Cranleigh School .....	Lost 2 1
Sherborne School .....	Won 2 0
Stowe School .....	Won 2 0
Puffins .....	Won 2 1

**SUMMER HOCKEY****Saturday, 4th May. School v. Blairgowrie. Won 6-0**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, D. Clark, T. A. F. Jenkins, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, B. A. A. Robertson, A. A. Nelson-Cole, P. G. F. Sleaf, N. F. Macmillan, K. J. Darling.

Initially, Strathallan, hindered by poor passing, were unable to score although attacking continuously. However, a defensive error allowed Macmillan to score the first goal which was quickly followed by the second from Sleaf just before half-time.

The School team-work improved and four goals were scored in the second half: a fine, narrow angle shot by Robertson, a second goal for Macmillan from a pass by Sleaf, a goal by Darling after a good run, and finally a neat deflection by Darling again from a short corner shot by Scott.

**Saturday, 11th May. School v. Ruthrieston Wanderers. Lost 1-4**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, D. Clark, J. M. Prophet, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, J. R. N. Keech, B. A. A. Robertson, P. G. F. Sleaf, K. J. Darling, G. A. R. Carver.

The School met a competent side, who soon scored after good passing. However, by persistent tackling the forwards kept the ball in the opposition circle to allow Darling to equalise. Just before half-time, Ruthrieston took the lead again from a short corner.

Strathallan restarted with a burst of speed and the goal-keeper only just saved good shots from Keech, Sleaf and Darling. Ruthrieston, however, attacked cleverly and scored two more goals despite good goal-keeping from Clement who cleared well on several dangerous moments.

**Saturday, 18th May. School v. Edinburgh Academy. Won 6-0**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, J. M. Prophet, N. F. Macmillan, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, J. R. N. Keech, B. A. A. Robertson, P. G. F. Sleep, K. J. Darling, G. A. R. Carver.

Apart from a hailstorm lasting for the first ten minutes, the sun shone and the Edinburgh pitch was in good condition. From the start Strathallan's play was more co-ordinated and the forwards received a good supply of the ball from the backs, who seldom allowed the Academy to attack.

Before half-time, scorers were Robertson, Sleep (2) and Darling. In the second half, Darling completed his hat-trick with two quick goals and finalised the score.

**Saturday, 8th June. School v. Lendrich Muir. Won 4-2**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, J. M. Prophet, N. F. Macmillan, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, J. R. N. Keech, B. A. A. Robertson, P. G. F. Sleep, K. J. Darling, G. A. R. Carver.

The School started at too fast a pace for their opponents. Sleep scored the first goal, and then Keech scored with a strong shot from a corner. Before half-time, Sleep took a good pass upfield from the backs, and flicked it into the net.

In the second half, Keech, cutting in from the wing scored with a narrow angle shot. However, the visitors, adapting themselves to the conditions, attacked frequently now, and were rewarded when they scored firstly from a corner, and secondly by following up a save by Clement.

**Tuesday, 25th June. School v. Glenalmond. Won 4-0**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, T. A. F. Jenkins, N. F. Macmillan, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, E. Pickard, B. A. A. Robertson, P. G. F. Sleep, K. J. Darling, J. R. N. Keech.

With the backs following up and providing a very sound defence, the forwards soon found scoring chances. Darling and Sleep scored in the first half, and in the second half the goals were by Darling again and then Keech. In this game the passing was poor and most attacks were individual efforts. Nevertheless, the Glenalmond pitch was in good condition and it was a fast game.

**Saturday, 29th June. School v. Edinburgh Academy. Won 2-0**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, T. A. F. Jenkins, N. F. Macmillan, A. Donald, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, G. A. R. Carver, B. A. A. Robertson, P. G. F. Sleep, K. J. Darling, J. R. N. Keech.

In this return match the Academy proved to be much tougher opposition than in the previous game. With a sound defence on both sides the ball moved very quickly from end to end. There was little between the two teams and it was not until half-time that Keech managed to follow the ball into the net for the first goal. The pattern of play in the next half was the same. However, the Strathallan forwards were perhaps faster on to the ball, resulting in a second goal being scored by Sleep before the end of the game.

**Saturday, 6th July. School v. Morgan Academy F.P. Lost 3-4**

*Team:* J. G. Clement, D. R. Anderson, D. Clark, I. W. L. Brown, R. H. Scott, D. B. Wright, D. N. Strachan, W. S. Pate, P. G. F. Sleep, K. J. Darling, J. R. N. Keech.

The strong Morgan Academy F.P.'s team, quickly taking advantage from the least mistake, soon scored two goals. Strathallan replied once before half-time, when Brown, after excellent following-up work, sent the ball to Strachan in the circle who made no mistake.

In the second half, strong covering by the Strathallan backs and fast running by the forwards, and in particular Darling, put the School on top. With three forwards scrummaging successfully for the ball at the goal-keeper's feet, Strathallan levelled, and then went ahead with a good short corner goal by Keech. However, the persistent quick attacking of Morgan eventually paid off. They scored from a short corner and then, just before time, scored again to complete the scoring.

Colours for the Summer term were awarded to J. G. Clement and K. J. Darling.

## CRICKET, 1963

### Cricket Retrospect

THIS has been a quite outstanding and memorable season, one in which the 1st XI has remained not only undefeated in the ten school matches played, but won nine of them. The standard of cricket was very high indeed and the margin of victory quite decisive in most matches.

It was very satisfying to record convincing wins over Merchiston, Edinburgh Academy and Glenalmond, but our first ever victory over Fettes was perhaps the highlight of the season. The poor form shown in the drawn game with Loretto was disappointing, and only a splendid rearguard action by Dawson and Stewart saved us from defeat. The season ended very pleasantly and on a triumphant note with the visit of the Oxford Authentics at the end of term.

Harvey-Walker, captaining the XI for the second year, takes much credit for the success of his side. He set a fine all-round example, and in addition showed a maturity in his handling of the bowling and field placing. He was the outstanding batsman, scoring a total of 628 runs which included two glorious centuries that will be long remembered by those present. His 179 not out against Glenalmond is a school record, beating the 150 not out of R. S. Johnston in 1936.

Currie scored the third century of the season but lacked consistency as an opener. Pate was a reliable number three and, though rather slow, laid the foundations of a number of high totals. Of the remaining batsmen, all had their moments and contributed to the success of the side. Inevitably there were a number of unnecessary dismissals through thoughtlessness and poor judgment, but there was always somebody to get his head down and play sensibly.

Fleming bowled exceedingly well and remained hostile and accurate throughout the season. He bowled far more at the stumps this year and was rewarded with a record total of 68

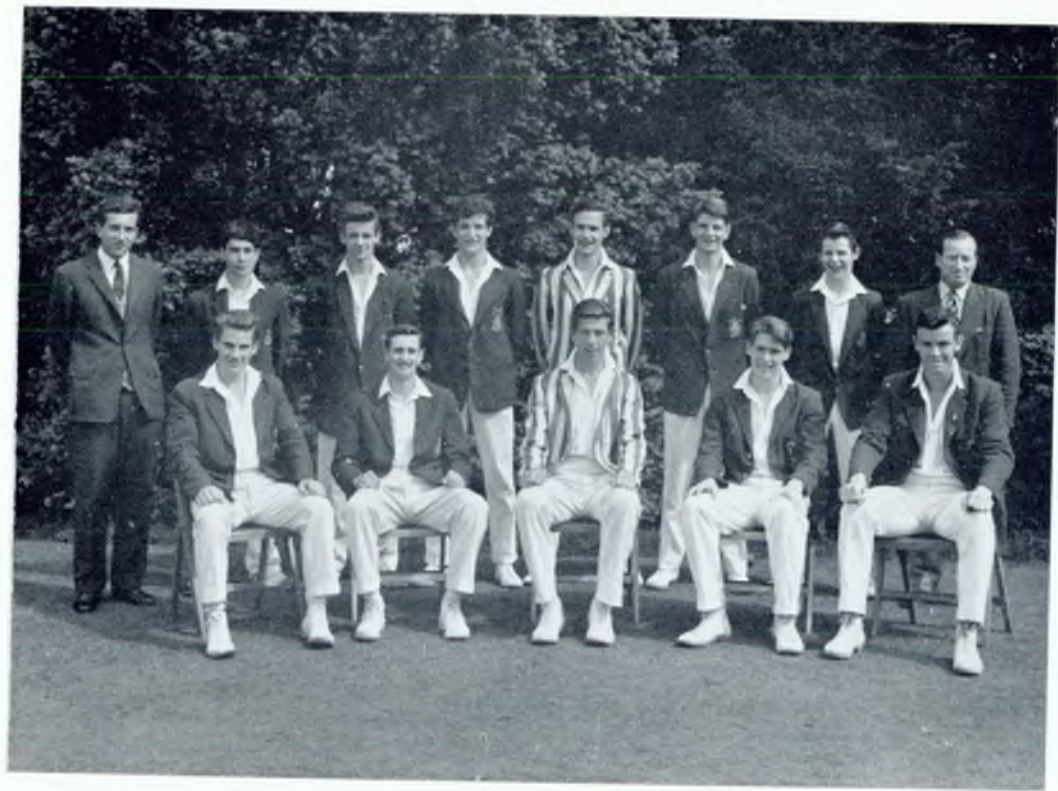
A number of key players have now left and it is to the Colts that we must look for replacements. There are some talented players amongst them, and it is to be hoped that they can successfully bridge the gap between the Colts and the 1st XI, so that our cricket will continue to be of a high standard next year.

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Currie and Bucher began the School's reply in fine style, taking ten off the first over. Currie, however, was out shortly afterwards but Pate joined Bucher and these two saw the total past the Crieff score without further loss after 35 minutes batting. Even though this victory was fairly easily achieved, it provided a thoroughly satisfactory start to the season.

Crieff		Strathallan	
P. G. Brander, b Fleming.....	0	D. J. S. Currie, lbw, b Ewing ....	10
A. Douglas, b Bucher .....	13	A. R. Bucher, not out .....	16
R. Smith, c H. A. Fleming b Bucher .....	1	W. S. Pate, not out .....	8
P. Singer, b Fleming.....	1	Extras .....	6
W. Sinclair, b Fleming .....	0	Total (for 1 wicket) .....	40
M. Dewhurst, b Bucher .....	4	Did not bat: D. N. Strachan,	
J. W. Ryan, b Fleming .....	1	D. R. Anderson, D. M. Stewart,	
G. N. Ewing, c Stewart, b Pate	4	I. W. L. Brown, J. D. A. Brown,	
S. Black, c Stewart, b Pate .....	1	M. I. M. Dawson, A. J. Fleming,	
R. Sinclair, not out .....	3	H. A. Fleming.	
I. Davidson, lbw, b Pate .....	2		
Extras .....	3		
		W. Sinclair .....	O. M. R. W. 6 2 20 0
		G. N. Ewing .....	5 0 14 1
	Total 33		
	O. M. R. W.		
A. J. Fleming .....	9 5 21 4		
A. R. Bucher .....	11 6 5 3		
W. S. Pate .....	2·3 1 4 3		

Won by 9 wickets

*1st. XI 1963*

School v. Edinburgh Academy—Away—Saturday, 11th May

Harvey-Walker returned to the side for this match, and having won the toss elected to take first innings on a wicket still wet after overnight rain. The innings began badly, Bucher being dismissed quickly but Pate and Currie set about scoring the runs slowly but surely. After 50 minutes play, Currie was dismissed for 21, at which point Harvey-Walker went to the wicket and hit up 33 in 28 minutes before being unluckily run out. Brown left shortly afterwards and when Pate was caught at silly mid-on, the total had reached 87 for the loss of 5 wickets. Anderson and Strachan added 51 for the sixth wicket before Anderson was out at 138. Shanks stayed with Strachan while 19 were added and Dawson helped in a stand of 20 taking the total to 177 before both batsmen were out in quick succession. Harvey-Walker declared the innings closed leaving the Academy 160 minutes to make the necessary runs.

Their reply got off to a bad start when in successive overs Calderbank was caught at the wicket by Stewart off Bucher and Bond was l.b.w. to Fleming, with the total at 8. Sands was the mainstay of a stand of 40 with Fairweather but when he was out for 35, Hewitt followed soon afterwards to make the score 50 for 4. Some lusty hitting by Masterton advanced the total to 79 at which point the Academy lost 4 wickets without further addition. A spirited 10 by Burtt took the score to 89 before the innings closed. Harvey-Walker had been the main destroyer, taking 6 wickets for 32 including one spell of 4 wickets for 10 runs in 10 balls. This was a thoroughly satisfying 88 run victory which indicated a successful season ahead.

Strathallan					Edinburgh Academy				
D. J. S. Currie, c Sands, b Hewitt	21				J. N. Sands, c Currie, b Harvey-Walker	35			
A. R. Bucher, c Fairweather, b Burtt	1				N. H. Calderbank, c Stewart, b Bucher	1			
W. S. Pate, c Calderbank, b Masterton	31				G. F. Bond, lbw, b Fleming	0			
A. J. Harvey-Walker, run out	33				J. H. W. Fairweather, c Pate, b Harvey-Walker	18			
I. W. L. Brown, st Sands, b Masterton	1				J. O. Hewitt, c Stewart, b Harvey-Walker	2			
D. R. Anderson, c Hewitt, b Masterton	33				A. I. Masterton, b Pate	19			
D. N. Strachan, b Calderbank	42				R. I. G. Allen, lbw, b Harvey-Walker	0			
D. D. Shanks, c Bond, b Cochran	6				J. K. M. Cochran, c Pate, b Harvey-Walker	0			
M. I. M. Dawson, st Sands, b Cochran	4				J. G. Fleming, not out	0			
D. M. Stewart, not out	0				I. L. Burtt, c and b Harvey-Walker	10			
A. J. Fleming, did not bat	—				J. H. Bunney run out	0			
Extras	5				Extras	4			
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.)	177								
	O.	M.	R.	W.				Total	89
J. H. Bunney	8	4	8	0					
J. L. Burtt	9	1	33	1	A. J. Fleming	9	2	20	1
J. O. Hewitt	11	3	27	1	A. R. Bucher	3	2	3	1
N. H. Calderbank	22	2	49	1	A. J. Harvey-Walker	11	3	32	6
A. I. Masterton	14	1	2	39	3				
J. K. M. Cochran	6	1	16	2	W. S. Pate	6	3	30	1

Won by 88 runs

**School v. Morrison's Academy—Away—Saturday, 18th May**

Currie and Bucher again opened the School's innings after Harvey-Walker had won the toss, but in the second over Bucher played a ball on to his stumps without a run on the board. Currie, however, was scoring well before he was caught with the score at 23. Harvey-Walker did not last long being caught at slip when he mistimed a hook. Brown soon came and went again, lbw, for 6. Strathallan had collapsed to 31 for 4 when Anderson joined the reliable Pate. These two added 54 before Pate was run out following a misunderstanding with his partner, and when Strachan was bowled three balls later, 6 wickets were down for 85 with Anderson on 25. Some hard hitting by Anderson saw the total to 108 before Anderson was bowled for a very well made 50 including 9 fours. The tailenders were quickly dismissed and the School were all out for 112. Havard, Morrison's left-arm pace bowler had bowled unchanged for two hours to take 7 wickets for 37.

When the Morrison's innings began, their opening pair remained intact for 20 minutes in scoring 13 before Wilson was lbw to Fleming; 4 runs later Waters was similarly out and with the score at 22. Ferguson and Brander were both out in quick succession. Harvey-Walker put himself on to bowl in place of Bucher, and it was he who took the next wicket when Vick skied a catch to Fleming at deep square leg. With the score at 30 Morrison's lost three further wickets, one to Fleming and two to Harvey-Walker, and very shortly afterwards they were all out for 32 after 82 minutes batting. Fleming bowled well with the assistance of a very strong wind to take 5 for 20, while Harvey-Walker took 4 for 5 in his 6 overs. Having been dismissed for a rather low score on a wettish wicket, the School's display in the field gave them a well-deserved 80 run victory.

Strathallan					Morrison's Academy				
D. J. S. Currie, c Brander, b Havard	14				A. F. Wilson, lbw, b Fleming	4			
A. R. Bucher, b Brander	0				J. Ferguson, c Anderson, b Bucher	13			
W. S. Pate, run out	29				D. N. Waters, lbw, b Fleming	0			
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c Reid, b Havard	0				G. T. G. Brander, b Fleming	4			
I. W. L. Brown, lbw, b Havard	6				R. H. E. Vick, c Fleming, b Harvey-Walker	1			
D. R. Anderson, b Havard	50				R. Reid, c Bucher, b Harvey-Walker	6			
D. N. Strachan, b Havard	0				A. Havard, b Fleming	1			
D. D. Shanks, not out	3				N. Allison, b Harvey-Walker	0			
M. I. M. Dawson, c Greer, b Havard	1				R. L. Greer, not out	1			
D. M. Stewart, b Ritchie	1				N. K. Ritchie, c Fleming, b Harvey-Walker	1			
A. J. Fleming, b Havard	1				D. Robertson, b Fleming	0			
Extras	7				Extras	1			
Total 112					Total 32				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Havard	17.4	4	37	7	A. J. Fleming	12.2	3	20	5
G. T. G. Brander	12	0	42	1	A. R. Bucher	6	1	6	1
N. K. Ritchie	5	1	26	1	A. J. Harvey-Walker	6	4	5	4

Won by 80 runs

**School v. Merchiston Castle School—Home—Wednesday, 22nd May**

After very heavy rain the previous afternoon and evening it appeared very doubtful that this match would be played. However, the morning was bright and clear and play began on time although on a freshly cut wicket.

The Merchiston captain, Webster, won the toss and sent Strathallan in to bat, and he looked to have made the right decision when Currie and Bucher were both dismissed with only 11 runs on the board. Pate and Harvey-Walker batted very steadily with Harvey-Walker being particularly attacking. When Pate went, Anderson and Strachan kept one end up while Harvey-Walker attacked the bowling. He reached his 50 in 66 minutes and with the help of four sixes off Smith had advanced to 95 not out out of 145 for 5 when Anderson was out. A flick off his toes through mid-wicket gave him his hundred, and shortly afterwards lunch was taken at 158 for 5. After lunch Harvey-Walker took his score on to 132 before he was bowled. His innings had lasted 142 minutes and it contained 8 sixes and 12 fours. This was only 18 short of the record 150 not out by R. S. Johnston in 1937. The tail-enders hit up a few quick runs before the innings was declared closed at 222 for 9 wickets.

Merchiston were left 185 minutes in which to bat, but they began badly, losing both their openers for only 8 runs. Morton and Corstorphine played with more confidence, but shortly before tea, Corstorphine was caught and bowled by Bucher and Morton was bowled by Fleming. Brown and Lockhart were both dismissed before they had scored and tea was taken with 6 wickets down for 36. Soon after the resumption, Fleming bowled Briggs and Smith with consecutive deliveries, but Fordwood and Boyle stayed together while 20 were added before both fell to excellent catches by Anderson in the gully to close the innings at 65. Fleming was once again the most successful bowler having bowled throughout the innings to take 6 wickets for 26, helping Strathallan to their third consecutive win over Merchiston, this time by 157 runs.

Strathallan					Merchiston				
D. J. S. Currie, b Smith	6				R. H. Webster, b Bucher	4			
A. R. Bucher, c and b Thom	4				A. J. R. McGregor, b Fleming	0			
W. S. Pate, c Corstorphine, b Smith	18				D. C. Morton, b Fleming	24			
A. J. Harvey-Walker, b Thom	132				A. E. Corstorphine, c and b Bucher	4			
D. N. Strachan, lbw, b Smith	2				K. A. R. Brown, lbw, b Bucher	0			
D. R. Anderson, b Smith	2				A. T. C. Lockhart, b Fleming	0			
I. W. L. Brown, c Thom, b Smith	8				J. I. Fordwood, c Anderson, b Pate	12			
D. D. Shanks, c Boyle, b Smith	14				J. C. Briggs, b Fleming	2			
M. I. M. Dawson, not out	6				J. A. Smith, b Fleming	0			
D. M. Stewart, lbw, b Thom	7				A. H. W. Boyle, c Anderson, b Fleming	4			
A. J. Fleming, not out	5				M. A. J. Thom, not out	2			
Extras	18				Extras	13			
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.)	222								
	O.	M.	R.	W.					Total
M. A. J. Thom	18	3	55	3					65
J. A. Smith	25	6	91	5					
J. I. Fordwood	6	0	17	0	A. J. Fleming	13	4	26	6
K. A. R. Brown	4	0	22	0	A. R. Bucher	7	2	16	3
D. C. Morton	7	1	19	0	A. J. Harvey-Walker	4	0	9	0
					W. S. Pate	1.2	1	1	1

Won by 157 runs

#### School v. Daniel Stewart's College—Away—Saturday, 25th May

Harvey-Walker chose to bat first on a wicket that was very slow after heavy rain the previous day. It was not long before Pate joined Bucher, Currie having been dismissed with the total at 5. When Bucher was out,

Harvey-Walker went to the wicket and immediately set about the bowling, scoring 49 out of a partnership of 60 with Pate before being lbw. Anderson replaced Harvey-Walker and he, too, scored very rapidly, his innings of 33 including an enormous six over the square-leg boundary. When he was caught, Strachan joined Pate in adding a quick 28 before Harvey-Walker declared at 180 for 4, shortly after Pate had reached his 50 after 125 minutes batting.

Daniel Stewart's had scored 7 after fifteen minutes batting when they lost Shannon to a catch by Pate, and one run later Low was run out when Harvey-Walker threw down the stumps from cover after an lbw appeal had been refused. Bladen edged his first ball to Brown at second slip, and with the total at 9, Scobie was bowled by Fleming. Bucher had Langdon caught at the wicket by Stewart and Fleming bowled McLean to make Stewart's 16 for 6. Skinner was leg-before to Bucher soon afterwards, and Palmer and Johnston added 14 for the 8th wicket before Palmer did not offer a shot to a ball from Harvey-Walker and was given out lbw. The tail-enders managed to keep their wickets intact for almost half-an-hour before Fleming bowled Johnston, and then closed the innings by having Hall caught at the wicket. This 141 run victory gave the School their fifth consecutive victory in the season.

### Strathallan

D. J. S. Currie, c Skinner, b Smith .....	5
A. R. Bucher, b Johnston .....	19
W. S. Pate, not out .....	56
A. J. Harvey-Walker, lbw, b Low .....	48
D. R. Anderson, c Langdon, b Scobie .....	33
D. N. Strachan, not out .....	17
Extras .....	2

Total (for 4 wks.) 180

Did not bat: 1. W. L. Brown,  
D. D. Shanks, M. I. M. Dawson,  
D. M. Stewart, A. J. Fleming.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C. H. Johnston .....	17	2	40	1
G. Smith .....	8	2	44	1
R. M. Scobie .....	17	5	41	1
M. Hall .....	5	0	28	0
K. Low .....	4	0	25	1

### Daniel Stewart's

A. G. R. Shannon, c Pate, b Bucher .....	1
G. K. M. Low, run out .....	5
K. Langdon, c Stewart, b Bucher .....	4
C. Bladen, c Brown, b Bucher .....	0
R. M. Scobie, b Fleming .....	0
D. C. Palmer, lbw, b Harvey-Walker .....	16
D. McLean, b Fleming .....	1
B. J. Skinner, lbw, b Bucher .....	1
C. H. Johnston, b Fleming .....	4
M. Hall, c Stewart, b Fleming .....	2
G. Smith, not out .....	0
Extras .....	5

Total 39

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming .....	12.4	3	14	4
A. R. Bucher .....	12	7	5	4
A. J. Harvey-Walker .....	5	1	12	1
W. S. Pate .....	4	1	3	0
D. R. Anderson .....	1	1	0	0

Won by 141 runs

### School v. Fettes College—Away—Tuesday, 28th May

After a slightly late arrival at Fettes the match began at 11.45. Harvey-Walker won the toss and elected to take first use of a beautiful batting wicket, but once again the opening stand was short-lived for with the score at 13, Bucher was out lbw. Pate joined Currie and the pair played very solidly until lunch was taken with the score at 45 for 1. After lunch the runs came a bit more quickly but when Currie had reached 31, he swept at a leg-spinner and was bowled. Harvey-Walker made a very quick 12 before he was caught in two minds and popped up a simple catch to gully. Anderson went to the wicket and with one of his customary displays of attacking batsmanship

scored 21 in 12 minutes before being bowled with the total at 95. At this stage, Strachan joined Pate and immediately he set about the bowling in, for him, unusual fashion. In 1962, this pair had shared in a stand of 98 in the match against Fettes, and on this occasion they had reached 85 in 57 minutes when Strachan was run out for 66, an innings which included 10 fours. Shortly afterwards, Harvey-Walker made his declaration with the total at 185 for 5, Pate having scored 44 not out—a sterling effort. Fettes began their reply after tea, but when their total had reached 7, Brown edged a ball from Fleming on to his stumps. Fleming's next delivery bowled Lorimer, and the last ball of Bucher's next over beat and bowled Mackay. Without addition, Jolly, the Fettes captain, was caught at slip off Bucher to make the score 7 for 4 wickets. Kirsop and Russell managed to scrape together 17 runs before Pate came into the attack and in his first over dismissed Russell and Craig. Fleming immediately bowled both Kirsop and Graham to make Fettes 8 wickets down for 25 runs. 11 runs were added for the ninth wicket before Madson was caught by Stewart, and 15 runs later Stewart's diving catch to dismiss Leslie ended the innings at 51. This victory by Strathallan by 134 runs was the first against Fettes.

Strathallan					Fettes				
D. J. S. Currie, b Graham	31				D. A. Mackay, b Bucher	3			
A. R. Bucher, lbw, b Russell	4				J. C. E. Brown, b Fleming	4			
W. S. Pate, not out	44				A. C. Lorimer, b Fleming	0			
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c Craig, b Mackay	12				C. K. J. Kirsop, lbw, b Fleming	8			
D. R. Anderson, b Kirsop	21				H. M. Jolly, c Currie, b Bucher	0			
D. N. Strachan, run out	66				A. A. Russell, c Bucher, b Pate	8			
I. W. L. Brown, not out	0				A. Craig, lbw, b Pate	0			
Extras	7				G. W. S. Graham, b Fleming	0			
					M. J. C. Chatwin, not out	6			
					D. F. Madson, c Stewart, b Fleming	4			
Total (for 5 wks.)	185				B. J. F. Leslie, c Stewart, b Bucher	10			
Did not bat: D. M. Stewart,					Extras	8			
D. D. Shanks, M. I. M. Dawson,									
A. J. Fleming.									
	O.	M.	R.	W.					
A. A. Russell	10	5	18	1					
M. J. C. Chatwin	17	3	34	0					
C. K. J. Kirsop	18	5	31	1	A. J. Fleming	14	4	25	5
D. A. Mackay	9	4	20	1	A. R. Bucher	12.5	5	11	3
G. W. S. Graham	11	1	59	1	A. J. Harvey-Walker	4	2	4	0
B. J. F. Leslie	4	0	16	0	W. S. Pate	5	3	3	2

Won by 134 runs

#### School v. Strathallians—Home—Saturday, 1st June

The School chose to bat first on winning the toss, but once again the opening stand was short-lived, for in Davidson's second over, Bucher edged a catch to Dr. Balfour behind the wicket. Pate added 26 with Currie before being lbw, also to Davidson. Lunch was taken shortly afterwards and after lunch some powerful stroke-play by Harvey-Walker and Currie took the score to 83 before Harvey-Walker was brilliantly caught by Smith at first slip. Currie was well stumped by Dr. Balfour shortly after this with the score at 94, at which point Strachan and Anderson came together and added 63 for the fifth wicket. Anderson reached his 50 in 40 minutes, hitting a six and nine fours. Sloan scored well but Stewart was quickly dismissed at 181 for 7. When Fleming went, Dawson and Reid added 22 for the last wicket before the School declared at 225 for 9. J. J. W. Davidson for the Old Boys had bowled 28 consecutive overs in taking his 6 for 91.

The Old Boys began badly, losing Yellowley in Fleming's first over and Galt was looking well set when he was out with the score at 21. Taylor and Smith added 34 before Smith was caught and bowled by Fleming and in the next over Taylor was dismissed by Reid. 4 minutes later Johnston was stumped by Stewart off Harvey-Walker and after Sim and Dr. Balfour had put on 18 in 20 minutes they were both out in quick succession to make the Old Boys 79 for 7. Mackenzie and Cook, however, took the score to 106 before Mackenzie was bowled and then Duncan stayed with Cook until 128 runs were on the board. The last man, Davidson, joined Cook with 25 minutes left for play but despite the efforts of the School attack, they were undefeated at the end having added 34 runs, to take the total to 162 for 9. And so, for the first time in the season, the School XI had failed to win a match.

Strathallan					Strathallians				
D. J. S. Currie, st Balfour, b Davidson				38	I. M. Smith, c and b Fleming				24
A. R. Bucher, c Balfour, b Davidson				0	D. C. Yellowley, b Fleming				0
W. S. Pate, lbw, b Davidson				12	H. Galt, lbw, b Reid				8
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c Smith, b Davidson				27	T. R. Taylor, lbw, b Reid				17
D. N. Strachan, lbw, b Davidson				18	A. G. Johnston, st Stewart, b Harvey-Walker				5
D. R. Anderson, c Davidson, b Sim				61	I. D. E. Sim, b Harvey-Walker				11
A. J. Sloan, b Sim				20	Dr. G. W. Balfour, c Stewart, b Pate				8
D. M. Stewart, b Sim				0	D. MacKenzie, b Fleming				9
M. I. M. Dawson, not out				7	A. S. Cook, not out				29
A. J. Fleming, b Davidson				1	D. C. Duncan, lbw, b Bucher				12
W. G. Reid, not out				17	J. J. W. Davidson, not out				20
Extras				24	Extras				19
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.) 225					Total (for 9 wkts.) 162				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
J. J. W. Davidson	28	3	91	6	A. J. Fleming	13	3	42	3
D. C. Duncan	12	3	41	0	W. G. Reid	10	0	45	2
T. R. Taylor	1	0	4	0	A. J. Harvey-Walker	14	4	36	2
I. D. E. Sim	14	2	65	3	A. R. Bucher	6	3	7	1
					W. S. Pate	4	0	13	1

Match drawn

#### School v. Dollar Academy—Home—Wednesday, 5th June

On a dull afternoon, the Dollar captain won the toss and chose to bat on a damp wicket. There was a stiff breeze blowing across the wicket which was to prove helpful to the Strathallan opening attack. In the third over, Greig was caught at leg-slip by Sloan for 8, off Fleming, and without addition Kirkwood was bowled, also by Fleming. Taylor and Lunan added 6 more before Lunan and Moodie were bowled by successive deliveries from Fleming. Taylor and Cooke doubled the score with their stand of 14, but the fifth wicket fell when Harvey Walker's throw to Stewart from mid-on left Taylor with no chance of completing a short single. The new batsman, Hughes, was caught by Pate off the first ball he received, and when Cooke and McIlwraith were bowled in Fleming's seventh over, Dollar had collapsed to 29 for 8. Fleming in this spell had taken 7 wickets for 11 runs in 30 balls. Stevenson was the mainstay of a stand of 21 with Spowart. The partnership was broken by Bucher who had Spowart caught at slip by Currie and followed it up by bowling Halkerston, to make Dollar all out for 50. Fleming was the main destroyer with 7 for 26, but Bucher bowled very steadily for his more modest figures.

The Strathallan innings was opened by a new pair, Currie and Sloan, in the hope that a more solid start would be achieved. However, Currie was

dismissed with the total at 11. Tea was taken at 12 for 1. Sloan and Pate played on steadily until at 35 Pate hesitated over a short single and was run out. Harvey-Walker went to the wicket and he and Sloan saw the total past the Dollar score without further loss, Harvey-Walker finishing the match with a six into the School drive.

Dollar Academy					Strathallan				
D. D. Greig, c Sloan, b Fleming				8	D. J. S. Currie, c Spowart, b				
D. M. Taylor, run out				8	Cooke				6
P. G. Kirkwood, b Fleming				0	A. J. Sloan, not out				24
N. Lunan, b Fleming				2	W. S. Pate, run out				10
C. A. S. Moodie, b Fleming				0	A. J. Harvey-Walker, not out				14
J. H. Cooke, b Fleming				6	Extras				1
A. R. Hughes, c Pate, b Fleming				0					
R. G. Stevenson, not out				15	Total (for 2 wks.) 55				
A. R. McIlwraith, b Fleming				0	Did not bat: D. N. Strachan,				
R. I. C. Spowart, c Currie, b					D. R. Anderson, A. R. Bucher,				
Bucher				2	D. D. Shanks, M. I. M. Dawson,				
W. J. Halkerston, b Bucher				0	D. M. Stewart, A. J. Fleming.				
Extras				9					
				Total 50					
	O.	M.	R.	W.					
A. J. Fleming	9	2	26	7	D. M. Taylor	4	2	2	0
A. R. Bucher	8.4	2	15	2	J. H. Cooke	9	0	37	1
					R. I. C. Spowart	5	0	15	0

Won by 8 wickets

#### School v. Loretto School—Away—Saturday, 8th June

Loretto chose to take first innings on winning the toss. They began quietly but after 17 minutes play Barker edged a ball from Fleming to second slip where Sloan took an excellent catch. After this early wicket the Strathallan fielders lapsed badly, three catches being dropped before Bucher finally held a good one at slip to dismiss Nicholson after a partnership of 64. Two more catches were put down before Haigh was lbw with the total at 90. Fleming was brought back shortly before lunch and his reward was the capture of two quick wickets, MacKinlay and Muir-Simpson being bowled with successive deliveries. Lunch was taken at 96 for 5. Shortly after the break, Dea and Goodwillie were both caught by Stewart and Loretto had slumped to 101 for 7. Wykes and Macleod managed to add 41 with the help of two more dropped catches before the latter was caught by Shanks. McNeil helped in adding a further 40, benefiting from yet another missed chance. Wykes had meantime reached his 50 and was 62 not out when Loretto declared at 205 for 9 wickets.

In the 40-minute session before tea, Strathallan scored 22 for the loss of Currie's wicket, with the result that after the interval 185 runs were required in 130 minutes. After Sloan's departure, Harvey-Walker scored 7 before he lifted his head and was bowled, and with his dismissal most of Strathallan's hopes vanished. Strachan stayed for half-an-hour in scoring 5, and Anderson who followed him never looked comfortable in his period at the wicket. Bucher, dropped down the order, failed again and Shanks stayed for a short while before being caught at silly mid-on. When Pate was bowled by Wykes for 32 out of 77 for 8, things looked black for the School with 33 minutes left for play. Dawson and Stewart had other ideas, however, and although Nicholson rang the bowling changes in an effort to take the two vital wickets the batsmen played out time to force a draw. Strathallan had only themselves to blame for this reverse of fortune, their display in the field being extraordinarily slovenly.

Loretto					Strathallan				
S. P. A. Barker, c Sloan, b Fleming				1	D. J. S. Currie, lbw, b MacLeod				9
J. N. MacKinlay, b Fleming				33	A. J. Sloan, c McNeil, b Muir-Simpson				7
W. J. N. Nicholson, c Bucher, b Harvey-Walker				41	W. S. Pate, b Wykes				32
S. H. Haigh, c Pate, b Harvey-Walker				14	A. J. Harvey-Walker, b MacLeod				7
C. J. G. Wykes, not out				62	D. N. Strachan, c Nicholson, b Goodwille				5
R. M. Muir-Simpson, b Fleming				0	D. R. Anderson, c Haigh, b Wykes				5
R. A. Dea, c Stewart, b Fleming				4	A. R. Bucher, b Ritchie				4
C. Goodwille, c Stewart, b Pate				0	D. D. Shanks, c MacLeod, b Ritchie				2
A. K. MacLeod, c Currie, b Harvey-Walker				27	M. I. M. Dawson, not out				5
M. L. L. McNeil, c Shanks, b Harvey-Walker				18	D. M. Stewart, not out				19
A. W. Ritchie, not out				1	A. J. Fleming, did not bat.				
Extras				4	Extras				8
Total (for 9 wks. dec.) 205					Total (for 8 wks.) 103				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming	20	2	60	4	A. W. Ritchie	12	5	29	2
A. R. Bucher	16	5	31	0	M. L. L. McNeil	12	6	13	0
A. J. Harvey-Walker	23	2	84	4	A. K. MacLeod	10	5	11	2
W. S. Pate	8	0	20	1	R. M. Muir-Simpson	6	0	13	1
M. I. M. Dawson	1	0	6	0	C. Goodwille	7	2	17	1
					C. J. G. Wykes	13	7	12	2

Match drawn

### School v. Glasgow Academy—Home—Wednesday, 19th June

Harvey-Walker again won the toss and chose to bat, and for the first time in the season the innings got off to a good start, Currie and Sloan putting on 56 in 72 minutes before Sloan was caught for 19. Twenty minutes later Pate was run out after backing up too far and Harvey-Walker was bowled first ball with the score at 83. Currie had 43 at this stage but he was bowled soon afterwards for 48. Anderson and Strachan added 31 in 20 minutes before Anderson was caught for 24. Two runs later, Bucher, still struggling to find his form, was out lbw, and when Strachan and Stewart were dismissed in quick succession, Harvey-Walker declared with the total at 132 for 8.

After the tea interval, Glasgow Academy began their reply with Bull and Young. In Bucher's third over, with 6 runs on the board, Young was trapped lbw and two balls later, McBean was caught at the wicket by Stewart. Pate and Harvey-Walker soon replaced the opening bowlers but it was Fleming's throw from cover which found Clement out of his ground to make Glasgow Academy 22 for 3. Five runs later, the solid Bull was caught by Sloan for 6, after 53 minutes at the wicket. Tickle now joined Ebbage but the latter immediately skied a ball to Dawson at mid-wicket where he held the catch. Welsh stayed with Tickle for a quarter of an hour in adding 10 before Harvey-Walker clean bowled him and Dunlop with consecutive balls. Lockhart and Elder were dismissed in quick succession and after a few lusty swings Brown missed a straight one from Fleming and the Academy were all out for 48 and Strathallan were victors by a margin of 84 runs.

Strathallan					Glasgow Academy				
D. J. S. Currie, b Lockhart	48	J. C. W. Bull, c Sloan, b Pate	6						
A. J. Sloan, c Welsh, b Young	19	G. T. G. Young, lbw, b Bucher	4						
W. S. Pate, run out	16	C. J. McBean, c Stewart, b							
A. J. Harvey-Walker, b Lockhart	0	Bucher	0						
D. R. Anderson, c Brown, b		J. C. Clement, run out	8						
Lockhart	24	S. R. Ebbage, c Dawson, b							
D. N. Strachan, c Brown, b		Harvey-Walker	7						
Lockhart	17	A. C. Tickle, not out	4						
A. R. Bucher, lbw, b Brown	1	D. W. Welsh, b Harvey-Walker	6						
D. M. Stewart, b Brown	0	D. F. Dunlop, b Harvey-Walker	0						
D. D. Shanks, not out	0	A. H. Lockhart, b Fleming	0						
Extras	7	E. M. Elder, b Harvey-Walker	1						
		A. N. G. Brown, b Fleming	5						
		Extras	7						
Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 132									
Did not bat: M. I. M. Dawson,									
A. J. Fleming,					Total			48	
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
A. N. G. Brown	9.5	3	21	2	A. J. Fleming	8.3	5	11	2
J. C. W. Bull	10	5	15	0	A. R. Bucher	5	3	5	2
A. H. Lockhart	16	1	41	4	A. J. Harvey-Walker	10	5	15	4
G. T. G. Young	10	0	48	1	W. S. Pate	7	1	10	1

Won by 84 runs

#### School v. Perth Academy—Away—Saturday, 22nd June

Harvey-Walker won the toss and chose to open the School innings himself with Currie as his partner. The batsmen soon began to play the Perth bowling with complete confidence, both of them taking boundaries to all parts of the ground, the 50 partnership being reached in only 35 minutes. The score continued to mount by leaps and bounds with the result that after 53 minutes play, Harvey-Walker raised the 100 and his own 50 with a six over the scoreboard. Currie reached his half-century five minutes later, and the total had reached 119 when Harvey-Walker was out to a brilliant diving catch by Keillar at deep square-leg. When Pate came to the wicket, Currie immediately went into his shell taking half an hour over his next 10 runs. At 150, Pate was lbw to Miskelly for 20 and Anderson joined Currie. These two played out the remaining 7 minutes until tea was taken at 155 for 2 with Currie 61 not out and Anderson 3 not out. After tea, Currie raced to his century after 113 minutes batting in all, and soon afterwards Harvey-Walker declared at 199 for 2 wickets.

The last ball of Fleming's opening over accounted for Bolt, and the second ball of Bucher's next over saw Anderson well taken by Currie at first slip. Miskelly was scoring freely but when Bucher was replaced by Harvey-Walker he was very soon dismissed lbw, having scored 19 out of the 24 for 3. Keillar was bowled by Fleming shortly afterwards, and after MacCallum and Wilson had stayed together for 10 minutes, Wilson was stumped on the leg-side by Stewart off Harvey-Walker to make Perth 5 down for 30. MacCallum and MacLeod added 35 in half an hour before Fleming, coming back for a second spell, accounted for MacLeod and Stewart in one over. Hardie hit hard in making 11 before skying a catch to Strachan at mid-on, and when Anderson bowled Oldfield the score had reached 87 for 9. The number 11 batsman McClelland played very well in his innings of 21 which took the total to 115 before Sloan took the catch which gave Strathallan victory by 84 runs.

## Strathallan

D. J. S. Currie, not out .....	101
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c Keillar, b Miskelly .....	63
W. S. Pate, lbw, b Miskelly .....	20
D. R. Anderson, not out .....	7
Extras .....	8

Total (for 2 wks. dec.) 199

Did not bat: D. N. Strachan,  
A. J. Sloan, A. R. Bucher, D. M.  
Stewart, D. D. Shanks, M. I. M.  
Dawson, A. J. Fleming.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
B. Wilson .....	12	0	59	0
D. Oldfield .....	8	1	44	0
M. Miskelly .....	12	1	62	2
J. Bolt .....	3	0	26	0

## Perth Academy

M. Miskelly, lbw, b. Harvey- Walker .....	19
J. Bolt, b Fleming .....	0
E. Anderson, c Currie, b Bucher .....	0
A. Keillar, b Fleming .....	1
B. McCallum, not out .....	32
B. Wilson, st Stewart, b Harvey- Walker .....	1
R. MacLeod, b Fleming .....	19
G. Stewart, lbw, b Fleming .....	0
J. Hardie, c Strachan, b Dawson .....	11
D. Oldfield, b Anderson .....	0
B. McClelland, c Sloan, b Harvey-Walker .....	21
Extras .....	11

Total 115

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming .....	13	3	32	4
A. R. Bucher .....	7	1	16	1
A. J. Harvey- Walker .....	11.4	3	21	3
W. S. Pate .....	5	1	16	0
M. I. M. Dawson .....	3	0	9	1
D. R. Anderson .....	3	1	10	1

Won by 84 runs

## School v. Perthshire C.C.—Home—Tuesday, 9th July

Mr. Lodge, captaining the Perthshire side, won the toss and chose to bat. The batsmen looked quite comfortable against the School attack although they never looked like getting on top. A. S. Hay played very quietly for 75 minutes in scoring his 28, but the later batsmen were all dismissed relatively cheaply. When the innings was declared closed at 116 for 8 wickets, the School were left 105 minutes in which to make the runs.

With only one run on the board, Currie was foolishly run out, and after Harvey-Walker had hit one hefty six off Hay he was stumped by Brown to make Strathallan two down for 18. Sloan was looking very solid all this time and after losing Strachan at 25 he and Anderson took the total to 44 before Sloan was caught at the wicket for a valuable 27. Hostile spin-bowling by the left-handed Kerrigan had the later Strathallan batsmen in trouble, and in fact 4 wickets fell with the total on 50, and it was not long before the School were all out for 55, to record their first defeat of the season.

## Perthshire

J. Brown, c Stewart, b Bucher ....	10
P. S. Gardiner, b Harvey-Walker ....	27
A. S. Hay, c Anderson, b Fleming .....	28
H. C. Addison, b Bucher .....	0
D. Haines, b Harvey-Walker .....	8
A. J. Stewart, c Stewart, b Reid .....	6
D. C. Duigan, not out .....	15
M. Kerrigan, c Sloan, b Bucher .....	11
G. W. Searle, b Fleming .....	2
J. T. Lodge, not out .....	3

## Strathallan

D. J. S. Currie, run out .....	0
A. J. Harvey-Walker, st Brown, b Campbell .....	9
A. J. Sloan, c Brown, b Kerrigan .....	27
D. N. Strachan, st Brown, b Kerrigan .....	5
D. R. Anderson, c Duigan, b Kerrigan .....	4
A. R. Bucher, c Hay, b Kerrigan .....	5
D. D. Shanks, b Stewart .....	0
I. W. L. Brown, not out .....	1

J. Campbell, did not bat.				
Extras .....				6
Total (for 8 wks. dec.)	116			
	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming .....	14	2	40	2
A. R. Bucher .....	14	4	23	3
A. J. Harvey-Walker .....	8	1	33	2
W. G. Reid .....	7	1	14	1

D. M. Stewart, c Haines, b Kerrigan .....	0
W. G. Reid, b Kerrigan .....	0
A. J. Fleming, c Kerrigan, b Gardiner .....	4
Extras .....	0

Total 55

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. C. Addison .....	4	3	3	0
J. Campbell .....	9	3	16	1
A. S. Hay .....	6	0	16	0
M. Kerrigan .....	9	4	11	6
A. J. Stewart .....	4	1	5	1
D. C. Duigan .....	1	1	0	0
P. S. Gardiner .....	0.5	0	4	1

Lost by 61 runs

### School v. Ayrshire Wanderers—Home—Tuesday, 16th July

Batting first, the visiting Ayrshire Wanderers team would have been in dire straits were it not for the very fine innings by I. W. L. Reid, their opening batsman, who carried his bat right through his side's innings. He received valuable support in a stand of 40 for the fourth wicket with Lawson but after the latter was dismissed the later batsmen soon folded up when faced with Harvey-Walker's spin and Fleming's pace. When Ayrshire were all out at 93, Reid was 55 not out and Fleming, having taken the last 4 wickets in 8 balls finished with five for 20.

When the Strathallan innings had reached 19, Sloan and Pate were dismissed in quick succession. Bucher and Anderson helped Harvey-Walker to take the score along to 64 at which point the latter was dismissed for 32. With 30 runs still wanted and only the later batsmen to come things did not look too bright but Shanks and Brown played very steadily and saw the total past the Ayrshire score without further loss.

#### Ayrshire Wanderers

I. W. L. Reid, not out .....	55
N. R. Sanson, c Stewart, b Bucher .....	9
H. M. Hunter, b Fleming .....	1
G. T. G. Young, b Harvey-Walker .....	7
L. A. W. Lawson, c Pate, b Harvey-Walker .....	17
J. D. Houston, lbw, b Harvey-Walker .....	0
G. D. B. Reid, c Bucher, b Harvey-Walker .....	0
A. H. Magowan, b Fleming .....	1
M. P. Houston, b Fleming .....	0
I. M. Robb, c Sloan, b Fleming..	0
J. R. Downie, b Fleming .....	0
Extras .....	3

Total 93

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming .....	10	5	20	5
A. R. Bucher .....	5	0	5	1
A. J. Harvey-Walker .....	14	6	21	4
W. S. Pate .....	10	1	44	0

#### Strathallan

A. J. Harvey-Walker, c I. W. L. Reid, b Downie .....	32
A. J. Sloan, b Magowan .....	2
W. S. Pate, c Hunter, b Magowan .....	0
A. R. Bucher, b Magowan .....	9
D. R. Anderson, lbw, b Downie .....	5
D. D. Shanks, not out .....	22
I. W. L. Brown, not out .....	14
Extras .....	12

Total (for 5 wks.) 96

Did not bat: D. M. Stewart, W. B. Melville, W. G. Reid, A. J. Fleming.

Won by 5 wickets

## School v. Kirkcaldy C.C.—Home—Wednesday, 17th July

Kirkcaldy batting first did not shape up well to the School's attack, losing their first four wickets for 24 runs. Cairns played well for his 32 but received little support from his team-mates and the result was that Kirkcaldy were dismissed in just under two hours for 75, leaving the School to make 76 to win in 140 minutes.

With 9 runs scored, Currie played back and was lbw to Irvine, but Pate joined Harvey-Walker in seeing the School's total to 76 for 1 wicket with Harvey-Walker on 49 not out to give the School a good 9 wicket victory.



*One of Fleming's 68 victims*

## Kirkcaldy

J. Robertson, b Fleming	5
C. Bradbury, c Stewart, b Bucher	0
M. W. Innes, b Fleming	10
A. Donaldson, c Anderson, b Bucher	1
H. Cairns, c Brown, b Bucher	32
A. Robertson, c Shanks, b Pate..	1
G. D. Diack, b Harvey-Walker..	8
S. Robertson, lbw, b Fleming	0
A. Wilson, c Harvey-Walker, b Pate	1
J. H. Irvine, b Bucher	1
G. Halley, not out	14
Extras	2

Total 75

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. R. Bucher	10	2	18	4
A. J. Fleming	9	4	10	3
A. J. Harvey-Walker	9	1	17	1
W. S. Pate	8.3	1	28	2

## Strathallan

D. J. S. Currie, lbw, b Irvine	4
A. J. Harvey-Walker, not out	49
W. S. Pate, not out	22
Extras	1

Total (for 1 wkt.) 76

Did not bat: A. J. Sloan, D. R. Anderson, A. R. Bucher, D. D. Shanks, I. W. L. Brown, D. M. Stewart, M. I. M. Dawson, A. J. Fleming.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. Halley	7.3	0	27	0
J. H. Irvine	9	2	21	1
A. Donaldson	1	0	4	0
G. D. Diack	7	2	20	0
C. Bradbury	1	0	3	0

Won 9 by wickets

School v. Trinity College, Glenalmond—Home—Saturday, 20th July

Harvey-Walker gave Strathallan a great advantage when he won the toss and chose to bat. He and his partner, Currie, had 56 runs on the board in 35 minutes before Currie was out for 13. Pate contributed one run in a stand of 13 with Harvey-Walker during which the latter reached his own 50 in forty-four minutes. Harvey-Walker remained very solidly at the wicket while a succession of partners came and went cheaply. Shanks went to the wicket at 118 for 6 and Harvey-Walker 89 not out, and these two played out the time until lunch was taken at 175 for 6, Harvey-Walker 126 not out, having reached his excellent century in 108 minutes. After lunch 2 runs were added before Shanks was out after a very valuable stand of 59 with Harvey-Walker. Stewart was next in and he supported Harvey-Walker in a partnership of 51 in 25 minutes which saw the 200 up. After Stewart was caught, Fleming went cheaply, and after he had amassed 179 not out, Harvey-Walker declared at 240 for 9 wickets. Harvey-Walker's innings was the highest individual score ever by a member of Strathallan 1st XI. Glenalmond's most successful bowler was Jeffrey with 6 for 75.

Glenalmond were required to bat for 50 minutes before tea, and in that time they lost 6 of their wickets for 43. After a very long and hard spell in the field they had no answer to the pace of the Strathallan opening attack, and in particular Fleming, only Gregory-Smith showing any real resistance. They were faced with an impossible task after tea and it was only 20 minutes before they were all out for 57, Fleming turning in his best performance of the season with 7 wickets for 23 runs to take his tally for the season to 62 wickets. This victory, by 183 runs, was a fitting climax to a great season for the School team.

Strathallan					Glenalmond				
D. J. S. Currie, lbw, b. Gregory-Smith .....	13				D. R. M. James, b Fleming .....	8			
A. J. Harvey-Walker, not out .....	179				P. G. Roy, c Currie, b Harvey-Walker .....	6			
W. S. Pate, st Ritchie, b. Jeffrey .....	1				P. J. Murray, b Fleming .....	9			
D. N. Strachan, c Roy, b Jeffrey .....	0				D. A. I. Ritchie, lbw, b Fleming .....	8			
D. R. Anderson, b Jeffrey .....	7				A. M. Gregory-Smith, b Fleming .....	6			
A. J. Sloan, c Begg, b Gregory-Smith .....	5				G. A. M. Begg, b Fleming .....	0			
A. R. Bucher, c Gregory-Smith, b Jeffrey .....	0				P. D. P. McQueen, b Fleming .....	4			
D. D. Shanks, b Gregory-Smith .....	20				W. J. Halstead, c Currie, b Bucher .....	9			
D. M. Stewart, c Roy, b Jeffrey .....	12				R. R. J. Burns, b Fleming .....	0			
A. J. Fleming, b Jeffrey .....	0				C. B. MacMillan, b Bucher .....	1			
M. I. M. Dawson, not out .....	0				J. C. C. Jeffrey, not out .....	0			
Extras .....	3				Extras .....	6			
								Total	57
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.)	240								
	O.	M.	R.	W.					
C. B. MacMillan	10	2	34	0	A. J. Fleming	11	3	23	7
R. R. J. Burns	2	0	13	0	A. R. Bucher	10	2	23	2
A. M. Gregory-Smith	24	5	80	3	A. J. Harvey-Walker	1	0	5	1
J. C. C. Jeffrey	13	0	75	6					
P. J. Murray	7	0	18	0					
W. J. Halstead	4	0	17	0					

Won by 183 runs

**School v. Oxford University Authentics—Home—Friday, 26th July**

This match was played on the last day of the term, and Harvey-Walker chose to bat on a very fine wicket. He and Currie opened the innings rather slowly and when the score had reached 15 Currie was bowled for 9. Pate joined Harvey-Walker and immediately looked very confident. Harvey-Walker was bowled at 46, but Pate and Strachan played for 65 minutes until lunch without being parted, the score being taken to 98 for 2. After lunch the pair took the total to 126 before Strachan skied a catch to mid-on after he had scored 38. Sloan went to the wicket and soon afterwards after being on 49 for some time, Pate reached his 50 after 109 minutes batting. At 146 Pate was bowled for 58, and 9 runs later Sloan went for 21 to make the School 157 for 5. At this stage the School suffered a slight collapse at the hands of the left-armed O'Connell, but a sound 13 from Bucher and a hard-hit 15 from Stewart saw the score to 190 before the last wicket fell.

After tea, the Authentics' innings began badly. Their first three wickets fell for 17 runs all bowled by Fleming and by 44 Townsend who had looked well set, and Travis were both back in the pavilion. A stand between Barton and the captain, Beadles, took the score to 75 before two fine catches by Shanks at fine leg off consecutive balls from Bucher dismissed them both. The remaining batsmen were soon disposed of and the Authentics were all out for 78, although one of their players was prevented by injury from taking part in the match. This victory by 112 runs over a strong University side was an excellent finish to a wonderful season.

**Strathallan****Oxford University Authentics**

D. J. S. Currie, b O'Connor.....	9
A. J. Harvey-Walker, b O'Connor .....	23
W. S. Pate, b Barton .....	58
D. N. Strachan, c Kuvukulasuriya, b Barton .....	38
A. J. Sloan, b Barton .....	21
D. R. Anderson, b O'Connell ....	1
A. R. Bucher, b O'Connell .....	13
D. D. Shanks, run out .....	0
D. M. Stewart, c Sub., b O'Connell .....	15
M. I. M. Dawson, b O'Connell..	1
A. J. Fleming, not out .....	2
Extras .....	9

Total 190

J. R. A. Townsend, b Fleming....	23
J. R. Greenstock, b Fleming .....	0
N. C. D. Kuennsburg, b Fleming .....	3
M. Kuvukulasuriya, b Fleming..	1
J. R. N. Travis, b Bucher .....	9
M. I. Barton, c Shanks, b Bucher .....	10
A. H. Beadles, c Shanks, b Bucher .....	24
R. D. Christie, b Fleming .....	1
V. O'Connell, not out .....	0
A. Puckridge, c Stewart, b Fleming .....	2
R. Harris, absent injured .....	
Extras .....	5

Total 78

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. D. Christie.....	11	4	31	0
V. O'Connell .....	19.4	6	42	6
M. I. Barton .....	25	9	53	3
M. Kuvukulasuriya .....	14	2	37	0
A. H. Beadles .....	3	0	17	0

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. J. Fleming .....	9.5	1	18	6
A. R. Bucher .....	12	1	38	3
A. J. Harvey-Walker .....	3	1	17	0

Won by 112 runs

**SENIOR COLTS CRICKET****RESULTS**

Played 8; Won 6; Lost 2

v. **Morrison's Academy.** Won by 47 runs. Strathallan 138 for 3 dec. (Melville 62, Primrose 49 not out). Morrison's 91 (Scott 6 for 34).

- v. **Merchiston.** Won by 2 wickets. Merchiston 68 (Mackenzie 5 for 29). Strathallan 71 for 8.
- v. **Fettes.** Lost by 107 runs. Fettes 135 for 9 dec. (Scott 4 for 18). Strathallan 28.
- v. **Dollar.** Won by 96 runs. Strathallan 152 for 9 dec. Dollar 56 (Melville 5 for 7).
- v. **Loretto.** Lost by 91 runs. Loretto 132 (Scott 5 for 37, McInroy 5 for 39). Strathallan 41.
- v. **Glasgow Academy.** Won by 141 runs. Strathallan 162 for 3 dec. (Trusdale 96 not out). Glasgow Academy 21 (McInroy 5 for 10).
- v. **Perth Academy.** Won by 162 runs. Strathallan 188 for 3 dec. (Melville 50 not out, Mure 46). Perth Academy 26 (Mackenzie 4 for 1).
- v. **Glenalmond.** Won by 8 wickets. Glenalmond 93 (Melville 5 for 31, Mackenzie 4 for 35). Strathallan 94 for 2 (Mackenzie 61 not out).
- “B” XI v. **Rannoch.** Won by 61 runs. Strathallan 126 for 5 dec. (Primrose 74 not out). Rannoch 65 (I. Murray 5 for 34).

This has been a good although not outstanding season, during which the quality of the cricket has steadily improved. There was a dour struggle against Merchiston, not great cricket but a good portent as far as tenacity was concerned, a miserable batting display at Fettes, tenacity being the last word one would use, a sound beating by Loretto who outplayed us in all departments, and a fine game at Glenalmond. Glenalmond batted very well after an early collapse but Melville and Mackenzie (thirty-four overs between them) kept a nagging length, never letting the batsmen get on top, and then hit off the runs in an hour.

Throughout the season Melville set a fine example in the field, and led the side quite competently, ably supported by Mackenzie. Scott's twenty-four wickets speak for themselves, although he would have had more if his length had been more consistent, McInroy was always hostile and willing to bowl all day and Trusdale, who made great strides with the bat, gave the bowlers excellent support with his capable wicket-keeping.

The following played:—W. B. Melville (capt.), J. W. B. Anderson, J. H. S. Black, I. R. Browne, R. A. S. Huthart, A. S. McInroy, S. L. Mackenzie, G. L. H. Mure, I. S. Primrose, A. D. Reid, D. A. Scott, T. N. W. Trusdale, G. D. Watson.

D. A. R. W.

### JUNIOR COLTS CRICKET

THIS year's side has had an adequate though not an outstanding record. We possessed fourteen or fifteen players all capable of representing the team but too few really outstanding members. Mauchline has batted very steadily and has nearly always made runs when necessary. Spence has improved with every match and has not only made runs but bowled very steadily and earned a fine analysis against Glenalmond. Unfortunately when these two failed with the bat we tended to be fighting an uphill struggle. Of the remainder of the team Laband showed promise both as a

batsman and an off spinner while Turner's effectiveness improved as he learned to bowl more accurately. The rest of the side all showed promise and may do well in years to come in senior school cricket.

### RESULTS

Played 6; Won 3; Lost 1; Drawn 2

The following have played:—Mauchline (capt.), Spence, McLean, Lang, Townson, Laband, Turner, A. D., Sharpe, Ogilvie, Mackenzie, I. B., Mills, Keoun, Neil, Samples.

G. W. S.

### UNDER 13½ XI

#### RESULTS

Played 8; Won 4; Lost 2; Drawn 2

- v. **Drumtochty Castle** (H). Drawn. Rain stopped play. Strathallan 59 for 4 wickets. Drumtochty did not bat.
- v. **Lathallan** (A). Lost by 6 wickets. Strathallan 39. Lathallan 40 for 4 wickets.
- v. **Ardvreck** (H). Won by 2 wickets. Ardvreck 49. Strathallan 53 for 8 wickets.
- v. **Belmont House** (A). Won by 4 wickets. Belmont 79. Strathallan 80 for 6 wickets.
- v. **Ardvreck** (A). Won by 4 wickets. Ardvreck 32. Strathallan 33 for 6 wickets.
- v. **Croftinloan** (H). Drawn. Strathallan 124 for 2 dec. Croftinloan 73 for 9 wickets.
- v. **Craigflower** (H). Won by 37 runs. Strathallan 120 for 5 dec. Craigflower 83.
- v. **Dalhousie** (H). Lost by 3 wickets. Strathallan 41. Dalhousie 47 for 7 wickets.

### Senior House Matches

Winners—Ruthven

### Junior House Matches

Winners—Ruthven

## Athletics

UNFORTUNATELY this year the general standard has gone down. The enthusiasm was present at the beginning of term but evaporated. This was due to a general lack of competition for the athletics team, who thus lost the will to improve. The state of the track did not help matters and we were constantly hindered by a miniature bog at the pond end of the 440 track.

We lost our first match against Fettes by 68 points to 53.

## Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>Time or Distance</i>
100 yards	Fettes	Fettes	Cranston	Hardwick	10.9 secs.
220 yards	Fettes	Fettes	Cranston	Hardwick	26.7 secs.
440 yards	Fettes	Taylor	Fettes	Reid	57.1 secs.
880 yards	Fettes	Reynolds	Hitching	Fettes	2 mins. 11 secs.
1 mile	Thompson	Fettes	Manners-Wood	Fettes	4 mins. 54 secs.
Long Jump	Fettes	Fettes	Carver	Reid	18 ft. 1 in.
High Jump	Fettes and	Drysdale	Fettes	Reid	5 ft. 1 in.
Shot	Fettes	Scott	Barron	Fettes	50 ft. 1½ in.
Discus	Keech	Barron	Fettes	Fettes	132 ft. 8 in.
Javelin	Quarry	Fettes	Fettes	Clark, B. G.	122 ft. 6 in.
Relay	Fettes	Strathallan	(4 x 220)		1 min. 39.6 secs.

There was also an informal match against Glenalmond. Notable features of this meeting were a throw of 148 ft. 10 in. by Keech in the discus and a 440 yds. in 52.9 secs. by Fleming.

## Inter-Schools Athletics at Dunblane

The school came 3rd out of the six schools competing, gaining the following first places:—

Senior 440 yards	....	....	Fleming	51.4 secs., (new record).
Senior Long Jump	....	....	Fleming,	20 ft. 1½ in. (new record).
Junior Long Jump	....	....	Lawson.	

The School also gained the following second places:—

Senior High Jump	....	....	Strachan.
Junior 100 yards	....	....	Black.
Senior 100 yards	....	....	Fleming.
Junior High Jump	....	....	Robertson.
Senior 220 yards	....	....	Cranston.

J. R. N. Keech came third in the Scottish Schoolboys' Championships at Goldenacre, and gained a standard.

## School Sports, 22nd July, 1963

## SENIOR

<i>Event</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Time or Distance</i>
100 yards	Fleming (R)	10.6 secs.
220 yards	Fleming (R)	24.2 secs.
440 yards	Fleming (R)	53.1 secs.
880 yards	Fleming (R)	2 min. 4.8 secs.
1 mile	Hitching (N)	4 min. 48 secs.
Hurdles	Fleming (R)	10.6 secs. (new record).
High Jump	Strachan (S)	5 ft. 3 in.
Long Jump	Fleming (R)	20 ft. 4 in.
Discus	Barron (N)	121 ft. 1 in.
Javelin	Harvey-Walker (S)	144 ft. 4 in.
Shot	Scott (F)	38 ft. 10 in.
Relay	Simpson	46.8 secs.
Tug of War	Freeland.	

## MIDDLE

<i>Event</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Time or Distance</i>
100 yards	Ogilvie (F)	11.1 secs.
220 yards	Ogilvie (F)	24.6 secs.

440 yards	....	Darling (F)	....	55.9 secs.
880 yards	....	Darling (F)	....	2 min. 14.4 secs.
1 mile	....	Darling (F)	....	4 min. 55 secs.
Hurdles	....	Carver (S)	....	12.1 secs.
High Jump	....	Reid (N)	....	4 ft. 11 in.
Long Jump	....	Tindal (F)	....	17 ft. 3 in.
Discus	....	Carver (S)	....	130 ft. 3 in. (new record).
Javelin	....	Brown (R)	....	128 ft. 5 in.
Shot	....	Cumming (S)	....	38 ft. 3 in.
Relay	....	Freeland	....	48 secs.

**JUNIOR**

<i>Event</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Time or Distance</i>
100 yards	Black (R)	11.6 secs.
220 yards	Black (R)	26.3 secs.
440 yards	Lawson (R)	Not recorded.
880 yards	Lawson (R)	2 min. 22.7 secs.
Hurdles	Black (R)	11.7 secs. (equals record).
High Jump	Robertson (S)	5 ft. 1 in.
Long Jump	Lawson (R)	16 ft. 9 in.
Discus	Lawson (R)	115 ft. 4 in. (new record).
Javelin	Black (R)	126 ft. 8 in. (new record).
Shot	Lawson (R)	33 ft. 11 in.
Relay	Ruthven	49.9 secs.

**RILEY**

100 yards	....	Carver	....	13.4 secs.
330 yards	....	Biggart	....	47.8 secs.
High Jump	....	Biggart	....	4 ft. 3 in.
Long Jump	....	Carver	....	13 ft. 6 in.
Relay	....	Drumfinn	....	59.4 secs.

## Boxing Report, 1962-63

FOR the first time this year Mr. Henderson acted as both referee and judge in the preliminary bouts which took place after weeks of mass training. The boxers were taught the basic skills by Mr. Henderson, assisted by the House coaches.

The early fights were fought as usual with plenty of courage and spirit.

For the finals on Thursday, 7th February, the ring was on the stage, which was advantageous in that the spectators could see the bouts more clearly. This was the first time the ring had been so arranged, and it was completely successful.

The finals were as usual fought very keenly, Nicol emerging as the eventual winners. The best fight of the afternoon was that between Mure and Weddell. Weddell, having been badly shaken in the first round, regained his composure and put a lot into the remaining rounds, narrowly failing to win. Another good contest was that between Carswell and Gemmell. The bout between



"Ouch"

Ferguson and Carruthers was a case of brawn over brain, Ferguson winning by a knock-out.

The judges were : The Headmaster, Mr. P. T. MacLellan and Mr. E. Wormald. Mr. Henderson was the referee, W. R. Duncan Master of Ceremonies and A. I. George timekeeper. The results were as follows :

<i>Weight</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Runner-up</i>
Mosquito	Gilmore (R)	Roy (R).
Fly	Lamb (S)	Wallace, D. (N).
Bantam	Miller (N)	Ferguson, A. (N).
Feather	Sharp, G. (N)	Melville, W. (N)
Light-weight	Browne (R)	Beattie (N).
Light-welter	Mure (F)	Weddell (S)
Welter	Balfour (R)	Ferguson, C. (F)
Light-middle	Hicks (F)	Garden (R).
Middle	Scott (N)	Hannay (S)
Light-heavy	Carswell (R)	Gemmell (F)
Heavy " A "	Ferguson, B. (N)	Carruthers (R)
Heavy " B "	Houston, A. (N)	Graham (F)

The points gained in the Inter-House Competition were: 1st, Nicol — 92; 2nd, Freeland — 81; 3rd, Ruthven — 69; 4th, Simpson — 62.

W.R.D.

## Cross-Country, 1963

### Results of School Championships

#### SENIOR

1st	....	Pate (R), 25 m. 15.8 secs.
2nd	....	Thompson (R).
3rd	....	George (R).
4th	....	Reynolds (R).
5th	....	Weatherston (S).
6th	....	Crabb (F).

Ruthven	....	....	34	=	8 pts.
Freeland	....	....	74	=	5 pts.
Simpson	....	....	101	=	3 pts.
Nicol	....	....	103	=	0 pts.

#### MIDDLE

1st	....	Macmillan, N. F. (S),
		21 m. 15.8 secs.
2nd	....	Garden (R).
3rd	....	Taylor (S).
4th	....	Darling (F).
5th	....	Houston (N).
6th	....	Coldwell (N).

Nicol	....	....	57	=	5 pts.
Simpson	....	....	72	=	3 pts.
Ruthven	....	....	79	=	2 pts.
Freeland	....	....	99	=	0 pts.

#### JUNIOR

1st	....	Lawson, R. G. (R),
		14 m. 41.8 secs.
2nd	....	Anderson (S).
3rd	....	Sutherland (R).
4th	....	Brash (S).
5th	....	Fea (F).
6th	....	Logan, A. W. (R).

Ruthven	....	....	34	=	3 pts.
Simpson	....	....	69	=	2 pts.
Nicol	....	....	107	=	1 pt.
Freeland	....	....	120	=	0 pts.

#### TOTAL

1st	....	Ruthven	....	....	13 pts.
2nd	....	Simpson	....	....	8 pts.
3rd	....	Nicol	....	....	6 pts.
4th	....	Freeland	....	....	5 pts.

## Fencing, 1963

Two of the previous year's team returned this year and the team enjoyed a good season over all, marred perhaps by a few off days.

Taitt and Wedgwood left us after the Winter term, but the gap was not as great as had been expected. After a poor start to the Easter term, the team settled down and started taking their practices more seriously and by the end of term were in good shape.

Young and Hardwick entered for the Scottish School's Foil Championships with Hardwick qualifying.

The team came third in the inter-school Thistle Shield Competition, narrowly beating Edinburgh Academy and Aberdeen Academy but being defeated by Merchiston Castle and Dollar.

With the new flooring to the gym, and with improved lighting, fencing has become more popular this year, shown by the greatly increased membership and by the consistent turn-out by the Club members.

**WINTER, 1962—RESULTS**

**School v. Bridge of Earn.** Won 9-7.

(Max. wins 4): Hardwick 4, Taitt 2, Wedgwood 2, Wilkie 1.

**v. Merchiston Castle.** Lost 2-7.

(Max. wins 3): Taitt 1, Hardwick 1.

**v. St. Andrews University.** Draw 8-8.

(Max. wins 4): Wedgwood 3, Hardwick 3, Taitt 2.

**v. Bridge of Earn.** Lost 4-12.

(Max. wins 4): Taitt 4.

**EASTER, 1963—RESULTS**

**School v. Merchiston Castle.** Lost 0-16.

(Max. wins 4).

**v. Bridge of Earn.** Won 9-7.

(Max. wins 4): Hardwick 4, Kilgour 3, Wilkie 1, Young 1.

**v. Dollar Academy.** Lost 2-14.

(Max. wins 4): Wilkie 1, Hardwick 1.

**v. Edinburgh Academy.** Won 11-4.

(Max. wins 4): Hardwick 4, Kilgour 3, Wilkie 2, Young 2.

**v. Aberdeen Academy.** Won 9-8.

(Max. wins 5): Hardwick 4, Kilgour 2, Young 2, Wilkie 1.

C. A. L. H.

## Fives

**School VI:** I. W. L. Brown\* and W. S. Pate\*

D. R. Anderson\* and M. J. Linton

A. J. Harvey-Walker and E. Pickard

\* Colours

The season started off with our annual match against Merchiston and although we lost, a lot of the play was very encouraging.

However, play did not come up to expectation and we lost to Glenalmond both at home and away.

The season finished well with a convincing win over Edinburgh University.

It is hoped that next year the school will take more advantage of the first-class courts which have all been renovated.

W. S. P.

## Sailing, 1962-63

DURING the winter term work proceeded on the boats under the supervision of Rentoul, then on his leaving school Atherton took over for the Spring term. In addition to the usual sanding and painting of the boats, one Enterprise had to be rebottomed because of excessive warping of the plywood, and the decks of all the Cadets had to be completely stripped and revarnished. However, all boats were ready at the beginning of the Summer term and after some difficulty in arranging transport the Enterprises were taken to Perth.

This season we bought new terylene sails for all the Cadets, and after some trouble in fitting them, they have proved highly successful.

Because of the great influx of new and inexperienced members, the Cadets were sailed on the pond this year. At first there were many capsizes but as experience was gained these decreased rapidly. Experience was also gained in buoy technique as a buoy was put on the pond later in the term.

Our first fixture this year was against Glenalmond on Loch Freuchie. Because of a very high wind the first race had to be postponed, but after an hour the wind had eased sufficiently to start. In the first race Fisher came second, Atherton fourth, and Russell, unfortunately, had to retire with a broken jib halliard. The second race was sailed without any complications and Atherton came in second with Fisher third and Russell fifth. The result was that we were beaten  $40\frac{1}{2}$  to 38 points.

We took part in the Perth Sailing Club Regatta at Lairwell and in the first round we were drawn against H.M.S. *Condor*. In the first race Fisher retired when in the lead as he was sailed by the opponents into such a position that he had to hit either a buoy or them; the latter resulted when they had right of way. In the second race Atherton was sailed into an identical position when lying second, and had to retire after hitting the buoy. Consequently we were beaten and *Condor* went into the second round.

Our fixture against Loretto was sailed at Lairwell this year. During the afternoon there was a very heavy wind, but it was decided to sail without taking in any reefs. In the first race Fisher retired with a broken mast, Atherton retired, capsized, and Speirs came in last. The second race, therefore, had to be sailed with only two boats to each team as one was unserviceable; the result was a second and third for the school and a first and a retiral for Loretto. Overall Loretto emerged the winner.

In the Midlands Schools Races on Loch Earn the school was represented by Fisher and Atherton. The first race was sailed in an almost flat calm over a course shortened to half a round. We came in first by a clear lead over the rest of the boats. During the second race in which we came third, a fresh wind blew up so a complete course was able to be sailed. The final result was that we took second place.

This year we managed to fit in four rounds in the Inter-House Sailing Competition. Freeland won with Nicol second, Ruthven third and Simpson fourth.

Last August we finished nineteenth in the Schools Races at Clynder and this year the School is being represented by Fisher, Atherton and Russell.

The Sailing Club is grateful to Dr. Prain and Mr. Hunter of Perth Sailing Club for lending us their boats, *Smudon* and *Heidi*, for our races.

J. C. Atherton was awarded his sailing colours for the 1963 season.

P. M. F.

## Shooting, 1962-63

THIS year shooting during the winter months has been much more pleasant now that we have had the firing-point of the range covered in. The front of the firing-point has been completely covered over except for a small space to shoot through, a window is also built into this partition through which the master in charge can spot. A partition has also been built to separate the firing-point from the R.A.F.'s section of the range and to finish it off, an insulated roof has been built over it, with the result that the heat from the two electric fans is retained very effectively.

Our first match of the year was the Staniforth Challenge Cup and incorporated into this was our annual match against Cheltenham College. For this we entered two teams of eight. The first team scored 783 out of 800 coming fifth out of 120 thus qualifying for the final stage, while our second team came 73rd with a score of 753. In the final stage the first team did not shoot so well, getting a score of 772, thus finishing in 9th place. In the first round Cheltenham College beat us to 4th place by one point, and in the final stage they again beat us, thus retaining the cup.

This year we entered two teams in the Perthshire League. The first team consisted of L. D. C. Siedle, J. G. Clement, R. Wilkie, J. F. Davidson and P. M. Fisher and shot in the fourth division. The second team, which shot in the sixth division consisted of T. S. Rentoul, R. W. Garden, C. D. Ferguson,

W. W. Quarry and P. M. G. Reynolds with I. T. Carruthers, I. S. Primrose and Russell as reserves. However, Rentoul left at Christmas and Carruthers took his place in the team. After the first round the first team was in second place in the Fourth Division having won 8 matches and lost 3, and the second team was also in second place in the Sixth Division having won 8 and lost 2 matches. In the second round, however, the first team lost one and drew one match giving us a final position of third in the Fourth Division, and the second team again lost two matches thus coming third in the Sixth Division. The individual averages in the Perthshire League were:—P. M. Fisher, 95·4; L. D. C. Siedle, 94·5; R. Wilkie, 93·0; J. C. Clement, 92·2; J. F. Davidson, 91·4; C. D. Ferguson, 92·8; R. W. Garden, 91·8; T. S. Rentoul, 91·3; P. M. G. Reynolds, 91·4; W. W. Quarry, 90·0. On this result P. M. Fisher retains the Individual Shooting Cup for the highest average.

In the Burton Cup Fisher and Siedle were knocked out in the first round and Davidson went on to the 3rd round of the Brough Cup before being knocked out.

We entered two teams in the Major Section of the Junior Summer Competition this year. The first team, getting 744 out of 800, came in 20th out of 44, while the second team came 27th, scoring 729 points.

This year we were able to have postal matches against Edinburgh Academy and George Watson's College. In both matches we shot teams of eight but in both we were beaten, the former by 768 points to our 738 points and the latter by 774 to our 767 points. It is hoped that these matches will now become permanent fixtures.

The Inter-House Shooting Competition was shot on British Indoor Targets with Ruthven emerging victorious with Freeland second, Simpson third and Nicol fourth.

At the beginning of the summer term Mr. J. L. R. Williams succeeded Mr. Spurgin as master in charge of shooting, and the Rifle Club would like to thank Mr. Spurgin for the keen interest he showed at all times.

Shooting colours were awarded to J. G. Clement, L. D. C. Siedle, R. Wilkie and J. F. Davidson.

J. G. Clement succeeds P. M. Fisher as Captain of Shooting.  
P. M. F.

### **Results of House Shooting Competition, 1962**

Ruthven, 381: L. D. C. Siedle, 96; I. T. Carruthers, 97; P. M. G. Reynolds, 95; E. P. Mackay, 93.

Freeland, 379: P. M. Fisher, 98; W. W. Quarry, 97; J. F. Davidson, 95; B. C. Young, 89.

Simpson, 368: J. G. Clement, 92; T. S. Rentoul, 96; P. M. Weatherston, 92; R. Wilkie, 88.

Nicol, 354: D. M. Stewart, 90; C. D. Ferguson, 93; W. A. T. Brunton, 92; D. S. MacFarlane, 79.

## Ski-ing, 1962-63

OWING to organised school trips to Switzerland, Austria and Italy in past years boys have looked upon Scottish ski-ing with distaste and this is perhaps one of the reasons why they have not shown the enthusiasm which is needed to improve the School standard.

We had our first race on 3rd February against the Old Boys. This race was intended to give us practice for the Schools Race which was scheduled for the following week. Thanks to E. A. Lawson's (R. '55-'61) organisation the race went off well. He was not, however, rewarded, as the School won by a considerable margin.

The race the following week was postponed until 24th March, and 3rd February was the last time that we were able to take a party up to Glenshee, due to the blocked roads and the fact that good ski-ing was possible around the School. The snow at School melted on 3rd March, but it was not for another three weeks that we were able to get up to Glenshee. On 24th March a party did, however, manage to get up for the Schools Race. The team we entered consisted of C. A. H. Greig, J. C. Bosshardt, I. S. Primrose, G. D. Watson and C. H. Manners-Wood. Due to injury three members of the team were off. The race did not go well, the School coming 6th. I. S. Primrose did well and took 10th place out of the 90 entrants.

There was, however, one other good performance by two members of the team, C. A. H. Greig and I. S. Primrose. After the end of term they entered for the Scottish Junior Championships in the Cairngorms. Out of the 67 starters only 17 qualified and although Watson did not qualify he did well to come 7th in the Downhill. Greig came 21st in the Downhill, 14th in the Slalom and finished 10th in the Combined.

With the loss of only two members of the team this year, there should be a good and experienced team for next year, which we hope will do very well.

A. R. B.

## Swimming Report, 1963

THE pool this year, though not yet perfect, has been on the whole warmer and on occasions cleaner than usual. That the swimming sports were swum in a suspension of silt was an unfortunate accident caused by heavy rain during the refilling of the pool. However, we have now been promised a filter plant which will provide swimming in warm, clean water throughout the year.

Again this year, the School team started intensive training as early as possible, in preparation for the Bath Cup Relay in London. With three of last year's team back much was hoped for, and in the last week of training the team's time was eleven seconds better than the 1962 time. But luck was not with us and on the eve of the match we lost our fastest swimmer through an unfortunate "accident," and the team which went to London was after all much slower than the 1962 team.

The team was: K. A. L. Matthew, A. Wilkinson, R. Wilkie, D. A. Cranston. We were placed 27th out of 41 schools—not as good as it might have been.

There were no swimming standards this year, and due to the bad weather, the swimming heats and finals clashed with athletics, which was unfortunate.

### Swimming Sports

#### RESULTS

<i>Group</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Winner</i>
J	50 yards Breast-stroke	Cartledge (F)
M	75 yards Breast-stroke	Pott (F)
S	100 yards Breast-stroke	Thomson, A. R. (R)
J	25 yards Back-stroke	Keown (S)
M	50 yards Back-stroke	Clark, A. A. (F)
S	75 yards Back-stroke	Wilkinson (N)
J	50 yards Freestyle	Brown (R)
M	75 yards Freestyle	Cumming (S)*
S	100 yards Freestyle	Cranston (S)*
J	100 yards Freestyle	Keown (S)
M	200 yards Freestyle	Cumming (S)*
S	400 yards Freestyle	Wilkinson (N)*
J	Relay	Ruthven
M	Relay	Freeland
S	Relay	Ruthven

\* Record time

				<i>Points</i>
Junior Champion ....	Keown (S) ....			11
Middle Champion....	Cumming (S) ....			16
Senior Champion ....	Wilkinson (N) ....			26

**Swimming Cup—Simpson**

It is hoped that with the improved condition of the pool the standard will continue to rise and that fixtures with other schools will be possible.

Mr. Henderson's class for non-swimmers has continued successfully this year, and sixty-five boys sat various Life-saving examinations at the end of term.

D. A. C.

## Tennis Report

AFTER a poor start to the season a change of partners in the first two pairs resulted in the team's ending with a good record.

We were beaten in our first four matches against Edinburgh Academy, Merchiston, Daniel Stewart's College and Fettes but then in an excellent finish we beat the Strathallians, Loretto, Glasgow Academy, Kelvinside Academy, Morrison's Academy and Glenalmond. Our victory against Glasgow Academy is especially noteworthy as this is the first time we have ever beaten them.

The practice wall and the services of Mr. Woodcraft, the professional from Dundee, have continued to improve the general standard of tennis in the school. In the final of the Singles Competition, J. P. Galbraith was beaten by P. Pradipasen 6-2, 6-1. For the third year in succession Ruthven won the House Tennis Cup.

**School VI:** 1st pair A. I. George\* and J. S. Hendrie\*.

2nd pair P. Pradipasen\* and W. R. Duncan†.

3rd pair T. A. F. Jenkins† and A. J. S. Coldwell†

\* Colours re-awarded

† Colours

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## Our President

At the last Annual General Meeting of the Club, David Cairns Fulton, M.C., B.L., W.S., was elected President for the year 1962-63, an honour truly well deserved.

He attended Strathallan, with his twin-brother, John, from 1935 to 1939, during which time he made many enduring friendships.

Whilst serving with the Lothian and Border Horse, in Italy, David was decorated for gallantry with the Military Cross, but in the same year suffered a double tragedy when his twin-brother, serving in the same Regiment, was killed in action, and war wounds resulted in the loss of his own leg.

Returning to Edinburgh, David read Law at Edinburgh University, and is a partner in the legal firm of Tods, Murray & Jamieson, W.S.



*The President: David C. Fulton Esq., M.C., B.L., W.S.*

Presidency of our Club is not the only honour to have come his way, as he is a past President of the Edinburgh Junior Chamber of Commerce, a past Member of Council of the Society of Writers to Her Majesty's Signet, and has only recently relinquished the appointment of External Examiner in Conveyancing at Edinburgh University.

Married, with three children, he leads a very active life; is a former Vice-President of his local Tennis Club, and an enthusiastic swimmer and golfer.

In his year of office, we wish him every success, secure in the knowledge that he will utilise his wide experience to the benefit of our Club.

## A.G.M. and Annual Dinner

THE important agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Club attracted a bigger attendance than usual in the Station Hotel, Perth, on Saturday, 8th December, 1962. In fact, so many members turned up for the meeting that latecomers had difficulty in getting in. The President, Mr. William G. Rowan, J.P., took the chair and welcomed the attending members. After dealing with the admission of new members, the meeting dealt with two proposals put forward by the Council:—

1. That a presentation be made to the Headmaster and Mrs. Hoare in this Jubilee year of the School and
2. That a sum of £50 should be donated towards the purchase of flower vase stands and vestry furniture for the new Chapel.

Both proposals were unanimously approved by the Meeting and thereafter the usual formal business was dealt with expeditiously.

The efforts of the President and the Dinner Committee under the Convenership of Bert Paterson brought the record number of 212 Old Strathallians and their guests to the dinner tables.

Following the loyal toast, the President presented the Golf and Angling Trophies. The Guthrie Reid Salver had been won by Mr. Guthrie Reid himself along with the Johnston Trophy.

The principal guest was Sir George Baker, recently appointed a Judge of the High Court of Justice. Sir George attended Strathallan from 1921 to 1927, was senior Dux of the School and thereafter an original Governor and Trustee. Sir George proposed the Toast to the School and the Club in a brilliant speech, sometimes serious, sometimes amusing and always to the point.

After giving an account of his stewardship for the year, the President called upon the Headmaster to reply to the toast of the School. The Headmaster thanked the Old Boys for their generous gift of a salver to his wife and himself and managed to convey that the past year in the School had been successful and the results worthy of the Jubilee.

The health of the guests was proposed by a former President of the Club and one of its most enthusiastic supporters, Mr. R. A. Peacock, who proposed the toast in a delightfully amusing speech.

Sir John Ure Primrose replied on behalf of the guests, also in a very humorous speech, after which the formal part of the evening concluded.

## Golf Section

THE Section has proved itself very popular again during the past year, and, since last going to press, two competitions have been played—

The Autumn Meeting on 4th November, 1962, over Gleneagles, with N. Guthrie Reid winning the Johnston Trophy with a good score of 82 - 12 (70), the runners-up being Dr. I. D. Henderson and Dr. R. A. Houston with nett 72's.

The Spring Meeting was once more played at Gleneagles over the King's Course, and the winner proved to be J. D. Thomas who won the Bogie Trophy with a very fine nett 69, the runner-up being R. C. McGregor, nett 73.

The next Meeting of the Section will be on Sunday, 3rd November, at Gleneagles Hotel Golf Courses at 9.30, when it is hoped there will be a large turn-out.

Once more the Club will be represented in the Queen Elizabeth Coronation Trophy at Barnton, when the team hope to do well.

Mr. D. Dawson represented Scotland in all the home Internationals this year, and had a remarkable first appearance, winning all his matches except one, which he halved.

## Angling Section

*Captain;* Iain Headrick      *Vice-Captain;* D. Lindsay Young  
*Hon. Secretary;* John Hall

ALTHOUGH membership continues to increase and now exceeds 40 the need for ballot occurred only once this season yet nearly all put in an appearance. Unlike the anglers, weather conditions did not oblige and the number and quality of fish suffered in consequence.

Tom Philp captured his salmon on Loch Tay in January, this time a fresh-run fish of 28-lbs. and Jimmy Park won the Archie Glen Trophy on Loch Awe in April. The Section was narrowly defeated on Loch Vennachar by the Phoenix Angling Club at whose Annual Dinner our Captain of last year was Principal Guest and, in July, the School scored a resounding victory when we met at Loch Leven. Hugh Stewart is the 1963 Champion and as such represents the Club in next season's Scottish National.

New members are always made welcome and the Secretary will be glad to hear from Old Boys who have a fund of conversation and a rod.

## The London Branch

THE Branch held its sixth Annual Dinner in the Criterion Restaurant, London, on Friday, 22nd February, 1963, when Sir George Baker, the Branch Chairman occupied the chair. The Branch was delighted to have as guests at the Dinner, the Headmaster and the Club President and their respective accounts of the activities of the School and the parent Club were thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Prior to the Dinner, the Branch held its sixth Annual General Meeting when Sir George Baker was elected Chairman, G. S. M. Brand, Vice-Chairman, M. Dawson, Secretary, J. C. S. Rankine, Treasurer and T. M. Harrison and E. J. M. Inglis, members of Committee.

Strathallians in the London area who have not yet joined the Branch will be made most welcome and should contact the Secretary, M. D. Dawson, at the Craneworks, Station Approach, Long Lane, Hillingdon, Middlesex.

Members of the Branch meet in the Captain's Cabin (off Haymarket) on the first Monday of each month from 7.30 p.m. onwards.

## News of Old Strathallians

N. J. ALLISON (1918-22), 8714 120th Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, has just completed a term as President of the Association of Professional Engineers of Alberta.

John Anderson (1941-46) has been appointed to the College of Cancer, International Research Co-operation.

Robin F. Baxter (1955-59) has recently been appointed representative with J. & P. Coats Ltd. in Yorkshire.

A. G. Black (1935-37) is to be congratulated on winning the Black Face Sheep Championship at the Royal Highland Show, 1963, for the third time with the same ewe.

R. F. Botting (1922-23). Earlier this year, Her Majesty conferred on him a C.B.E. We offer our congratulations.

Douglas Boyd (1945-50), B.D.S., who has been in dental practice in Nottingham for three years has purchased his own practice and moves on 1st August to the Whitehouse, Wharncliffe Road, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

Graham C. Brown (1958-61) is in his third year of the National Diploma in Hotel Management at Birmingham College of Food and Domestic Art. He tells us that he is Treasurer for the Guild of Students in Birmingham and is a Colts player with Sutton Coldfield Rugby Club.

Nicol Brown (1934-38) is at present on the Technical Sales staff of Novobord (U.K.) Ltd., looking after Scotland and Northern Ireland. For the uninitiated, Novobord is a wood particle board used in the wood building trade.

George F. Bryson (1945-50) is farming at Rookery Farm, Haughley, near Stowmarket, Suffolk. He would like any Strathallians near him to get in touch with him.

George A. Burns (1952-58) is in his fifth year Medicine at Glasgow University.

A. D. K. Campbell (1955-59) graduated on 18th December, 1962, from R.A.F. College, Cranwell. We congratulate him in winning the Institute of Navigation Trophy and the Air Ministry Prize for Navigators. He completed the course at No. 1 A.N.S. Stradishall on 11th May, 1963, and is now on the Navigator/Radar Course at R.A.F., Lindholme, Doncaster.

Alan B. Carlaw (1945-48) receives our congratulations on his appointment to the Board of Directors of Carlaw (Cars) Ltd., David Carlaw (Engineers) Ltd. and Glasgow Numerical Printing Company Ltd.

D. I. C. Crabb (1952-57), B.Sc.(Eng.), has been teaching for a year at Rannoch School and is now undergoing practical training with the Southern Electricity Board.

J. F. Dyet (1953-59) is in his fourth year Medicine at Glasgow University and was this year awarded a full Blue for hockey. He has also played in the final trial for the Scottish team.

James H. Forrester, B.Sc., has retired after thirty-four years' service on the Headquarters staff of the Bell Telephone Company, Montreal. He received a handsome presentation from his colleagues at a dinner given in his honour.

Peter Mitchell Grant (1955-62) has completed his first year of an Associateship in Electrical Engineering at Heriot Watt College, Edinburgh.

R. Wylie Gregory (1933-42) is a lecturer in Engineering at Cambridge University and we offer our congratulations on his election as a Fellow of St. Catharine's College, w.e.f. on 1st October, 1962.

Stanley C. Griffith (1955-58) is commencing his second year, B.Sc. Mechanical Engineering (Hon.), at Edinburgh University.

William Guild (1937-38) is with the Sales Department of Alley Compressors Ltd., Cathcart, Glasgow.

John L. Hallgren (1955-58) has finished his apprenticeship as a Marine Engineer and is now at sea as an Engineer with J. & J. Denholms Ltd.

\*J. Alisdair Innes, 1323 North 64th Terrace, Kansas City, has been appointed General Manager of the Mid West Wool Corporation. He will be pleased to see any Strathallians passing through the Middle West.

W. David Halliday (1958-62) is at present in America doing a six months agricultural study and methods course before starting at the East of Scotland Agricultural College in October.

T. L. Harrison (1955-59) is in his third year B.D.S. course at Guy's Hospital. We congratulate him on his engagement recorded elsewhere.

Timothy W. Higginson (19—58). We hear that he is presently playing at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon and that he uses the stage name Tim Wylton.

A. Holloway (1954-60) is on a Trainee-Management course with Alfred E. Jones Ltd. (Sausage and Meat Contractors) of Aintree, Liverpool.

\*John M. Jackson (1943-48). We congratulate him on graduating B.Sc. and on his appointment as a Director of Jackson Elphick Ltd., Larkhall.

David Johnstone (1945-49), formerly of Castle Douglas, is now farming at Lavenham, Suffolk.

Ian Kerr (1951-58) is now in his final year, B.Sc., Aeronautical Engineering at Glasgow University.

J. Alastair Montgomerie (1928-32), D.S.C. We offer our congratulations on his promotion to Commander in the Order of St. John and Sword Bearer of the Priory of Scotland of the Order.

Dr. A. Morrison (1925-30). Is immediate past Chairman of the Tees-side Branch of the B.M.A., is Chairman of the Local Medical Committee and Vice-Chairman of the Darlington Executive Council.

Ian A. McBride (1929-34) is to be congratulated on his appointment as Managing Director of George F. Huggins & Co. Ltd., Lloyds Agents, Trinidad.

Ewen C. MacCrimmon, C.A. (1933-42), recently assumed charge of the Tea Accounts Dept. of James Finlay & Co. Ltd., East India Merchants.

W. A. D. McFadzean, B.Sc. (1945-49), has been appointed Manager of Lever Feeds in Pakistan and would like to hear from other Strathallians in Pakistan. Address Lever Brothers (Pakistan) Ltd., Bahawalpur Division, West Pakistan.

Captain Dale M. McIlvean, R.A.S.C. (1945-50), whose engagement is recorded elsewhere, is being married on 10th August. Best man at the wedding is to be Ben E. Marr (1944-49), who is also to be best man at Kenneth Rome's wedding. Captain McIlvean is taking up an appointment in September as Adjutant H.Q. Army Group, Transport Column, R.A.S.C., in Mulheim B.F.P.O. 34, B.A.O.R.

Derek Mackenzie (1954-62) is taking a course on Dairying Agricultural Diplomas at the West of Scotland College of Agriculture in October. His brother, David J. (1953-60), is farming at Parks, Inverness.

Ian R. A. McMillan (1953-57), whose wedding is recorded elsewhere, tells us that the best man at his wedding was J. M. McInnes (1953-57) who is a Science Master at Kelvinside Academy and the Chief Usher was W. T. Macpherson (1952-57) who is a Publicity Expert with Henry Wiggin & Company, Hereford.

J. W. McMillan (1924-32) has retired from his position as Manager of a Tea Estate in East Pakistan and now lives at Tethyknowe, Dollar.

Eric A. Nelson (1957-62) is commencing this year at Glasgow University a course for B.Sc. (Agriculture).

R. W. W. Paterson (1951-56). We offer our congratulations on his graduation from Glasgow University as a doctor in July, 1962. We hear that he played in the final trial for the Scottish hockey team.

\*J. C. Leask (1957-61) is now working as an Assistant on a rubber plantation in Malaya.

J. C. Pattulo (1952-56), presently serving at the Royal Naval Air Station, Culdrose, Helston, Cornwall, received his Wings as a Fleet Air Arm pilot in April and is now flying Wessex helicopters.

A. B. Pirrie (1953-58) is now employed as a Project Engineer at Shell Haven Refinery, Essex.

Michael G. Reynolds (1959-62) has completed the first year of a course for a Diploma in Hotel Management at the Scottish Hotel School.

Stuart R. Roselle (1954-60). Entered the U.S. Coastguard Academy in July, 1962, and is taking a four-year course for a B.Sc. and Commission in the U.S. Coastguard.

J. B. Rowan (1922-26) is Third Under Warden of the Worshipful Company of Glovers of London and member of the Probation Committee of the Betting Licensing Committee in Birmingham.

James P. Stirrat (1948-53) has just returned from New Zealand after nine months there as a Scottish Young Farmer Exchange Delegate. While there he met Jim Beveridge (1948-53) who has just married and is farming in the North Island and Neil Clark (19—58) who is on a year's working holiday in New Zealand.

T. R. Taylor (1956-61) has completed one year of an M.A. course at Glasgow University.

J. M. Tennant (1953-59) is in the second year of an LL.B. course at Edinburgh University.

David K. Thomson, M.B.E., T.D., J.P. (1925-27) is Chairman of the Perth and Kinross Further Education Committee.

Robert M. Walker (1943-47) has been for the past year Sales Office Manager of Reed Plastic Packaging Limited at Feltham, Middlesex. This company is part of the Reed Paper Group. He complains that in four years in London he has not come across any Strathallians. May we suggest that he joins the London branch of the Club!

Robert H. Wallace (1933-37) is acting Chief Inspector of Trans-Arabia Airways, Beirut.

Andrew R. Wilson (1952-55) has completed a four-month Joint Management Course with Trust Houses Ltd. and is now Manager of the Atholl Arms Hotel, Dunkeld.

B. A. Wingate (1956-61) is about to begin flying training in jet Provosts as a pilot at Flying Training School, R.A.F. Leeming, Northallerton, Yorkshire.

### LATE NEWS

Colin Dunbar (1950-62), serving with the 1st Batt. The Royal Highland Fusiliers, was promoted to 2nd Lt. on 26th July, 1963. He tells us that H. J. Lochore, M. R. Taitt, M. R. Hardy and P. G. Vickery are all at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst.

T. M. O. Lang (1928-32) is now Deputy General Manager of James Finlay & Co. Ltd., Colombo. His son, Ian, spent three months with him on his way from South India to join Tetley Tea Company in London and just missed his younger brother, Robin, who spent his summer holidays in Colombo.

W. C. Roy (1926-33). We offer our congratulations on his appointment as Acting General Manager of Kanan Deven Hills Produce Co. Ltd., Amalgamated Tea Estates Ltd. and Anglo-American Direct Tea Trading Co. Ltd. of the James Finlay Group in South India.

A. Ronald McLeod (1938-41) is 1963 National President of the Federation of Junior Chamber of Commerce and is leading a large delegation to the World Congress of Junior Chambers International in Tel Aviv.

R. B. Blanche (1946-50) is now working as Senior Auditor with the Tanganyika Government in Tanganyika.

Tom A. Kerr (1946-52). We hear that he is now managing the Accra Branch of the National Employers' Mutual General Insurance Association Ltd. He would like to hear from any Strathallians in the same area.

Kenneth R. Wilson (1958-63) is taking a two-year course for Civil Air Pilots at the College of Air Training, Hamble, Southampton.

### ENGAGEMENTS

CAMPBELL—A. D. K. (1955-59), Ballyarrow, Kingsbarns, St. Andrews, to Miss Elizabeth Ann Barrie of Flamstead, nr. St. Albans, Herts.

DINSMORE—Harry W. (1949-55), 22 Davieland Road, Whitecraigs, Glasgow, to Miss Ishbel Connell, Woodend House, Giffnock.

DUNCAN—David C. (1954-59), 12 Barony Terrace, Corstorphine, Edinburgh, 12, to Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Park, 43 Polwarth Gardens, Edinburgh, 11.

- HARRISON—T. L. (1955-59) to Miss Jean Walsh, 84 Broom Road, Teddington.
- HOLLOWAY—A. H. (1954-60), 18 Cromer Road, Hillside, Southport, Lanes., to Miss Susan Mason, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Mason, 44 Dover Road, Birkdale, Southport, Lanes.
- \*McILVEAN—Captain Dale M., R.A.S.C. (1945-50), to Miss Maureen J. Dean of Gerrards Cross, Bucks.
- ROME—G. Kenneth, C.A. (1945-49), to Miss Ella Fraser Macmillan, Gourrock.
- ROWAND—John (1952-56) to Miss Elaine Crossan on 19th January, 1963. Wedding at Paisley Abbey, 21st November, 1963.
- TAYLOR—Iain W. G. (1950-53), 16/17 College Green, Dublin, Eire, to Miss Barbara M. Haynes of Botterstown, C. Dublin.
- \*HUNTER—Kenneth R., B.A. (Cantab.) (1952-57), 17 Stainburn Road, Workington, Cumberland, to Miss Diana John, 4 Upper Church Road, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset.

### MARRIAGES

- ANDERSON—John (1941-46), Balgillo, Forfar, to Susan Evans Atkinson in San Francisco on 16th August, 1962.
- BARCLAY—Dr. A. A. (1948-52), 23 Stanley Crescent, Paisley, to Miss Betonia Rosemary Mullen on 2nd April, 1963.
- HALLGREN—John L. (1955-58) to Miss Carla Wills at St. Andrew's Church, Rothesay, on 6th April, 1963.
- MACMILLAN—Ian R. A., M.A., LL.B. (1953-57), 1 Rosewell Place, King's Cross, Aberdeen, to Miss Joan E. C. Sinclair, B.Sc., of Westgate, Westfield Road, Cupar, Fife, on 11th May, 1963. at King's College Chapel, Aberdeen.
- THAIN—Denis A., C.A. (1950-56), 7 Corstorphine Hill Crescent, Edinburgh, on 9th February, 1963, to Miss Hilary V. Timms.
- WILSON—Andrew R. (1952-55), Temple Ox-Gates, Longforgan, by Dundee, on 20th April, 1963, to Miss June Duncan of Keith at All Souls, Invergowrie.
- WYLTON—Tim (1953-58) to Miss Ann Surthoys at the Priory Church of St. Martin, Ruislip, on 9th March, 1963.

### BIRTHS

- ANDERSON—John (1941-46), on 13th June, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, a daughter.
- BARR—Douglas (1940-46), on 30th July, 1962, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Barr, a daughter, Elspeth Jane.
- BOOKER-MILLBURN (1951-55), on 19th May, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. H. I. C. Booker-Millburn, Allt-a-Mhuilín, N. Dornoch, Sutherland, a son, Kevin Iain.
- \*INNES—Alisdair (1942-49), on 23rd February, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. M. Innes, c/o Midwest Wool Inc., 911-17 Wyoming Street, Kansas City, Missouri, a daughter, Joan Heather.

- JACKSON—John M. (1943-48), in June, 1962, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson, Machanhill House, Larkhall, Lanarkshire, a daughter.
- McCULLOCH—Robert Gray (1942-46), to Mr. and Mrs. R. G. McCulloch, 26 Kweda Way, Nollamara, Perth, Western Australia, on 4th December, 1962, a daughter, Pauline Ann.
- McGREGOR—A. James (1934-36), on 4th March, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McGregor, 8 Merchiston Park, Edinburgh, 10, a son, Jamie Buchanan.
- MACLEOD—Ronald (1938-41), on 5th October, 1961, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Macleod, Westerling, Pendicle Road, Bearsden, a son, Roderick Ronald.
- MACMILLAN—J. W. (1924-32), in March, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Macmillan, Tethyknowe, by Dollar.
- POTTIE—A. D. (1945-52), on 9th April, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pottie, Kilarden, Braehead Road, Paisley, a daughter, Caroline (sister for Graham).
- THOMSON—John D. (1949-54), on 10th February, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thomson, Glenwood, Lochpark, Doonfoot, Ayr, a daughter.
- WYLLIE—M. Stewart, on 20th May, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Stewart, 124 East Trinity Road, Edinburgh, a son.
- YATES—David (1943-47), on 21st February, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Yates, Todhillmuir, Lockerbie, a son, Brian Gray (a brother for David).
- \*FRASER, Ian H. H. (1938-42), on 19th May, 1962, to Pamela and Ian Fraser, 61 Ottoline Drive, Troon, a son.

#### DEATHS

- ARMSTRONG—R. W. (1958-61), late of Townhead, Gatehouse-of-Fleet, in hospital after a painful illness on 30th May, 1963.
- JOLLY—James D. G. (1956-60), late of Fisherton, Gamrie, Banff, was killed in a car accident on 11th April, 1963.
- LEBURN—W. Gilmour, T.D., M.P., late of Edenshead, Gateside, Fife. Suddenly on 15th August, 1963.

#### W. G. LEBURN, 1924-31

The host of Gil Leburn's friends will have heard of his death on 15th August, 1963, with a grievous sense of shock and regret, and will feel a deep sympathy with his widow and children.

W. G. Leburn, or Gil as he was universally known to most Old Strathallians, while still at school gave a glimpse of the qualities he was to reveal in full measure later. A School prefect, Captain of the 1st XI and in the XV, he was one of the outstanding members of his generation at School. His many achievements since he left school are cited below; the qualities which impressed themselves most on all those who knew him well were his integrity, his unfailing devotion to duty and his loyalty to his friends and school. A man of wide interests and pursuits, it would be difficult, if not impossible, to find a more pleasant companion with whom to spend the day, whether it was on loch or links, ski-ing or curling. After leaving school he joined the

Gateside Mills Company, first as an apprentice in woodworking and in later years as Chairman. During the war he served as a Territorial Army officer in the 51st Highland Divisional Signals with the B.E.F. in France, where he was mentioned in despatches, and later in the Western Desert as Staff Captain of the 15th Highland Brigade, when he was again mentioned in despatches. He was badly wounded at the battle of Alamein and after nearly two years convalescence became personal assistant to General Wimberley, Commandant of the Staff College, Camberley. While there he married Miss Agnes Barbara May of Reading, who was then private secretary to Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary. 1948 saw the beginning of Gil's life in public service when he became a member of Fife County Council, a position he held until 1955, becoming vice-convenor of Fife in 1951-52. He entered Parliament at the General Election of May, 1955.

He was appointed a Governor of Strathallan in 1946, and in 1948, the year in which he was President of the Strathallian Club, he became Chairman. In this capacity he served for five years and he was still a member of the Board up to the time of his death. His services to Strathallan were legion: no call on his time or service was ever made in vain, and during a difficult transitional period in the history of the School, his sound judgment, unfailing devotion and cheerfulness were of inestimable value. Despite the heavy demands made on him elsewhere he rarely, if ever, missed a Governors' Meeting. Those of us who have had the privilege of knowing him were enriched by his friendship and will long retain the memory of his example. He was a scion of Strathallan of whom we are justly proud, and it is a tragedy not only for his family, but also for his School and for his country that he should have been taken away so soon, as the following extract from the *Glasgow Herald*, one of the many papers which paid tribute to him, shows:

“ Mr. W. Gilmour Leburn, M.P., had been for the last year the Under-Secretary at the Scottish Office with his hands on the key and cornerstone job in that building—the Scottish Development Department formed last September.

When the Scottish Ministerial duties were reallocated a year ago he was the first holder of this new post, becoming responsible for producing the new industrial look in Scotland, for planning things like housing, new towns, and roads for electricity, and for co-ordinating the work of several Ministries to spur on economic development.

He had been a Scottish Under-Secretary of State for all of this Parliament, having served his apprenticeship for two years before the election in 1959 as parliamentary private secretary to Mr. John

S. Maclay, who was then Secretary of State for Scotland. From 1959 until 1962 his chief responsibility had been for agriculture.

He was easily one of the outstanding Scottish Under-Secretaries of State in charge of agriculture in recent years. Without any substantial farming experience Mr. Leburn quickly made himself familiar with agriculture's many problems. He could also be tough and outspoken without shedding courtesy or good humour, and he was always a concise and articulate public speaker.

When Mr. Maclay was known to want to give up his office last summer Mr. Leburn's was one of the two or three names which occurred to people as possibilities for the next Secretary of State.

Mr. Leburn was an able, though not very flexible, parliamentary performer from the Government Front Bench, with a certain tough directness which contained that most formidable, vocal, and gad-fly-like section of the Opposition, the Scottish Socialists. In this last session he piloted through the House the Electricity Borrowing Powers Bill, and probably the major Scottish Bill of the session, the Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

This latter Bill had a clause as incendiary as anything dropped by the Luftwaffe, which gave the Government powers to bring financial pressure on local authorities which it considered were charging inadequate rents for their council houses. It was an exceedingly complicated, as well as an exceedingly controversial measure and Mr. Leburn won salutes from craft of all colours for the grip of detail and the bull-doggedness with which he steered it through.

He was well-liked at Westminster—a sociable man, a good golfer, and an excellent after-dinner speaker."

## Mr. W. Gilmour Leburn — An Appreciation

Professor C. J. Fordyce writes:—

"The untimely death of W. G. Leburn will be keenly felt in Strathallan School.

He was chairman of the governors at a critical period in the fortunes of the school, and the establishment of it in the position which it now enjoys was mainly due to his wisdom and devotion.

Since those days he had continued unselfishly to give his time to the interests of the school and its members, and his grasp of its problems was the admiration of his colleagues, academic and lay alike, on the governing body.

Debonair and engaging, but clear-sighted and tenacious of principle, he made his influence felt in every side of its work."



## Our Contemporaries

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following magazines and apologise for any omissions from the list:

The Aberdeen Grammar School Magazine, The Breconian, The Britannia Magazine, The Campbellian, The Corbie, The Crawfordtonian, The Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, The Fettesian, Allan Glen's School Magazine, The Glasgow Academy Chronicle, The Glenalmond Chronicle, The Gordonstoun Record, The Heriotes, The Hillhead High School Magazine, The Leys Fortnightly, The Log of the Nautical College, Pangbourne, The Merchistonian, The Monmouthian, The Morpeth G.S. Magazine, The R.A.F. College Journal, Scots Regia, Stewart's College Magazine, The Thunderer (R.N.E.C. Manadon), The Watsonian and The Wish Stream (R.M.A. Sandhurst).

