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Despite the beads of perspiration which have dropped upon this humble page, and the ink-stained fingers which have lingered o'er it, we Editors, not belonging (as some might think) to a race apart, sadly acknowledge that all editorials are more frequently ignored than adored. This being the case, we pander not to the multitude, but lay our laurels before those intellectual souls who have thus far perused. (Whew !)

We have compiled for your enjoyment the first edition of the Whitehill Magazine for 1959, and a great deal of hard work, imagination and co-operation has preceded its production. All in all, we consider the Magazine to compare very favourably with the high standard established in previous years, and to be representative of the varied talents of Whitehill, so if you do not approve, friend, it is up to you to do something about it next time.

Among the 'thank-you' bouquets which are at this time distributed to all and sundry, we would gratefully remember our invaluable compatriots—Miss Garvan, Mr. Wyatt, Mr. Kellett, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Shedden, and, of course, our industrious fellow-workers of the Magazine Committee.

All that remains for us to do is to record our best wishes to all leavers (in the hope that they may manage to find themselves a job !) and to all those ingenious (or ingenuous) students who remain, we freely extend our sympathy.

Our task is completed ; we list to the glad call of approaching Summer, and off we go, never more to darken these pages.

Farewell !

THE EDITORS.

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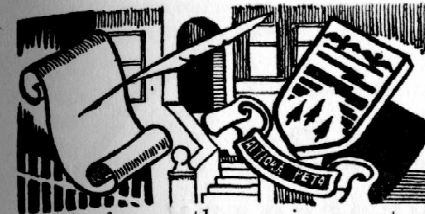
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SCHOOL NOTES



Staff

School Staff was once again subjected to many changes. In Mathematics, both Mr. Robert Gilmour and Mr. Duncan retired from teaching—Mr. Gilmour for the second time, having been lured from the enjoyment of his first retirement to teach Mathematics for our benefit. The departure of these gentlemen from our Golfhill out-station was counterbalanced by the arrival of Miss Doreen Shearer from Lambhill Street Secondary, and Mr. Alexander McGregor from Hayfield Primary. We extend a hearty welcome to these two new colleagues. Miss Joyce R. Hutchison of the Modern Languages Department, said farewell to us at Christmas time (a tearful farewell, let it be said, from certain Fourth Year girls) and now, with the best wishes of the School, flourishes as Frau Bertram in the country of her adoption. Miss Hutchison was replaced by Mr. George S. Graveson, whom we are glad to welcome to the Staff. While on the subject of marriage, we must express our sincere good wishes to Mr. George S. Gibson on his marriage. Our good wishes go of course to his wife, whom we knew as Miss Jean Campbell, lately of our Science Department. Wife and work—what more can School offer a man. Less happily, the Modern Languages Department has lost the valuable services, only temporarily, however, of Miss Helen M. Watt, because of serious eye trouble. We are all very glad to learn that Miss Watt is making excellent progress and we express the hope that she will soon be in our midst again. To fill this temporary vacancy there came Mr. John B. G. Linton, whom we welcome particularly warmly as an immigrant to Dennistoun from even further east. Miss Allina J. Climie, the Principal Teacher of Geography whom we shared with Eastbank Academy, retired at Christmas and we said farewell to her with regret. Our more delicately phrased and fuller tribute to Miss Climie appears on page . In her place was appointed Mr. James R. Carson, who, we hope, will settle down happily in the Whitehill family even if he is boarded out for most of the week. Another of our old-timers—Mr. James Y. Hart, of the Science Department—found the strain on his health too great and regretfully we said good-bye to him. He was replaced by Mr. Ronald K. McLaughlin, who has already settled in and found an outlet for his spare energy in assisting Mr. Crerar with school cricket. That stalwart of Whitehill dances and parties, Miss Strang of the Commercial Department, removed from Glasgow and was compelled to leave us to work in a Stirlingshire school. We were very sorry indeed to lose Miss Strang and wish her all success and happiness in her new appointment. Mrs. Moyra Blair came to us from St. George's Road Secondary in place of Miss Strang and we offer her a warm Whitehill welcome. West Lothian county, very understandably from their point of view, made our

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Mr. Edward Miller a depute Director of Education and we offer him our very sincere congratulations on his new appointment. In his comparatively short time with us, Mr. Miller had established himself firmly as a real Whitehillian. We are glad to be able to fill the vacancy in the History Department by the appointment of Mr. John H. Jamieson, who will soon, we hope, find his niche in our scheme of things. One of our part-time Physical Education teachers, Mr. Robert McLaren, was transferred to another School and in his place came to join the Staff, Mr. Allan S. Reid, who, we hope, will enjoy a lengthier stay with us. We welcome also Mr. Francis G. Slevin, who has replaced Mr. Gialouras as part-time teacher of Speech and Drama attached to the English Staff. Three additional members of Staff arrived at the end of January to take Transitional Classes. They were: Miss M. E. Buchanan and Mr. Hugh Coltman, who need no introduction to Whitehill, and Mr. Hugh Gibson. We hope they spend an enjoyable and fruitful six months with us. No survey of Whitehill Staff changes would be complete without mention of the departure to Dundee of our School Chaplain, the Rev. Robert Arthur. A presentation of a fine record-player was made to Mr. Arthur on behalf of the school before he left, but we would like to take this opportunity of thanking him for his faithful services to us over fourteen years, and of wishing him every success in his new charge.

General

At long last our play-field is ready for use, albeit a somewhat limited use until the surface settles and hardens properly. In the meantime, the usefulness in the home of a large number of our boys must have been considerably improved by the amount of brushing and sweeping they have done on the field. We make no extra charge for the training in domesticity.

Our terpsichorean neighbours, perhaps stimulated by our efforts in the field, have emulated us by making vast improvements in their rear policies—improvements which have done much to ensure the greater privacy of our sun-bathing lido, although they have caused many of our number to make a slightly longer but more legal journey to school.

The new badge which was introduced in our last number, is now in official use, and can be bought at our usual suppliers. A glance at our advertisement pages will show where to buy the badge. Whitehill is a school of which we can all be proud and one easy way to show that is to wear at least part of the school uniform. Our girls set an excellent example: the boys' turnout still leaves much to be desired. We hope in our next issue to be able to report a marked improvement in the standard of the boys' uniform wearing.

We have to record our deep appreciation of the gift of a book from Mr. James K. Allan, a former pupil of the 1890-1900 era. He sent a copy of "British Columbia—A Centennial Anthology," with his best wishes from the land of his adoption and fond memories of his school days at Whitehill. How many of you will think in such a kindly manner of your old school in the year 2029 A.D.?



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OBITUARY

It is with great sadness that we note the deaths of the following gentlemen who were well-known Whitehillians in their day and generation:—

Mr. John Bennett, formerly Head of the Science Department, who died in November, 1958.

Mr. John Low, a former pupil, Headmaster of Denholm Junior Secondary School, near Hawick, who died in January, 1959.

Sir John Taylor, C.I.E., D.S.O., M.D., LL.D., D.P.H., who had a distinguished career in the Indian Medical Service, died in February, 1959, aged 74 years. He was one of the most illustrious members of the now small band of I.M.S. officers who made outstanding contributions to medical research in India.

To the relatives of these Whitehillians we offer our very sincere condolences in their and our sad loss.

UNDER THE EDITORS' TABLE



"A troublesome monster with glaring face"—no, readers, that is not a description of one of the teachers; it refers, in fact, to television, which seems to be very popular with the majority of you and has provided material for many poems and other articles with varying degrees of success. We are pleased, however, to note that you still found time to write as many articles as usual between watching your favourite programmes. Articles ranged from Elvis and the inevitable "telly" to an ode to a pawnbroker's sign and descriptions of last year's summer holidays. The pupils of 2 L in particular are very well-travelled and they told us of holidays spent in the Highlands, England, Ireland, and even Rome. We enjoyed reading these and found most of them very interesting, but we would rather have articles with more originality. While on this point, a word of warning to everyone: we want articles which are entirely your own and we are quite sure that you are capable of producing something worthwhile without borrowing from other people.

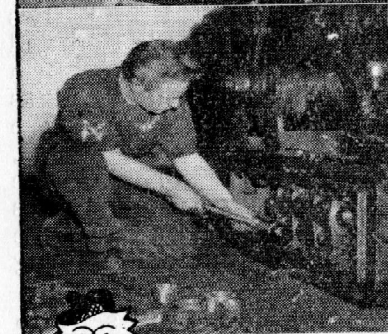
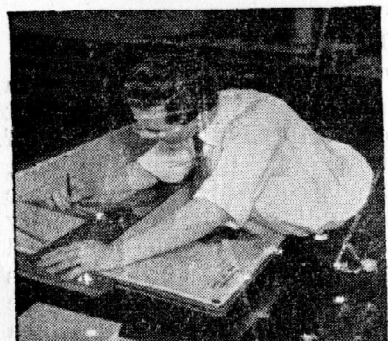
We must commend J.S. of I L 2 for her "Short Stories," into which she undoubtedly put considerable effort, but we felt that they were rather too morbid. When we read "I was overcome with a rotten sick feeling as I trod on a child's arm, which clutched a rag doll tightly," we felt our blood run cold and hastily passed on to something else.

Congratulations to the "preps." particularly T. 4. We were glad to see such enthusiasm for "the Mag." Keep it up!

Lastly, we wish all our readers a very happy holiday and our budding writers a well-earned rest after their efforts.

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MISS A. J. CLIMIE, B.Sc.

A former pupil of Glasgow High School for Girls, Miss Climie taught in three different Glasgow schools before coming to Whitehill in 1947 as head of the Geography Department.

To her task she brought many sterling qualities. Her organising ability was soon apparent, and she possessed the capacity for showing the greatest of tact in the running of a department, so that under her guidance everything went smoothly and a happy atmosphere was created.

Quick to make a decision, she worked with enthusiasm, sometimes, indeed with speed. The rate at which, with machine-like precision, she counted out those hundreds of maps, had to be seen to be believed.

Outside the classroom she had many interests: Biology, botany, climbing, walking, gardening and motoring, all claimed her attention from time to time. Thus she was able to bring to her school work a freshness of outlook.

Those she taught were quick to appreciate her kindly manner, her quiet humour and her great thoroughness as a teacher. Under her influence Geography became real to them, for she had a great love of her subject and had travelled widely.

In Whitehill her colleagues will remember her most for her bright, cheerful disposition, in spite of spells of very indifferent health.

Before school closed for the Christmas vacation, a presentation was made to Miss Climie on behalf of the Staff. Once again we all join in extending to her our best wishes for a long and very happy retirement.

DISTINCTIONS

Former Pupils and Staff

Sir Eric B. Bowyer, the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance, whom most of us will remember as the guest of honour at our Prize-giving in 1956, has been honoured by his University and will receive the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws at a forthcoming Gilmorehill graduation ceremony. The Reverend John M. Lewars, presently a missionary in Nigeria, was awarded the O.B.E. at a recent investiture. A similar award went to Mr. Alexander Neil, headmaster of Motherwell Central School, for his work in connection with School libraries. Angus T. Stewart, a former pupil, was recently licensed by the Presbytery of Glasgow of the Church of Scotland. Another former pupil, Mr. Herbert L. Duthie, Senior Registrar and Lecturer, Department of Surgery, Glasgow University, goes to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, U.S.A. He will be travelling on a Rockefeller Scholarship awarded by the British Medical Research Council. Miss Margaret Cunningham (of Needlework Prize fame) was the first Scotswoman to receive the recently introduced honorary life membership of the Y.W.C.A. of Great Britain. Miss Cunningham has a fine record of service in this movement and is a former vice-president of the British National Council of Y.W.C.A.

Present Pupils

Our present pupils continue to keep Whitehill's name to the fore. Gordon Jenkins, School Captain, was 2nd (equal) in a speech-making contest for Glasgow Schools organised by the Glasgow Toastmasters' Club. Ruth Mathers won the Bridgeton Burns Club Bi-Centenary Essay Prize. In the Glasgow Dickens Society Essay Competition, Jennifer Brown and Ruth Mathers took 2nd and 3rd places respectively in the Senior division. The Junior Boys' prize was won by Campbell Black.

To all of these people who have brought distinction to themselves and to the School, we offer our most hearty congratulations.

We are still most anxious to have information about the progress and successes of our younger former pupils. Don't be shy, F.P.'s, let's hear from you about your activities.

WHITEHILL FORMER PUPILS' CLUB

The Club activities have widened in recent years and the increased membership is very encouraging. We operate on a sectional basis, sections meeting as detailed below.

Badminton :—Thursday evenings in the Upper Gym.

Choir :—Tuesday evenings in the Music Room.

Dinner Club :—First Friday in March annually in the Grosvenor Restaurant.

Football Section :—Saturday afternoons at Craigend, Training, Tuesday and Thursday evenings in Annexe Field.

Hockey Section :—Saturday afternoons at Craigend.

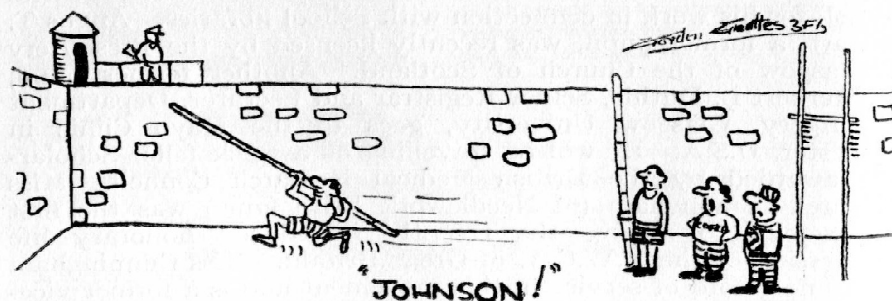
Rugby Section :—Saturday afternoons at Craigend; Training, Thursday evenings in Annexe Field.

Table Tennis :—Wednesday and Thursday evenings in Prefab. Gym. This is a new section with very up-to-date equipment, but so far few members to utilise it.

Further details regarding Sections may be obtained from the General Secretary—Mr. Wm. D. M. Peat, 19 Beechwood Drive, W.I.

Club colours may be purchased from Messrs. Rowans Ltd., Buchanan Street, on production of a special permit, issued to Club Members only, from the General Secretary.

W.D.M.P.,



THE SCOTTISH GERMAN CENTRE

Towards the end of last year a group of Whitehillians attended a Christmas meeting in the German Centre in Park Circus Place. These meetings are held monthly for pupils studying German in Glasgow schools. Apart from their educational value, they are very enjoyable.

On arrival, we were shown into the film room, which was decorated in typically German style. The brightly coloured chairs and tables had been specially brought over from Nuremberg in the south of Germany. We saw two films: the first portrayed the story of the Nativity in statues; the second described Christmas activities in Germany. After this, we were told two stories in German by our hostess, Fraulein Doktor Hillebrand. Then, before having tea, we sang some of the beautiful German carols.

Tea, which was the next item on the programme, was taken in the library. This room was lit by candles which were either on the tables, or hung like chandeliers from the ceiling. We were given tea and German Printen—spicy biscuits with raisins. As we chatted to a Science teacher from Germany who sat at our table, the wireless played "Stille Nacht," which sounds even more beautiful in German than it does in English.

After this we returned to the film room, where a surprise awaited us. Some of the boys who were members of a skiffle group had volunteered to entertain us. We sang a few more carols, German and English, and then launched into "pop" songs. The evening finished up with a dance to the music of the skiffle group and, to our relief, the German boys could speak English. It was a very enjoyable evening indeed, and we are all looking forward to the next meeting.

Auf Wiedersehen,

M.McM. and A.McC., IV 2.

SCHOOL DAYS

(with apologies to John Masefield)

Little boy of First Year from distant Dennistoun
Running up Whitehill Street at a quarter past nine
With a schoolbag of chewing gum,
Comics and school books,
Pencil case, fountain pen, and Maths. box fine.

Carefree girl of Third Year coming from the bus stop
Ambling up Whitehill Street at half-past one
With a brief-case of Science books
"Picturegoers," pin-ups,
History books and love stories and Maths. box done.

Anxious girl of Fifth Year with a load of homework
Hurrying up Whitehill Street in the sad March days
With a brief-case of Maths. books,
French books, Greek books,
History, German and Shakespeare's plays. M.B., V 2.

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WILLIAM I. LINN

Dux of Intermediate School
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War Memorial Prizes

English : JEAN W. P. BROWNING	French : JEAN W. P. BROWNING
Mathematics : MOIRA M. CAMERON	History : ANNE R. MATHERS
Physics : WILLIAM I. LINN	Geography : GORDON F. C. JENKINS
Latin : RUTH BIRNIE	Art : ALEXANDER HAMILTON

Ralph Payne Memorial Prizes in Science
1. WILLIAM I. LINN
2. JOHN WATSON

Crosthwaite Memorial Prizes in Latin
Senior : 1. RUTH BIRNIE 2. MORAG McMILLAN
Junior : 1. MOIRA IRVINE 2. JOYCE MASON

J. T. Smith Memorial Prizes in English
Senior : ROBIN N. BARR
Junior : NETTA WHITE

Helen M. Weir Prizes in Modern Languages
Senior : THOMAS SHARP
Junior : ISOBEL ORR

Ballie Matthew Armstrong Prizes for Leadership
Boy : GORDON F. C. JENKINS **Girl :** JEAN M. CHALMERS

Rotary Club Prize for Citizenship
ROBIN N. BARR

Special Club Prize for Citizenship
ANNE R. MATHERS

Miss Margaret H. Cunningham Prizes for Needlework
WILMA WYPER and CHRISTINE EAGLETON (equal)

Whitehill School Club Prizes

Form VI Boys : ROBIN N. BARR	Girls : JEAN W. P. BROWNING
Form V Boys : JOHN B. GINGLES	Girls : RUTH BIRNIE
Form IV Boys : STEPHEN SCOBIE	Girls : MORAG McMILLAN

SUBJECT PRIZES

FORM VI.

English : JEAN W. P. BROWNING	Dynamics : WILLIAM I. LINN
History : JEAN W. P. BROWNING	Latin : ROBIN N. BARR
Geography : FRED A. SALTER	Greek : ELLEN M. JESSAMINE
Mathematics : MOIRA M. CAMERON	French : JEAN W. P. BROWNING
Physics : WILLIAM I. LINN	Technical : WILLIAM G. T. CLEMENSON
Chemistry : WILLIAM I. LINN	

FORM V.

English : 1. RUTH BIRNIE 2. JENNIFER S. BROWN 3. CAIRINE MOIR	French : JOHN B. GINGLES
History (Lower) : MARGARET E. BROWN	German : JENNIFER S. BROWN
Geography (Lower) : ELIZABETH WALKER	Latin : RUTH BIRNIE
Mathematics : 1. JOHN WATSON 2. RUTH BIRNIE 3. JOHN B. GINGLES	Greek : RUTH BIRNIE
Science : 1. JOHN WATSON 2. LOUIS McGEOUGH	Commercial : ANNE BEDFORTH
	Art : ALEXANDER HAMILTON
	Technical : JOHN BURNETT

FORM IV.

English : 1. STEPHEN SCOBIE 2. MORAG McMILLAN 3. DONALD NEIL	German : AGNES McCALL
History : 1. MORAG McMILLAN 2. STEPHEN SCOBIE	Russian : JEAN YOUNG
Geography : 1. JOHN SMART 2. MYRA KING	Latin : MORAG McMILLAN
Mathematics : 1. MORAG McMILLAN 2. JOHN G. HERBERTSON 3. MARGARET McMILLAN	Greek : STEPHEN SCOBIE
French : MORAG McMILLAN	Science : 1. CATHERINE MACE 2. JOHN G. HERBERTSON
	Commercial : MARY MURRAY
	Music : MARJORIE KING
	Art : MYRA GRAHAM
	Technical : IAN MARSHALL

FORM III.

Classical : 1. MOIRA IRVINE 2. JOYCE ANDERSON 3. JOYCE MASON	Modern : 1. ALAN E. THOMSON 2. ROBERT M. BARR 3. SANDRA DOWNS
Commercial : MARGARET LIVINGSTONE	

FORM II.

Classical : 1. IRENE McPHEE 2. GEORGE McALEESE 3. ELIZABETH MOFFAT	Modern : 1. ANNE C. BURNETT 2. KAY FISHER 3. SHEILA PATERSON
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FORM I.

Classical : 1. EILEEN M. LOUDFOOT 2. IAN A. M. FRASER 3. WILLIAM GRAHAM	Modern : 1. AILEEN CRANDLES 2. JANICE L. BRAND 3. BRENDA DUNAN
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TRANSITIONAL

T.1. MARTIN CHALMERS
T.2. WILLIAMINA FISHER
T.3. RONALD HART
T.4. CAROL EVANS

"NURSERY CRIMES"

It would appear that one of the major social problems of our land to-day is that commonly described as juvenile delinquency. Many and varied suggestions are made concerning the underlying causes of this evil, but it occurs to us that one very obvious cause has been overlooked. We refer to the baleful influence exerted on the minds of the very young by the continued repetition of nursery rhymes. A study of the world revealed and of the characters portrayed in these supposedly innocuous ditties will prove our point.

There is abundant evidence of the lack of parental control and supervision which paves the way to crime.

"Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall"—and his exploits thereafter involved the calling out of the Household Cavalry, no doubt at considerable public expense. But what was he doing on the wall? Why was he not sitting quietly by his own fireside? We suspect that the reason was that his parents were at the Palais, so the poor child was left to his own devices.

Then there is the shameful case of Jack and Jill, who were sent to fetch a pail of water—a task obviously beyond their puny strength, as the eventual catastrophe proved. Again we suspect the parents. Where was the lazy lout of a father who should obviously have undertaken this strenuous task himself?

The characters portrayed in these rhymes will obviously appear to the child-mind as heroes and heroines to be admired. And with what disastrous results!

"Tom, Tom, the piper's son,
Stole a pig and away he run."

Pigs being in short supply, frustrated modern youth turns its thieving hands to easier game in an attempt to emulate its hero.

"Little Jack Horner sat in a corner."

What more direct incentive could one find to anti-social behaviour? Psychologists who probe into the behaviour of self-centred, non-co-operative, anti-social children might well consider the early evil influence of L. J. Horner, Esq.

"He put in his thumb and pulled out a plum"—again a direct incentive, this time to unhygienic eating habits. What chance have modern ideas of hygiene to penetrate the mind of a child who has long admired and copied Mr. Horner's direct and satisfying eating habits?

Or take that other child hero, Little Boy Blue, who, obviously having stayed up late the previous night watching telly, was unfit to fulfil his duties by day, with disastrous results alike to crops and cattle. Here is an example which many a child has all unconsciously followed, laying their weary heads upon school desks so that, leaving horns aside, the teachers themselves have to blow up.

We have no doubt that further examples could be produced if we knew any more nursery rhymes, but we have surely said

enough to merit a strong petition to the Lord Chamberlain to remove these noxious influences from the nurseries of our land by banning forthwith any further publication of such rhymes.

S.A.C.S., IV I.

SCOTTISH SCHOOLBOYS' CLUB



Summer is the season when the activities of the S.S.C. reach their zenith—the season of our camps.

We have already had one camp at Dalguise during Easter, and we will be holding other two during the summer holidays. One

of these is at Bruar, during the first fortnight of August, the other is for older S.S.C. boys, at Portavadie, from 1st to 15th August.

S.S.C. has a long tradition for camps, dating back to 1912 and all have been a great success. At camp everyone pulls his weight, becoming an integral part of the community and benefiting from the outdoor life and companionship of a type which only camping can give.

S.S.C. has other interests too. At the Sunday meetings we have discussions, lectures, film shows, as well as club nights, with billiards, table tennis, floor soccer and chess. Food, lemonade and ice cream can be obtained at the canteen. These games and club nights take place at our headquarters in Lansdowne Crescent.

Yet another aspect of S.S.C. life is the religious one. In March we held our Annual Joint Service in Lansdowne Church; all the branches in Glasgow took part, making this an impressive service. There are eight branches in Glasgow, with a total of 300 boys. Whitehill is attached to the East meeting, and we have a roll of approximately 30 boys. If you feel that the Scottish Schoolboys' Club appeals to you, please contact me. CHARLES FOUNTAIN, IV.

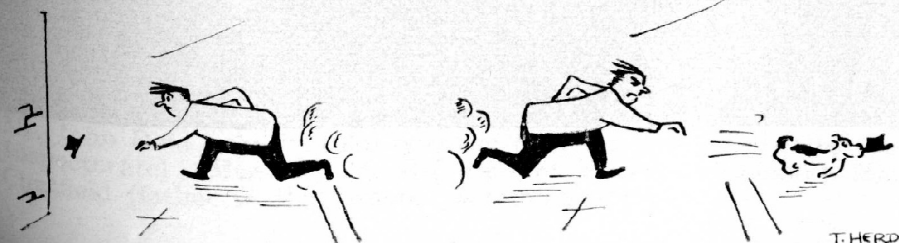
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Our season is almost finished, and we owe our thanks to Messrs. Brown and Shedden for organising our fixtures. Although not very successful, our league games were thoroughly enjoyed by our 'budding masters,' as were the "friendlies" with Riverside and John Street.

The team was; A. Neil (Captain), L. Allison, G. Donaldson, A. Younger, D. MacDonald, R. Younger, J. Clarke (A. Lothian).

Thanks are due to Margaret Moir and Netta White of III FD, who competently and uncomplainingly undertook catering arrangements.

LEX ALLISON, VI.





LOOKING BACK (Whitehill 1931-1936)

by

DR. J. A. RUSSELL,
Headmaster, Secondary School, Gatehouse-of-Fleet.

The five years I spent on the Staff of Whitehill were dark years of economic depression, though this was not greatly reflected within the school, where we contrived to keep going pretty normally. This applied also to outside activities, including summer excursions abroad, for which I acted as school representative until the state of sterling and conditions in Europe alike made continuance impossible. And it applied to sport, in all branches of which the school maintained its fine record.

My own special interest as a former inter-university runner, was athletics, and we could generally put forward a useful team at the Scottish Inter-Scholastic Sports. This meant much hard training and at four o'clock I used often to crush the boys into my Ford 8 and rush along to Celtic Park, where the famous manager, Mr. William Maley, gave us the facilities of the running track. For the boys it was always a bit of a thrill to pass the large wall pictures of former "Paradise" gods like Jimmy Quinn, Patsy Gallacher, McNair, McMenemy, on the way to the dressing-room.

Our best year was 1934, when the "Inter-Scholastics" were held on our door-step—at the Tramways ground at Helenvale. I recall this fact well, for during the preliminary session in the morning it was found that there was only one set of jumping stands for three championships. The result was I was told to take a taxi and rush down to Whitehill gym. for others. However, taxis are not exactly plentiful round Parkhead Cross and I brought them back by democratic tram-car.

We had several successes in the finals, but I can remember only one winning boy's name—Andrew Murray. He romped off with the 100 Yards. He appears in the photograph reproduced, taken after one of our many inter-school relay races, in which we could invariably count on the phenomenal speed of Murray for victory.

The headmaster during those years was Mr. R. M. Weir. He was a man of indefatigable energy and attempted for a time to examine every single exercise in every subject, going home with his car loaded up like a commercial traveller's. But the effort proved too much even for him and he desisted before he killed himself. Principal teachers were:—Mr. Middlemiss (Science); Mr. Andrew Walker (Mathematics); Miss Mitchell (Modern Languages); Mr. Williamson (English); Mr. McCulloch (Classics). Other teachers were:—Mr. A. C. Munro (the West of Scotland cricketer, who married Miss Bremner); Mr. Galbraith (later, headmaster of Woodside); Mr. Grieve (afterwards headmaster of Riverside); Mr. Hollingsworth (beloved "Holly," who died); Mr. John Reid (who in 1939 beat me to it for appointment to the Inspectorate); Miss Ella Hood (now Mrs. Duncan McLean); Mr. Chatfield (father of the famous swimming star).



LOOKING BACK

Even then conditions in the school were very overcrowded, and once, like *Oliver Twist*, I had in desperation to ask for more (air). This was because I had to occupy a dreary den with no windows on the top floor (only roof-lights). After my departure, for a 'sabbatical' year of research, I believe it was known as "Russell's Monument." My real monument I like to think of as the pupils I taught. I have met Old Whitehillians everywhere, sometimes in the most unlikely places. Once it was fire-watching with a former girl captain, in a school during the War. Once it was here in Galloway, where a boy, William Stephen, was prospecting for a farm. Another pupil of those years was Miss Garvan; perhaps I shall also meet her one of these days and muse again on "the old familiar faces."

THE STAGE BETWEEN

In a darkened room, by the fireside,
Alone and forlorn I sit.
The sound of laughter comes to my ear,
And the cries of childish wit.
My younger sisters think I'm too old
Their youthful games to play,
My parents, they look down on me,
I'm "still a child," they say.

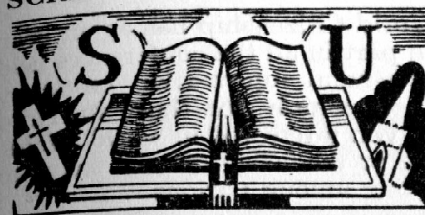
I try not to hear their happy shouts,
And concentrate on my book,
But soon my eyes stray from the page,
As to the fire I look.
Then, soon an image, comes to my mind
Of a very happy day,
When I was but a little child,
When I was free to play.

At Christmas time and Easter tide,
And at all seasons gay,
I go to the children's parties,
But out of games I stay.
I am too young to go to balls,
And really cannot dance,
But to show my feeble efforts
I am not giv'n the chance.

My childhood days are said to be
The happiest of my life.
But what about the stage between?
With laughter it is rife.
But, in the future, very soon,
I'll be a girl serene,
For I will have passed the difficult part,
That awkward stage between.

M.K., IV 4.

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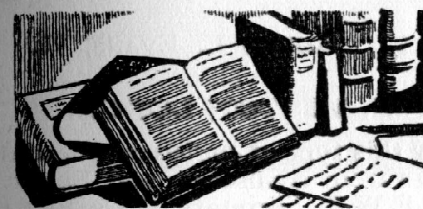
no complacency within the Branch at Whitehill.

By beating Hutchesons' Girls' Grammar School in the final of the S.U. Glasgow Rally Quiz—a contest involving almost all the Protestant Senior Secondary Schools in the Glasgow area—Whitehill have become holders of the cup for the first time.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Walker for his interest, and to Mr. McNair for his assistance in the work of the Branch.

JANETTE STEWART, VI.
GORDON F. C. JENKINS, VI.

LIBRARY



This session has been most successful in the Library, with Forms IV, V and VI making greater use than ever before of the large and valuable collection of books at their disposal.

On several Friday mornings Form I boys and girls 'overflowed' into the Hall, and the able assistance of the Boys' Prefects was required to marshal the crowd.

Library duties have been efficiently carried out by the Library Prefects, Jean Browning and Emlyn Evans, with help from the School Captains and several Prefects.

J.E.G.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT



A most profitable and enjoyable session is drawing to a close.

At time of writing, we look forward to the S.C.M. Conference for the Glasgow North Group; we hope that it will be the 'highlight' of a year packed with

incident, one in which the discussions have been particularly helpful.

The success of this session is due in no small way to Miss Garvan, who has presided at our meetings, and whose knowledge of S.C.M. work has been invaluable.

GORDON F. C. JENKINS.

Editors' apologies to Alex. Crawford, VI, whose name was omitted from the Prefects' photograph in the Christmas, 1958, Magazine.

C.E.W.C.

The Council for Education in World Citizenship has again been active in the school. We have taken part in all the conferences held within the city, and have had first-hand information on many aspects of world affairs. E.C.W.C. is mainly for those in Third Form and upwards, that is, those of you interested in world affairs. There are no barriers of colour, race or religion, since we strive to encourage tolerance and understanding among nations.

For those leaving school in the next year, the United Nations Association, U.N.A., provides the same interest, often on a wider scale. The Glasgow Central Branch meets at 203 Bath Street once a month on Friday. Details may be had from the secretary about this organisation.

The best way to support C.E.W.C. is to buy "News Club," the newspaper designed for those in Secondary Schools. "News Club" tries to give something of interest to everyone, so we would be glad of your support here.

We would take this opportunity to thank the Headmaster for his generous support of C.E.W.C., and Mr. Cliff for his help in administration.

EMLYN E. EVANS, VI.

C.E.W.C. EASTER CONFERENCE, WISTON LODGE.

Wiston Lodge, the ideal place for this type of conference, nestles at the foot of Tinto Hill, eight miles from civilisation and Biggar. It is organised by the Scottish C.E.W.C. Secretary, Miss Freda Hawkins.

The subject was the Middle East and some of us saw this problem from the Arab point of view for the first time, many questions, amongst them, equality (and otherwise) of women, being considered.

The social side of Wiston included a dance, "Wiston Revue," "produced for the people, by the people," and a pleasant social evening, all of which were rounded off with the traditional sing-song.

Whoever has the opportunity to attend this conference should find it as stimulating and gratifying an experience as we have.

EMLYN E. EVANS, VI.
WILLIAM SANDERS, VI.

RADIO CLUB

The Radio Club, formed for the first time in the school this year, meets in Room 28, on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m.

This year's programme has included visits to the S.T.V. Studios at Theatre Royal, and the I.T.A. Blackhill transmitter on the main Glasgow-Edinburgh road.

We hope to continue next year, and welcome all from Third Form upwards.

EMLYN E. EVANS, (Secretary).

CAPTAINS



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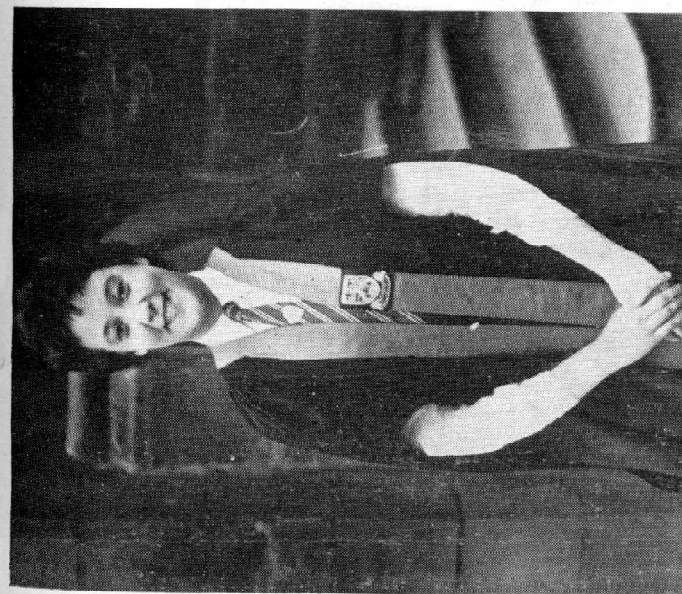


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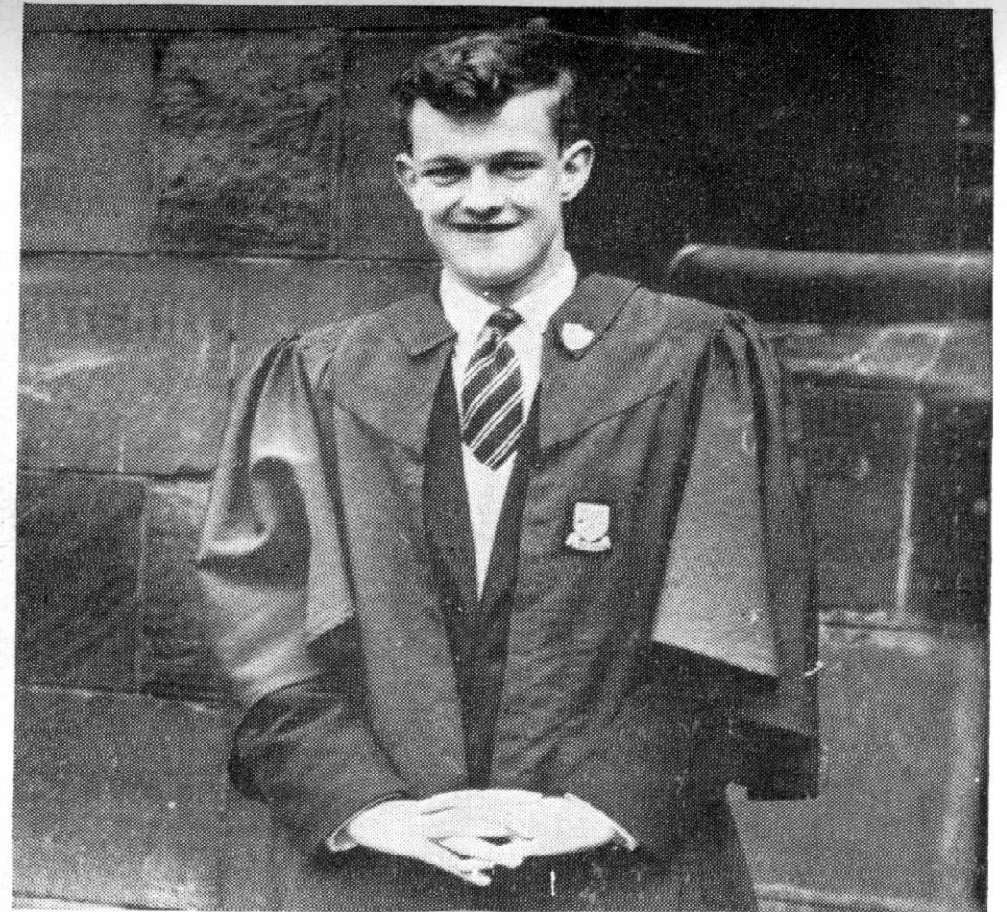


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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY LECTURES, LONDON

These lectures, organised each year under the auspices of C.E.W.C., were held in the Central Halls, Westminster, from December 30th 1958 till January 2nd 1959 and were attended by two representatives from this school.

The theme of the lectures this year was "Asia Phoenix" as this subject was prepared for at all senior conferences in the previous twelve months.

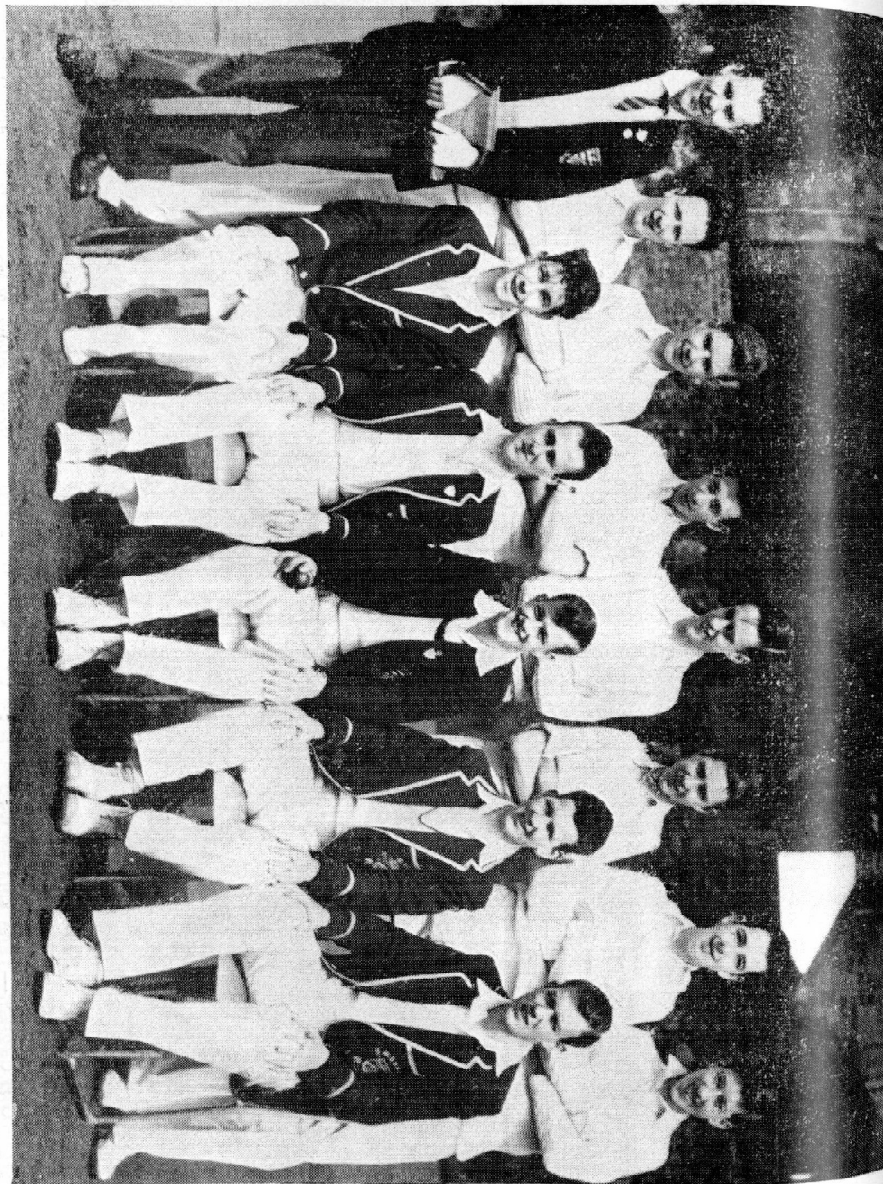
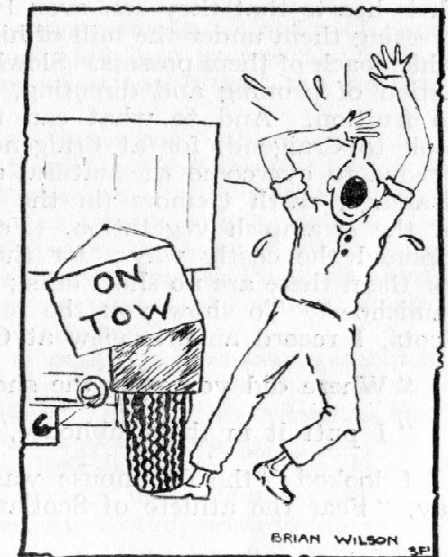
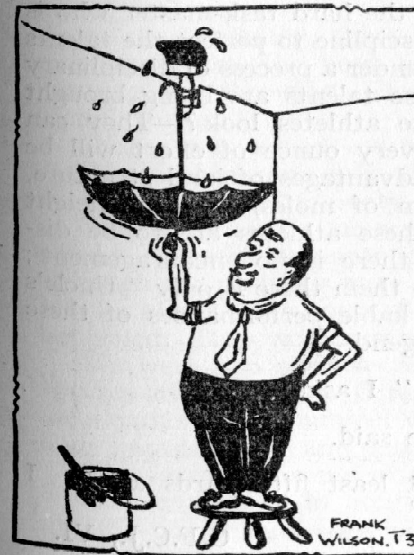
A varied selection of speakers was there, Leon Ma Guerrero, Philippine Ambassador, Mr. Richard Attygale from U.N.E.S.C.O. and Dr. Arnold Toynbee being only three.

There were almost 3,000 pupils and staff from all over the British Isles, there being 60 from Scotland, the largest ever Scots party. This prompted Terry Lawson, the Secretary, to inform us that nurses would be in attendance on January 1st with "anti-hangover pills and drinks!" Next year it is hoped to include parties from other European countries, particularly France.

The social side included a dance, a "free" evening (Hogmanay), and a "Concert of International Music and Dancing." This was opened by the great Yehudi Menuhin, who was unfortunately unable to play, but spoke for five minutes to a hushed audience, after which there was prolonged applause. At the concert, the Scots party gave a "very spirited eightsome reel."

In conclusion, we would like to recommend this conference to anyone who has the opportunity to go, for it is very worthwhile indeed.

EMLYN E. EVANS, VI.
WILLIAM SANDERS, VI.



CRICKET

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LETTER FROM RUSSIA

In a prominent Russian newspaper we were struck by an article entitled :

"Is Scotland to be feared in the Athletic Field?" by Onyur Mark.

Deep within my heart there is a great fear ; a fear which may spread to my fellow comrades in the athletic world—Scotland is moulding the athletes of the future. Within Scotland there is an athletic upsurge which will shock the world.

One blustery, cold April morning, from a tenement in Glasgow, I watched thirty stripling lads troop out from an old, dilapidated shack. It is against such handicaps as poor dressing accommodation that the athlete of Scotland is being fashioned and moulded into an iron-like structure whose capacity is beyond that which the Kremlin can ever hope to produce. Garbed only in white vest and blue shorts, these brave young men faced the raging, howling elements (cold had no effect on them, for the honour of Scotland was at stake), and an even more raging, howling instructor whose face grimaced and on whose brow hung beads of sweat. This man reminded me of our own dear Krushev.

After this group had warmed up with 50 press-ups, 100 squats, and 150 sprints, they were ready for "the treatment," as the instructor called it.

To me this instructor appeared a hard dictator of a man ; to these students he seemed to be personally related, for they affectionately referred to him as "Uncle." Such is the fire within their hearts that they can even love the hard task-master who is pressing them under the mill of his discipline to perfect the talents which each of them possess. Slowly, under a process of disciplinary action of pruning and directing, these talents are being brought to fruition. And to what can these athletes look?—They can look to Craigend, for at Craigend every ounce of effort will be needed to overcome the natural disadvantages of land structure, drainage, earth tremors (in the form of moles) and the height of the swampish vegetation. For these athletes are to be disciplined the costly way ; for them there is no encouragement ; for them there are no short cuts ; for them there is only "Uncle's sandshoe." To show you the remarkable performances of these Scots, I record an interview at Craigend.

"Where did you putt the shot?" I asked.

"I putt it in the Clubhouse," he said.

I looked ; the Clubhouse was at least fifty yards away. I say, "Fear the athlete of Scotland."

G.F.C.J., VI.

Badminton

This season saw a definite improvement in the standard of play in the Club. In all, we played six matches, two boys' doubles matches against Allen Glen's School, one girls' doubles match against Hutchesons' Girls School, two mixed doubles matches against John Street School, and one mixed doubles against Rutherford Church Club. Of these six matches we won two and lost four, which is very satisfactory, considering that almost all our players had never played until this season. The Staff v. Pupils' match ended, as usual, in a victory for the Staff, although the pupils put up a good fight.

Within the Club itself singles championships were held. The winner of the girls' championship was Ellen Jessamine, with Anne Salter as runner-up. Stewart McLachlan and James Coutts were first and second respectively in the boys' championship. Congratulations to all four on their fine play !

Our thanks go to all the members of Staff who have helped in any way to make the Club so enjoyable. JEAN CHALMERS, VI.

THE JOYS OF THE MORAY SEA SCHOOL

The Outward Bound Moray Sea School is situated at Burghead on the coast of the Moray Firth. We would like to give you an idea of what a month at this place was like.

First of all, at 6.30 a.m. every morning, each boy had a cold shower. Then the dorms had to be brushed, scrubbed and polished before breakfast, and we also had to wash.

After breakfast there was "colours," and then the dorms were inspected. The Lieutenant-Commander looked everywhere, even up on the rafters ! When inspection was over, the various watches dispersed to athletics or seamanship. Here is what happened during athletics.

At the beginning, there were about twenty minutes of circuit training. Next, the boys were divided into groups for running, jumping and throwing. These exercises constituted the morning's main "torture."

Dinner was served—or rather, dinner was 'dished out.'

Seamanship came on in the afternoon, when the rest period was over. At seamanship every boy was issued with a life-jacket and an oil-skin, and each one was given a specific sailing position in the cutters. The unfortunate people were those who had to row, although the positions were sometimes changed. The crews had to row for about three hours, if there were no wind—which invariably happened. Thus we became "muscle-men."

We were also given lectures at night on boat-management and various other subjects. Often we were called on to give talks to our mess-mates on any subject we liked. This was an ordeal, as everybody kept laughing and making faces at the speaker.

These are just some of the activities of the school. Any boys who are interested in finding out more facts should apply for a month's course, and they will find out all they wish to know.

J.A., VI, and A.L., IV 3.

THE JUNIOR RED CROSS LINK No. 998



The activities of the Junior Red Cross Link are collection of tinfoil and the saving of used postage stamps. Periodically we are invited to take part in appeals which are launched by the Red Cross Society. For example, during the month of May there is a house-to house collection in Glasgow, and the Senior girls of Whitehill are invited to aid this work in the Dennistoun area. In the past there has always been a good response to this appeal, and we are confident that this year the enthusiasm will be as great as ever. We thank the girls who have taken part in this good cause, and also those who bring in tinfoil and used postage stamps.

M.E.C.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY



starring Harold Lloyd.

This is the best season we have had for some years. The quality of debate, for example, reached a remarkably high standard, and those who lament the Scot's declining dialectical skill are invited to our future meetings.

JACK KEANEY, VI.

VISIT TO PRESTWICK

On Monday, 25th May, the school aero-modellers accompanied by Mr. Scott and Mr. Kellett, paid a visit to the United States base at Prestwick. A most enjoyable day was spent. The party was met by Major Woods and Sergeant O'Neil, who accompanied us on our tour. After a short visit to the attractive base chapel, where Major Woods 'briefed' the party, we boarded a bus for a tour of various points of interest. For many of the boys the highlight was the inspection of the giant 'Globe-Master,' capable of holding over 200 troops or a large number of vehicles. The pilot explained the lay-out of the cockpit and the other features of the aircraft, which include an elevator (lift). A demonstration of model flying was much appreciated, and the two officers, Lt. Mitchell and Lt. Cavell, gave a thrilling display of combat-flying. During the afternoon we were also initiated into the mysteries of 'Shuffle-board' and the bowling alley. A visit to the cafeteria, where vast amounts of doughnuts, hamburgers, cakes and popcorn were consumed, rounded off the tour. Our thanks are due to Major Woods who arranged the schedule, and the other officers who contributed to an enjoyable and instructive afternoon.

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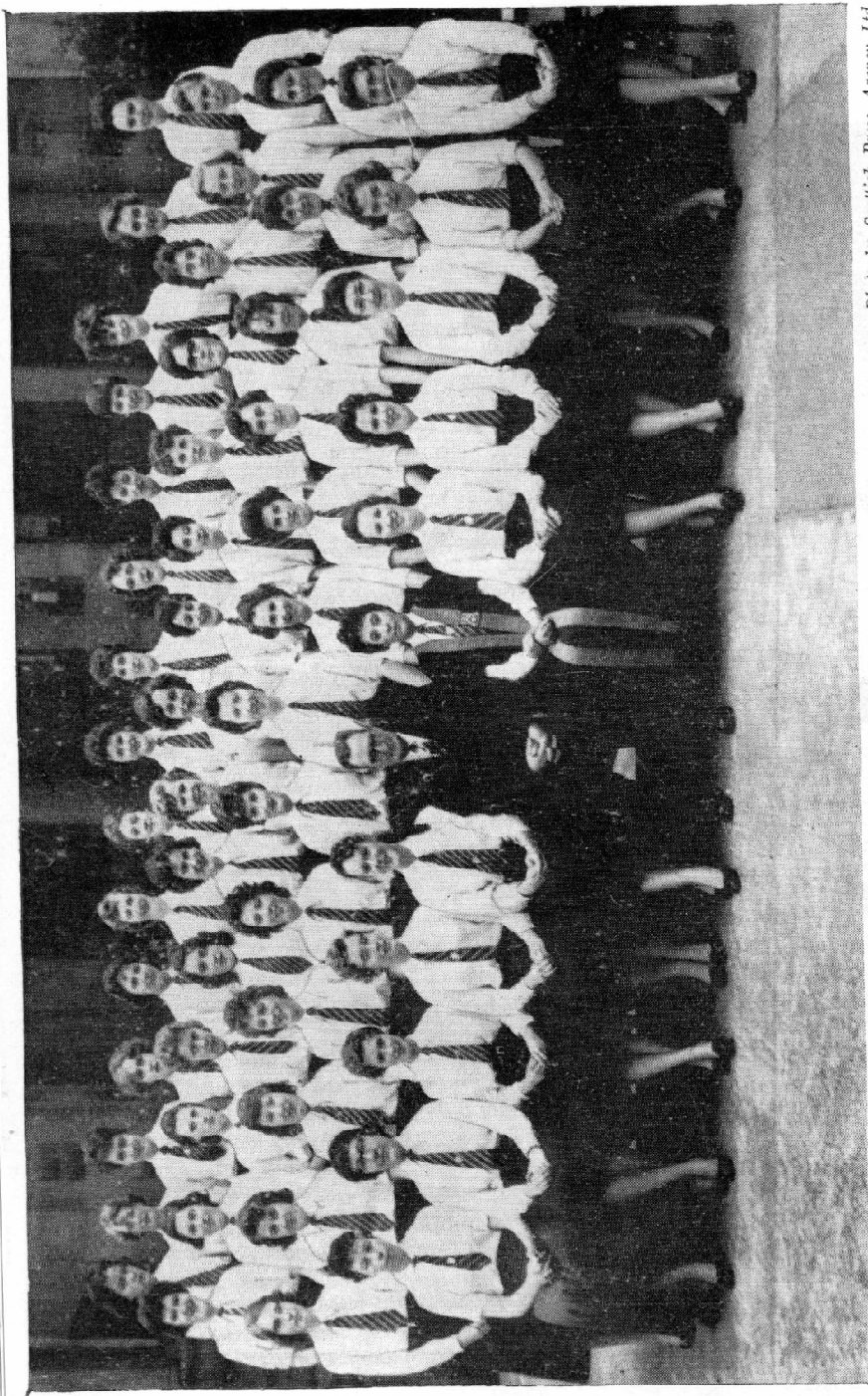


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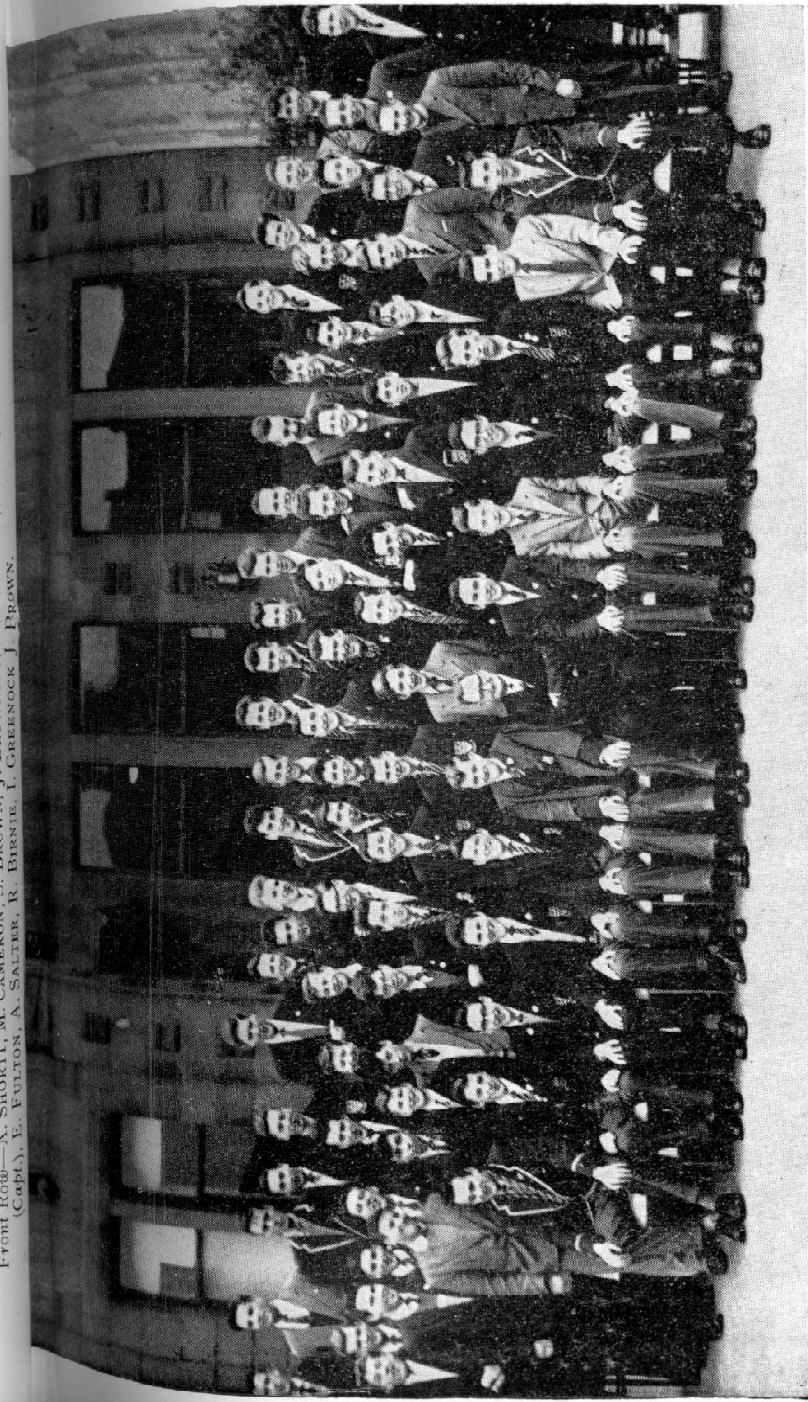
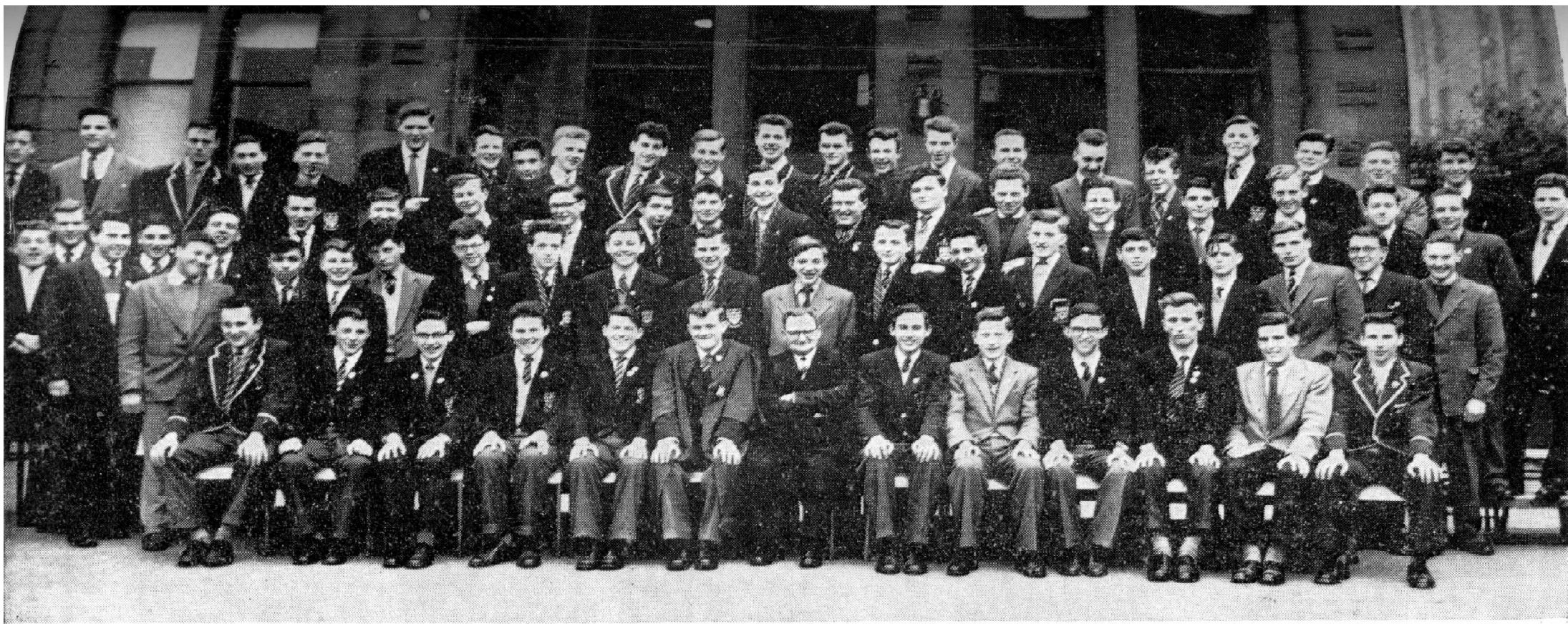


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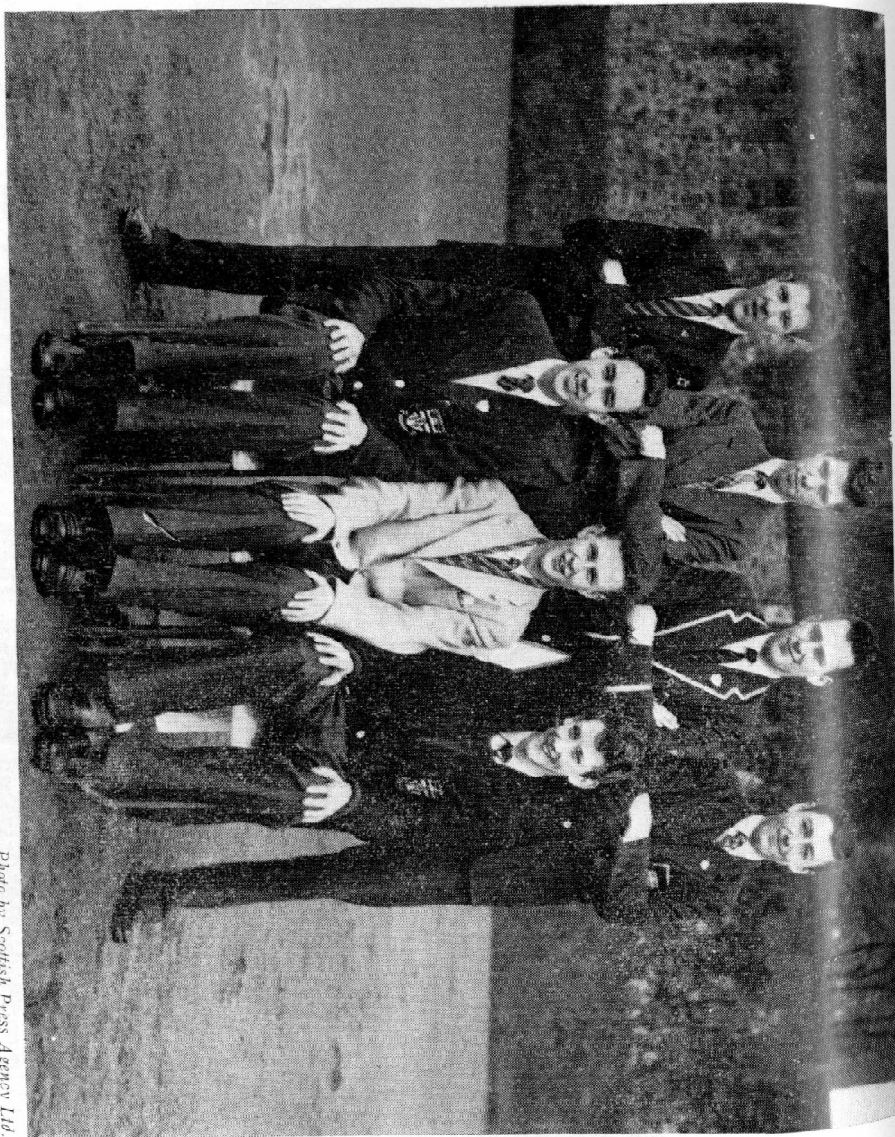
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GOLF

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POEM

Handel
Had only one sandal.
He had only one shoe
Too.

Ike
Was riding a bike,
From which he, needless to tell,
Fell.

Macmillan
Had a bit of a chill on,
So he went out and bought that
Hat.

Vice-President Nixon
Was breaking sticks on
A very large
Barge.

Mario Lanza
Wrote a very big stanza
Of a very long
Song.

Popeye
Heaved a sigh,
On an island he'd landed,
Stranded.

THE BARD, III FD.

THE DAFFODIL

I love the golden daffodil,
It is the king of flowers,
In Spring it comes, the fields to fill,
Watered by April showers.

It has a tall and slender stem,
Which bends with graceful ease,
Its golden trumpet is a gem
Of amber, sure to please.

When April showers begin to fall,
The daffodil droops its head,
And soon it has no life at all,
The daffodil is dead.

A.D., T 2.



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Front Row—R. BARR, R. WILLIAMSON (Capt.), D. MUIR.

I WANT TO BE . . . A TEACHER. OR DO I ?

June heralds once more a scheme, intended to lead Fifth and Sixth Formers into choosing the unenviable career of teaching. A few characters have already decided that one fine day (with apologies to Puccini) they will be members of the E.I.S. There is also a multitude of scapegoats who think that "tending the kids" will provide five days' holiday (until they are found to possess only one "Lower" of the S.L.C.). Their primary school chosen, those accepted await, undaunted, with bated breath, determined not to spare the rod to spoil these shrimps. They await the day of reckoning with ready reckoner at the ready (they'll need it: forty "simple" sums in thirty minutes is the "quali" necessity).

I myself went last year and, believe it or not, I intend to give a repeat performance. To warn those of you who may be tackling this for the first time, let me give you a typical first day of a typical student in a typical class.

You rise earlier than usual. Best suit is extracted from its monasterial seclusion, "monkeyed about with," and copiously creased. When trousers are pressed with knife-edged creases, lest anyone might make cutting remarks about your appearance, you notice the time, "ten-to-nine—you're late!" Passers-by stare at the uncouth youth speeding along in immaculate dress-ware. "Another Ted escaping the polis," reaches you from a 'bus queue. The street approaching the gate having been gained, you regain your dignity and primly enter the playground, minus the brief case which characterises our Senior School students. A sea of faces surrounds you as you march through the playground and the little bairns are ignored until you accidentally trip over one. "Another of them mugs we had last year," penetrates from the depths of the "sea." You beat a hasty retreat to the "heady's" door, your ear drums reverberating with cat-calls.

Instructions over, you are led sheepishly to the slaughter-house where the little lambs are gambling. For the first hour you vary your stance between the radiator and the radiator. Then, ambitiously, you peep at exercises, despite glowers. The bell! Pencils drop like shares on Wall Street after Sputnik I was launched. A mad dive is made and the milk crate resembles Mother Hubbard's cupboard within seconds.

After the interval the pupils "take" to you, and no offence results when you point out a mistake. Before lunch, teacher informs you that you will take the class in the afternoon. This is the life!—or is it? The bell rings! "Hooray, din-dins," echoes throughout the room. Yes, what a din!

Lessons having resumed, you are alone. Alone, that is, except for the mob before you.

At this point let me give you a few hints:

- (a) When correcting arithmetic: remember I said to bring your ready reckoner? There she is at the top of the class. Begin there and you're sure of the correct answers.

- (b) If you get stuck for answers? Quote Algebra.
- (c) When you have finished, don't say things like "Any queries?" I'm sure I heard a whispered comment, "Aye, you!"
- (d) Don't walk up the passage unless you are ready to grab the little urchin who has risen and is making faces behind you.
- (e) Don't speak to the bespectacled lad with an I.Q. of 150—he's dangerous!

During the afternoon interval the teachers' salaries arrive. With rueful glances, you think, "Five years hence." Then the class has country dancing. You shout out "Skip-change-your-step," until, surrounded by dirty looks, you resort to changing the records. But what's that in the corner? The boys who dislike dancing are wrestling, but one—he's literally standing on his head, with no hands! "Numbskull," you think (it must be, supporting such weight). You tell him he is wrong, so he proceeds to perform a mid-air cartwheel. These lads are tough!

Your first day over, you retrace your steps across the playground, taking great delight in stopping a fight, with the whole school booing you. Although it restarts whenever you turn the corner, it does not seem to matter. You console yourself, thinking, "It can't be so difficult in Secondary Schools. Or can it?"

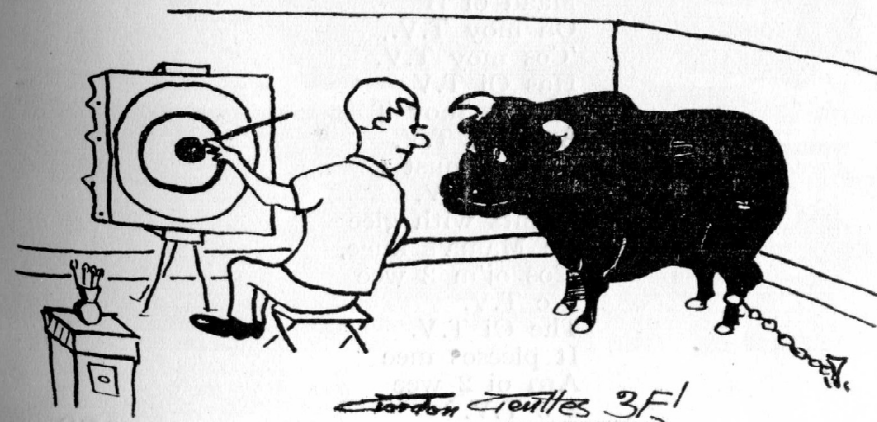
R.N.B., VI.

FILMS IN SCHOOL

This year, in addition to the Repertory Season, Glasgow Education Department have block-booked a number of Continental films, and our school has been invited to hire them. We hope to show: "The Great Adventure" and "The Red Balloon." to the members of Forms III, IV, V and VI, who wish to see them. There will be a small charge to cover the hiring cost of the films.

It is hoped that, by the time of showing, our "Film Studio" in the canteen will be ready for use.

A.K.H.



ALTIORA PETIMUS
or
(True Tales of Whitehill)

A master (who has left, I fear)
From History did stray.
With Sixth Year pupils in the rear
He sallied forth one day.

He promised us a handsome view
Atop the Uni' Tower.
We little knew how far we'd rue
That terrifying hour.

We climbed a narrow, winding stair
Right up three hundred feet,
Our poor weak legs were mighty 'sair,'
Wad mak' ye want tae greet!

And when we reached that lofty height
With teacher now in tow,
Those boys all had a shocking fright
To see the earth below.

With shaking hand and trembling foot
We tottered down, but—"Jings!"
We knew, at last, none could dispute
The Sixth seek 'higher things.'

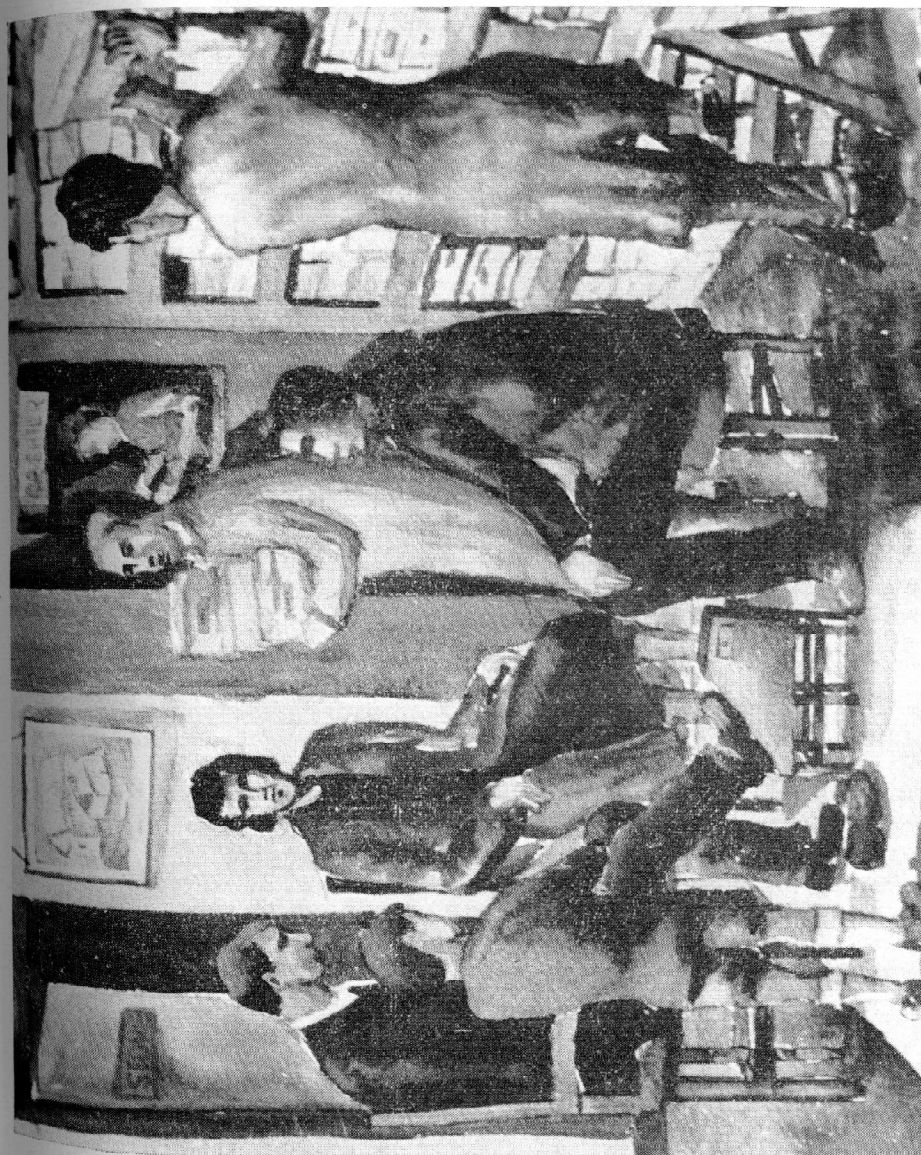
R.M., VI.

A LOT OF NONSENSE
entitled
On Backward Pupils and Juvenile Delinquency
(or "Aar!")

(To be read with a Dorsetshire accent)

Maad oi B
On moy T.V.,
'Cos moy T.V.
Has Oi T.V.
Oi eets moy T
And C's T.V.
'Cos oi must C
The oi T.V.
Oi sits with glee
On Mama's knee,
'Cos oi'm 2 wee
2 c T.V.
The Oi T.V.
It pleeses mee
Am oi 2 wee
2 c T.V.?

N.W., III FD.



A vigorous and impressionistic study in water colour entitled "THE FITTING," by ALEX. HAMILTON, V.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD

After the popularity of the recent memoirs of Field-Marshal Montgomery, Whitehill School Magazine has obtained the exclusive publication rights to the war memoirs of General T. Drip,

"I was Officer in Charge of N.A.A.F.I. Tea."

"There is little known of the important part N.A.A.F.I. tea played in liberating Europe. At the outbreak of the Second World War I commanded a Tea Corps of fifteen hundred men. We immediately crossed over to France and took up a perilous position 200 miles behind the front lines. At once I noticed the weakness of our French Allies and pointed it out to Government—they preferred coffee to N.A.A.F.I. tea!

"At Dunkirk, in common with the rest of the army, we lost a great deal of our equipment. Tea leaves, sometimes only three or four times used, fell into enemy hands.

"In Britain I planned our resistance in case of German invasion. Canteen managers were to be absorbed into civilian catering staffs, and it was hoped that under N.A.A.F.I. management the German morale would crumble within ten days.

"The invasion threat over, N.A.A.F.I. prepared for the Second Front. Supplies of tea, sugar and condensed milk were built up. Millions of mugs and teaspoons had to be stamped 'W.D.'

"The entrance of America into the war brought fresh troubles. Special 'tea-coffee conversion' classes had to be run, because Americans entering the N.A.A.F.I. were inclined to be rowdy on finding only tea available. For months the Anglo-American Alliance hung in the balance.

"It was about this time that I had my first clash with the Russians. A deputation came to see me with a view to standardising their tea technique and ours. They insisted that we should include lemons in our tea kits. I refused, on the grounds of economy, and they left with muttered threats about the Allied Alliance, but I heard no more about it.

"Just before D-Day the P.M. called me and promoted me to Officer-in-Charge Allied Catering, over the heads of the Chiefs of Staff. Installed in my new post, my first action was to issue a directive to the troops:—

- '1. Only unsweetened tea to be used for shaving.
- '2. Only officers will have both cups and saucers.
- '3. No man is entitled to more than two spoonfuls of sugar.
- '4. Only N.A.A.F.I. tea to be used to fill radiators of British Army vehicles.'

These orders did much to increase the morale of our troops on the beaches.

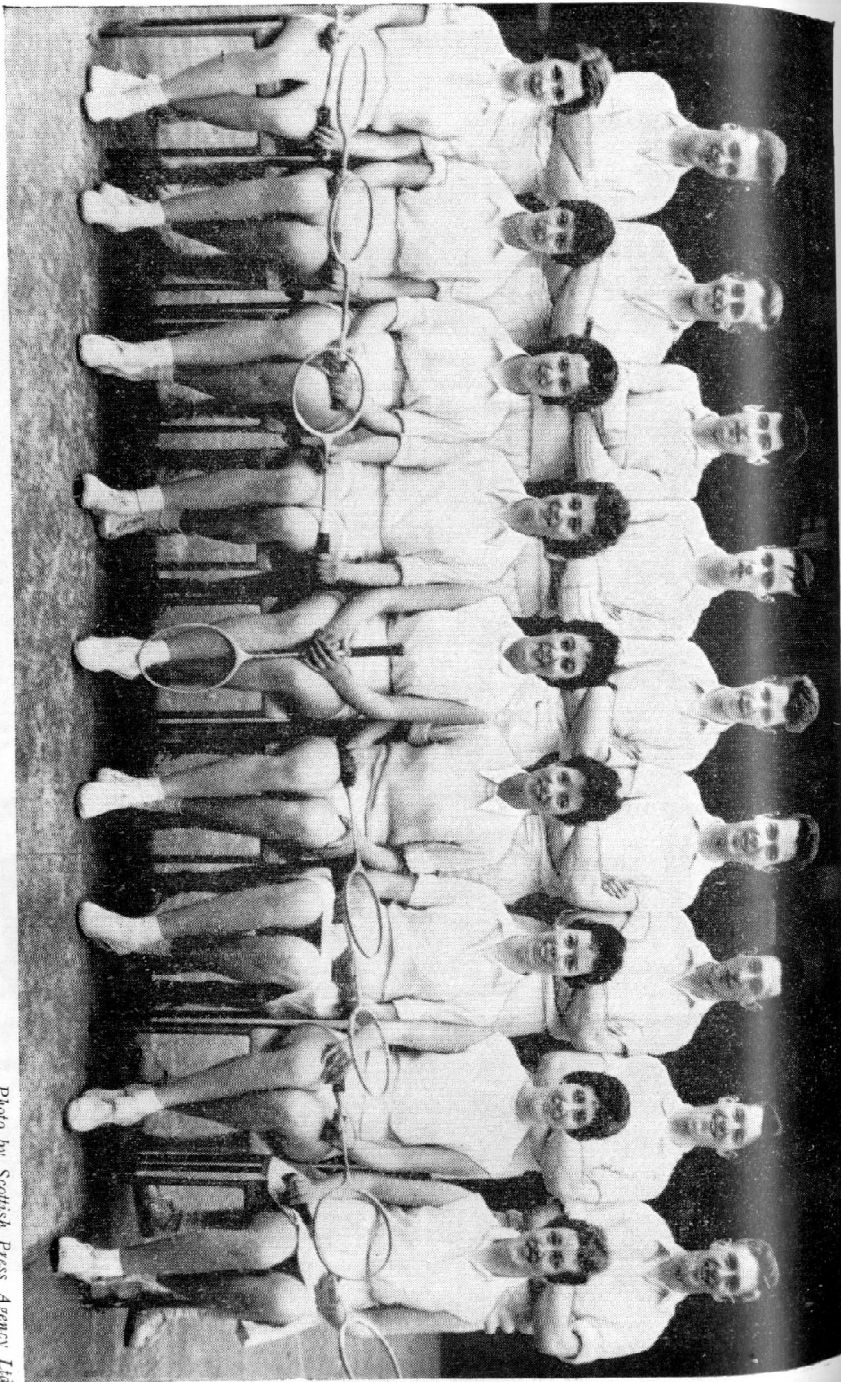


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" Across Europe N.A.A.F.I. tea went from strength to strength. Paris celebrated the liberation with a quaint French custom; five hundred gallons of N.A.A.F.I. tea were poured into the Seine. At Amsterdam the Dutch drank tea into the small hours. At the Rhine crossing, captured Germans were forced to drink N.A.A.F.I. tea. I thought this was a bit near the bone, and for weeks Montgomery and I were not on speaking terms.

" The final triumph for N.A.A.F.I. tea was at the Brandenburg Gate, when American, British, French and Russian troops drank tea from chipped British Army mugs, pouring the dregs over Unter den Linden. In the highest traditions of the Service, the dregs were later collected and re-used."

J.D.A., V 3.

ODE TO WHITEHILL (after the manner of Keats)

Thou plump, consoling form of motherhood,
Thou dignified, yet homely nurse benign,
Scholarly matron, who for our own good
Dost take us tender-aged and make us thine.
What ghosts are these when thy form alone stands,
And all thy many children home repair,
That mutely stand, then turn back down the hill?
What strangers then are these? What gaunt despair?
What blue-clad heads? What weary ink-stain'd hands?
What means that mutter'd word? That whisper chill?

When all one's hopes are lost, comfort is cold
And wanted not. Therefore ye tongues be still'd;
Thou, mother, knowest that whisper of old,
The faces blench'd, the freedom that word kill'd.
Bold youth, beneath this roof thou'lt walk again,
Fair maid, be calm'd, the Fates to thee are kind.
With sparkling eyes, that might great tears have rain'd
Thou leav'st the doom-fraught room far, far behind.
For now the waiting's done, relief hath ended pain;
The Highers marks are out, thy passes gained.

O, mother old! O, form divine, O building
That holdest wisdom within thee, and art
By men wrought with common tools, for learning,
We children of thine, nurs'd within thy heart
Are most ungrateful seeming, to give thee
No thanks but all complaints. Thou hast withstood
Time, and wilt stand more, but we, youth and maid
Leave thee—and suddenly thou seemest good,
We forget and are forgotten, for we
Few things leave but memories, soon to fade.

J.B., V 2.

PRIME MINISTERS' HATS

Who is this tubby gentleman,
A-painting in the sun?
He is an ex-Prime Minister,
I wonder now, which one?

It cannot be Sir Anthony,
So elegant and slim—
He'd never wear a hat like that,
With such a mammoth brim!

It cannot be our Harold,
For he has not retired;
His new creation's Astrakhan,
By Mr. K. inspired.

It is, of course, Sir Winston,
But he is much dismayed,
For all the village is asleep
In his sombrero's shade!

CLASS T 2.

WHY?

Why write about school?
We hate it, we despise it,
Never try to advertise it,
But the articles come in all the same.

Cartoons and rhymes
On all our murky crimes;
Poems and riddles
On profit-making "fiddles";
Tales of fate,
From those who were late;
Stories of prefects
And all their little defects;
F.P. memoirs
From those behind bars;
Photos of teams,
Still hopeful, it seems;
Tales of explosion
And lab.-room erosion;
Of an unwitting student
Who forgot to be prudent;
Of footballers strong
Who do everything wrong;
Of property lost
And "preps." being bossed.
Of defacing books
And dinner-school cooks;
(Stay, and you'll hear
Some more—next year).

N.W., III FD.

PLACES

I.

Eldorado

Towers rise above those trees
Shaken lightly by the breeze.
Peacock's tail is widely spread;
Each man there holds high his head.
Sunlight's golden in the street,
Cool rooms echo peoples' feet.
Far away, and long ago
Dreamt a man that he must go
To Eldorado, Golden City,
Where men's hearts are filled with pity;
Where beneath Pacific skies
Children's laughter never dies.

II.

Babylon

When I think of Babylon
I see a cobbled street
Beneath the Hanging Gardens
Where two rivers meet.
And when I think of Tartary
I see the walls and towers,
And a blind sage sitting there
Motionless for hours.
When I think of Gethsemane
I see the garden bare,
And the shadow of a Cross
And a figure hanging there.

III.

Glencoe

Red, red dies the sun behind the hills,
Glencoe weeps not the day that is dying,
But for the ones who bear the world's ills—
For them is she crying.
Grey, grey the mist she pulls over her head,
She sobs unseen, a mother she, and old.
She laments not the day that is dead,
She mourns the past untold.
Cold and sad she lies, ancient and grand.
For their mother her exiled children long,
She rests for ever near rough moorland,
She the mother of song.

J.B., V 2.

POEM

There's silence in the English class
(Which may sound rather queer);
There ain't a sound (except for some
You shouldn't really hear).

There's munching from the front seat,
And snoring from the back,
And one frustrated soul can't get
Her monkey nuts to crack!

An unsuspecting scholar
Engaged in throwing dice,
Displays a label on his back:—
"Just 1/6—Sale Price."

And while the teacher vainly strains
To hear the wandering "blether,"
A helpful individual ties
His shoelaces together!

One step he takes and it is done,
The master topples over
Right on the spot where, carefully,
We'd spilt some ink moreover.

He'd lost his glasses, dropped his book,
And he's far too stiff to rise,
So, tucking his gown beneath his head,
He yawns and shuts his eyes.

Perhaps **your** English master
Does not perform like this,
But just imagine—if he did,
Would it not be bliss?

N.W., III FD.

WHITEHILL PREPS.

We're just a bunch of little "preps.,"
Quite clever, you can see,
But if we don't have work to do
We play so stupidly.

We laugh and shout and carry on,
And generally are bad,
But when the teacher comes in sight
We all look very sad.

Sometimes the work is boring,
Sometimes it's quite good fun,
But when the bell goes ting-a-ling,
We pack our bags and run!

M.K., T 4.

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FOOTBALL NOTES



Owing to bad weather during the season some of our teams have not yet completed their programme. Here is a survey at the moment :

		P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
1st XI	..	12	10	0	2	39	17	22
2nd XI	..	11	3	7	1	26	31	7
3rd XI	..	12	5	6	1	31	30	11
4th XI	..	15	7	3	5	46	31	19
5th XI	..	16	9	4	3	57	34	21

The 1st XI have again won their league section and are awaiting the first play-off against St. Mungo's. Let us wish them the luck which deserted them in their third round Scottish Shield Tie when they were beaten 4-3 by Coatbridge Secondary on a pitch which broke bones as well as hearts.

The 2nd XI promised well but some narrow defeats discouraged them somewhat. Still they were the most promising reserve eleven we have had in years.

On the other hand neither the 3rd nor 4th XIs started well, but came into the picture as the season advanced and both teams challenged the league leaders. The 4th XI have sustained that effort with a determination which should see them finish third or fourth top of their section.

But the "wee fellahs," the under thirteen's, a delightfully exasperating mixture of too little weight and too much football, have added considerably to our soccer prestige—and to Mr. Chisholm's grey hairs! They lost 2-1 to Colston in the semi-final of the Castle Cup.

Though the honours were not so widely spread among our players as last year, Stewart McLachlan (VI.) played for Scottish Schools against English Schools, for the Rest of Scotland against Ayrshire, and for Glasgow against the Rest of Scotland. Kenneth McFarlane (IV.) played in goal for Glasgow's under-fifteen team against Edinburgh, Airdrie and Coatbridge, and Greenock. Billy Wyper (3 LD) and Gordon Clark (2 LD) are in the final trial for the under-fourteen representative game.

Thanks are again due to Messrs. Brebner, Cliff, Low, and Gardiner for their work with the teams and to Mr. Donald Chisholm, now Headmaster of Shakespeare School.

R.G.

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ANNUAL SPORTS

The Annual Athletic Meeting of the School was held at Craigend on Saturday, 30th May, in fine weather and before a large gathering of friends and former pupils. The prizes were presented by Mrs. George Bowman.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

SENIOR GIRLS

- 100 Yards : (1) C. Birch, IV 2, (2) E. Craig, VI, (3) I. Currie, VI—13 secs.
220 Yards : (1) C. Birch, IV 2, (2) E. Craig, VI—31.4 secs.
High Jump : (1) C. Birch, IV 2, (2) E. Craig, VI, (3) I. Currie, VI—4 ft. 3 ins.
Long Jump : (1) C. Birch, IV 2 (2) (equal) E. Craig, VI, and A. Salter, VI—14 ft. 11 ins.
Discus : (1) I. Currie, VI, (2) I. Muir, V, (3) A. Shortt, VI—71 ft.
Javelin : (1) E. Craig, VI, (2) M. Ross, III C2, (3) E. Jessamine, VI—68 ft. 9½ ins.

Senior Champion (Girls) : CHRISTINE BIRCH, IV 2—24 Points.

SENIOR BOYS

- 100 Yards : (1) A. Crawford, VI, (2) N. Robertson, IV 3, (3) G. Donaldson, IV 5, and R. Thomson, V 3—11.2 secs.
220 Yards : (1) A. Crawford, VI, (2) N. Robertson, IV 3, (3) R. Thomson, V 3—25.0 secs.
880 Yards : (1) A. Crawford, VI, (2) J. Burnett, V 3, (3) G. Donaldson, IV 5—2 mins. 25.5 secs.
High Jump : (1) J. Logan, IV 3, (2) D. Robertson, IV 3, (3) R. Williams, IV 1—5 ft. 2 ins.
Long Jump : (1) A. Crawford, VI, (2) R. Williams, IV 1 (3) G. Hamilton, III LD—17 ft. 11½ ins.
Shot Putt : (1) J. Coutts, VI, (2) I. Henderson, V 3, (3) R. Thomson, V 3—33 ft. 8½ ins.
Discus : (1) R. Thomson, V 3, (2) A. Crawford, VI, (3) R. Mason, VI—91 ft.
Javelin : (1) G. Hamilton, III LD, (2) R. Thomson, V 3, (3) A. Crawford, VI—96 ft. 2 ins.

Senior Champion (Boys) : ALEX. CRAWFORD, VI—30 Points.

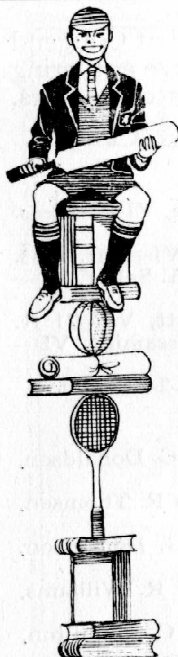
JUNIOR GIRLS

- 80 Yards : (1) M. McGregor, II C, (2) I. Horn, I L 2, (3) E. Mulrine, II FD—10.8 secs.
150 Yards : (1) E. Mulrine, II FD, (2) S. Smithers, (3) M. Wilson—
High Jump : (1) N. White, III FD, (2) B. McLean, I L 2, (3) E. Mulrine, II FD, and J. McKill, III C 2—4 ft. 3½ ins.
Long Jump : (1) E. Mulrine, II FD, (2) M. McGregor, II C, (3) J. McKill, III C 2—14 ft. 4 ins.
Cricket Ball : (1) J. Hanning, III C, (2) J. McKill, III C 2, (3) A. Crandles, I F 2—123 ft.

Junior Champion (Girls) : ELDA MULRINE, II FD—15 Points.

JUNIOR BOYS

- 100 Yards : (1) D. McAneny, II F 1, (2) G. Clark, II LD, (3) J. Patterson, II F 1—11.6 secs.
220 Yards : (1) G. Clark, II LD, (2) D. McAneny, II F 1, (3) J. Patterson, II F 1—28.8 secs.
440 Yards : (1) D. McAneny, II F 1, (2) J. Patterson, II F 1, (3) G. Lynch, II T—61.4 secs. (Record).
High Jump : (1) J. Patterson, II F 1, (2) A. Moirran, II F 3, (3) D. McAneny, II F 1—4 ft. 4½ ins.
Long Jump : (1) G. Clark, II LD, (2) G. McAleese, II LD, (3) A. Clark, II F 1—16 ft. 3 ins.
Shot Putt : (1) G. Lynch, II T, (2) J. Patterson, II F 1, (3) G. Clark, II LD—31 ft. 10 ins.



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Javelin: (1) G. Clark, II LD, (2) J. Neason, II F 3, (3) R. Henderson, II LD—94 ft. 6 ins. (Record).
Junior Champion (Boys): GORDON CLARK, II LD—28 Points.

F.P. EVENTS

100 Yards (F.P. Ladies): (1) D. Millar.
220 Yards (F.P. Gentlemen): (1) J. Meggat, (2) W. Clark.

INVITATION RELAYS

Girls: (1) Whitehill—54.2 secs.
Boys: (1) Shawlands—1 min. 38.4 secs.

FORM AND CLASS RELAYS

Girls' Senior Inter-Form Relay: (1) III C 2.
Girls' First Form Relay: (1) I L 2.
Girl's Second Form Relay: (1) II FD.
Boys' First Form Relay: (1) I F 1.
Boys' Second Form Relay: (1) II F 1.

HANDICAP RACES

300 Yards Girls' Open (Bogle Cup): (1) M. Donald, I L 2, (2) J. Robertson, I L 2.
880 Yards Boys' Open (McBriar Coronation Cup): (1) A. Millar, II F 3, (2) J. Kerr, II L—2 mins. 2 secs.

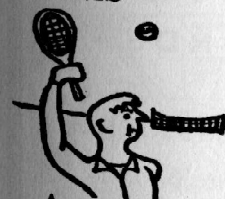
OTHER RACES GIRLS

75 Yards—under 13: (1) D. McMillan, II F 2, (2) B. Riddell, T 2.
Medley Race—Open: (1) J. Stewart, I F 4, (2) I. McDonald, I F 2.
Three-Legged Race—over 15: (1) J. Anderson, III LD, and S. McIntosh, III LD.
Three-Legged Race—under 15: (1) I. Horn, I L 2, and B. McLean, I L 2.
Egg and Spoon Race—Open: (1) I. McDonald, II F 2, (2) R. Wright, T 4.
Sack Race: (1) H. Milne, III F 3, (2) B. Riddell, T 2.
Skipping Rope Race—Open: (1) J. Anderson, III LD, (2) I. Horn, I L 2.

BOYS

100 Yards—under 13: (1) J. Strachan, (2) H. McGibbon.
Medley Race—Open: (1) G. Dalglish, (2) C. Lynch.
Three-Legged Race—under 15: (1) A. Millar, II F 3, and A. Morran, II F 3.
Pillow Fight—under 15: (1) A. Morran, II F 3, (2) A. Millar, II F 3.
Balance Boxing—under 13: (1) T. McMillan, I F 2, (2) A. Kousourou, I L 1.
Slow Cycle Race—Open: (1) D. Graham, III F 3, (2) J. McKee, T 3.

TENNIS



At the time of writing we have not yet played any matches but it is hoped that this year's teams will achieve many victories. A full fixture list has been arranged, which includes the West of Scotland Championships for both boys and girls.

As in previous years the tennis club has been fortunate in obtaining the use of the courts at Finlay Drive and Golfhill, where Mr. Morrison has once again been coaching our club members. We would like to thank Mr. Morrison for his good advice, which has greatly improved the standard of play in the club.

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RUGBY



The season 1958-59 has been a somewhat unfortunate one. In the first instance, the unusually inclement weather resulted in the cancellation of the majority of the fixtures arranged for all five fifteens. Once again we were deprived of training facilities, as the playing field attached to the school was not ready for use until Easter. However, the First, Second and Third Year Teams showed good promise, and should do well next season, even taking into account the fact that much valuable playing experience was lost during 1958-59.

The 1st and 2nd XV's have been undergoing one of those occasional cycles of 'depression,' which seem to affect all school teams at one time or another. According to all indications, next season should produce a marked improvement.

The records of the teams are as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points for	Points against
1st XV ..	12	3	7	2	68	182
2nd XV ...	7	0	7	0	9	130
3rd Year XV	8	3	4	1	78	73
2nd Year XV	9	5	3	1	134	56
1st Year XV	8	3	5	0	60	105

On behalf of all the boys who have participated in the season's matches, I would like to thank Mr. Brown, Mr. Thom, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Morrison and Mr. Clegg for their work in connection with the teams, and to thank Mr. MacLachlan for his services at Craighend.

I also wish to thank all the boys who have supported the Rugby Club, and to express our best wishes for a successful season in 1959-60.

ERIC. STEVENSON, VI.

HOCKEY



This season, owing to the weather, seven games only have been played, the 1st XI winning three, losing four, the 2nd XI winning three, losing three and drawing one.

The standard of all four XI's is slowly improving, and it is hoped that the enthusiasm for this enjoyable game will be renewed in the coming season.

We thank Miss Scott and Miss Simpson for their patience and perseverance.

To all future teams we wish every success.

SYLVIA BROWN, VI.

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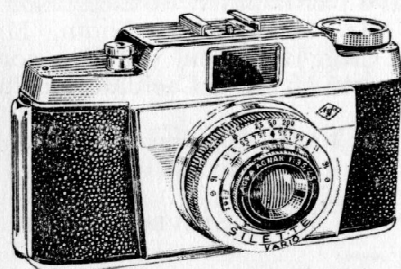
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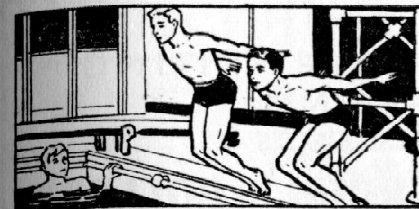
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SWIMMING NOTES



The Girls Senior swimming team continued their run of successes by winning the Invitation Relay at Hillhead Gala, the Boys team managing second place in their event. The boys were also second in the Cohen Trophy and third at a confined gala run by Barlanark F.E. Centre in Shettleston baths. On these occasions the girls' team included, Elizabeth and Margaret Lamond, Doreen Mackinnon, and Joyce Anderson, and the boys' team, Sandy Hume, Gordon Lennox, Robert MacDonald, and Ian Henderson or Tommy Allison.

In the Scottish Championships, two of our swimmers gained places in the Glasgow area relay teams, Doreen Mackinnon and Sandy Hume. We wish them the best of luck at Paisley baths on 2nd May.

Life-saving classes have now started and we are hoping for more passes this year in the examinations of the Royal Life-Saving Society. Last year we gained three Instructor's Certificates (Andrew Lothian, John Watson, Archie Learmouth); four Bronze Crosses (Sandy Hume, John Watson, David Black, and Archie Learmouth); fourteen Bronze Medallions, and eight Intermediate Certificates.

R.G.

GOLF



Although this year's Golf Team bears little resemblance to that of last year, it is to be hoped that they will maintain last year's standard, if not better it. So far only one match has been played, when the team got off to a good start by beating Hillhead High School by $5\frac{1}{2}$ points to $\frac{1}{2}$.

Inter-school matches have also been arranged against Hutchesons' Grammar School (Boys), Paisley Grammar, Hamilton Academy, Lenzie Academy, Kelvinside Academy, and Falkirk High School.

By the time of publication, the Allan Shield Competition and School Championship should be nearing the final stages.

During the Easter holidays, the school was represented once more at the Scottish Boys' Golf Championship at North Berwick by Robin Williams, IV. In June, Williams and Neil V, will play in the trial for West of Scotland team.

We look forward to 12th June, when the annual Masters v. Pupils match will take place, and hope for a repeat performance of last year's victory for the pupils.

ROBIN N. BARR, VI.