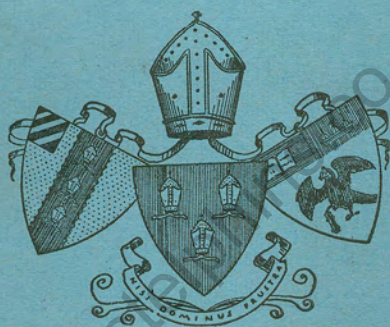


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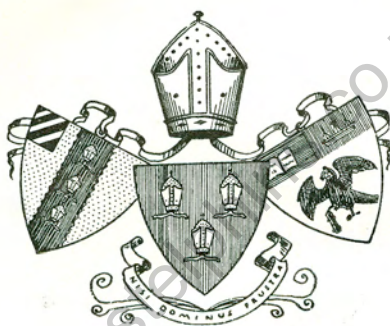


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The cast of 'H.M.S. Pinafore'

# FIXTURE LIST

## SEPTEMBER 1968-JULY 1969

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### MICHAELMAS TERM

#### September

- 12 Beginning of Term.
- 16 Film: "The Lives of Gilbert and Sullivan."
- 29 Harvest Festival (St. Michael's Day).
- 30 Film: "Romeo and Juliet."
- Matches v. Lady Manners School.

#### October

- 7 Film: "Three Men in a Boat."
- Matches v. The Convent.
- 12 New Hall, Cambridge Entrance Examinations.
- 13 Hallé Concert: John Ogden.
- 14 Visiting Day: Parents' Meeting.
- 19 Aptitude Test for Oxford University.
- 21 Hallé Concert at Sheffield.
- 26 Dance with Denstone College (VIth form).
- 28 Film: "A Yank at Oxford."

#### November

- 2 Simplicity Fashion Parade.
- 3-7 Half Term.
- 6-11 Cambridge Entrance Examinations.
- 11 Junior House Netball Matches.
- 18 Concert: Reginald Paul.
- Matches v. Ockbrook.
- Film: "Edison the Man."
- 15-30 G.C.E. Supplementary Examinations.
- 23-29 Oxford Entrance Examinations.
- 25 Visiting Day. Installation of the Duchess of Devonshire as Visitor of the School.
- Dance with Repton School (VIth form).

#### December

- 2 Performance of "H.M.S. Pinafore."
- 3 Visiting Preacher: Bishop of Lancaster.
- 4-9 School Examinations.
- 9 Inter-House Dance Competition.
- 15 Junior Carol Service.
- 17 Senior Carol Service.
- Choir visit to the Whitworth Hospital.
- 18 Christmas Dinner.
- 19 End of Term.

## LENT TERM 1968

### January

- 16 Beginning of Term.
- 20 Matches v. Anthony Gell.  
Film: "Toby Tyler."
- 23-24 Scientists' Expedition to London (Vith form).
- 27 Concert given by Mitzi Lawton.  
Powys Lent Effort.
- 28 Film: "Perri."

### February

- 3 Gresford Lent Effort.
- 4 Science Debate with Denstone College.  
Visit of the Bishop of Blackburn.
- 9 Senior Party to Matlock to see "Othello."
- 10 Visiting Day.
- 11 Kennedy Lent Effort.
- 15 Performance of "H.M.S. Pinafore" for the school.
- 16 Performance of "H.M.S. Pinafore" for local schools.
- 17 Performance of "H.M.S. Pinafore" for parents and visitors.  
Matches v. Tupton Hall.
- 18 Economics Forum.  
U.VI entertains the Visitor, The Duchess of Devonshire  
to tea.
- 20 Common Entrance Examinations.
- 21 Common Entrance Examinations.
- 22 Common Entrance Examinations.
- 23-27 Half Term.
- 29 to

March 1 Kennedy Scholarship Examinations.

### March

- 1 Hallé Concert: Sheffield.
- 2 Selwyn Lent Effort.
- 5 Use of English Examination: U.VI.
- 8 Social with Denstone.
- 9 Hockey Team visit to Wembley.
- 10 Film: "Robinson Crusoe."  
Wilson Lent Effort.
- 11 House Netball Matches.
- 13 Half Day: House Hockey Matches.
- 15 U.III to U.IV visit to production of "The Desert Song" by  
the Matlock Operatic Society.
- 16 Visiting Day.
- 17 Pigot Lent Effort.
- 19 History Lecture in Matlock attended by VI form.
- 22 Hallé Concert at Sheffield.
- 23 House Drama Competition.
- 24 Mothering Sunday.  
Visit of the Bishop of Warrington.
- 26 End of Term.

## SUMMER TERM

### April

- 23 Beginning of Term.
- 27 Old Girls' Reunion in London.
- 28 Films: "Operation Osprey" and "Swallows at the Mill."

### May

- 2-10 "O" and "A" Level Mock Examinations.
- 3 U.V Dance at Abbotsholme.
- 5 Film: "The Time Machine."
- 10 Queen's visit to Matlock and Chatsworth.
- 11 Film: "Buffalo Bill."
- 17 Careers Lecture on the Civil Service by Mr. Proctor.
- 18 Visiting Day.
- 19 Visit of Canon Schofield.
- 20 Confirmation by Bishop of Blackburn.
- 21 Confirmation by Bishop of Derby.
- 22 G.C.E. "S" Level Examinations.
- 23 Ascension Day. Form picnics.
- Film: "Huckleberry Finn."
- 25 Hallé Concert in Sheffield.
- 28 Governors' Meeting at School: Open Day.

30 to

- June 4 Half Term: The Visitor's Holiday (Thursday).

### June

- 10 G.C.E. "O" and "A" Level Examinations begin.
- 15 R.S.C.M. Choir Festival at Repton in which the Choir took part.
- 18-26 School Examinations.
- 23 Upper VI and Lower VI visit to Coventry Cathedral.
- 25 South Peak Swimming Gala.
- 27 Rehearsal in Bakewell Parish Church for Commemoration Service.
- 28 St. Elphin's Day: Warrington Walk, attended by the Junior School.
- 29 Senior Speech Day.
- 11 a.m.: Commemoration Service at Bakewell Parish Church.
- 2.15 p.m.: Speeches and Prize-giving. Speaker: Mr. J. Scott Hopkins, M.P.

### July

- 2 Expedition to the House of Commons by Lower VI Economics.
- Expedition to Wimbledon for Tennis Teams.
- Expedition to the British Museum for Vith form Scripture Class.
- 3 Inter-House Swimming Gala.
- 4-5 Matlock Festival.
- 5 Choir Rehearsal in Derby Cathedral.
- Parents' Dinner Dance.
- 6 Visiting Day. Sports Day.
- 7 Sung Eucharist in Derby Cathedral at which the Choir sang.
- 8 Triangular Inter-Schools Swimming Gala.
- 9 Social Service Party to Derby.
- 10 Prefects' visit to the House of Lords.
- 11 VI form Dance at Repton.
- 13 Junior Speech Day.
- Tennis Team played in Nicholson Cup Tournament.
- 14 School Concert.
- 16 End of Term.

## CALENDAR OF MATCHES

### Autumn Term—Hockey

September 3rd: Lady Manners: 1st XI 0—4; 2nd XI 1—10.  
October 7th: Convent: 1st XI 0—4; 2nd XI 1—1.

### Junior House Netball

November 11th: 1 Wilson, 2 Kennedy, 3 Selwyn.

### Inter-House Dancing Competition:

December 9th: 1 Kennedy, 2 Gresford, 3 Powys.

### Spring Term—Hockey:

January 20th: Antony Gell: 1st XI 0—5; 2nd XI 1—7.  
January 27th: Thornbridge Hall: 1st XI 2—1.  
February 3rd: Ockbrook: 1st XI 1—3; 2nd XI 2—1.  
February 17th: Tupton Hall: 1st XI 0—3; 2nd XI 3—1.  
February 22nd: Staff v. U VI: 0—0.  
March 2nd: Convent: 1st XI 7—2; 2nd XI 7—0.  
March 9th: Visit to Wembley: England v. Netherlands, 1—0.  
March 13th: Inter-House Hockey: 1 Gresford; 2 Wilson and Pigot.  
Inter-House Senior Netball: 1 Gresford; 2 Wilson; 3 Kennedy.

### Summer Term—Tennis:

April 27th: Lady Manners: 5—4.  
June 7th: Convent: 6—3.  
June 15th: Lady Manners: 1st Team 7—2; 2nd Team 8—1.  
July 2nd: Visit to Wimbledon.  
July 13th: Nicholson Bowl: St. Elphin's team reached semi-finals.

### Rounders:

June 15th: Lady Manners: 6—7.  
June 22nd: Inter-House Competition: 1 Gresford; 2 Wilson; 3 Selwyn.  
June 25th: South Peak Swimming Gala.  
July 3rd: Inter-House Swimming: 1 Kennedy; 2 Gresford; 3 Selwyn.  
July 8th: Inter-School Swimming Gala: 1 St. Elphin's; 2 Ernest Bailey; 3 Convent.  
July 6th: Sports Day: 1 Gresford; 2 Wilson; 3 Kennedy.

## SCHOOL TEAMS

**1st XI:** R. James, A. Somerville, C. Wade, P. Sidebottom, K. Hannant, B. Withers, P. Richardson, J. Irvine, H. Hepworth (captain), A. Murray, C. Adams (vice-captain).

**2nd XI:** L. Grainger, A. Ollerenshaw, V. Gerard, S. Gutch, P. Selway, A. Wells (captain), C. Pearson, F. Bagnall, E. Needler (vice-captain), J. Ward, M. Pass.

### 1st Tennis Team:

1st Couple: Helen Robinson and Hilary Hepworth.  
2nd Couple: Mary Daybell and Patricia Richardson.  
3rd Couple: Fiona Graham and Catherine Adams.

### 2nd Tennis Team:

1st Couple: Diana Hine and Philippa Wallen.  
2nd Couple: Susan Lodge and Mary Helliwell.  
3rd Couple: Susan Measures and Janet Moorhouse.

## OFFICE HOLDERS: 1968-69

Head Girl: Caroline Pearson.

Deputy Head Girl: Margaret Potts.

Prefects (U.VI): Susan Fletcher (Christmas Term); Elizabeth Adams; Catherine Adams; Jacqueline Bennitt; Roberta Bright; Margaret Carmichael; Valerie Clarke (One Term); Jane Cook; Maryjane Davys; Lois Grainger; Anne McPhie; Elizabeth Mumford; Catherine Palfreyman; Judith Robinson; Julie Seldon; Celia Shrubbs; Carol Wade; Anne West; Sheena Yeomans.

(L.VI): Josephine Dickman; Mary Daybell; Margaret Jones; Helen Robinson; Mary Williams.

Sub-Prefects: Margaret Chalk; Rosemary Crow; Elizabeth Bates; Ann Bisbrown; Heather Colebrook; Patricia Davenport; Susan Eltoft; Julie Ervine; Hilary Hepworth; Patricia Richardson; Stephanie Revill; Deborah Robinson.

## EDITORIAL

CERTAINLY the most memorable date in our school calendar this year was November 25th, on which was held the Installation of the Duchess of Devonshire as our Official Visitor. Since then her keen interest in the school has become even more marked and her visits have ranged from an informal tea-party with the Upper Sixth to our annual Speech Day. We hope that she will take full advantage of her position as Visitor to a school where she is always most welcome.

The loss of Miss Robinson's Chloë, a familiar friend among us for some years now, has meant sadness for many in school, especially those who knew her endearing ways, like the Juniors whom she welcomed to "Drawing Rooms" and Mrs. Allen with whom she regularly did her "Domestic Science" rounds each morning. Chloë helped to cheer the occasional home-sick new girl and dry her tears and was a firm favourite when she accompanied Miss Robinson on her visits to the Juniors at bed-time. But we have now among us in Kennedy House, one of the real "lords of life," Miss Conway Davies' young golden cocker spaniel, Simon.

Visitors to school have been surprised and impressed by the speedy erection of the New Gymnasium which will be in full use in September, 1968. The old Gymnasium is being converted into a lighter and more spacious Art studio in which we hope the potential artists will be more able to develop their talents in both art and crafts.

In raising the sum of £326 8s 10d for the Lent Fund, we beat all former records. This was due almost entirely to the efforts of the various Houses and shows the general awareness of the wants of others.

We were very proud to hear that Mary Hilsden, an Old Girl of the School, has been awarded a B.Phil. (Bachelor of Philosophy) at Oxford University, after two years of post-graduate work in English Literature. We offer her our warmest congratulations.

We congratulate Mrs. Marsden (née Barker) on her marriage earlier this year to a master at Denstone College and hope she will enjoy her new rôle as housewife.

We were very pleased to see Miss Lamb and Elphine again at the Christmas Bazaar and to hear that she is enjoying St. Brandon's where she is now Headmistress.

We are sorry to lose Dr. Dobson who has been our school doctor for many years and hope that he enjoys his retirement in the South of England. We must also say goodbye to Miss Dobson, who has taught in the Junior School during this last year. It is with regret that after five years we are losing Miss James and Miss Lord who have done so much for their departments. We also send our best wishes with Miss Shimmmin and Miss Barnes.

We congratulate Miss Flood on her 90th birthday on August 27th and on the publication of her commentary on the Psalms and send our good wishes for the special celebrations. We take the liberty also of congratulating the Bishop of Blackburn on his maiden speech in the House of Lords which we were privileged to hear as his guests in the House that day.

Editors: M. DAVYS, C. SHRUBBS.

## THE INSTALLATION OF THE DUCHESS OF DEVONSHIRE

THE GRANDEUR of this occasion was reminiscent of the Installation of the Chancellor of a University. The day before, the hall was arranged as for Speech Day, although for this occasion there seemed to be even more chairs than usual on the platform.

Parents started arriving early on the morning of November 25th and by 11 a.m. the hall was packed. First to enter the hall in procession were the member of staff, arrayed in academic gowns, with the games staff in flowing grey cloaks. They were followed by the Friends of St. Elphin's and the governors. When these processions had reached the platform the Head Girls led in the Duchess who was accompanied by the Bishop of Blackburn and Miss Robinson.

The Visitor was introduced to the platform party, the girls and the parents, by the Bishop. He admitted he had been in some doubt about what was implied by the title "Visitor." Upon looking up the word in a dictionary he had found "a person who pays or comes on a visit." However, in his experience such people were usually rather a hindrance; so he looked further and found "(in colleges, etc.) official with the right of occasionally inspecting and reporting." This he thought was rather too formal and expressed the wish to the Duchess that she would feel free to visit the school for more informal reasons, and assured her that she would always be extremely welcome.

The Duchess was then welcomed by the Bishop on behalf of the governors and Friends, by the headmistress on behalf of the staff, and by the Head Girl for the school and parents. The Duchess addressed the "overwhelming" assembly with charming eloquence and we shall all remember the advice she gave us, always to be ourselves and never to follow "the crowd" against the voice of our own consciences.

Since the Installation, the Duchess has attended both an informal tea party with the Upper Sixth and our annual Speech Day. We hope that she will take even more advantage of her position in the future.

CELIA SHRUBBS.

# SPEECH DAY

June 29th, 1968

AS USUAL, the day began with the Commemoration Service for the Founders and Benefactors of the School, which was held in Bakewell Parish Church. The service was rather different from usual, in that there were three litanies, from the junior, middle and senior school, instead of the usual prayers by the Bishop. The litanies contained prayers for the headmistress, the teaching staff, kitchen staff, matrons, girls, and governors, as well as for our founder, Horace Powys.

The Speeches and Prize-giving were held in the afternoon, and we welcomed as our speaker Mr. J. Scott Hopkins, M.P. for West Derbyshire. Unfortunately his wife was unable to attend, but he seemed very pleased to accept a bouquet of red roses on her behalf. We were delighted to have our Visitor, the Duchess of Devonshire with us, too, on this occasion.

Both the Bishop of Blackburn, as Chairman of the Governors, and Miss Robinson, told us of the plans for a new science block, and of the magnificent new gymnasium, which is now nearing completion, and should be ready for use in September. And we were reminded that it is not five years since Princess Margaret opened the Stopford Hall in November, 1963. Mr. Linnell, as Chairman of the Friends of St. Elphin's, expressed his gratitude for the generosity and diligence of the society, but stressed that they should not be content to stop now, and asked for 200 parents to give five pounds each, to repay the generous loan by an unknown benefactor to pay for the gymnasium.

In a very entertaining speech, Mr. Scott Hopkins gave those who are leaving this term some very good advice. He told them to uphold the principles which they had learnt both at school and at home no matter how old-fashioned they might seem. He advised them to keep their sense of proportion, and not to be rebels without cause. In short, he told them to "be proud of yourself and your country; don't hurt people or despise people, and take advantage of the future, but not of those around you." He told us of his pleasure at the good results in English, and at the extensions in the realms of science, which are very necessary today, and altogether he showed a very lively interest in the school.

The head girls proposed votes of thanks, and put forward the traditional request for a holiday, which we are still awaiting with lively pleasure.

STEPHANIE REVILL, Lower VI.

## JUNIOR SPEECH DAY

THE Junior School Speech Day this year was held on Saturday, July 13th. We were pleased to have with us as chairman Mr. L. A. Hopkins, M.A., Headmaster of Sir John Deane's Grammar School, Northwich.

As our Guest of Honour we were delighted to welcome a Governor of the School, and an "Old Girl" and past Head Girl of Abbots Bromley, Mrs. Bower, J.P. Mrs. Bower said that she had not expected to be invited, as she thought the privilege of being asked to "speak" was the prerogative of Members of Parliament, Headmasters or Duchesses. Her reasons for accepting were, a chance to be again in "this lovely school," and because Mr. Hopkins had said he wouldn't "take the chair" if she didn't.

In referring to what we know to be a distinguished career (in the W.A.A.F.'s) during the war, when she was chosen to attend an important conference in Casablanca, at which Sir Winston Churchill, President Roosevelt and General de Gaulle were all present, she told us that Sir Winston Churchill was her greatest hero.

She went on to tell a charming anecdote, taken from Sarah Churchill's book, about one small boy in the family, who, before a certain dinner party, overheard his father say of an undesirable guest who was expected, "Not that lion huntress!" During the aforesaid dinner party, when a pause occurred in the conversation, the little boy, who had been taught to be polite, said to the lady in question: "Have you shot any lions lately?" Mrs. Bower said she felt that none of the Juniors would embarrass their fathers with remarks like that.

Having herself been taught Latin by Miss Robinson at Abbots Bromley, Mrs. Bower concluded by paying tribute to Miss Robinson's teaching. She surprised and delighted her audience by singing the Latin version of "London's Burning," recalled from her schooldays.

After a "Vote of Thanks" from Helen Stoppard, Head Girl of the Junior School, guests were entertained by the winning verse speaking choir, which was triumphant for the third year in succession at the Matlock Bath Musical Festival.

Mrs. Hopkins presented the prizes at the Sports, which completed the day's events.

P. A. LAVENDER.

## FORM PRIZES

For good work throughout the Year

|              |     |     |     |     |     |                |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|
| Upper VI     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | C. Shrubbs     |
| Lower VI     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | S. Revill      |
| Upper VA     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | P. Sidebottom  |
| Upper VB     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | A. Leek        |
| Lower VA     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | E. Cory        |
| Lower VB     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | A. Colley      |
| Upper IVA    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | B. Mitchell    |
| Upper IVB    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Adams       |
| Lower IVA    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Swindells   |
| Lower IVB    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | K. Hogg        |
| Lower IV(R)  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | A. Robb        |
| Upper IIIA   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | P. Allen       |
| Upper IIIB   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Chamberlain |
| Lower III    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | H. Stoppard    |
| Form II      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Batty       |
| Form I       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | E. Bird        |
| Kindergarten | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Turner      |

# HEADMISTRESS'S PRIZES

## For Good Progress in Work and Conduct

|              |     |     |     |     |     |                |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|
| Upper VI     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | M. Davys       |
| Lower VI     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | M. Williams    |
| Upper VA     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Louise Garside |
| Lower VA     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Cooper      |
| Upper VB     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | G. Bisbrown    |
| Lower VB     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | B. Grierson    |
| Upper IVA    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | C. Henderson   |
| Upper IVB    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Hunt        |
| Lower IVA    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Howard      |
| Lower IVB    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Lindsay White  |
| Lower IV(R)  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | M. Kingsnorth  |
| Upper IIIA   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | D. Anson       |
| Upper IIIB   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | P. Thornton    |
| Lower III    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | H. Round       |
| Form II      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | H. Rowan       |
| Form I       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | S. Round       |
| Kindergarten | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Wildgoose   |

## SUBJECT PRIZES

|                    |     |     |     |     |     |                                 |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------------|
| Scripture          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | R. James<br>K. Little           |
| English            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | M. J. Davys &<br>C. Shrubbs     |
| History            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | S. Horne<br>P. Sidebottom       |
| Geography          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Bridget Mitchell<br>D. Robinson |
| Economics          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Diana Hine<br>C. Palfreyman     |
| French             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | S. Davys<br>Joanna Howard       |
| German             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | C. Shrubbs<br>J. Robson         |
| Latin              | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | R. Ennals<br>M. Williams        |
| Mathematics        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | S. Measures<br>M. Carmichael    |
| Physics            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Lisa Willams<br>P. Richardson   |
| Chemistry          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | E. Perrens<br>C. Pearson        |
| Biology            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | A. Bird<br>E. Mallison          |
| Art                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | C. Adams<br>S. White            |
| Music              | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | B. Grierson<br>L. Stephenson    |
| Domestic Science   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | F. Fairclough<br>K. Little      |
| Speech and Drama   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | L. Nicol<br>C. Adams            |
| Physical Education | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | J. Micklethwaite                |

## SPECIAL PRIZES

|                                                        |     |                  |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|------------------|
| The Chairman's Prize                                   | ... | J. Cook          |
| Greenall Prize for Religious Knowledge                 | ... | M. Daybell       |
| The Treasurer's Prize for History                      | ... | M. Potts         |
| The Treasurer's Prize for Steady Work                  | ... | J. Cook          |
| Hamilton Memorial Prize for Art                        | ... | Anne McPhie      |
| Gregson Memorial Prize for Music                       | ... | Roberta Bright   |
| Henry Andrew's Prizes for Domestic Science             | ... | P. Fletcher      |
|                                                        |     | J. Holland       |
| Henry Andrew's Prizes for Needlework                   | ... | Joanna White     |
|                                                        |     | Rowena Johnson   |
| Mr. Burgess's Prize for Special Services to the School | ... | Caroline Pearson |
| Dr. Scott's Leaving Prize for the Best Scientist       | ... | Jocelyn Pearson  |
| Joyce Knight Cup for Speech and Drama                  | ... | R. Bright        |

## EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

### USE OF ENGLISH

All candidates from UVI passed in the University Entrance Test in the Use of English, Celia Shrubbs with Grade I.

### ENTRANCES TO UNIVERSITIES, 1968

#### Unconditional Offer:

Susan Fletcher ... Bristol (English)

#### Offers conditional upon G.C.E. "A" Level results:

|                     |     |                                                                      |
|---------------------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Catherine Adams     | ... | Exeter (Geography)                                                   |
| Jacqueline Bennitt  | ... | Manchester (English)                                                 |
| Margaret Carmichael | ... | University of Wales — Institute of Science and Technology (Pharmacy) |
| Margaret Chalk      | ... | Leeds (Geography)                                                    |
| Anne McPhie         | ... | Newcastle (Economics and Social Administration)                      |
| Elizabeth Mumford   | ... | Warwick (Law)                                                        |
| Caroline Pearson    | ... | Manchester (Medicine)                                                |
| Margaret Potts      | ... | Lancaster (History)                                                  |
| Celia Shrubbs       | ... | Leeds (Modern Languages)                                             |
| Sheena Yeomans      | ... | S. Andrew's (French)                                                 |

#### Entrances to Colleges of Education, Hospital Nursing Schools, Etc.

|                |     |                                |
|----------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| Roberta Bright | ... | Bretton Hall                   |
| Lois Grainger  | ... | Rachel MacMillan               |
| Julie Seldon   | ... | Homerton                       |
| Anne West      | ... | Lady Spencer Churchill, Oxford |
| Jane Cook      | ... | Royal Masonic Hospital         |
| Carol Wade     | ... | Camberley College              |

### KENNEDY SCHOLARSHIP

|      |                       |
|------|-----------------------|
| £100 | — Mary Clare Thompson |
| £50  | — Alison Cory         |
| £50  | — Patricia Smail      |

### SUCCESSES IN THE 11-PLUS EXAMINATION, 1968

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Lucy Boyle      | Barbara Hopkin-Evans |
| Hilary Buckley  | Patricia Smail       |
| Susan Cormie    | Fiona White          |
| Caroline Eccles | Jennifer Whitton     |
| Judith Fisher   | Karen Wilford        |

**GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION RESULTS**  
**ADVANCED LEVEL, 1967**

|                    |                                                                                 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J. Clarke .....    | English Literature, Geography, Art ("O" Level).                                 |
| S. Fletcher .....  | English Literature, Latin, French, German, Special Paper in English Literature. |
| J. Foster .....    | Geography.                                                                      |
| A. Hurlow .....    | French.                                                                         |
| G. Marker .....    | English Literature, History, Art.                                               |
| B. McGregor .....  | English Literature, Music, History.                                             |
| J. Pearson .....   | Physics, Biology.                                                               |
| S. Rowbottom ..... | Geography, Biology.                                                             |

**ORDINARY LEVEL, 1967-68 (3 Subjects and more)**

**Upper VA**

**10 Subjects**

|                       |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hannah Robinson ..... | English Language, English Literature, History, Art, Latin, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology. |
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**9 Subjects**

|                    |                                                                                                            |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| M. Daybell .....   | English Language, English Literature, Geography, History, Scripture, Latin, French, Mathematics, Biology.  |
| J. Ervine .....    | English Language, English Literature, History, Geography, Scripture, French, German, Mathematics, Biology. |
| F. Macdonald ..... | English Language, English Literature, History, Latin, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology.    |
| M. Williams .....  | English Language, English Literature, History, Scripture, Latin, French, German, Mathematics, Biology.     |

**8 Subjects**

|                     |                                                                                                |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J. Dickman .....    | English Language, English Literature, History, Geography, French, Latin, Mathematics, Biology. |
| A. Godfrey .....    | English Language, English Literature, Scripture, Music, Latin, French, Mathematics, Biology.   |
| S. Revill .....     | English Language, English Literature, History, Latin, French, German, Mathematics, Biology.    |
| P. Richardson ..... | English Language, English Literature, Latin, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology. |
| S. Wilson .....     | English Language, English Literature, History, Latin, French, German, Mathematics, Biology.    |

**7 Subjects**

|                    |                                                                                         |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| P. Davenport ..... | English Language, English Literature, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology. |
| G. Evans .....     | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Latin, French, Biology, Art.           |

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| H. Hepworth ..... | English Language, English Literature, Scripture, Latin, French, Mathematics, Biology. |
| M. Jones .....    | English Language, English Literature, History, Scripture, Latin, French, Biology.     |
| P. Moxon .....    | English Language, English Literature, History, Art, Scripture, French, Biology.       |
| A. Wells .....    | English Language, English Literature, Latin, Geography, French, Mathematics, Biology. |

#### 6 Subjects

|                   |                                                                             |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Barbour .....  | English Language, English Literature, Music, French, Mathematics, Biology.  |
| C. Brooks .....   | English Language, English Literature, History, Scripture, French, Biology.  |
| H. Robinson ..... | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Art, Mathematics, Biology. |
| J. White .....    | English Language, English Literature, Scripture, Geography, Art, Biology.   |

#### 5 Subjects

|                |                                                                |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| E. Bates ..... | English Language, English Literature, French, Latin, Biology.  |
| A. Milne ..... | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Art, Biology. |

#### 4 Subjects

|                  |                                                           |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| S. Baughan ..... | English Language, English Literature, Art, Biology.       |
| V. Burns .....   | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Biology. |

#### 3 Subjects

|                    |                                         |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| H. Colebrook ..... | English Literature, Geography, Biology. |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|

#### Upper VB

#### 7 Subjects

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|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S. Eltoft ..... | English Language, English Literature, Scripture, Biology, Domestic Science, History, Art. |
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#### 5 Subjects

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|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J. Salisbury ..... | English Language, English Literature, History, Scripture, Biology. |
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#### 4 Subjects

|                  |                                                           |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| L. Brooks .....  | English Literature, Scripture, Art, Biology.              |
| M. Buffett ..... | English Language, English Literature, History, Biology.   |
| J. King .....    | English Language, English Literature, Scripture, Biology. |
| M. Oliver .....  | Scripture, Domestic Science, English Literature, Biology. |

#### 3 Subjects

|                      |                                                |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| A. Bisbrown .....    | English Language, Domestic Science, Geography. |
| M. Heginbotham ..... | English Literature, History, Biology.          |
| V. Holmes .....      | History, Scripture, Biology.                   |
| A. Turner .....      | English Literature, History, Scripture.        |

# MUSIC, SPEECH AND DRAMA

## CERTIFICATES FOR MUSIC, SPEECH AND DRAMA

### GRADES IV TO VIA

#### GRADE VIA:

Speech and Drama ..... R. Bright (Merit)

#### GRADE VI:

Piano ..... J. Pearson (Merit)  
S. White (Merit)

#### GRADE V:

Speech and Drama ..... O. Rooke (Merit)  
Piano ..... A. Barbour (Distinction)  
S. White (Merit)

#### GRADE IVA:

Speech and Drama ..... L. Nicol (Special Honours)  
J. Cook (Merit)  
K. Hannant (Merit)

#### GRADE IV:

Speech and Drama ..... A. Piccaver (Special Honours)  
A. Orme (Special Honours)  
L. Nicol (Merit)  
J. Robinson (Merit)  
E. Bates (Merit)  
J. Swindells (Merit)  
L. White (Merit)  
Spoken English ..... R. Bright (Honours)  
O. Rooke (Merit)  
Piano ..... B. Grierson (Distinction)  
K. Hogg (Distinction)  
Clarinet ..... G. Vincent (Pass)  
S. Ibbotson (Pass)

### THEORY OF MUSIC

Ten girls gained Passes in all Grades I to VI.

## MATLOCK FESTIVAL

THIS year the usual large number of girls from school took part in this annual festival. Owing to the excellent teaching of Miss Watts and the keenness and hard work of all the entrants our girls were placed in many events and we are very proud of their success. The following list shows the extent and variety of their achievements:

#### PIANO

|                |                                 |     |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-----|
| Solo under 14: | Kathleen Hogg .....             | 2nd |
| Solo under 16: | Janet Moorhouse .....           | 1st |
| Duet under 14: | Dorothy Anson and Rachel Howard | 2nd |

## ELOCUTION

|           |                           |           |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Under 11: | Amanda Nork .....         | 3rd       |
| Under 13: | Fiona White .....         | 1st       |
|           | Mary Clare Thompson ..... | 2nd       |
| Under 14: | Joy Lavin .....           | 2nd       |
| Under 15: | Lesley Nicol .....        | 2nd       |
|           | Karen Little } .....      | Joint 3rd |
|           | Alison Orme } .....       |           |
| Under 16: | Lesley Nicol .....        | 1st       |
|           | Karen Little .....        | 2nd       |
|           | Evelyn Hanley .....       | 3rd       |
| Under 19: | Jacqueline Bennitt .....  | 1st       |
|           | Margaret Carmichael ..... | 3rd       |
| Open:     | Roberta Bright .....      | 1st       |

## PROSE READING

|           |                           |           |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Under 16: | Evelyn Hanley .....       | 1st       |
|           | Karen Little .....        | 2nd       |
|           | Lesley Nicol } .....      | Joint 3rd |
|           | Carolyn Ross } .....      |           |
| Open:     | Olivia Rooke .....        | 1st       |
|           | Jacqueline Bennitt .....  | 2nd       |
|           | Margaret Carmichael ..... | 3rd       |
|           | Margaret Carmichael ..... | 3rd       |

## SHAKESPEARE

## BIBLE READING

|           |                             |           |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Under 12: | Jane Marks .....            | 2nd       |
|           | Caroline Simmonds .....     | 3rd       |
| Under 16: | Angela Neal .....           | 1st       |
|           | (93, highest mark of day)   |           |
|           | Karen Little .....          | 2nd       |
|           | Alison Orme .....           | 3rd       |
| Under 19: | Katherine Hannant .....     | 2nd       |
|           | Olivia Rooke } .....        | Joint 3rd |
|           | Margaret Carmichael } ..... |           |
| Open:     | Olivia Rooke .....          | 3rd       |

## CHORAL SPEAKING

|    |               |     |
|----|---------------|-----|
| A: | L.III .....   | 1st |
| B: | Form II ..... | 2nd |

## GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL

**Mrs. Nork:** Original Nigerian coins, "Manillas."

**Mrs. Dorothy Fitch:** Novels of Stendhal for the Kennedy Library, translated from the French by her sister.

**Clare Cox:** Book for the Kennedy Library: "Larousse Encyclopaedia of Modern History."

**Ann Smith:** Book for the Kennedy Library: "Modern Physics."

**Mrs. Pearson:** Garden Seat for the terrace.

**Lois Grainger:** Five guineas for a book for History Section of the Kennedy Library.

**Carol Wade:** Book for the Kennedy Library: "Oceans."

**Canon Longbottom:** stone (circa 640 A.D.) from the site of the first Church of St. Elphin.

**Mrs. Bower:** Three volumes of Quennell: "History of Everyday Things in England."

**Celia Shrubbs:** Ten guineas for French and German books for Kennedy library.

## FOR THE CHAPEL

A hassock in a new design has been worked for the Chapel by Canon Williams.

# HOUSE REPORTS

## GRESFORD

|                        |                                                                                                            |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:        | Miss Edwards.                                                                                              |
| Vice-House Mistresses: | Mrs. Woolliscroft, Mrs. Marsden, Miss Shearer.                                                             |
| House Captain:         | Catherine Palfreyman.                                                                                      |
| Vice-House Captain:    | Sheena Yeomans.                                                                                            |
| Prefects:              | L. Grainger, P. Davenport, M. Daybell, J. Ervine, H. Hepworth, K. Parry Evans, P. Richardson, D. Robinson. |
| Sub-Prefects:          | M. Chalk, J. Ward, A. Ollerenshaw, S. Gow, J. Gutch.                                                       |

AT THE beginning of the year we welcomed eight new girls at the traditional new girls' party. Since then they have settled in well and have contributed much to the house. We also welcomed Eva Ng from Hong Kong at the beginning of the year and Elizabeth Bernheim from France in the Summer Term.

We have done very well in all sporting activities this year, thanks to the enthusiasm of all concerned. We won cups for the Senior Netball, Hockey, Rounders and the School Sports, and here we must mention Hilary Hepworth and Jane Pearson for their excellent performance in the Sports which enabled them to win the Senior and Middle Victrix Ludorum. We also gained second places in the dancing and swimming, and in the latter we owe much to the outstanding performances of the Fox twins who seem as much at home in water as on land!

Conduct and work, however, have not been neglected. We are proud that Mary Clare Thompson, a younger member of our house, won the Kennedy Scholarship. The individual House Courtesy Cup has been awarded to Judith Swindells (Autumn), Deborah Robinson (Spring) and Julia Batt (Summer).

In the Autumn and Spring Terms our efforts were directed towards raising money for the Bazaar and Lent Effort.

We wish all the best to those leaving, remembering especially Mrs. Marsden, who has been with us for several years. To those who remain we wish the best of luck in future years.

C. PALFREYMAN, S. YEOMANS.

## KENNEDY

|                      |                                                                                 |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:      | Miss Conway Davies.                                                             |
| Vice-House Mistress: | Miss Barnes.                                                                    |
| Matron:              | Miss Mills.                                                                     |
| House Captain:       | H. J. Bennett.                                                                  |
| Vice-House Captain:  | C. M. Shrubbs.                                                                  |
| Prefects:            | A. West, H. Robinson, A. Bisbrown, S. Eltoft, M. Williams, E. Bates, S. Revill. |
| Sub-Prefects:        | F. Bagnall, A. Murray, M. Strawson, P. Heath, L. Garside.                       |

AT THE beginning of the year we gave a party to welcome the new girls, eleven U.III.s and one L.IV. Susan Fletcher stayed on for one term in third year sixth and the house is very proud of her examination results. Kennedy continued its lively interest in drama, and not only were there a large number of girls from the house in the cast of "H.M.S. Pinafore," but we also were the joint winners of the House Drama Cup with a colourful and entertaining production of "Robin Hood." The house showed particular enthusiasm in raising money with an original stall for the Bazaar, general odd jobs and a successful entertainment, gaining £57 14s 6d, a record total for the Lent Fund.

Everyone also showed the usual keen interest in games and we were thrilled to win the Swimming Cup; we were also pleased to win the Dancing Cup, and the team was commended on the excellent formation devised by Pam Moxen. Another honour won by the house was the Conduct Cup for general good behaviour throughout the year.

Kennedy had the largest number of confirmation candidates this year: fourteen girls were confirmed. Another new, and welcome addition to the house is Simon Conway Davies, a golden cocker spaniel, who has proved invaluable in chasing away any unwelcome midnight intruders!

We wish the very best of luck to all the girls leaving, Jacky, Celia, Ann, Felicity, Pat, Mandy Gee and Hilary Buckley. We also congratulate Miss Barnes on her new post, and thank her for her enthusiastic help in all house activities.

MISS D. CONWAY DAVIES,  
H. J. BENNITT, C. M. SHRUBBS.

## MARGARET FLOOD

|                           |                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:           | Miss Lavender.                                                                                        |
| Assistant House Mistress: | Miss Reeves.                                                                                          |
| House Matron:             | Miss Beech and Miss Knight (Autumn),<br>Mrs. Barham (Spring and Summer).                              |
| House Captains:           | K. Hill (Autumn), H. Round (Spring), H.<br>Stoppard (Summer).                                         |
| Prefects:                 | J. Fisher, K. Hill, J. Pashley, C. Rose, H.<br>Round, C. Simmonds, H. Stoppard, C.<br>Ward, H. Watts. |

DURING this year we have been very pleased to welcome 23 new girls and one boy.

In Lower Third and Upper Third 10 girls were successful in the 11-plus; a high standard was again maintained, but we were not as lucky as in previous years.

In the Autumn Term, Her Grace, the Duchess of Devonshire, was installed as our Special Visitor. Two members of our House were chosen to be pages to the Duchess; also one girl had the privilege of presenting a bouquet.

We had a very successful Christmas Bazaar at which £25 was raised.

We also raised another £42 7s. in Lent. We didn't reach the highest total for House Lent efforts, but we did obtain a higher amount of money than in previous years.

This year we have been on several outings. Lower Third, on Ascension Day, went to the Treak Cliff Cavern, at Castleton. Miss Lavender took the boarders of the House to Monsal Dale, but unfortunately the weather was dismal. Despite the weather Lower Thirds bravely crossed the river and attacked the climb up the hill.

The Lower Thirds represented the school at Warrington Walks this year.

We, this year, have enjoyed Miss Robinson's and Mrs. Osmond's visits to Willowdene. We also thank Miss Robinson for so kindly giving us a cross, which we now treasure, and keep in the hall.

We are sorry to say goodbye to everyone who is leaving at the end of this term and has left during the past year, and send with them every good wish. Our special gratitude goes to Miss Dobson, who is also leaving us, after supporting all House matters so well, and we wish her all success in her future work.

We wish Miss Flood a happy 90th birthday on August 27th. We hope that the four (of this House) who go to her birthday celebrations on September 3rd, will enjoy themselves.

HELEN STOPPARD.  
JUDITH FISHER.

## PIGOT

|                      |                                              |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| House Mistresses:    | Miss Grant, Miss Smith.                      |
| Vice-House Mistress: | Miss Lord.                                   |
| House Captain:       | Margaret Potts.                              |
| Vice-House Captains: | Anne McPhie, Rosemary Crow.                  |
| Prefects:            | Catherine Panton, Angela Wells.              |
| Sub-Prefects:        | Melanie Pass, Dalene Potter, Pauline Storey. |

DURING the year we have welcomed several new girls and they have all helped greatly in house activities, down to the four feet four-and-a-quarter inches of our smallest, but most determined, member who wishes to remain anonymous!

Although we have not won many cups this year, we have gained several second and third places and, in view of our small numbers, we feel justly proud of these—not to mention the grazes and bruises also gained in house matches!

We were sorry to lose Miss Hanna on her appointment as Powys House Mistress, but in her place down at Pigot Cottage, we welcomed Miss Morris.

The Colonel Pigot Cup, for service to the house, has been presented only once this year—to Diana Hine.

Five of the house were confirmed this June.

We are very sorry to say goodbye to Miss Lord and would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her support in the last few years and—very important—her weekly “doling out” of pocket money! We are also sorry to say goodbye to Rowena, Anne, Rosemary and Margaret and wish them the best of luck in the future.

We should like to thank Miss Grant for all she has done for the house this year and we wish her and the house the best of luck for next year.

MISS E. GRANT, MARGARET POTTS.

## POWYS

|                      |                                                                                    |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:      | Miss Morris, Miss Hanna (Spring and Summer).                                       |
| Vice-House Mistress: | Miss James.                                                                        |
| House Captains:      | J. Cook, M. Davys.                                                                 |
| Vice-House Captain:  | E. Adams.                                                                          |
| Prefects:            | E. Mumford, J. Dickman, G. Evans, V. Holmes, M. Jones, R. Levick, A. Turner.       |
| Sub-Prefects:        | C. Childs, S. Davys, P. Fletcher, E. Harrison, A. Leek, R. Pledger, A. Somerville. |

AT THE beginning of the Autumn Term we were pleased to welcome eleven new girls: L. Barbour, J. Chamberlain, J. Dronsfield, J. Fricker, C. Lauder, A. Meredith, P. Thornton, J. Whitton and R. Williams in Upper III, and B. Adams and P. Burnett in Lower IV. Verity Holmes left school and we wish her good luck in her new job.

In the Spring Term, Miss Morris resigned as our Housemistress on becoming Head of the Scripture Department, and Miss Hanna came from Pigot to take her place. In the same term we welcomed Gillian Kerr and were sorry to lose Susan Rex.

After our failures in the inter-House hockey and netball matches our morale was boosted by our gains in the Drama Competition. Margaret Jones dramatised and produced with great verve and efficiency, scenes from “Alice in Wonderland,” with the result that we tied for first place with Kennedy. The suitably precocious performance of Bridget Mitchell as “Alice” earned her an individual cup.

We contributed £38 towards the Lent Fund, raising the money through Saturday Coffee Mornings and our Lent Effort. We were also very pleased to see the amount raised by individual hard work and sacrifice.

During the Summer Term we enjoyed an excursion to Sherwood Forest and the House Picnic at Belle Vue—in spite of the rain! The Upper V and Upper VI were very busy with public examinations for most of the term, but we are pleased to say that this did not mean an outbreak of lawlessness among the younger members of the House.

This year there has been a great improvement in the attitude of most girls in the House towards authority, although there are still those who have to learn that it is not “smart” to act thoughtlessly, earning order marks and punishments and caring little either for the trouble they cause or the detriment to the House.

We should like to take this chance to say how very sorry we shall be to lose Miss James, who has given us so much of her time. We wish her and all the other leaving girls—Jane, Maryjane, Elizabeth Adams, Elizabeth Mumford, Pauline, Alison Pacey, Alison Somerville, Elissa and Jill—all the very best of luck in the future.

MARYJANE DAVYS, JANE COOK, MISS HANNA.

## SELWYN

|                      |                                                                                              |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:      | Miss H. Thompson.                                                                            |
| Vice-House Mistress: | Miss K. Dunk.                                                                                |
| House Matron:        | Miss L. Horkans.                                                                             |
| House Captains:      | R. Bright.                                                                                   |
| Vice-House Captain:  | C. Wade.                                                                                     |
| Prefects:            | H. Colebrook.<br>C. Pearson, J. Robinson, K. Hannant, P.<br>Sidebottom, S. White, H. Denton. |
| Sub-Prefects:        | W. R. Bright, W. E. Bright, L. Harben, E.<br>Needler, B. Withers.                            |

THIS year has passed swiftly with many House activities taking place. We began by losing one of our best prefects, Caroline Pearson, as Head Girl to the school, although we were immensely pleased that Selwyn was thus honoured.

In the Autumn Term we had our annual welcoming party, at which eight new members were introduced. They settled down quickly and joined in all House activities with enthusiasm and admirable House spirit, as was readily seen in the preparation for the Dancing Competition. The vast number of practices needed to perfect the dancing, in addition to the school's production of “H.M.S. Pinafore” prevented any other House competitions from taking place.

Unfortunately the hockey and netball teams were not victorious this year; but not for lack of trying. We thank Claire Lambert and her team of L.V's for their excellent production of “Alice in Wonderland,” with special congratulations to Lesley Nicol for her performance as the Queen of Hearts, for which she was awarded the Individual Drama Cup.

During the weeks prior to the Christmas Bazaar and those throughout the Lent Term, the House was a hive of activity. Our valiant efforts were well rewarded in both events.

On Speech Day we were very proud of all the members of our House who received prizes and cups. We should like here to mention especially Pat Smail, who shared the Kennedy Scholarship with Alison Cory.

To round off this year we have had Tennis and Rounders matches, Sports Day and the inter-House Swimming Gala. Anne Needler is congratulated on winning the Junior Victrix Ludorum.

Finally, may we wish all those who are leaving, success and happiness in the future, at the same time encouraging those who are staying to remember the last verse of the House Song:

"Though many friends may leave us,  
We'll carry on the same  
And keep our Selwyn at the top,  
And our good name maintain."  
Good luck, Selwyn!

R. OMODELE BRIGHT.  
CAROL A. WADE.

## WILSON

|                      |                                                                                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| House Mistress:      | Miss Shimmin.                                                                     |
|                      | Miss Pantlin.                                                                     |
| Vice-House Mistress: | Miss Davy.                                                                        |
| House Matron:        | Mrs. Taylor.                                                                      |
| House Captains:      | Margaret Carmichael.                                                              |
|                      | Julie Seldon.                                                                     |
| Vice-House Captain:  | Catherine Adams.                                                                  |
| Prefects:            | Joanna White, Priscilla Selway, Vicky Gerard.                                     |
| Sub-Prefects:        | Joanne Cooper, Margaret Millership, Olivia Rooke, Eileen Perrens, Rosemary James. |

AT the end of last year Wilson House was extremely sorry to lose Miss Craig, who had been House Mistress for several years. Miss Shimmin took over her position in the House but, after a short stay, leaves at the end of this term. In her year of office she has been very helpful and her cheerful personality will be missed.

At the end of the Spring Term we said goodbye to Miss Pantlin, our Vice-House Mistress and school games mistress. We take this opportunity of thanking her for all the valuable help and encouragement she gave Wilson. In her place we welcomed Miss Davy, also games mistress.

We are very proud of our House games teams this year, as we have gained one first, four seconds and a fourth in the swimming. Jacelyn Coates and Rachel Woodhouse both gained Victrix Ludorum on Sports Day. Rachel broke the school long jump record and Vicky Gerard holds the school discus record. We had much enjoyment practising for the House Dancing Competition and also for the House drama, although we did not do too well in the actual events.

The House on the whole has worked extremely hard this year and their efforts have been rewarded by winning the Work Shield for the third time in succession. Alison Cory, a member of the Lower Fourth, shared one of the Kennedy Scholarships. Not only have our mental efforts been rewarded but also our physical efforts, when we were just pipped at the post by Kennedy, who raised one pound more than Wilson in the Lent Effort.

At the beginning of the Summer Term Miss Shimmin underwent an operation on her leg and during her absence Miss Robinson took over Wilson House. One Saturday she took the House on an enjoyable expedition to Blithfield Hall.

This year the Bishop of Derby confirmed eight of our girls at a service in the school Chapel. For this event Mrs. Taylor, our loyal House Matron, once again beautifully decorated our House room, arranging a posy of flowers for each candidate. Mrs. Taylor gives invaluable help in the House and we all appreciate the motherly individual attention she gives us.

At the end of this term we say goodbye to Priscilla Selway, Karen Robb, Mary Oliver, Olivia Rooke, Margaret Millership and Joanne Cooper. Wilson Upper Sixth who are also leaving, would like to take this opportunity of wishing Wilson House and all leavers the best of luck in the future.

J. SELDON.  
M. CARMICHAEL.  
C. ADAMS.

## CHAPEL NOTES

IN November, 1967, we introduced the Revised Order for Holy Communion, Series 2, and it was not long before we began to appreciate its simplicity. We have also used the revised Order for Confirmation, and I am certain that, in its new form, it is more meaningful to the candidates.

We held our Harvest Festival Services on Michaelmas Day, and once again the Chapel was transformed by the artistic talents of many willing helpers. As in previous years the goods were distributed to the aged and infirm of the district.

The Bishop of Lancaster paid his first visit to the School on Advent Sunday, when he preached at the Sung Eucharist. The Bishop is a Suffragan of our Chairman Bishop, and is also the Provost of the Northern Division of the Woodard Schools for Girls.

The Junior and Senior Carol Services were held in the last week of the Autumn Term, and the readers and choir deserve a special thanks for their very fine contributions.

In the Spring Term we welcomed our Chairman Bishop on February 7th when he preached at Evensong, and on Mothering Sunday the Bishop of Warrington celebrated the early Communion and preached at the Sung Eucharist. During Lent we had a short Service of Intercession each Friday before the "Self Denial Lunch." The record result of the Lent efforts is a sure sign that the girls are trying to live out their Faith by contributing to the needs of the world outside.

In the Summer Term we welcomed Canon Schofield on May 19th, and he was able to stay over for the Confirmation and act in his capacity as the Bishop's Chaplain.

On Sunday, June 23rd I joined a party of Sixth Formers under Miss Lord for a visit to Coventry Cathedral. We were welcomed at the Sung Eucharist and afterwards were shown round the Cathedral.

A party of Juniors under Miss Lavender took part in the Warrington Walks and in the Service at St. Elphin's Parish Church on June 28th. Canon Longbottom very kindly gave us, from his museum, one of the stones from the first Church on the site, circa 640 A.D., which would have been the church known to St. Elphin.

The Provost of Derby invited the choir to sing the Parish Eucharist in the Cathedral on July 7th, and I was invited to preach. A party of girls came to sit in the congregation to give us encouragement. The Provost celebrated Eucharist in the presence of the Diocesan Bishop and we appreciated the honour bestowed upon the School. The Provost and Mrs. Beddoes most generously entertained us to lunch after the Service.

Finally, may I thank Miss Morris, Miss Conway Davies and all the members of the Chapel Guild, Miss Thompson and the Choir for their high standard of Church music, Miss Smith and all the others who have contributed to the beauty and dignity of our acts of worship throughout the year.

May 20th—Confirmed by the Bishop of Blackburn: Bronte Adams, Amanda Bloore, Julie Burton, Valerie Clarke, Alison Cory, Sally Edeson, Sally Heath, Deborah Horne, Joy Lavin, Barbara Measures, Nicola Roe, Sheena Reid, Julia Rowland, Carolyn Ross, Nina Strawson, Judith Swindells, Judith Taylor, Mary Clare Thompson, Kathryn Vere, Shaun Walley, Lindsay White.

May 21st—Confirmed by the Bishop of Derby: Philippa Allen, Elizabeth Bailey, Ann Beswick, Linda Brown, Philippa Burnett, Julia Davenport, Nancy Ford, Joanna Fricker, Sarah Gelling, Diana Hine, Elizabeth Hancock, Rowena Johnson, Jane Oldfield, Helen Ramsay, Judith Smith, Sally Stanley, Catherine Sutton, Penelope Thornton, Rosemary Williams.

DAVID PRYTHERCH.

## SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT

THE atrocities of the War in Vietnam and their effect on the lives and welfare of innocent civilians have been very much in the minds of all of us this year. Through the diligent efforts of both girls and staff, a record total of £326 8s. was raised for the Lent Fund. It was unanimously agreed that £100 of this sum should be sent immediately to the Save the Children Fund to help with their Vietnam Project.

Nearer home, another £75 was sent to Derby All Saints' Sick and Needy Fund, £50 of which was used to help three old ladies about whom the Provost of Derby had kindly told us. One of the old ladies wrote in a letter of thanks: "How to say my sincere and grateful thanks I know not, but you will, I'm sure, understand from this letter how true it is that 'God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform'." In addition £25 was sent to the Church Army.

The produce contributed to the Harvest Festival was distributed among the old ladies who are visited by members of the Sixth Form, to the Whitworth Hospital and to three Old People's Homes.

On November 26th the Red Cross film "There's No Discouragement" was shown in school about the work of the Lord Mayor Treloar College for Severely Handicapped Boys, and proved most interesting and informative. We sent the collection from both the Carol Services to the Lord Mayor Treloar and Florence Treloar Schools.

Once again we invited the old ladies from Sydnop Hall and the Alms Houses to the Junior Carol Service and afterwards they were entertained by the Social Service Committee and the Upper Sixth to tea. Their visit was concluded with carols sung by the choir in the front hall. As they left, Helen Stoppard and Judith Fisher, the representatives from Margaret Flood House, handed them small gifts from the Christmas Tree.

In April some girls who live in this district helped the Rotary Club of Matlock with its Cheshire Homes "Give a Tin" scheme, which was a great success.

During the year the following girls have given great pleasure to the old ladies whom they visit each week: Elizabeth Bates, Mary Williams, Josephine Dickman, Margaret Jones, Joanna White, Ann Bisbrown, Katherine Hannant, Heather Colebrook, Rosemary Levick, Gillian Evans, Mary Daybell, Deborah Robinson, Pat Richardson, Hilary Hepworth and Julie Irvine.

Finally, most recently of all, we sent £50 to Biafra through the International Red Cross Society, after much discussion about which was the best organisation to use.

M. JONES, L.VI.

## MUSIC REPORT

"O MUSIC come and light my heart's dark places." So begins Schubert's "To Music." The last school year has certainly been musical and profitable to all music pupils and has enlightened others who are musically inclined. We have had several recitals in school and many have attended entertaining concerts at the City Hall in Sheffield.

The resolution to improve our playing of musical instruments was made after listening to Reginald Paul, Mitzi Lawton and Iris Loveridge recitals on the piano in the Stopford Hall. Reginald Paul was accompanied by John Williams on the oboe and it is hoped that music pupils will take up playing this instrument.

Our visits to the City Hall in Sheffield this year began on October 13th when we heard the B.B.C. Northern Symphony Orchestra. Concerts

at the City Hall have always been popular with St. Elphin's School, and the first was followed by several visits to listen to the Hallé Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the Prague State Orchestra and the Sheffield Philharmonic Orchestra, all of which were most enjoyable. The "Young Persons' Concert" was also much enjoyed.

Music produced by the vocal chords has been contributed by the choir. Besides boosting the singing in the school chapel, the choir has had the honour of helping to conduct Evensong at Baslow Church and Sung Eucharist at Derby Cathedral, followed by the most delicious meals. The R.S.C.M. Choir Festival was held at Repton College Chapel and our choir gained some valuable experience.

As usual there was a festival at Matlock this year and good results were obtained by all competitors.

We hope that Music and Elocution will continue to flourish at St. Elphin's and that pupils will become interested in other instruments besides the piano.

R. OMODELE BRIGHT.

## HOUSE DRAMA REPORT

THIS year the inter-House drama competition was held in the Spring Term, and it was decided that the middle school would act and the lower sixth produce, leaving the upper sixth and upper fifth free for their work. However, in some cases the upper sixth were called on to assist in the dramatisation of the novels. This was a new idea, very different from Shakespeare's plays, and a great variety of material was produced, ranging from "Robin Hood" to "Jane Eyre."

It was Gresford that did an extract from "Jane Eyre," but unfortunately this tended to lack movement and vitality, although they acquired the grim atmosphere of Lowood School. Wilson did a good dramatisation of "Helen of Troy", but an exciting battle scene proved to be rather too exciting and became confused, with heroes dying rather too quickly! In spite of this, Jacelyn Coates acted extremely well, and the adjudicator was pleased by the beautiful voice of the narrator, Karen Little.

In Selwyn's amusing performance of "Alice in Wonderland," Leslie Nicol won the second individual cup for her part as the Queen of Hearts, which was most entertaining. In contrast to this, Pigot produced part of the Dickens novel, "A Christmas Carol," the first half of which was excellent; Judith Smith was particularly good as Scrooge.

The two winning productions were "Robin Hood," by Kennedy, and Powys' performance of "Alice in Wonderland"; the adjudicator found it impossible to choose between these two. Kennedy introduced a novel idea in having a play within a play, and everybody in the House seemed to have a part; Susan Lodge was notably good as Little John. The stage was transformed into a greenwood with fir-tree branches, flying arrows, and gaily-dressed outlaws. Powys gave an equally entertaining performance and deserve special merit as their "Alice," excellently portrayed by Bridget Mitchell, won the individual cup. The scenery and costumes were well done, particularly the "Cheshire Cat," and the production captivated the whole audience.

We were very grateful to Miss Watts for her adjudication, and she herself was delighted by the high standard maintained by each House. She was also pleased to see that the talent of the younger ones, such as Ann Beswick and Charlotte Lauder, was brought out in these plays. Each play was well dramatised and well produced, and in fact, revealed a great deal of talent in all aspects of drama.

JACQUELINE BENNITT (U VI).

## 'H.M.S. PINAFORE'

"We sail the ocean blue,  
And our saucy ship's a beauty."

I AM sure those opening lines of the Gilbert and Sullivan opera which we performed in both the Michaelmas Term and the Lent Term will never be forgotten by any of the cast. (I hope some of them will remember much more than just the opening lines!) Girls and staff alike bent all their energies to giving five excellent performances which were produced in a most original way by Miss Robinson and were stage-managed by Miss Lord. Miss Hanna accompanied on the piano extremely well and as that was the only instrument, we could not possibly have done without her. Miss Thompson very kindly conducted the music.

The part of Josephine (the lass who loved the sailor) was played most charmingly by Margaret Carmichael and her acting was superb. Caroline Pearson played the part of Ralph (a common sailor who fell in love with a captain's daughter) and her contralto voice together with her good acting produced a very passionate young sailor convincingly in love with Josephine. The Captain of "H.M.S. Pinafore" was performed by Miss Shimmin, who played her part gallantly. Jacqueline Bennett was outstanding in her performance of Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B. She displayed the proper pomposity with a fine sense of humour necessary for such a part, and her facial expressions were a joy to behold.

Miss Conway Davies played her part as the timid echoic Hebe in a delightful manner and all the sisters, cousins and aunts of whom she was the leader, looked very pretty and were surprisingly dainty as they came "gaily tripping" and "lightly skipping" on to the stage. The "red, round and rosy" little Buttercup was played by Miss Morris, who sang in excellent voice and, although she is really a soprano, she suited the part very well. Valerie Clarke played the part of the boatswain with great gusto and succeeded in singing in a remarkably masculine-sounding voice. Doctor Scott, the only gentleman in the cast, played the part of Dick Dead-Eye, which I am very much afraid he will never live down, because, with a black patch over one eye and a red kerchief on his head, he looked very verminous. Finally, the "gallant crew" must be mentioned because they play a very vital part in "H.M.S. Pinafore." They were hale and hearty and heaved enthusiastically at the ropes in their white trousers, blue jackets and straw hats.

A great deal of time and trouble was taken over the production of this operetta and a special word of thanks is due to those of the art department who painted the very realistic scenery, and to the Bursar for planning the deck. We should also like to thank Pat Richardson, Pat Davenport and Mr. Rothwell for managing the lighting so successfully, and Miss Conway Davies for organising the hiring of the costumes, and finally those invaluable people back-stage who helped with the make-up, especially Miss James, Miss Shearer and Miss Barnes.

MARGARET JONES (LVI).

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION REPORT

|                       |                                      |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Games Staff:          | Miss Pantlin, Mrs. Fearn, Miss Davy. |
| School Games Captain: | Catherine Adams.                     |
| Vice-Captain:         | Carol Wade.                          |
| Games Secretary:      | Jacqueline Bennitt.                  |
| Hockey Captain:       | Hilary Hepworth.                     |

THIS year all aspects of our games have greatly improved and I think this can be attributed to combined enthusiasm of games staff and girls.

As the hockey season progressed so did the proficiency of our First and Second XIs, so that at the end of the season we beat the Convent 7—2, 7—0. The First and Second XIs made their annual visit to Wembley to watch the home team play a very young and energetic team from the Netherlands. England won, but only owing to a goal scored after a penalty bully in the first half; a draw would have given a truer estimate of the two teams. England, although experienced, lacked the vigour and vitality of the young Netherlands players.

Our tennis has also been of a high standard, and under the guidance of Mr. Lee, our new tennis coach, we have not lost a match to date. Mr. Lee is coach to the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire L.T.A., and coached before the Queen at Lea Green, on her recent visit to Derbyshire. Everyone looks forward to his Thursday visits. We have also been inspired by Miss Davy, from Bedford P.E. College, herself a county player; and again by a visit, or I should say a pilgrimage, to this year's Open Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon. We were sorry that Mrs. Fearn could not accompany us, as we had a most enjoyable day. Having bought a 7s. 6d. ticket enabling us to stand anywhere, we watched as if star-struck, the great seeds playing—Laver, Rosewall, Emerson, Okker, Maria Bueno, Billie Jean King, Ann Jones, Hoad and Davidson.

This summer we have had certain times at the Matlock Lido reserved exclusively for the use of the St. Elphin's swimmers, which has been most beneficial. From the South Peak Swimming Gala, in which six schools competed, we returned victorious with the Under-15 Team Award Shield, the Under-15 Medley Relay Cup, seven firsts, and having beaten the previous Over-15 Free Style Relay record by 4.4 seconds. We have also won the Inter-Schools Gala, beating Ernest Bailey and the Convent.

As usual, all inter-House sporting events have been fanatically practised for, resulting in some very hard competition. Gresford won the hockey, senior netball, rounders and school sports; Kennedy the dancing and the swimming, and Wilson the junior netball.

At the end of the Spring Term we said goodbye to Miss Pantlin, who had been ill since half-term. Her cheerfulness and efficiency are greatly missed and we hope she has now fully recovered and is enjoying her new post.

CATHERINE ADAMS.

## EXPEDITIONS

### THE WARRINGTON WALKS

ON Friday, June 28th, the lower third form represented the school at the Warrington Walks.

We were roused early by our matron, and with groans and yawns we got up and went down to breakfast. Several day girls, who were boarding overnight on Thursday, joined us later for the meal.

Then we patiently waited for the bus. When it arrived we waved good-bye to Miss Lavender and the Chaplain, who were travelling by car.

We had a good journey, and were delighted, when, going over a bridge we saw a steamer just going underneath.

When we finally arrived at Warrington, we were greeted by a friendly policeman, who directed us to other policemen awaiting our arrival. We then were held up by processions going to the town hall.

We got off the bus at the town hall just in time to join the procession behind the Girl Guides.

The walk began at ten o'clock. We processed in the highways and byways of Warrington, with people cheering and waving flags and balloons. Certain Sunday schools and institutions dropped out on the way.

When we arrived at the Parish Church of Warrington, dedicated to St. Elphin, Canon Longbottom led us into the church. The service went quite well, with occasional coos from a baby, sitting with its parents in the pew behind the ones in which we were sitting.

After the service the Canon went to get changed and then, when he returned, he asked us which part of the church we would like to see. We immediately all said: "May we go up the spire, please?" He gave his consent, but first we saw his collection of old bibles and stones, some dating from the Stone Age, which he called his museum.

We also went to have a look at the stained-glass window, on which was a picture of St. Elphin and all Christians, represented by a boy carrying three feathers. The Canon remarked that the boy, who had wings, would not have had them if he represented a human being. Then, in the vestry, he told us the story of St. Elphin. The old church had been standing in the place where he was standing. Elphin had died in a battle to save Warrington against a heathen king. He built the first church at Warrington and converted the village.

Then we went up the spire; at a landing place we stopped and people who did not want to ascend the spire stayed at that half-way resting place. Finally, when we reached the top there was a really good view of Warrington and the site of the old school, from several small windows.

After a very interesting discussion we climbed down the steps; the Canon thought he would count them. At the bottom the number was approximately 350; it is indeed a very tall spire. Canon Longbottom, most generously, and much to our surprise, gave us one of the original stones of St. Elphin's first church. It was most kind of him as there were only four in Warrington. It dates from 638 A.D., and is now in the school museum.

We then had to say good-bye to Canon Longbottom. He took us to the bus, and we clambered on and ate our lunch. A few of us lingered, talking to Canon Longbottom, and we cheered and gave our deepest thanks for his hospitality.

We had a very pleasant journey back to school, stopping at "The Cat and Fiddle" to stretch our legs and play, as there was time to spare.

When we got back to school we all changed, and two of our form went to thank Miss Robinson for the privilege of allowing our form to go to the Warrington Walks.

I'm sure we all enjoyed ourselves and hope to go again in the near future.

HELEN STOPPARD (House Captain),  
JUDITH FISHER (Vice-House Captain).

## A VISIT TO THE HOUSE OF LORDS

ON Wednesday, July 10th, by invitation of the Bishop of Blackburn, a party of the Upper Sixth, accompanied by Miss Robinson, visited the House of Lords.

We were up at 6 a.m., and, after a quick breakfast, left school by bus at 7.15 a.m. We went as far as Derby, and there caught a train to London, arriving at about 10 a.m. We made our way from St. Pancras by Tube to Westminster and waited at the gates by the House of Lords for the Bishop and our guide; we did not have to wait long. Very soon, we found ourselves being expertly shown round the beautiful old Palace of Westminster.

Entering by the Norman Porch, we ascended the Royal Staircase and saw busts of Lords who had been Prime Ministers, the most notable of whom was the Duke of Wellington. From here we passed into the Royal Robing Room, where the Queen is robed for the State Opening of Parliament. We then went into the Royal Gallery, admiring the many beautiful paintings of the Kings and Queens since the time of George I. There were also two very large and valuable paintings of the death of Nelson and the Battle of Waterloo. We next saw the actual Chamber of the Lords, and we were brought back to reality by seeing Jeremy Thorpe and Sir Gerald Nabarro taking other parties round. The Chamber was very elaborate, with large red seats, the traditional Woolsack and the Throne. From here, we passed through the Commons "Nay" lobby into the Chamber of Commons. This was far less opulent than the Lords, it being upholstered in green, rather than red, but among other interesting things, we were shown Sir Winston Churchill's seat.

After we had bought souvenir books and postcards, we were shown Westminster Hall, steeped in history. Here Sir Thomas More, Guy Fawkes, Lord Strafford and King Charles I were sentenced to death, and here also the coffin of Sir Winston Churchill had been placed in state. We then said goodbye to our guide, and went for lunch.

We picnicked in Victoria Park during a short spell of fine weather, and then had a quick look round Westminster Abbey. There was not enough time to look properly, but we managed to glance at Poets' Corner and to hear the choir sing.

At 2.30 p.m. we assembled in the waiting-lobby of the Lords to be called to our seats for the afternoon's debate, and Mrs. Osmond, one of our governors, joined us. At length, "the Bishop of Blackburn's party" was called, and we took our seats in the Strangers' Gallery. The debate was on the urgent need for more and better residential care in homes and hostels. The Bishop spoke on whether old people were receiving the care and attention they should be afforded by their families. We later learned that it was his maiden speech, and we offer him our sincerest congratulations.

The Bishop invited us for tea in the Peers' Dining Hall, and we fared sumptuously on sandwiches, cake and strawberries and cream. We later found that it was raining; so, feeling very much like Guy Fawkes, we went along the inner passages that led to the Tube station. As it was rush hour, we had to battle our way onto the train, but we eventually all met again at St. Pancras, Mrs. Osmond having taken four of us in her car.

We arrived back in Derby at about 9 p.m. and went by bus back to school, where Miss Parkinson was waiting with tea and biscuits.

It had been a most enjoyable time, and a day which, I am sure, none of us will forget.

ELIZABETH MUMFORD (U VI).

**GEOGRAPHICAL FIELD COURSE TO NEWQUAY, CORNWALL,  
MARCH 26th—APRIL 2nd, 1968**

**Tuesday, March 26th:**

We left school at 7 a.m. on the last day of term, after a hasty breakfast. En route we spent some time in the ancient city of Bath, visiting the renowned Roman Baths and Bath Abbey, where many of us signed the visitors' book. We arrived safely in Newquay at 7.30 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 27th:**

The morning was spent at the Blackpool China Clay Works near St. Austell, where our typically Cornish guide listened patiently to our many questions and showed great knowledge of the industry.

Coated in white dust, we proceeded to St. Michael's Mount, and having crossed the weather-beaten causeway we found that we could not visit the monastery itself as it was "half-day closing."

Much to the amazement of the local fishermen—one of whom confided in us that he had never been in the water—three stalwarts from our party swam across Mevagissey Harbour later that afternoon. The rest of us sunbathed and munched rock (not the geological type).

**Thursday, March 28th:**

The morning was spent visiting Penzance, Truro and Land's End. In the afternoon we were shown round the Geevor Tin Mine, one of the few working mines in Cornwall. Everyone was extremely helpful in showing us the fascinating machinery which produces so many tons of tin ore.

**Friday, March 29th:**

We began the day with an early morning swim on Fistral Beach, used for surfing by the local Air Force teams. Then followed an exhausting expedition over 14 miles of the rugged Newquay coast. Armed with many packets of Elastoplast, we set off on this trek and took copious notes on the evidence of marine erosion.

**Saturday, March 30th:**

In the morning we visited many of the important tourist resorts of Cornwall. We later travelled to Portreath and staggered along the mile-long sandbar which dams back the River Looe to form a beautiful blue lagoon—the Looe.

That evening we all went to the cinema at St. Agnes while Mr. and Mrs. Woolliscroft celebrated their wedding anniversary and took a well-earned rest.

**Sunday, March 31st:**

After a free morning in Newquay, we travelled to the southernmost point of England, Lizard Point. Owing to the fog we suffered great disappointment in being unable to sight that venerable patron of the Scilly Isles on his holiday there.

Stumbling down a lane to Kynance Cove, the entire party posed precariously on a rock for a photograph. We later viewed Cornwall's answer to Jodrell Bank on Goonhilly Downs, arriving back at base by 9 p.m.

**Monday, April 1st:**

Awakened rudely at 6 a.m. by some April Fooler ringing the breakfast gong, we caught up with our sleep to prepare for another trek—this time around the East side of Newquay. In the evening chaos reigned as we all attempted to gather our belongings together for the trip home the following day.

**Tuesday, April 2nd:**

Clutching our clotted cream and waving goodbye to our kind Cornish friends, we climbed into the familiar silver and blue coach and drove homewards. Already the good weather had broken and by the time we reached Exeter it was snowing; fortunately this did not continue during the whole trip back to school.

We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Woolliscroft, Mrs. Johnson and all the other members of staff who made this trip such a pleasant working holiday for us all.

D. ROBINSON (Lower Sixth) J. ERVINE (Lower Sixth).

## OUR VISIT TO THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT—OR 13 IS A LUCKY NUMBER

HAVING got up at the crack of dawn we, in a semi-conscious state, hastily downed our breakfast and left the school at 7.30 a.m. A couple of hours later we stopped at a cafe on the M.1 for light refreshments and then pressed on towards London. At noon we met Mr. Scott-Hopkins (M.P. for West Derbyshire), who was waiting for us at the Norman Porch and, after being introduced, we began our tour.

We passed through many fascinating rooms, the Robing Chamber and the Royal Gallery, to name but two. Eventually we reached the House of Lords, where many other parties had gathered; but Mr. Scott Hopkins had priority and they all stepped back to let us through to the Central Lobby. Nevertheless, the booming tones of Gerald Nabarro, who was conducting his own party, could be heard well above everyone else, entirely unimpeded by the world-famous facial adornment.

We then entered the House of Commons where our excitement rose as various familiar faces were pointed out to us by our host, among whom were Alec Douglas-Home, Selwyn Lloyd and Quintin Hogg. Although reluctant to leave this famous chamber, we passed quickly through St. Stephen's Chapel, and were taken into Westminster Hall, where many of our great heroes, the latest of whom was Winston Churchill, had lain in state. Time was getting the better of us and so we were only able to catch a brief glimpse of the crypt and baptistry.

We had a memorable luncheon in one of the four small private dining rooms of the Palace of Westminster. The continuous refilling of our wine-glasses caused Mrs. Johnson some anxiety despite Mr. Scott Hopkins' frequent assurances that it was "quite innocuous." However, when we came to climb the 492 steps up to "Big Ben," after having watched the Speaker's Procession, some of us had a little difficulty. At 3 p.m. we found ourselves within inches of the bells, whose chimes resound throughout London and we were thankful that it was only 3 p.m. and not noon.

Having safely reached ground level again, a little worse for wear, we made our way back to the Central Lobby, where Mr. Scott-Hopkins and his charming secretary were awaiting us. Two of the party now had the wonderful experience of taking a seat in the galleries of the House of Commons during a furious debate on Biafra. They were surprised to see Harold Wilson reclining in his seat with his feet on the table and appearing to be far more interested in the visitors than in the debate. Unfortunately, they were only able to see the Government benches and so although they heard Alec Douglas-Home questioning Mr. Thompson, they had to be content with a view of Jennie Lee, Barbara Castle and other Government Ministers.

Meanwhile, the rest of the party had taken seats in the House of Lords to hear discussions on the Transport Bill. Five minutes was enough! The hours had flown by and so we had to bid our host farewell and make our way to Wimbledon, where we met the tennis team before retracing our steps to Darley Dale after an unforgettable day.

It was certainly a chance in a lifetime and we should like to thank Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Woolliscroft for taking us; and last, but by no means least, Mr. Scott Hopkins for being such a wonderful host and making the day so enjoyable for us all.

MARY WILLIAMS  
JOSEPHINE DICKMAN.

### VISIT TO LONDON by the "Four Scientists"

WE arose at the unfashionable hour of 6.45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 23rd, to meet Dr. and Mrs. Scott in the school van, which conveyed us to Matlock station. At Derby we met Ann Smith, who accompanied us to London, where our charming and self-sacrificing hostess, Mrs. Osmond, was waiting at St. Pancras to pick up our luggage and despatch us to Whitehall. Our hopes of entering the Lords and the Commons were speedily dashed by an exceptionally suave though immovable policeman. However, to make up for this disappointment, we made a swift tour of an exhibition of French Impressionist Paintings on show at the Royal Academy.

At the Science Museum, our path had already been prepared by our hostess, and we passed from section to section, escorted by the appropriate wise man on each subject and saw many things (such as a lens of varying focal length) not usually exhibited to the general public. We then had tea with our wise men, who revealed more fascinating secrets with every word. Having half an hour to spare, we entered that sanctuary of exclusive fashion, Fortnum and Mason's, and were suitably overawed by the price-tags.

We also saw Bond Street, before arriving at the Royal Academy just in time for a lecture by Professor King on Wave Motion. Once again our way was prepared and we sat in reserved seats in the best possible position. Unfortunately, Professor Bragg, who was to have lectured, was ill, and though we were disappointed at missing the Great Man, Professor King delivered an extremely witty and enlightening lecture. Mrs. Osmond drove us from the Academy to her home, where we speedily devoured a delicious supper and retired to bed.

The following morning, after breakfast, we made a dash to catch the train to Victoria, on our second visit to the Science Museum in an attempt to absorb a little more of what we had heard the day before, this bringing joy to our wise men, who apparently meet with little interest from the general public. We had lunch at the Victoria and Albert, to the accompaniment of pithy comments on our boaters from the art students. We escaped into the more rarefied atmosphere of the Natural Science Museum which we toured in about half an hour, as time was now short. But we felt compelled to visit Carnaby Street, down which we progressed in an orderly manner to "Give Me The Moonlight . . ." and various remarks on our "groovy" clothes. Reluctantly we dashed to St. Pancras to catch the train back, and we arrived in school, not in the least tired and vigorously asserting that two days was not long enough to do justice to London and Mrs. Osmond's cooking.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank our knowledgeable and understanding escorts, Dr. and Mrs. Scott, also Will for driving us to the station, the kitchen staff, particularly Miss Parkinson, for providing breakfast at grim hours, and, of course, our hostess, if her eye should light upon this inadequate report.

PATRICIA RICHARDSON.

## ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

### PYLONS

SWEEPING hill, twisting lane  
Stone cottage, rolling plain—  
A jigsaw of patterns.  
Unsolvable maze.  
Black dot on green hill,  
sheep in the fold.  
Wide twisting river,  
Coil of blue silk.  
Sowing of seeds,  
Time of the harvest.  
All this and more  
The country once was.  
But man has deformed  
this first place and shape.

Towering giant, steel colossus,  
Lonely spectre, ghost of a dream.  
Concrete feet, wireless head  
Hideous pylon, monster of dread,  
You, with the cows  
Like flies at your feet,  
Rise up from their land  
Their pasture, their feed.  
The land that they love,  
Their land by that right.  
Monster of steel, thing from the future  
You have not that right  
You have not that order  
To plant your four feet  
In the land of their father,  
The green land, the quiet land,  
The land of their right.

### AUTUMN LEAVES

THEY lie beneath the towering trees,  
Chattering and whispering to their  
Younger friends, who would not deign to give reply  
For the power of speech is not yet theirs.

With every movement of the wind  
They are driven . . . far from the shelter of their mother.  
A sigh is uttered. A tender, whispered farewell  
Made with one voice upon the breeze.

In the blazing sun they gather new strength  
And when the careless feet of man  
Cause them to speak, it is with  
Many tones that they rebuke him.  
Some cry in anger, many in pain.

The young bear pain in obsequious silence  
But gone are those carefree days  
Days in which they clung to their mother  
Haughtily surveying the world of man.  
Time changes so many things.  
Even the green leaves of spring have not been spared.

R. OMODELE BRIGHT.



Alison Cory L IV

## REACTION

SAID an atom to a molecule  
When whizzing through a space  
"Will you come and interact with me,  
I cannot stand this pace.  
For the pressure is too heavy  
And the temperature too great  
And I rather like your structure  
and your luminescent shape."

Together they exploded  
In a cloud of gamma rays  
As their orbits intermingled  
in an achromatic daze;  
And they shared electrons sweetly  
In ionic valency  
And wandered indiscreetly  
Now as stable NH<sub>3</sub>.

HANNAH ROBINSON.

## TOOTHACHE

THE day has dawned at last, but I  
Would rather stay in bed;  
I've tossed and turned the whole night long,  
My cheek is puffed and red.

You may have guessed that I feel grim,  
One great big ache and so—  
This morning, prompt at half past nine,  
To the dentist I must go.

Afraid—who me?—no, no—I'm quite  
the bravest one you'll find;  
That is . . . I am . . . until a ghastly thought  
Flits through my mind.

Just thinking makes me catch my breath;  
In fact, I do feel ill!  
Oh! once again I have to face  
The Dental Surgeon's drill.

He's quite the nicest dentist  
(If dentists can be nice!)  
But when he seats me in that chair  
My heart just turns to ice.

"I'll never, ever come again,"  
I always want to shout,  
"In fact, do me a favour PLEASE,  
And take the whole lot out!"

A PARENT.

## FEVER

Black—

Black streaked with purple, brighter  
Flash, exhilaration, tears.  
Fighting, twisting, running, writhing.

No!

Out, out! Freedom, wide space,  
Struggling, lashing, biting, torn,  
Seething, milling, crowded out.

Stop!

Blinding loudness, piercing light,  
Red, blue, gold, dark magenta  
Swirls, whirls, curls: boys—yes, and girls

Fall.

Downwards, deep into chasms,  
Clutch, claw, scratch, raw nails scraping,  
Sinking, drowning, gulping—wake

Up!

Consciousness creeping over—  
Red eyes streaming, crying till  
Recognition eases.

—Peace.

MARGARET CARMICHAEL.

## ESCAPE!

Escape!

The only thought that filled his mind  
The day dragged on unbearably.  
He'd planned and schemed, he knew the ropes,  
He'd been inside before.

Escape!

Was the shout as he crossed the yard  
The jailor lying dead behind him.  
The searchlight found him, shots rang out,  
"I must get out!" he thought.

Escape!

The whole place was in an uproar.  
There he is! Shoot! Grab him!  
He knew he was trapped, he always was;  
He could never escape! Not he.

SALLY HORNE, L.V.

## LORDA ET WASPI

Interdum, waspus intrat,  
Lorda waspos non amat  
Et Lorda clamat.

Lorda waspos non amat  
Et circum conclave ambulat.  
Waspus Lordam followat.

JOANNA HOWARD, U.IVA.

## MY DONKEY

I have a little donkey,  
Such a pretty little thing,  
It has big brown eyes,  
And a cheeky little grin.

Its favourite meal is apples,  
Its second best is gin,  
Perhaps that may account for  
Its cheeky little grin.

JILL CHAMBERLAIN, U.III.

## GIBRALTAR

GIBRALTAR is a British fortress, situated at the southernmost tip of Spain. For many centuries this great rock has been known as "The gateway to the Mediterranean," and for this reason it has been captured and occupied by many different nations during its history; all have left an impression on the culture and national character of the inhabitants. Today the rock is a British possession and the Gibraltarians speak their native Spanish and also English.

Gibraltar is steeped in history and everywhere one sees old barracks and batteries dating back to the Great Siege of Gibraltar in the 18th century. Many basements, formerly used for shelters during the Spanish Bombardment, are now nightclubs and the barracks serve as accommodation for the ever-increasing population.

A special feature of the rock is the pack of Barbary apes which have their den half way up the rock. Legend has it that these apes came from Africa through a tunnel under the sea bed, though of course this tunnel has never been located. There is a saying that as long as the apes remain on the rock, so will the British, but that, as soon as the apes die out, the British will have to leave the rock. Consequently, when the number of apes decreases, more are brought over from Africa to swell the ranks.

The apes are looked after by the Army and are registered on Army rations. When an ape disappears for more than a few weeks he is struck off the register and a solemn note appears on the front page of "The Gibraltar Chronicle"—"Fred, the Ape, has been missing for two weeks and must now be presumed dead."

The pack has an average of 30 apes and during the winter, when there are no titbits from tourists for them, they descend to the outskirts of the town and have been known to break into houses and raid larders. They are not, however, hostile. They will eat anything they are given and in return they pose for photographs.

A phenomenon peculiar to the rock is the "Levanter." This is a strange cloud which hooks itself on to the top of the rock, causing a heavy humidity, and aches in the bones of our old maid, Maria.

The main shopping centre in Gibraltar is a busy thoroughfare called Main Street. Shops selling all kinds of tax-free goods are crowded together and there are many cafes, restaurants, bars and supermarkets, so mixing the old with the new. Entertainment is afforded by shark-fishing, water-ski-ing and swimming in the Mediterranean, and on land by the cable-car to the very top of the rock, sightseeing, dancing, cinemas, clubs and boutiques. It is hard to believe that on so small a rock, there is so much to see and to do.

KATIE PARRY EVANS, L.VI.

## BERMUDA

THIS ISLAND is situated about 900 miles to the south-east of New York, north of the Tropic of Cancer. It is made of coral which started growing on an extinct volcano, now believed to lie under the Great Sound. The island covers about twenty-two square miles, having no part more than two miles wide. The temperature in winter is usually in the 60°F. region and doesn't often fall below 56°F.; in the hottest parts of the summer the temperature is about 85°F. and at Christmas time about 64°F. Rain falls most of the year, but often in summer it can be very dry with long rainless spells.

Driving along the roads, one would find them narrow, winding and with many hairpin bends; there is a speed limit of 25 m.p.h.!

The houses along such roads are often bungalows, made of Bermuda stone, having white roofs and shutters, and are painted in pastel colours, especially Bermuda pink.

The gardens of the houses are usually fairly plain with a few flowers and trees and a fair amount of lawn. Some flowers commonly seen growing are different colours of hibiscus and oleander, poinsettia and panciana. Citrus, banana and avocado trees provide shade in the summer as well as delicious fruit. Cedars are slowly coming back after being almost completely wiped out some years ago. The dead cedars are cut down in winter and are used for wood for fires.

At Easter, Easter lilies can be seen in fields. They are very beautiful and are used mainly on the floats which form part of the parade at the end of April and to decorate the churches on Easter Sunday.

Hamilton, the capital, is situated in the central part of the island. It has many shops and the harbour lies alongside the main street. Both sterling and dollars are in use as currency.

From Hamilton, cruises can be taken to the reef in glass bottomed boats, to St. George's and to other parts of the island. Ferries can be caught to and from Somerset at the other end of the island and also to places around the harbour, such as Paget. Taxis, buses and bicycles can also be used for sightseeing on the island.

There are many places of interest to visit: the Aquarium with its sea horses, its museum, flamingoes and birds; Devil's Hole where one can fish for turtles; St. George's, the old historical town where Sir George Somers first landed in 1609; Flat's village, and Somerset with its lovely beaches; there are many other beaches, calm or with surf, cove, inlet or island. Shells, corals or sea-fans can be picked up from some of the beaches. Skiing is also enjoyed and displays can be seen. There is also a form of golf played.

Food here is mainly what would be expected in hot countries—a wide variety of salads, fruits and ice cream. Fish and lobsters are caught in the surrounding waters and special dishes such as cassava pie at Christmas and banana bread are served.

In the evening one can go to the cinema, to shows at the hotels such as those of the limbo dancers and calypso singers, or spend the time in the quiet outside looking at the sunset. This is very relaxing at the end of a hard day's work.

SUSAN MEASURES, LV.

## GOING HOME

SO this is Rome.  
The airport building, busy and alive.  
Quick chatter—not a word I understand.  
I am just feeling lost—but saved  
by a dull voice announcing in the  
departure lounge:—"All passengers  
for flight BA-2 for Karachi."  
Is that mine? Yes! Quickly, this way!  
Join in the throng of people at the gate,  
and out, out once more,  
into the broiling sun.

And now it is all over;  
Here we are, circling above the  
mystic eastern city of Karachi.  
The flat buildings far below are  
covered with the shadow of  
a bird—the plane,  
swooping down like an eagle  
onto prey. Nearer and nearer  
comes the grey stretch of runway  
and again the screaming of the tyres.  
We taxi to a standstill.  
Home at last.

MELANIE PASS, U V.

## A PARADOX

### THE HOPE OF DESPAIR

DOWN the night of Hope's confusion rode Despair;  
She did not feel his presence till he passed;  
He turned aside and on the air this word he spoke:

"If hope is lost, let hope be gone,  
Let all thy hope lie in despair;  
So shall hope not be thy mock.

If love betray, of love despair,  
Let all thy hope lie in thy pain;  
So shall love not be thy hurt.

When life is done, cling not to breath,  
Let all thy hope lie in thy death;  
So shall life not be thy shroud.

If thou lose heaven, embrace thy hell,  
Let all thy hope lie in its wreck;  
So from heaven be not outcast.

When all is lost, count all thy gain,  
Let all thy hope be but thy loss;  
So shalt thyself be whole again."



Bronte Adams L IV



Frances Pacey L IV

## THE WORKHOUSE FUNERAL

The muffled sound of hobnailed boots  
On shining cobbles.  
The early morning mist wreathed the town;  
No open doors.  
Higher up the street tramping was heard.  
Four men carried the pauper's coffin,  
Faces fixed with a look which you could buy for 2/-  
They made their way to the graveyard.  
Parson Johns performed the dreary, bleak service  
In a hurry as if to be over soon.  
Old Tompkins shook his grey head;  
Many a funeral he had seen like this.  
Earth to earth, ashes to ashes,  
And dust to dust.  
They committed his soul to God.  
One less mouth to feed at the workhouse,  
What did they care?

ALISON BATES, U III.

## THE QUEEN IS PASSING THE SCHOOL TODAY

THE Queen is passing the school today;  
We'll all be dressed in blue and grey,  
The rainy clouds will roll away,  
As she passes on her way.

The cavalcade with pace so slow,  
Its royal passenger to show,  
With an inborn pride will make us glow  
As she passes on her way.

We'll line the route she rides along,  
And cheer her with our voices strong,  
The noise will linger loud and long,  
As she passes on her way.

And when the car has passed away,  
The memory will shine and stay—  
A vivid picture for ever and aye,  
As she passed along our way.

ELIZABETH E. MUMFORD.

## OLD GIRLS' SECTION

### LETTER FROM THE HEAD MISTRESS

MY DEAR OLD GIRLS,

Congratulations to Miss Flood! I have recently attended the birthday luncheon in her honour in Exmouth. Our Chairman, the Bishop of Blackburn, presided and thirty of Miss Flood's Old Girls assembled to do her honour. It really was a joyful occasion and we all enjoyed it thoroughly. The greatest pleasure was to see Miss Flood's deep happiness and her pride in her Old Girls. What an example she is to us all of devotion, steadfastness and loyalty. We wish her many years of comfort and happiness.

The new gymnasium is all ready for our use and I cannot describe how truly magnificent it is, with its modern equipment, its two badminton courts and netball court, its showers, drying room and changing rooms. The debt which this school owes to the Friends of St. Elphin's is great: over the last ten years they have enriched the school with a new hall, a gymnasium, a chaplain's house (this was the generous gift of one Friend and benefactor), hard tennis courts and other amenities. The society exists "to help the governors in any way" to improve the school and this they have achieved in full measure.

The official opening of the gymnasium by The Duchess of Devonshire, our Visitor, is to be on October 5th at 11.45 a.m. I hope that as many of you as possible will come. I shall try to express on your behalf and on behalf of the school, our gratitude to the Friends.

We welcome Dorritt Knight as our new Guild Secretary. She has taken over from Dorothy Maye and we wish her success in the coming year. We thank Dorothy most warmly for her work for the Guild over many years.

Please respond very quickly to the appeal to bring a new Register into existence as soon as possible.

The biennial reunion will be held at school next year: please put these dates into your diaries and come in large numbers: July 12th-14th, and see all there is to see.

My good wishes to you all,

Yours affectionately,

P. M. ROBINSON.

## MISS FLOOD'S LETTER

Pencarwick Hotel,  
Exmouth, S. Devon.

September 1968.

MY DEAR "OLD GIRLS,"

The "Old Girls' Guild" which I founded in 1911 has the Headmistress, Miss Robinson, as its President, and includes former members of Staff. To all of you I am writing to say thank you for my wonderful 90th birthday celebration.

Thank you all ab imo pectore. "Thank you" are two small words, but they contain a wealth of meaning, which I cannot find words adequate to express. I should like to write to you all individually, but I am not quite equal to doing this so I hope you will accept individually what I write to you collectively.

First I thank those who contributed so generously to the production of my little book "Psalmody and the Eucharist" by paying the cost of its printing. This contribution was for the production of 200 copies. Dorothy Maye (née Bache) found the Exeter printing firm who undertook this private production and Miss Thouless did all the proof-reading.

The Bishop of Blackburn, our Chairman of Governors, wrote the foreword. I understand it will be in production very shortly. It will be on sale at the school through Miss Lavender and by post from Stella Allen, our South-West Branch Secretary. The cost is 7s 6d post free. Her address is: The Roof-Tree, Somerton, Somerset. It will also be on sale locally, mention being made of it in the parish magazines.

As if this generous gift was not more than an adequate present, and much more than I deserve, Sybil Osmond (née Wells) arranged a most happy and delightful luncheon party for me here in the Pencarwick Hotel, during which she presented me with another most generous gift, a cheque for £100, later increased by another cheque for £5 15s 6d, on behalf of you Old Girls. The contributors to this included members of staff and also members of the Guild who were not actually in the school in my day. Besides these gifts I had a bouquet, letters, cards and greetings telegrams including one from Miss Stopford from whom also I received a personal gift. The letters from my Old Girls were very heart-warming. The luncheon party was honoured by the presence of the Bishop of Blackburn and Mrs. Claxton. The Bishop presented me with a cheque for £25 on behalf of the Governors, which I consider a wonderful tribute from those who, except for the Bishop, have not known me personally.

The Bishop obviously takes a great interest in the school, which is growing from strength to strength under his chairmanship. The Governors were also represented by Sybil who is now one of them, representing the Old Girls, and I understand she is very helpful. Sybil is one of the many Old Girls of mine of whom I am justly proud. Miss Thouless represented the past and Miss Lavender the present, members of staff present at the luncheon who have both given fine service to the school. I owe much to a fine staff, who also have done good service to the school and to their country in various ways.

With these generous gifts I shall be able to indulge myself in various delightful ways, such as some drives in the lovely country round Exmouth and in such necessary practical ways as taxis which I always need for church on Sundays, and which on the advice of my doctor I have to use more frequently for the hill up from the town, and in many little expenses which are incurred by a very Old Girl.

To my thanks for all these tokens of affection I must add a special thanks to Miss Robinson, our vigorous Headmistress, present at the

luncheon party, who regards the O.G.G. as an integral part of the school. Miss Robinson made herself responsible for the circulation work necessary in connection with my book, the testimonial cheque and the luncheon party, and also in connection with the financial arrangements. I also owe her a deep debt of gratitude for her friendship and for keeping me up to date in all the developments of the school in its modernisation. It was a happy thought to have invited members of Margaret Flood House to come to the luncheon party. I received a beautiful cut-glass vase from Miss Lavender and the House, in which I arranged some of the lovely carnations they gave me. Kathleen Hill made a most charming little speech. I also received individual presents, letters and cards from some of the members of M.F.H.

I must not omit my thanks to the hotel proprietors and the staff of Pencarwick for their always pleasant service, their birthday gifts and in particular for the arrangements of the luncheon party.

My heartfelt thanks to you all and my love.

Yours affectionately,

MARGARET L. FLOOD.

## MISS STOPFORD'S LETTER

My Dear Old Girls,

Greetings to you all. As many of you who live in the neighbourhood will know, the School is flourishing and its buildings, which are really imposing, are still being extended.

Miss L. Thompson, who is teaching at the Convent School, now lives in a most delightful house at Wensley with a wonderful view across to Beeley Moor. I see her quite often and a few weeks ago Miss Jasper was staying with her for the week-end so we had a St. Elphin's tea party. Mrs. Bowser lives near Miss Thompson so I get news of Ruth and Eleanor who are both married. Of course, I frequently see Mr. and Mrs. Symonds. Jenny is doing occupational therapy at a hospital in Sussex and is enjoying it very much. Charles, my dachshund, died in March. He suddenly became very ill. The vet told me that his lungs were infected and he could not recover so I had him put to sleep. I missed him very much. Then one of my kind neighbours suggested that I should go with her to a farm in Tansley where I might be able to get a puppy. I returned with a two-month-old long-haired corgi puppy. I have called him Davy as corgies are Welsh. He is very entertaining and excites a lot of admiration from passers-by when we go for walks.

Those of you who knew Miss Wood, cook/housekeeper at St. Elphin's for many years, will be sorry to hear of her death on January 30th. Her niece, Joyce, now Mrs. Evans, rang up from Chesterfield to tell me the news and we went together to the committal service at the Markeaton Crematorium. Since she retired, Miss Wood had been living at Bowbridge, near Sudbury. She had never lost her interest in the school. Joyce asked me to accept the framed photograph of St. Elphin's, presented to Miss Wood by the governors on her retirement: "In appreciation of her great and faithful service to St. Elphin's School" and I am glad to have it in my sitting-room.

Don't forget to let me know if any of you are in the neighbourhood and can spare the time to come and see me. You will get a warm welcome from me and a vociferous one from Davy.

With love and best wishes to you all,

EVELEEN STOPFORD.

Calton Lees,  
Matlock.  
Derbyshire.  
Tel. Darley Dale 3240.

## LETTER FROM WINIFRED A. W. THOMPSON

To St. Elphin's Old Girls' Guild.

Dear Secretary,

I am sorry Dorothy Maye finds she is unable to continue as before. She has been very capable and pleasing at the job and I hope if you take it on, you will not find us troublesome.

I thought my third kneeler would be complete by now, but gardening has claimed more retired time recently.

I hope the appeal for Miss Flood's 90th birthday was fruitful (I sent a £1 note and hope it arrived; it was idle of me not to write a cheque).

In March I had the pleasure of a short visit from Muriel Lester, (Mrs. Curtis). I had not seen her since our student days. She was head girl when I was a prefect at St. Elphin's, and we started at the London School of Medicine together. She was visiting her schoolmaster son at Nottingham, so we had this opportunity to meet and talk about all the years between.

I have recently been to the International Medical Women's Conference at Vienna. Our subject was "The Hungry Millions," a very insoluble problem in that very busy and attractive city. We also had a very interesting social programme including a special show at the Spanish Riding School. Later on a group of us visited the country quarters where the valuable mares and foals are cared for, and got some snapshots of a three-day-old black foal (they change to grey at almost six years of age and the typical white about nine years). We basked in temperatures in the 80's and now are back to English weather.

Yours sincerely,

WINIFRED A. M. THOMPSON.

The Spinney,  
2 Bramcote Drive,  
Beeston, Notts.  
Tel. Nottm. 259715.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at the Y.M.C.A. Central Club, Great Russell Street,  
London, on Saturday, April 27th, 1968.

TWENTY-SIX members, with Miss Robinson in the Chair, met to hold a business meeting at the Swiss Parlour. Miss Flood was unfortunately not able to be with us, and apologies were received from her, Miss Thouless, and many Old Girls.

It was decided that a new address book was needed, and Old Girls are to be asked to see that the address which the Secretary now has for them is the correct one.

Miss Robinson spoke of the death of Colonel Pigot, who with his father, had served the school for 100 years, and who was a well-loved visitor, especially to "his" House. He was a great benefactor to the school, and an avenue of beech trees, planted in his memory, had been dedicated by the Bishop of Blackburn. Miss Burgis, who had helped us much during her lifetime, being devoted to the school, had also died, leaving us a legacy.

Miss Robinson told us of the splendid new buildings which are planned and already started; also that the organ has been repaired, and the old boiler replaced by an oil-fired one. All these improvements cost a great deal of money, of course, and any contributions from Old Girls will be greatly appreciated.

There is now a total of 623 members (more, I hope, by the time this magazine is printed!).

Dorothy Maye, who has been Secretary of the O.G.G. for the past six years, and who has done such a very splendid job of collecting news from members, has carried out her threat of retiring, and the new Secretary was elected at this meeting. She is Mabel Dorrit Knight (nee Hand) and her address is 34 Almoners' Avenue, Cambridge.

It was agreed that a party should be arranged to celebrate Miss Flood's birthday, which will be her 90th, in August, and it was hoped that as many Old Girls as possible would try to come.

The date of the next meeting of the Guild will be July 12-14 at School. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to Miss Robinson, after which tea was served and there was much news exchanged and reminiscences revived.

## SOUTH-WEST REUNION

WE HAD a small but very pleasant reunion on Saturday, May 4th, at the same hotel as last year, the Great Western at Exeter, where, after lunch in the dining-room, we had a private room for the afternoon and tea.

Miss Flood was with us, looking very well, and we heard all about the plans for publishing her book from Dorothy Maye, who had been at the London reunion the previous week. It was like old times to see Dorothy Fitch, who had cleverly arranged a weekend in Taunton so as to be able to come. Others present were Miss Burchnall, Miss Thouless, Mary Hope Johnson, Elizabeth White (nee Evans) and Felicity Hay (née Forster), who has recently moved down to Plympton. This time I was allowed to bring my father with me; he is considered the "twin" of Miss Flood, being just three months older!

We have now heard of two or three more St. Elphinites who have come to the West Country, so we hope they may join us next year.

STELLA ALLEN.

# OPERATION HASSOCK

THERE are now over fifty hassocks in five designs in Chapel and I would like to thank all those who have worked them and those still working on an even greater number.

Grateful thanks are also due to all those who though unable to work a canvas have contributed to the fund. Unfortunately the cost of upholstery has risen from one guinea to twenty-three shillings and sixpence so we would be most grateful at any time for donations towards materials and making-up.

Miss Harrison has bravely carried on in spite of a set-back since her operation and I am most grateful to her for continuing not only with the donkey-work of the scheme but for keeping a canvas in hand as part of her convalescent therapy!

Dorothy Fitch is an indefatigable worker and has completed ten canvases although two were lost in the New Year post. To prevent further tragedy of this kind it is advisable to obtain a Certificate of Posting when sending completed work to me.

Miss Robinson and her staff have given practical support and I am only sorry the girls do not show more interest. Life is not all examinations and my own daughter completed each of hers in ten days in the summer holidays!

My Diocesan designs for Liverpool and Manchester are being worked and I am now designing "One Tree Hill."

MARGARET C. CARMICHAEL.

**Packs from:** Miss W. G. Harrison,  
23 Glebelands Road, Prest-  
wich, Manchester. Tel. 061-  
773 1043.

**Finished work to:** Mrs H. R.  
Carmichael, Leighton House,  
Crewe, Cheshire. Tel. Crewe  
55155 (ext. 219).

## COMPLETED HASSOCKS

|                                                        |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----|
| (1) Mrs. Barbour ... ..                                | 2  |
| (2) Mrs. H. R. Carmichael (Margaret Houghton) ...      | 5  |
| (3) Margaret L. M. Carmichael ... ..                   | 2  |
| (4) Mrs. D. Carter ... ..                              | 1  |
| (5) Mrs. Cory ... ..                                   | 1  |
| (6) Mrs. Donaldson (Jean Davies) ... ..                | 1  |
| (7) Mrs. Edwards ... ..                                | 1  |
| (8) Mrs. D. I. Fitch (Dorothy Shaw) (two lost in post) | 10 |
| (9) Dr. D. Fletcher (Doris Butler) ... ..              | 1  |
| (10) Mrs. Gibson (June Brierley) ... ..                | 1  |
| (11) Miss I. K. Hall (Former Dom. Sci. Mistress) ...   | 1  |
| (12) Mrs. J. Hannant (June Burr) ... ..                | 1  |
| (13) Miss W. G. Harrison (Former Music Mistress) ...   | 9  |
| (14) Miss James (Staff, Chemistry) ... ..              | 1  |
| (15) Mrs. J. Johnson ... ..                            | 1  |
| (16) Mrs. W. Morris Jones ... ..                       | 1  |
| (17) Vivien Jones ... ..                               | 1  |
| (18) Mrs. Dorrit Knight (Mabel Hand) ... ..            | 2  |
| (19) Mrs. M. Lee ... ..                                | 3  |
| (20) Miss Lloyd (Staff, now Mrs. Marsden) ... ..       | 1  |
| (21) Mrs. Reynolds (Dorothy Shawley) ... ..            | 1  |
| (22) Miss P. M. Robinson (Headmistress) ... ..         | 3  |
| (23) Mrs. Scudamore (Mary Jones) ... ..                | 1  |
| (24) Miss Smith (Staff, English) ... ..                | 1  |
| (25) Miss C. Tew ... ..                                | 1  |
| (26) Dr. W. A. M. Thompson ... ..                      | 2  |
| (27) Miss E. M. Thouless (Former Eng. Mistress) ...    | 1  |

M. C. C.

## NEWS OF OLD GIRLS

PAMELA BERESFORD (née Stone) and her husband are living in Bournemouth, and both teach at a local boys' prep. school. They have two children, Julia (16) and Marcus (13) who goes to Clifton College in the Autumn.

MRS. BERNARD (née Howarth) is visiting her married daughter and her family in New Zealand.

CONSTANCE BUTLER (née Eling) has moved to a smaller house, still in Whitley Bay, as her children are gradually leaving home. Patricia is a P.E. teacher, Marion is a policewoman, and Richard hopes to take a degree in hotel management. Constance herself is kept extremely busy as a Governor of five schools and a Further Education College, as well as being Treasurer for the Guide movement in that part of the world. She extends an invitation to any Old Girl who may find herself in that part of England to get in touch with her so that they may meet.

JEAN DAVIES (née Donaldson) is back in Libya with her husband, who has an office job now in Benghazi in contrast to his last two posts in Kenya and in the North Sea Gas Field, so his children are getting used to him living at home again.

Miss McKenzie tells us that BARBARA FISHER is now blind and immobile following a street accident many years ago. She much appreciates letters, which are read to her, first by the Sister in hospital and again by Margaret on her next visit. Her address is Strathclyde House, Wigton Road, Carlisle, Cumberland.

JUNE GIBSON (nee Brierley) has recently returned from Singapore.

GILLIAN HERBISON-EVANS (née Shorland-Ball) has recently moved to Sydney with her husband, who has a Research Fellowship in Astronomy at Sydney University. They live only a few minutes away from a beach complete with shark-proof pool and her little son has already developed a strong "Strine" (Australian to Pommies) accent! She says that Sydney is a beautiful place, the harbour is far larger and more open than pictures suggest, with hundreds of inlets and bays, full of all manner of interesting marine life. They have found the Australians very informal and friendly as individuals, though there is quite a bit of "anti-Pommie" feeling.

JILL MULSHAW (née Cartwright) now has three children, Crispian and Sean, who share a birthday though Crispian is just over a year old, and Sean is four, and Sheena who is nearly three. She sometimes sees Pat Rowbotham (née Blake) who has three sons. Jill's sister, Joanna, still lives in Sydney and also has three sons.

PHYLLIS MOLYNEUX is going on a W.E.A. study tour to Hungary in the summer.

DOROTHY MULLINER is now a Matron's Assistant at Residential Homes, which she finds an easier job than her last; also she has her own bungalow.

CAROLYN OWEN is now training at Great Ormond Street Hospital, having gained her N.N.E.B. at College, and then being Senior House-mother in a large Children's Home. She is greatly enjoying her training, and sometimes sees JUDITH CARTER, who is a staff Nurse there. She would very much like to hear from Old Girls in the area, especially those of her year (1958-61).

ANNE PALM (née Evans) lives in Cape Town with her husband who has worked for some years in the medical laboratories of the medical school, and so made his contribution to the work on organ transplants.

WENDY F. I. SLETTERMOEN (née Ford) is married and has a son. Her husband has recently been chosen to represent Norway at a ski-ing conference in Aspen, Colorado, U.S.A. He is at present studying at Oslo University with a view to taking over his father's farm in a few years' time. They are presently to move to Geilo which has the biggest Winter Sports Centre in Norway and they both enjoy ski-ing enormously. During the winter months her husband teaches in the ski school, and they hope to start their son ski-ing next winter. Wendy tells us that Marjorie Hooley (nee Heelis) has a daughter.

MISS SWEETING attended the wedding of the third daughter of LAREMA AYERST (nee Fisher) on May 4th.

JO TRAPNELL (née Martin) is helping to start a Devon Junior Tennis School in Bideford, under the auspices of the L.T.A. She takes three evening classes a week in winter and coaches games three afternoons in summer. Her daughter Janine plays in the Junior County Hockey and Netball teams.

BETTY WILKINS (née Martin) writes that her daughter Hilary was born in the record time of 2 hrs. 10 mins. She goes on to say: "And if any old St. Elphinite wants to know anything about the psycho-prophylactic method of childbirth, I'm an 'enthusiastic protagonist, very ready to spread the good news.'"

PAMELA WELTON (1954-1964) has gained her S.R.N. at the Middlesex Hospital. She is to complete her training by doing her fourth year.

PROFESSOR E. M. CARUS-WILSON was unable to be with us at the Annual General Meeting in April as she was just about to leave for some weeks in the U.S.A. She had been invited there to receive an Honorary degree at one of the leading women's colleges and had been asked to give a number of lectures at Harvard and elsewhere.

## BIRTHS

HERBISON-EVANS.—On June 24th, 1967, to Gill (née Shorland-Ball) and Don, a second son, Thorin Richard.

SLETTERMOEN.—On September 29th, 1966, in Oslo, Norway, to Wendy (née Ford) and Ivor, a son, Lars Gutorm Francis.

WILKINS.—On October 7th, 1967, to Betty (née Martin), a fourth daughter, Hilary.

MASON.—On May 17th, 1968 to Christine (née Line) and Colin, a son, Timothy Richard.

## ENGAGEMENTS

ELIZABETH MARY BEELEY to HERBERT ALEXANDER CORDER.

## MARRIAGES

LANGDON—TREW.—On August 12th, 1967, at St. Giles Church, Matlock, Patrick Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Langdon, of Oxshott, Surrey, to Margaret Judith, daughter of Mrs. Grace Trew, of Matlock.

LEWIS—SELLEARS.—On January 6th, 1968, Anthony Dudley Lewis to Judith Sellaers.

CORDER—BEELEY.—On May 18th, 1968, at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Mansfield, Herbert Alexander Corder to Elizabeth Mary Beeley.

MAYO—REEMAN.—On August 12th, 1967, Peter to Mary.

BEALBY—WALKER.—On July 4th, 1968, Robert to Jane.

## DEATHS

RIDLEY, Zela (née Wragby), July 17th, 1967.

HUGHENDEN BAINES, Ella C. O. (née Thorpe), 1967.

KNOWLES, Hilda Lydia Margaret (née Matthias), December 6th, 1967.

HODGES, Mabel Frances, September 10th, 1968.

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## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT, YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1967. CURRENT ACCOUNT

|                                                                   |         |     |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----|----|---|
| To Balance brought forward, Jan. 1st, 1967                        | £ s. d. | 108 | 8  | 5 |
| Annual subscriptions (43 @ 10s.)                                  | ...     | 21  | 10 | 0 |
| Sale of metal badges (2s. 6d. ...)                                | ...     | 0   | 2  | 6 |
| Interest on Abbey National Building Society Deposit Account, 1966 | ...     | 17  | 13 | 3 |
| Interest on 4½ per cent Defence Bonds                             | ...     | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Interest on Life Deposit account                                  | ...     | 9   | 13 | 6 |
|                                                                   | 166     | 7   | 8  |   |

|                              |         |     |    |    |
|------------------------------|---------|-----|----|----|
| By Miss Kennedy's Grave Fund | £ s. d. | 0   | 10 | 0  |
| School magazines and postage | ...     | 10  | 11 | 11 |
| Postage on circular          | ...     | 6   | 18 | 0  |
| Secretary's expenses         | ...     | 5   | 0  | 4  |
| Treasurer's expenses         | ...     | 2   | 13 | 6  |
| Balance carried forward      | ...     | 140 | 13 | 11 |
|                              | 166     | 7   | 8  |    |

### LIFE SUBSCRIPTIONS ACCOUNT

|                                           |         |     |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|-----|----|---|
| To Balance brought forward Jan. 1st, 1967 | £ s. d. | 229 | 8  | 6 |
| Life subscriptions (19 @ £5 5s.)          | ...     | 99  | 15 | 0 |
| Sale of metal badges (13 @ 2s. 6d.)       | ...     | 1   | 12 | 6 |
| Interest, 1967                            | ...     | 9   | 15 | 6 |
|                                           | 340     | 11  | 6  |   |

|                                    |         |     |    |   |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----|----|---|
| By Transferred to Current Account— | £ s. d. | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Friends of St. Elphin's Fund       | ...     | 9   | 13 | 6 |
| Interest, 1966                     | ...     | 79  | 10 | 0 |
| School magazines and postage       | ...     | 246 | 8  | 0 |
| Balance carried forward            | ...     | 340 | 11 | 6 |
|                                    | 340     | 11  | 6  |   |

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