

# THE IMPALA



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## The Staff.

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Matrons:—Mrs. Balmer, Mrs. Douglas, Miss Lane, Mrs. Malcolm-Smith, Mrs. Murton, Mrs. Page-Morris, Mrs. Poppleton, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Turner.

Office:—Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Schultz.

## Office-Bearers.

### School Prefects.

#### CLIVE.

Hatfield, J. R.  
(Head Prefect 3rd term.)

#### HAWKE.

Georgiadis, B. N.  
(Head Prefect 1st and  
2nd terms.)  
Murrell, P.  
Williams, J. A.

#### NEW.

Stuart, D. (left).  
Campbell, J. M.

#### NICHOLSON.

Cook, J. C. (left).  
Molloy, J. E.  
Horn, L

#### RHODES.

Frere, G. H. H. (left).  
Brambridge, A. (left).

## House Prefects.

### CLIVE.

Hatfield, J. R. (Capt.)  
 Stephen, R.  
 Martin, S. W.  
 Procter, J. E. A. (left).  
 Matthews, R. St. J. (left).  
 Connell, C. V.  
 Barrett, J. H. J.  
 White, C.

### HAWKE.

Georgiadis, B. N.  
 (Capt. 1st and 2nd terms).  
 Murrell, P.  
 (Capt. 3rd term.)  
 Williams, J. A.  
 Barrett, M.  
 Gunson, G. R.

### NICHOLSON.

Cook, J. C.  
 (Capt. 1st and 2nd terms)  
 Molloy, J. E.  
 (Capt. 3rd term.)  
 Horn, L.  
 Osborne, R. G.  
 Holmes, P. C. A. (left).  
 Templar, J. (left).  
 Bramwell, P.  
 Findlay, D.  
 Munro, R. J.

### JUNIOR BLOCK.

Watkins-Pitchford, J.  
 Ling, G. T.  
 Foot, P. J. (Grigg).  
 Kerr, J.  
 Maxwell, J. I.  
 King, G.  
 Dalton, L. J.  
 (Died Sept. 1945).

## Games Committee.

Mr. Johnson, Mr. Forrest, Mr. James, Mr. Corbett, Mr.  
 Gledhill, Georgiadis, Molloy, Gunson, Murrell, Hatfield, Cook,  
 Stuart D., Campbell, Frere, Peskett, Foot, Horn.

## Magazine Committee.

Mr. Cheadle, J. S. Clark, J. M. Campbell.

### GRIGG.

Elliot, D. (Capt.)  
 White, A. B. (left).  
 Birch, R.  
 Leadbeater, D.

### NEW.

Stuart, D. (Capt. 1st term.)  
 Campbell, J. M.  
 (Capt. 2nd and 3rd terms)  
 Wilton-Steer, M.  
 Walker, J. M.  
 Nichols, R. J.  
 Brown, J. M.

### RHODES.

Frere, G. H. H.  
 (Capt. 1st and 2nd terms)  
 Braimbridge, A. (left).  
 Knights, T. R. (left).  
 Sutton, J. I. (left).  
 Peskett, W. B.  
 (Capt. 3rd term).  
 Nicholson,  
 Higginson, M.  
 McGregor, C. G.  
 Bindloss, W.

## Pro Patria.

### DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

H. Aggett,	...	R.A.
W. F. R. A. Baillie,	...	R.A.F.
V. Basso	...	R.A.F.
W. A. M. Brettell,	...	R.A.F.
R. Cameron,	...	R.A.F.
E. A. Cattell	...	R.A.F.
J. A. Cowen,	...	K.A.C.R.
G. B. Cowen, D.F.M.,	...	R.A.F.
A. G. Danby,	...	E.A.A.S.C.
M. S. Davidson,	...	R.A.F.
N. C. A. de Haaff,	...	K.R.
M. Dyer,	...	R.A.F.
J. Finch, D.F.C.,	...	R.A.F.
L. Fittall,	...	R.A.
J. Genower,	...	R.C.S.
T. Griffin,	...	K.A.R.
J. A. Harries,	...	R.A.F.
F. Helberg,	...	R.A.F.
R. Higgs,	...	K.A.C.R.
S. Jarrett,	...	K.A.R.
P. Kettles-Roy	...	R.A.F.
E. H. C. Luckham,	...	K.R.
R. B. MacGregor,	...	R.A.F.
L. Scott Mason,	...	R.A.F.
M. N. Matthias	...	R.A.F.
D. McClelland,	...	E.A.L.B.
J. Miller,	...	Northants Regt.
C. S. B. Montague, D.F.C.	...	R.A.F.
J. A. Mulcahy-Morgan,	...	R.A.F.
B. L. Newmark,	...	O.E.T.A.
P. B. Percival,	...	R.A.
G. Pelling,	...	R.A.F.
W. Poppleton	...	K.A.R.
E. Rawlins,	...	R.A.F.
J. N. J. Roets,	...	K.A.C.R.
D. T. Turner,	...	R.A.
N. Weekes,	...	R.A.F.
D. White,	...	R.A.F.
G. White,	...	R.A.
J. Wittenbury,	...	R.A.F.
J. M. Wood,	...	R.A.F.
O. Wynne,	...	R.A.F.

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## Editorial.

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On the appearance of the "Impala" for 1944, the Editor was rebuked for presuming to state that this issue was "almost certainly the last . . . before the end of the war in Europe." He thought that the rebuke was unjustified, but even he would hardly have believed that it would also prove the last before the end of the war against Japan. Now, like countries, societies, and institutions the world over, we look forward to a period of development and enhanced achievement.

We should like to thank all those, both staff and boys, who have played their part in the writing and production of this issue.

If there seems to be a dearth of original contributions from boys, let it in part be attributed to the fact that this year the greater number of the literary-minded are in Form III, toiling through trial examinations and preparing for the School Certificate Examination, which now looms on the horizon.

Since the appearance of the last issue several changes have taken place in the School. Thirty new boys arrived during the last term from the disbanded Njoro Agricultural School. On the other hand considerable numbers of boys have left, chiefly during the second term of this year, just after the end of the war in Europe, when limited accommodation was available on steamers going "home". Work on another stone block on the Upper Fields will shortly begin, and of new temporary buildings there is no end. There are new junior buildings housing two dormitories and a bathroom, and blocks containing five more classrooms.

We have again had many changes of staff, but with the coming of peace it may be hoped that in this respect we shall have a more settled future. Our tribute to Mr. Astley on his leaving us to become Chief Inspector, and our welcome to his successor, Mr. Fletcher, appear elsewhere.



**Mr. B. A. Astley.**

It was with very genuine regret that we heard we were to lose Mr. Astley on his promotion to the office of Chief Inspector of Schools. Mr. Astley first joined the Education Department in September 1929, when he was posted to the Nairobi School as Senior Science Master. He occupied a similar post at the Prince of Wales School until 1934, when he received his first promotion, joining the administrative staff as Inspector of Schools.

When Captain B.W.L. Nicholson, R.N. retired in 1937, Mr. Astley returned to the School as Headmaster, and except for a short period spent in the Army in 1940 remained here until the beginning of this year.

Year	Roll	Boarders	Staff	School Certificate Candidates.
1937	148	102	11	10
1938	157	109	10	20
1939	191	134	12	27
1940-1 At Naivasha				
1942	194	149	12	32
1943	282	207	17	39
1944	355	266	21	57

These bare figures illustrate the growth of the School during Mr. Astley's Headmastership. The School of 1937 has swollen to (in 1945) three times its size, partly because parents have been unable to send their children abroad, but mostly because of increased settlement in Kenya and Tanganyika after the 1914-18 war. From 1942 onwards Mr. Astley was continually faced with the problems of insufficient boarding accommodation and shortage of staff, and it is impossible to speak too highly of his administration during this difficult period. Wooden huts now sprawl hideously over the grounds, but when these monstrosities have disappeared, we shall still be able to point with pride to the Rhodes-Nicholson block, and say "This was built in Astley's time."

Mr. Astley was an indefatigable worker, who never spared himself in the interests of the School. He was always ready to give help, as well as advice, to those who needed it. We shall always remember his constant cheerfulness and enthusiasm. He takes with him the heartiest good wishes of boys and staff for his happiness and welfare in his new work.

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**Mr. P. Fletcher.**

Just before going to press we have greeted the new Headmaster, Mr. P. Fletcher, late Second Master at Cheltenham College. In extending to him our welcome, we express the hope that he will find great happiness in Kenya, and at the School. He has the most cordial good wishes of us all in the new and exacting work he has undertaken.

## School Notes.

The new buildings completed last year were occupied in the first term. The nursing staff took possession of the new Sanatorium, and Nicholson House moved to their new building alongside Rhodes on the Upper Fields.

Continually increasing numbers had necessitated the formation of another House, and "New" House, under Mr. Stewart,



took possession of the dormitories in the Main Block vacated by Nicholson. New House was formed by the drawing of lots, a certain number in each age group from existing houses. No seniors, however, were drawn from Nicholson, itself formed only a year before. New House has lost no time in establishing itself as a power to be reckoned with, and we gather that its members are now anxious to be granted a more distinctive name.

Wooden classrooms and dormitories continue to sprout with mushroom rapidity, and one of the classrooms in the Tuition Block has been converted into a Biology laboratory.

The usual Empire Day Parade was held on May 24th, when H.E. the Governor, Sir Philip Mitchell, inspected the Guard of Honour, and afterwards addressed the large gathering of boys and parents. The Rt. Reverend the Bishop of Mombasa conducted the usual open-air service.

The new Sanatorium came into full service when measles fell upon us in the second term. For weeks it was full to overflowing, and our great thanks are due to Mrs. Connolly, who had so gruelling an experience in her short time here. Our thanks go also to those who gave us their services at the height of the epidemic: Mrs. C. K. Archer, Mrs. Foster, Miss Riordan, and Mrs. Sinclair.

Both H.E. the Governor and the Director of Education have paid informal visits to the School during the year.

We thank most sincerely the following visitors, who have given talks of interest to senior boys:— Mr. Kaplan ("Law as a Career"); S/Leader J. Dyer D.F.C. ("The R.A.F."); Mr. A. Philips ("Business"); Mr. Tyrwhitt-Drake ("Surveying as a Career"); and Mr. S. Norburn ("Architecture").

The proprietors of the Capitol Theatre kindly showed the film "Western Approaches" to senior boys on March 2nd; and on April 16th Captain Park of the Kenya Information Office gave us a cinema show at School that was greatly appreciated.

The Nairobi Rotary Club has continued to invite groups of senior boys to their meetings; on three occasions this year boys have been entertained by them to lunch at the New Stanley Hotel, and have been very appreciative.

The Reverend J. H. Duncan and the Reverend J. Gillett conducted Thanksgiving Services for the victories in Europe and Asia respectively.

## Staff Notes.

When Mr. Astley left us at the beginning of this year, and it was clear that his successor could not be here for at least some months, Mr. Forrest was appointed Acting Headmaster, and we are very grateful to him for his able guidance and control in a year of many difficulties, notably the measles epidemic, and a continually changing staff.

Shortly before the end of 1944, Mr. Tolliday, last of the group that came to us from Malaya in 1942, was recalled to England, and is now, we believe, back in Malaya. During the year we have welcomed to the Staff Mr. E. G. A. Atkinson, Mr. E. A. Furnston, Mr. B. A. Johnke, Mr. R. J. Potts, Mr. W. R. Salmon, Mr. J. V. Taylor, and Mr. H. E. Watson. Mr. F. Johnson was with us for a time.

We welcome to the staff of matrons Mrs. Murton, Mrs. Page-Morris, Mrs. Poppleton, and Miss Turner; and to the Office Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Schultz. Mrs. Connolly was in charge of the Sanatorium for some months during a most difficult period.

Mrs. Purves has left the Office, and we have also said good-bye to the following matrons: Mrs. Cruickshank, Mrs. Dowson, Mrs. Hulme, and Mrs. L. Stewart. Miss McLachlan was with us for a few months.

We are very glad to have Miss Lane, in restored health and vigour, back in charge of the Sanatorium, after her year's leave.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Light on the birth of their second son.

### Leonard James Dalton.

Prince of Wales School,

January 1942—July 1945.

Age 17.

House Prefect.

Died September, 1945.

## School Prefects' Notes.

At the beginning of the year there were only four of the old hands left, and since then all of these have left. Murrell, Hatfield, Molloy and Stuart were appointed School Prefects, Georgiadis was made Head of School, and soon the common-room was a battle-field. Day after day the battle of "pongos" versus "bundu-whackers" was carried on. For the benefit of those who do not understand "Schoolese," "pongos" are those who like dancing, pictures, and the other attractions of town life, and "Bundu-whackers" are the staunch upholders of "Huntin', fishin', and shootin'."

At the end of the second term, we were joined by Campbell; and Georgiadis, Frere, Cook, Braimbridge and Stuart left, leaving a free field for the "bundu-whackers" and a very quiet common-room.

This happy state did not last for long, however; Horn and Williams came to join the happy throng, and soon the wireless was drowned by such edifying interchanges as "I'd take a Chev. any day!!" "Well, all I can say is that you must be a fool, give me a V8." In the distance a roar can be heard steadily growing louder, and then amidst a squeal of brakes Horn arrives at the door and after carefully switching off the non-existent ignition and shutting the non-existent door of his non-existent ten-ton International lorry, comes in and adds his "Sweet!!" little treble to the general din. It's such a pity there's only thirteen or fourteen stone of him.

The Head of School, Hatfield, is no less of a character, with his superb tenor renderings of any popular tune (only recognizable by its words) and his last minute attempts to learn some "Advanced Physics" in the hope that he will get a Higher School Certificate.

This alone is enough to put him head and shoulders above the rest; we are all trying to get a mere School Certificate except for "Camp", who is resting on his laurels gained last year and doing nothing except occasionally getting excited when he remembers that some book he has forgotten should have been handed in.

The remainder, that is, Murrell, Molloy, and Williams, who are reasonably peaceful citizens, keep quiet for the most part, especially "Muffs," who spends his time in trying to make up a tall story to compete with the "whoppers" in which "Lucas" Horn specialises.

## Clive Prefects' Notes.

We returned at the beginning of the year to find that we had to share the familiar No. 2 common room with New House, until the old dispensary should be ready for them. The only furniture available was a few chairs and a table, so we raided the next common room for more chairs, which alas! fell to pieces in two months. There were four Clive prefects for the first term, but when Procter and Dickie Matthews left we were joined in the second term by Connell and "Bombay" Barrett. At the beginning of the third term Christopher White was promoted, so now there are five of us in all.

The wireless was taken away to the Lecture Theatre for school broadcasts, and so the common room is without one of its important amenities. The only pastime we can indulge in safely is trying to tell a taller story than the next fellow. "Bombay" Barrett is invariably the winner, with William Martin a good second. Barrett's stories are mainly of "safaris", while Martin's are about shooting topi and driving V8 trucks across the Koru Plains. He has to be careful of criticisms about the Ford, as there is another mechanically-minded fellow who pounces on him when his story is too tall for the regulations.

The rest of the "gang" are very quiet, except for Connell, who is our champion singer and a past master in the art of bringing the conversation round to matters of peculiar interest to himself.

## Grigg Prefects' Notes.

At the beginning of this year, we came back to find that White, Elliott, and Foot were prefects. We were all newly appointed and so had to start from scratch. Luckily we have all worked together happily.

White was our expert on aircraft, and left for the De Havilland aircraft factory in England about the middle of September. Elliott, Foot, and Birch were left, Birch having joined us during the second term. At the beginning of the second term Foot became a boarder and went to the Junior Block as a prefect, although he has remained in Grigg. A few weeks after the beginning of the third term Leadbeater joined our ranks.

Elliott is our wireless expert, and puts us in fits of laughter, when he describes his reactions to the many and varied shocks he receives, or the way in which he deals with the sets he builds but which do not consent to work. Birch possesses a motor-bike, about which everybody seems to make rude remarks. Foot is our sports enthusiast, and has vague ideas of becoming some sort of an engineer later on. Little is known of Leadbeater, who has not been very long at the School.



Like everybody else in Form III we are taking the School Certificate Examination, and in consequence are not at the moment very sociable.

## Hawke Prefects' Notes.

This year each House has boasted of its own prefects' common-room. Hawke prefects found themselves in the little room in the wooden dormitory. We soon had the bare walls, roof and floor covered with numerous pictures, lights, and a mat respectively; also overnight "John" Williams and "Muffs" Murrell made a daring sortie to Clive common-room, returning before dawn with two magnificent pairs of horns.

Georgiadis, universally known as "George", soon produced a gramophone and wireless (the latter he has very kindly bequeathed to us), everybody helping to supply records.

The beginning of the second term was marked by the arrival of Kerr, who nearly deafened us with his recordings of "Joe Daniel's and his Hot Shots." It was about then that we noticed with horror the absence of our big blue curtains. "Mike" Barrett, our amateur sleuth, set out to investigate the situation. He came back with news that the native kitchen-staff all had new blue aprons. The resulting war was short and sweet, but ended in a decisive major victory, confirmed by the appearance of new curtains.

During the second term "George" and Kerr gave a couple of very successful parties to celebrate, firstly, their Grade I School Certificates, and later their Matriculations.

At the beginning of the third term we were sorry to find that "George" was not returning, as he had been admitted to Oxford. Since we have also lost Kerr to the Junior Block, we are greatly reduced in numbers.

As we write these notes it is obvious that there is an atmosphere of tension in the common-room. We no longer listen to "Muff's" long stories about "64", but hear "John" give out a roar of rage, "Can't any of you tell me if 'après que' takes the Subjunctive?" Silence; then three "Noes" and two "Yeses". One presumes, quite rightly, that some of our members are keen to get a School Certificate and Matriculation Exemption. We wish them luck.

## New Prefects' Notes.

We arrived at the beginning of the year to find that we were only two, and not until half term were we joined by Mungo Walker, Nichols, and "Monty" Brown, our speedster. King,

the well-known electrical maniac, joined us in the last term, but went straight to the Junior Block, taking his wireless with him; this was a great loss since we could no longer listen to the "Ink Spots," and were forced to have recourse to an antique and very temperamental gramophone. Campbell has since left us and added a little weight to his sleeve with a "crown."

For the first term we had no common room and instead frequented the one belonging to Clive. We were given the Dispensary when the Sanatorium moved to the new building. Mungo managed to rake up some pictures and a reading lamp. How we got the chairs is another matter.

We had not enjoyed this state of Elysium very long, however, before the Matron came in with the very disturbing news, "Back to Clive, Boys!" Our quarters were then occupied by Miss Lane, who had just come back from leave in England. Soon, however, we got our common room back again, when Miss Lane went to her new flat in the Sanatorium Block.

We are a varied collection of humanity in the common room, what with "Buffalo" Steer and Mungo incessantly arguing, and Nichols sitting aloof in the corner leering at them as usual. Monty is perhaps the quietest of the lot, but let him start talking about "that ten pounder I caught in our ditch last hols," and you have "had it." In spite of these differences of character, however, we get on very well together.

We do not use the common room as much now as we used to, only going in there to do some work at night, and that is not very often.

## Nicholson Prefects' Notes.

Our first task this year was to locate our room in the new Nicholson block, and we did not take long in finding that it was a comfortable study at a pleasant distance from the howling mob who inhabit the main common-room. The study was soon tastefully arranged and decorated, but as one of its inhabitants was "Pishi" Cook, the smartness disappeared incredibly quickly, and we finally despaired of keeping tidy what to Cook was a second wardrobe. Not content with this, however, our House Captain quickly decided to investigate the "intestines" of the gramophone, which we relied upon as a source of "music." The result was indescribable; every possible piece of the gramophone which could be dismantled was dismantled. He being quite unable even to start putting it together, was aided by Osborne, who managed to reassemble it, only to find that its new minimum speed was approximately equal to its original maximum.

Cook has now deserted us, hoping to join the Navy, and at the same time we lost Holmes and Templar. The last two were

replaced by Munro and Findlay, and Horn has also joined us from the Junior Block. Now the last named pair regularly entertain us with a shattering series of discords, evidently intended as practical demonstrations of the relative merits of V8 and Chevrolet lorries. Periodically they are interrupted by the reminiscences of old "Bram," ever ready to describe the last occasion upon which he shot a three-tusked elephant, or the numerous snakes which seem to play such a prominent part in his life. Seldom, however, are we privileged to hear a remark from Molloy, whose thoughts are probably busy with house cricket teams or other matters, the nature of which we might guess.

## Rhodes Prefects' Notes.

Since the beginning of the year Rhodes has suffered many changes of prefects. Our former head of House, Geoffrey Frere, left last term and his place at the helm has been taken by Brian Peskett ("Posky" to most). With Geoff. went Braimbridge, Tom Knights, and "Sutt" Sutton. The blanks left by these peers of Rhodes have been filled by the cream of Scotland. — "Mac" MacGregor, Bill Bindloss, small but not to be misjudged by his size, Mick Higginson, of the hirsute muscles, Maxwell who has emigrated to the Junior Block, and last but not least "Nick" Nicholson — Rhodes' star in games.

Although the inmates of the common room have changed, their habits have not. The walls are still adorned with fine portraits, "Varga" being the predominant artist in this Academy of Art. The Study is of course, a model of tidiness, and always has been — "Where's my cricket bat?"

The wireless is a godsend to us, although it has been an expensive one, as it made holes in our pockets before we could get it to act up to the standard advertised by its makers. After struggling to the end of a pile of Prep, we tune into "Forces Favourites", and the lines are smoothed from our weary foreheads.

But now peace has succeeded chaos, as the "School Cert." looms near and fears are high; the cobwebs refuse to be brushed from brains too long disused.

But all these members of the Aristocracy stand in awe before our matron, Mrs. Balmer, who rules the house with an iron hand (albeit concealed in the traditional glove). We should like to thank her for all that she has done for us.

## Junior Prefects' Notes.

As soon as we had recovered from the startling news that we were prefects, we set out to inspect our new quarters. After searching for several hours we found a bare room with two chairs in it. This, we learnt, was to be our common-room!

"Mac" Macgregor soon brought his wireless along, and "Mike" Barrett contributed about thirty records, which were frequently played on the gramophone whose strains "floated in through the window."

We must extend our thanks to Mrs. Malcolm-Smith, who helped us turn the common room into an abode of comfort. Carpets, comfortable chairs, and last, but by no means least, tables, appeared. The walls were simultaneously transformed into a brilliant picture gallery.

During the first term we said "Good-bye" to Mike, who was pining for the civilized atmosphere of Hawke, but we were soon joined by Graham Ling, Jem Watkins-Pitchford, and Pete Foot. The reason for this sudden invasion was the completion of the new Junior House buildings.

The second term passed without incident; but a special tribute must be paid to Lucas Horn, who kept us amused for hours on end with his stories.

At the beginning of the third term we were extremely sorry to hear of the untimely death of Jimmy Dalton. The beginning of this term was also marked by the loss of Mac and Lucas, and the arrival of John Kerr, Ian Maxwell, and, later, Graham King; the latter is always engrossed in wireless parts and wire. The third term seems rather unreal. Everyone, except John, is working for the School Certificate examinations, while this gentleman of leisure from the Fourth sits and watches with an amused expression while he listens to some of his Swing Hits.

Finally Graham Ling turns with a groan from his Maths, and starts relating a grand motor-bike yarn which Pete often interrupts with his favourite expression, "Aw Gee Dawgone!" Finally Jem reminds us that it is just on bed-time, so we disperse.

## Clive House Notes.

The last term of 1944 was not a successful one for Clive. After being Cock House for the two previous terms we were brought low, and yielded the palm to Hawke. Moreover at the end of the term many members of Clive were taken to make up New House; but as all other houses except Nicholson also lost boys, this did not, perhaps, make much difference.

This year Nicholson House has been our greatest rival. Although we won the Cock again in the first term of the year,

it was not without a struggle. Much of the credit is due to Stephen R, the only boy from Clive in the 1st XXII, who always played a brilliant game. As a result we came second in hockey. It was coming first in work, though, which really earned us the coveted "fowl".

The Cock House Supper was a great success as usual. We had as guests Mr. Stokes, a former Clive Housemaster, and Mrs. Stokes. The food — well, I think it will suffice to say that it did not take long to disappear, and the cheers for Mrs. Malcolm-Smith, the catering matron, could not have been more sincere. Mr. Cheadle made the first speech, followed by Hatfield J., and afterwards any prefect who was called upon. Everybody was in the mood for laughter, and all jokes went down well.

In the second term we came third in rugger, the chief game. Our juniors, however, won the soccer competition, which was for those in neither of the House rugger teams. Moreover, the Navy Cup, for the winners of the Cross Country Race, once more returned to Clive. Rhodes wrested it from us last year, but it had been won by Clive teams for several years before that.

This training stood us in good stead for the Tug-of-War, in which Clive won the 1st team pulls. We found that we could always beat the opposing team provided that we were not pulled over in the first minute or so. One boy, "Wallaby" Friend, deserves special mention. He was our coach, and although he had no previous experience, he very quickly picked up a regular timing for his "heaves". Moreover, the opposing coaches were on most occasions practised masters.

In the Sports, especially on Sports Day, we did not do very well, coming third. In particular Nicholson shot ahead, and gave us a bad scare. Luckily the points had to be brought down to a total of one hundred, and it was work that proved our salvation, and made us Cock House by a fair margin.

The Cock House Supper was again a great success. It was much the same as the previous one, except that Mrs. Stokes was the only guest, as Mr. Stokes was in England on leave.

We finish with a few words on the running of the House. Martin was made a prefect at the beginning of the year, together with Matthews D. and Procter J. The last two left us during the second term. Connell, Barrett, Watkins-Pitchford, and White have also been made prefects, Pitchford going to the Junior Block. All this year the House has been ably led by Hatfield J. We congratulate him on his appointment as Head of School in place of Georgiadis, who left at the end of the second term. Mr. Cheadle has been our Housemaster since September 1944, but Assistant Housemasters have come and gone in quick succession. Mr. Light was with us for the third term of 1944, but he has since gone over to the enemy. Mr. Johnson has been with us for a term, but has now left us.

## Grigg House Notes.

Grigg has now been in existence, as a day boys' House, for six years. It reached its maximum size in the May term of this year, when it numbered one hundred and one; it is by far the largest house in the School.

Grigg did fairly well in this year's Sports, gaining a total of eighty-four points, a slight reduction on last year. Winter put up a fine performance in the B's, coming second in the 440 yards and half-mile, and third in the mile. Special mention should be made of Foot, who won the Cross-country for us in good style. He did extremely well in all the other senior long distance events.

Unfortunately Grigg has not done very well at games this year. During the rugger season we found difficulty in raising a respectable team, owing to lack of enthusiasm for the game. Our Soccer teams, however, did very well, and managed to make up to some extent for the lack of rugger points. During the hockey season in the January term, Grigg again won several victories. We have started this year's cricket season very well, defeating both Clive and Hawke in the two first XI League matches which have been played so far. Grigg now has three representatives in the School First XXII.

We all regretted the loss of White, who was our House Captain at the beginning of the year. Although he held this position for only one term, he proved himself a very able Head of House. He has since departed for England. Foot was transferred to the Junior Block, and is assisting in promoting a "reign of law" over its young inhabitants. We now have the able Leadbeater in his place.

Mr. Forrest, who had been our Housemaster since January 1942, became Acting Headmaster at the beginning of this year. We are now under the able command of Mr. Barton.

## Hawke House Notes.

At the beginning of the year Hawke found itself in a terrible plight — there was no Stanning to make all the runs and score all the tries; but Georgiadis soon set things going. So well did he do this that we won the Hockey Cup, with the help of Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Stanning, who returned for part of the first term as a temporary member of the staff.

In the second term, however, we were faced with the immense task of matching a forward rugger pack whose total weight may have been 70 stone against teams of massive members. However, Hawke, "the Fleas," were game to the end, coming third and equal with Clive.

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Of the Cross-country there is little to relate beyond the fact that Hawke came fourth. Special mention, however, must be made of "Tom" Fourie, who in spite of cramp finished first in the House.

In the Sports, except in the Tug-of-War, where most of our pulling was done at the forward march, we did remarkably well, winning nearly all the "A" relays, as well as many individual events. Georgiadis and Allen (the star C) did very well indeed.

This term was marked by the arrival of Mr. Taylor, our new Assistant Housemaster, who has taken over the Middle Dorm.

At the beginning of the third term we found that we had lost Georgiadis, and Murrell was appointed Head of House. At the same time it was announced that "Grev" Gunson had been made Captain of Cricket.

## New House Notes.

New House came into being at the beginning of this year with Mr. J. H. Stewart as Housemaster and Stuart D. as House Captain. We took up our abode in the Main Block dorms last year occupied by Nicholson. Before long it seemed as though we had been going as a house for years instead of the short time it actually was.

So far we have not shone at games or work, but, let it be noted that it is only so far. We have been dogged by bad luck, losing in the first term some valuable members of the 1st House hockey team, and at the beginning of the second term our House Captain, Stuart, left us. He is now studying medicine at London University. Our best wishes go to him. Campbell has taken over the captaincy of the House.

In Rugger we did moderately well. It was here, and later in the term in the Cross Country race and Sports, that we felt the loss of Stuart most.

The Cross Country team was not all that could be expected, but there are some young runners who will do much to bring the House to the fore in future years.

With "Monty" Brown and Williamson D. as the back-bone of our Sports effort we did well. Both our tug-of-war teams procured second places, the first team being beaten by one pull. This result was in large measure due to Mr. Stewart's excellent coaching.

Strange to say we came second in work in the middle term.

Now, in the last term of the year we are hoping that with a recurrence of the above mentioned miracle and with four members of the House in the School 1st cricket eleven, we can capture the silver cock.

At present we are looking for a name for the house. None but the best will do. We owe much of our success to Mr. Stewart and to Mr. E. A. Furnston, who joined us in April.

These notes would be incomplete without a word of thanks to Mrs. Stewart for her very kind assistance with the House common rooms and her interest in the House generally.

## Nicholson House Notes.

At the beginning of 1945 Nicholson joined Rhodes on the outskirts of civilization, where we were soon to find, however, that there was little lack of comfort, particularly once the new dining-hall had been completed. Our original strength had been diminished by the departure of many seniors, but to compensate for this we had lost only juniors to New House. We welcomed Mr. Light as Assistant Housemaster, while Cook was our new House Captain.

Our hockey during the first term did not quite reach the standard which was set in Nicholson's initial term last year, and we came third in both the league and the house matches; we proved to be third again in the Cock House Competition, after we had once again displayed our supremacy in the classroom.

Last term saw many of Nicholson's greatest achievements so far. Owing largely to Mr. Gledhill's coaching we headed the League Rugger, and won both the senior and junior cups for House Rugger matches. Then, with the approach of the Cross-Country race, Mr. Light came into his own, and his efforts carried Nicholson to second place, with R. Munro as the second man home. We were hopeful that such training would be to our advantage in the Athletic Sports, and we were not disappointed. By the dawn of the actual Sports Day we had established a good lead with 104½ points, followed by Hawke. Some of these had been gained from the tug-o'-war, in which, after a few practices and alterations in the teams, our heavier members won third place in their set, while the second team made history by winning every one of its pulls. Nicholson representatives broke the school records for the A Hop, Step, and Jump, the A and B High Jumps, and the B Composite Relay; praiseworthy co-operation in the other relay races and some useful long distance running helped Nicholson to keep its lead and so win the Sydney Davis Sports Cup. Unfortunately, so much physical exertion played havoc with our academic efforts, and the rooster escaped our clutches once more.

We have started this term with a new House Captain, Molloy, and L. Horn has been made a school prefect. We are well represented in the school cricket elevens, and are looking forward to a really successful term.

## Rhodes House Notes.

At the end of last year we lost our Head of House, Mike Cooke, and also Connolly, Bresler and Henderson, who left to join up. Campbell and Stuart with some others were taken to set New House on its feet.

After a very fierce struggle in the hockey house matches we only managed to secure fourth place. There was a lot of excitement during the rugger season, Rhodes putting out a very presentable first team, which came second in the house matches. The second team on the other hand did not do so well, and came lower down the list. Just after the rugger season we suffered a great loss when Frere G., the Head of the House, was taken ill, and did not return. Braimbridge left to take a short holiday before joining up; Knights, our star cross-country runner, left for England; and Sutton J. I., having been successful in the School Certificate, also left. Peskett then became Head of the House, which was now sadly depleted, as a few others had also left for England.

Badly ravaged by measles, Rhodes set about seeing what they could do in the Cross-country and Sports. With only the minimum of training we came home third in the Cross-country. In the Tug-o'-war the first team came second equal, and the second was third. When eventually Sports Day arrived, Rhodes had about sixty points, and were next to last. Although we made a considerable number of points during the afternoon, owing mainly to the good work of the B's and C's, we came last, Grigg beating us in the last Composite Relay. Nicholson B must be congratulated on his breaking three school records. One consolation was that we did not come last in the "Cock House" Competition, but fourth.

This term Rhodes has three or four promising cricketers, mostly amongst the younger members of the House, but otherwise there is a good collection of "Agriculturists." All we can hope for this term is that our luck will change, and that we shall pull off the unexpected and win the Cricket cup.

A new experiment in Rhodes this year was the introduction of a House library, which has been a great success, and there are now over two hundred and fifty books in it.

At the beginning of the year we ate in the Junior Dining Hall, but in March we moved up to our own hall in company with Nicholson House, whose building was ready at the beginning of the year.

On the whole Rhodes has had a fairly successful year, although we have achieved nothing outstanding; but talk to any member of the House, and he will immediately begin to confide in you what Rhodes is going to do next year.

## Junior House Notes.

During the past year the Junior House has been running very well, considering that it is composed of boys new to the School. We began with 54 and have grown to the record number of 80 in the last term. The prefects have been strict, and general discipline has been kept at a high standard. During the year we were glad to welcome Mr. E. G. A. Atkinson and Mr. A. H. David to the House.

The Colts team is now entirely made up of boys of the Junior House. David Allen and John Partridge (Capt.) have done well in bowling and batting, while George Newby keeps wicket.

During the year the House Library has grown and is well used, but we need still more books. Various members of the House Committee have helped to run the Library and have discussed general improvements in running. Wireless, stamp collecting and chess have many keen followers, and there is a rumour that a Junior Bridge club meets nightly somewhere.

The House now consists of 80, and we hope it will be as successful next year as it has been this year.

## THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY.

**President:** Mr. H. E. Watson; **Secretary:** M. T. Friend.

Half-way through the second term of 1945 Mr. H. E. Watson founded the Astronomical Society, with Hatfield J. as Chairman. Mr. Watson, as adviser presented the Society with two charts of the tropical sky, compiled by himself, and printed in George-town.

A chart is made of daily barometer and temperature readings. Mr. Watson has a model planetarium which will shortly be used on the epidiascope to show the motions of the sky.

The Society is still young, but more interest is being shown, and we hope soon to have a large number of active members who will train as astronomical observers. For a start observers will be considered qualified when they have learnt to know six prominent constellations.

## BRIDGE CLUB.

The Bridge Club has nothing momentous to report — no tournaments, drives or duplicate contests. It has met regularly every fortnight throughout the year; largely owing to the proximity of School Certificate examinations, which still do not regard Bridge as an essential subject, the original membership of 22 has dropped this term to 16, but attendances have been well maintained.

Mr. and Mrs. Ely might well squirm in their chairs at some of our leads; Portland Club members would probably note with alarm that a call of One Club for us generally means One Club; few small slams have been made and even fewer bid. But we have at least passed the stage of leading out all our Aces and Kings by way of bravado and of refraining from calling Seven No-trumps when we hold 13 spades in our hand, and we have, in a quiet way, enjoyed ourselves.

## CHESS CLUB.

**President:** Mr. Gledhill;

**Secretary:** Rutherford.

The Chess Club this year carried on with its meetings every fortnight as usual, but during the last term it has been abandoned, owing to the approaching exams. But we hope, next year, to start again, and to encourage more members to join. The chess ladder was not extensively used, as boys preferred to challenge their own friends. We sincerely hope that next year the membership will increase considerably, and one day, when the standard of play improves, we hope to challenge other clubs.

## THE CHORAL SOCIETY.

The Choral Society was revived early this year after having been moribund since 1939. This has meant a good deal of hard work for the members, as they have to pick up the necessary knowledge and produce results at the same time. Our chief difficulty has been lack of music. Until now it has been almost impossible to secure anything except single copies of songs — and very few of those, with the result that much laborious writing out of parts has had to be done.

In spite of this we managed to appear at the Festival of Church Music at the Cathedral in the first term of this year. Our efforts were commented on favourably, though as to whether the courtesy of the listeners had anything to do with this we should prefer not to enquire!

During the second term of this year we did very little except suffer intense frustration owing to lack of music.

In the third term a small choir paid a visit to a meeting of the Nairobi Welsh Society one Saturday evening, with in many ways delightful results. For example, the basses and tenors found opportunity to exercise their social talents, — and the singing went down well, too.

The choir sang one item in Welsh, and it says a lot for their linguistic ability — and for their singing — that some members of the Society thought we were Welsh.

Till recently the tenors have been the most efficient group, but their proud position is now challenged by the basses, who are



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beginning to come into their own. The altos are improving fast, and we are fortunate in having a good nucleus of trebles.

We are hoping to produce something for the end of term, but lack of time and lack of music make the going hard.

In conclusion we must thank Mr. James and Mr. Cheadle, who support us when we are most in need; and particularly must we acknowledge our debt to Mr. Forrest, without whose constant encouragement and assistance we should not be in existence as a Society. In such an activity, these aids mean more than is generally realised.

### LISTENERS' CIRCLE.

The Listeners' Circle was founded in September of last year, and has been meeting periodically with great success throughout this year. Owing to breakages in the radiogram, however, its regular weekly meetings had to cease for a short time; but this term the club has again resumed its former functions, and keen interest has been shown by its members.

Many thanks must be offered to Mr. and Mrs. Raymer, who have so kindly invited us to their house, where we have been able to listen in peace to their numerous records, and others lent to the Club by some of its members.

In its weekly sessions the Club has heard many major works of various great composers, including those of Beethoven, Greig, Brahms, Tchaikowsky, and Handel. And in the past two terms, we have attended several concerts produced by the Nairobi Musical Society, which have been greatly appreciated by us all.

### NATURAL HISTORY CLUB.

President: Mr. Light.

Secretary: D. Findlay.

The number of boys in the club has increased so much since last year that we have had to divide the club into a senior and junior group. Each group, which consists of about twenty boys, meets on alternate Wednesday afternoons.

So far this year both groups have visited the Veterinary Laboratories, where we were given short but very interesting lectures on the preparation of serums, and the prevention of bilharzia. We have also visited the Scott Agricultural Laboratories, where we were shown different experiments on seeds, the proper way to press flowers, and the useful process by which vegetables are dehydrated. Mr. Beckley also gave us a short lecture on different kinds of soil.

Mr. Van Someren came to school and showed us some films he himself had taken of different birds on Bass Rock.

The home activities of the club have been going on well. We have been given a small piece of land which has kept us

busy, fencing and clearing it. We planted a patch of potatoes, but it is thought the moles are benefiting by them, and not the rabbits as was intended. We hope to start breeding rabbits very soon now, as some of the senior boys have finished the rabbit hutch. We have also an aquarium very nearly ready, but we have been held up by lack of paint.

Last term the senior group were taught to dissect frogs, and the juniors learned a little about the use of a microscope.

We were very grieved to hear of the death of Leonard Dalton, who was our secretary for three terms. He was largely responsible for the organisation of the club.

We should like to express our thanks to the staff of the Scott Veterinary Laboratories, who showed such keenness and pleasure in entertaining us.

## THE WIRELESS CLUB.

Secretary: King.

The activities of this club during the past year have been restricted by the absence of our guiding light, Mr. S. A. Pegrum, who, owing to illness, was unable to come to the school and give his weekly lecture. During the January term, however, he was able to lecture us on a few occasions, giving interesting talks on early telegraphy transmitters, and the principle of wireless valves. Since then, the members of the Wireless Club have been seen poring over vast and intricate wireless circuits, talking utter gibberish to each other. However, in spite of set-backs, we now have as many as fifty crystal-set owners in the School. The majority of these will soon try their hands at making one valve sets.

We are much indebted to Messrs. Stephen and Ellis, who very kindly sent us a great many old parts, which have been of great use in set making.

## Polo.

During the last twelve months, it has been possible for a few of the better horsemen to join in weekly games of Polo. Unfortunately, owing to lack of pony strength, this has been limited to the very few who are likely to remain in Kenya, where the game is cheaper than anywhere else in the world and within the means of the rank and file!

The Polo Club at present has twelve members but only a few of these have been able to enjoy regular chukkas. No ground being available at present, practice games are played on an open 'olci' about three miles from the School.

Owing to the very poor surface, accurate striking becomes more good luck than good judgment, but it provides an excellent

lesson in teaching the young to keep their eye on the ball.

During 1945 it has been possible for the School Team to visit Naivasha three times on the kind invitation of the members of that Club, and we have been royally entertained. These games have shown that provided a young team is well mounted, concentration on team work and close marking make up for weakness in striking power.

In April, the School entered for the Menengai Junior Polo Cup against three other teams and after a fairly strenuous Two-day tournament succeeded in winning the Cup. Conditions laid down that one Pony should be played throughout and that the aggregate handicap of any team should not exceed 4.. The School was represented by:— No. 1. J. P. Drury 0. No. 2. S. Wollen 0. No. 3. Knaggs 0. Back R. H. James (Capt.) 0.

Among others who have not yet played for the School, but are showing promise, are:— A. Wisdom, Mervyn Fox, G. Osborne, S. Henn, C. Morrall, and R. H. Foster. The School Polo Club is deeply indebted for the support given by Lt-Col. Knaggs of Mau Summit in lending his ponies whenever we are short. At present, however, only a few can hope to play this fine game, in which team work is probably developed to a greater extent than many other games normally played at School.

—R.H.J.

## Baseball Club.

The Baseball Club introduced a new game to the School on Oct. 24th. Despite the players' unfamiliarity with the game the essentials were quickly grasped, and everyone taking part thoroughly enjoyed it.

The game being played is a modified form of baseball, known in Canada as "softball." A larger, softer ball is used, so that the extensive equipment of fielders' gloves, and protective padding for the catcher, can be dispensed with; in addition very little practice is necessary, and a boy can enjoy the game with no previous experience.

The game would seem to include the essentials of a good school game: action, excitement, quick thinking, nimble ball-handling; and these are compressed into a relatively short period of time and well distributed amongst the players.

## Riding Classes.

After a week's confinement to school bounds an excursion to Dagoretti Corner, where Captain Rimington holds his riding classes, is a pleasant break.

Of the seventeen pupils who attend the class on Sunday

afternoons, eight of them are from New House, "Mule" Lavers being the centre of constant rebuke from Captain Rimington.

Casualties have been few this term — only one fall so far. The instinct of self preservation is well-developed among the pupils, although all riders are insured against accidents.

Riding is not as easy as it looks — even King has had occasion to make use of a large steed's neck; cases such as these provide much amusement.

The routine is varied as much as possible by changing our routes every Sunday; nevertheless, we always seem to find something to jump — a painful process to those who are inexperienced.

Most of the mounts are Somali ponies, "George" being rather a hasty-tempered one. There are also one or two rather good-looking polo ponies. To get too near Du Barry or Garth is not advisable, as Garth bites, not his rider, but other riders; Du Barry kicks, and has a high temper.

On the whole, even though there are one or two "kali" horses, riding is extremely pleasant, and we wish to thank Captain Rimington and Miss Thring for their persistence and patience with us.

## Dramatic Society.

**President: Mr. Cheadle.**

**Secretary: J. C. Cook.**

The Society has been dogged by misfortune this year. Towards the end of the first term, largely occupied by the reading and discussion of plays, we decided that the year's production at the Theatre Royal should be Ian Hay's "Housemaster," and in the second term we rehearsed vigorously in preparation for the performance in July. But measles is no respecter of the dramatic art! For long we struggled hopefully through rehearsals with a depleted cast, but in the end the epidemic had reached such proportions that the doctor declared the production out of the question. Reluctantly we accepted the verdict, made several changes in cast, necessitated by senior boys leaving school at the end of term, and rehearsed harder than ever, so as to give the performance in mid-October. At the beginning of the third term, with three weeks to go, we found to our horror that the leading "female" character had unexpectedly left, and that her "niece" had suffered concussion in the hunting field! There was no possibility of putting the show still further back in this busy term, and we have had to give up entirely for the moment. But we shall try again next term, when surely Fate will be kinder!

## The Band.

**In Charge: Mr. James.**

**Scribe: C. Connell.**

Since the beginning of the year the School Band has been working hard to reach a high standard of efficiency, and we hope we have now done so. The whole band have given up much of their time to practising on their instruments and to improving their marching.

The standard achieved by the band this year on Empire Day was at least equal to that achieved during past years, even though it was not up to its usual strength. Thanks to the help given by Mr. James, the Brass Quartet was able to produce some new tunes, the most popular of which was "You'll be far better off in a home"; it made some of us feel quite home sick. The drummers and buglers, under the tuition of the "old timers," gave a good account of themselves.

There was no J. T. C. Camp this year, much to the disappointment of the Band, especially the buglers, who had mastered the various camp calls to perfection. We sincerely hope that there will be one next year, so that we may revel in the "Reveille"!

Cook proved himself very able as Drum Major, and it was through his hard work, drilling us in marching and general smartness, that we did so well. We were very sorry to lose him at the end of last term.

Special thanks must go to Mr. James, who has given up so much of his time in the interests of the Band, and has helped us in every way possible.

## J.T.C. Notes.

The officers and senior N.C.O.'s at the end of 1945 were as follows:—

C.O.: Major Gledhill.

R.Q.M.S.: Murrell.

"A" Coy: Lt. Johnson, Lt. Downing, C.S.M. Campbell, C.Q.M.S. Stuart, Sgt. Findlay, Sgt. Peskett, Sgt. Nicholson.

"C" Coy: Capt. Stewart, Lt. David, C.S.M. Molloy, C.Q.M.S. Ling, Sgt. Munro, Sgt. Stocker, Sgt. Higginson.

"D" Coy: Major Atkinson, C.S.M. Horn, C.Q.M.S. Hatfield, Sgt. Walker, Sgt. Berger, Sgt. Stevenson, Sgt. Walsh.

The Corps has now considerably added to its strength, and is now one battalion strong. The new "D" Company consists entirely of new recruits, about a hundred and ten all told. At the

beginning of the year there were fourteen platoons, but "B" Company has since been done away with, so now there are only eleven.

The Guard of Honour this year was led by C. U. O. Georgiadis, and as usual it was successful, owing to the training of Majors Forrest and Gledhill. The Guard was inspected by H.E. the Governor, who commented on its smartness.

Both parts of the Certificate "A" examinations were taken this year, and with considerable success. Our congratulations go to those who managed to pass both parts. Much of this success, however, has been due to the officers and N.C.O.'s from Athi River, who come here every Tuesday to train us. Without them, it would have been very difficult to obtain enough instructors to train every platoon. Altogether, we pride ourselves on a very successful year. —J.H.

## Cricket.

The School XI's, which have won most of the matches played this term, are showing definite promise for the future.

The 1st XI is a well-balanced side and ably led by Gunson G. The introduction of a left arm spin bowler would give variation to the attack, which depends entirely upon Molloy, Mayers, and Gunson. The bowling of these three has been meritorious, and on occasions has been excellent. Molloy was in devastating form when he took 9 wickets of a military side for only 12 runs. Every member of the XI is capable of making runs, and the batting has been marked by consistency rather than brilliance. Mayers, Shaw M. H., and Scott have each scored their half-century, while Dunn, Fear, and Walker have also made good scores. Roberts is a capable wicket-keeper, and allows the batsmen little liberty.

The 2nd and 3rd XI's have many promising members, and competition will be very keen to get into next year's XI. Wood's hard hitting and Higgins' tireless bowling are praiseworthy.

Patterson J. and Partridge are the more experienced of the Colts XI, which did well to win an exciting match against the Primary School by 3 runs.

### Results 1st XI.

- 15 Sept.—School 124 (Shaw 40, Scott 35).  
v. Civil Service 110 (N. Clarke 25, Mayers 5 for 25).  
22 Sept.—School 99 for 5 (Shaw 36, Fear 27 not out).  
v. Parklands 177 for 7 (Poole 76 not out, Baldwin 43 not out, Gunson 4 for 39).  
29 Sept.—School 175 for 6 (Mayers 56, Scott 47).  
v. Gymkhana 115 (Ellerton 32, Gunson 6 for 25).  
30 Sept.—School 171 (Shaw 51, Adams 33).  
v. E.A.M.L.S. 68 (Molloy 3 for 20).

- 6 Oct.—School 70 (Molloy 22, Shaw 17).  
v. R.A.F. 146 for 7 (Bell 53 not out, Mayers 2 for 20).  
12 Oct.—School 62 (Bland 4 for 17).  
v. H.M.S., Howe 138 for 6 (Bland 77 not out, Gunson G. 3 for 39).  
13 Oct.—School 115 (Molloy 28 not out, Walker 23).  
v. Pay Corps 125 for 6 (Brookes 30, Scott 2 for 19).  
20 Oct.—School 76 for 7 (Buckley 5 for 20).  
v. 2 & 3 Sub-Depots. 56 (Molloy 9 for 12).  
28 Oct.—School 257 for 8 (Scott 50, Fear 49, Dunn 46 not out, Walker 41 not out).  
v. Machakos 140 (Saunders 39, Molloy 4 for 32).

### Results 2nd XI.

- 22 Sept.—School 60 (Osborne 18, Mortlock 5 for 11).  
v. No. 1. Sub-Depot 130 for 7 (Powell 72 not out).  
13 Oct.—School 96 for 6 (Nicholson 29 not out, Fjastad 32 not out).  
v. Pay Corps. 116 (Pounce 28).  
20 Oct.—School 99 for 4 (Gunson C. 28 not out, Osborne 27).  
v. M.T.D. 172 for 7 (Polden 64, Simpson 4 for 39).

### Results 3rd XI.

- 12 Oct.—School 138 (Wood 43).  
v. St. Mary's School 62 (Slapak 6 for 23).

### Colts.

- 6 Oct.—School 117 (Partridge 36, Shelton 20).  
v. Primary School 82 (Partridge 4 for 26).  
19 Oct.—School 22 (Crinkshank 6 for 4).  
v. St. Mary's 55 (Partridge 6 for 26, Allen 4 for 21).  
27 Oct.—School 91 (Partridge 22, Kingsford 18).  
v. Primary School 87 (Swan 35, Partridge 4 for 37, Allen 4 for 20).

—E.I.G.

## Cross Country.

The 4th of July, the day chosen for this year's Cross Country race, turned out to be a good day for long distance running, though had it been a little colder the results might have been better. As it was, Foot, who came home first, beat last year's time, doing the circuit in only two minutes more than Powell's record time of 1943. Munro R. and Campbell J. came in second and third respectively. Then followed a long spaced-out train of runners — chiefly Clive boys and a few from Nicholson — before Rhodes and Hawke came in in "bunches".

Long before the rearmost runners came in there were murmurs among the crowds assembled on the railway embankment that Clive would win the Cross Country; and so indeed it turned out.

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## Hockey, 1945.

The Hockey Season lasted for ten weeks before the School turned over to Rugby Football. As in previous years the First and Second XI's had a full fixture list, while the remainder of the School played League Games until half-term, and then House Matches, which were keenly contested by five teams from each House. The Inter-House Cup was won by Hawke.

The School 1st XI, under the Captaincy of Georgiadis, had a successful season, honours being even in the final analysis. After losing the first three matches, the team settled down and combined well. The best results were a 3—2 victory over Gymkhana, and the N.A.C. at Nakuru, and the worst was losing to the Railway 0—4.

For the 1st XI G. Edwards in goal, though diminutive, showed good judgment. G. Nicholson at back was the steadiest player in the side, and was well supported by J. Campbell. R. Stephen and Molloy were the best of the Halves; G. Frere, Georgiadis, and Bennett on the right-wing, were a powerful combination in attack, and scored freely.

In the 2nd XI Dunn was the most outstanding player in defence, and Pearson and G. Gunson showed promise. In attack, Braimbridge, the Captain, was a most effective centre-forward.

The 1st XI consisted of the following players:—

Captain: B. N. Georgiadis (Colours 1945); Vice-Capt: J. E. Molloy (Colours 1944).

Colours 1945:—G. Frere, P. Murrell, G. Nicholson, R. Stephen.

Badges 1945:—P. Bennett, J. M. Brown, J. Campbell, G. Edwards, D. Stuart.

### Results of Matches

#### 1st XI.

24 Jan.	Gymkhana	Lost	3—2.
31 Jan.	Railway Goans	Lost	1—2.
3 Feb.	N.A.C. (Home)	Lost	4—6.
7 Feb.	26 V.R.D.	Won	2—1.
9 Feb.	Goan School	Won	4—0.
10 Feb.	Railway	Lost	0—4.
14 Feb.	Southern Area	Won	7—1.
17 Feb.	Gymkhana	Won	3—2.
26 Feb.	B.O.D.	Won	4—0.
28 Feb.	Asian Civil Service	Lost	2—7.
5 March	Old Boys	Draw	2—2.
7 March	Gymkhana	Lost	1—5.
10 March	N.A.C. at Nakuru	Won	3—2.
11 March	C.S.I. at Nakuru	Draw	2—2.

Analysis:—Won 6. Lost 6. Drawn 2.

Goals:—For 37. Against 37.

## 2nd XI.

24 Jan.	E.A. Command	Won	8-0.
7 Feb.	Goan School	Lost	0-1.
17 Feb.	Railway 2nd XI	Draw	1-1.
22 Feb.	26 V.R.D.	Won	4-1.
28 Feb.	W.T.S. (Fany Mess)	Won	7-0.
2 March	E.A. Command	Lost	2-3.
7 March	Railway 2nd XI	Lost	1-5.

Analysis:—Won. 3. Lost 3. Drawn 1.

Goals:—For 23. Against 11.

## Colts XI.

10 Feb.	Kenton (Under 13½)	Lost	2-3.
14 Feb.	Primary School	Won	8-1.

—R.H.J.

## Rugby.

The general standard of football throughout the School was low, in spite of the fact that the season was successful if we judge it from the point of view of weather conditions and the number of 1st XV matches and house matches played, as compared with last year. There is a good deal of natural talent, enthusiasm and eagerness to learn the fundamentals of the game in every grade of the School, and these factors combined with our growth in numbers lead one to hope that we shall be able in the near future to turn out a really good 1st XV, able to hold their own with any of the local sides.

Several factors have militated against our success this season. Firstly we have been handicapped by the fact that weather conditions during the past two years have been so arid and resulting accidents so numerous that the School as a whole have had insufficient practice and insufficient instruction in the rudiments of the game. Secondly we have had great difficulty in obtaining the requisite number of balls necessary to provide some 200 boys with an average of three practices a week. In this, however, we have had great help from both the Army and R.A.F. in Nairobi, and I take this opportunity of thanking them on behalf of the School for their generous help in the way of equipment and encouragement to the boys.

We started practice matches during the latter part of the first term, although the season did not begin until after the Easter holidays. Thanks to satisfactory "long rains" the grounds were in good shape during most of the season, and we were able to get in a reasonable number of practices before the inter-house competitions. These aroused great interest and keenness, although the standard of rugby left much to be de-

sired. Each of the six houses turned out a 1st and 2nd XV for the competition, which resulted in Nicholson House winning both the Senior and Junior trophies. These were both hard-earned victories, and a well-deserved tribute to the keenness of Nicholson House and the admirable coaching of their Housemaster.

The School 1st XV played 11 matches during the season — 3 away, and 8 at home. Particulars of these matches are given below.

Although from the point of view of results we can scarcely be said to have had a good season, having lost 9 matches, won 1, and drawn 1, the experience gained will no doubt be beneficial, especially to those boys who will remain on in the School next year, and will, I hope, form the nucleus of our 1946 1st XV.

In all their matches the team were faced with strong opposition of experienced players. The School side possessed considerable strength in the forwards, and in spite of being opposed by heavier packs managed to hold their own in most matches. Our weakness lay in the backs, and this came very largely from inexperience. Another weakness which cost us many points was the absence of a reliable place-kicker. The forwards, though noticeably lacking in the speed and dash one expects from a school side, were yet rarely beaten, and deserve credit for much good solid play. Generally their efforts were inclined to the spasmodic, and until the pack as a whole realise that their efforts must be united and continuous we cannot expect improvement.

The forwards put the team in winning positions in the course of many of their games, but the backs were unable to turn these opportunities to account.

Deserving of special mention as the most consistent forward is J. H. J. Barrett. He played well in every game, and was outstanding, owing to his vigorous play in the loose. We were unfortunate in losing our hooker, Knights, in the early part of the season, but eventually succeeded in obtaining a very good replacement, Francis — though very late in the season.

The back line was weak both in attack and defence. This was partly due to almost continual changes in the line, owing to boys leaving school. Once Molloy had decided to return to his old position as full back, he was a tower of strength in defence. He played a particularly fine game against the Combined School of Infantry at Nakuru, a match which we lost through inability on the part of School backs to avail themselves of their opportunities. Another weakness is the failure of the backs to tackle low and hard. I believe this to be due more to playing on hard ground than to any innate timidity, for the celerity with which all players go down on the ball to stop a forward rush leaves no doubt about their "guts". Low tackling, however, is chiefly a matter of experience and practice, and this can be gained more



gained, it is hard for an inexperienced player to realise that he is much less likely to get hurt by tackling low than by collaring.

Mention of our game at Nakuru reminds me that we have to express our sincere thanks to all those who entertained us so royally during our visit, and particularly to Mr. and Mrs. A. Cooke. Mr. Cooke made himself personally responsible for our comfort throughout our visit, and we are really grateful to him for his kind hospitality. Our return trip was not uneventful, and the 1st XV had to put in some really first class road work. I must, however, leave the recounting of this tiring though amusing safari to someone else.

### 1st XV Players, 1945.

Molloy (Captain); Campbell J., Georgiadis, Bennett, Stuart D., Nicholson G., Sutton F., Barrett J. H. J., Knights, Horn A., Frere G., Cook J. C., Higginson M., Peskett, Stocker B. G., Braimbridge A., Bramwell P., Bindloss B., Ellson, Francis P., Stephen R., Stevenson J., Sutton J. I., Trafford M., Walsh J. B.

### Results:—

Away	P. of W.	v. United Services.	Lost 5—26
Home	"	v. Killarney Signals	Draw 6—6
Home	"	v. Killarney Signals	Won 13—6
Home	"	v. Artillery	Lost 13—26
Home	"	v. R.A.F.	Lost 8—24
Away	"	v. C.S.I. Nakuru	Lost 0—16
Home	"	v. Artillery	Lost 8—22
Home	"	v. Naivasha Artillery	Lost 3—11
Away	"	v. Artillery	Lost 12—14
Home	"	v. C.S.I. Nakuru	Lost 5—17
Home	"	v. Harlequins	Lost 0—11

—P.A.C.

## Athletic Sports.

On the morning of Saturday, July the 28th., the day of the School's thirteenth Annual Athletic Sports Meeting, strange noises were heard coming from the playing fields, and occasionally tremendous bellows warned people several hundred yards away to put on their hats or take their hands out of their pockets. However, it was only a microphone being tried out. The microphone was used during the afternoon for announcing results.

The weather was ideal for sports, with a warm afternoon and a light breeze blowing. The ground was just right for running, rain having fallen a few days before. We had a very large gathering of spectators; and as usual the Sports Programme went off without a hitch, only the 100 yards Old Boys' Handicap being cancelled owing to the fact that there were not enough competitors.

The two 2,200 yards Composite Relays (the last events and climax of the day) were extremely good, and showed the results of hard training amongst the Houses, both the first and second teams breaking the existing records by more than 6 seconds each. Other records broken on Sports Day were the 880 yards B, by Nicholson II of Rhodes, the High Jump A, by Molloy and Sutton of Nicholson and Clive Houses respectively, and the 880 Relay A by Hawke House.

At the end of the day the Mayor of Nairobi, wearing his ceremonial mayoral chain, awarded the silver cups; and at the same time Nicholson House was announced to be winner of the Sports.

The results in detail were:—

- 220 YARDS 'A':**—1st—Georgiadis (H.) and Brown (New.); 3rd—Elliot (G.); 4th—W. Steer (New.) Time—25.6 secs.
- 440 YARDS 'A':**—1st—Georgiadis (H.); 2nd—Foot (G.); 3rd—Molloy (N.); 4th Sutton (C.) Time—58.8 seconds.
- MILE 'A':**—1st—White (C); 2nd—Foot (G.); 3rd—Findlay (N.); 4th—Munro (N.); Time—5 mins. 13 secs.
- LONG JUMP 'A':**—1st—Molloy (N.); 2nd—Fieros (N.); 3rd—Stevenson (C.); 4th—W. Steer (New.) Length 18ft. 2½ ins.
- HOP-STEP, JUMP 'A':**—1st—Molloy (N.); 2nd—Brown (New); 3rd—Fieros (N.); 4th—Edwards II (H.) Distance 38ft. 3 ins. (REC.)
- CRICKET BALL 'A':**—1st—Walker (New.); 2nd—Stephen I (C.); 3rd—Stocker (N.); 4th—Georgiadis (H.) Distance 93 yds. 0ft. 11 ins.
- PUNT 'A':**—1st—Molloy (N.); 2nd—Francis (H.); 3rd—Horn (N.); 4th—Paton (New.) Distance 146 ft. 9 ins.
- PUTTING THE SHOT 'A':**—1st—Georgiadis (H.); 2nd—Peskett (R.) and Horn (N.); 4th—Barrett (C.) Distance 32 ft. 11 ins.
- MILE RELAY 'A' (4 x 440):**—1st Hawke; 2nd—New; 3rd—Clive; 4th—Nicholson. Time 4 mins. 1.4 secs.
- TUG-OF-WAR 'A':**—1st—Clive; 2nd—New; 3rd—Nicholson and Rhodes.
- TUG-OF-WAR 'B':**—1st—Nicholson; 2nd—New; 3rd—Clive and Rhodes.
- 440 YARDS 'B':**—1st—Nicholson (R.); 2nd—Winter (G.); 3rd—Williamson (New.) 4th—Archer (G.) Time 58.3 secs. (REC.)
- MILE 'B':**—1st—Nicholson (R.); 2nd—Shaw M. H. (N.); 3rd—Winter (G.); 4th—Archer (G.) Time 5 mins. 18.8 secs. (REC.)
- LONG JUMP 'B':**—1st—Nicholson (R.) 2nd—Stephen II (C.); 3rd—Purves (N); 4th—Bennett (H.) and Shaw (N.) Distance 15 ft. 5 ins.

**HIGH JUMP 'B':**—1st—Jones (N.); 2nd—Clarke (G.) and Nicholson (R.); 4th—Bennett (H.) Height 4 ft. 10½ ins. (REC.)

**HOP-STEP, JUMP 'B' and 'C':**—1st—Jones (N.); 2nd—Nicholson II (R.); 3rd—Stephen II (C.), Munro II (N.); and Paul I (H.) Distance: 33 ft. 5 ins.

**CRICKET BALL 'B':**—1st—Munro (N.); 2nd—Shaw (N.); 3rd—Bennett (H.); 4th—Balson (C.) Distance: 79 yds. 0 ft. 5½ ins.

**PUNT 'B':**—1st—Bennett (H.); 2nd—Balson (C.); 3rd—O-Thomas (C.); 4th—Woodford (G.) Distance: 125 ft. 4 ins.

**880 YARDS RELAY 'B' (4 x 220):**—1st—Grigg, 2nd—Hawke, 3rd—Clive, 4th—Rhodes.

**LONG JUMP 'C':**—1st—Allen (H.); 2nd—Rodda (R.); 3rd—Hauschild (N.); 4th—disqualified.

**HIGH JUMP 'C':**—1st—Kingsford (R.); 2nd—Kidner (C.); Bornman (G.), Macdonald (H.), and Platt (New).

**CRICKET BALL 'C':**—1st—Allen (H.); 2nd—D'Ahl (New); 3rd—Partridge (C.); 4th—disqualified.

**PUNT 'C':**—1st—D'Ahl (New); 2nd—Hauschild (N.); 3rd—Macdonald (H.); 4th—Young (G.) Distance 95 ft. 5 ins.

1. **DISCUS 'A':**—1st—Georgiadis (H.); 2nd—Horn (N.); 3rd—Dunn (N.); 4th—Higginson (R.) Distance 82 ft.

2. **100 YARDS 'C':**—1st—Kingsford (R.); 2nd—Allen (H.); 3rd—Rodda (R.); 4th—Platt (New.) Time 13.2 secs.

3. **100 YARDS 'B':**—1st—Brian-Boys (C.); 2nd—Nicholson (R.); 3rd—Williamson II (New); 4th—Wood (H.) Time 11.8 seconds.

4. **100 YARDS 'A':**—1st—Brown (New); 2nd—Elliott (G.); 3rd—Georgiadis (H.); 4th—Newby I (New). Time 11 seconds.

5. **100 YARDS (Visitors under 12):**—1st—Clarke (Primary); 2nd—Truran (Parklands); 3rd—McDonald (Primary); 4th—Snnoxall (Kenton). Time 13.6 seconds.

6. **440 YARDS RELAY 'C' (8 x 55):**—1st—Rhodes; 2nd—New; 3rd—Hawke; 4th—Nicholson. Time 62.3 secs.

7. **880 YARDS 'B':**—1st—Nicholson (R.); 2nd—Winter (G.); 3rd—Shaw M. (N.); 4th—Stephen II (C.) Time 2 mins. 18.1 secs. (REC.)

8. **880 YARDS 'A':**—1st—Foot (G.); 2nd—Sutton (C.); 3rd—Findlay (N.); 4th—Munro (N.) and Campbell (New). Time 2 mins. 15 secs.

9. **100 YARDS (under 13):**—1st—Kingsford (R.); 2nd—Platt (New); 3rd—Came (N.); 4th—Uys (New). Time 13.3 seconds.

10. **100 YARDS (Visitors under 14):**—1st—Balson (Primary); 2nd—Johansen (Primary); 3rd—Harvey (Pembroke House); 4th—Archer (Pembroke House). Time 13.1 seconds.

11. **220 YARDS 'B':**—1st—Brian-Boys (C.); 2nd—Faull (N.); 3rd—Williamson D. (New); 4th—Purves (N.) Time 27.5 seconds.

12. **220 YARDS 'C':**—1st—Allsop (N.); 2nd—Allen (H.); 3rd—Rodda (R.); 4th—Hauschild (N.) Time 30.8 seconds.

13. **220 YARDS (School Native Staff):**—1st—Mutai; 2nd—John; 3rd—Mwaura; 4th—Joseph. Time 27.5 secs.

14. **120 YARDS HURDLES 'A':**—1st—Molloy (N.); 2nd—Paton (New); 3rd—Brown (New); 4th—disqualified. Time 19 seconds.

15. **120 YARDS HURDLES 'B':**—1st—Brian-Boys (C.); 2nd—Wood (H.); 3rd—Archer (G.); 4th—disqualified. Time 20 seconds.

16. **90 YARDS HURDLES 'C':**—1st—Kingsford (R.); 2nd—Allen (H.); 3rd—D'Ahl (New); 4th—Sinclair (C.) Time 16.1 seconds.

17. **440 YARDS RELAY (8 x 55) (Visitors under 12):**—1st—Nairobi Primary; 2nd—St. Mary's. Time 64.5 seconds.

18. **HIGH JUMP 'A':**—1st—Molloy (N.) and Sutton (C.); 3rd—Barker (N.) and Foot (G.) Height 5 ft. 2½ ins. (REC.)

19. **440 YARDS RELAY (4 x 110) (Visitors and P. of W. under 14):**—1st—P. of W.; 2nd—Nairobi Primary; 3rd—Parklands. Time 58.8 seconds.

20. **660 YARDS 'C':**—1st—Allen (H.); 2nd—Ryan (H.); 3rd—Allsop (N.); 4th—Karnezos (R.) Time 1 min. 50.5 seconds.

21. **400 YARDS RELAY 'B' (4 x 100):**—1st—Hawke; 2nd—Clive; 3rd—Grigg; 4th—Nicholson. Time 49.6 secs.

22. **440 YARDS RELAY 'A' (4 x 100):**—1st—Hawke; 2nd—Grigg and New; 4th—Nicholson. Time 46 seconds.

23. **400 YARDS RELAY 'C' (4 x 100):**—1st—Nicholson; 2nd—Hawke; 3rd—Rhodes; 4th—Grigg. Time 54.5 secs.

24. **100 YARDS (Old Boys' Championship):**—1st—Katzler; 2nd—Chambers; 3rd—Irwin; 4th—Albrechtsen. Time 11.3 seconds.

25. **100 YARDS (Old Boys' Handicap):**—Cancelled owing to small number of competitors.

26. **OBSTACLE RACE, 'B' and 'C':**—1st—Hawke; 2nd—Nicholson; 3rd—Rhodes; 4th—New.

27. **OBSTACLE RACE 'A':**—1st—Fieros (N.); 2nd—Clark (H.); 3rd—Stephen I (C.); 4th—Woodhead (C.);

28. **880 RELAY 'A' (4 x 220):**—1st—Hawke; 2nd—Grigg; 3rd—Nicholson; 4th—Rhodes and New. Time 1 min. 41.9 seconds (REC.)

29. **50 YARDS THREE-LEGGED (Fathers and Sons):**—1st—Streater and Son; 2nd—Vail and Son; 3rd—Clark and Son; 4th—Le Pelley and Son.

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30. VISITING SCHOOLS COMPOSITE RELAY (4 x 110; 8 x 55):—1st—Nairobi Primary; 2nd—Parklands. Time 2 mins. 3.5 secs.
31. COMPOSITE RELAY 5 x (220, 110, 55, 55.) (Second Teams):—1st—Nicholson; 2nd—Clive; 3rd—Hawke; 4th—Grigg. Time 4 mins. 43 secs. (REC.)
32. COMPOSITE RELAY (1st Teams):—1st—Hawke; 2nd—Nicholson; 3rd—Clive; 4th—New. Time 4 mins. 20.6 secs. (REC.)

—J.S.C.

## Cock House Results.

September, 1944 — August, 1945.

### Third Term, 1944.

	Total	Clive	Grigg	Hawke	New	Nicholson	Rhodes
Work	200	35.71	32.86	42.86	—	47.14	41.43
Cross Country	50	10.50	8.225	9.00	—	9.725	12.625
League Cricket	20	5.24	1.75	6.19	—	3.65	3.17
House Cricket	80	16.952	1.304	28.256	—	17.824	15.656
Soccer	50	7.785	.295	15.19	—	13.75	12.98
TOTAL	400	76.19	44.43	101.50	—	92.09	85.86

### First Term, 1945.

	Total	Clive	Grigg	Hawke	New	Nicholson	Rhodes
Work	300	68.75	50.00	57.50	41.88	43.75	38.12
League Hockey	60	16.16	2.54	16.62	6.15	10.85	7.69
House Hockey	240	52.31	3.69	53.52	27.08	53.31	50.15
TOTAL	600	137.22	56.23	127.64	75.11	107.91	95.96

### Second Term, 1945.

	Total	Clive	Grigg	Hawke	New	Nicholson	Rhodes
Work	250	58.33	25.00	45.83	45.83	33.33	41.67
Rugby	75	12.86	0	12.86	10.00	23.57	15.71
Soccer	25	6.11	3.61	4.44	3.61	3.06	4.17
Cross Country	50	10.60	6.67	7.51	6.09	10.00	9.13
Sports	100	15.54	10.64	22.41	14.97	26.31	10.12
TOTAL	500	103.44	45.92	93.05	80.50	96.27	80.80

COCK HOUSE. Third term, 1944: HAWKE.  
First term, 1945: CLIVE.  
Second term, 1945: CLIVE.

## Tobacco Production in East Africa.

The tobacco-seeds are planted two months before the rains, in seed-beds raised a foot above the level of the ground. These beds are a yard wide and as long as required. The surface of the seed-beds is not flat, but has a ridge all round the edges which makes the beds saucer-shaped. The hollow along the length of each bed is filled with cattle manure, and wood is placed over this, and burnt, in order to destroy any parasites.

The seeds are watered twice a day, and when the seedlings are an inch or two inches tall, grass is laid on top of the beds to retain the moisture. As the plants grow taller the layer of grass is raised off the ground.

By the time the rains come, the tobacco-plants are about eight inches tall. The grass covering is then removed and the seedlings are transplanted into the fields. They are replanted on parallel ridges a yard apart; this is usually done in the afternoon, but transplanting can be done in the morning if the weather is cloudy and rain is coming. The ridges are three feet apart so that sunlight can reach the bottom leaves and prevent the spreading of the disease known as "white rust".

A great pest at this stage is the cut-worm, which is, unfortunately, the larva of the moth which fertilizes the tobacco-flower.

During the growing period the earth around the roots of the tobacco plants is loosened twice, not, however, within a month or two before harvesting, which comes from four to six months after transplantation. The flowers are normally cut off the plants, so that the leaves become thicker and heavier than they normally would. The buyers, however, very often prefer thin leaves, as they make better cigarettes.

When the tobacco leaves begin to turn yellow, the harvest starts. The first two or three bottom leaves are plucked from each plant and are carried to the curing barns, where the leaves are tied on to sticks by their stalks, and hung up to be cured. The sticks are four feet long and hold 48 to 50 of the larger leaves, which are tied in pairs by their stalks and hung over the stick. The leaves must not be overcrowded during the curing process, otherwise the evaporating vapour cannot escape, and stains the leaves. The four-foot rods with the tobacco-leaves on them are now placed in two layers on other horizontal rods in the barn, the horizontal rods being parallel and four feet apart, the top layer seven feet above the ground, and the bottom layer about five feet six inches off the ground.

A system of flue-pipes leading from a couple of furnaces in each barn dries the leaves. After four days the fires in each barn are put out, and all vents and doors are left open overnight,

so that the leaves can become soft, and will not break or crumble when untied from the bundles the next day.

The dry tobacco is taken to the grading-shed where it is graded; then it goes to the "process house," where it is steamed to prevent its becoming mouldy should water fall on it.

The tobacco-leaves are now ready to be made into pipe-tobacco or cigarettes, and are packed tightly into barrels and sent abroad.

T. H. Constantinides (III D.)

## Words and Names.

All words have a history and the study of their origins and connections is most interesting. Here are a few dealing with everyday things.

**Tobacco.** It is not certain where this word comes from. Some etymologists say from Tobacco, a province in Yucatan, some from the island of Tobago, others from the Haiti word 'Tambaku' meaning a pipe. Columbus found the inhabitants of Watling Island using tobacco on May 12th, 1492.

**Tea** is from the Chinese and is now universal in some form, ranging from the Russian 'Chay' to the Spanish 'Te'. Coffee was first introduced into Europe by a Dr. Rauwolf in 1582 from Kaffa, Abyssinia. **Cocoa** and **Chocolate** have interesting origins. These words come from Mexico, the former from the Cacahuatl tree while 'Chocolate' means 'Fizzy Water (choco-latl)'. The Aztecs mixed the cocoa powder with cold water and pepper to make a frothy drink. The Spaniards improved on this by replacing the pepper by sugar. These words have nothing to do with **Coconut**, which is derived from the Spanish word 'Coco' meaning 'a grimace', from the curious face-like end of the nut.

**Bread** is probably connected with 'Brewed', from the yeast which is used. In a similar way a **Field** was the clearing in the forest from which the trees had been felled. **Loaf** is a much older word and appears in the Russian 'Chlyeb' and the German 'Laib'. In Old English this was 'hlaf', whence we get **Lord** (Hlaf-ord) and **Lady** (Hlaf-dige) meaning respectively 'the keeper of bread' and 'the maker of bread'. **Butter** is of Greek origin and formed from 'Bous' (cow) and 'Teron', (cheese). In **Marmalade** we have the Portuguese word for 'Quince' (marmelo) which was at first its principal ingredient.

Rhubarb grew originally on the banks of the river Volga (in Latin, Rha) and was named 'Rha Barbarum'. Apples obtained their early reputation from the Roman district of Abella. The fruit from there was called 'Pomum Abellum' and of these words 'Pomum' has gone into the French 'Pomme' and 'Abellum' has come to us as **Apple**, to Germany as 'Apfel' and to Denmark as 'Aeble'. **Currants** are named after Corinth in Greece

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and **Cherries** after the town of Kerasus, on the Southern shore of the Black Sea; in French, 'Cerise' and in German, 'Kirsch'. **Orange** is in Arabic 'Naranj' and in Persian 'Narang'. With us and the French the initial 'n' has become absorbed in the 'an' and 'une', but is strangely kept in the Spanish 'Naranja'.

**Coach** is derived from the Hungarian town of Kocsi, where these carriages were first made. **Crayon** comes from Crete through the French 'Craie'. **Copper** is the Brass of Cyprus. Silk may be traced to the Sericæ Vestes introduced in the time of Pliny. The Romans called the Chinese 'Seres', and the adjective 'Sericus' became 'Silk'.

**Geographical names.** **Africa** is probably derived from 'Afer', the name of a tribe of people which lived in the vicinity of Carthage. This is not definitely established. **Spain** comes from the Phoenician word 'Sapan' meaning a rabbit. The Phoenicians who had settled along the coasts found great numbers of these animals there. A medal of the time of Hadrian (Roman Emperor, A.D. 117—138) showed a symbolic figure of Spain (Hispania) with a rabbit sitting at her feet. **Italy** is derived from 'Vitalia' another form of 'Vitulus' (cattle), owing to the fine breeds of cattle found there. **Malta** is the Greek word 'Melita' (honey). **Gibraltar** comes from 'Gebel-el-Tarik' mountain of Tarik, an Arab general who landed near the rock when invading Spain. **Germany** was so named because the inhabitants shouted (Celtic word 'Gairmaen') in battle. **Madeira** (Portuguese) is the same as the Spanish 'Madera' (wood) so named from the forests which covered the island, and which were destroyed by fire in 1419. This word is the same as our 'Material' and derives from the Latin 'Materia'.

**Venezuela** in South America was so named because the entrance to the Maracaibo Sea reminded the explorers of Venice. **Formosa** in Portuguese means 'Beautiful'. The island came under Japanese control in 1896, and was renamed 'Taiwan' meaning 'Great Bay'.

Not all words can have their origins traced back in this way, for the sources of many are lost in the distant past.

—E.A.F.

## Ascent of Mount Elgon.

Mount Elgon is 14,140 feet high, rising 8,000 feet from the surrounding plains. No special mountaineering skill is needed to climb it, but it is a tough job ascending the long difficult slopes. The trip up provides an interesting experience. There are magnificent views, green, blue, and purple, patterned with rugged red and brown-grey rock masses, the invigorating and sometimes stinging mountain air, and not least the glorious panoramas to be seen from the top.

Our party chose to make the ascent in August, the wettest month of the year, so we were disappointed as far as sight-seeing went. Nevertheless we enjoyed ourselves.

The three of us, with seven porters, left on Monday, August 6th. Our twenty-mile trek the first day took us from the plains up along the logging-trails near the Elgon Saw Mills, through dense forest and on into the gloomy and unending bamboo forest. We finally emerged with startling suddenness, to find ourselves on grassy green slopes covered with sparse bush.

We camped that night at a height of 11,000 feet, near some miserable huts belonging to the Wanderobos, a pastoral tribe who live there. Early next morning we set out again. Six miles of walking brought us out on a ridge opposite Kwoitobbos, the most interesting peak, 13,860 feet high. A huge mass of rock 500 yards long by 200 yards across, with sheer sides three to four hundred feet down, its great bulk seems enhanced by its position on the rim of the crater, whose sides are also very steep. An immense valley lay between it and us. It was a grand spectacle, wreathed in wispy mist as it was.

We camped further along the ridge under a large overhanging cliff, which at least gave us the advantage of dryness. We camped there for the next three nights, 12,000 feet up.

On Wednesday we climbed Kwoitobbos. We took the wrong way up, and some real mountaineering came our way as we climbed over the slippery weed-covered boulders and along precarious ledges. But it was good fun. On the flat top we put our names in the bottle there, heaved some boulders over the side, and took pot shots as the fancy took us. No wonderful scenery awaited us, for all we could see were blue peaks rising above the cloud layer.

Rain and dense mist forced us to leave the highest peak, Sudek, unscaled. Besides we were determined to go to the hot springs next day.

Accordingly we left next morning to make the 1,500 foot descent into the crater. It was arduous and difficult going. At the bottom there was more hard work over swampy buffalo-trails. We crossed the Suam River, icy cold, and jumped into the hot sulphur springs — and out again, quickly! They were like a hot bath! Then we jumped into the Suam — and out! Cold was the trouble this time. Glowing and refreshed, we dressed. Then, as we turned back, down came the rain. Oh! that back-breaking climb!

While we were up there we were never really hungry in spite of the cold and strenuous exercise. But we were cold! We slept inside the tent with three blankets each, and were still cold. The natives slept in the open with one blanket between two. They were quite happy.

We were unfortunate as regards weather, only seeing the

sun twice in three days. Between expeditions we went out for buck, and talked inside the tent.

On Friday we returned to the Wanderobo camp, and Saturday saw us back at Endebess, our starting point. We had had a very good time; and we look forward to another ascent next holidays, this time in fine weather.

J. M. M. Campbell (IV).

## Ignorance.

The school cabbage wants to know:—

1. What breed of baccy is burnt in the pipe with a cover and chain?
2. What kind of fish goes into the fish pie?
3. Who thought of coffee and tea mixed?
4. Who invented prep. and "Detarnsch"?
5. The constant of a Tangent Galvanometer.
6. The meaning of Voluntary.
7. The significance of "Ooo you Mutton."
8. Why meat is left in the vegetables?
9. The cruising speed of cheese.
10. Is beer and soda a cocktail?
11. Who is as long as his own cricket pitch?
12. Washish?

—Enough.

## So Drab and So Glum.

(with apologies to Matthew Arnold).

And the first grey of morning fill'd the east,  
And the mist rose from the Junior Drain,  
But all the Cambrian host in every dorm  
Was hush'd, for still the inmates slept and snored.  
Form 111 alone, they slept not; all night long  
They had been wakeful, tossing on their beds;  
But when the grey dawn stole across the quads,  
They rose, and clad themselves, and grasped their pens,  
And seized their well-thumbed notes, and slunk downstairs,  
And sought with bated breath and anxious mien  
The fateful doorway of the Muscle Shrine.

Down from the new stone blocks they came, which stood  
Clustering in pride upon the Upper Fields,  
Kabete, where the Chosen Horsemen chuk, k,  
And where the Urgent Sportsmen heave amain.  
Down from the flimsy nests where aye in hope  
The Birds of Prey sit waiting for the dawn.  
And near at hand bold Indian Robert's Clan  
Were one in sorrow with the Newfledged Host.



For Dreadful Sloth had swallowed up the land,  
And, conscious now of doom upon their heads,  
Within the Shrine, with bowed and humbled forms,  
Th'assembled hosts did penance for their crimes.

Then spoke th'attendant priest in solemn tones,  
And warned the sad-eyed crew their hour was come,  
The Trial of all their early years, so well  
Enjoyed, so oft in thoughtless pleasure spent;  
Th'Avenging Powers were waiting to mark down  
The weak; to attack the slipshod phrase with lead,  
To note their woolly thoughts and dreadful slang,  
And force repentance for their wasted youth.  
So spake he, and marched down the ranks, and left  
Before each careworn face a parchment crisp,  
And grimly bade the trembling suppliants toil  
Unceasing, till the sun should reach the heights.  
"Avoid the airy nothing, burble not;  
Nor strive with wordy gush the mental void  
To mask; but think, and think again, then write."

They settled then to labour, to peruse  
The searching questions of the distant Powers,  
And strong convulsive groanings shook their frames,  
And their sobs chok'd them; yet they clutched their pens,  
And fiercely wrestled with the task, the while  
The fiery sun climbed upwards to his prime.  
E'en so for ten dread days and sleepless nights,  
In anguish did they muse upon their lot,  
In vain repenting all their ill-spent years;  
And oft were tempted to yield up at once  
The ghost; and begged and urged in dire distress  
That heavenly mercy might their woes assuage,  
Confessing now their youth of slothful ease; but then  
Within each harassed ear a voice was heard:—  
"A life of ease indeed, thou slothful one!  
But thou shalt yet have peace; only not now;  
Not yet; but thou shalt have it on that day,  
When glad news cometh from the distant isles  
Of triumph and success." So still they toiled  
Until at last, O radiant, glorious day!  
Their woes were o'er; for freedom had returned.

—W.N.C.

## Light Feet.

I felt my hair rising slowly on end, as those terrible talons gripped the window . . . I was so petrified that I could just vaguely think what that awful thing might be.

It was a fairly bright night, and the shaft of light that passed through my window looked like a bar of rolled gold. I remember, I had just been to a party and had returned about four hours before dawn, and had been, at this point, so tired that I fell on to my bed exhausted.

How long I had been asleep, I do not know, for when I looked at the window, the moon was high in the sky and the chill of dawn had just set in — and there, at the window, was a dark shape, a dark shape with yellow beady eyes, monstrous ears and frightfully menacing claws, which were half buried in the woodwork. I received such a shock that I snatched up the nearest thing within reach (which happened to be a teapot half full of cold water) and flung it with all my might at the intruding creature.

There was a fiendish screech, as this terrible newcomer leapt into the room. I hurriedly fumbled for the electric-light switch, and turned it on, and there to my utter and shame-faced relief — was a very bedraggled 'Lightfoot', — my cat!!!

—R. Howarth (VI b).

## Doomsday.

1. The exam term is beginning; figures bent with woe,  
Bearing trunks and heavy cases, down the passage go.  
Gone the happy days of freedom! Forty days we got,  
But to school we are returning, to the term of frantic "swot".
2. Happy we, no cares upon us, when with sudden dread,  
We realized the hols were ending—how the happy days had  
sped!  
Nearer came the hateful moment, nearer drew our doom;  
Sullen the once carefree faces, voices dulled with gloom.
3. But we packed our trunks and cases, clothes and books  
crammed in,  
Tackies, boots with tattered laces; heads were in a spin.  
Then, the station fast receding, parents forms grew dim;  
In some throats a lump was rising, eyes began to swim.

4. Through Nairobi Station's bustle, craning forward, we,  
There amidst the dense-packed faces, driver Martin's see.  
Then the short, swift trip by lorry, till—grim sight—we spy  
On a rise the wooden notice—up the drive we fly.
5. Having dreamed of home, we waken, happy, and content;  
Then comes cruel recollection, disillusionment.  
Through the murky, misty morning, clangs the hated bell,  
Summoning us with brazen harshness to another gruelling  
spell.

P. Panayotu (IV).

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## North with Standard VI.

The dogs in the compound suddenly began to raise a terrific clamour. There followed the patter-patter of feet racing over snow, and in a cloud of frost-laden air a scared native burst into my cabin shouting "Wapusk! wapusk!"

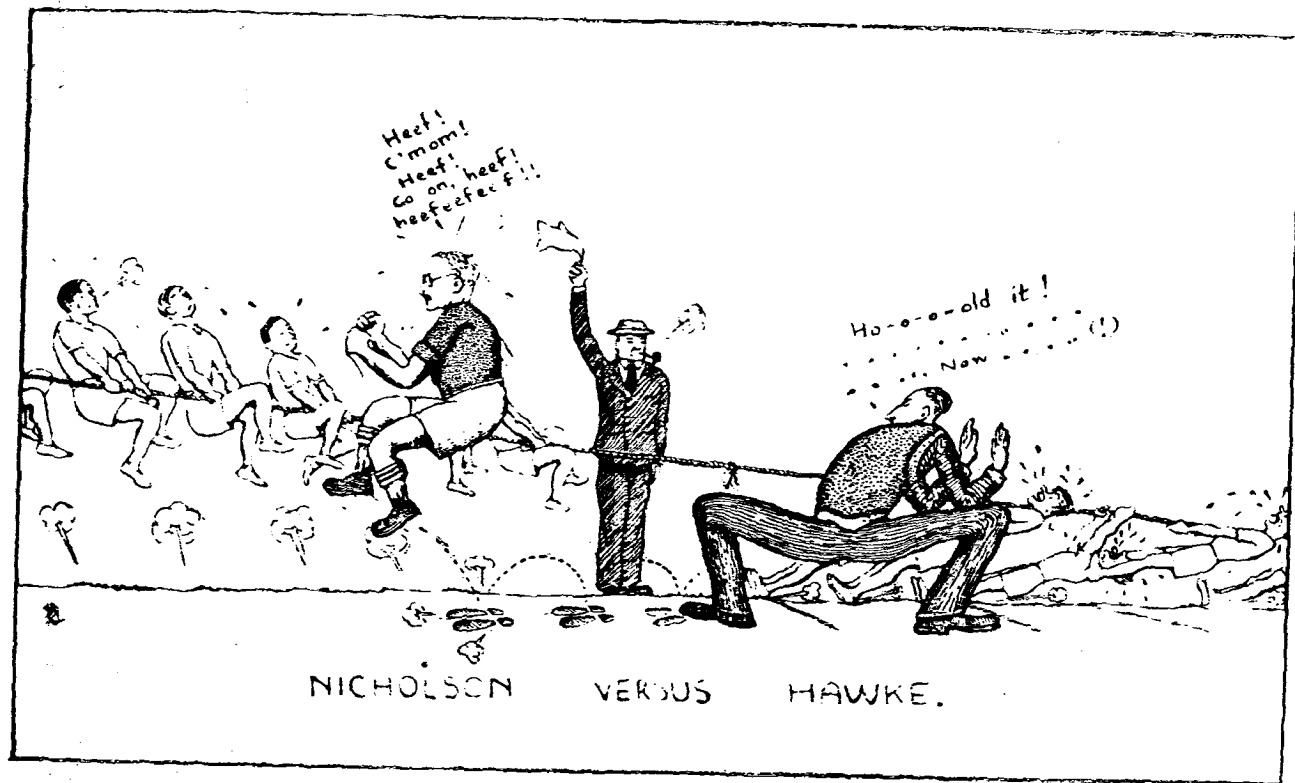
In an instant I was out of bed pulling on furs, and reaching for my rifle. There was a Polar bear raiding the meat-house, the native explained, and he and his fellows were afraid it might also attack the huts. I hurried outside.

By this time the noise was deafening — dogs barking and men, women, and children shouting and screaming. Overhead the Northern Lights glimmered in ghostly colours, casting grotesque shadows all about the compound. Hardly the kind of lighting a man would choose for fast and straight shooting! But I had no choice. Rifle at the ready, I walked toward the meat house.

When I arrived within ten paces of the building a huge shape showed in the wrecked doorway. Aiming carefully, I fired. A tremendous roar well-nigh drowned all other sounds as the bear lurched ponderously into the open and reared up on its hind feet, its great head turning this way and that in short-sighted search for whatever had caused its sudden pain.

I stood motionless, knowing that with my next shot I must hit the vital spot at the base of the ear. If I moved the brute would immediately charge. Suddenly a squaw screamed, and the animal turned its head, giving me my chance; the second heavy bullet drove straight into the monster's brain and the mountain of dirty-white fur hit the ground and lay motionless.

P. McInnes (VI b.)



## Examination Results, 1944.

### CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.

(An asterisk indicates a first grade pass.)

Adams E. J. G.	Kirk, A. H. de L.
Adams, M. H.	Knights, T. R. L.
Allen, J. B. R.	Knowlden, E. C.
Bond, J. H.	Kroll, U. M.
* Braimbridge, A.	Ling, G. T.
Bresler, C. A.	Matthews, R. St. J.
* Campbell, J. M. M.	Mortimer, A. S.
Church, A. B.	Mulholland, P. J.
Clarke, H. G.	Munro, R. J.
* Clark, J. S.	* Panayotu, P.
Connolly, J. A.	Pegrume, P. H.
* Cox, R. I.	Robinson, F. I.
Dewar, R. D.	Scarborough, J. T.
Fenton, J. R.	* Schwartz, C.
Frere, G. H. H.	* Scott, T. J.
* Freudenthal, G.	Sprunt, A. W.
* Friend, M. T.	* Stuart, D.
Gash, W. A. S.	Sutton, J. I.
* Georgiadis, B. N.	Templar, J. A.
Green, D. C.	* Tzulakis, J.
Hawkins, S. E.	Walsh, J. B.
Henderson, I. S.	White, A. B.
* Holmes, P. C. A.	Nicholas, P. G.
Hunter, D. R.	Hearle, J. W. A.
* Kerr, J.	

## Valete.

**Adams, E. J. G.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Allen, J. B. R.**—Joined 20.1.41. School Certificate 1944. J.T.C. Cpl. 1944. Cert. 'A' 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Alleyne, E. H. M.**—Joined 22.3.42. Left 15.5.45.  
**Armstrong, M. P.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 16.4.45.  
**Bamber, J. O. J.**—Joined 20.1.41 1st XI Cricket 1943-44. 1st XI Hockey 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Bessler, R. A.**—Joined 18.1.45 Left 26.5.45.  
**Blunt, W. H. L.**—Joined 17.1.44 Left 12.12.44.  
**Bockett, D. A.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.

**Bond, J. H.**—Joined 14.9.42. J.T.C. L/Cpl. School Certificate 1944. House Prefect 'Hawke' Jan. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Bower, T. S.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.  
**Braimbridge, A.**—Joined 19.1.42. 1st XI Cricket 1943-44. Colours. Nov. '43. House Prefect 'Rhodes' Jan. 1944. School Prefect Sept. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Sergt. June 1944. W.O. 11 Feb. 1945. Cert. 'A' June 1944. Left 11.7.45.  
**Bresler, C. A.**—Joined 13.1.40 1st XI Cricket 1943-44. House Prefect 'Rhodes' Jan 1944. School Cert. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan 1944. Sergt. June 1944. Cert 'A' June 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Buckley, R. G.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 2.6.45  
**Bulley, N. B.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left May 1945.  
**Bunting, B. D.**—Joined 18.1.45. Left 16.4.45.  
**Burnham, D. J.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 16.4.45.  
**Bury, J. F.**—Joined, 17.5.43. Left 26.1.45.  
**Campbell, R. I. M.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 31.5.45.  
**Carman, J. A.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Cert. Dec. 1943. Left 12.12.44.  
**Carman, R.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 12.12.44.  
**Connolly, J. A.**—Joined 1st XV Rugby 1942-43-44. Rugby Colours July 1944. House Prefect 'Rhodes' Jan. 1944. School Cert. Dec. 1943. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Cook, J. C.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XI Cricket 1944. 1st XV Rugby 1945. 1st XI Hockey 1945. House Prefect 'Nicholson' Jan. 1944. School Prefect Sept. 1944. House Captain Nicholson Jan. 1945. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. W.O. 111 March 1944; W.O. II Feb. 1945. Cert. 'A' July, 1945. Left 31.7.45.  
**Cooke, M.**—Joined 20.9.39. 1st XI Hockey 1943-44. 1st XI Cricket 1944. 1st XV Rugby 1944. House Prefect 'Rhodes' Jan. 1943. School Prefect Jan. 1944. House Captain 'Rhodes'. School Cert. Dec. 1943. J.T.C. LsCpl. May 1943. W.O. III Jan. 1944. Cert. 'A' Jan. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Cox, R. I.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate 1944. Left 16.4.45.  
**Dewar, R. D.**—Joined 20.1.41. School Cert. Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. July 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Dixon, J. S.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 11.6.45.  
**Donovan, C. D.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 12.12.44.  
**Duthie, W. O.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.  
**Evans, A. L.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 22. 6. 45.  
**Fenton, J. R.**—Joined 18.1.43. House Prefect 'Grigg' Jan. 1944. School Cert. Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Freeman, K. P. C.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XV Rugby 1942. House Prefect 'Clive' May 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Cpl. Jan. 1944. Cert. 'A' Jan. 1944. Left 12.12.44.

- Frere, G. H. H.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XI Cricket 1943-44. 1st XI Hockey, Colours Feb. 1945. 1st XV Rugby 1944-45. House Prefect Rhodes Jan. 1944. School Prefect and Captain Rhodes House Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Sgt. Jan. 1944. W.O. II Feb. 1944. Cert. 'A' June 1944. Left 15.7.45.
- Freudenthal, G.**—Joined 20.1.41. School Cert. Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Georgiadis, B. N.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XI Hockey 1944. Hockey Colours Jan. 1945. 1st XV Rugby 1944-45. Vice Capt. Rugby April 1945. House Prefect 'Hawke' Jan. 1944. School Prefect Sept. 1944. Captain 'Hawke House' Jan. 1945. Head of School Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. Cpl. Nov. 1943, Sergt. Jan. 1944. W.O. I Feb. 1945. Cadet Under Officer May 1945. Left 31.7.45.
- Godley, D. J.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 12.12.44.
- Gordon, L.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 16.4.45.
- Green, D.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Cert. Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Grey, R. S.**—Joined 18.1.45. Left 16.4.45.
- Griffiths, T. W. H.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 16.12.44.
- Church, A. B.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Clarke, H. G.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Harvey, W. T.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.
- Hawkins, S. E.**—Joined 20.9.39. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 25.6.45.
- Hearle, J. W. H.**—Joined 10.5.40. 1st XI Hockey 1942-44. 1st XI Cricket Colours 1942. 1st Hockey Colours Feb. 1943. Vice Capt. Cricket 1944. House Prefect Clive Jan. 1943. School Prefect Jan. 1944. Clive House Captain Jan. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1942. J.T.C. L/Cpl. May 1943. Sergt. Nov. 1943. W.O. II Jan. 1944. Cert. 'A' Nov. 1943. Left 12.12.44.
- Hemphill, P. D.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 16.4.45.
- Henderson, J. S. M.**—Joined 19.1.42. 1st XI Hockey 1944. 1st XI Cricket 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Henn, S. J. O.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 31.7.45.
- Hewett, P. V. S.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 18.7.45.
- Holmes, P. C. A.**—Joined 20.1.41. House Prefect 'Nicholson' Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. W.O. III Jan. 1944. W.O. II Feb. 1945. Cert 'A' June 1944. Left 30.5.45.
- Hopkins, W. J.**—Joined 17.5.44. Left 12.12.44.
- Horn, D. G.**—Joined 16.3.43. Left 16.4.45.
- Horn, P. M.**—Joined 18.5.42. Left 16.4.45.
- Howarth, C. H.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 31.7.45.

- Hunter, D. R.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XI Cricket 1943-44. 1st XI Hockey Jan. 1943-44. Hockey Colours 1943. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 29.1.45.
- Jack, M. C.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 31.7.45.
- Jardin, D.**—Joined 18.1.45. Left 23.3.45.
- Jenkinson, R. A.**—Joined 19.2.43. Left 18.7.45.
- Kirk, A. H. de L.**—Joined 20.9.39. House Prefect Jan. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Knights, T. R. L.**—Joined 20.1.41. 1st XV Rugby 1944-45. House Prefect Rhodes Jan. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 2.6.45.
- Kroll, U. M.**—Joined 20.1.41. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Le Pelley, P.**—Joined 17.1.44. Exhibition King's School, Canterbury May 1945. Left 31.7.45.
- Lester, D. J.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 16.4.45.
- Lukyn-Williams, H. J.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 16.4.45.
- Matthews, R. St. J.**—Joined 20.1.41. House Prefect 'Clive' Jan. 1945. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 28.6.45.
- Matthews, K. M.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 13.6.45.
- Maurice, V.**—Joined 12.5.41. Left 12.12.44.
- McCall, G. S. G.**—Joined 18.1.45. Left 21.2.45.
- Mortimer, A. S.**—Joined 20.1.41. House Prefect 'Hawke' Sept. 1944. School Cert. Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Sergt. Jan. 1944. Cert 'A' Jan. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Mulholland, P. J.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Newton, M. A.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.
- Nicholas, P. G.**—Joined 8.5.44. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Nottidge, C. P. R.**—Joined 11.5.40. 1st XI Cricket Colours 1942. 1st XI Hockey Colours 1943. 1st XV Rugby Colours July 1944. House Prefect Clive Jan. 1943. Captain of 'Nicholson House' Jan. 1944. School Prefect 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. May 1943. Sergt. Nov. 1943. W.O. II Jan. 1944. Cert. 'A' Nov. 1943. Left 12.12.44.
- Novosad, J. T.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 7.2.45.
- Oliver, H.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 12.12.44.
- O'Toole, B. C.**—Joined 17.1.44. 1st XV Rugby 1944. Grigg House Prefect Sept. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Pegrume, P. H.**—Joined 20.9.39. Grigg House Prefect January 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.
- Powles, S. F.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 31.7.45.
- Procter, J.**—Joined 20.1.41. House Prefect Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1943. J.T.C. L/Cpl. July 1944. Left 11.6.45.

- Procter, N.**—Joined 8.2.43. Left 11.6.45.  
**Rennie D. Mac C.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 10.3.45.  
**Robinson, F. I.**—Joined 20.1.41. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.7.45.  
**Rossenrode, N. G.**—Joined 13.9.45. Left 27.9.45.  
**Schwartz, C.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Scott, T. J.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Smith, R. D.**—Joined 17.1.44. Left 5.6.45.  
**Sprunt, A. W.**—Joined 19.1.42. School Cert. Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Stanning, T. R.**—Joined 11.5.40 1st XI Hockey May 1941-44. Hockey Colours 1942. 1st XI Cricket 1942-44. Hockey Captain Jan. 1943. Vice Captain Cricket Sept. 1943. Captain Cricket 1944. 1st XV Rugby 1943-44. Rugby Colours June 1942. House Prefect 'Hawke' 1942. School Prefect 1943. Head of School Jan. 1944. School Certificate 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. May 1943. Cpl. Nov. 1943. Sergt. Jan. 1944. Cert. 'A' Nov. 1943 Left 12.12.44.  
**Stitt, M. W.**—Joined 5.3.41. House Prefect 'Nicholson' Jan. 1944. School Prefect Sept. 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1943. J.T.C. W.O. III Jan. 1944 W.O. II March 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Stuart, D.**—Joined 19.1.42. 1st XI Cricket 1944. 1st XV Rugby 1945. 1st XI Hockey 1944. House Prefect 'Rhodes' Jan. 1944. School Prefect and Captain New House Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. March 1944. W.O. III Feb. 1945. Left 12.12.44.  
**Sutton, J. C.**—Joined 8.2.40. 1st XI Hockey 1944. 1st XV Rugby 1944. House Prefect 'Clive' 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. Jan. 1944. Sergt. 1944. Cert. 'A' June 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Sutton, J. I.**—Joined 19.1.41. 1st XV Rugby 1945. House Prefect Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. L/Cpl. May 1944. Sergt. Jan. 1944. W.O. II Feb. 1945. Cert. 'A' Jan. 1944. Left 27.6.45.  
**Sutherland, A. G.**—Joined 18.1.45. Left 9.6.45.  
**Templar, J. A.**—Joined 19.1.42. House Prefect Nicholson May 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. J.T.C. Cert. 'A' July 1945. Left 31.7.45.  
**Tzulakis, J.**—Joined 12.5.41. 1st XV Rugby 1944. House Prefect 'Hawke' March 1944. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 12.12.44.  
**Walker, P. J. T.**—Joined 22.2.43. Left 31.7.45.  
**White, A. B.**—Joined 19.1.42. House Prefect Grigg Jan. 1945. School Certificate Dec. 1944. Left 30.5.45.  
**Young, W. J.**—Joined 18.1.43. Left 12.12.44.

## Old Cambrians' Notes.

### Marriages:

We congratulate:—

Capt. R. Jessop on his marriage to Miss Deavid Gladwell.  
 Douglas Lavers on his marriage to Miss Edyth Williams.

### Congratulations :

Congratulations to Capt. A. F. Cloete on his being awarded the D.F.C. and the Polish Cross of Valour. We have no details of the awards but we heard Cloete did some very useful work over Warsaw during the unsuccessful rising before the city was finally liberated. Major General Venter, Director General of Air Force, sent the following message to Cloete: "Your courage, determination and devotion to duty are an inspiration to us all, and have set a splendid example to all those now in training, to do their part in time to come."

Congratulations to Cadet P. F. Gooch, who was recently presented with the Belt of Honour for passing out as No. One Cadet at the Passing out Parade at Njoro.

Congratulations to Nevil Cooper on being awarded the M.C. We have no details of the award.

Congratulations to J. Sands, J. Vail and R. Sands on their success in the passing out examination at the Empire Air Training School, Rhodesia, they came first second and third respectively. Jack and Rod passed through Nairobi some time ago on their way to the Middle East but we hear Jack is now back again at Air H.Q. Nairobi. John Vail stayed in Rhodesia as an instructor but has since gone to England.

Congratulations to J. Trafford on passing out first from Sandhurst and being awarded the Sword of Honour. We hear he has been posted to the Irish Guards.

We extend our sympathy to the parents of Neil Stewart, who has lately been reported 'believed killed in action' at Buket Island, Panjang, Singapore Island on February 11th, 1942.

The school had a large contingent at the last Infantry Course at Nakuru, and from all accounts, put up a very good show.



C. Bresler and J. O. J. Bamber have been posted to S.E.A.C. A. Kirk to a K.A.R. Battalion in Berbera, and Fl. J. G. Adams to Movement Control, Eastleigh.

We were also well represented on the last O.C.T.U. Long Course at Njoro. Among those attending were J. Gherrie, M. O. Tait, W. V. Haley and W. H. Hindley.

D. R. Brummage, writing last December from S.E.A.C. gave news of G. A. Twelftree, R. Watson and K. Bolton, who were all doing well in their respective units. B. Athineos had been wounded, and, we have since heard, discharged, and is back again in T.T.

G. Irvine came to see us when he was on leave from Burma, and has now got his commission.

The Survey group, which included J. Harnett, D. Dansie, C. E. Holmberg, and C. Albrechtsen, after its training in S. Rhodesia, returned to Kenya and for a long time these people were kicking their heels in Nairobi. As we have not seen them for some time, it is to be presumed that they have now been posted.

J. M. Rundgren called to see us in February and was at that time with a Holding Bn. of the K.A.R. Eric has been out some time and is farming. A. White sent us a long letter from Burma, where he was serving with the R.A.

J. S. Stephenson is still in the Brg. B. Somalia, but is hoping to be released shortly to commence his course for the Administration.

J. V. Curran in a letter from Burma gave news of T. Chivers who was in an administration job, R. Clegg, J. Lawrence, G. Seed, M. Cooper, R. Stocker, D. O'Shea, Gerald Luckhurst, D. Tryon, D. Whitehead, D. Cameron, P. Angus, J. Hodgson. A. Deadman was also out there when Curran wrote, but he was seen in a very prominent position in the V.E. Day March Past in Nairobi.

J. B. T. Cowan has some very interesting news to give us of his experience in Burma. Starting from Ceylon he eventually reached a landing strip behind the front lines via Imphal. He managed to get in some hockey out there, and played for his division against an All India side. In the team were two other O.C.'s. Bill, Rand Overy and D. O'Shea.

P. Pegrume, D. Green, P. Mulholland, A. Dyer, I. Prichard, A. Sprunt are all in the R.N. A. Rund, in his letter from an

R.A.F. Station in Bulawayo, had more to say about the Sands Bros. and John Vail than himself. He felt they had certainly done their bit in holding up the name of the school.

D. Lavers has recently been released from the R.A.F. and is now a pilot with B.O.A.C. J. M. Dyer was on leave recently from the Middle East and gave a talk to some of the senior boys. Having been awarded the D.F.C., A.F.C. and a Mention in Dispatches, he came in for a considerable amount of hero worship. Well done John.

Other old Cambrians to visit the school recently were F. King, P. M. Roberts, P. Whittingham, all of the R.A.F. J. Bate, is back in Nairobi again after his release from the R.A.F.

The last time we heard from P. Abrams he was still in S.E.A.C. D. Chambers is now at the Jinja I.T.C. J. F. Carnegie is a F/Lt. and was stationed in England with a Pathfinder Squadron. L. Preddy is back again in Kenya, and rang up the School, but none of the 'Old Guard' was there to take the call.

P. Kirwan visited the school quite recently and told us a little of his experience as a Prisoner of War. His bomber was shot down by a fighter and Kirwan was the only one in the plane who survived. He spent eighteen months at a prison camp south of Berlin, and was finally released by the Russians. After his leave in Kenya he is going back to England again.

