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## EDITORIAL.

In preparing the "Bolan" we were uncomfortably aware that the magazine was a mirror held up to the school: uncomfortable because the reflection showed that at least three-quarters of us are affected by a peculiar madness or genius, which gives rise to brilliant verse composition, to cite but one example, "The Bolans' Rock"!

The nature and whereabouts of the subject we could in no way discern. Was it the inevitable speckness turning up inopportunistly on the game's pitch? was it a member of staff whom the poet's genius somehow connected with "Rock of Ages"? was it Miss—? (no, it couldn't be). No amount of intellectual probing on our part would reveal the answer. Such material had, therefore, to be filed in the "Bolan Rejects," perhaps to be claimed by some future editor (with more discerning intellect than ours) as a work of a past genius.

What remains will, we are afraid, appear rather mediocre to such poets; but it is anticipated to appeal to those of us who (we hope) are not similarly "gifted"!

THE EDITORS.

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 School Notes.

Mr. G. T. Moore will be retiring at the end of this term. An appreciation of his services to the school appears on another page. He will be succeeded as Deputy Headmaster by Mr. R. T. Ayre. We most heartily congratulate Mr. Ayre on his appointment and wish him all success in fulfilling his duties.

There has been a considerable air of change in the Masters' Common Room this year. Mr. D. Froerich took up an appointment as P.E. Organizer with the Plymouth Education Authority and was succeeded by Mr. F. Layton, who in turn left for a job at Broomsgrove Grammar School. Mr. C. T. Griffiths is now Senior P.E. Master at the School. We hope that he and his colleague in the Gym, Mr. W. Ellis, will be happy with us. Mr. J. P. Gilson at the end of the Autumn Term left for Twickenham Grammar School and we much appreciate the action of the Rev. W. Bryon in filling the gap in the Divinity Department over the last two terms. The Classics Department was re-managed this year; Mr. C. A. Smith came from Blackburn Grammar School as Head of the Department, to be joined after Christmas by Mr. J. P. Wylie. We heartily welcome both these gentlemen. Mr. G. Morris has come to teach Chemistry and Mr. D. Cowell to teach Geography; we hope they, too, will find the place congenial. We have this term been very glad to have Mr. W. E. Ranshaw to assist in the Mathematics Department. Finally, we are glad to have Mr. Kirk fit and back with us again.

We most heartily congratulate D. J. Graham, who followed up a State Scholarship by winning an Open Major Scholarship in History at St. John's College, Cambridge.

We likewise congratulate the following boys on outstandingly good academic performances: J. R. Franklin, a State Scholarship in Natural Sciences; R. W. Hopper, a State Scholarship in English and History made at the School of English, Birmingham University; D. Seale, a State Scholarship in Classics made at Manchester University; S. Thompson, who was placed on the Reserve List of State Scholars.

The Senior Speech Day was held on 25th February. The prizes were distributed by Sir Lawrence Edwards, M.B.E., D.L. He spoke, and with vigour, of the incalculable value of aspiration and of pride of heritage. Young men, he thought, should face an undeniably difficult future with confidence in their own abilities and in their country's greatness; he forecast an "Lucky Jim-ism." There was some excellent singing from the choir and two fine solos, one from D. Childs and the other vocal from G. Kirk, were rendered.

The Junior Speech Day took place on 25th February, and H. J. Beyden, Esq., J.P., B.A., B.Sc., who is Director of Extra-Mural Studies at the University of Durham, presented the prizes. He spoke engagingly to the boys of the opportunities and pleasures open to them through the acquisition of learning and of the importance of acquiring catholicity of taste. G. Kirk and D. A. Parr-Burman each sang a solo and the Choir contributed an anthem.

On Nov. 2nd a party from the school attended a magnificent performance given by the Lancaster Company.

Miss Florence Howells gave the school some fine solos playing on the 25th January.

On the 4th February a special service was held at school in memory of Mr. Marcoray.

On March 8th Miss Nantey of the French Embassy Staff lectured to the Sixth Form.

The school had several exhibits shown in the Exhibition of School Crafts which was held on 2nd April.

On 2nd May Founder's Day was commemorated. Early Communion was taken by a large party of boys and the school later joined the Girls' School for a service at Bishopscarmouth Parish Church, when the Rev. M. S. Simons gave the address. A Mixed Choir sang the anthem.

Boys who are leaving this year should read the Old Bedouin' Association Report at the back of the Magazine. The Association is a lively and thriving one and can offer you much pleasure. You should set about joining it at once.

The latest news of entrance to Universities is that G. Cranmer, P. B. Smith and M. S. Roberts will be going to the London School of Economics; R. A. Dunn and D. Seale are going to Manchester, D. Mitcheson to University College, London, and J. Whan to Sheffield. These boys are all going to take up Arts Studies. J. B. Fensholt and W. H. Jenkins are taking up scientific studies at King's College, Newcastle, and T. C. Hutchinson is proceeding to Manchester Science Faculty.

The school would like to congratulate Sir David Cairns, Q.C., on his appointment as Recorder of Sunderland.

Old Bedians of the 1937 vintage may have observed that in the New Year's Honours List an O.B.E. was awarded to Mr. John Clark, lately Rector of Paisley Grammar School.

The Editors gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following Magazines from other schools: "The Rutherfordian"; "The Nor'manor"; "Novo"; "The Aboypian"; "The Hestonian"; "Rays"; "The Stockonian"; "The Atlantic"; "The Arret"; "Elyhope Review" and regret any inadvertent omissions. These magazines are available for perusal in the School Library.

The Editors of "The Bedian" this year are T. C. Hutchinson and L. Dent.

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#### The E. M. Macrobey Mathematics Prize.

We should like to draw attention to the fact that the School is arranging to raise a sum of money with which to endow an annual Mathematics Prize in memory of Mr. Macrobey. We ask those of you who know Mr. Macrobey and his work to give towards this fund; we shall be most grateful for every donation, no matter how small it may be. Contributions should be sent to the Headmaster at the School, who will acknowledge them. Please send, at least, some small amount.

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#### SCHOOL PREFECTS, 1956-57.

T. C. Hutchinson (School Captain),

F. Lavery (School Vice-Captain),

D. Boddy; G. A. Brown; J. P. B. Bryce; G. Cranmer; L. Dent;  
D. Elliott; D. J. Graham; W. H. Jenkins; D. Mitcheson; D. Rauh;  
M. S. Roberts; K. Roe; C. B. Rogers; D. Seale; P. Thackeray;  
D. H. Ward; E. N. Warden; D. R. Wood.

In February 1933, on the occasion of Senior Speech Day, I made reference to the impending retirement, at the end of the Term, of Mr. G. T. Moore, the Deputy Headmaster of the School. Mr. Moore had then reached the retiring age of 65 years, and I paid tribute to him for his long and loyal services to the School. I was, however, a little premature. Mr. Moore did not retire at the end of that Term. The School was experiencing, in common with many schools, difficulties in respect of recruitment of Staff and Mr. Moore, showing his great loyalty to, and affection for, the School with which he had been associated for so long, volunteered to carry on until a suitable replacement could be found. That position has now been reached and so, at the end of the Summer Term, 1937, and at 67 years of age, Mr. Moore will end his long and honoured association with the School and will enter into the world of his retirement.

Born a "Barbary Coaster," into a family which, on his Mother's side, had roots in the County of Durham extending back for 300 years, Mr. Moore began, in 1903, his connection with the Bede School. He came as one of the very select group of some 20 Scholarship pupils of those days; he remained until 1908, and then, after obtaining a Degree in Science at Armstrong (now King's) College, Newcastle, and gaining initial teaching experience elsewhere, Mr. Moore in 1918, became a member of the Staff of his old School, the first Old Bedian to be so appointed. Except for a short break in 1919, when he gained the Research Degree of Master of Science, he has remained on the Staff of the School ever since. He has thus completed 19 years of service as a member of Staff and in the course of that time he became the Deputy Headmaster and the Senior Science Master of the School.

The School has meant much to 'G.T.M.' so much, that he has always been prepared to give to it, in a spirit of cheerful service, his most loyal support and his fullest energies. He has been not merely a teacher in the classroom; through his wide and varied interests, he has been a teacher out of the classroom, and in this connection the School will not forget his association, for 52 years, with the Senior Debating Society. Even as I write 'G.T.M.' is making arrangements for yet another, but this time his last, Ascension Day outing for this Society. The "G. T. Moore Cup" for Debata, which he presented to the School in 1935, and the "G. T. Moore Prize" for Chemistry which he has informed me he wishes to endow, will be permanent reminders of his connection with the School. He would, however, have been remembered without these things, for the work and service of 'G.T.M.' have an established place in the affections and memories of generations of boys who have passed through the School these many years. Only last year the Old Bedian's Association recognized this by electing him as one of its Honorary Vice-Presidents.

'G.T.M.' will be greatly missed. I shall miss him, not just because he was the Deputy Headmaster, but, much more personal than that, I regarded him as a valued friend who, by his loyal and selfless support made my task so much the easier.

To 'G.T.M.' I wish, on behalf of all in the School, many years of happy retirement blessed with the health to enjoy the rest and leisure he so richly deserves, and may he long have the companionship of Mrs. Moore to share those years with him.

A. J. B. BUDGE,

Headmaster.



MR. G. T. MOORE.



MR. E. M. MACOSKY.

## Obituary.

Mr. E. M. Maccoby, M.A. (Cambr.), B.Sc. (London).

On Friday, February 1st, the whole School was shocked by the sudden collapse and death of Mr. E. M. Maccoby. He had just walked into a class for afternoon lessons.

Mr. Maccoby was Head of the Mathematics Department of the school. He joined the Staff in January, 1915, and had thus completed 42 years of service in this one School and under the one Local Education Authority of the County Borough of Sunderland. He would have retired at the end of the year to enjoy the rest and the leisure which he had so well deserved. It was not to be. His name and his outstanding abilities as a Mathematician were known to generations of boys who passed through the School. Those who went on to study Mathematics in the Sixth Form had reason to resent their good fortune that they came under his inspired teaching. His achievements over many years in terms of the number of boys who gained Open Mathematical Awards, particularly to his own College St. John's, Cambridge, were second to none. The School has suffered a grievous loss, but our main feelings must be those of deepest sympathy for Mrs. Maccoby and for his family.

A. J. B. BUDGE, Headmaster.

V. H. Kelly, D. C. Hegg and M. B. Seary voice the regret of generations of Old Beckams:

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the sudden and untimely death of Mr. E. M. Maccoby, on February 1st, 1957.

We speak for all mathematicians who have started their careers at Beke under the kind and unburdened guiding hand of E. M. M. when we say that we cannot overestimate the value of his brilliant teaching in our sixth-form days. He did not force you or demand your interest. He commanded it with his infectious enthusiasm.

He belonged to the Old School, having as much interest in a particular problem as in the general case, and from his Cambridge days his great love was Geometry where he was "inspired" by Prof. Baker of St. John's College, who died just a few months before him. Mr. Maccoby never ceased to tell of Prof. Baker's classes which probably influenced him as much as we were influenced by him in turn.

E. M. Maccoby was educated at school in London and then, via an Open Exhibition, at St. John's College, Cambridge where he was elected to a Foundation Scholarship and later took a First in the Mathematical Tripos. He also represented the University at chess, winning his board in the match against Oxford. He told that the only things he went up to Cambridge for were Mathematics and Chess—he was more than successful!

For all his Mathematical background, as we get to know him better, we realised that Mathematics was perhaps no more than a relaxation and that Life and Death and their secrets were more to the forefront of his mind. A deeply religious man—we hope that his mind was at peace when he was so unhappily taken from us.

In talking of the School's irreplaceable loss we must not forget his family in their infinitely greater tragedy, and to them we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

### Youth Hostelling in Norway.

On the evening of December 17th, fifty-five members of the Youth Hostelling Association met on Newcastle Station, and proceeded by train to the Tyne Commission Quay.

After the various controls, we boarded the S.S. *Lada*, ate a good meal, which most of us unfortunately lost in the next twenty hours, and then settled down in cosy bunks. Twenty-one hours later, after sailing over a very choppy North Sea, we caught our first sight of Norway, the band of islands fringing the mainland, and just after dark, we docked at Bergen, a Bergen lie up with countless coloured lights, and resplendent with many other Christmas decorations. Rain was falling when we climbed into the buses to take us to the station, but this soon changed to snow, as the engine pulled us ardently to Mjølfjell, a village in central Norway.

The hotel lies in a valley, five kilometres above Mjølfjell, just below the tree-line, at three thousand feet. It is a strong wooden building, and is extremely warm and cosy. The rooms are for four, with comfortable bunks and hot and cold water and showers in each room. The hotel has a fine library and plenty of indoor-game equipment.

We jumped down from the train and were astonished to find that there was over six feet of snow, an amount which most of us had never seen before. Then followed a hairbreadth scramble down to the hotel, our path lit by herring flames, flinging flickering grotesque shadows of the trees on the snow. Oswald, the warden, gave us a welcome hot meal, introduced our ski-instructors and allotted our rooms. We gratefully turned into our comfortable beds and slept like logs.

The next morning we were all up early, eager to try our hand at what was, for most of us, a novel experience. So, after a substantial breakfast, as lacked all our meals were, we received our skis, sticks and boots, and fitted with ascends and vortages (ski-leg jacket and trousers), made our way onto the snow. Our first efforts must have looked rather halterous, but by the end of the first day, most of us were able to ski satisfactorily down a slope and contrive an upright position at the end.

After this, owing to the fine teaching of our four instructors, we progressed quickly from plough turns to snow turns, to sidesteps, to Christiana turns, and at the end of our stay, we were sufficiently advanced to ski the Norwegian One Star Test, which most of us succeeded in passing.

In the Hostel over Christmas there were people from fourteen different countries, as far apart as New Zealand, Malaya, Mauritius and the United States, and a concert was arranged with members from each country performing an item representative of their country. Dances, sing-songs, slides, lectures, and games were other entertainments excellently arranged by the waiting staff. Over Christmas huge meals were set before us, and we were all charmed with the Norwegian Christmas occasions.

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So our holiday all too quickly passed and it was with undelighted regret that we left the crystal purity of it all for a bad-tempered North Sea and an England of industry and fog. A common sentiment moved us all: we would return, and soon!

N. CLEMINSON, L. 65c.

### The American Travelogue.

Come with us now to a little island which lies in the vast Atlantic Ocean, many miles from our native and glorious home-land. This island is now a colony of our great (and glorious) land and depends on us for aid, both military and financial. This country is best described in the words of the famous Irish poet, *Molloy*, "This earth, this realm, this—." The island is a land of dignity and stiff upper-lips (griffled with the American "Super Starch" which is kind to the face and hair extracted during a credit squeeze).

The visitor may be astonished at the slow pace of the country; in the capital, indeed, at certain hours, motorists love to buckle like sheep and to travel at a few yards an hour. The tourist, gorged with this, can take his Cadillac into the country lanes secure in the knowledge that the die is cast; he can never turn round. Nor should he ever stop, for juggernaut tactics are what the peasants are accustomed to and, indeed, expect. Avoid, however, those attractive-looking dinky car-parks; you may be hauled before the *Monopolies Commission*.

The people of this country are usually reserved and conscious of old customs. Children are still frightened by means of a boggy-man called "Automation." Adults belong to social clubs called "Trade Unions" which are run by ardent members of "The other Party" (which, thanks to the late honored Senator Joe, no longer exists here—we hope) and are historical oddities in that they are virtually democratic and honest. In one point they do, in fact, agree with our more complex machines; their members pride themselves on their apathy towards elections and such trifles.

And, as we leave this island, make quite sure that you catch a glimpse of the latest product of its merchant-venturers, a tall ship, on its bow the name "Mayflower."

L. G. SCARTH, L. VI A.

A ghastly stillness everywhere,  
 Shadows flying in the air;  
 A dog passed, a cat ran,  
 And from a corner came a man;  
 He said nothing but turned away,  
 And then I thought, "What could he say?"

D. S. MORRIS,

## A First Visit to France.

It was cold, a stiff breeze jostled across the deck of the ship, making the passengers hurry down below. Slowly in the distance, something appeared against the grey horizon. It was the white cliffs of Normandy. Nearer and nearer they came, until through a gap in the curtain of clouds, the ship sailed gracefully into Dieppe Harbour. The gangway was soon down and, not long after, I stepped for the first time onto French soil.

Nearly the Paris express left the station. To the left, above a large open-air market, a gigantic sign announced, quite unnecessarily, as the wind was blowing in our direction, the word **POISSON**. ... To the right by the harbour, dotted with numerous tiny fishing smacks. High above a huge crane swung the luggage from the ship's hold to the waiting porters, on the quay-side. Our cycles had already been landed so my companion and I collected them, and cycled precariously across a tangle of railway lines, onto the main road.

We had a long way to go. We planned to stay a few days at the Chateau de Beauvilliers, Boibec, a reformatory school for teenage boys, about seventy miles distant. We scoured the idea that the destination was an appropriate one.

Night fell swiftly. We cycled along the continuous straight roads all night, until at three o'clock on a cold dry morning, we reached the deserted streets of Boibec. We stopped; our map could tell us no more. Along the street came the slow footings of a very tired man. Yes, he said, the way to the Chateau de Beauvilliers was straight ahead.

A few more miles, and there, a shadowy shape surrounded by tall black poplars, was the chateau we had come four hundred miles to stay in. We camped for the night in a field opposite, and my last recollection was of hitting my head against the tent-pole, while straggling to find a pillow in the dark.

It was ten o'clock when I awoke, the sunlight shining through the entrance of the tent, straight into my eyes. After a wash in a big stone trough, my companion and I strolled across a stretch of grass, in clear sunlight, towards the imposing Chateau. Inside at the front of the building, seated at an ancient desk behind a more ancient type-writer, was M. Berliand, the principal of the school. He and his delightful wife, and six children, who were all dressed alike in red blouses and white shorts, greeted us heartily. After a typical French breakfast of crisp rolls and coffee, we were shown around the Chateau, which although very old and much damaged, had been partly rebuilt.

In the afternoon, I felt very tired, and so made my way upstairs through a crowd of very interested collectors to the quiet of the bedroom, and there hit the pillow. It felt like a mixture of bricks and mortar. I like France, but the pillows.....!

The following morning, we said goodbye to the Bertrand family, and made our way to Le Hain, to visit some friends of M. Bertrand, the Colour family. M. Colour, a teacher of English, soon made us at home. We spent the night in his garden in our tent. It rained and winded. In the morning, we were sent off to the station by Mme. Colour and her daughter, in order to begin the rail journey back to Droppé. A few hours later, I said as usual to a new friend, resolving at the same time to return very soon.

D. BRANDON, U.VI.

### Ecology at Malham.

Malham Tarn Field Centre is one of a number of Centres set up by the Field Studies Council for the promotion of observation of plants and animals in their natural surroundings. The Centre consists of a large nineteenth-century house, formerly the residence of Lord Rillington, and a number of buildings containing dormitories, laboratories, garages, a boiler-house and other domestic requirements. These buildings along with a number of cottages comprise the Centre situated a short distance from the Tarn—a singular feature in a predominantly limestone area.

Each year the Centre runs a series of weekly courses for students from both Grammar School and University, and on May 8th four travel-weary students from Bede arrived to begin the first of the year's courses. We were quickly down to work when on the same evening, after dinner, the Warden gave an introductory lecture on the geology of the district to fifty students whose home towns ranged from Sunderland to Downover.

The next morning, under the supervision of the Warden, we made a study of the freshwater fauna of the Tarn at four habitats along the shore line. At each of the four habitats we enumerated its characteristics, took a sample of the bottom and effect of wave action. We collected various organisms, estimated their frequency and, later, in the well-equipped laboratories identified and looked more closely at various specimens. After careful study and by consultation of the results of all the students we were able to make conclusions as to the nature of the habitat of individual species and to correlate occurrence with environmental conditions. For instance, crayfish, sponges and stone fly larvae were confined to the clear moving waters of the shore whereas Water Boatmen, Caddis and Midge larvae were restricted to the muddy, semi-stagnant reed bed.

After two days freshwater study we changed to Botany. We studied the rich flora on the limestone and the scanty flora on the Millstone Grit and accounted for the diversity by the difference in structure and by the acidity of the soil. We were assisted in identification by the Botany Lecturer who could give a five-yard long Latin name to a millimetre of vegetation!

On the last day of our course we were split into small groups to study ecological problems either of our own choosing or by suggestion of the Warden.

This was the vital part of the course. Could we apply on our own a newly learnt technique and knowledge?

The members of our group considered the following:—

Occurrence of homozygote in *Primula farinosa*.

(the Red's eye primrose).

Viability of Beech seed.

Rate and quantity of regeneration of planted Beech Wood.

Factors affecting distribution and frequency of *Potentilla sanguisorba* (the salad-burnet).

We left at the end of the Course stimulated by a week of intensive and interesting study which put in perspective and added to, our theoretical study at school. This course is a "must" for a full understanding of Biology.

E. M. G. HILL, U VI Sc.

### On Reading your "Beech."

Take up a "Beech" and a large and noisy-looking bird crades your eye; as well, indeed, it might, for year after year it remains with its rear end firmly planted over a very considerable conflagration. Whether this in the best denotes shame or obstinacy or idiosyncrasy or simple delight in a unique situation is hard to decide. Certainly there must be emerging from that beak a cry of either woe'd pleasure or furious alarm. Alarm it may be, for the wings have all the leanness of a chicken crossing an anaconda, and the same inability to do anything material about it. Perhaps the beak is enjoying it after all. Perhaps the cry is neither one of pleasure nor of alarm, but of civic pride: "I ALWAYS use coalite, the new smokeless fuel."

Open your copy and you may, if you wish, read the Editorial. There is really little point in doing this, for the Editors are pressed men and latch on the thing an art only equivalent to a constable's for his current mailbag. Selection-time-for-editors, we are told, breeds in the Prefect's Room all the tensions of a trial by jury or of the Staff v Boys Football Match.

Most of the magazine is taken up by reports of the various school clubs, societies and activities, produced by their various secretaries. These reports say very little and are almost the same as those in the previous year's "Beech" which are etc., etc., etc. Even so, the secretaries have to be chased from the middle of January in order to produce their reports the day before the press is set rolling. We should like to record that, in 1934, one, Ernest Haldpore, did produce an entirely original report, but that was because he had lost his previous year's "Beech."

Then there are the voluntary contributions drawn from the school by the artist. These include such interesting works as "Wild Life in Barnes Park" and "Ode on the Death of a School Child," but the truly interesting bits have always been cut out.

And there remains the handsome blue backing. This, we are informed, is the basic material for the best airplanes.

H. NICHOLSON and D. McHARG.  
Va.

### "Don Juan."

This year's production was "Don Juan" by Molière, which, as the title suggests, was founded on a Spanish original and reached the French theatre by way of Italian comedy.

The play is difficult to define exactly since it ranges from scenes of pure love to scenes of terror; it includes a scumble and romantic climax as well as every type of comedy from simple farce to subtle satire, and, like all great comic writers—and scores for that matter—Molière has a vein of seriousness in him; he teaches his lessons not obtrusively, but by means of stimulating thoughtful laughter.

The play is loose-jointed and episodic but Molière is chiefly concerned in his plays with portrayal of character, and it is in the good portrayal of Don Juan's character that the sole unifying influence of the play lies, each episode exhibiting successive facets.

The play's main object is to attack hypocrisy, the fashionable vice, best portrayed in the character of Don Juan. He is proud and gay, quick-witted and sharp-tongued, and utterly unscrupulous, and we see him not only through his own acts but through the eyes of Sganarelle who, not lacking in shrewdness and a witness to his master's various misdeeds, acts as chorus, and serves as the mouthpiece of the author (who, incidentally, played this part in the original production).

But, to turn to the school production, courtesy demands that we begin with the women—and certainly Don Juan would have no objection to that. Donna Elvira's (F. Ford) calm even voice, almost touchingly effective at first, did much to suggest the indignation under the surface, but after a time one felt the need for greater variety of expression and intonation of voice. Mathurine (Parr-Burman) was convincing, especially in her scene with Peter who brought out the best in her, while Charlotte (Hodgeson) with a smaller part, played it very ably. Mention must be made here of the skilful timing in the scene when Don Juan was simultaneously deceiving Mathurine and Charlotte of his intentions to marry each. It would be hard to rehearse. The brothers Don Carlos (Mabel) and Don Alonso (Hawkins) attacked their parts with great vigor, Don Carlos, especially, dominated the stage whenever he appeared, and when he spoke it was like the roll of drums, a good performance. The servants La Violette

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(Gallagher), whose costume fitted where it touched, Rogatin (Brewer) and Gasman (Henderson) and a Poor Man (McLaren) did the little they were called upon to do adequately and with confidence. Dimanche, who appeared in one brief scene, gained much sympathy from the school members of the audience, but unfortunately, albeit inevitably, one felt they were amused with and applauded Rankin as Rankin rather than as Dimanche. Don Luis (Peterson) appeared belatedly, and perhaps a little more vitality was required, though the even tone of voice conveyed sincerity. The statue (Gallagher) was every inch a statue—not a twitch of an eyelid until, in the course of the play, he was called upon to move; he suggested the strength and majesty of a Roman Emperor. Lathan's performance was one of the highlights of the production; the comic scene between him and Charlene was most successful in emphasis, movement and timing, and fully merited the spontaneous burst of applause which followed it. One remembered long after the play was over Peter's pathetically amusing, "I don't want n' no more than a bit o' love." Next to Don Juan the most important character is Sganarelle (Hoskins). This part was played with great enthusiasm; the grimaces, sly smiles and broad winks were managed with such ease as suggested long experience in the class-room, and in the longer passages with Don Juan he came over well although at times his gesticulations might have been more scrutinized and his manner more scruffy. The part of Don Juan (Tang's) required a considerable feat of memory; he was on stage for most of the play, and it is to his credit that one's interest did not flag. He had the polite, grace and condescending air of the complete aristocrat; his speech was clear and his manner convincing. This was a well received performance.

Finally the forgotten legions must not remain forgotten; the prompter, wine-pitchers and others, strike-up and sound-effects men and those other members of staff and school behind the scenes; to them our thanks are due, and not least to Mr. Markham, the producer, for giving us the opportunity of seeing a play seldom performed in England and devoting so much of his time to what has proved a worthwhile and enjoyable entertainment.

J.P.W.

### The Messiah.

On April 11th the Bede Schools' Combined Chorus gave in the Boys' Hall a rendering of Handel's "Messiah." It was an ambitious project but one, as the event proved, quite within the capacity of the performers. That it was so, was due to the fine work put in by Miss M. Bernard, who conducted, and by Mr. C. Hartley, who was at the organ. The joint soloists, Miss J. Elwin (soprano), Miss M. Anderson (contralto), Mr. John Carr (tenor) and Mr. E. Tinsman (bass), all gave us vivid and confident singing. The School is very grateful to them. The Chorus work was full-backed and satisfying, though the sopranos had a tendency to shrink. There were, however, some notably well-rendered choruses "His yoke is easy," "All we like sheep" and "Worthy is the Lamb" being particularly good.

The Hall was full and everyone was agreed that it had been a really inspiring evening.

A.M.

### Hylton House.

Once again Hylton House has enjoyed a reasonably successful year, although the Seniors easily outshone the Juniors in sporting achievement. They were particularly successful in Cricket and Soccer, winning both, and were second in the Cross-Country. At Rugby all three matches were lost. The Juniors, however, succeeded in gaining only second place in Cricket and Rugby and third in Soccer. In the Tennis Championship the House gained only second place.

In the Boating Tournament the House put up a good fight and won the Tournament easily. It was a different story in the Swimming Gala, however, when owing largely to lack of support, especially from the Senior members, the House finished last.

On Sports Day last year the House won easily. The joint winners of the Middle Championship, Foster and Heston, and the Junior Champion, Turner, are of the House.

This year's Christmas Party reached the usual high standard and everybody had an extremely good time.

This seems a very good opportunity to encourage all members to better their academic results, not only for their own benefit, but also so that the House may win once again the Study Cup, which was our treasured possession for so long.

The Officials this year are: Captain: G. A. Brown; Vice-Captain: G. Coanor; Secretary: D. R. Wood; Soccer Captain: Senior, G. Oliver; Junior, W. Harrison; Rugby: Senior, L. Dent; Junior, I. Heston; Cricket: Senior, G. Oliver; Junior, W. Harrison; Basketball: G. Oliver; Athletics: G. A. Brown; Tennis: A. M. Hindmarsh; Swimming: L. Dent.

As the Junior and Middle School members have shown their sporting ability during the past year we hope that these future Senior members will infuse the House with an even better spirit.

Once more our sincere thanks must be extended to Mr. Lister and to all members of staff, who have assisted in running the House.

D. R. WOOD (Hon. Sec.)

### Baby House Report.

M. S. EDWARDS, Captain. F. E. SMITH, Vice-Captain.

This year we appear to have fallen off considerably in both athletic and academic attainments compared with last year. Last summer we headed the House Championship table as a consequence of winning the tennis championship (for the third year in succession) and of being runners-up in the cricket section.

During the autumn term, of this year, the footballing prowess of the House reached a remarkably low level in both senior and junior

division. In the House Rugby Championships the Senior VII fared quite well, being runners-up to Durham, but alas, the Juniors were placed fourth.

At the School Swimming Gala, we were placed second and as many of the House Swimming Teams will be available next year, it is to be hoped that this encouraging performance will be repeated.

The Senior basketball title was won by Raby, but the Juniors, it appears, have still to learn that kicking the ball is prohibited, and thus directly or indirectly as a consequence the team finished in fourth position.

In the cross-country championships, the results it is hoped, are not a barometer of things to come on Sports Day, as the Seniors finished third and the Juniors fourth.

The boxing tournament brought to light that members of our House appear to be confirmed pacifists as they were most reluctant to compete and thus we again finished in fourth position.

It is to be hoped that during the summer term there will be an improvement in both athletic and academic performances (we were placed fourth at the end of the Xmas term when the Study Cup positions were announced).

Once more our sincere thanks must be extended to Mr. Jowett and all members of staff who have assisted in running the House and especially for their support at the Xmas Party at which everybody had a most enjoyable time.

M. S. ROBERTS.

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### Leaky House.

The House has once again taken part in a wide variety of activities, with varying degrees of success. This year has been distinguished by the way in which the Juniors have shown an example to their elders, both in spirit and result.

Disast' failure in the senior cross-country, was partially balanced by having the first two juniors home, and narrowly missing the team victory by two points.

An unlooked for triumph was the winning of the Study Cup; occasioned perhaps by a low academic standard in the other houses. The fruits of victory also came our way in the junior rugby and in swimming. In the senior rugby a gallant fight resulted in our being placed, rather unobscurely, third, but in soccer we went well and truly out-gunned.

The corporate life of the House has been fostered by the success of the party at Christmas, and especially by the chance to meet monthly for house-prayers.

The healthy life of the junior members is indeed a compensating factor, for the reverses suffered this year can be changed to future triumphs in the summer competitions, with a little more enthusiasm and team-spirit.

The guiding genius of the House has once again been Mr. H. Wilson, and he fully deserves our thanks for the efforts he has made on our behalf.

D. MITCHESON, Captain.

### Durham House.

T. HUTCHINSON (Captain), P. LIVERY (Vice-Captain),  
D. REAH (Secretary).

This has not been an outstandingly successful year for Durham House, but it is hoped that this state of affairs will not continue and that Durham will regain its high status amongst the Houses.

The Senior soccer team won two of its matches, whilst the Juniors were most successful and won all three.

The rugby team, ably captained by Livery, won all its matches in the seven-a-side competition, but the Juniors could only manage third place. However, we shared the rugby trophy with Linsley.

In basketball the House gained second place in each section, the seniors just being voted out of first position on a points aggregate.

The senior cross-country team maintained its high standard by carrying off the trophy, but the juniors could only win third place. We hope this will be amended next year as Durham has always headed the other Houses in this sport.

The house was moderately represented in the Bowing Tournament, but gained second place and our congratulations should be extended to Petric who won the Senior Championship.

Lack of enthusiasm and of numbers was noted in the Swimming Gala and the House was placed third.

With the summer sports to come it is hoped the House will gain more success in cricket and tennis than was gained last year, and it is hoped more support will be rendered on Sports Day, as the athletic ability which has been so strong in the House in past years seems to be falling away.

After last year's lapse, a House Party was once again held. This was well supported by the House and I am sure it was enjoyed by all.

In conclusion all members of the House extend their thanks to Mr. Ayre and his colleagues for their unflinching enthusiasm and support in House affairs.

D. REAH (Hon. Sec.)

### The Boden Scouts.

Previous to last summer holidays the usually good standard of the troop had been declining due to a falling off of the troop's numbers but we are pleased to report that since then good progress has been made and we are now back at full strength.

In May and June, a start was made on the redecorating and re-furnishing of the Scout Hut. The outside walls were repaired, the inside was re-papered in parts and painted, and the ceiling was white-washed. All this was achieved with meticulous success by the Scouts and Seniors themselves.

Summer Camp, the main event in the scout year, was held near the village of Dafton in Wensleydale. The site, which has been previously visited by the troop, was on an elevated position on the edge of the Fossils, affording a good view of the Cumbrians over the Vale of Eden.

The new school year started well for the troop with a large influx of new, enthusiastic members. Since then tests and badge work have progressed well.

The annual season of white drives started as usual after the holidays. A special Christmas White Drive was held in which 'camp-fire' entertainment was given by the troop. Before the Christmas Holidays the troop had its annual party which was a great success.

On the twenty-second of February, with other troops in the town, the 'Bolans' attended the Baden-Powell memorial service in Grange Church.

In March, a Carnival Dance was held in the Boys' School Hall. Dancing was to the Ambassadors Dance Band.

With the Easter holidays came the start of the year's hiking and camping. The first hike was undertaken by the older members of the troop. It was set by the Senior Troop Leader as an information hike which entailed hiking over Black, Chevin moorland to a hidden lake and from there to the village of Elsdon, near Carter Bar, on the Border. At the same time, another small party from the troop, were on a rock-climbing course in North Wales.

We wish to show our appreciation to Mr. K. Howard for his untiring and active interest in the troop; to Mr. D. B. Cowell for his valuable help in organising the Christmas White Drive entertainment and Dance. Also we wish to thank Mr. Bell for his offer to help Mr. Cowell in his tasks as Staff Representative.

Our good wishes go out to M. J. Tracey, who has been honoured with a place in the small party from the town that is to attend the World Jubilee Year Jubilee at Sutton Coldfield this summer.

There are still a few vacant places left in the troop, so that any boy who is interested should attend on a Friday night at 7 p.m.

I. TURNBULL, Sec.

### Baden Senior Scouts.

This summer, at Sutton Coldfield, the largest international jamboree yet is being held. Size is no great standard of course, and in these days of outrageous advertisements, superlatives may well be treated to a careful examination. But this event does mark something of importance! Scouting has been growing for upwards of fifty years and shows no signs of the "being-satisfied-with-one's-let-and-let's-be-comfortable" attitude that so often marks middle age. Scouting is not an organisation but a movement and today in detail bears but a tenuous resemblance to the pre-1914 set up. It exists to promote good citizenship but it must not be forgotten that no boy ever joined anything in order to be made a good citizen. Let us hope that is always the case.

Baden-Powell's idea was to capture the natural mischief, love of adventure, and zest for life in the boy and to turn this through playing a game, into something of greater worth. The idea was sound in 1907 and is so today. The movement continues to grow. In Senior Scouting, I believe that we are not trying to turn a boy's footstep in any particular direction. At 16 plus, he may or may not know where he's going but a great deal of the "direction finding" ought to be left to him. At 16 plus, advice, scorn and a great number of the adult problems of the world are showered on him. At 16 plus, life is a very serious business. Senior Scouting can show that there is a great deal of fun still to be had. Just that!

We succeed to the extent that those who come into the Scouts stay there until University time, and we usually see them around in the vacations as well. We succeed, too, in having more effect than might be supposed from a simple policy of enjoying ourselves. We see many during and after National Service, and we can claim to supply a source of likely candidates as Scouters for other Groups.

What sort of fun? It isn't really possible to describe.<sup>5</sup> You should be with us. Last Summer, for instance, after lending a hand with the Troop Camp in Wiltshireland, we set off for the Isle of Mull but ended up in the Outer Hebrides. Rain and wind, mosquitoes and bog. Not the sort of place for camping? Of course not. That's why we went, and why we're off to Shetland, and if we can jump a transfer, to Farnes as well, this August. You should be with us. It's fun!

J.B.L.

### Senior Debating Society.

#### OFFICIALS :

- AUTUMN TERM :** President—D. Seale,  
 Secretary—Miss C. Robinson,  
 Asst. Secretary—N. H. Cleminson.
- SPRING TERM :** President—Miss C. Robinson,  
 Secretary—D. Seale,  
 Asst. Secretary—Miss V. Thompson.

If attendances are to be the only criterion, the Debating Society has had a very successful year. The standard of debating, however, has not been exceptionally high, but there have been many lively debates. A disappointing feature of meetings is the general apathy among many members, especially on the girls' side, towards making their contribution to debates.

Subjects under discussion have covered various fields, ranging from "A man cannot become rich by honest means" to "This house approves of the Government action in Suez."

The Bi-Annual Cup Debate in the Autumn Term was won by Miss Thompson, and in the Spring Term by Mr. Mahol. The debates were adjudicated by Mr. A. J. B. Budge and Miss W. J. E. Moul respectively. The India Cup and Officers' Prize Debates have yet to take place.

During the past two sessions the Poets Laureate, Messrs. Austin and Graham have entertained us with some amusing and topical poems.

Last year's outing to the Scottish Border was adjudged by all participants to be a resounding success. This year we plan to visit Alnwick, Bamburgh and Ford Castle.

Finally, on behalf of present and past generations of Bedians, I should like to express our most sincere thanks to Mr. G. T. Moore for the unstinting interest he has shown in the Debating Society over many years. We are deeply grateful to him and wish him a long and happy retirement.

D. STOKER (Hon. Sec.)

### Junior Debating Society.

The Junior Debating Society has had an excellent season this year. We succeeded in having a debate pretty well every week and the meetings were always very well attended by a somewhat high-spirited House. Our main trouble has been a shortage of speakers in the closed debate, speakers from the floor being plentiful enough. Two others, officers had to stand in at the last moment. Of these was always Robinson, who proved a great stalwart.

There was some good speaking in the Prize Debate, which was won by A. A. B. Metcalf with R. Meddis runner-up.

Office-holders during the Easter Term were: President, A. A. B. Metcalf; Secretary, R. Meddis; Poet Laureate, E. Sayers; Senior Member, S. M. Ross; Junior Member, F. Cranmer.

R. MEDDIS (Hon. Sec.)

### Student Christian Movement.

The S.C.M. has had a most successful year. This has been due to a pleasing improvement in attendance to an average of about twenty each meeting.

The meetings have been based upon three main themes:—“Faith and Action,” “The Sermon on the Mount,” and finally “Denominational Differences.” This year members have taken an enthusiastic part in both meetings and discussions, and there have been many lively meetings. “Faith and Action,” our subject for the Autumn Term, was also the subject of a well attended conference at Houghton in November.

Our guest speakers have included the following:—Rev. R. Sharpley, Rev. W. Bryan, Rev. M. Aisley, Rev. Elders, Rev. Glass, Rev. Grosnor, Rev. Janney, Rev. G. Anders, Father Hansen, C. Robinson, J. I. Whan and Mrs. Easton. We should like to thank them for their services and everyone else who aided in the success of the meetings.

It was a great loss to the school S.C.M. when the Rev. J. P. Giles left the school in December. He took a very active part in the Movement and his help was invaluable. We have been fortunate, however, in that his successor, the Rev. W. Bryan, has displayed a similar interest.

The Society is also grateful to the Education Committee, who last summer, sent four boys to a week's conference at Hatfield College, Durham.

J. I. WHAN (Chairman).

T. HUTCHINSON (Vice-Chairman).

### The Library.

The year has been one of considerable change, both in the library itself, and in its position in school life. The training of the younger boys in the use of the library has meant a more intelligent use of the afforded facilities. Issues have increased; periodicals are being read by more boys; and the improved reference section is no longer a mine of mystery. New stock has been added, largely to the English and Reference sections. A list of newly acquired books is displayed in the library entrance.

An innovation in the library activities is the display cabinet. Throughout the year Whan has admirably arranged the displays, the subjects of which have been largely, and very kindly, contributed by Mr. C. A. Smith.

Yet another new development has been the growing social life of the library committee. An informal tea was held in the library on the retirement from the committee of D. Stiff. Such meetings, though not always for such purposes, will, we hope, become more frequent.

The committee's plans for the future comprise a complete overhaul of stock. Out of date books will be replaced and sections expanded. We are planning to subscribe to two new periodicals, the "New Scientist" and "Technology."

Finally we should like to thank the committee for their running of the library during the year.

Committee: Chairman, The Headmaster; Librarian, Mr. Marham; Staff Member, Mr. Lewis; Sen. Ass. Librarian, Hutchinson; Senior Assistant, Austin, Dent, Earl, Graham, Galloway, Hodkin.

L.D.

### Chess Club.

This has been a moderately successful season for the chess team. We were fortunate, this year, in having the services of many players who represented the team last year and, although the results appear to be disappointing, the standard of play was much higher than might be suggested by them alone.

The officials elected for the year were:—D. Seale (Captain), D. Austin (Vice-Captain), H. Jenkins (secretary). The final figures were:—

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
8	4	1	3	34	30

Twelve boys represented the school this year. They are (apparently in brackets):—Austin, Jenkins (3), Hutchinson (7), Seale, Brandon and Hodgson (5), Pearman and Berg (5), Whan and Graham, S. (4), Kirk and Cohen J. (2).

Total attendance at the club fell off this season. The junior membership was quite satisfactory, but there was a lamentable lack of enthusiasm among the seniors. Indeed, apart from that shown by the school team, there seems to be little interest in Chess in the upper school.

It is sad to have to report that the general apathy made it impossible to complete any of the school tournaments this year.

Our heartiest congratulations go to D. Seale who, in winning the Durham County Junior Chess Tournament last summer, emulated his predecessors, G. Scott and J. Philip, winners in recent years.

PREFECTS.



Back Row: left to right, F. P. Wood, J. Evans, D. Hoddy, D. Sells, D. Ward, G. Brown  
 Middle Row: H. Jenkins, D. Booth, K. Roe, M. Roberts, D. Elliott, L. Dent, G. Crummett  
 Seated: C. Rogers, F. Thackeray, T. Hutchinson (Head Prefect) Mr. Myers, Mr. Ridge,  
 Mr. Lines, P. Lavery, D. Graham, D. Micham.

UNDER 15 SOCCER.



Standing: Mr. A. Smith, N. E. Fowler, J. T. Beverford, P. Hodgson, E. Johnson, J. L. Reid,  
 J. Hughes, T. Stinfield, P. E. Cooks  
 Seated: E. W. Harrison, J. H. Davison, A. Spedding, S. Sampson (Capt.), G. Clayton,  
 A. Simmons, D. W. Snowball.

SENIOR RUGBY XV.



Back Row: left to right, D. Nicholson, M. Batey, G. Stewart, L. Dand, E. Franson, M. Sneyd,  
L. Don, P. Egan, V. G. Conway, E. A. G. Bell.  
Sitting: Mr. Griffiths, J. Fryer, D. Austin, D. Graham, D. Griggs, P. Lacey (Capt.),  
T. Hutchinson, B. Galloway, D. Ward, K. Foster, Mr. Berry.

DEBATING SOCIETY COMMITTEE.



Standing: D. Seale, T. Hutchinson, D. Austin, M. Sneyd, P. Sanderson, N. Clouston,  
D. Graham, D. Nicholson.  
Seated: Miss E. Batey, Miss B. Howat, Miss C. Robinson, Mr. Balguy, Mr. Moore,  
Miss Moxley, Miss V. Thompson, Miss A. McCannell.

## BOXING CLUB.



Back Row: left to right, A. W. Britton, G. Dixon, E. T. Ferris, D. Sabben, F. C. Smith,  
W. Collier, A. M. Hindmarsh, W. Cairns.

2nd Row: J. Falconer, E. Haigh, A. Hodgson, F. Rolley, D. Pickering, B. Seyers, J. Clift,  
T. D. Armstrong, M. A. Mann.

Front Row: A. Robson, A. Potts, R. Maddis, J. S. Robertson, Mr. G. W. Lea,  
J. C. Baylston (Capt.), N. Pankas, C. Wright, D. Morris, W. Bruce.

## SENIOR CRICKET XI.



Standing: A. Britton, P. Sanderson, J. Gray, R. Dunn, J. Harb, E. Johnson, G. Clayton,  
Mr. McClelland.

Sitting: J. Ross, P. O'Swing, G. Bell, G. Crosser (Capt.), D. Mackinnon, G. Oliver, D. Beak.

ATHLETICS.



Back Row : T. Dyer, R. W. Harrison, K. Addison, W. Parker, T. D. Armstrong, P. D. Lathan,  
 K. Wilkinson, M. J. Sillis, R. Turnbull, F. Ewers, F. V. Lewis, P. Miller, A. Edward  
 Middle Row : J. E. French, I. McIlwain, D. L. Harding, P. East, D. Salmon, E. Johnson,  
 I. D. Hopkins, F. C. Smith, D. W. Young, P. Thackeray, N. H. Clouston, G. Clayton,  
 R. Foster, A. Simmons, S. M. Bates, R. Allen  
 Front Row : Mr. C. T. Griffiths, P. Mellars, L. Bland, M. Stacey, G. Cranston, M. Roberts,  
 G. A. Brown, D. Reah, D. Griggs, G. Finlay, D. Bowers, R. T. Payne, Mr. W. Ellis  
 Sitting : B. Davison, R. Thompson, I. Crockett, J. Nixon.

SENIOR SOCCER XI.



Standing: left to right, Mr. Ellis G. Cranston, K. Roe, W. Knapp, M. Roberts, D. Wilson,  
 P. Gierhard,  
 Sitting: D. Settle, D. Reah, G. Brown (Capt.), D. Laws, N. Wright.

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The Chess Club suffered a great loss in the tragic death last February of Mr. Macrobly. His expert advice and coaching will be greatly missed in future years.

We are greatly indebted to Mr. Linton for his supervision at the matches and at the club throughout the season.

H. JENKINS (Hon. Sec.)

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#### Drama Club.

We found the 1957 production rather more difficult to stage than we expected. Although we have now a number of new hardboard scenery flats, we still had a great deal of work to do in preparing the five different sets which the play called for. The stage staff had to shorten several of the flats at very short notice, and deserve high praise for the work they did.

We had some very welcome help in the make-up department, where we have lost nearly all our former helpers, and the scenery painters worked hard, and were more reliable and co-operative than those of the previous year. We now have a highly efficient (and uniformed) team of ushers which are an asset.

We are glad to have enlisted the help of Mr. Martham who is very interested in the work of the Club. He produced the Modern play, and will no doubt continue to work with us.

Unhappily the lighting effects, hired at considerable cost, were more or less useless. It is far better to have one's own gear, thoroughly understood even if less adequate, than to have one work of apparatus which spends its life cladding from one end of the country to another.

J.L.J.

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#### Senior Soccer XI 1956-1957.

The school team has had another moderate season, the record being :—

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
22	10	9	12	48	61

It has undoubtedly been a season of mixed fortunes. Before Christmas the team was depleted, and many team changes were made, with the result that the team spirit gradually fell, and finally reached rock bottom in our disastrous Tyroside Grammar School Cup exit. However, after Christmas the team enjoyed a very fair measure of success in winning eight of the last twelve games. These victories were gained by a more settled side, with a greater team spirit, and a forward line which more than doubled its pre-Christmas goal tally.

The fact that thirteen boys who have represented the school this season, will be able to play next should augur well for 1937-1938. If a more settled team with greater enthusiasm can be found early, then the school should enjoy a most successful season.

The team are much indebted to the invaluable coaching of Mr. Layton and of Mr. Ellis; to Mr. Agre, who was once again in charge of the team, and to all the members of staff who relieved the school matches or travelled with the team.

The following boys represented the school this season (number of appearances in brackets):—Laws (22), Brown and Roberts (both 21), Reah and Roe (both 20), Seale and Wright (both 17), Gohard (15), Cranmer and Knapp (both 14), Wilson (12), Bell (7), McLaren, Oliver and Poole (all 6), Graham and Pollard (both 4), Gray, Johnson K., and Meece (all 3), Johnson E. (2), Clayton, Sanderson, Smith and Tracy (all 1).

Goals were scored by Oliver (11), Brown (8), Cranmer (7), Seale (7), Roberts (4), Poole (3), Meece (2), Wright (2), Bell, Gohard and Graham (all 1).

Colours were awarded to Brown, Reah, Roe, Roberts and Laws.

#### RESULTS.

15/ 8/36	Consett	H	3-0	29/1/37	Kelso	A	4-2
22/ 8/36	Northampton	A	1-1	30/1/37	Jarrow	H	1-1
29/ 8/36	Houghton	H	1-1	1/2/37	Houghton	A	2-0
5/10/36	Washington	A	0-0	8/2/37	South Shields	H	1-1
12/10/36	Jarrow	A	1-2	15/2/37	South Shields	H	2-0
21/10/36	Tynemouth	H	0-1	8/3/37	Midway Auckland	A	1-7
2/11/36	Sunderland	A	1-1	14/3/37	South Shields	H	0-1
17/11/36	Midway Auckland	H	0-1	20/3/37	Durham College	H	1-0
24/11/36	Blyth	H	1-1	27/3/37	South Shields	A	1-1
	(1st round F.A.S. cup)			4/4/37	Northampton	H	1-0
1/12/36	Washington	H	0-1	11/4/37	Marsden	H	1-1
12/ 1/36	Sunderland	H	4-0				

D. LAWS (Hon. Sec.).

#### Under 15 Soccer.

The under 15 soccer team are to be congratulated on winning the Sunderland and District Schools' Championship in a most successful season. The full record was:—

P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Agst.
26	22	1	3	87	24

The team won Division A with 27 points out of a possible 32, and this despite frequent calls from the Town team for the services of two or more of our players.

## RESULTS.

## SUNDERLAND SCHOOLS' LEAGUE. DIVISION A.

22/ 8/36	St. Aidan's	A	4—0	1/3/37	Camden Square	A	4—0
4/10/36	Villiers St.	H	2—1	14/3/37	Camden Square	H	2—1
15/10/36	Sillemoath	A	3—1	18/3/37	Sillemoath Mod.	H	4—0
22/10/36	Rabye Green	H	4—1	25/3/37	Eastington Mod.	A	4—0
2/11/36	Basington Mod.	H	0—0	27/3/37	Marske-moath	A	4—1
17/11/36	Marske-moath	H	3—1	1/4/37	Rabye Green	A	0—1
24/11/36	Seaham Mod.	A	2—0		Championship Semi-Final		
12/ 1/37	St. Aidan's Green	H	1—1	4/3/37	Final Match		3—0
18/ 1/37	Villiers St. Tech.	A	1—1		Championship Final		
25/ 1/37	Seaham Mod.	H	2—0	18/3/37	Harwick Modem		4—1

## COCKSHAW CUP.

20/10/36	Camden Square	H	1—0
28/11/36	Sillemoath St.		
	Lawson's	A	1—0
1/12/36	Jas. Williams St.	A	2—1

## OTHER MATCHES.

4/3/36	George Park	H	1—0	13/4/37	Villiers St. Tech.	H	4—0
11/3/36	Final Match	H	2—1	4/5/37	St. Aidan's Green	H	1—0
28/3/36	West Park	H	4—1				

Johnson played a sound game in goal, and in his absence Ragg and Shankfield deputised ably. A number of right backs were tried before Reid made the place his own by strong kicking and particularly effective headwork. Cooke has been a terrific-like left back and makes up in spirit what he lacks in inches. Sampson proved the strong man of the team, and his tireless work, now in his own penalty area, now in the opponents', was an inspiration to his team. At his best Bradford is an exceptional centre-half, always trying to use the ball to advantage. Spodding is as much responsible for the success of the team as anyone else. As captain in Sampson's absence, he encouraged his men, and was the mainstay of attack and defence. Harrison has proved to be the utility man of the side. Handicapped perhaps by lack of weight, he must still try to dispossess an opponent, and not rely solely on his positional skill.

Devine is a utilising player, for he does not make sufficient use of his speed and shooting power, to cut in for goal. He nevertheless proved to be the outstanding player in the Sunderland under 14 team. No more need be said of Clayton than that he is one of the best inside-forwards we have seen in Sunderland Schools' football. He captained Sunderland Boys and Durham County, and only foot trouble, we feel, prevented his doing himself justice in international trials. Snowball was handicapped by lack of size, yet he was always ready to take advantage of any slip by opposing defenders. Stronger shooting powers would have brought him many more goals. Hughes seems to lack the devil necessary for a successful half-back or inside-forward, yet he possesses a powerful shot and was a good penalty taker. Minnans, though not up to his form of 1934-35, was still a useful man in either left wing position. What we missed were those bursts of speed down the left wing which used to be a notable

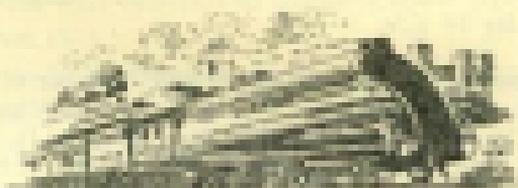
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feature of his play. Shinkfield came in at outside left late in the season and, while he did not shine in construction, he was always on the spot to score—a useful quality. Piskney, Hodgson, Fowler and Lewis also played, with varying success.

Clayton, Sampson, Johnson, Simmons and Davison played for Sunderland Boys, while Davison, Harrison and Snowball played in the Team under 14 side.

The following boys played this season (number of matches in brackets):—S. Sampson (Capt., 17), A. Spedding (Vice-Capt., 26), K. Addison (1), J. T. Berrisford (27), G. Clayton (13), P. E. Cooke (21), J. H. Davison (25), N. K. Fowler (16), G. M. Gibbs (1), R. W. Harrison (16), F. Hodgson (9), C. H. Hornby (1), J. Hughes (29), E. Johnson (18), R. F. Lewis (8), G. Piskney (6), W. L. Ragg (5), J. I. Reid (15), T. Shinkfield (11), A. Simmons (18), D. W. Snowball (26).

Goal-scores: Clayton (26), Snowball (17), Davison (11), Hughes (8), Shinkfield (8), Simmons (6), Sampson (4), Spedding (4), Berrisford, Lewis, Piskney (2 each).

#### Under 13 Soccer XI. 1956-57.

The Under 13 Soccer XI this season has not maintained the high standards set by its predecessors of the last three seasons but nevertheless has put up a moderate showing. Against average opposition the team functioned satisfactorily but against better teams it soon lost cohesion and tended to disintegrate as soon as the opposing team scored the first goal. This was mainly due to poor positional play, bad marking and indecisive tackling, and to the lack of stability of the inside forwards with their consequent failure to assist in defence when necessary. The forward line failed to operate as a combined force and all too frequently became a one-man show as the list of goal-scores indicates. At rare times, however, the team did find that certain "bits" which is essential to defeat superior teams, particularly in its hard fought victory over Monkwearmouth Grammar School at Seaburn. This was, undoubtedly, the match of the season, played under extremely bad conditions as far as the weather and the state of the pitch were concerned, and all members of the team were magnificent that day. However, the many weaknesses exhibited at other times were responsible for the defence conceding 31 goals in the league games and the team as a whole must share this responsibility.

For the future, the team members must learn to play intelligently when not in possession of the ball, and endeavour to take up good positions. Team work should then improve. Duckworth, Dunbarry and Wilson should prove of valuable assistance in the building of next season's team.

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The results of matches played in Division H of the Sunderland and District Schools' Football Association are as follows:—

	F	A		F	A
22/9/34 Grange Park	H	6—0	12/1/37 Grange Park	A	3—2
26/10/34 West Southwick	A	2—1	18/1/37 West Southwick	H	4—1
13/10/34 Monkwearmouth	H	8—2	26/1/37 Monkwearmouth	A	1—0
27/10/34 St. Hilary's	A	3—2	9/2/37 Commercial Road	A	1—4
3/11/34 Commercial Road	H	6—2	23/2/37 St. Mary's	A	2—0
17/11/34 St. Peter's	A	1—1	2/3/37 Reddy	H	1—1
24/11/34 St. Mary's	H	3—2	23/3/37 St. Hilary's	H	1—1
8/12/34 Reddy	A	1—4	8/4/37 St. Peter's	H	4—1

F.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Fts.
18	10	1	5	42	31	23

Goal-scorers:—Turner 24, Rowe 9, Courtney 6, Nicklin, Morrell, Smart, Kirk and Watson 1 each.

G.W.L. & S.A.S.R.

### Senior Rugby.

Captain: Lavery.

Vice-Captain: Hutchinson.

Hon. Secretary: Griggs.

Only five of last season's school team remained available this year, and adequate successors were hard to find. The problem of the three-quarter line was never solved and the fact that ten players were tried in four positions tells its own story.

Austin filled the problem berth as full back competently for most of the season, but a lack of knowledge of the fundamentals of defensive play in the "three" proved disastrous. Marking and tackling were at times indistinct, at others, non-existent.

In the pack, the general play improves well for next season: a weakness in the loose due to inexperience and laziness was counter-balanced by sound tight scrum work and the excellent hooking of Graham.

After a disappointing start, the team worked down to play well until Christmas, but then suffered a relapse to its former poor play which lasted until the end of the season, culminating in the heavy defeat inflicted by West Hartlepool.

Lavery, Hutchinson, Graham and Griggs performed consistently well all season, and the play of Stacey and Galloway holds promise for next year.

Lavery, Hutchinson, Graham and Stacey played in the County trials, but none gained a place. The school withdrew from the 'sevens' tournament due to a sudden spate of injuries. Lavery (runner-up), Hutchinson, Graham, and Griggs were awarded school colours.

Record	F.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
	18	6	1	11	110	100

D. GRIGGS (Hon. Sec.)

## U. 13 and U. 14 Rugby.

U. 13, captained by I. Hodkin, have had a most disappointing season. Defensive weakness with lack of lightning back caused the games results to be worse than they should have been. Individually good but as a team weak. Similar remarks apply to U. 14, captained by Darison and later by Salomon. Both junior sides must practice hard next season, because both are capable of better things.

	P	W.	D.	L.	P.	A.
U. 13	17	3	1	13	81	278
U. 14	18	3	6	9	88	146

## Cross-Country.

Captain: D. Bush.

Vice-Captain: G. A. Brown.

This season followed a familiar pattern, with strong personalities, and rather dismal failures, the failure lying not in the latent ability of the team, but in a lack of serious application to training, the value of which was ably demonstrated by the Royal Grammar team.

A losing match was run against R.G.S., the distinguishing feature of which was the running of Miles, who despite very adverse conditions set up a new course record. The team gained 9th place in the annual Lumley Castle Relay, and won the first match for two seasons by defeating Durham School. The triangular match against Ryhope and Durham College II, and the N.E.G.S. Championship, run this year at Redcar, found us on both occasions at the bottom of the list. Colours were awarded to D. Bush, and awarded to E. Allison and G. A. Brown.

In the Senior House Championships, Allison was the individual victor in a time of 18 minutes 3 seconds, which beat that of Miles (R.G.S.) by 45 seconds. House placings were 1 Durham, 2 Hylton, 3 Lumley.

The Junior winner was Blockinship, with 1st Hylton, 2nd Lumley, 3rd Durham, 4th Ryby.

We wish to place on record our thanks for the valuable assistance rendered by Messrs. D. A. Thompson and F. A. James.

D. MITCHELSON, Hon. Sec.

## Basketball Report, 1936-37.

The season, winter and spring terms, was quite successful, the standard of team play being surprisingly high. Interest in the game was so born that for the tournaments held at Darlington and Bold, the school was able to supply two teams.

In the Darlington tournament the school first team reached the semi-final and was beaten narrowly by Darlington, who in turn were beaten in the final by Monkwearmouth.

In the Bede tournament, the school managed in the semi-final to beat Welfield first team, but unfortunately lost in the final to Monkwearmouth.

The surprising thing was that, during seven games, we were quite successful against Monkwearmouth. Perhaps our overconfidence caused our downfall in the Bede Tournament.

The second team played very good basketball in both tournaments although they had the least number of points. Their main fault was their finishing power after good moves.

During the term the first team had about 16 games, in which they suffered defeat only 4 times. Probably the best achievements of the season were the victories over, firstly, the Harlequins and, secondly, a team of last year's Old Boys.

In the House Championships, Babby emerged as winners of the senior contest, with Hython winners of the junior contest.

Finally, the team would like to thank Mr. Griffiths for his coaching and also for his enthusiasm in managing the Bede Tournament.

#### BORN "A" TEAM :

Oliver (capt.), Johnson (vice-capt.), Stacey (Sec.), Earl,  
Roe, Herbert.

M. STACEY (Hon. Sec.)

### The Boxing Club.

The Boxing Club this season has developed along sound, purposeful lines and has increased in stature and strength. It has been animated by an enthusiastic group of boys who have impressed both in technique and stamina. Senior boys, in particular, J. EGGLETON, J. ROBERTSON and J. THOMPSON have coached the junior boys with very good results, and we shall certainly miss their enthusiasm and help next season.

The season ended with a record entry of 47 for the Boxing Tournament which was held in the School Hall, on 4th April, 1957. Preliminary bouts reduced this number to 26 contestants who provided a number of thrilling and hard fought contests and as a result Hython House won the House Championship with 11 points, Durham and Lumley Houses had 27 points each and Babby House 28 points. The Heavyweight Trophy was won by E. T. PATRICK of Durham House who beat F. C. SMITH of Lumley House in the second round.

The Club is indebted to Mr. S. Stuart Wilson, headmaster of Monkwearmouth Grammar School, who presented the trophies, to Mr. R. Frith, referee, to Messrs W. Glendinning, T. Owen and S. Walton, who acted as judges, and to Dr. J. French. Our thanks are also due to the many members of Staff who so ably assisted in the organisation of the Tournament.

The results of the contests were as follows:—

1. Junior A. (11)–(12) years, 4st–4st. 7lbs.:—  
A. Robson (Raby) beat R. Thompson (Lumley).
2. Senior. (13)–(14) years, 6st–6st. 7lbs.:—  
J. Robertson (Durham) beat W. Cairns (Lumley).
3. Junior A. (11)–(12) years, 3rd. 4lbs.–3rd. 11lbs.:—  
F. Goshals (Raby) beat W. Bruce (Durham).
4. Intermediate A. (12–13 years), 1st. 6lbs.–1st. 11lbs.:—  
J. Armstrong (Lumley) beat D. Salmon (Durham).
5. Junior A. (11)–(12) years, 3rd. 7lbs.–3rd.:—  
T. White (Durham) beat A. Hodgson (Raby).
6. Intermediate A. (14–15 years), 3rd. 7lbs.–4st.:—  
G. Maitz (Hylton) beat T. Graham (Durham).
7. Junior B. (11)–(12) years, 3rd. 7lbs.–4st.:—  
K. Maitz (Lumley) beat R. Turner (Hylton).
8. Intermediate A. (14–15 years), 3rd. 12lbs.–7st. 7lbs.:—  
J. Clarke (Hylton) beat K. Hough (Lumley).
9. Junior B. (12)–(13) years, 4st–4st. 7lbs.:—  
J. Pipe (Raby) beat M. Mann (Hylton).
10. Senior. (13)–(14) years, 5st–6st. 7lbs.:—  
J. Eggleston (Hylton) beat M. Tracy (Hylton).
11. Junior B. (12)–(13) years, 7st–7st. 7lbs.:—  
F. Hickey (Lumley) beat D. Pickering (Hylton).
12. Senior. Heavyweight Trophy.  
K. T. Peck (Durham) beat F. C. Smith (Lumley).
13. Intermediate B. (14)–(15) years, 6st–6st. 7lbs.:—  
K. Foster (Hylton) beat S. Farrer (Raby).

G. Oliver, the previous heavyweight champion, very sportingly withdrew his entry, because he had a distinct advantage in age over his opponents, in order that the winner of the Peck-Smith contest could hold the trophy.

The following boys were declared champions in their respective groups there being no opponents to contest them:—D. B. Rafter (L), W. Rankin (D), W. Cherran (D), and I. Haskins (H).

## Swimming Club.

There has this year been a considerable and welcome increase in the number of active swimmers and the result has been a much improved performance at the various galas. The insistence, too, of Mr. Taylor, our instructor, on higher standards of attainment has had an important effect; he entered the club in the Tyenside Grammar Schools Gala and we were delighted to repay his confidence by turning in a good result. The Seniors were 3rd out of nine schools and the Middle School and Junior Teams also did admirably. In a match with Monkwearmouth, Ryhope and Argyle House, the school emerged 2nd, the Seniors winning their section. At the Sunderland Schools Gala there were some very good individual performances: Knaggs was 1st in the Individual Medley and in the Backstroke events, and 3rd in the Free Style; Pearson won the Surface Dive, was 2nd in the English Backstroke and 3rd in two Breast-stroke events; Pipe was 3rd in the Middle School Championship. Our own Gala was entirely successful. The results were as follows:—

<b>TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP :</b>	1st Lamsley.
	2nd Raby.
	3rd Durham.
	4th Hylton.

**SENIOR :**

Championship	...	...	Knaggs; Johnson.
Breaststroke	...	...	Knaggs; Sand.
Backstroke	...	...	Knaggs; Johnson.
Dive	...	...	Johnson; Knaggs.
Squadron	...	...	Raby, Lamsley, Durham, Hylton.
Life-Saving (v Both Girls)	...	...	Boys.
Medley Relay (v Both Girls)	...	...	Boys.

**MIDDLE :**

Championship	...	...	Dumble; Sandell.
Breaststroke	...	...	Sandell; Sampson.
Backstroke	...	...	Sandell; Harrison.
Dive	...	...	Hornby; Dumble.
Squadron	...	...	Durham, Lamsley, Raby, Hylton.
Medley (v Both Girls)	...	...	Girls.

**JUNIOR :**

Championship	...	...	Pipe; Thompson.
Breaststroke	...	...	Pearson; Galt.
Backstroke	...	...	Pipe; Pearson.
Dive	...	...	Gawinger; Middle.
Squadron	...	...	Durham, Hylton, Raby, Lamsley.
Medley (v Both Girls)	...	...	Girls.

**NON-QUALIFIERS' RACES :**

3rd Team	...	...	Munday; Robertson.
Junior	...	...	Cochell; Mathison.
Middle	...	...	Farrar; Witherson.

There has not been the usual volume of support for the Life-Saving Classes and it is urged on boys that here is a most important activity. There have been the following awards :—

Wood—Award of Merit, Schools Medalist Award;

Windle—Award of Merit, Schools Medalist Award and Advanced Award;

Town—Bronze Medalist;

Burham—Bronze Cross, Award of Merit, Schools Medalist Award and Advanced Award.

Besides those named above there have been numerous certificates awarded by the Education Committee, including a Junior First Class to T. B. Swenson.

School Colours were awarded this year to Johnson (re-award), Wood (re-award) and to Knapp.

The Club would like to express its gratitude to Mr. A. Taylor and to Mr. Griffiths for all their enthusiastic help and encouragement and extend, especially to the Junior and Middle Schools, a hearty invitation to attend its meetings.

K. JOHNSON (Capt.)

### Cricket Report.

Captain: G. Cramer.

Vice-Captain: G. Bell.

Secretary: P. Sanderson.

Last year the Senior Cricket XI enjoyed a successful season; under the shrewd captaincy of B. Bayson, the side played 9 matches, winning 6, losing 2, with one game ending in a thrilling tie.

G. E. Oliver batted extremely well throughout the season and scored 147 runs for an average of 17.44. Unfortunately, no other member of the team could match his consistency and quick-scoring rate, although D. Rodgers often provided him with solid support. R. Baxter and A. Reed were the heart of the bowling, both taking 17 wickets.

Only four regular members of last year's team are available this season, but nevertheless the team, which has no fewer than eight players available for next year's team, defeated Catehead O.S. by eight wickets in the only game played to date. It is, as yet, too early to determine how the team will shape under the captaincy of G. Cramer.

The House Competition, won by Hylton last season, will be once again decided on a league basis, but at present no matches have been played.

The net-practices, organised during lunch-time have been quite well attended and the slip-catching machine has proved to be very popular and very useful. Once again Mr. McClement must be thanked for his untiring devotion to the welfare of the team as must all the other masters who have assisted in the running of the team.

F. SANDERSON (Hon. Sec.)

RESULTS :—

4-5-57 v Gashead	Won by 8 wickets.
11-5-57 v Ryhope	Won by 3 wickets.
15-5-57 v Bede College	Lost by 40 runs.
18-5-57 v St. John's College	Won by 7 wickets.
25-5-57 v Washington	Lost by 1 wicket.

Best Performances :—

Bating—34 not out by G. Oliver and 30 by F. Sanderson.  
Bowling—7-13 and 8-24 by G. Oliver.

### Junior Cricket, 1956.

In 1956 the Junior Cricket XI won East Division of the Sunderland Schools' League and the Swan Challenge Cup. Twelve games were won and one lost.

The success was chiefly due to good bowling and sound fielding. By far the most outstanding performance was that of Gray, who produced the best bowling figures since the days of J. S. Milne before the war. His full analysis was: 121.2 overs, 58 maidens, 116 runs, 62 wickets for an average of 1.87. This included 5 wickets in an innings seven times. Able assistance with the ball was given by Harle and Brinson.

The batting was seldom more than adequate, and though none was outstanding, ten players made a score of 10 or more. Sampson headed the averages with 9.54, followed by Gray, Borefield and Foster. Top scorer was Tidd, with 25. The best innings in terms of value to the side were those of Galloway, Ross and Foster v Villiers Street in the only match lost; of Borefield v Villiers Street in the deciding match of the league; and of Clayton, Harle and Galloway in the Cup Final v Hendon.

The fielding was generally sound, but special commendation is due to Johnson, Clayton and Sampson for their excellent work behind the wicket, especially when Gray was bowling: some of the catches were exceptionally good. Ross kept wicket well, after an uncertain start, to the difficult bowling of Gray and Brinson. He caught 8 and stumped out.

Galloway proved himself a quiet but efficient captain. He fielded well, and was at his best with bat when runs were needed.

Harle was selected to captain Durham Boys. Harle, Gray and Brinson played regularly for Sunderland Boys.

The following boys played (number of games in brackets):—

C. B. Galloway (Capt. 12), J. T. Borefield (12), A. W. Brinson (12), G. Clayton (13), R. Foster (13), J. H. Graham (20), J. C. Gray (13), J. Harle (11), E. Johnson (8), J. Lee (1), J. E. Ross (13), S. Sampson (13), G. Tidd (13).

## Athletic Sports Results.

FRAM. RESULT: 1. Raby. 2. Hyton. 3. Darham. 4. Lumbly.

Event 1. Pole Vault (Open).

1. M. Stacy (D) (12 feet). 2. P. Best (D). 3. Peete (K).

Event 2. Long Jump (Middle).

1. A. Simmons (H) (187.5 in.). 2. Hubbard (K). 3. Hopkins (H)

Event 3. High Jump (Junior).

1. Miller (K) (56.5 in.). 2. Turner (K). 3. Edwards (K).

Event 4. 100 yds (Senior).

1. Roberts (K) (13.9 sec.). 2. Bland (K). 3. Griggs (K).

Event 5. 200 Yards (Open).

1. Stacy (D) (33.5). 2. R. Foster (K). 3. Young (D).

Event 6. 400 Yards (Senior).

1. Bush (D) (1 min. 7.4 sec.). 2. G. A. Brown (H). 3. Fishney (K)

Event 7. Long Jump (Senior).

1. Roberts (K) (189.5 in.). 2. Peete (D). 3. White (L).

Event 8. High Jump (Middle).

1. Patterson (D) (58.5 in., a new record). 2. Hubbard (K).  
3. Clayton (H).

Event 9. 220 Yards (Junior).

1. Byth (K) (29.4 sec.). 2. Miller (K). 3. Gladwyn (L).

Event 10. Putting the Shot.

1. Peete (D) (34.5 in.). 2. Bush (D). 3. Lacey (D).

Event 11. 400 Yards (Middle).

1. E. Johnson (H) (1:4.9 sec., a new record). 2. Hopkins (H)  
3. Clayton (H).

Event 12. Steel Cup, High Jump (Open).

Thompson (Hochberg's G.S.) (56.5 in.).

Event 13. Steel Cup, High Jump (Open).

Thompson (Hochberg's G.S.) (57.5 in.).

Event 14. 440 Yards (Senior).

1. Hopkins (K) (1:1 sec.). 2. Simmons (H). 3. Clayton (H).

Event 15. 100 Yards (Middle).

1. Hopkins (K) (1:1 sec.). 2. Simmons (H). 3. Clayton (H).

Event 16. 500 Yards (Junior).

1. Byth (K) (3:4 sec.). 2. Miller (H). 3. White (D).

Event 17. Throwing the Javelin.

1. Thackeray. 2. Austin. 3. Hutchinson.

**Event 18. 800 Yards (Junior).**

1. Turner (H) (2 mins. 33.7 secs.)
2. Watson (K)
3. Pigg (K)

**Event 19. 800 Yards (Middle).**

1. E. Johnson (H) (2 mins. 12.8 secs., a new rec. rd.)
2. A'Hona (D)
3. Samson (L)

**Event 20. 220 Yards (Senior).**

1. Roberts (R) (27 secs.)
2. Hunt (K)
3. Griggs (R)

**Event 21. 170 Yards (Middle).**

1. Hutton (H) (25.8 secs., equaling the school record)
2. Simons (H)
3. Clever (H)

**Event 22. 440 Yards (Junior).**

1. Turner (H)
2. Ryle (K)
3. Pigg (K)

**Event 23. One Mile Open.**

1. Robt (D) (4 mins. 57 secs.)
2. Brown (H)
3. McLaren (H) and Hartline (K)

**Event 24. Middle Relay.**

1. Hutton (H)
2. Raby
3. Lunsley
4. Durham

**Event 25. Junior Relay.**

1. Durham
2. Hutton
3. Raby
4. Lunsley

**Event 26. Senior Relay.**

1. Raby
2. Hutton

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### Badminton.

Although only a young school society, with a small membership, the Badminton Club has had a successful season. The club meet on Fridays at the close of afternoon school, usually in the Girls' Hall, where friendly games of mixed-doubles were held. As most of the male members of the Club will be leaving school this year, it is hoped that in future seasons, there will be an increase in members to keep the club, and, if possible, a team in existence.

Out of five matches, the school team won three (the shortage of matches was due to the Club's not being in a league), a fair result, as some of the team had previously played together. A strong team from Mankwarsworth Grammar School defeated Beke twice, 3—7 (H) and 4—3 (A). The Beke Team defeated the Sunderland Jewish Club 3—4 (A), St. Aidans 3—1 (A), and the Sunderland Physical Recreation Club 6—3 (H).

D. Graham, F. Pickering and R. Forster also did well in the Sunderland Schools Badminton Championships 1934-7, by winning two out of the three Senior Finals.

Appreciation must be given to Miss P. Matcill for her many services to the Club, and to Mr. Griffiths, for the interest which he has shown.

J. I. WHAN (Sec.)

### Table Report.

Captain: P. Smith.

Vice-Captain: D. Seale.

Secretary: J. Bryce.

The School VI had a very successful season, winning thirteen out of the numerous games played, under the able captaincy of P. Smith. The season was concluded with a game against the Staff, which resulted in a comfortable victory for the School. During the season the School was represented by P. Smith, S. Kerr, D. Crompton, N. Wright, who were awarded colours, and D. Seale, D. Baddy, J. Bryce and A. Hindmarch. As only two members have since left school, a very successful season should be forthcoming.

N. Wright defeated D. Besh to win the Geoffrey Pyburn Memorial Trophy, and P. Smith and Miss Ferr defeated G. Cassner and Miss Gibson to win the Mixed Doubles Championship. The House table trophy was narrowly retained by Raby, who won it for the third successive year, with Lumsley second, and Durham and Hylton in third and fourth place respectively.

Once again our thanks are due to Mr. A. Taylor for his kind assistance, and to all the other members of staff who have helped in the running of the team.

J. BRYCE (Hon. Sec.)

### The Gym Club.

The Gym Club began the year with a rather small attendance, as many of the former members holding advanced awards had left the school, leaving an unusually small senior section. The Intermediate Club was also in need of new blood, and as it is the source of future senior gymnasts, the main problem was to supplement it with new members from the junior school. This is at present being carried out, and lately the attendance has been most encouraging.

Mr. Griffiths is now coaching the younger boys for the Intermediate Award, and a number of them appear to be capable of better things. Circuit training, a cross-country indoor training for all sports, has been introduced by Mr. Ellis who has taken over the Senior section. We in the club should like to thank both Mr. Griffiths and Mr. Ellis for their help and support, and it is to be hoped that we can respond adequately to their enthusiastic teaching.

R. T. PETHIE, Secretary.

## "Colours."

School Colours have been awarded in the following games for

1916-7 :—

Rugby: D. J. Graham; D. Griggs; T. C. Hutchinson; P. Lavery.

Soccer: G. A. Brown; D. Laws; D. Bush; M. S. Roberts; K. Roe.

Cross-Country: J. B. Allison; G. A. Brown; D. Bush.

Basket-Ball: K. F. Earl; K. Johnson; G. E. Oliver; K. Roe; M. Swozy.

Swimming: I. W. Hand; K. Johnson; D. Knaggs.

Cricket: G. Cranmer; G. Bell; P. Sanderson; G. E. Oliver.

Athletics: M. Roberts; G. A. Brown; D. Bush.

Tennis: P. B. Smith; N. W. Wright (both annuals);

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**HONORARY SECRETARY:**—Mr. G. T. Halstead.

**ASST. HON. SEC.:**—Mr. S. H. Parkinson.

**ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS:**—Messrs M. Berry, H. E. Bract, J. Dunbar, I. Jukes, B. Torshier.

**AUDITORS:**—Messrs. G. N. Randle, E. Tate.

The **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** was held in the Barnes Hotel, Sandhurst, on Friday, 11st September, 1936, at 7 p.m.

Mr. Badge presided over the meeting, which was attended by the Chairman, Hon. Treas., Hon. Sec., Asst. Hon. Sec., and 16 other members.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, members stood in honour of the memory of Mr. F. F. Fulson and Mr. R. Grimes. Both had been members for many years, Mr. Grimes being a founder member.

After the minutes were read and confirmed, the President thanked the Association on behalf of the school for offering a second O.B.A. prize of £5 5s. 0d. which was to be awarded annually.

The reports of the Hon. Sec. and Hon. Treas. were both read and confirmed. Club reports were given by representatives of the individual clubs.

Association Christmas Cards had been sent to 120 members residing out of the town. Only one acknowledgment had been received.

The question of a London branch of the Association was discussed at length and the Secretary was instructed to go ahead in his efforts to recruit the London group by contacting Mr. W. Boyd, a life member of the Association and an active member of the former London Association.

A buffet supper followed the conclusion of business, and Messrs. G. Turnbull and E. Henderson with songs and piano again gave excellent entertainments.

### Secretary's Report for 1936-37.

Since last year's Bedas went to print, events have followed the familiar pattern. The two dances were again successes. The Cricket Match gave the School another victory. The Rugby Club, victors once more in the Junior County Cup Competition, will wonder what further proof of their quality they must give in order to attain senior status.

G. T. HALSTEAD.

### Hon. Treasurer's Report.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. R. T. Agnes) reported another successful year with a surplus during the year of £38 19s. 3d. The Association's assets on August 31st, 1936, were £83 3s. 1d. at Barclay's Bank and £280 in the Sunderland Working Men's Building Society.

Once again the Treasurer asks all members, who have not paid their Subscriptions for 1937, or for 1936 and 1937 and who were reminded by post in May, 1937, to forward their subs. without delay if they wish to keep up their membership.

### Old Bedans R.H.F.C.

The Club has had another successful season, particularly as we have again been hit severely with injuries; in fact our club captains played in only one or two games, while there were several weeks when there were as many as ten "cry offs."

The 1st XV again won the Durham County Junior Cup, for the third successive year, and reached the final of the Junior "Sevens" Cup, the "Sevens" being organised by the Clubs for Durham County R.F.I. The 2nd XV were narrowly beaten in the third round of their competition by the eventual winners, Durham City, by only three points to Nil.

A successful dance was held at the end of the season, and was well attended by members, who had an enjoyable evening.

The playing records for last season were:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st XV	39	23	1	5	464	117
2nd XV	25	14	0	11	316	190
3rd XV	26	12	0	14	242	249

It will be seen from these records that whilst the 1st XV. has had a very successful season indeed, the other two fifteens have met with some success, and I would at this point appeal to all schoolboys leaving school this term to contact any of the clubs officials, as every member is welcome and will be assured of a game most Saturday afternoons.

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held on Friday, May 24th, when the officials of the Club were elected as follows:—

PRESIDENT: A. J. B. BUDGE.	CHAIRMAN: M. BERRY.
GEN. SEC.: W. F. MOWERAY.	TREASURER: T. ALMOND.
FIN. SEC.: B. HARRISON.	TEAM SEC.: T. SMITH.
1st XV CAPTAIN: I. JOINER.	
2nd XV CAPTAIN: D. CROMPTON.	
3rd XV CAPTAIN: N. HOWE.	

W. MOWERAY (Hon. Sec.).

## Old Bedans' A.F.C.

SEASON 1914-17.

The season started with great promise and with more players available than usual. Many of the players considered themselves to be wing-half-backs and the club had a number of successful conversions to its credit, notably S. Slawther (captain) to full back, R. Thompson to centre-forward, and P. Woodward to centre-half.

Despite the number of players the outside-left position proved difficult to fill satisfactorily, no fewer than ten players attempting the position. G. Meek in the outside-right position provided a contrast by being the only ever present member of the 1st XI.

Unfortunately the early season promise was not maintained and no honours were won, the 1st team finishing in 6th position in the league.

The 2nd XI improved considerably, scoring 101 goals; this compared to 43 last season illustrates the improvement. W. Byth, centre-forward, was leading goal-scorer and also had a number of successful games with the 1st XI.

A loss to the club occurred when W. Lawson, Assistant Secretary, and 2nd XI captain, left the town. T. Marston took over the captaincy, a position he held with the 1st team a few seasons ago.

## NORTH EASTERN ASSOCIATION LEAGUE :

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pos.
Div. I.	26	16	4	6	109	56	36
Div. II.	26	15	1	10	101	78	31

R. J. SWINSHOE, Hon. Sec.

## Obituary.

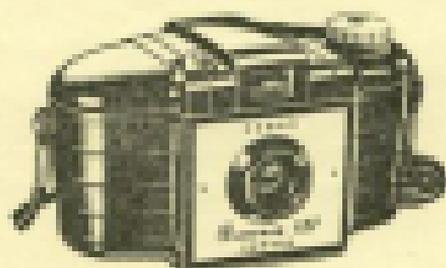
## Mr. E. TATE.

We regret to report the death of Mr. E. Tate on June 6th, 1917. Mr. Tate had been an active member of the Old Bedans' Association and was an Hon. Auditor of the Association. He was a member of the Old Bedans' Badminton and Archery Clubs. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Tate and her family.

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