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KING EDWARD VI. SCHOOL,
BURY ST. EDMUND'S,
SUFFOLK.

Headmaster's Notes

WE welcome Canon J. H. Waddington, Provost of St. Edmundsbury, as a member of the Governing Body. Canon Waddington is as determined as his predecessor, whom we knew so well, that the bond between the School and the Cathedral shall be a strong one.

We also welcome as a member of the Staff, Mr. J. H. Duddell. Mr. Duddell is an old Boy of the County Grammar School who has had teaching experience at King Edward VI School, Chelmsford, and at Portsmouth Grammar School.

Once again the Carol Service in the Cathedral was a great success and our thanks are due to all who made it so. Although as yet we do not send out formal invitations to attend we hope that year by year an increasing number of parents will support us.

The loss of Mr. Tapster has resulted in a temporary halt to the activities of the Dramatic Society, but the work is to be resumed under the guidance of Mr. Alderton. The choice of play, Hamlet, is a bold one, but a worthwhile one, and probably the staging of this production with our very limited facilities will prove a simpler task than many of those recently undertaken.

Work has now started on the swimming pool and it is apparent that the size has come as a pleasant surprise. So has the depth, for that matter. The Contractors are due to have water in the pool by April and so, given reasonable weather conditions, the Summer Term of 1959 should be a memorable one.

Theatre Visits

"THE TEMPEST"

On the 10th November Mr. Bridges took a party of Sixth Form boys to 'The Tempest' at the Maddermarket Theatre, Norwich.

What was felt to be the main disappointment of the production was Prospero. Our conception of Prospero is of a man who is almost a personification of Wisdom, a man conveying an impression of severely wise goodness and of self-centred detachment from the material interests of life: a man "rapt in secret studies" and "all dedicated to the bettering of his mind." This was not at all the Prospero in this production, and one felt that it was a successful businessman indulging in dramatics as a hobby, but nevertheless a man who obviously loved it. He did not make the best of his lovely poetry, but rather tended to recite it as at a first reading. His diction, however, was good, but it was almost wholly in one tone: his movement was spasmodic and he appeared not to have all the confidence he would have liked.

Miranda, his daughter, was also rather disappointing: she did not seem to be "almost an elemental being, framed in the purest and simplest type of womanhood." She, like Prospero, was too 'earthy' and her tendency to gabble spoiled some of her speeches.

Ariel, whose function is to execute the designs of Prospero, was very pleasing and when he entered he immediately gave the impression of having the qualities of air, lightness, swiftness, restless motion, buoyancy and freedom. He gave us the feeling that his main desire was freedom, which indeed it is. He did not quite fulfil all the epithets that Prospero has for him, "delicate," "quaint," "dainty," "tricky," but his performance had much in it to be praised.

Caliban, whose character "grows out of the soil," and who is, as Hazlitt says, 'of the earth, earthy,' was very pleasing, and he made the utmost of his lovely poetry. He provided a great contrast to Ariel. His hate for Prospero was more than apparent and although he associated himself with Stephano and Trinculo, he provided another contrast to them. This contrast was well brought out in the production, the contrast between the "noble savage" and the debased types of civilization.

Stephano and Trinculo were excellent in their own way; so were Gonzalo, Sebastian, Antonio and Alonso, but Ferdinand seemed rather colourless and lacked noble bearing.

The atmosphere of the production was quite compelling, and was aided by the fine costumes, especially in the Masque. Produced, as it was, by amateurs, it was a very praiseworthy effort.

B.R.H.

"JULIUS CAESAR"

On the 29th November, a party of Sixth Form boys went to see 'Julius Caesar' at the Old Vic.

Mr. John Phillips, as Brutus, though his performance was excellent, failed to bring out the stoicism that we normally associate with the character. Perhaps this was not altogether the fault of the actor, but that of the Producer, since the report of the death of Portia occurred only once, whereas it was mentioned twice by Shakespeare. None the less, Brutus showed great emotion, emotion which nearly overcame him, and it was only with great effort that he controlled himself. We felt that the essential tragedy was that centred in his own soul, that of a man who, not from hate, envy, or weakness, but

.....only, in a general honest thought
And common good to all

made one with the conspirators and murdered his friend. It was an excellent performance, though lacking, at times, the forcefulness associated with the character of Brutus.

Mr. Michael Hordern as Cassius was superb. He, like Brutus, was a political fanatic, but a more straight forward and simple-minded fanatic. He was always mindful of the many aspects of sincerity that are all part of the character. In the tent scene, ingeniously effected by the main curtain being pulled back, forming a semi-circle with the front of the stage, he showed great anger and brought out well the fact that Brutus is wrong and Cassius right.

Mr. Jack May, as Caesar, played a character of an over-bearing nature whose downfall it was easy to foresee. Mr. Derek Francis was an amusing Casca and Mr. Ronald Lewis, a young actor, as Antony, was rather the over-keen officer

than a man who never lets his thoughts belie his feelings, especially in the Forum scene.

There were many fine points of production but there were two main discrepancies. First, Octavius Caesar, also played by Mr. Jack May, was far too old; he should have been a boy in his 'teens'; and secondly, though the conspirators bathed their hands in Caesar's blood, it was difficult to imagine from where all the blood came, for certainly there was not a trace on Caesar's body. The ghost of Caesar was left to the imagination and, although not in the original text, the voice was heard on the battle field at Philippi.

After the death of Caesar, the play often tends to drag, and the interest to waver: this production, after Antony's oration, did tend towards anti-climax, but the general effect was not marred. The costumes, the scenery, (which consisted mainly of sections, moved as the scene required), and the music, all contributed to make this production a compelling unity. B.R.M.

Football

1st XI. MATCHES

SCHOOL v. H.M.S. GANGES

Saturday, 4th October. Home. Lost 3—4

In this game, the first of the season, the School were opposed by a bigger team and did not settle down very well. In the second half, the School were more effective and many attacks were made at the visitors' goal. A hard cross wind made the light ball difficult to control but the School deserved their goals, as did H.M.S. Ganges, and the result was very fair.

SCHOOL v. NEWPORT G.S.

Thursday, 9th October. Home. Won 4—1

This was a decisive win for the School but Newport were rather unlucky to lose by a margin of three goals. Although the School were much faster, the mid-field play of both sides was fairly even in the first half. In the second half, however, the School dominated the play and, with superior finishing, scored a well-deserved victory.

SCHOOL v. GONVILLE and CAIUS COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

Saturday, 11th October. Away. Draw 2—2

The School made a slow start on a wet, greasy pitch. The College team played a vigorous, hard-tackling game, and the School forwards had very few good shots at goal in the first half, although the play was constantly switching from end to end. After being one goal down at half-time, the School were two goals down within only a few minutes of the start of the second half. This concluded the scoring by the College team, for the School replied with an almost continuous attack on the opposing goal, swinging the ball about and shooting at every opportunity. The School were rather unlucky to score only two goals but great credit must go to the College goalkeeper, who played an excellent game.

SCHOOL v. SOHAM G.S.

Saturday, 18th October. Home. Lost 2—3

The game was fairly even in the first half but the School tended to hold the ball too long before passing, giving the Soham defence time to cover any gaps. This resulted in most of the Schools' attacks ending with long range shots at goal, which gave little trouble to the Soham goalkeeper, or resulted in the player in possession being robbed of the ball by a robust Soham defender. The ball was moved more quickly in the second half, but the School tired, and Soham, playing down the slope, had more of the play, which resulted in defeat for the School in a game in which a draw would have been a fair result.

SCHOOL v. SUDBURY G.S.

Thursday, 23rd October. Away. Won 2—1

The game was played on a sloping pitch on which the School found difficulty in controlling and moving the ball with their usual speed and efficiency. The play swung from end to end in the first half with the School forwards being a trifle unlucky with several good efforts. The second half found the School doing most of the attacking but the finishing was rather poor, partly owing to the hard work and skilful

football of the Sudbury centre-half and goalkeeper. The School eventually won a dull game with Johnston scoring an opportunist goal only a few minutes from the end, having already scored an excellent goal in the first half.

SCHOOL v. OLD BURIANS

Saturday, 25th October. Home. Won 3—1

Both sides started the game at a fast pace and playing controlled football. The Old Burians attacked strongly in the first twenty minutes and the School defence was hard pressed to keep them from scoring. After this the School gradually took control and Proctor in the Old Burians' goal was called on to make several good saves. In the ensuing series of attacks Johnston scored from close range, following a scramble in the goalmouth. Soon after the restart the School added to their score through a headed goal by Digby. In the second half the pattern of play was much the same, with the School defence breaking up the spasmodic raids of the Old Burians. Meanwhile the School forwards continued to maintain the pressure and towards the end of the game the Old Boys tired noticeably and a further goal, a long-range effort by Crowe which the goalkeeper mishandled, completed the scoring in a most spirited and enjoyable match.

The Old Burians were represented by:—Proctor, Smith P., Flack D., Jaggard, Pask, McGeehan, Abbott R., Rush D., Minns M., Ellis K., Burroughs.

SCHOOL v. THETFORD G.S.

Thursday, 30th October. Away. Won 6—1

Good football was made difficult by a heavy and greasy ball which was hard to control on a slippery pitch. After several unsuccessful efforts by both sides, the School opened the scoring through a somewhat fortunate goal by Garrard, the ball entering the net via the leg of a defender. The School then settled down and took full control of the game, playing constructive football which resulted in five more goals. Thetford's only goal was scored owing to a misunderstanding between some of the School defenders and the goalkeeper. The game was noteworthy not only for the number of goals scored but also for the robust play of both sides.

SCHOOL v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE, 2nd XI.

Saturday, 1st November. Home. Draw 1—1

This was a lively match in which both sides played constructive football. St. John's were often dangerous with attacks through the middle but the School defence withstood the strain and attacked strongly. In the second half the School attacked consistently, but the finishing was poor and many promising moves finished with poor shots at goal. The School scored first through Garrard and St. John's equalised with a long range shot that dropped over the School goalkeeper into the net. This rather lucky goal ended the scoring in a match which the School really deserved to win.

SCHOOL v. NEWMARKET G.S.

Saturday, 8th November. Home. Won 12—1

In this match the School took command from the start. Newmarket had a poor team which did not settle down against the fast, open play of the School. Once the School scored it was only a question of how many more goals were to come. With continuous pressure throughout the match, goals were scored at regular intervals and the moving of Flack from wing half to inside forward paid rich dividends, for he scored six goals. Johnston, at centre forward, took his chances well and scored four goals but it must be admitted that the Newmarket goalkeeper was weak. Digby, with two good efforts, completed the scoring for the School.

SCHOOL v. SOHAM G.S.

Saturday, 15th November. Home. Draw 2—2

Owing to a water-logged pitch at Soham, the School were again the hosts in a match that lacked quality, a factor that was partly compensated for by much enthusiasm and hard play. The midfield play of both sides was constructive but, near goal, passes were apt to go astray. This was partly due to the manner in which the defenders of both sides tended to crowd their goalmouth when attacks were imminent. The School were more constructive in the first half than in the second, with Soham doing most of the defending in the former and most of the attacking in the latter. A draw, however, was a very fair result.

SCHOOL v. SUDBURY G.S.

Thursday, 20th November. Home. Won 5—0

Although handicapped by an injury to Wolfenden after fifteen minutes, which caused him to leave the field, the School managed to gain the lead through a goal by Garrard but were hard pressed to maintain this lead during the latter stages of the first half. Having repulsed the attacks of the Sudbury forwards in the first half and the opening minutes of the second, the superior stamina of the School began to show itself and Sudbury's defence was penetrated twice in quick succession by long balls through the middle from which Johnston scored. Sudbury continued to play hard, but two further goals, one by Johnston and an own goal by a Sudbury defender, contributed to another convincing win by the School.

SCHOOL v. THETFORD G.S.

Thursday, 27th November. Home. Won 4—2

It was soon evident, in spite of an early Garrard goal, that Thetford were determined to avenge their defeat by the School earlier in the season. After pressing for a considerable time, Thetford equalised, then went ahead by an opportunist goal, and, keeping the School constantly on the defensive, maintained their lead until the interval.

The transference of Flack from inside left to left half, Whiting, owing to an injury, moving to inside forward, seemed to spur the School to greater efforts. Garrard, sending in a fierce shot from the right, saw it rebound from a defender into the net. Flack, a tireless worker at left-half, created many openings for the School forwards and further goals, scored by Crowe and Digby, resulted in a convincing win for the School.

SCHOOL v. NEWMARKET G.S.

Saturday, 29th November. Away. Won 3—0

Owing to injury and illness, the School fielded a rather weak team. Newmarket, on the contrary, fielded a stronger team in defence than earlier in the season, but their attack was noticeably poorer. In the first half the School attacked

quite strongly but the finishing was largely ineffective except for a shot by Johnston which entered the net with the goalkeeper unsighted. In the second half much of the play was mid-field, but the School had much more of the play and Johnston completed his hat-trick to give the School a sound win.

M. J. WHITING — FOOTBALL CAPTAIN

Much of this season's success of the School 1st XI has been due to good leadership. Whiting has played each game with unstinted effort and has demanded no less from the members of his team. Believing in the paramount importance to a footballer of physical fitness, he has led his team in frequent training sessions, so that it became the fastest School team for several years and outpaced most opposing teams. Whiting's sportsmanship, enthusiasm and enjoyment of the game were infectious and earned him the respect and affection of both his own players and those of opposing teams. Whiting has worked hard, achieved much, and earned the gratitude of us all for his efforts.

P.S.

1st XI. REVIEW

This year's team was a vast improvement on that of last year. Seven of the team played regularly for the School last season and this experience was of great benefit to the side. Of the twelve players who took part in all or several of the games, eight were Sixth Formers, three were Fifth Formers, and one was a member of the Fourth Form. Every member of the team played with great enthusiasm and determination and team spirit was high. This was shown by the number of times that the School fought back to win when losing or only drawing at half-time.

One or two experiments were made with goalkeepers but Lewis played eleven games in goal and, to his credit, only seventeen goals were scored against the School in those games. Lines played consistently at right back for eleven games and played two games in goal. Twitchett, at left back, played sound defensive football throughout the season. Flack, Wolfenden and Howlett played constructive and imaginative football, Flack and Wolfenden interchanging in the latter part

of the season, Flack playing inside forward and Wolfenden wing half. Howlett covered an enormous amount of ground in defence and still found time to help the attack. Garrard, Crowe, Johnston and Digby all played well for most of the season, scoring, between them, about forty goals of the forty-nine scored by the School.

The final record was quite impressive. Of the thirteen matches played, eight were won, three drawn, and two lost, forty-nine goals being scored by the School, with nineteen against.

Our thanks must be extended to Mr. Dart for arranging the fixture list and to Mr. Wyard for preparing the pitch.

1st ELEVEN COLOURS

R. L. Flack
P. W. Garrard
J. H. Howlett
B. Johnston
D. S. Wolfenden

HALF COLOURS

N. Crowe
E. Digby
P. F. Lines
C. F. Twitchett

M. J. WHITING

2nd XI. REVIEW

RESULTS

2nd Oct.	v.	Ixworth	(Away)	Lost	1—2
4th Oct.	v.	H.M.S. Ganges	(Home)	Lost	2—7
11th Oct.	v.	Silver Jubilee	(Home)	Won	5—1
18th Oct.	v.	Soham G.S.	(Away)	Lost	1—5
23rd Oct.	v.	Sudbury G.S.	(Away)	Won	3—0
25th Oct.	v.	Old Burians	(Home)	Won	12—1
30th Oct.	v.	Thetford G.S.	(Home)	Won	4—1
20th Nov.	v.	Sudbury G.S.	(Home)	Won	3—0
27th Nov.	v.	Thetford G.S.	(Away)	Won	4—2
29th Nov.	v.	Silver Jubilee	(Away)	Draw	1—1

Goals for 36. Goals against 20.

The 2nd XI. has had a reasonably successful season, in spite of a rather discouraging start. Out of the ten matches played, six were won, three lost, and one drawn, the return match with Soham being cancelled owing to the waterlogged

state of the Soham pitch. Soham and H.M.S. Ganges both defeated us by a large margin and their victories were well deserved. The defeat by Ixworth was due to a lack of fight on our part; sheer determination, although not a substitute for footballing skill, can often give a team the necessary advantage to win a match.

For the match with the Old Burians Mr. Searle was included in the team at centre forward and out of the twelve goals we scored he scored eleven of them. Here was a lesson in goal scoring from which all the forwards benefited. In the second match with Thetford Matthews scored all four goals.

The forward line suffered less than the defence in the many changes made in the team for one reason or another. Both wingers, Bengé and Southgate, coupled accurate centring ability with a fine turn of speed. Dutton, at inside left, proved a very constructive and able footballer. Harper, although he tended to hold on to the ball too long, produced, on occasions, a really hard shot. Digby played a few games for us before he was promoted to the 1st XI.

The defence showed several signs of disorganisation, such as poor covering, and often more than one person was seen attempting to tackle one opponent. Our goalkeeper, Gardner, in spite of a notorious reputation for lack of concentration, played consistently well, and often was the major stumbling block to the opposing forwards. Of the other defenders Tofts deserves mention, a very reliable centre-half, but he too was moved, towards the end of the season, to the 1st XI.

The teams were captained for the second consecutive season by Pallant, Bengé deputising for the second match with Sudbury.

Colours were awarded to:—

T. T. Bengé
P. M. Dutton
P. J. Gardner
L. Harper
K. C. Southgate
K. V. Tofts

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RESULTS

School	v.	Ixworth	(Lost)	6—1
"	v.	Newport (Essex) G.S.	Won	10—1
"	v.	Soham G.S.	Lost	5—1
"	v.	Thetford G.S.	Lost	4—2
"	v.	Newmarket G.S.	Won	9—0
"	v.	Soham G.S.	Won	2—1
"	v.	Thetford G.S.	Lost	7—1
"	v.	Newmarket G.S.	Won	4—0

Eight matches were played and of these four were won and four were lost. The team played best when the ground was firm and dry. They tried to play constructive football but were sometimes weak in front of goal. If the half-backs had been more determined in the tackle, and used the wing forwards fully, greater success would have been their reward.

The team was:—

Fuller, D. J., Carlo, Snell, Booty, Sadler (Capt.), Cole, Sankey, Gilbert, Brown, E., Lane, Bridges, B.

The following also played:—Cockerton, Reach, A., Warren, McLoughlin.

UNDER 13 XI.

School	v.	Cadogan House	(Away)	Won	8—1
"	v.	Silver Jubilee	(Away)	Draw	2—2
"	v.	Cadogan House	(Home)	Won	8—0
"	v.	Nowton Court	(Home)	Won	7—0
"	v.	Nowton Court	(Away)	Won	2—1
"	v.	Silver Jubilee	(Home)	Lost	0—2

The School XI. soon developed into a useful team and in spite of shortcomings proved difficult to beat. The final match was very keenly contested: the Jubilee boys had scored in the first half and the School had been trying very hard to equalise when a few minutes before the end, a breakaway resulted in a second goal for our visitors.

B. F. Bridges (captain), E. A. Brown, M. J. Cooke and P. C. Mills played in every game, while M. Bairstow and D. Goult each missed one match through illness.

Football, 1886

SCHOOL v. THE TOWN.—In the most unpleasant weather this match was played on Saturday, October 24th, additional interest being attached to it from the fact that it was one of the matches in the first round of the cup competition of the newly formed Suffolk Football Association. Both sides were well represented, the Town, however, lacking two of their regular team, Hinnells and Symonds, who were replaced by Jillings, and a new member Morgan. The School won the toss, and play having been delayed for some time owing to the non-arrival of the referee, a start was effected at about 3.30. The muddy state of the ground made running difficult and accurate kicking almost impossible. The Town seemed to have slightly the best of it at first, and, after ten minutes play or so, Morgan, by a long shot, succeeded in scoring a goal. This put the School on their mettle, and they played up with renewed vigour, Mr. Bibby being especially active, one of his shots just going the wrong side of the post, but their well-timed rushes were frustrated by Floyd, whose fine play throughout was especially noticeable. The Town then resumed the aggressive, and a corner which fell to them was well played by Chisnall, but the School Backs got the ball away, and their Forwards carrying it into the Club quarters, equalised matters, through the instrumentality of Mr. Bibby who put in a capital shot. After half-time, both sides played their hardest, the kicking of Prior and Griffiths, and the runs of Pearson and Snape, for the School, being balanced by the fine play of J. Floyd, Morgan, and Chisnall for the Town. About twenty minutes after half-time, however, the School scored again by a fine long shot from Snape. Both parties strained every effort; the Town to tie their opponents, and the School to maintain, and, if possible, increase their lead. Nothing more was scored, and at the call of time a very hard, fast, and enjoyable game terminated in favour of the School.

For the winners, Griffiths (despite a kick received early in the game) and Prior played well behind, while Snape and Hunter were the pick of the Forwards. For the Town, Floyd, Chisnall, Morgan, R. Skipsey, and Hooper, worked hard in their respective places. The sides were as follows:—

The School.—F. J. Tyler (goal), E. H. T. Prior and W. Gough (backs), G. W. Marshall and O. E. Griffiths, capt. (half-backs), A. G. G. Bibby, Esq., D. Davies, Esq. (centres), H. F. A. Pearson and H. W. Snape (left), J. H. Pead and J. D. Hunter (right).

Bury Town.—W. Lamb (goal), A. Floyd, capt. (back), W. E. Mountain, E. Hooper, and C. E. S. Whitford (half-backs) C. Skipsey and A. E. Jillings (centres), E. E. Chisnall and R. Skipsey (left), J. J. Sprigge and W. Morgan (right).

The Rev. T. Price acted as umpire for the School, and Mr. C. D. Leech for the Town, while Mr. T. M. H. Wood, Trinity College, Cambridge, was referee.

BURY SCHOOL v. NORWICH WANDERERS.—The annual match between the above teams was played on the Lower Close Ground, Norwich, on Wednesday, November 18th. The Wanderers were very strongly represented, and the School found in Cox a very useful substitute for Hunter. Dewing kicked off for the Wanderers at 2.45, and the play was for some time very even, till Griffiths passed the ball to the left sides, who eluded the backs, and Mr. Davies made a shot at goal which was well stopped by "Smith." The School continued to act on the aggressive and Mr. Bibby and Pearson were seen to great advantage. The latter passed to Pead, who middled the ball well to Cox, but the shot went just over the bar. The Wanderers now made determined efforts to score, and some brilliant passing was made by Culley, Theobald, "Johns," and "Another," but with no result till Culley gave a clear case of "hands" in front of goal, and then shot the ball between the posts. As the umpire, who had his back to the ball at the time, did not give hands the goal was claimed. The School team seemed very much annoyed at this, but playing well together Pead in a short time centred to Mr. Bibby, who scored a most unmistakeable goal. Half time was now called, and the game became faster than ever, "John's," Culley, Theobald, and "Another," made shot after shot, but all to no purpose, the School backs playing splendidly. The School now again by a combined rush forced the ball to the Norwich quarters, Cox, Pearson, Snape, and Pead being especially prominent, but the score remained unaltered, and the match ended in a draw. In addition to those mentioned, Prior, Griffiths, Marshall, and Tyler played splendidly, while Dewing played out well for Norwich.

Teams:—

Norwich.—Goal, "Smith"; backs, M. Dewing and A. H. Miller; half-backs, E. S. Davies, L. B. Miller, and Wolsey; right wing, "Another" and Morgan; left, G. Theobald and F. Culley; centre, "John's."

Bury School.—Goal, Tyler; backs, Gough and Prior; half-backs, Marshall and Griffiths; right wing, Snape and Pearson; left, Pead and Mr. Davies; centres, Cox and Mr. Bibby.

A correspondent writes relating to the dispute in the above game:—It was exactly the same point as that disputed in Town v. Melford match. Hands was acknowledged, and the ball sent between the posts. There was only one umpire, and he could not see it. Opponents claim goal because umpire has not given hands. The School and Town might have easily retaliated had they thought of it, for they could have asked the umpire if it was a goal, and he not having seen it, by a ruling no goal could have been given. The matter was in this case referred to the editor of *Pastimes*, and he writes:—It was legally a goal, but under the circumstances we think it was unfair of the opponents to claim it.

C.C.F. Notes

The strength of the contingent at the beginning of the Autumn term was 117, an increase of nearly forty.

No. 9 Travelling Wing came on four parade days, concentrating on N.C.O. and Proficiency Certificate Training. Subsequent training has been carried out by our own N.C.O.'s. There have been a few faults attributable to lack of experience, but on the whole I am well pleased with the results.

During the field day at Bridgham Heath some useful squad work was done. The afternoon visit to Gibraltar Barracks provided an opportunity of seeing some of the ordinary routine training of recruits to the army. The Regimental Museum contained an impressive variety of exhibits from widely scattered parts of the world.

CAMP NOTES

Two officers and thirty-one cadets attended annual camp at Pirbright. During the week the contingent mounted a guard and a fire picquet and saw demonstrations of infantry tactics, mortars and R.A.C. vehicles. There was some shooting, partly spoiled by rain. The food was good and adequate

for most members of the detachment. Perhaps what most cadets will remember is the walking, made longer by the O.C.'s map reading.

Scout Notes

The past term has seen several changes in the formation of the 2nd Bury St. Edmunds (King Edward VI. School) Scout Troop. There are now two very strong patrols, the Eagles and the Kangaroos, led by P.L.'s Death and Goodwin. Crick has continued as Troop Leader and has been a very able assistant to our new Scoutmaster, Mr. Escott.

A Senior Patrol has been formed to cater for the older Scouts and will, it is hoped, provide them with the extra training and experience necessary to them as leaders of the Troop as a whole.

The emphasis this term has been on Scouting out of doors and much useful work has been done. Five boys have been initiated as Tenderfeet and many others have made good progress towards the Second and First Class Badges, Individual aptitudes have also been encouraged and three Proficiency Badges for specialist skills have been gained.

It is hoped to hold two camps during 1959: one at Easter for the Senior Patrol and another in the summer for the whole Troop. It is intended that the Easter camp should be a hike camp during which a general survey will be made of the area chosen. This should serve as a preliminary training camp for the Patrol Leaders and Seconds. Both camps will probably be held in the Black Mountains on the Welsh border. This area is quite unknown by most members of the Troop and is one which will provide many interesting contrasts with the more familiar scenery of East Anglia.

P. L. GOODWIN
(Troop Secretary)

Science Club

A very interesting demonstration of stereophonic sound was given to the Senior Science Club by Mr. Lawes who very kindly agreed to bring his equipment to school. Mr. Lawes introduced the demonstration with a short talk explaining the principles involved and at the end answered the many questions. The Music Club also attended the demonstration.

Later in the term Mr. Alderton talked to the seniors about colour photography. He explained the theory of the process in some detail and followed this with some advice on the use of colour film and the mistakes to be avoided based on his own experience.

J. M. Grout volunteered to talk to the club about radio. He dealt with the elementary principles first and described the standard components of a radio set. This was followed by a stage by stage explanation of a T.R.F. set and the principle of a superhet receiver. Grout is to be congratulated on his enthusiasm and knowledge of the subject. Each talk lasted over an hour and was given without notes. It is hoped that more boys will be willing to follow his example.

The members of the Junior Science Club have studied some elementary astronomy so that they can now look at the night sky with a little more knowledge of the interesting features which are to be seen, particularly at this time of year. They also enjoyed a less technical version of Mr. Alderton's talk on colour photography. A science 'Question Time' was held at the last meeting of term. A panel of four dealt with questions relating to such subjects as the hydrogen bomb tests, space travel and rockets to the moon.

Art Club

During the past term the Art Club has had a very gratifying number of members from the Upper School. The Lower School has not responded quite as well, but it is to be hoped that the numbers will increase next term.

We have, unfortunately, been hampered to some extent by the weather, which has reduced out-door sketching to a minimum. Nonetheless, a few hardy spirits have braved the elements and their efforts have been quite rewarding. On one of the few fine afternoons a "fatigue party" demolished an extremely large and solid lump of clay so that we have been able to do a fair amount of Pottery and Modelling. The "demolition squad" was spurred on to complete the task in record time by the presence of a small, but very verbose, audience.

A satisfying amount of capable work has been produced by Club Members this term in a variety of media. Pastel

drawing has been introduced and has proved most successful – particularly in Still Life Drawing and Landscape work.

It is hoped that next term it may be possible to offer opportunities for more experimental work, using an even greater variety of materials than is at present available for club use. Plaster carving, wire sculpture, paper mosaics, collage and group murals are among the subjects we hope to tackle. An ambitious programme, perhaps, but one which will offer a variety of work amongst which every boy should be able to find something to interest him.

J. P. ESCOTT

Music Club

<i>President:</i>	The Headmaster
<i>Chairman:</i>	M. L. West
<i>Secretary:</i>	B. R. Hazel
<i>Committee:</i>	J. Nicholson Mr. G. Sutton

It has been our aim this term to enable each member to give a talk on a subject with which he is not fully acquainted, thereby causing some research to be done. This system will probably continue next term with Nicholson giving a talk on Oriental Music.

The Chairman gave a talk on the Symphonies of Beethoven which was an enormous topic to undertake but he covered it as thoroughly as possible in the short time available.

Bailey gave a talk on the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas, which was as informative as it was amusing and entertaining. Mr. Sutton gave a talk on the Carol during our last meeting. We came out rather disillusioned about 'O come all ye faithful,' and indeed our general conception of what a carol really is was shattered.

B.R.M.

Boarders' Musical Appreciation Society

Meetings have been held weekly either in the Schoolroom or in Mr. Escott's rooms, and a wide variety of classical music has been heard. The first meeting was devoted to the hearing

of Vaughan Williams' "Sinfonia Antartica," which proved very impressive to all who heard it. Other works heard during the term were Beethoven's "Pastoral Symphony," Massourgsky's "A Night on the Bare Mountain," Haydn's "46th Symphony," Donizetti's opera "Lucia di Lammermoor" in which Maria Callas sang the leading role, and Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scherzerade." One meeting was devoted to Wagner, and excerpts from four of his operas were heard. Handel's "Messiah," conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham, brought our activities for the term to a satisfactory close.

Grateful thanks are extended to Mr. Escott for the loan of his record player and his records, and also to Mr. Sutton for permission to use the School Record Library.

M.L.W.

Discussion Group

Because of increasing numbers it has been necessary to exclude the Sixth Form from this activity. Naturally, the loss of senior boys has impaired the standard of discussion.

Nevertheless, there has been work done of pleasing quality. Current affairs — political, economic and social— have been discussed at length, and, at times, with feeling. The following papers were read:—

Doyle	.....	Australia
Brennan	.....	Outer Space
Nunn	.....	Modern China
De Seilleur	.....	Crime and Punishment
Goodwin	.....	British Culture in 1958
Harper	.....	The British in Africa

A motion, proposed by Gregory and supported by Abrey, "That the British educational system needs to be revised," was opposed by Matthews and Keeble, and was defeated by one vote.

"Brains Trust" sessions provided a number of boys with an opportunity to answer questions on topical matters. This they did with considerable ingenuity, if not with complete accuracy.

Chess

The high-light of this term's play was the excellent game by Matson in the Final of the West Suffolk Junior Championship, in which he was narrowly beaten by the representative of Culford School. The game was very level until the last few minutes of its two-and-a-quarter hours duration. We congratulate R. Hemsley of Culford on his success.

In the Senior Ladder, Matson and Brennan are in the lead; whilst in the Junior Ladder, first and second places are occupied by Moss and Sankey.

We look forward to the House Competition next term, and (with rather mixed feelings) to the match against the Staff.

F.W.B.

Physical Education Activities

SENIOR

The reduced numbers this term enabled us to concentrate on individual gymnastics. A distinct improvement was noted in both the Vaulting and the Agility towards the end of the term.

JUNIOR

Although there was a high proportion of first form boys, a reasonable standard of primary gymnastics was obtained. The early part of the term was spent in mastering fundamental balances which made a solid foundation for the Vaulting and Agility, which was introduced during the latter half of the term.

Both activity groups were enthusiastic and displayed good co-ordination of mind and body. It should be possible to select a display team for the Summer Term from the younger group. At the moment, however, both groups are content with doing the Vault or Agility and do not pay enough attention to its presentation, therefore ruining the overall effect. This is a fault which can be remedied with practice.

Sixth Form Debating Society

The first two meetings of the Term were mainly for business purposes but on October 28th Ryan and Marsh proposed and seconded the motion, 'This House thinks that the Grammar Schools have outlived their purpose.' Bennett and Reed opposed and the motion was narrowly lost, most of those present being quite without views on the subject.

Two sessions were devoted to the next debate: 'This House believes in the theory of Evolution,' Sitford and Bennett speaking in favour, with Reed and McAllister against. The standard of speaking was quite good, and many had obviously taken great pains. The motion was lost.

On December 9th Brennan and Mr. Rayner proposed the motion that "This House considers the Navy is out of date." They were opposed by Bennett and Evans.

The high-light of the term was the debate that 'This House thinks that money is not the root of all evil.' This was proposed by Bailey and Matson, with Reed and Bennett against. There were many speakers from the floor, some showing vast knowledge of the evils which beset mankind. The motion was carried by 48 votes to 13.

Natural History

A study of trees has occupied part of the term, and a number of bark rubbings and colourful plaster casts have been made. A visit was paid to Moyses Hall, and another afternoon we went for a nature walk. There have been Quizes and Scavenge Hunts in competition form throughout the term, the winner being K. C. Ramsey with 49 points. D. Hodgson and R. Lock were runners up with 42 points each.

Film Club

Many of this term's films have been obtained from industrial and technical organisations. Films illustrating various aspects of electricity, plastics and oil refining made much use of multi-coloured moving diagrams, so that before the end of the sixth electricity film we were on terms of easy intimacy with that sprightly character, the orbital electron.

The most sensational film of the term was of a motor tour over rough tracks through deserts, mountains and rivers of Australia. By contrast, a film which studiously avoided the sensational showed life in Britain in each of the four pre-historic ages.

Two outstanding colour films dealt with reclamation of sand dunes and the modern life of the Eskimox. Much of the latter film was photographed inside an igloo, where Grandmother wore her spectacles on the end of her nose, smoked a fag-end, sewed skin clothing and offered gratuitous advice to the rest of the family. Other geography films showed recent developments in Venezuela, Canada, Norway and Denmark. P.S.

Dramatic Society

The Dramatic Society has been very quiet this term. Activity has been confined to one visit and to early preparations for a production in the Easter term.

The one visit was to the Thetford Grammar School's production of "His Excellency." This is a difficult play for young people to perform, dealing as it does with the problems of an ex-docker made Governor of a Mediterranean island, and the Thetford boys gave a very creditable performance.

In the course of the term it was decided, after much consideration, that the Easter term's production should be Shakespear's "Hamlet." Auditions have been held and a provisional cast list prepared so that rehearsals can commence as soon as the Easter term begins.

Later in the Easter term help will be needed by the Stage Manager and Electrician, and anyone interested in this work should get in touch with me.

D. L. ALDERTON.

Dorkist House Notes

The House has had a very successful football term, tying for first place with the Tudors in the competition. The scores were as follows:—

	SENIOR	JUNIOR
v. Lancs.	9—0 won	2—0 won
v. Tudors	2—2 drawn	0—2 lost
v. Windsors	4—2 won	1—7 lost

Although the Junior team only won one match, it played with great determination, and the scores above are no guide to its ability.

The Senior XI. is to be congratulated on playing fine football and playing it with a determination to win. Thanks are due especially to P. W. Garrard, who captained the team in an excellent manner, and to P. F. Lines who showed exceptional ability. Credit is also due to those members of the House who offered to play at the last minute when regular team members were ill.

One looks forward to a far greater effort than before in the Cross-Country Competition next term, especially on the part of Junior members of the House. It must be clearly understood that if success is to be achieved, everyone must do his part.

At a House Meeting at the end of term, P. W. Garrard was elected Cross-Country Captain, and Reed Hockey Captain.

Finally, congratulations to P. W. Garrard and P. F. Lines on being awarded First XI. Football Colours and Half-Colours respectively, and to K. E. Pallant, P. M. Dutton and K. C. Southgate on being awarded Second XI. Football Colours. M.L.W.

Windsor House Notes

The House has not done as well as was hoped for this term, for in the Inter-House Football Competition the House was placed last. The Senior team lost all three matches, a fact partly contributed to by lack of fighting spirit, and partly by lack of practice as a team. The Junior team did better than the Senior team, winning two matches most convincingly.

	1st XI.	2nd XI.
v. Tudors	2—4 lost	2—4 lost
v. Yorks	2—4 lost	7—1 won
v. Lancs.	0—3 lost	4—0 won

We look forward to the Spring term in the hope that the House will have greater success in Hockey, Fives, Cross-Country and Chess. For the past two years the House has had great success at Cross-Country and we must meet the new term with the determination to continue this success.

In this every member of the House must play his part, as indeed he must in all the other activities into which the House enters.

Finally, we must congratulate N. Crowe and E. Digby on being awarded their Half-Colours for Football.

M.J.W.

Lancastrian House Notes

We have nothing to report of outstanding merit this term. Indeed, on paper, our Football teams were the worst of all the four Houses, but we are proud to say that in team-spirit and appreciation of the game they were probably the best. This was occasioned in great measure by the large proportion of new players, enthusiastic, but as yet comparatively inexperienced. We expect great things in another two or three years.

We congratulate G. H. Howlett and B. Johnston on their 1st XI. Colours, and T. T. Bengé on his 2nd XI. Colours.

The Hockey Captain for next term is J. H. Howlett, and the Cross-Country Captain is J. Crick.

Tudor House Notes

We were all sorry to lose Mr. Tapster, who had so ably guided the House, but we are delighted to welcome Mr. Rayner as our new House Master. Mr. Tapster has taken up a teaching post in Leicester.

At a recent House Meeting the following officials were appointed:

House Captain	-	J. A. Nicholson
Hockey Captain	-	P. N. Matthews
Cross-Country Captain		R. L. Flack

The Senior Football team has had a moderately successful season although we had expected better results. The team beat the Windsors 4—2, drew with the Yorkists 2—2 and were beaten by the Lancastrians 3—4. Names worthy of note are R. L. Flack, D. Wolfenden, C. F. Twitchett and P. J. Gardiner.

The Junior team has had a very successful season under the efficient captaincy of Lane, and many players show great promise. The team beat the Windsors 4—2, the Yorkists 2—0, and the Lancastrians 4—1.

We all offer our congratulations to those who were awarded Football Colours: First XI. Full—R. L. Flack and D. Wolfenden, First XI. Half—C. Twitchett, Second XI.—P. J. Gardiner and L. Harper.

Next term we look forward to keen competition in Hockey and Cross-Country. To assure success to the House every boy must play his part, however small, especially in the Cross-Country in which much practice is needed.

J.A.N.

School Notes

VALETE:—

Fifth Form.

P. W. Bellinger
E. Digby
R. T. Ward

Second Form.

M. Craft.
B. A. Keen

Fourth Form.

R. Bairstow
G. Bartlett
M. Spence
P. F. Williams

First Form.

T. Moore

On Wednesday, December 10th, a party of Sixth and Fifth formers visited Thetford Grammar School to see the play "His Excellency." We are very grateful indeed to the Headmaster of Thetford School for his very kind invitation, and to Mr. Alderton for organising the party.

The Boarders visited the Playhouse on November 17th to see the first performance of "White Horse Inn". This was greatly enjoyed by all, judging by the fact that many of the songs were sung for weeks afterwards!

It was very pleasing to see so many parents at the School Carol Service in the Cathedral. Both members of the Choir and lesson readers are to be congratulated on the hard work that they did to make the service such a memorable occasion.

During the term work has been steadily progressing on the swimming pool, and it is hoped that it will be finished in April. Thus many boys will have an opportunity of learning to swim without having to make a long and laborious trek through the town.

The School has been very lucky to have been offered instruction in Golf, and interest in the game has been encouraging. It has been a common sight to see Golfers and Footballers practising side by side on the School Field during the course of the term.

The Dramatic Society, under the leadership of Mr. Alderton, plans to present "Hamlet" next term. It is hoped that all parents and friends of the School will give the Society their fullest support.

Old Boys' Notes

J. M. Ross left the University of Rochester (U.S.A.) in December, 1955, where he had a number of papers published in the American Chemical Journal. On his return to England he did his National Service with R.E.M.E. and obtained a Commission. During this time he met P. Millie at Blandford. Ross, now married, has accepted a post with du Pont, Delaware. We send him our congratulations and best wishes.

B. Francis, now a Scientific Officer in the Civil Service, is engaged in Food Research at Chorley Wood, Herts.

Congratulations to M. R. Wilson, now in command of the submarine 'Aeneas'. He expects to be based on the Portsmouth Squadron.

D. Sore writes from Dunston, Stafford, where he is doing full time study at the Stafford County Technical College in preparation for a London External Degree in Electrical Engineering. Early in the new year he will be working in the English Electric Company's works.

P. C. Fryer is now employed as a Development Metallurgist with the Morgan Crucible Company.

E. H. Pask recently played the Saturday Evensong Voluntary in Norwich Cathedral and the whole of the Ordin-

ation Service on the Sunday. The organ in his present Church has been rebuilt and Pask has prepared a paper on it for publication in 'The Organ.'

J. G. Hart is employed in the Public Health Department of the Norfolk County Council and hopes to commence training as a Student Public Health Inspector.

During the summer P. G. J. Parkhouse was on a Vacation Studentship at Windscale, Cumberland, with a small scientific problem to solve. As a result of the first part of his report he has been asked to return when he leaves the University.

We were very pleased to receive Christmas greetings from P. S. Love (Liverpool University), R. L. Steele (Chatham), A. S. Marshall, B. H. P. Turner (London School of Economics), Hugh Gooch (Adelaide), I. S. Davidson, D. S. Gudgin, C. Gladwell (Royal Norfolk Regiment), W. H. Hardy (Guy's Hospital), K. J. Ellis, A. D. Day, E. J. L. Welham, R. G. Bickell, B. W. Jolliffe, P. C. Fryer, D. G. Davey, P. Reeve, J. T. Mendham, M. D. Overall, R. Wells, Brian Coates (Cyprus), A. Jermy, S. H. Ringrose, Peter Osborne (Malaya), Neil Boys (Parachute Regiment), J. F. MacCulloch (University College, London), J. M. Ross, V. Farthing (R.A.F.), John Wise, J. L. Miles, D. G. Smith (Guided Weapons Regiment), F. C. Smith, and P. H. Turner (University of Leicester).

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