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EDITORIAL

During this school year much of importance has happened at the College. After years of waiting and wondering, those remaining from the first influx of pupils in 1951 have had the satisfaction of seeing the rise of the first permanent building, Peel Hall, and the beginning of the second. Although at present one is constantly in danger of tripping over bricks or falling down holes, it is pleasant to imagine the new Wymondham College which will eventually supersede the lovable Norman architecture of today.

This is the first year that we have had a complete school, ranging from first forms to the upper sixth who have just sat the G.C.E. examination at advanced level in a variety of subjects—arts, crafts and sciences. If results are favourable, many of these gallant pioneers will be rewarded for their enterprise by places in industry or at the universities. The newly-formed Old Boys' and Old Girls' Association, which is holding its first reunion this term, will soon be able to say with pride that the school is represented all over England.

In sport we have had some good results. The school has changed to rugby; after venting a few groans over this, the boys now find this game better suits their robust, roguish nature, and only two defeats were sustained in a full season. The cricket team was rewarded for its efforts last season by winning the Scott Chad cup, and the athletics team still maintains its very high reputation in the county. The members of the hockey, netball, rounders and tennis teams have nobly seconded all this with some resounding victories.

As you will observe, we have adopted a new name for our magazine; since the alliance of the Grammar and Technical Schools has during the year evolved into an amalgamation under a unified command, the old name no longer applies. We have been glad to welcome Thorpe Grammar School as our guests until their new school buildings are ready for them.

In our world today 'human relationship' is some kind of god; we at Wymondham College, with our co-education and nearly fifty teaching staff, have a special advantage in observing life before we enter into it. During the past year we have continued to develop body, mind and soul, while all concerned have tried to make men and women of us boys and girls before we leave.

NANCY CARMAN; BRIAN WINN.

PERSONALIA

We extend a hearty welcome to the following members of the teaching staff who have joined us during the course of the year:

Arrived in September, 1955: MRS. JOLLY, MISS KING, MISS THOMAS, MR. CARTER, MR. JOLLY, MR. SWIFT, MR. SYRED, MR. TERRY, MR. TREMLETT, MR. WALKER and MR. WORLEY.

Arrived in January, 1956: MISS COLLS, MRS. RUTHERFORD, MR. BOWER, MR. RUTHERFORD and MR. WRENCH.

We offer our very best wishes to the following members of the teaching staff who are leaving us this year, or who have already left:

MISS GOODMAN, MISS HARTLAND ROWE, MRS. JOLLY, MISS PATTERN, MISS TEBBUTT, MR. HODGSON and MR. PEARCE.

We are most happy to have had MISS MOLLOY with us this year, on an exchange basis with Miss Abram. She returns to Canada with our very best wishes.

May we offer our congratulations to:

MISS TEBBUTT upon her appointment as Headmistress of Downham Market Secondary Modern School for Girls.

MR. HODGSON upon his appointment as Headmaster of Monkmoor Boys' School, Shrewsbury.

MISS WILKINSON and MR. NORTON upon their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

MISS GOODMAN and MR. SKOYLES upon their forthcoming marriage.

MISS THOMAS and MR. SWIFT upon their forthcoming marriage.

MR. and MRS. TERRY upon the birth of a second son, Robert.

MR. and MRS. BOWER upon the birth of a son, Thomas Edmund.

MISS TEBBUTT

Our congratulations to Miss E. J. Tebbutt, on her appointment as Headmistress of Downham Market new Secondary Modern School for Girls, are tempered with regret at having to say goodbye to her.

Miss Tebbutt came to the College in 1951 from Thetford with the Special Grammar School Course, of which she was in charge, and has taken a leading part in many of the activities of the College. She was responsible for girls'

games, and was herself a vigorous performer on the hockey field. The College library was in her care and she was the guiding spirit behind many successful dramatic productions, for which her extensive wardrobe of costumes was always made available. She organised and conducted several holiday parties to the Lake District and other parts of the country.

We wish her every success and happiness in her new post.

CHAPEL NOTES

We have been fortunate and honoured by having heard the "Word of the Lord" proclaimed in our College Chapel by many of the friends we have made throughout the county, and may we take this opportunity of thanking the Bishop of Norwich, the Bishop of Thetford, the Dean of Norwich, Alderman Sam Peel, Dr. and Mrs. Ralphs, Mr. Sidney Dye, M.P., Brigadier-General Woods of the S.P.G., Canon Edwards, Canon Waring, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Gerber, the Rev. Gerald Morgan of the "Flying Angel" Mission to Seamen, the Rev. J. C. Eddy and Dr. Mosby, all of whom have proclaimed the Word of the Lord to us during the past year.

The Chapel continues to grow in beauty and grace, even if not in stature. The alterations made to the building during the early part of the year and, above all, the installation of a delightful organ have greatly enhanced the dignity and beauty of the services. May we thank those who, week by week, have provided and arranged the flowers; and may we also thank the choirs, both Senior and Junior, for the pleasure they have given us in our worship.

Since Christmas we have had to open our Lighthouse mission box twice, and we have sent over £15 to the "Flying Angel" Mission to Seamen. The Rev. Gerald Morgan, who is the Area Secretary of this Mission, wishes to make known to you all his gratitude for your generosity.

It is good to see the loyalty shown by so many to the church of their chosen denomination. On Sunday, 8th July, 41 boys and girls were confirmed by the Bishop of Thetford in the Parish Church. This will make the number of regular communicants, for those who like statistics, over 180—which must be a record so far. The Village Methodist Chapel is filled every Sunday afternoon, and those belonging to other denominations, though small in number, are very faithful in service. In the last issue of the Magazine we said

"goodbye" to the Rev. N. Goodwin Burndred, the Methodist Minister of Wymondham, who had been such a good friend of ours since the College opened. This year we have the pleasure of welcoming the new Minister, the Rev. John Morton, in whom we know we have found another friend. Father Cowin, the Rector and Mr. Morton are all weekly visitors. We appreciate their interest in our welfare and for the time they have given to this work we are very grateful.

FOUNDATION CEREMONY

On Saturday, 16th July, 1955, a new era in the history of Wymondham College commenced with the laying of the foundation stone of Peel Hall by Alderman Peel, O.B.E., J.P., Chairman of Norfolk Education Committee.

The foundation ceremony began with the national anthem, played by Hellesdon Secondary Modern School Band, after which Rear-Admiral Taylor, C.B., O.B.E., D.L., J.P., Chairman of the College Committee, introduced Alderman Peel, who laid the foundation stone with these words: "We lay this foundation stone of the permanent Wymondham College . . . in the confident hope that it will prove itself of needful and welcome service to the sons and daughters of Norfolk people." The moment was one of great solemnity; the stone, as its inscription shows, "is witness of the faith and hope this county has in the future of Wymondham College."

The 127th Psalm was then read by the Chief Education Officer, Dr. F. Lincoln Ralphs, M.Sc., LL.B., after which the Pilgrim's Song was sung by the complete College. A prayer of dedication was read by the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich, and was followed by prayers for the increase of knowledge, and of thanksgiving for all who have contributed to the well-being of Wymondham College.

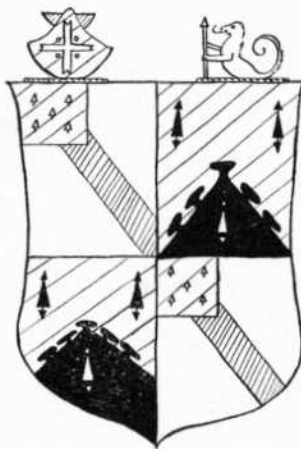
An address was given by Alderman Peel, after which he presented the silver trowel to Mr. R. V. Metcalfe, B.Sc., Head of Wymondham College, who, presenting a replica to Alderman Peel, replied appropriately. Votes of thanks were given by the Senior Boy, A. Hammond, and the Senior Girl, Margaret Brown, and the ceremony ended with the singing of the College Song by all the pupils.

After the ceremony the College was open to visitors, and besides a cricket match there were exhibitions in the domestic science, woodwork and metal-work classrooms, all the exhibits being made by pupils at the College.

WALLACE THROWER



WILLIAM DE ALBENI
COAT-OF-ARMS,
WYMONDHAM ABBEY



GRAVER BROWNE
COAT-OF-ARMS,
MORLEY HALL

THE COLLEGE BADGE

A new badge has been devised by Mr. Freeman, our art master, to symbolise our unity. It is worn by all pupils, in place of the 'Old English W', on a sable ground, which was 'or' for pupils of the Technical School and 'argent' for those of the Grammar School.

In the new design, Mr. Freeman has used two heraldic devices with local associations—the escallops from the Graver Browne coat of arms from Morley Hall, and the lion rampant from the William de Albeni coat of arms which can be seen on the altar screen of Wymondham Abbey. These devices appear argent and or respectively on a sable ground with a bordure or.

Escallops, or cockle-shells, were the emblem of St. James, patron saint of pilgrims, who wore the shells as their badge. The lion in heraldry denotes courage, and when rampant is considered to be on guard against danger. Thus our new badge is a symbol of watchful and hopeful travellers, who have, too, a new motto: *Floreat Sapientia*—Let Wisdom Flourish.

FELICITY NEWTON; JUDITH HOYES

SPORT

CRICKET

1st XI. 1955 Season

The College 1st XI enjoyed a very good season, the highlight being the winning of the Scott Chad Cup, for which the College competed for the first time. We were captained efficiently throughout the season by Aubrey Hammond, and thanks must again be given to Mr. Seeley and Mr. Boswell for their coaching.

Of the games played, the most tense was the final of the Scott Chad Cup, in which the College played Diss at Thetford. Diss went in to bat first and scored 68 runs. The College replied with 69 for 7, of which T. Purple scored 43, a most commendable achievement.

For his service as batsman and bowler, Purple was awarded a cricket bat, and for his bowling M. Cope was awarded a pair of batting gloves.

RESULTS OF GAMES PLAYED:—

Played 14, Won 10, Drawn 1, Lost 3.

LEADING AVERAGES—BATTING

	<i>Innings</i>	<i>Times N.O.</i>	<i>Runs</i>	<i>Average</i>
Purple	14	4	180	18.00
Hammond	11	3	141	17.60
Howe	12	2	97	9.70
Keddy	7	1	56	9.33
Woods	8	2	55	9.16
Stearman	14	1	101	7.27

LEADING AVERAGES—BOWLING

	<i>Overs</i>	<i>Maidens</i>	<i>Runs</i>	<i>Wkts.</i>	<i>Average</i>
Cope	87	30	146	38	4.2
Purple	130	48	217	45	4.8
Hammond	50	14	144	20	7.2

COLOURS—FULL :—Hammond, Purple, Westnott, Cope.

HALF :—Howe.

1956 Season

The season opened with a successful full trial match.

The greatest achievement, to date, is the defeat of King's Lynn in the first round of the Scott Chad Cup. The game was played at home, the College batting first and declaring at 132 for 9 wickets (Rowell 30, Fuller 26, Dewing 22 not out). King's Lynn replied with 65 runs.

Of three other games played the College have won two and drawn one. The team will be striving hard to retain the Scott Chad Cup, with two more rounds of the knock-out competition to be played.

BRIAN FULLER

2nd XI. 1955 Season

Although the 2nd XI had only a few games, they had a good season. They opened with a fine win over Unthank College. For the first half of the season the team was captained by H. Harbord, and for the remainder by S. Handley. H. Harbord finished at the top of the batting average and R. Dewing top of the bowling averages.

1956 Season

With nearly a new team the 2nd XI have started off very well again. This time they had a good win over King's Lynn Grammar School, with B. Hanner scoring 52 not out, this being the first 50 of the season. On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr. Rutherford for the coaching he has given us. Already we can see a great improvement in the team performances, and we would like to show our appreciation to him by winning as many games as possible.

TREVOR MANLEY

Under-15 XI. 1955

Although we had only two games throughout the season, we enjoyed Mr. Boswell's Thursday evening coaching session. The two games we did play we won, by beating Fakenham Grammar School by an innings and 55 runs, and beating Swaffham by 2 runs.

The team was selected from the following : Dewing (captain), Read R., Chamberlin, Watson, Wiskin, Utting, Croxford, Frohawk, Smith B., Cossey, Hewitt, Beales, Nicholls, Burdett, Marsh, Kirkland, Moulton.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr. Norton who was in charge of us.

RODNEY DEWING

Under-14 XI. 1955

The Under-14 XI had a very successful season in 1955, the team winning all six matches played, as a result of playing well in every department throughout the season. During the season the team was selected from the following twelve : Hanner, Adkins, Marsh (captain), Nicholls, Burdett, Smith D., Matthews, Howard T., Frosdick, Self, Everett.

JOHN MARSH

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

1st XI

After getting off to a disappointing start, losing our first three games, we finally settled down to make the remainder of the season a happy and successful venture. The highlight was our encounter with Norwich School Boys. Our stamina and experience proved too much for the Norwich boys and the game ended in a 9-1 win for the College. Our hardest fought-out game of the season was that with our old rivals and bogey team, Diss. The game was played at a fast pace and the score remained at 0-0 until the last minute, when Diss scored with a very well placed free kick from outside the penalty area. Our heaviest defeat of the season was inflicted by City of Norwich School, who beat the College 5-1. The Norwich School were worthy of their victory and were probably the best team the College ever played.

At the end of the season full College Colours were awarded to Bacon and Daniels, who have played for the College first eleven for the last five years. Half Colours were awarded to Bull and Fuller.

On behalf of the team I would like to express our thanks to Mr. Goman for giving up so much of his spare time.

Throughout the season the team was picked from: Haynes, Daniels, Chamberlin, Bacon, Handley, Keddy, Stearman, Bull, Manley, Turner, Douglas, Woods, B. E. Newman, Fuller and Norfolk.

RESULTS:

	<i>Home</i>	<i>Away</i>
King's Lynn	0-3	1-5
		3-1
Diss	—	0-1
Fakenham	—	2-2
Swaffham	—	2-4
Norwich School Boys	—	9-1
Downham Market	—	9-0
Yarmouth T.S.	—	6-0
Thetford	5-0	5-2
C.N.S.	—	1-5
Staff	5-1	—

STUART HANDLEY, Captain

2nd XI

After a bad start, losing 5—0 to King's Lynn, the 2nd XI had a fairly successful season. The forwards never really settled down, due to switching of positions, but the defence on the whole played together well.

The best match of the season was the home game with Norwich Under-15 School Boys, who were led by Schoolboy International Bridges, and the College well deserved their two-all draw.

No boys played in all the games, but the most consistent were Coppin, Dewing, Read and Syrett, whilst Rowell played well until eye trouble kept him out of football. Leading goal-scorers were Newman (11 goals) and Manley (5 goals).

The team throughout the season was chosen from the following, although some other boys did play once or twice: Syrett, Hewitt, Dewing, Dye, Whyte, Read, Rowell, Stearman, Keddy, Douglas, Manley, Turner, Newman, Coppin and Adkins.

RESULTS

	<i>P.</i>	<i>W.</i>	<i>L.</i>	<i>D.</i>	Goals	
					<i>F.</i>	<i>A.</i>
	11	5	5	1	35	30
v. King's Lynn	(A) Lost	0—5		
v. Duncan Hall	(H) Won	5—1	(A) Lost	3—4
v. Fakenham	(A) Won	6—1		
v. Thetford	(A) Won	6—2		
v. Paston	(H) Won	3—2	(A) Lost	1—5
v. Unthank	(A) Won	6—1		
v. Norwich U—15's	(H) Drew	2—2		
v. C.N.S.	(A) Lost	1—3	(H) Lost	2—4

NEIL WHYTE, Captain

RUGBY FOOTBALL. Under-14 and Under-15

From out of the seething mass of Rugby enthusiasts emerged two teams who surprised everyone, especially themselves. The majority of them had never, before this season, handled a rugby ball, but they lost no time in learning. There was no holding back with these boys, and there was never a dull moment.

The Under-15 team was formed rather late in the season. After a rather dubious trial, the following boys were selected: Matthews (captain), Frohawk (scrum leader), Burdett, Rudd, Womack, M. Herring, J. Marsh, Everett, Nurse, Nicholls, Ayres, Malt, Mace, Howes, Morter and Osler (reserve).

The Under-14 team had more games than the Under 15, and they showed themselves worthy of upholding the sporting tradition of the College. The weather, however, was very severe, and consequently many matches had to be cancelled. The team was selected from the following: Hitch (captain), Fuller, Palmer, Young, A. Smith, Duffy, Sharpe, Lord, Waller (scrum leader), Freeston, Hubbard, Heuval, Leeder, Williamson, Corbin and Hall.

UNDER-15 RESULTS:

Earsham Hall	...	...	...	Home	Won 42—0
Cory College	...	...	...	Away	Won 12—3

UNDER-14 RESULTS:

C.N.S.	...	...	...	Away	Won 28—3
C.N.S.	...	...	...	Home	Won 11—3
Langley	...	...	...	Away	Lost 0—6
C.N.S.	...	...	...	Away	Won 17—3

Thanks are due to the staff who have helped to form the Rugby teams, and we look forward to a staff match in the near future.

THOMAS YOUNG; DAVID RUDD

HOCKEY

During the last four years our hockey enthusiasts have seen the gradual building up of the team; this year has continued the steady improvement. For the first time in the short history of Wymondham College hockey, a 2nd XI was firmly established, and played four matches. In addition, two fourth-form teams were produced, and played matches against North Walsham.

Towards the close of January, snow-covered pitches brought the hockey season to an abrupt end; before this, however, the 1st XI played seven most enjoyable matches, of which three were won, one drawn and three lost. At Christmas the team felt the loss of M. Howard (right half) when she left. Two members of the team, A. Thornton (centre forward), who scored nine of a total of twenty-two goals, and J. Emmerson (goalkeeper) were awarded half colours.

The report would not be complete without a mention of the annual match between the Staff and the 1st XI. The Staff, full of determination to win, achieved their desire to the tune of 4—2.

All our thanks are due to our coach, Miss Goodman, whose constant help and encouragement have brought us success.

TEAMS:

1st XI		2nd XI
J. Emmerson	Goalkeeper	P. Marsh
M. Pullan	Left-back	R. Holliday
A. Metcalfe	Right-back	D. Gosling
J. Bean	Left-half	J. Anderson
M. Arbour	Centre-half	M. Hutchison
		J. Steward
M. Patten	Right-half	J. Spraggons
J. Taylor	Left-wing	H. Smith
M. Rudrum	Inside-left	J. Parry
A. Thornton	Centre-forward	F. Willimott
H. Buck	Inside-right	S. Bolton
J. Pearce	Right-wing	J. Hoyes

RESULTS:

1st XI		2nd XI
Drew, 1—1	Fakenham G.S.	Lost, 1—3
Lost, 0—3	Diss G.S.	
Won, 11—0	Yarmouth H.S.	
Won, 5—0	Norwich Union	
Lost, 0—4	King's Lynn H.S.	Lost, 0—7
Won, 5—0	Thorpe House	Won, 4—2
Lost, 0—5	Fakenham G.S.	Lost, 1—2

MAUREEN ARBOUR

NETBALL

Owing to bad weather and other difficulties, only three matches were played this season. The first was our 'A' VII v. Diss Grammar School VII (away) when, after a good game, the College secured a victory of 33 goals to 10. For the second match, the College 1st VII v. Notre Dame (home), Glenda Angell replaced Jill Taylor, who was playing for the county, as were several of the girls from Notre Dame. This game, by far the best of the season, we won by 20 goals to 11. The last match provided our only defeat; the first team were away to Notre Dame and lost by 15 goals to 22.

The season was a successful one, and we should like to thank Mrs. Seeley for giving up her spare time to polishing our play. Jill Taylor gained county 1st team colours, and Judy Wright and Cora Burton county 2nd team colours. As I am leaving, may I wish Mrs. Seeley and all newcomers to the school netball team the best of luck next season.

TEAMS:

1st VII		'A' VII
C. Burton	S	C. Burton
M. Chapman	A	M. Chapman
J. Parry	AC	J. Chapman (Captain)
J. Bean (Captain)	C	E. McNulty
J. Wright	DC	J. Wright
F. Willimott	D	
J. Taylor	GK	G. Angell
G. Angell	Reserve	S. Carman

JANET BEAN

ROUNDERS, 1955

The over-15 team played only two matches; the first, at Thorpe House, after a very exciting game, we won by $4\frac{1}{2}$ rounders to 1; in the second match, away to Fakenham, we were beaten by 6 rounders to $4\frac{1}{2}$. We enjoyed ourselves thoroughly on both occasions, the more so because the weather was so good.

The under-15 team had a successful season, winning both their games. The first, against Thorpe House, ended in an easy victory for the team by 29 rounders to 1; the second, against Fakenham Grammar School, ended in a victory of 12—8. Both games were played away, which shows that unfamiliar surroundings did not affect the team's efficiency. Good weather and a wonderful team spirit did much to produce these results, as did Mrs. Seeley's hard work in coaching the team, for which both teams wish to express their thanks.

TEAMS:

OVER-15	TEAMS:	UNDER-15
C. Beckett	Bowler	D. Drake (Captain)
R. Hughes	Backstop	J. Bean
J. Taylor	1st Post	R. Brown
J. Howell	2nd Post	J. Parry
J. Pearce	3rd Post	P. Emmerson
M. Freestone	4th Post	M. Patten
J. Emmerson	1st Deep	J. Spraggons
H. Barker (Captain)	2nd Deep	M. Rudrum
J. Hoyes	3rd Deep	A. Read
R. Hanner	Reserve	M. Pullan
Also played (Over-15): G. Banham, M. Howard, P. Coles.		

RESULTS:

OVER-15		UNDER-15
Won, $4\frac{1}{2}$ —1	v. Thorpe House (Away)	Won, 29—1
Lost, $4\frac{1}{2}$ —6	v. Fakenham G.S. (Away)	Won, 12—8

JOY EMMERSON; DEANNA DRAKE

TENNIS, 1955

This was a most disappointing season; we lacked practice, and what we had was on hard courts, whereas both matches were played on grass. Owing to bad weather, only two of our six fixtures were played. We lost to Fakenham Grammar School 2—7 and to W.R.A.F. Neatishead 1—8. We must thank Miss Goodman for all the valuable time she has given up to coach us, also the other members of the staff who so kindly gave us extra practice.

The team was: M. Arbour (captain) and A. Thornton; S. Bolton and D. Fenton; J. Pearce and J. Taylor; Reserves, P. Willers, V. Cox, S. Caston.

JILL TAYLOR

ATHLETICS, 1956

The following successes have been obtained by members of the College this season:

LONDON, EASTER: B. Winn (Discus), R. Rowell (Shot), and B. W. Newman (220 yards) took part in the Public Schools' Sports.

DISS, WHITSUN: Women's and Youths' County A.A.A. Championships. Diana Gosling (Discus, 13-15), 1st; Jane Pearce (220, Open), 2nd; D. Hanwell (Pole Vault), 1st (9 ft. 10 in.); M. Collison (220 yards), 2nd; B. W. Newman (220 yards), 2nd; Boys' College Relay Team (4 x 440 yards), 2nd.

YARMOUTH, 2ND JUNE: Norfolk County Junior A.A.A. Championships. M. Collison (100 yards), 1st, and (220 yards) 2nd; H. Bull (Long jump), 1st; T. Moulton (High jump), 3rd; D. Haynes (Javelin), 1st; B. Winn (Shot), 1st, and (Discus), 1st (broke own county record).

DISS, 16TH JUNE: Women's A.A.A. County Championships. Junior College relay team (4 x 110 yards), 3rd; Senior College relay team (4 x 110 yards), 2nd; Jean Noble (Junior javelin), 1st.

KING'S LYNN, 30TH JUNE. The following members of the College Athletic Team were chosen at the Area and County Schools Sports to take part in the Quadrangular Sports: Jean Noble (Javelin), Diana Gosling, Jill Taylor (Discus), Anne Silverstone (150 yards), Janet Bean (100 yards), L. Burdett, T. Nicholls, G. Trippe (Long jump), T. Moulton, A. Smith (High jump), R. Rowell (Shot), D. Haynes (Javelin), C. Tuck (Discus), B. E. Newman, C. Briston (Hop, step and jump), B. W. Newman (220 yards), V. Womack, B. Dane, R. Bell, D. Everett (Relay).

MANCHESTER, 15TH-16TH JULY, 1955. The following represented Norfolk in the Inter-county Schools Sports: Diana Gosling (Discus), Joyce Daniels (100 yards), Jane Pearce (150 yards), B. W. Newman (220 yards), B. E. Newman (Hop, step and jump), B. Winn (Discus), D. Haynes (Javelin).

A VISIT TO GERMANY, 1955

After a typical College meal, we set off for Harwich. There were two bus-loads, one for the girls, the other for the boys of the party. On arriving we were checked through the Customs and crossed to the Hook of Holland by night boat, where once again we were ushered through the Customs. We travelled through Holland by train and finally arrived at the station in Goettingen to be greeted by our German friends, who escorted us to our respective hostels.

The next day we were officially welcomed to the town by members of the town and school authorities. A speech was given in German and several photographs were taken, some of which adorned the front pages of the following day's local press.

The remainder of the holiday was spent in visiting such places of interest as the demarcation line between Eastern and Western Germany, a horticultural show in Kassel, and various castles of historical interest. Several of the German girls invited the whole party to their homes. We each went to the home of our own German friends on Sundays. In this way we were introduced to German family life. Several German farms were visited and compared to those in England. Plans for hiking had been made, but were changed, either because of our plea of fatigue or because of the weather. The German day starts much earlier than do our English days.

The town possessed a hockey team, consequently eleven of our girls were rounded up to provide an opposition. Thus, on the last Sunday of our stay, we sallied forth to play our first game of international hockey, only to be severely beaten. Perhaps it was due to conditions underfoot, or it may have been the misinterpretation of German rules, or even the ride to and from the hockey field in an English army lorry.

But, all too soon, the last day arrived. We collected some souvenirs, had a farewell party all together, and returned to our respective hostels to spend our last night in Germany. Our holiday, for which we all thank Mr. Dudley and Mr. Hobday, had come to its close.

HEATHER SMITH

THE VISIT TO INGLETON, EASTER, 1956

During the Easter holidays a party of pupils from the College, under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Staveley and Mr. Carter, spent a week doing field work in the Three Peaks District of West Yorkshire. The whole week was passed at Ingleton Youth Hostel, by special permission of the warden, an advantage not enjoyed by previous parties. From there, visits were made



THE LONG HAUL

Painting by TERRY HOWARD



HARVEST

Painting by ANTHONY WATERING



WIVES



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daily to points of interest. Travelling was greatly facilitated by the use of the bus which conveyed us to Ingleton, the driver staying with us in the hostel.

Despite the weather, which washed out a whole day in the field and brought snow to the surrounding hills, the party spent a very enjoyable week—an enjoyment which was increased by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Baron, who joined us in Bacup. For the fifth and sixth formers the week's work was a preparation for examinations, but for the younger members it was more of an interesting and strenuous holiday. The evenings were spent in writing up notes, community singing with other hostellers, and on two occasions country dancing, arranged by the warden.

All the party climbed Ingleborough, and four energetic members managed to climb Whernside and Pen-y-Ghent as well, the latter being more of a mountain than the other two. Visits were also made to Ingleborough Cavern, the Victoria Caves, Thornton Force, Pecca Falls, Scaleber Force, Catterick Force, Lancaster—on the wettest day—and the Lake District, where some members climbed Helvellyn, whilst the remainder spent the day in Windermere.

The week will be memorable for several of the party, including Mr. Carter, who fell into a stream and had to retire to the nearest cave to dry himself in front of a fire! On behalf of the rest of the party, I should like to offer many thanks to Mr. Staveley for making the visit so successful; we look forward to a similar trip next year.

NEIL WHYTE

THE NORTH WALES HOLIDAY

A party from the College spent eight days of the Easter holiday climbing and touring in the Snowdon area of North Wales. The holiday was organised by Mr. Norton; and Mr. Bailey, Mr. Swift, Mr. Garrard, Miss Minchin, Miss Wilkinson and Miss Dolan also accompanied us. As in the three previous years, Mr. Eke was our invaluable coach-driver. We travelled from the College on Friday, 6th April, and after a long and tiring drive arrived at Dolfriog Hall at about seven o'clock. This was to be our abode for seven nights. Dolfriog is situated in a very picturesque region, the Nantmor Valley; and Beddgelert, the nearest village, is typically Welsh. It has quite a large church, where the party attended morning service on the Sunday of our holiday.

Five of the eight days were spent climbing and hill-walking, for which the party split into two or three groups. This provided less strenuous walks for the girls, and also for those boys who preferred an easier life. The highlight of the holiday was, perhaps, the climbing of Snowdon (3560 feet), which was accomplished twice during the week, and by no less than five different routes. Everyone managed to reach the summit, except for one male member of the staff! On each ascent the renowned view was marred by the presence

of thick cloud. Tryfan, perhaps the most formidable peak in North Wales, was also climbed, being conquered by two groups on different days. The more enthusiastic members of the second group continued on past the Devil's Kitchen to the summit of Glyder Fawr.

Two days were spent touring in the coach. The first drive took us to Caernarvon Castle and across the Menai Straits to Anglesey, where the party visited Beaumaris Castle. The second coach tour was along the beautiful Conway Valley, and during it the Castle and other points of interest in Conway itself were visited.

On Friday, the 13th, the party left Snowdonia with regret, and travelled to Stratford-on-Avon, where we stayed in a large Youth Hostel on the outskirts of the town. In the evening we attended a performance of "Hamlet" at the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre. The day following we returned home, stopping in Bedford for lunch. On reaching Norwich the party dispersed, each member having thoroughly enjoyed an interesting, exciting and pleasant holiday.

BRIAN FULLER; ROBERT ROWELL

THE COLLEGE GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Officers, 1955-56: Chairman, Mr. P. J. M. Bailey; Joint Secretaries, Jane Pearce and David Dyble; Treasurer, Martyn Collison.

The society has had another very successful year, with its membership as high as ever, despite the competition of television! The programmes for the year have been very varied and have embraced far more than the merely school conception of geography.

The scientists have collaborated by giving us an insight into "Sand-ology" and the (unsolved) mysteries of "Modern Weather Forecasting", while local interest was aroused by the Rev. Dr. Mosby's talk, "Norfolk Ramble". We have also been most fortunate to have representatives of the Commonwealth to talk to us on their homelands—Miss Mary Molloy about Canada, and Mr. Adejumo, in full national costume, on Nigeria.

The society is indebted to all those members of staff and students who have given talks on geographical topics and their experiences in foreign lands. Perhaps the most amusing of these which comes to mind was the account of the three enterprising lads who, complete with pre-G.C.E. French, ventured to Paris—"à bicyclette".

The society's film meetings, among the most popular, have covered a very varied field, ranging from the problems of tropical lumbering to a survey of

Scotland's economic prospects. It was interesting also to see the familiar scenes of Norwich and district portrayed in colour on the screen. This was in that excellent production of the Norwich Union, "A Fine City, Norwich"; the film was most kindly lent by the Union's Publicity Department. Other film topics have supplied background material for the G.C.E. syllabuses and have provided an entertaining and instructive background to geography lessons.

During the winter term the sixth form members of the society enrolled into the Geographical Association (Norfolk Branch). With the generous assistance of the Geography staff, in providing transport, and sustenance on their late returns to the College, members attended the Association's meetings at the Assembly Rooms in Norwich.

The society hopes, this term, to continue its two end-of-year traditions. The first is the presentation, on behalf of the society, of a book to the Geographical Section of the College Library. Also it is intended to have the society's annual outing to the coast, probably near Ipswich again, during the last week of term.

In concluding, we hope that next year will prove as successful as the present one, perhaps with a correction of the lack of student speakers, and that 38A will again be the focal point of many interests.

DAVID DYBLE, Joint Secretary

THE VISIT OF THE NIGERIANS

At the beginning of the summer term a party of Nigerians came to stay at the College. All of them were in some way connected with education and are, I understand, spending a year in England to study our ideas and methods. Most of their time here is being spent in London, where they have done some teaching—an experience which they apparently found rather overwhelming. Anyway, they said at the end of their visit to Norfolk that they much preferred life here to that in the city.

During their stay they showed a deep interest in College life. This was obvious from the way they walked round the school itself, examining every piece of apparatus, and earnestly enquiring about any school activity to which they were not normally accustomed.

One of the party, Mr. Adejumo, came to talk to the Geography Club. He told us all about Nigeria: how the country was governed; the types of agriculture practised; what languages were spoken; and how Nigeria's educational system differed from our own.

Another of the Nigerians addressed the juniors in chapel, much to their delight. Although the seniors were not similarly privileged, they were at least able to see the visitors, when they attended the evening service, wearing their national dress.

The versatile Mr. Adejumo made an unexpected theatrical appearance during the visit. This was in an impromptu play put on by some enterprising juniors on the Sunday afternoon. Unfortunately it had not been possible to arrange for Mr. Adejumo to attend any rehearsal at which the other players would be present—which was just as well, perhaps, since the play constantly changed its character during the day. The plot, it appears, depended on what scenery had been collected since the previous rehearsal. In the end, most of Carter and Sons' scaffolding seemed to be on the stage, arranged in the shape of an enormous air liner. The most convincing part of this, however, was when it crashed—supposedly in the Nigerian jungle. Mr. Adejumo's role (it was at last explained to him, as he arrived for the performance) was to guide the intrepid air crew to the port of Lagos. Considering the confusion on the stage, he did well to get them anywhere. But, after quite genuinely scaring the other actors out of their wits at his first terrifying entrance, he at last managed to rally them and to conduct them through the intricacies of yet another version of the plot until everyone, except the perspiring Mr. Adejumo, ended up on an invisible boat for England. Judging from the applause, the whole thing was an experiment in drama which other playwrights might find it profitable to emulate—provided, of course, they are lucky enough to secure Mr. Adejumo.

As well as thoroughly touring our own College, the Nigerians visited many other schools in Norfolk in order to see as much as possible of rural education. Outings, too, were arranged to Norwich and other places of interest in the county. It is hoped that from their visit here our guests will have learnt something of value which may eventually be adapted in Nigeria. As for ourselves, we certainly gained from our brief contact with these refreshingly spontaneous visitors, with their good manners and cheerful eagerness to make friends with everybody.

ANN METCALFE

THE ECOLOGICAL SURVEY OF MORLEY BIG WOOD

There has been a new development in sixth form work this year, that of an intensive survey of Morley Big Wood, a stretch of woodland conveniently near to the College.

The work is ecological, that is to say the study of plants and animals in their environment. In this case the environment is woodland under continuous

coppicing and with varying soil conditions. The coppicing is an economical measure taken by the farmer and we are trying to find its effects, if any, upon the general woodland.

The aim of the work, whilst being complementary to the sixth form biology studies, is to supply useful information about this type of woodland in Norfolk. Already there are indications that original findings will be forthcoming.

The work, whilst occupying some school time, is done mainly on Sunday afternoons, under the supervision of Mr. Terry, the Biology master, to whom we owe our thanks for starting this interesting enterprise. If this venture is successful it is hoped that similar work will be undertaken in other parts of the county.

ROBERT BLASBY

THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

At the commencement of the autumn term Mr. Terry and Mr. Ryde revived the Natural History Society, for which a committee was formed from its members in order to organise the club's activities.

The programme of the autumn term and the first half of the spring term consisted mainly of films and lectures on such topics as "Some Aspects of Fresh-water Life", "Fungi", "Birds in Winter", and "The Lepidoptera". Also during this period a salt-water aquarium was maintained, while in the latter half of the spring term a trip was arranged to Norwich Museum.

With the approach of summer and more favourable weather, the club's interests were directed to outside activities. At the beginning of the summer term the compiling of an herbarium of the district began and occupied a considerable amount of the club's time. Just before half-term the club diverted some of its interest to the more social instincts of its members and sponsored a Saturday night dance. Thus ended a very satisfactory year of the club's activities.

REGINALD RAMM

MORE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

TWELFTH NIGHT

The Dramatic Society maintained the traditional Christmas term performance this year with a production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night".

Rehearsals passed as all rehearsals do amidst a flurry of enjoyment, combined, as the day of our first performance drew near, with moments of anxiety.

A great deal of the amusement was unwittingly contributed by the violinists, who, under the able leadership of Heather Smith, were slowly, surely, but painfully mastering a composition of Mr. Bailey's, to which the natural sixth form clown, Henry Bull (Feste), had to sing.

Our first performance, actually a dress rehearsal, was in front of our own junior school. This turned out to be one big laugh, for the larger ones amongst us looked rather ungainly, to say the least, in Shakespearean tights. The second performance was on a more serious level and meant more to us, as we were performing before outside schools, and our prestige was at stake. The next three performances, one before our own senior school, and two before the parents, who had all been invited, passed without any outstanding surprises, save that we were told of the presence of a reporter from the "Eastern Daily Press". In the press report, which was a very favourable one, Anne Drinkwater (Viola) was praised for her promising acting, and Brian Winn (Malvolio) for his varied antics on the stage. Also mentioned were Stella Carman (Countess Olivia), Anne Thornton (Maria), Colin Stearman (Sir Toby Belch), Neil Whyte (Sir Andrew Aguecheek), Henry Bull (Feste), Jack Cassie (Duke Orsino) and Brian Turner (Sebastian).

We must not, however, forget all the other members of the cast, nor the back-stage boys, Robert Rowell, Stuart Handley, Alan Fry, Joseph Keddy and John Kirkland, without whom the play would have been impossible. These boys had the sad task of removing the scenery, when nearly all the cast admitted how sorry they were that the play was over and how downhearted they felt to see the stage denuded of its colourful array. Then came news that we were being treated to a show in Norwich, and in an amazingly short time we had forgotten our previous sad feelings. This outing was a great success and we returned wishing we could produce a play every week.

We all agree that, although our interpretation of the play was probably not quite as Shakespeare meant it to be, we enjoyed performing in it. For most of us it was the last play we should be taking part in at Wymondham College, so that there was something special about it that we shall remember for a long time.

May we offer a word of thanks to Mr. Garrard, our able producer, who, if one judges from his antics at rehearsal, must have been undergoing some considerable strain during the latter stages of the play's preparation. He retained most of his hair, however, and could not have abused us too badly, for none of the cast deserted him.

JACK CASSIE

DEBATING SOCIETY

During the last year the society withdrew itself completely from school life and became statesmen, optimists and philanthropists. It pronounced its faith in ulcers and the twentieth century, virtually took upon itself to foster the development of television, rather blankly regretted the loss of the British Empire, but with vigorous assurance saw that National Service was beneficial to the state, the individual and marriage.

The four main speakers have invariably set the tone. There was usually a solid layer of sense with refreshing interspersions of wit. The floor, however, was represented by a gallant body of evergreens, one of them worthy to be called "The King of the Forest". He is one of the competent few, a compliment we bestow with growing reluctance. A debating society has, we have come to believe, the remarkable power to imbue many with a feeling of inward drowsiness. Nevertheless, everybody appears so serenely or severely intelligent that the silence bewilders us. Frowns, smiles, wincings and consents were perfectly timed. But who has the brutality to disturb a pretty face, a handsome profile, if they look attractive and are satisfied?

Our most capable president, Miss Tebbutt, unfortunately left us, also Mr. Hodgson, who has guided us for the last three years, and we thank them most sincerely for their indelible impression on the Society. So, too, has the chairman taken farewell, and a gentle reminder comes of the famous remark, "He alone is wise, the rest are fleeting shades".

JOHN CUSHION, Hon. Secretary

THE JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

On a bleak January evening twenty-six lusty debaters assembled in room 36C, where the rules of debate were expounded by Mr. Syred and explained by Mr. Bower. It was mentioned that an important rule at most debating societies was that only one member should speak at a time. At some future date it is intended to give this rule a trial.

A committee found itself elected at the end of the first meeting, the members being L. Kett (chairman), P. Herring (secretary), M. Allen, Maureen Fenton and Diana Kell. These somewhat bewildered people, one of whom said she had only entered the room to fetch her rough notebook, met the

following day to discuss their position. They fixed a debate for the very next week, but unfortunately overlooked the question of providing a motion. However, the enthusiastic members hardly noticed this omission and enjoyed another thoroughly rowdy evening. No vote was taken.

Several subsequent meetings have been held. At one of them, on 1st May, members were each invited to speak for five minutes on subjects near to their heart. K. Hudson gave an inspiring address on body-building, and Jennifer Griffin spoke amusingly and irrelevantly (or irreverently) about school furniture designs. Other speakers included L. Kett on capital punishment and P. Herring on comparative religion. T. Murphy, a promising member of the Graveyard School of modern poets, stood up at one juncture and recited his latest ballad.

At our most recent meeting, just before going to press, we held a "balloon debate", at which four members took the parts of a doctor, a parson, a farmer and a school-master. You can guess who lost!

PETER HERRING; LIONEL KETT

INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

This year the Christian Fellowship seems to have flourished more than ever. We were sorry to lose our former leader, Miss Pattern, but our loss was Africa's gain, as she has gone to do some missionary work there. We are indeed lucky in that Miss Thomas consented to take over the leadership, which she has exercised with distinction.

During the term we have had meetings every Sunday night. In this time we have had a talk and film by Miss Bennett, who is the travelling secretary. We have also had bible studies on Revelations, a talk by Mr. Syred, and a squash brains trust.

We were all very pleased when Mr. Garrard allowed us to begin our own library as part of the school one.

We have all enjoyed ourselves this year and hope that next year will be as happy.

EUNICE MALLETT

SEASONABLE WEATHERS



Photo by ROBERT READ



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THE COLLEGE CRICKET TEAM, 1955 — SCOTT CHAD CUP WINNERS
Back Row: MR. SEELEY, K. WESTNOTT, B. FULLER, C. STEARMAN, D. WOODS, R. ROWELL.
Front Row: J. KEDDY, T. PURPLE, A. HAMMOND (*Captain*), A. HOWE, H. HARBORD,
 R. SYRETT.



"TWELFTH NIGHT" REVELS *Photo by MR. BAILEY*
 HENRY BULL (*Feste*), NEIL WHYTE (*Sir Andrew Aguecheek*), ANNE THORNTON (*Maria*),
 BRIAN WINN (*Malvolio*), COLIN STEARMAN (*Sir Toby Belch*).

THE COLLEGE CHOIR

This year we welcome yet another choirmaster, Mr. Wrench, to whom, after a very successful year, Mr. Banham handed over his position. We are very grateful for all that Mr. Banham has done for us over the past terms, and are still pleased to hear his tonic sol-fa echoing from the tenor section. We give a hearty welcome to Mr. Rutherford, who helps to keep the tenors' heads above water, and to many new members from the fourth, fifth and sixth forms.

We have our practices every Monday evening, when in the vicinity of Butler Hall may be heard strains of old English ballads and negro spirituals, some of which have been recorded by Mr. Wrench and then played back to us. The half-hour after chapel on Sunday evenings is reserved for practising the less secular music, like psalms and hymns, which are performed on a following Sunday.

At Christmas there was the usual carol service held in the College Chapel. The choir sang carols specially learnt for the occasion. The service was then repeated at St. Peter's Church on the following Wednesday evening. For Easter we learnt the Passion Chorale and an Easter hymn and sang them in chapel on the last Sunday of the spring term.

All these performances have been very successful and we are looking forward to tackling larger and more difficult items in the future.

JILL TAYLOR

CHESS CLUB

The club resumed its activities in the autumn term, meetings being held in 36A on Mondays after school. There were both junior and senior sections; the latter held a ladder competition to help in team selections for the matches which Mr. Howard had been able to obtain. The results show a fairly successful beginning of competitive games, and it is hoped that more fixtures will be obtained for next season.

First team: D. Hanwell, W. Thrower, T. Riches, D. Clare, T. Wagge, D. Burdett.

Under-16 team: T. Riches, D. Clare, T. Wagge, D. Burdett, S. Crisp, R. Eeaves, R. Syrett, M. Hollis.

RESULTS:

1st team	v. C.N.S.	Won 4—2
Under-16	v. Norwich Technical College	Lost
1st team	v. Staff	Drawn
1st team	v. King's Lynn G.S	Drawn
1st team	v. C.N.S.	Drawn
Under-16	v. Norwich Technical College	Won 3½—2½

ROBERT BLASBY, Captain

REPORTS IN BRIEF

GIRLS' METALWORK CLUB

Margaret Gardiner and Margaret Pyke report the founding of this club in September, 1955, by Mr. Canty and Mr. Seeley. Enthusiastic members thronged to make copper pin-bowls and, by degrees, more exacting kickshaws. They wish to thank Mr. Canty and Mr. Seeley for broadening their knowledge in a subject which might otherwise have remained outside their limits.

BOYS' COOKERY CLUBS

Ian Sinclair reports that on every Saturday afternoon until Christmas seven sixth-form boys practised their cuisine under the tutelage of Miss Wilkinson. They coaxed into existence cherry cakes, doughnuts, and even a two-course meal which was eaten at the time of manufacture. It is not reported what they did with the buns. Four members managed to complete a Christmas cake each in the latter half of the term; parents were astounded when they saw them.

R. C. Syrett and R. J. Read jointly report that four separate classes of fifth-form boys were introduced to the oven by Miss Wilkinson and Miss Hartland Rowe. Though not every attempt met with success, members have been left with the impression that the experience they gained will always be helpful. Among dishes attempted were apple pie, currant buns, toffee, and mixed grill (please note the last comma). Though not a balanced diet, this seems a rich one.

Both groups report their sincere gratitude to the cookery instructors concerned, for the time they have devoted to these projects.

BIRD-WATCHING SOCIETY

It is reported that members for the club were chosen by examination (not through binoculars). On Saturday mornings since then, members have penetrated the woods to watch birds. April brought nests of song-thrush and blackbird; but many others who object to being watched waited for greater leaf-cover before building. By mid-May the chart showed nests of thirty species in the grounds of the College, with nine more—e.g., marsh- and coal-tits, tree-creeper and greater spotted woodpecker—likely to follow. Birds of eight species have been unaesthetic enough to prefer the school buildings for their homes.

FENCING CLUB

Graham Dye reports the popularising of fencing in Norfolk; the College club is now one of four in the Norfolk and Norwich Fencing Association. Mr. Banham, with Mr. Freeman's help, has coached selected members of the fifth and sixth forms every Thursday in the gymnasium. Members have defended themselves with some success against Yarmouth Technical College and even the Norwich Union, against whom one of our editors has been trying to defend himself for years: clearly the pen is not mightier than the sword.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

This term the College library has been made available to everyone to help improve reading tastes. A simpler system of withdrawals devised by Mr. Garrard is a help to juniors. Members of all forms have used the library, just over three-quarters of the junior readers being boys. Do girls spend longer on school notes, or are they perhaps still haunted by the old idea that females do not need such a breadth of education? Science and English books have proved most popular, with Geography and History some way behind.

GIRL GUIDES

The Girl Guides have been restarted at the College by Mrs. Jolly, to whom we are all very grateful. We should like also to thank Miss White and some of her colleagues from Keswick Training College, who have cycled to our meetings every week. They have been of great assistance to us.

At the moment the Company consists of five patrols, each containing seven people. Twenty-five new members hope to be enrolled this month.

Thinking Day, which is celebrated by Guides all over the world, was on 22nd February, but because of illness in the College our Company had to postpone its participation this year. We hope to hold the service later this term.

We have been invited to a rally at Honningham Hall, eight miles from Norwich. It is to be held on 7th July. Competitions will be held for all Guides in the Forehoe Rural District. It is hoped that we shall be able to take part.

JANE MASON

HOUSE REPORTS

NORTH

North House were pleased to welcome new members who arrived at the College last September and January. Also we would like to thank the House staff who have helped us during the past year, especially Miss Brunning, Mr. Hawkyard and Mr. Swift.

The girls did not have a very successful year as far as House matches were concerned, our only success being by the junior hockey team, which after a close contest beat West House by 1—0.

Although the boys were not very successful in cricket and rugby football, we managed to achieve victory against South House by a narrow margin in the semi-finals of the Association football. But, unfortunately, we lost the final 8—0 to the better team from East House.

In the Junior cross-country race we finished fourth, but promise was shown by D. Everett and C. Briston, who were placed fourth and fifth. In the senior race the team finished in second position, the best individual placings being J. Bacon (3rd) and M. Sims (4th).

After the announcement that North House had been placed last in athletics, we were all relieved when the news came that we had actually managed to gain third position, a place which we hope will be improved on in future years.

At the end of this year we shall be losing, among others, some of our earliest House members, and we would like to wish them and the House in the future the very best success and happiness.

ANNE DRINKWATER, REGINALD DANIELS, House Captains

SOUTH

The past year has been one of surprises and disappointments, but altogether a happy one. There have been a few changes in the House, but we were very sorry to lose Miss Hartland Rowe. In her place we welcomed Miss King, while Mr. Syred and tape-recorder were pleasant new installations on the boys' side.

Turning to the sporting events of the year, we find both victories and defeats. While cricket and rounders did not succeed, the girls gave us our second successive tennis victory. With the beginning of the Autumn Term our attention focussed on the cross-country events. Hard practice gained its reward. Torn, tattered, scratched and muddy, the teams finished first in

the senior and second in the junior events, showing real mastery in the team work which gained them victory. This term also heralded the entry of rugby into the House competitions, but our team failed to overcome the superior skill of East House. Hockey and soccer, too, did not prove successful, but in netball the tables were turned. Here the junior team brought us victory over West House, the senior team being narrowly defeated by the same in the final.

At the beginning of the second half of the Spring Term all eyes turned to athletics. All tried and many were rewarded, but this was not enough to give us a good position in the "Standards Race." Then Sports Day came and we pressed on, forcing the way up from last to second in the closest ever finish to the day. Here we must mention the outstanding performances of Womack, Hardacre and Jane Pearce, who added a great deal to the all-out effort from every member of the House.

This has been a good year for South House, but it could not have been so without the help and guidance of our House Staff. We thank them very sincerely for all they do to help us in our activities. As we are both leaving this term, we should like to wish our successors as happy a time as we have had in leading such an excellent and co-operative House. Good luck to all members in the future.

MARY FREESTONE, STUART HANDLEY, House Captains

EAST

This past year has proved quite prosperous for the male members of the House but the girls have not been so fortunate. All the rounders teams lost to West House, although the senior team managed to reach the finals, beating South House in the semi-final. The tennis team fought hard, but this time South House were the better. However, we managed to obtain second place. Most of the beef of East House turned out to fight the hockey battle, and for the second year running West were our opponents in the senior final. We were unfortunate, however, and West achieved a victory by the very narrow margin of 1—0. Our netball teams made brave attempts to reach the finals, but South and West were our superiors.

The Soccer XI won through to the final and beat North; this was the second occasion the competition finished this way. The cross-country run proved to be successful for the juniors, but the senior boys accumulated a certain amount of mud and moisture on the course. It seemed to hinder their performance and they rolled in last. Our new-born rugby team beat South in the semi-finals. We hope the team will win fresh laurels next

season. Although the 1st XI lost to West in the cricket final, the Junior XI's were both successful. The most important event of the whole year was the athletic meeting, and again we won. We might add that this year's success made a "hat-trick"; so keep training, East!

We were sorry to lose Miss Pattern, our House Mistress, at the end of last year; she has now taken a post in Kenya. We have, however, gained three more valuable friends as House Staff, Miss Colls and Miss Thomas on the girls' side and Mr. Carter with the boys. We welcome all three, hoping their stay will prove a happy and prosperous one. We are sorry to hear Mr. Norton will be leaving the House in the near future; apparently he has other commitments. However, in wishing him future happiness we hope he will remain loyal to us, as we shall always need his inexhaustible support.

Finally, we would like to thank the House as a whole for the co-operation it has shown to us in our years of office as House Captains. We wish East House the very best of luck in the future.

ANNE THORNTON, JOSEPH KEDDY, House Captains

WEST

Over the past year West House has lost many of its old and well-established servants. In their place we welcome some new additions to the family. First and foremost we have Miss Wilkinson, an importation from East House, who replaces Miss Fox, or to be more correct, Mrs. Baron. In place of Mr. Ryde, who left for "metal more attractive," we have a worthy successor in Mr. Tremlett. He lacks nothing of his predecessor, however, in that he shares his enthusiasm for rugby.

This year has seen the introduction of House rugby, and opened up an entirely new field for inter-House competition. West House was well represented in this sport, and drew in the first round with North. There was no replay, however, through the continued bad weather. In the more established game of football we proved unable to match the skill of our rugby counterparts and were defeated in the first round by East. This same House, however, was unable to withstand the onslaught of our senior cricket XI last summer, and we won the final match.

During the second half of the Easter Term athletics raged once more throughout the College. We did well, for once, in "standards," and there were a number of surprises from our confirmed non-athletes on Sports Day, so that our slump in total points was a disappointment, though not

unexpected, since one of our leading performers injured himself by peeling off too many track suits.

All-in-all a tip-top performance was given by the girls this year, with one or two minor exceptions. They lost in the tennis tournament. The three rounders teams all won their final matches and two out of the three netball teams won their finals also. For the first time in House history a new victor claimed the laurels of the hockey field. West House won their final match with East House by one goal to nil.

For these successes we are indebted to the enthusiasm and encouragement given to us by our House Masters and Mistresses. The air of romance still lingers amongst them and they never seem to remain with us long, with one notable exception. We congratulate Miss Wilkinson on her engagement to an eminent member of East House, and although we are sorry to lose her and Miss Goodman, who is also getting married, we wish them every future happiness. As we are leaving, too, we would like to say how much we have enjoyed being with West House, and wish the House every success in the future.

ALLAN CHILVERS, NANCY CARMAN, House Captains

OLD BOYS' AND GIRLS' SOCIETY

Every day we are constantly reminded of the fact that we belong to a new and rapidly expanding College. New foursquare brick buildings are replacing the long, black, rounded nissen huts which served their purpose so well in the past. Our thoughts are turned towards the future and to what it holds. Time marches on, however, and already many of our fellow pupils have left. As a result, this year has seen the formation of an Old Boys' and Girls' Society of Wymondham College.

Like the College, the society is only in the initial stages of development. Invitations were sent out to all old pupils, soon after the Christmas holidays, to join the society, and these were received most enthusiastically. They are still very interested in the activities of the College and wish to remain in close contact with it.

The formation of such a society has made this possible, and many developments are taking place. Continuity of the society from year to year has been placed in the hands of Mr. Ryde. This will obviate any difficulties which might arise when the present secretary no longer resides at the College. A re-union in Wilkinson Court has already been planned for the week-end of 14th July. During the re-union a team of Old Boys will play the

School XI at cricket, and a team of Old Girls will play the School rounders team at rounders.

The total membership to date is 86, with roughly equal numbers of boys and girls. They are already scattered all over the country and some have gone abroad. Several are now serving in Her Majesty's Forces. Aubrey Hammond and Graham Crane are with the Royal Air Force in Germany, and George McNiell is stationed in Iran. Graham Lines, who is doing his National Service in the Army, is in Cyprus with the Royal Norfolks.

Those in Civvy Street are finding good jobs. Jack Smith is serving an executive apprenticeship with the Avon Rubber Company. David Diggle and Bob Collins have chosen banking as a career. Michael Harvey, Michael Sands and John Curry are serving an engineering apprenticeship with Perkins at Peterborough. Mervyn Beck is at Loughborough Training College and Hubert Harbord with Brooke Marine.

Of the girls there is very little to report. Doreen Fenton and Margaret Brown are both at College. Gwen Eastwood will soon be a fully-trained nurse, and Maureen Spooner is teaching at Thetford Primary School.

The Old Boys and Girls of Wymondham College, therefore, are already spreading out over the country following their own professions. News of your activities and whereabouts, when you become Old Boys and Girls, will always be welcome. At the re-union in July, it is hoped that many will be able to return, when the organisation of the society will be discussed, and, as with the College itself, plans made for the future.

ALLAN R. CHILVERS, Secretary

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION RESULTS, 1955

ADVANCED LEVEL, 1955

Taking only one year instead of the normal two, B. L. Figgis passed the advanced level examination in Technical Drawing and A. E. Howe in Art.

ORDINARY LEVEL

*=Pass obtained in December examination.

(OA)=Ordinary Alternative Level.

- ALVEY, J. H.
Metalwork.
- BANYARD, S. G.
English Literature, Geography, Mathematics, Technical Drawing, Woodwork, Engineering Science, English Language*.
- BLASBY, R. W.
English Language, English Literature, Geography, Mathematics, Agricultural Science.
- COPPIN, T. J.
English Literature, Geography, Art, General Science, Technical Drawing, Woodwork.
- CRAWFORD, K. J.
English Language, English Literature, Metalwork.
- CURRY, J.
Mathematics, Technical Drawing.
- DOUGHTY, M. J.
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- FORDER, D. W.
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- SANDS, M. B.
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- SIMMONDS, C. O'B.
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History, Mathematics, Technical
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Biology, Technical Drawing, Wood-
work.
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Metalwork.
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Mathematics, Technical Drawing,
Metalwork, Engineering Science.
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Woodwork.
- WOODYARD, P. W.
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Science.
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Cookery.
- BANHAM, GLENDA
Needlework, Cookery.
- BARKER, HILARY
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Geography.
- CARMAN, STELLA
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English Literature*.
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Art.
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Art.
- GIBSON, JOAN
Needlework.
- GOING, HEATHER
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History, Needlework, Cookery.
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Needlework, Cookery.
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Agricultural Science, Needlework,
Cookery.
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Agricultural Science, Needlework,
Cookery.
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Art.
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Art, Needlework, Cookery.
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graphy, Physics - with - Chemistry,
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Physics-with-Chemistry, Woodwork.
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Metalwork.
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Art, Metalwork.
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History, Geography.
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English Literature, History, Mathe-
matics.
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matics, Physics - with - Chemistry,
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Mathematics*.
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graphy, Biology, Metalwork, English
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- BRISTON, T. J.
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German*.
- BUCKINGHAM, D. W.
German*.
- CUSHION, J. E.
German.
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Chemistry, Metalwork.
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Geography, Physics.
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General Science*.
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Technical Drawing, Woodwork.
- RAINES, B. W.
Religious Knowledge.

- ROGERS, A. J.
General Science*.
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German.
- CHAPMAN, JUNE
English Language*.
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Human Biology.
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Human Biology.
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General Science*.
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Chemistry*.
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tory (OA).
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- CARMAN, NANCY
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- CHAMPION, VIVIENNE
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