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COLLEGE NOTES

THERE are few events of the past year to be recorded in these Notes. The College at last possesses its own flag, bearing the College Arms. This is much more suitable and satisfactory than the dilapidated Union Jack formerly flown above the Hall on ceremonial occasions.

A COLLEGE Gaudy will be held on Friday, 4 July 1952, to which it is hoped to invite some, at least, of the post-war generation of M.A.s. The Headmasters of the Schools specially connected with the College are also being invited.

By an unusual coincidence, the S.C.R. provides this year no less than four Chairmen of Examiners in the Final Schools—Law (Mr. Fifoot), Mathematics (Dr. Ferrar), Modern History (Mr. Markham), Geography (Dr. Gilbert).

THE Bursar's article on the College Finances on a later page will be of interest to past and present members of the College. We take this opportunity of paying tribute to the Bursar's skilful and vigilant conduct of the College finances throughout the difficult years of the war and the post-war period.

CONGRATULATIONS to P. J. Whitcombe on his Cricket Blue: to G. F. Wilkin and J. C. Nottingham on their Hockey Blues: and to A. J. Burger on his Blue in Athletics.

A COLLEGE Summer Ball will be held on Friday, 20 June (Double Ticket 45s.).

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE NEWS

SCHOOLS RESULTS, 1951-2

Lit. Hum. Class II: J. H. P. Latham. Class III: J. J. Steen, R. M. Sweet-Escott.

Jurisprudence. Class II: E. J. Barton, C. H. G. Leaf, D. A. Reynolds. Class III: J. W. A. Sloss.

Mathematics. Class I: R. G. Carpenter. Class II: T. W. Bridgeland, E. T. Mountford. Class III: L. J. T. Barr. Class IV: J. B. Slayton.

Modern History. Class II: A. J. Burgess, P. R. Burkett, D. Byford, J. H. Conran, C. A. M. Hennessy, P. L. Jackson-Feilden, G. W. Rowlands, N. T. Williams, W. D. Wilson. Class III: P. P. Francis, W. L. S. Howells, A. H. Penrose, S. G. Richards, R. S. Trafford, C. D. Watkins. *Shortened Schools*. Class II: J. R. Hammond.

English Literature. Class II: P. H. Coulson. Class III: L. E. Halcrow.

Modern Languages. Class II: G. F. Martin. Class III: C. J. Barwood, P. Hedegaard, P. E. Raes, J. D. G. Saul. Class IV: J. M. Guffick.

P.P.E. Class II: J. F. Bowman, A. J. Chalmers. Class III: D. E. S. Barton, G. R. Mathison, J. E. Milne, J. C. G. Sellick, O. Tynan. *Shortened School*. Class II: M. C. Windsor.

Physics. Class III: G. W. Harris, F. J. Lister.

Chemistry. Class II: J. C. Gurney, C. K. Haywood.

Geology. Class II: C. S. Exley, P. C. Masterman. Class IV: T. F. Barclay.

Engineering. Class II: N. A. Perrin. Class III: J. O. Powell. Class IV: A. M. R. Kemsley.

Geography. Class III: W. A. Emerson, E. A. Hardy.

Mathematical Moderations. Class II: P. Border, J. P. Norwood, A. P. Stone.

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Classical Moderations. Class II: A. M. Bowman, R. A. Fitt, P. B. Rowley. Class III: J. F. Bell.

MATRICULATIONS

MICHAELMAS TERM 1951

Scholars. D. R. Ransome, G. P. Jupe, C. S. Pyne, J. D. H. Watt, J. W. Mallinson, D. Wintle, R. W. B. Judson, J. E. C. Palmer, E. L. Pomeroy, B. W. Ardin, F. J. Rayner, C. Fuller, M. A. Norman.

Exhibitioners. M. H. Port, R. M. Cooke, B. D. Southcombe, C. D. Lee, R. E. Newbold, J. A. Banks, L. J. Olivier.

Rhodes Scholars. G. C. Mohr, A. D. Bell.

Commoners. W. H. S. Relton, R. E. Williams, P. Hetherington, W. G. Everett, E. W. Roberts, J. W. P. Cornish, M. D. McKee, S. H. Kirby, J. R. Webb, J. R. G. Flint, C. O. Morgan, W. F. Holland, P. Nurse, J. T. Newton, D. G. Horseman, G. A. Pennington, J. Mayman, J. D. Bonney, M. B. Dyson, W. T. Jenkins, H. E. Ashton, R. W. Burgess, A. J. L. Mitchell, W. H. J. Andrew-Blamey, R. M. Chantry, T. A. Ponsonby, E. B. Greenwood, J. R. Harrold, P. W. Bagley, E. O. Jones, L. C. T. Blundun, G. W. Arnott, R. Y. Henderson.

HILARY TERM 1952

Commoners. R. E. Barrett, B. J. M. Lloyd.

CLASSICAL, HISTORY, MATHEMATICAL, SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS, MARCH 1952

IN CLASSICS

To a *Lucy Scholarship* of £100 per annum.—D. M. Sharp, Bradford Grammar School.

To a *Baring (Essex) Scholarship* of £100 per annum.—A. H. Long, Chigwell.

To a *Baring (Founder's Kin) Scholarship* of £100 per annum.—J. J. McInerny, Christ's Hospital.

To a *College Exhibition* of £50 per annum.—M. F. Harris, King's School, Peterborough.

IN HISTORY

To an Open Baring Scholarship of £100 per annum.—J. G. George, University College, Exeter.

To an Open Baring Scholarship of £100 per annum.—J. E. Ingleton, King's School, Canterbury.

To a Meeks Scholarship of £40 per annum.—D. T. Tudge, King's School, Worcester.

To a War Memorial Exhibition of £50 per annum.—R. J. R. Hartley, Stowe.

To a College Exhibition of £50 per annum.—M. P. Kelly, Ampleforth.

IN MATHEMATICS

To a College Exhibition of £50 per annum. R. M. Cox-Johnson, St. Paul's.

DEGREES 1951-2

B.D.—Canon R. D. Richardson.

D.D.—Canon R. D. Richardson.

D.Phil.—H. E. D. Scovil.

B.Litt.—G. R. Rowell.

M.A.—R. H. Atkinson, L. H. O. Appiah, R. J. Bruce, L. J. T. Barr, D. Byford, D. H. Couran, E. B. M. Campbell, B. G. Cannon, G. R. A. Darling, R. E. Ellins, W. A. Emerson, C. S. Exley, A. J. Garner, J. Graham, J. W. W. Graham, G. Green, H. E. Hyde, A. M. R. Kemsley, J. H. P. Latham, E. T. Mountford, G. F. Martin, P. McKearney, G. R. Mathison, G. M. Ray, H. P. Ruglys, J. R. B. Smith, J. W. A. Sloss, C. J. Tweedy, J. B. E. Turner, Rev. A. W. Tappenden, J. C. Varma, N. T. Williams, D. A. Y. Wright.

B.A.—T. F. Barclay, P. R. Burkett, A. J. Burgess, E. J. Barton, J. F. Bowman, R. G. Carpenter, P. H. Coulson, D. L. Duck, M. C. Fish, A. V. S. Fells, J. M. Guffick, J. C. Gurney, J. E. Holt, G. W. Harris, E. A. Hardy, W. R. Hardy, C. K. Haywood, L. E. Halcrow, J. R. Hammond, M. F. A. Jones, P. L. Jackson-Feilden, C. H. G. Leaf, P. C. Masterman, P. J. Mitchell, G. O. Powell, N. A. Perrin, P. E. Raes, D. A. Reynolds, S. G. Richards, G. W. Rowlands, B. E. Sayers, R. M. Sweet-Escott, A. M. Waldoek, D. A. Williams, M. C. Windsor, C. D. Watkins.

THE COLLEGE FINANCES

THE announcement of two benefactions in the last number of the Magazine calls attention to the financial position of the College, and readers may like to have a note from the Bursar on this subject. Colleges receive no subvention from public funds and their continued existence in their present form chiefly depends upon money derived from two sources, benefactions and revenue from undergraduates, which (though undergraduates may not always think so) we try to keep as low as possible. Towards the end of the year 1950 we received two notable benefactions.

The first was the Blake bequest, the residuary estate (after certain specific payments) of the late William John Blake, an old member of the

College. Some £7,000 has already been received and about £3,000 more is expected to materialize when the estate is finally settled. The receipt of this money, left to the College without any restriction save that it be used 'for the general purposes of the College', has given us a capital reserve of great value. The last major item of College building, the Holywell front, was completed in the early 1930s and used up the last of the free reserves of capital: it was not till the end of 1933 that the overdraft incurred during the building of the Holywell site was paid off. Then began the slow business of accumulating a reserve: we received one bequest of £1,000, another of £2,000, and for the rest we saved when we could. We had just, rather proudly, told ourselves that we had built up a free reserve of capital of £20,000—wealthy Colleges would, of course, be horrified at so small a figure—when news came of the additional £10,000 from the Blake bequest. Thus, thanks to benefactions and to our own past efforts, the College finds itself for the first time with a modest capital sum which is in its own control, and is not, for the moment at any rate, earmarked for expenditure on new buildings or major alterations. (The capital which provides the main endowment of the College and of the Baring Scholarships is in the control of the Trustees, or is held in special Trust accounts.) The interest on the capital is not large when measured against present-day expenses, but to a Bursar who began bursaring with a total income of roughly £120 from the corresponding source, £1,000 or so is a sum to be viewed with a certain degree of satisfaction.

The second benefaction came from the Drapers' Company and it has enabled us to appoint an additional Fellow. The Company offered and the College accepted with sincere gratitude a gift of £20,000 payable as to £2,000 in the year 1950 and thereafter £2,000 a year for nine further years. This endowment is received into the newly constituted Hertford College Drapers' Company Trust Fund where the interest, but not the capital, may be used towards the stipend of a Drapers' Company Fellow in Modern Studies. We are a small College, whether we reckon by present accommodation, total available building site, or total endowment, and we neither wish to be nor could be much larger than we are: but our restricted finances would not provide for more than six full teaching Fellows and we needed a seventh. Thanks to the generosity of the Drapers' Company we have been able to proceed at once to the election of an additional Fellow, a step we could not have taken, without the gravest financial doubts, if we had been forced to rely wholly upon our own existing endowments.

All this does not mean that we have ceased to be one of the poorest of the Colleges, nor that we have ceased to be hampered in all sorts of ways by lack of funds. It does mean that, thanks to two most timely benefactions, our financial outlook has been greatly improved. What the future holds, who shall say? Our position, even after receiving these two gifts, may well be shaky in a troubled financial future, but if it should prove to be so, our position without these gifts would have been precarious indeed.

COLLEGE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

DINING CLUB

President: J. R. LAMBERT; *Hon. Secretary:* J. HENDERSON

IN the Trinity Term the long evenings promised to be too hot for a dinner and last summer's successful experiment was repeated when we gave a cocktail party. The dinner held in the Michaelmas Term 1951 was a very decorous affair for our guest was Mr. Barr, the Junior Proctor, while there also dined with us the Principal and the Dean. This dinner saw the end of the Club's traditional extravagance of dress for we put aside our red-faced ceremonial uniform, distinguishing ourselves only by a simple red buttonhole.

TYNDALE SOCIETY

President: M. F. Sykes

Secretary: E. THOMAS; *Treasurer:* J. M. B. SMITH-CRESSWELL

DURING Trinity Term, under the Presidency of Mr. R. P. B. Paine, the speakers were M. Henri Fluchère on 'French Contemporary Drama' followed by Mr. G. Leinhardt on 'Some African Poetry'.

In Michaelmas Term, with Mr. B. F. Strohmenger as President, the Society followed the precedent of the previous year by having a woman speaker, Dr. Enid Starkie, who spoke on 'André Gide'. Then followed two member speakers, Mr. M. Barlen on 'Whither Democracy?' and Mr. G. F. Martin on 'Giovanni Boccaccio'. On 3 December the Society met in the Old Hall for the annual Dinner with Mr. D. Mitchell as guest, terminating the evening with the traditional charades.

In Hilary Term the practice of having more papers from members was continued: Mr. P. Alchin talked on 'A Dictator in the Fold', which, with the able assistance of Señor Pedro Criado Sotomayor (Spanish Monarchist), led to an animated discussion on Franco Spain. Mr. R. P. B. Paine, recently returned from wintering in Lapland, spoke on 'Some Impressions and Problems of Lapp Culture'. An interesting year was closed by the Senior Treasurer, Mr. F. M. H. Markham, who read a paper on 'Saint-Simon and the Political Thought of the Nineteenth Century'.

FOX SOCIETY

Presidents: W. N. DENISON and N. HART

Vice-Presidents: D. P. NORWOOD and J. A. PONSONBY

Secretaries: N. HART and M. E. B. BARLEN

THE Fox has had an unusually sober year. At the beginning of last Michaelmas Term the debates were well patronized by Freshmen, many of whom have since demonstrated a talent for speaking. Partly as a result of this and partly in continuation of the tendency to mix more wisdom with its wine which was noticeable last year, the Society has taken on a less exclusive air and now bears all the appearances of a

Debating Society. In the attempt to marry the Fox's own brand of esoteric humour with serious speech-making, the quality of debating—especially from the floor—is still uncertain, but there are signs that the experiment is succeeding.

During the present academic year the House has ejected the confinement of the vote to the reasonable man, two-party government, the desirability of a bird in the hand as opposed to two in the bush, and the suggestion that the cost of loving is exorbitant. On the other hand it has evinced solid sympathy with the criminal type.

Socially, it has indulged in a highly successful punt breakfast of champagne and hard-boiled eggs on May morning and an equally successful and practically invisible cocktail party. None of these events has had unnecessary financial repercussions and there are high hopes that we shall dine at the end of this Hilary Term with the same result. In the field of sport we remain magnificently unchanged. The annual fixture with the College Servants once again showed beyond all doubt that whatever else the Fox can do it cannot play cricket.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

President: G. Richards

Hon. Secretary: M. G. FULLER; *Hon. Treasurer:* J. F. BELL

We have first to record the production in Trinity Term 1951 of *The Shoemaker's Holiday: A Pleasant Comedy of the Gentle Craft*, by Thomas Dekker. Rehearsals took place during much of the term in the open space behind the New Buildings before a small but enthusiastic audience of children. In the eighth week the play was presented in the Sheldonian Quadrangle, by kind permission of the Curators of the University Chest and other authorities. Unfortunately the weather was not very good, and attendances were not large enough to show a profit. The Society had, however, secured in advance the financial backing of the J.C.R., whose contribution was very helpful. Artistically the production was a great success, and John Smithard deserves congratulations. In a well-balanced cast George Schlesinger was outstanding for his playing of Firk. The Society very much appreciated the help of the Porter of the Clarendon Building, Mr. Oliver.

The visit to Stratford-on-Avon in Trinity Term was to see *Richard II*. Since seats near the roof precluded a view of much of the set, this year the Society will sit downstairs.

In the O.U.D.S. Drama Festival held in the Clarendon Press Institute in Michaelmas Term, John Smithard produced Shaw's *Passion, Poison and Petrification, or the Fatal Gasogene*.

Readings have been continued regularly during the year, including one, by invitation, with St. Anne's Dramatic Society. A cocktail party was held in Hilary Term.

Several Members of the Society have taken part in University productions during the year. The Hon. Secretary took part in the

O.U.D.S.'s *Mariage à la Mode*; Mr. B. W. Ardin and the Hon. Secretary were in John Ford's *'Tis Pity She's a Whore* for the E.T.C.; Mr. Smithard was a principal in the O.U.D.S.'s Christmas Pantomime; and Mr. R. M. Cooke has appeared in Miracle Plays in the University Church.

At the time of writing plans are being made for another outdoor production. With the renewed support of the J.C.R., a more rigorous control of expenditure, and better luck with the weather the Society should show a profit this year. It is hoped to tour with the Trinity Term production in the Long Vacation.

Though not affluent, the Society flourishes. A successful production this year will ensure its tradition.

CHESS CLUB

Captain: O. B. TAYLOR; *Hon. Secretary:* B. D. SULLIVAN

ONCE again the Chess Club has had an outstandingly successful season, increasing the reputation which its fine performances gained for it in the University last year. Five teams were again entered for Cuppers, and the first team—D. J. Youston, D. G. Horseman, and R. B. W. Judson—came equal second—a very fine show. D. J. Youston played brilliant chess to win the University Individual Championship, and he also played for Oxford against Cambridge. The College also supplied four of the nine boards of the 'Dragons' (University II) team.

And to cap this list, three of the six officers of the University Club for next season are members of the College—D. G. Horseman—Treasurer; R. W. B. Judson—Match Secretary; and J. D. Watt—Cuppers Secretary.

BOAT CLUB

Captain: J. M. LISTER; *Secretary:* R. J. GRAHAM

ALTHOUGH the results of Eights were not as successful as had been hoped, both the first and second crews went up for the first time since the war.

For the first four nights the First VIII engaged in a duel with St. Peter's Hall II. This crew having been caught for the second time on the fourth night, the Eight rowed over on the fifth night and caught Oriel II on the last night of the races. The crew had promised well in practice but on two occasions during the week the Hertford 'jinx' overtook it with disastrous results.

The Second VIII were unable to catch the very powerful B.N.C. III crew, nearly all of whom were former First VIII colours, on the first three nights. On the fourth night, however, they caught Exeter III and New College III was caught on the sixth night after a thrilling race past the barges. The crew rowed well and they were unfortunate in having such a good boat in front of them for the first half of the week.

The First VIII was coached by Mr. Gilman (formerly of B.N.C.) and Messrs. Lane and Bell (both of Magdalen). Messrs. Young and Harris coached the Second VIII.

The crews were:

FIRST VIII
Bow D. L. Clarke
2 R. G. Carpenter
3 J. S. Kinsey
4 R. J. Graham
5 J. C. Tyler
6 W. R. F. Vale
7 P. A. S. Clare
Str. W. L. S. Howells.
Cox C. S. Exley

SECOND VIII
Bow I. Bramlie
2 A. Jamett
3 T. A. Mason
4 J. R. Lambert
5 J. F. Bell
6 E. J. Barton
7 R. J. W. Hawkins
Str. J. M. Lister
Cox C. B. Seagrim

At the end of the Trinity Term J. M. Lister and R. J. Graham were elected Captain and Secretary respectively.

Prospects at the beginning of Michaelmas Term 1951 were distinctly unpromising. Only one member of the First VIII and three members of the Second VIII were available, and the number of Freshmen who attended the first meeting of the Club was disappointing.

After three weeks intensive tubbing a crew was put on the river with the help of third-year men, and during the fifth week these people were replaced by novices. The crew thus formed was to represent the College in Torpids and was to enter for the Long Distance Race in December only if its performance warranted such a step. However, in the three weeks before the race the crew, under the able coaching of E. J. Coode (Captain 1939-40) and J. C. Tyler, improved very much and in the actual race came 18th out of 28 boats with five first boats behind it. Considering the outlook at the beginning of term this performance was quite encouraging.

Those few Freshmen who were unable to get into the crew spent the term tubbing and rowing in the O.U.B.C. Leviathan.

In Hilary Term 1952 owing to lack of response it was quite impossible to enter a Second crew for the Torpids. The First Toggler was coached by E. J. Coode and J. C. Tyler, and for the last ten days by D. R. Tristram of Merton.

The crew worked hard during training and there was much more life than in recent Hertford First boats. The races did not belie our high hopes and four bumps were made. At no time was the boat threatened by pursuing crews and it was rather unlucky not to catch Exeter on the last night. The spirit in the crew was very good and very refreshing in that a Hertford boat knew that it was superior to the other boats around it.

Three first boats were caught, these being Keble, Corpus Christi, and Wadham, as were our old Torpid rivals New College II.

The crew was:

Bow R. J. Graham
2 J. M. Lister
3 J. W. P. Cornish
4 A. D. Bell
5 J. R. Webb
6 J. R. Lambert
7 R. J. W. Hawkins
Str. D. Wintle
Cox S. H. Kirby

Mention should here be made of the fact that the Club now possesses both a clinker eight (purchased in Nov. 1950) and a shell eight which was obtained from Worcester College last Trinity Term for a phenomenally small sum of money.

Thus with two boats of its own and with the substantial gain of four bumps in Torpids the Club can look to the future with renewed confidence.

CRICKET CLUB

Captain: J. M. GUFFICK; *Hon. Secretary:* R. J. HESLOP

At the start of the season it was disappointing to discover the lack of Freshmen cricketers to swell the ranks of those members of last year's side who remained. However, after a defeat, but not a disgrace, by B.N.C. two comfortable victories followed, one against the Yorkshire Wanderers touring side. The annual Downing match was narrowly lost in a most exciting finish, the St. Catherine's and Merton matches both won conclusively, and the games against Cheltenham and Oxford City were both drawn with honours fairly even. Altogether quite a successful season with as many games won as were lost and quite a number of the team available for the 1952 season.

The batting during the term was not consistent although R. J. Heslop in particular and J. M. Guffick could usually be relied upon for runs. Both P. J. Whitcombe and W. S. Blackshaw strengthened the side on their few appearances for the College.

The brunt of the bowling was borne by R. J. Heslop and R. E. Groves who were both quite successful and inexpensive, with G. S. F. Wilkin when available, M. H. Blake and G. Cook in support.

Congratulations to P. J. Whitcombe on being awarded his Blue and to W. S. Blackshaw, J. M. Guffick, and R. E. Groves on being elected to the Authentics.

Regular members of the team included J. M. Guffick, R. J. Heslop, R. E. Groves, M. H. Blake, G. Richards, G. Cook, B. F. Strohmenger, P. J. W. Alchin, K. R. B. Botting, D. P. Norwood, A. M. Bowman.

R.U.F.C. 1951-2

Captain: P. T. C. BATEMAN; *Hon. Secretary:* A. R. MUIR

THIS year, with an unusually large number of old colours still in residence, and a good response from the rucker-playing Freshmen, the college fielded its strongest XV for several seasons, and ended the Michaelmas Term as runners up to Wadham in the 2nd Division of the League. In gaining this long-awaited promotion notable victories were achieved over Balliol (10-0), Jesus (3-0), and Pembroke (16-13): the only defeats in the League were against Wadham (5-11) and St. John's (3-8), injuries having weakened the College team on both occasions. The annual match against Downing College, Cambridge, had to be cancelled on account of the weather, but in a good game we reversed last year's defeat by Alamein Company, Sandhurst, the College winning

18-3. Much of our success was due to the good form of J. M. Guffick in the centre, and D. Byford who led the pack well, while P. Bateman led the side confidently in the unusual role of full back. Notable among Freshman additions to the side were C. Fuller, C. S. Pyne, D. Bonney, and J. G. Flint, who were awarded colours at the end of the Michaelmas Term.

Greatly weakened by the absence of D. Byford, J. M. Guffick, and S. G. Richards who had gone down for the Hilary Term, the College struggled in Cuppers and with a bye into the second round won against Corpus (21-6) but was defeated in the quarter-final by a strong St. John's side (0-21). Atrocious weather caused the cancellation of most of Hilary matches, including once again that against Downing College.

Next year most of this year's pack will still be up, and with hoped-for Freshman three-quarters the College hopes to establish itself in the First Division of the League.

Old Colours who played regularly were: P. Bateman, A. R. Muir, J. M. Guffick, S. G. Richards, G. Richards, P. Koornhof, D. S. Sams, B. Hurst, M. H. Blake, W. N. Denison, and R. K. Asser.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

Captain: R. E. GROVES; *Hon. Secretary:* G. COOK

THE Club started the season under a severe handicap. The ankle injury which the Captain had incurred last year had not responded to treatment and restricted his activities to an occasional game in goal. Despite this the team started its Division I League programme successfully, and the first three games were won, although the two points obtained from one of these victories were later forfeited. Only one point was gained from the remaining four games, however, and the result was that the Club only just avoided relegation.

The Club began the Hilary Term well and at the time of writing is undefeated, having reached the Quarter Finals of 'Cuppers'. This revival has coincided with the return to the team of R. J. Heslop who, after playing for the O.U.A.F.C. for most of the Michaelmas Term, was very unfortunate to miss his 'Blue'. B. L. Balderstone, too, has been in good form, and in one round of Cuppers succeeded in scoring eight goals—surely an individual scoring record for the College.

There has been no lack of interest among the Freshmen, as is borne out by the fact that for one game a Second XI in the strict sense of the term was fielded! No fewer than ten Freshmen have played either for the First or Second XI during the season.

We congratulate P. J. Whitcombe on bringing the number of elected Centaurs resident in the College up to six and also B. L. Balderstone, W. A. Emerson, and R. J. Heslop on playing for the Centaurs in the Argonaut Cup competition.

H. E. Ashton, W. H. S. Relton, and B. F. Simpson were awarded their College Colours in the Michaelmas Term.

The First XI has usually been selected from the following players:

W. A. Emerson, R. E. Groves, P. J. Whitcombe, J. C. Campbell, H. L. Cadoux-Hudson, R. E. Newbold, J. C. Nottingham, H. E. Ashton, B. F. Simpson, D. P. Norwood, M. A. Norman, W. H. S. Relton, G. Cook, B. L. Balderstone, R. J. Heslop, and M. F. A. Jones.

HOCKEY CLUB

FOR the first time in many years the club has won a Cuppers match—after extra-time in the replay against Christ Church, despite the absence of both 'Blues'. This was most unexpected as the club is suffering from lack of talent, only one Freshman, M. Everett, and an ex-rugby player, Mr. Muir, filling places in last year's depleted team. However, the club was able to fulfil its fixture obligations, aided not a little by 17 of its 21 Hilary Term fixtures being cancelled. Success was largely due to Mr. Blackshaw at centre-half and Mr. Garrett in goal. The former has been elected next year's captain, and Mr. Everett will be his Secretary. We must also congratulate Mr. Nottingham on gaining his 'Blue'.

The Cuppers team was: Garrett; Wilkin, Nottingham; Muir, Blackshaw, Simpson; Bowman, Henderson, Ashley-Miller, Everett, Soames.

TENNIS CLUB

Captain: J. C. CAMPBELL; *Hon. Secretary:* M. J. STRICKLAND

ALTHOUGH the record of the First VI this season was the best since the war, the standard of play was neither high nor consistent. The wretched weather caused many fixtures to be postponed or abandoned: it also meant that the players were short of practice until the last two weeks of term. Over-ambitious strokes from players who were not yet in form led to some extremely erratic displays. Frequently the prime necessity of returning the ball into the opposite court appeared to be ignored. The results therefore fluctuated wildly from week to week. Unlike the little girl in the nursery rhyme, Hertford's tennis players, even when they were good, could hardly be described as very, very good; in other respects they resembled her.

The team won convincing victories in their League matches against Corpus and Pembroke. Unfortunately Pembroke reversed the result in the first round of Cuppers. Probably the best display of the season was the defeat of a strong Sandhurst team. This success was due largely to the splendid play of J. C. Gurney, who came out of his pre-examination retirement for the afternoon, and of his partner P. J. Whitcombe. The latter could always be relied upon to strengthen the team, whenever he was free from the calls of University cricket.

Quite a large number of Second VI matches were played, with varying results, and two pleasant afternoons were spent in mixed doubles with St. Hilda's and L.M.H.

The regular players for the First VI were J. C. Campbell, J. C. Nottingham, P. J. Whitcombe, M. J. Strickland, N. Denison, N. Roberts, and D. J. Soame. J. C. Gurney and G. E. Powell occasionally lent welcome reinforcement to the side.

Officers for next season are *Captain:* P. R. Burkett; *Hon. Secretary:* M. E. B. Barlen.

SQUASH CLUB

Captain. D. J. SOAME; *Hon. Secretary:* L. J. OLIVIER

THE First and Second squash teams have both had rather patchy records this season and cannot claim many successes in the number of matches played. Having had a bye in the first round of the Squash Cuppers we were unable to survive the opposition provided by a strong Magdalen team and eventually succumbed 5-0. (*Team:* W. S. Blackshaw, L. G. Olivier, D. J. Soame, M. C. Newell, P. J. W. Alchin.) It may be said, however, that both the First and Second V's were severely hampered by the stronger claims of other College and University teams, and we were particularly unlucky in being deprived of the services of Peter Mitchell and John Nottingham in the Cuppers match.

Squash within the College was given a powerful fillip halfway through the Michaelmas Term by the appearance of a weird and wonderful squash ladder. The latter unfortunately fell to pieces after two or three weeks and efforts are now being made to replace it with a more stable if less artistic specimen.

The First team when it could be summoned in force was composed of: P. J. Mitchell, J. C. Nottingham, W. S. Blackshaw, P. R. Burkett, and D. J. Soame. Substitutes when called for were: L. J. Olivier, M. C. Newell, P. J. W. Alchin, H. L. Cadoux-Hudson, R. E. Newbold, and B. D. Hill.

NEWS OF PAST MEMBERS

APPOINTMENTS

- S. K. Armistead, Repton School.
- D. E. S. Barton, New Consolidated Gold Fields Ltd.
- T. W. Bridgeland, Equity and Law Life Insurance.
- P. H. Coulson, High Storrs Grammar School, Sheffield.
- R. P. Coutts, Queen Elizabeth's School, Blackburn.
- C. S. Exley, British Ceramic Research Association.
- A. J. Forbes, Great Ballard School, Camberley.
- S. Gardner, Chipping Norton Grammar School.
- J. C. Gurney, Thomas Hedley & Son.
- A. Guy, Heath Grammar School, Halifax.
- J. R. Hammond, Marks & Spencer.
- E. A. Hardy, Mansfields & Co., Singapore.
- G. W. Harris, Associated Paper Mills.
- P. Jackson-Feilden, Masins & Fergusson Ltd.
- E. A. Kalfayan, C. S. du Mont, Ltd.
- A. M. R. Kemsley, English Electric Co.
- P. J. Livingstone, Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet.
- R. A. C. Lowndes, Dolamore, Ltd.
- S. R. Mathison, J. & P. Coats.
- P. C. Masterman, Robert H. Ray Co.
- J. E. Milne, Stoke House School, Seaford.
- R. F. More, Thames Grammar School.
- E. J. Mountford, Standard Life Assurance.
- N. S. Roberts, Berkhamsted School.
- G. R. Rowell, Lecturer, Department of Drama, Bristol University.

R. Stebbing, Headmaster, St. Andrew's Preparatory, School, Pangbourne.
R. M. Sweet-Escott, Milner Court School, Sturry, Canterbury.
C. J. Tweedy, King's School, Gloucester.
M. P. L. Wall, Monkton Combe School.
C. D. Watkins, Young & Rubicain.
D. N. Whatley, Bedford School.
G. M. Willan, Birkenhead School.
N. T. Williams, Thomas Hedley & Co.

PUBLICATIONS

Finite Matrices, by W. L. Ferrar. O.U.P.
The British Penal System 1773-1950, by R. E. S. Hinde. Duckworth.
The Interpretation of Plato's Republic, by N. R. Murphy. O.U.P.

POLITICS

G. GOODHART (1923-7) stood as Conservative candidate for Accrington in the last General Election. The poll was H. Hynd (Lab.) 24,802; F. H. G. Goodhart (Cons.) 22,611. He had previously stood for Stratford (West Ham) in 1935, and Ashton-under-Lyne in 1945.

BIRTHS

To the wife of M. J. A. Lambert, 3 June 1951, a son, Christopher John.
To the wife of David Pickles, 8 January 1951, a son.
To the wife of Peter Raes, December 1951, a son.
To the wife of Gordon Watkins, 10 November 1951, a son, David.

MARRIAGES

ATKINSON—LEWIS. 14 July 1951, R. H. Atkinson to Dorothy Anne, daughter of Major-General H. A. Lewis, C.B., C.B.E. and the late Mrs. Lewis of Blackheath.
BRIDGELAND—LEWIS. 24 November 1951, T. W. Bridgeland to Mollie Lewis, at St. Giles', Derby.
EMERSON—HEYWOOD. 23 June 1951, William Emerson to Brenda, daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. T. Heywood of Unsworth, Lancs.
RAES—ANDREASEN. 10 March 1951, Peter Raes to Kirsten Andreassen, of Copenhagen.
STROHMENGER—MASSON. 25 August 1951, Basil Strohmenger to Colette, daughter of M. and Mme Masson of Enencourt-Leage, Oise, France.

ENGAGEMENT

J. WHALLEY to MARY BENNER of Sherwood, Nottingham.

OBITUARY

GOOD—On 10 January 1952, killed in air-liner accident, William M. Good, Commoner of the College, 1932-1935.
HARDEN—On 6 September 1951, accidentally killed on active service in Malaya, John Harden, 2nd Lieutenant, 13/18 Royal Hussars, Scholar of the College, 1946-50.
PRIEST—November 1951, Charles Valentine Priest, Commoner of the College, 1919-22.
TODD—On 7 May 1952, Rev. John Todd, M.A., F.S.A., Commoner of the College, 1919-20, Rector of Waterstock, Oxon.

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