

COLLEGE CHRONICLE

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

President: A. P. ROBERTSON. *Vice-President:* D. J. HARRIS. *Secretary:* E. H. LEATON. *Treasurer:* D. A. J. CRAWSHAW. *Committee Member:* M. C. MORGAN.

THE SOCIETY has retained its very high membership this year, in no small way due to the perseverance of the Officers in contacting every mathematician in the College personally.

Seven ordinary meetings were held during the year. Mr Fred Hoyle opened the year with a talk entitled "The Expanding Universe"; the attendance of ninety-seven members and guests on this occasion being a record for the Society. Dr E. A. Maxwell spoke on "Geometries" at the second meeting, while at the third Dr E. H. Linfoot addressed us on "Some Properties of Integers". At the last meeting of the Michaelmas Term, Dr D. R. Taunt gave an account of "Maya Chronology". Speculation before the meeting as to the identity of the Mayas gave rise to the suggestion of Brazil and Persia as their original home; it turned out that they were none other than the ancient inhabitants of the Yucatan peninsula in the Gulf of Mexico.

Mrs C. R. Bardi opened the Lent Term with a talk on "Emden's Equation", an equation which gives the state of equilibrium of a gas sphere. At the next meeting Dr R. Stanley spoke on "Surface Elastic Waves", with details of procedure for the location of earthquakes. Finally Miss M. E. Grimshaw gave a talk on "Darboux Continuity"—a talk which was a trifle beyond at least one member of the audience, who will not hazard an exposition here.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: MR BOYS SMITH. *Captain:* P. J. HOBSON. *Hon. Secretary:* N. R. N. LAKE. *Hon. Secretary, Second XI:* J. S. BOYDELL.

A PLAYING strength of over fifty, which included ten Full Colours and a promising array of Freshmen, saw the Club with fine prospects for a successful run in both the League and the Cup. Unfortunately the League expectations were not realized, this being due mainly to a combination of 'Varsity and Falcon demands, and a series of injuries throughout the Club. In the Cuppers the team revealed the necessary essentials of high football skill and spirit, resulting in the return of the Cup to the College.

In finishing third in the Final League Table, the First XI showed remarkable inconsistency, fine wins of 7-1 and 9-0 over Queens' and Trinity respectively being countered by a resounding defeat (9-2) at the hands of Fitzwilliam House. The latter, however, proved a salutary lesson, and only one further defeat was sustained, 2-1, by Emmanuel.

In the Lent Term, with the return of the Blues and the Falcons, First XI morale was very high, although bad weather considerably reduced the playing programme. Nine games were played without defeat. The cup run in particular gave a fine opportunity to show merit, and, although playing away in every tie, the team achieved a goal analysis of 23 for, with 2 against. In the first round Trinity were defeated 12-0, to be followed by a satisfying 3-1 win over Fitzwilliam. The semi-final, a fast, clean game of high standard, gave us our long awaited Cup match with St Catharine's. A shock goal by St Catharine's in the first minute of the game did not deter us, and with three fine goals we entered the Final. The standard of this game, however, fell below expectations, and the team gave an almost leisurely display to record a 5-0 win from Pembroke.

Other games played included wins against South-East Essex Technical College; R.A.F. Cranwell; St Edmund Hall, Oxford; Wimpole Park F.C., and an admirable goalless draw was fought by a weakened team against University College, London, at Motspur Park.

The Second XI achieved the distinction once more of heading its League, obtaining 31 out of a possible 36 points. This excellent performance is the result of a fine team spirit, and a tribute to the hard work of J. S. Boydell, who carried out the duties of Captain and Secretary. Doubles were achieved over Fitzwilliam House, Pembroke, Downing, and Trinity, whilst the only defeat, 1-0 by Christ's, was a travesty of justice.

This year also it was practicable to run a Third XI, which was soon to be noted for its keenness at all times, and for its varied composition from match to match. Although on many occasions opposed to other College Second XI's, the team always played hard, and with a little more thrust in front of goal, would have done very much better.

The congratulations of the Club are accorded to J. Platt and R. Sutcliffe for representing the University against Oxford, and again to the former for playing continually for the Pegasus F.C. Also to A. Wilkinson and A. Dewhurst, who played for the Falcons against Oxford University Centaurs.

Full Colours were awarded to: J. David, A. Dewhurst, P. S. Lyons, J. A. Slater, R. Sutcliffe.

Half-Colours were awarded to: W. T. Barker, F. B. Corby, W. M. Fairbairn, J. A. Hardman, W. H. Hirst, D. Johnson, G. M. Lees, P. H. Mark.

The Annual Dinner was held on Wednesday, 15 March, when the Senior Guest was Mr Howland.

The Annual Meeting was held on 5 June, when the following Officers were elected for the Season 1950-1: *Captain:* J. A. Slater; *Hon. Secretary:* A. Dewhurst.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

SEASON, 1949-50

President: A. J. MALTBY. *Hon. Secretary:* D. E. LYALL.

THIS season has been a most encouraging one, and the general improvement in the standard of athletics at the University has been most marked in the College Club. Enthusiasm has been high, and we were lucky with the suitable weather all through the season.

The Michaelmas Term was eminently satisfactory, and the Club carried off the College honours by winning both the Inter-College Relays and the newly introduced Inter-College Field Events Competition. Unfortunately, the Lent Term was marked by an unusually large crop of illness and injury, and when the time came for the Final of the Inter-College Sports, we had six of our athletes on the injured list. The result showed that St Catharine's were slightly too strong for us in the circumstances. The final position at the head of the First Division was: 1st—St Catharine's, 112 points; 2nd—St John's, 97 points; 3rd—Peterhouse, 84 points.

A combined match with St Catharine's against two Oxford Colleges—B.N.C. and Lincoln—resulted in a very enjoyable meeting and a satisfactory Cambridge victory. This was followed by the Club dinner, at which R. L. Howland, Esq., presided, and W. Christen, Esq., and R. K. Hayward were guests, when Full Colours were awarded to G. A. Coutie and D. H. Gilbert; and Half-Colours to A. N. Bartholemew, P. H. Clarke, C. H. K. Maltby, R. K. Nuttall, I. K. Orchardson, F. M. de la Torre and C. R. Whittaker.

In the University Sports against Oxford, Christopher Brasher showed once again what a fine runner he is, by winning the three miles after a well-judged race; Angus Scott was again robbed of his middle-distance "double", but his dead-heat for the first place in the 880 yards, and second place in the 440, were highly commendable. A. J. Maltby and D. H. Gilbert also competed.

We extend our best wishes for a successful season to Christopher Brasher, the new President of the University Athletic Club, and to David Gilbert, the new Secretary of the University Hare and Hounds Club.

At the final meeting of the year, David Lyall was elected President, and Angus Coutie, Hon. Secretary, for the year 1950-51. Good luck to them!

THE BADMINTON CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

Captain: D. S. HODGKISS. *Hon. Secretary:* R. FIELDING.
Hon. Treasurer: C. M. MCGREGOR.

WITH five of last year's Colours in residence the Club had every prospect of a successful year.

The First Team's standard of play improved steadily throughout the season but, owing to the loss of several points in early matches the team was finally placed third in the First Division. The last six matches were won without conceding a point. At the beginning of the Michaelmas Term the second team showed promise of heading the Second Division: several games were unnecessarily lost, however, and the team finished one point behind the leaders, Downing II.

This year Cuppers, consisting of three single matches, were held for the first time. The College was represented by D. S. Hodgkiss, C. M. McGregor and R. Fielding. The team reached the semi-final where it lost to a strong Downing team by two matches to one.

A singles tournament was played in the Lent Term. The Club's captain is to be congratulated upon winning it for the second year

in succession, after an exciting final in which he encountered stern opposition from the treasurer. Further congratulations are due to them both on their selection for the University Second Team against Oxford, and the award of "Cockerels" Colours.

Next year's Officers are: *Captain:* H. R. W. Laxton; *Hon. Sec.:* H. Allison; *Hon. Treas.:* A. P. Sparks.

Colours in residence: D. S. Hodgkiss, C. M. McGregor, R. Fielding, J. F. Eden, D. R. Nicholls and H. R. W. Laxton.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: J. K. WADDELL. *Vice-President:* I. W. MACPHERSON.
Secretary: W. HAY. *Treasurer:* A. E. WARDMAN.

THE Society has heard a varied selection of papers during the year, but attendances have been rather disappointing. In the Michaelmas Term papers were read by Mr G. T. Griffith on "Class Warfare in Ancient Greece"; by Mr N. G. L. Hammond on "The Tragic ἀμαρτία in Aeschylus"; and by Dr C. T. Seltman on "Atalanta".

In the Lent Term there was a paper by Dr A. L. Peck on "The Origin of the Tripos", and a philosophical discussion led by Mr Bambrough. In the Easter Term, following the Annual General Meeting, a paper was read by Mr Charlesworth on "The Private Life of the Roman Soldier". The Society's Annual Dinner was held on 5 June.

THE CRICKET CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: MR BAILEY. *Captain:* P. J. HOBSON.
Hon. Secretary: R. D. WILLIAMS.

IF only because of the Secretary's misuse of terms and the ready wit of infamous members of the College, the Cricket Club achieved the distinction this season of figuring in *Varsity's* "Cambridge Diary". But in spite of being advertised as "good" and "drinking types", and having it known that we had a "reasonably biased" umpire, no opposing team appeared to resent our many successes or to put down our few losses to incompetence.

There was a great deal of talent obscured beneath examination neurosis, and in spite of some natural academic concern, strong sides were fielded throughout the term. Many cricketers, indeed, were not

given the recognition they deserve, and it can only be hoped that they will win regular places in the teams next year. As it was, the Second XI was a good representative side, and its fixture list could not do it justice. The "Willows" proved to be a good ventilation by catering for those who would not play, or could not be played, regularly: long may it live, and continue to give relief to harried secretaries!

P. J. Hobson, inveterate sportsman, captained the Club with grace and a competence which more than once was reflected in his own performances at the wicket; supporting him, in a refreshing determination to get runs, were J. S. Lowden, P. H. Sutcliffe, and J. A. Hardman. They did not always "come off" but it was on rare occasions that the whole of the First XI was obliged to bat. But perhaps the team excelled in its bowling and fielding. For once we were able to open our attack with two fast bowlers, and both Dakin and Rankin were worked very hard; a battery of change bowlers backed them up with varied efficiency. Hobson and D. J. Armstrong—who is to be next year's Captain—set a high standard in the field so that the whole team was never disposed to allow the least of mistakes.

Precedents were set with fixtures against Balliol and Homerton, and as both proved to be social as well as sporting successes, they will no doubt be repeated. The fixture list reveals the high standard which has been reached within the few years since the war, and there is every hope that it will be maintained next year: a number of old Colours will still be up, and for the few remaining team places many from this year's sides will be competing.

The Annual Dinner was held on 8 June, and was enlivened by the oratorical skill of Mr Charlesworth, as well as by the contents of barrels stored in a top room in New Court. Len Baker again earned the gratitude of each of the Club's batsmen, and yet still succeeded in keeping the goodwill of the bowlers.

It was a good season, and one's only complaint is that of every cricketer: it was much too short.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1949

President: A. LORD. *Vice-President:* W. R. LEWIS.
Secretary: C. J. PERRATON. *Asst. Secretary:* P. M. LEIGH.

LENT TERM 1950

President: W. R. LEWIS. *Vice-President:* C. J. PERRATON.
Secretary: P. M. LEIGH. *Asst. Secretary:* G. H. C. GRIFFITH.

DURING the year we were honoured to have as guests the Debating Societies of Christ's, Newnham, Girton, and Homerton Colleges, and representatives of the C.U. Married Club and the College Law Society.

The Society managed to keep its constitution relatively intact this year—a proposal to change its name to "The Palmerston Society" being temporarily shelved—but the traditional spirit of anarchistic independence was demonstrated in the subjects and issues of the eight debates held. Members agreed, *inter alia*, that the development of the Arts owed something to the contribution of Women; but thought that Marriage was a hindrance to the Undergraduate; agreed that Crime does Pay but declined to believe that Gambling is Wicked or that Action is a substitute for Thought. It was at this last debate that the Society achieved some indirect notoriety when the seconder of the opposition case—an adroit Gamesman—completely overcame his opponents by hypnotizing a controversial number of Homertonians. The apparent decay in the Society's sense of moral values is undoubtedly due to this blow to their ratiocinative faculties.

We record our sincere thanks to the President of the College for the loan of his rooms, and to Mr H. Wilson Harris and Mr Peter Laslett for their participation in the annual Fellows' Debate.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President:* G. A. HOLMES.
Secretary: W. G. RIMMER. *Treasurer:* D. J. MOSSMAN.

THE first paper of the year was autobiographical in character. Mr Laslett encouraged the Society with "The story of a recent piece of research—Filmer" and was eagerly followed into "The Stately Homes of England" on the one hand and the dark legends of sociology on the other. The next speaker, Mr Bambrough, successfully

disturbed the peace of mind with a provocative paper on "Philosophy and History". The more conservative retired thankfully into their shells of prejudice; but a few ventured into the exhilarating atmosphere of positivism.

For the third meeting of the Michaelmas Term the Society entertained the members of the Sidney Sussex College Confraternitas Historica. Carrying a magic lantern to light their way across the fields of history, and bound with traditional red tape, they arrived with relics and spoils from their ark, harmoniously chanting their plainsong. Dr Smail of Sidney read a paper on "The Origins of Christian Knighthood" which was followed by a lively discussion, during the course of which Mr Laslett displayed a knowledge of Japanese feudalism rivalled only by one of Dr Smail's personal advisers in the Confraternitas.

On 1 December Derek Way read a paper on "Toynbee's *Study of History*". He started the evening by expounding the *Study* with due reference to Spenglerian sources and philosophical weaknesses. Fortified by this information the Society felt confident of its ability to dismantle Toynbee and erect a series of alternative schemes which were noticed to be roughly equal in number to the membership of the Society.

The Lent Term opened with a paper by Norman Adams on "The Smuggling Industry of the West Country at its Height". In a vivid and comprehensive manner he related the extent and techniques of early nineteenth-century smuggling on the South coast. In the discussion it became apparent that most members had personal experience in the art and many felt they had been born a hundred years too late. Professor W. W. Rostow followed with a talk on "The Pattern of American Politics". Dealing with the character of American parties and their role in the political system, Professor Rostow traced the succession of "ins" and "outs" and suggested some correlations between economic factors and their political reflections. The ensuing discussion ranged from woeful prophecies on soil erosion to minute questions about American housing programmes and the last election.

The final paper of the year was read by Ernest Blake on "The Illusion of Objectivity in History". If Mr Blake has a bee in his bonnet it is an extremely fascinating and mellifluous insect. The discussion had promise of being a historical tower of Babel, but Mr Bambrough was present to control and/or extinguish muddled thinking. Instead of dressing to its historical right, the Society shambled into logical step trying its hardest to feel positive about such facts as that Brutus killed Caesar—or did he die of heart failure?

The Society held its Annual Dinner on 9 March. With his "eyes

rolling around the table", Dr Smail proposed the health of the Society and found virtues in its streamlined and flexible constitution. For all those who had a liquidity preference, the evening concluded with a successful adjournment to the Treasurer's rooms. And that night the Society itself made history.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: PROFESSOR JOPSON. *Captains:* J. G. DEWES and K. W. WRIGHT. *Hon. Secretary:* D. J. ARMSTRONG. *Hon. Third XI Secretaries:* H. K. MORTON (Michaelmas Term) and M. F. LITTLEBOY (Lent Term).

BESIDES one Blue and three Wanderers, the Club was fortunate in having four of last year's Colours still available. There were several talented Freshmen among the twenty-five who joined, and we were pleased to enrol some newcomers to the game. After the first fortnight of the Michaelmas Term, J. G. Dewes resigned from the Captaincy on account of his continual absence with the 'Varsity side; he felt that his resignation would be in the best interests of the Club. K. W. Wright was elected unanimously to take his place. The total membership of the Club remained at just over sixty, and three teams were fielded regularly. Two energetic members were invited to perform the duties of Third XI Secretary, which they did with great tact and efficiency. On one occasion we tried to produce four teams, but the 'Varsity, the Wanderers, and "previous engagements" took their toll, and one fixture had to be cancelled.

The First XI began the season with two games drawn and one lost, but went on to win the 1st League with the loss of only one game. A convivial evening was held in the Secretary's rooms to celebrate this success. Double figures were scored against outside teams on three occasions—on one 17-0—but, in the Lent Term, we played only two Colleges before meeting Queens' in the first round of Cuppers. The game, played on the home ground, began slowly but soon opened out after the first goal had been scored. The forwards showed us what they could do, and, in spite of several good saves by Queens' goalkeeper, the final score was 8-2 in our favour. In the second round, our Cuppers career ended in an epic struggle against Pembroke. Both games were played on into extra time, and Pembroke won 2-2 and 3-2, in spite of the encouraging support we had from the touch-line.

The Second XI, under the captaincy of E. O. Blake, distinguished themselves in the newly-established Second XI League. Double-figure scores, and only three defeats, helped to put us among the first

three in the League, but the final result was not certain. The Third XI at full strength, could defeat any other college third, and put up a good fight against one or two college second XI's, but the weather was again the chief enemy, and over half of the fixtures in the Lent Term were cancelled.

In the major outside teams, the Club was well represented. E. Holmes played both for the East, and against Oxford at Beckenham, and we wish him every success as Captain of next year's 'Varsity team. J. G. Dewes played an outstanding game against Oxford, and K. W. Wright also played for the East as well as for the 'Varsity on five occasions. T. J. Aitchison, G. V. Argyle, and D. J. Armstrong are to be congratulated on being elected Wanderers. Particular mention must be made of our President, Professor Jopson, who, in spite of the pressure of business away from Cambridge, still found the time and energy to come up to the hockey ground on every possible occasion.

On 14 March, in the Old Music Room, the Club enjoyed an excellent dinner for which Mr Sadler and his staff are to be congratulated. It was followed by short, sparkling speeches from the President, and the guests, Mr Wordie, Dr Lang, P. J. Hobson, and J. Hall. The customary celebrations were continued in the Secretary's rooms to a late hour.

Touring arrangements this year were not successful. The Dutch Students' team was unable to come in February, and the projected College hockey week in Dublin at the beginning of the Easter vacation also had to be cancelled, chiefly for financial reasons.

Our congratulations go to the following who have been awarded their Colours: First XI, D. A. J. Crawshaw, M. M. Ispahani, and A. B. Rood; Second XI, A. C. Avis, M. H. Dehn, M. G. H. Dickinson, K. T. Fuad, P. Greener, M. A. Jeeves, H. R. W. Laxton, W. G. Popple, J. J. Read, and E. S. Room.

The Officers for next season were elected at a meeting in the Captain's rooms on 29 April: *Captain*: D. J. Armstrong; *Hon. Secretary*: A. B. Rood; *Hon. Assistant Secretary*, J. A. Raffle.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

MICHAELMAS TERM 1949

President: THE MASTER. *First Boat Captain*: P. M. O. MASSEY. *Secretaries*: D. D. MACKLIN and W. M. DIXON. *Second Boat Captain*: R. S. EMERY. *Junior Treasurer*: H. M. STEWART.

Two Light Fours made an early start in training, but bad luck was more potent than good training for A. L. Macleod was stricken

down after the first two rounds and the rearranged IV was unable to beat Clare in the final. The First IV beat Pembroke A by 22 seconds, Emmanuel B by 11, Trinity Hall A, after the change, by 5½, but lost to Clare by 11 seconds. The Second IV beat Emmanuel A by 11½ seconds but lost to Trinity Hall by 22 seconds. The orders were:

Bow D. D. Macklin
2 A. L. Macleod (*Steerer*)
3 C. B. M. Lloyd
Str. J. L. M. Crick

H. H. Almond (*Steerer*)
W. M. Dixon
W. T. Arthur
R. S. Emery

In the change, Almond steered the First IV and Macklin moved to no. 2.

A Clinker Four composed mainly of last year's Third May VIII put up a very courageous battle in the semi-final against King's, who won the final easily. After defeating St Catharine's A, they dead-heated with King's and lost the re-row over half the course by ½ second. The order was:

T. C. Line
G. C. Chapman
R. L. Winter
Str. D. R. Morris
Cox R. Mewton

There were two entries from the Club for the Colquhoun Sculls: P. M. O. Massey who lost in the first round and C. B. M. Lloyd who lost by ½ second in the final.

The First Fairbairn VIII were very considerably upset by late changes, and finished fifth. The Second VIII produced an unexpected turn of speed and finished sixth; for this performance they were given the "crockpots". The Third, Fourth, Sixth and Ninth VIII's dropped a few places, but the Fifth, Seventh and Eighth made a number of places.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII

Bow G. R. Wace
2 D. R. Morris
3 J. H. Scott Park
4 T. W. W. Pemberton
5 W. M. Dixon
6 R. F. A. Sharpley
7 R. L. Winter
Str. R. S. Emery
Cox H. M. Stewart

Second VIII

Bow D. G. Scott
2 G. C. Chapman
3 E. J. Worlidge
4 J. B. Wills
5 N. J. Day
6 P. Garbett
7 N. B. M. Clack
Str. J. McDowall
Cox R. Mewton

Third VIII

Bow D. MacIver
 2 G. F. Mayall
 3 R. E. Batchelor
 4 A. D. N. King
 5 W. M. Sewell
 6 M. T. Welford
 7 J. R. D'Arcy
Str. K. E. Smith
Cox P. Prestt

Fifth VIII

Bow J. F. M. Newman
 2 I. B. Lyon
 3 R. H. Morgan
 4 A. S. Valentine
 5 D. T. Finlay
 6 R. K. Gilbert
 7 P. M. Dunn
Str. P. M. Hacking
Cox R. Fielding

Eighth VIII

Bow P. C. Absolon
 2 G. J. R. Pike
 3 R. W. Riley
 4 G. Ross
 5 N. H. Edwards
 6 J. A. Binnian
 7 J. R. Dingle
Str. D. H. Smith
Cox A. J. Hosking

Fourth VIII

Bow B. N. Fox
 2 G. T. Armstrong
 3 G. T. Wordie
 4 D. F. Gent
 5 H. F. Beaumont
 6 J. S. Cross
 7 D. A. Leach
Str. L. A. Officer
Cox E. G. Hill

Sixth VIII

Bow J. B. Cotton
 2 P. J. D. Kirk
 3 H. M. F. Barnes
 4 T. D. O'Leary
 5 V. R. S. Beckley
 6 H. N. Udall
 7 P. C. Dannatt
Str. A. E. MacRobert
Cox G. Gregory

Ninth VIII

Bow D. M. Andrews
 2 R. J. Dee
 3 G. R. P. Henton
 4 R. D. Ogden
 5 H. T. Bruce
 6 D. R. Jones
 7 A. E. Campbell
Str. J. V. Williams
Cox P. F. Roe

A scratch crew was raised at two days' notice and rowed as the Seventh VIII.

The following members of the Club rowed in the Trial Eights: H. H. Almond, R. K. Hayward, P. M. O. Massey, W. T. Arthur, J. L. M. Crick (*stroke*) in the winning crew, and D. D. Macklin, G. W. Harding and R. J. Blow (*cox*). A. L. Macleod and C. B. M. Lloyd coached the crews.

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The First VIII achieved the triumph of rowing over Head for four nights without being hard pressed. The Second VIII were bumped by Emmanuel on the first night, but by a supreme effort of self-control kept clear of Downing, before going up on the last two nights at the expense of Selwyn and Caius. The Third VIII fell to Magdalene II on Friday and King's II on Saturday. The Fourth VIII bumped Trinity Hall IV, Sidney Sussex II and Mag-

dalene III but fell to the latter on the last night as the result of an accident. The Fifth VIII bumped Jesus V and Queens' IV, being robbed on the second and fourth nights. The Sixth VIII, the doctors, overbumped Trinity VI and went on to bump Selwyn IV, Fitzwilliam House III and Jesus V. The Seventh, who were successful in the Getting-on-Race, unfortunately fell to Magdalene IV on the first night but rowed over the other three.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII

Bow G. R. Wace
 2 T. W. W. Pemberton
 3 W. M. Dixon
 4 R. L. Winter
 5 E. J. Worlidge
 6 R. F. A. Sharpley
 7 A. T. Brown
Str. R. S. Emery
Cox P. Prestt

Third VIII

Bow D. R. Howe
 2 A. D. N. King
 3 H. F. Beaumont
 4 G. T. Wordie
 5 D. A. Leach
 6 J. S. Cross
 7 G. C. Chapman
Str. A. Woodhead
Cox C. R. Reese

Fifth VIII

Bow M. T. Andrews
 2 J. Sissener
 3 P. C. Absolon
 4 H. N. Udall
 5 D. E. Side
 6 G. Ross
 7 R. W. Riley
Str. J. A. Binnian
Cox P. F. Roe

Second VIII

Bow B. N. Fox
 2 P. Garbett
 3 W. M. Sewell
 4 J. B. Wills
 5 N. J. Day
 6 J. H. Scott Park
 7 D. G. Scott
Str. J. MacDowall
Cox R. Mewton

Fourth VIII

Bow D. MacIver
 2 G. F. Mayall
 3 R. E. Batchelor
 4 M. T. Welford
 5 T. C. Line
 6 D. F. Gent
 7 J. R. Dingle
Str. D. H. Smith
Cox A. J. Hosking

Sixth VIII

Bow J. F. M. Newman
 2 I. B. Lyon
 3 R. H. Morgan
 4 A. S. Valentine
 5 D. T. Finlay
 6 R. K. Gilbert
 7 P. M. Dunn
Str. P. M. Hacking
Cox R. Fielding

Seventh VIII

Bow J. H. B. Cotton
 2 T. D. O'Leary
 3 G. R. P. Henton
 4 G. T. Armstrong
 5 N. H. Edwards
 6 A. E. MacRobert
 7 H. T. Bruce
Str. P. J. D. Kirk
Cox G. Gregory

The Club had a success in the Fairbairn Junior Sculls when T. W. W. Pemberton won the final with some ease. His hardest race was in the first round, when he beat A. R. Bigland (Trinity Hall) by 2 seconds.

After a week's enjoyable training with the University crew at Ely the First VIII won the Reading Head of the River Race by 15 seconds for the third year running. They then rowed from Reading to the Tideway for the Putney Race. In this race after a bad start the Club settled down and rowed well enough to finish second by 5 seconds, having started seventh and overtaken Clare, Pembroke and Reading University. This was a good achievement. An eight was entered for the Chester Race but was scratched through illness. The Reading and Putney crew was:

Bow P. Garbett
 2 T. W. W. Pemberton
 3 W. M. Dixon
 4 R. F. A. Sharpley
 5 E. J. Worlidge
 6 R. K. Hayward
 7 G. W. Harding
Str. R. S. Emery
Cox R. J. Blow

The Club was represented by six members in the University crew which won by three lengths. These were: H. H. Almond (*bow*); A. L. Macleod (*President*), 3; P. M. O. Massey, 4; W. T. Arthur, 5; C. B. M. Lloyd, 7; J. L. M. Crick (*stroke*).

EASTER TERM 1950

At the C.U.B.C. meeting C. B. M. Lloyd was elected President for the ensuing year and H. H. Almond, Secretary.

A. L. Macleod and C. B. M. Lloyd (*stroke*) entered for both the Lowe Double Sculls and the Magdalene Pairs. In the former they reached the final without much difficulty but were defeated there by Trinity Hall by 2 seconds, having hit the bank at First Post Corner when they were up. In the Pairs they met a Clare pair, the eventual winners, in the first round and after a fierce race lost by 1 second.

THE MAY RACES

Much was expected of the Club in the Races, and hopes were well fulfilled, with nine crews on the river and a total of 31 bumps made. Only one place was lost, and that temporarily.

The First VIII fully lived up to its reputation by making its bumps

at First Post Corner on Jesus, in the Gut on First and Third Trinity and Trinity Hall, and at Grassy Corner on Clare to gain the Headship.

The Second VIII bumped Downing I very early on the first night, but was robbed by Caius on the second and had to row over. Bumping Jesus II in the Gut—thus becoming the highest second boat on the river—the crew completed its triumph by catching Caius I on Grassy on the last night.

The Third VIII was of a very high standard, missing its oars only by a failure to bump Clare II on the third night. Bumps on Christ's II, Jesus III, and ultimately on Clare II, brought it to the position of highest third boat on the river.

The Fourth VIII was bumped on the first night near the Glass-houses by Pembroke III, but went up on the last two nights at the expense of Trinity Hall IV and St Catharine's III.

The next four boats each made four bumps, and all before Grassy Corner, with the exception of the Eighth VIII which started second in the Seventh Division on the second night and had to row to the Red Grind. The Fifth VIII bumped Selwyn IV, Emmanuel IV, Jesus VI, and Queens' IV. The Sixth (Medical) VIII started two places behind the Fifth and bumped King's III, Selwyn IV, Emmanuel IV and Jesus VI. The Seventh (Gentlemen's) VIII bumped Corpus III, St Catharine's VI, Sidney IV, and Peterhouse V. The Eighth VIII bumped Downing V, Magdalene V, Selwyn V and Corpus III.

The Rigger Boat was unlucky to miss its first bump, but made three without difficulty—on King's V, First and Third Trinity VIII and Fitzwilliam House IV. It is worthy of note that this was the first Ninth boat ever to have rowed in the Races.

It will be seen that the Club had an outstandingly successful May Races, and our thanks for this must go to the coaches of the First and Second VIII's, R. Meldrum, R. H. H. Symonds, Dr J. R. Owen, and particularly to Professor Walker whose efforts were devoted to almost all the crews; also to the members of the First and Second crews, for their time and trouble.

The crews were:

First VIII
Bow H. H. Almond
 2 D. D. Macklin
 3 R. K. Hayward
 4 A. L. Macleod
 5 W. T. Arthur
 6 P. M. O. Massey
 7 C. B. M. Lloyd
Str. J. L. M. Crick
Cox R. J. Blow

Second VIII
Bow P. Garbett
 2 T. W. W. Pemberton
 3 E. J. Worlidge
 4 W. M. Dixon
 5 N. B. M. Clack
 6 R. F. A. Sharpley
 7 G. W. Harding
Str. R. S. Emery
Cox H. M. Stewart

Third VIII

Bow B. N. Fox
 2 G. R. Wace
 3 G. C. Chapman
 4 D. R. Morris
 5 N. J. Day
 6 J. H. Scott Park
 7 A. T. Brown
Str. J. B. Wills
Cox P. Prestt

Fifth VIII

Bow P. C. Absolon
 2 J. A. Binnian
 3 G. F. Mayall
 4 M. T. Welford
 5 H. F. Beaumont
 6 G. Ross
 7 G. T. Wordie
Str. D. F. Gent
Cox G. Gregory

Seventh VIII

Bow E. Stamp
 2 G. Potsios
 3 J. R. Bambrough
 4 W. A. Donaldson
 5 C. L. Cadbury
 6 D. C. Lennon
 7 D. A. Leach
Str. E. R. F. Crossman
Cox E. G. Hill

Ninth VIII

Bow M. C. Templeton
 2 I. F. Goodhand
 3 M. T. Hopper
 4 R. L. West
 5 J. T. Nye
 6 C. W. Storr
 7 A. J. Greenstreet
Str. P. Suckling
Cox D. Berry

Fourth VIII

Bow D. E. Side
 2 A. D. N. King
 3 R. W. Riley
 4 D. H. Smith
 5 T. C. Line
 6 W. M. Sewell
 7 J. R. Dingle
Str. J. McDowall
Cox R. Mewton

Sixth VIII

Bow J. F. M. Newman
 2 I. B. Lyon
 3 R. H. Morgan
 4 A. S. Valentine
 5 D. T. Finlay
 6 R. K. Gilbert
 7 P. M. Dunn
Str. P. M. Hacking
Cox R. Fielding

Eighth VIII

Bow G. R. P. Henton
 2 G. J. R. Pike
 3 C. R. Reese
 4 B. J. Drake
 5 V. R. S. Beckley
 6 M. V. Lloyd
 7 H. T. Bruce
Str. P. J. D. Kirk
Cox A. J. Hosking

THE LADY MARGARET PLAYERS

President: MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Vice-Presidents:* THE MASTER, THE PRESIDENT, THE DEAN, MR WATT. *Chairman:* P. G. CROFT. *Secretary:* M. W. STEPHENS. *Treasurer:* J. B. DENSON. *Committee Members:* D. A. BOND, J. HOSIER.

ITS membership more than doubled by the influx of enthusiastic Freshmen and others, all of whom passed preliminary auditions with encouraging facility, the Society devoted the Michaelmas Term to the rehearsal and production of *Christ's Comet* by Christopher Hassall. Four consecutive performances were given in the College Chapel at the end of November, the author of the play being among the audience on the last night. It was apparent from the experience of this production that there is not a very large, ready audience for this form of drama in Cambridge—though there were compensating indications that during this term audiences were generally smaller and less ready throughout the University—and the continuation of the attempt to create a wider audience for religious drama in the future will depend almost entirely upon the Society's conviction that the pursuit is valuable.

The Annual Dinner was held on 28 November, when the enjoyment of the forty or so members and guests was increased by the Master's appropriate and amusing speech in proposing the toast of the Society. In the course of the proceedings an inscribed book was presented to the Chairman, as producer of the Christmas play, by the members of the cast.

The plays read during the Lent Term were arranged to cover both aspects of the Society's present activities. On the one hand were read *Everyman*, T. S. Eliot's *The Family Reunion*, and *This Way to the Tomb* by Ronald Duncan. Johnian playwrights were represented by Jonson's *Bartholomew Fair* and Greene's *Frier Bacon and Frier Bongay*. At an open meeting held in the Old Music Room at the end of the term, works of a member of the Society, Donald Rudd, were read. These were a one act play, *The Listeners*, originally written for broadcasting, and the first act of an unfinished play, *No Exit*.

Following these readings, the Society invited Rudd to give dramatic form to an idea he had confessed, and so provide a new play for performance in May Week. *An Evening in June* was performed on two nights at the end of term in the Fellows' Garden before large and appreciative audiences.

Owing partly to the proximity of respective productions there has been little interchange between performers in College and

University productions through the year. This has given the appearance of a hardening of the arteries between the smaller and larger societies, and has prevented that blending of the "parochial" and the "cosmopolitan" which the free flow of blood might effect, both strengthening the one and freshening the other. Yet the College Society is energetically supported by both talent and skill, and has within itself the power to do great things, if it will dare.

THE LADY MARGARET SINGERS

President: MR ORR. *Vice-Presidents:* DR HERBERT HOWELLS, MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Conductor:* G. H. GUEST. *Secretaries:* J. W. D. MARGETSON, J. K. WADDELL.

THE year 1949-50 has been a memorable one for the Singers in every way. At the end of the last academic year we had built up a certain reputation and *esprit de corps* which led the Conductor and Secretaries to seek some definite means of establishing the Singers on a more permanent basis. No one can predict with certainty how long any particular group will flourish amid the many competing attractions of the University; but enthusiasm is more likely to persist when it is fostered and guided by wisdom and experience. Guided by these considerations we invited Dr Herbert Howells and Mr Thistlethwaite to become joint Vice-Presidents of the group: to them, to our Senior Treasurer, Mr Lee, and particularly to our President, Mr Orr, who has continually helped and advised us, we offer our gratitude and thanks.

We began the year with a long-term plan for a public recital of sacred music to be given, with the permission of the authorities, in the College Chapel on 1 February. This would, we hoped, give the B.B.C., who had been unable to arrange a broadcast for us last year, ample time to make arrangements. Our only public appearance during the Michaelmas Term was at the University Musical Club on 19 November, when we gave a most successful performance of Gustav Holst's setting of "This Have I Done For My True Love". The rest of our rehearsal time was devoted to preparation of the music for the recital—namely Victoria's motet and mass, "O Quam Gloriosum", Benjamin Britten's cantata, "Rejoice in the Lamb", and Gerald Finzi's anthem, "Lo, the Full, Final Sacrifice".

The recital was very successful and was favourably reviewed; Malcolm Boyle accompanied us splendidly on the organ in the Britten and the Finzi, and played an interesting group of solo pieces, which included a Rhapsody specially composed for the occasion and based

on themes by Garrett and Dr Rootham. The soloists (Ann Keynes, Derek Setchell, John Whitworth, Andrew Hambling and John Rust) and the choir as a whole acquitted themselves nobly. The small financial profit made it possible to hold a small and very successful party later in the term.

The only disappointment was the inability of the B.B.C., even at such long notice, to arrange a broadcast; John Margetson, who acted most ably as Secretary during Jack Waddell's absence during the Lent Term, did, however, contrive by judicious correspondence to arrange for the B.B.C. to record us instead, in a performance of the Seven Unaccompanied Songs of Gerald Finzi. The performance was excellent, in spite of the minor irritations of broken needles and dropped pencils; the recording was broadcast on the Third Programme on 30 May.

During the Easter vacation the Conductor received an invitation for the Singers to give two recitals during the Aldeburgh Festival on 19 June. Most of the Easter Term was spent in preparation for this honourable but exacting climax to the year's programme. More recently, we have been asked to sing the Finzi songs at the University Musical Club's May Week Concert—another unusual honour; we shall also, as is fitting, be singing in the College May Week Concert—four Part Songs: "Come, Pretty Wag, and Sing" by Parry; "To Daffodils" and "Spring, the Sweet Spring" set by Moeran, and Delius's two Part Songs "to be sung of a summer night on the river".

THE LAW SOCIETY

SEASON 1949-50

President: J. F. EDEN. *Secretary:* K. J. FISHER. *Treasurer:* G. D. MACKAY. *Committee:* A. C. AVIS, G. H. C. GRIFFITHS, D. G. SCOTT, R. L. WINTER, K. T. FUAD.

FOR the lawyer the past year has been full of interest. He has witnessed the changing of many long-recognized legal doctrines, and he has endeavoured to keep pace with the many important decisions of the High Court. He has indeed been busy. It has been the aim of the Law Society to give members an opportunity of discussing, and arguing, these controversial points of law between themselves, and it was therefore decided to include in our yearly programme several series of short moots. These proved most successful and instructive.

In the Michaelmas Term we were addressed by Mr H. Tilling, a common law barrister, who spoke on "Police, County, Assize and

Coroner's Court Work". He followed the usual course of visiting barristers by making it quite plain to us that the first few years at the Bar would be lean. After this depressing start his talk developed into an amusing account of the more "interesting" cases in which he had taken part. Later in the term we were visited by Sir William Ball, O.B.E., at one time King's Remembrancer. His subject was the "Art of Advocacy" with which he dealt very fully. His talk was most helpful, and cleverly illustrated by incidents which he had experienced whilst at the Bar. The Society hopes that Sir William did not have too much difficulty in persuading the Railway Officials that the envelope really did contain all the pieces of his return ticket to London!

The highlight of the Lent Term was the Annual Dinner which was held on 3 February. The Guest of Honour was Professor G. L. Williams, M.A., LL.D., Professor of Public Law at London University. The Society were much amused by the witty speech of the Guest of Honour, and showed appreciation of Professor Sir Percy Winfield's remarks on proposing the toast of the Society. Also during the Lent Term we had a talk by Mr E. Garth Moore who guided us through the alliterative paths of "Byways and Backwaters Possibly Profitable", in which he outlined those branches of the legal profession which were not usually reckoned with when mapping out one's career. Later in the term we had a very learned talk by Dr K. Lipstein on *Ius Primae Noctis*. He had clearly done a great amount of research into his subject, but admitted that he had only been able to find one reference to the *Ius Primae Noctis*, and that was by a Scotsman.

The Society would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr K. Scott for his invaluable help in finding visiting speakers for our meetings. We would also like to offer our congratulations to Mr S. J. Bailey on being elected Rouse Ball Professor of English Law, and to Dr R. M. Jackson on being elected to fill the new Readership of Public Law and Administration.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

Captain: N. ROSSER. *Secretary:* A. J. MALTBY.

THE College Club has had a most satisfactory season, with all last year's VI still "up", with the exception of K. S. Khong. The Inter-College League was a triumph for the First VI, Norman Rosser and Graham Holland as first pair, Tim Aitchison and Pat

Hobson as second pair, and Dick Kittermaster and David Peters as third pair, must be congratulated on being undefeated; the only matches that the College lost were those when members of the above team were unable to play. However, we won the League Challenge Cup, and celebrated its first return to the College since 1934, by a lively party in the Secretary's rooms.

In the "Cuppers" knock-out competition, we were unlucky to be drawn against Trinity, whose double pair and singles combination included the University captain. We lost the double by 2-6, 6-2, 5-7, and we lost two of the three singles.

In the League, the College Second VI only lost to Peterhouse I, and so finished second in their division. There were some promising freshmen playing, and we hope that they may take the place of the four of our First VI who are going down this June. Second VI colours were awarded to J. R. Shakeshaft and M. M. Ispahani.

In other matches, we had our usual May-Week fixture against Balliol College, Oxford, and had a most enjoyable day's play; we finally won by a satisfactory margin. The First VI also defeated University College, London, L.T.C.

The season has been a successful and an enjoyable one, and we extend our best wishes to the Club for the coming year.

THE MEDICAL SOCIETY

President: PROF. HARRIS. *Vice-President:* J. F. M. NEWMAN.

Hon. Secretary: P. M. HACKING.

AT the beginning of the Michaelmas Term a Freshers' and Seniors' Party was held so that medical students of all three years might have an early opportunity of meeting each other. Unfortunately during the term our promised speakers were unable to come, but we were very grateful to Dr Winfield for generously giving a Christmas party in his rooms at the end of term. Here we learnt with regret that Dr Baldwin, who has given biochemical supervision to many Johnians, was leaving to take up the Professorship of Biochemistry at London University. It was decided to present him with a silver cigarette box to mark our appreciation and to wish him the best of fortune.

During the Lent Term Dr Jack Davies gave us several amusing angles on "The Life and Training of the American Medical Student"; Dr Partridge, of St George's Hospital, spoke in a fascinating way on the subject of "Lunacy and the History of its Treatment"; and Dr Cater recounted some interesting experiences in the Far East,

under the title "Believe It or Not". Following the example given two years ago we held a discussion, at which Drs Bertram and Wright were present, on "Factors Affecting One's Choice of a Hospital", during which members put forward reasons for their own choice. Once again the term's activities were rounded off with a successful party held in M2, Second Court.

During the Easter Term no meetings are held, but it is hoped that during the Long Vacation Term the tradition of holding the Society's Annual Dinner will be maintained.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: THE PRESIDENT. *Musical Director:* MR ORR. *Librarian:* DR HOLLICK. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Junior Treasurer:* J. H. DAVIES. *Secretary:* J. K. WADDELL (Michaelmas Term), L. A. OFFICER (Lent and Easter Terms). *Committee Members:* G. H. GUEST, J. F. RUST, J. U. SIDGWICK.

DURING the year there have been four concerts besides the May Concert, one of which was open to non-members. The potentialities of the Society were realized in particular at the Open Concert in November, when the College Orchestra performed Boyce's Overture to a Cambridge Ode, being conducted from the harpsichord. This Concert is usually known as the Combination Room Concert, but has taken place for the last two years in the Hall—a change of name is therefore desirable unless the Society is fortunate enough to return the Concert to its former surroundings.

A feature both of the Open and of the May Concerts has been the performances of the Male Voice Choir. The Choir meets regularly throughout the year—unlike the Orchestra, which hibernates until it is required for concert purposes, and so does not give itself the best of opportunities.

Both the Male Voice Choir and the Orchestra are too large to perform at the Smoking Concerts in the Music Room. These Concerts are sadly neglected by members of the Society, and have been a great disappointment to the organizers and performers. Their general standard deserves far more attention. Works of particular interest have included a Sonata for Flute and Piano by Stanley Bate, two movements from Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, and Three Chinese Songs by Mr Orr.

The Music Room is seldom empty during music hours, and so it would appear that membership of the Society to many means no more than the chance to play a piano for an hour or so each week. This state of affairs is excellent up to a point, but better attendance

at the Smoking Concerts, and greater willingness to perform, would encourage the "faithful few" and help to make a society rather than a collection of individuals.

The May Concert is an entirely different matter; tickets were in great demand this year. The programme included three choirs: the Chapel Choir sang three Madrigals, the choristers singing without copies of the music; the Lady Margaret Singers sang modern Part Songs, especially interesting being two by Delius "to be sung of a summer night on the river" without words; the Male Voice Choir sang four arrangements of English Folk Songs. The Orchestra played a symphony by Abel, and the three remaining items were a group of Folk Songs arranged by Britten, "Dolly Suite" by Fauré for Piano Duet, and "Trois Pièces Brèves" for five wind instruments by Ibert. The Committee wishes to thank all those who have contributed to the success of this Concert.

THE NASHE SOCIETY

President: P. M. LLOYD. *Secretary:* J. B. BEER.

Treasurer: G. L. GREEN.

"INGENIOUS, ingenuous, fluent, facetious Thomas Nashe: from whose abundant pen hony flow'd to his friends and mortal Acaonite to his enemies: he that made the Doctor a flat Dunce, and beat him at two sundry tall weapons, Poetrie and Oratorie. . . ."—once more that elusive spirit has been at work among us, teaching us to despise pedantry as much as we abhor ignorance and to combine inexpensive pleasures of the palate with priceless treasures of the tongue.

We had good Lenten Stuffe this year. Mr Sykes Davies talked about the influence of Sir John Cheke and other early Johnians on the "choice of words" in English, and suggested a continuous Johnian tradition in favour of Aristotle's principle, "Wisest thoughts in liveliest language". Later in the term, Joseph Horrell, a research student from the Southern States, gave us an account of some modern American poets, and read a number of poems by John Crowe Ransom—including the modern ballad of disillusion, "Captain Carpenter". The ironical shades of meaning (not always perceptible to the English reader) were well brought out by Mr Horrell's soft Southern accent.

In the Easter Term, Peter Allt's paper on "Yeats, Religion and History" was well received by the Society. The phrase, however, in which he tried to crystallize the conflicting strains of Yeats's philosophy—"This is true but I do not believe it"—did not go unchallenged in the ensuing discussion. From these vast issues we

descended at the end of term to a thoroughly parochial evening, when Peter Croft read some highlights from the *Lighter Green*, *The Eaglet* and *The Jackdaw*—past rivals of *The Eagle* in John's. He assured us, however, in the words of his title, that these were merely "jackdaws chattering in vain attempting to rival the Eagle, Holy Bird of Zeus".

THE "P" CLUB

President: THE PRESIDENT. *Vice-President:* E. H. KRONHEIMER.
Secretary: R. J. NEWTON.

"It was icy, that night, and it hailed and it snowed,
it thundered, my boy, and it blew;
when piercing the uproar there came a wild cry:
They were hooves, those were hooves I heard galloping by!
but the wind only howled out the vaguest reply
and uprooted an oak-tree or two.

"In the meanwhile the 'P' Club was meeting again,
or perhaps not: for none is *au fait*.
Yet all will assert that it probably was,
since the 'P' Club meets almost as much as its laws
have laid down it should do, which gives it some cause
for a satisfied *quoi je ne sais*."

"O Father, one thing more, one thing more I ask;
pray tell me one thing more, just one:
what was it the 'P' Club that terrible night
—or perhaps on some other, quite possibly quite
as horrid and awful and lots more such trite
expressions—what was it they done?"

"My boy, what it was we shall never now learn,
so a shrug is my only response;
for now they had papers on Louis Macniece
by Richard J. Newton, and now they read Aeschylus' *Agamemnon*—a piece about Greece—
in five different translations at once.

"So just what they did that equivocal eve
is known unto no one but God.
That it *might* have been Jonson's *Volpone* but few
would dream of dismissing outright as untrue,
yet it might just as well have been Marlowe's *The Jew*,
ou (par Dryden) Marriage à la Mode."

"And could it be Ibsen's *An Enemy of the People* or Strindberg they read?"
"It could have been *Easter* or *Swan White* (a sore point, Auden's *The Age of Anxiety*, or John Webster's *The Duchess of...*" "Father, no more!
It is late, and I'm going to bed."

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

SEASON 1949-50

President: J. W. D. MARGETSON. *Honorary Vice-President:* THE MASTER. *Vice-Presidents:* MR WORDIE, DR DANIEL. *Senior Treasurer:* MR FARMER. *Junior Treasurer:* D. S. BURNETT. *Secretary:* C. I. M. O'BRIEN. *Committee:* A. BAKAR, P. K. CLARK, C. EMBLETON.

DURING the Michaelmas Term there were two meetings. A. Bakar read a paper on Malaya at the first of them. At the second, the Society moved from the Tropics to the Arctic to hear Dr W. A. Deer describe a recent visit to Baffin Land.

In the Lent Term, J. W. D. Margetson succeeded P. K. Clark in the presidency. D. S. Burnett gave a talk on Malta based largely on his experiences there, while serving in the Navy. At a later meeting Mr. E. Miller spoke on "Dr Darby's *Historical Geography*". His criticisms of a geographer's work from a historian's viewpoint caused a keen discussion. Inevitably, this led round to the perennial question: "What is Geography?"

The climax of the year's activities was the Annual Dinner on 13 March. The Guests of the Society were Professor Hutton, the retiring Professor of Social Anthropology, and Dr W. A. Deer.

Only one meeting was held in the Easter Term: K. Jolly delivered a paper on "Stone Age South Africa".

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: SIR PERCY WINFIELD, K.C. *Captain:* J. HALL. *Hon. Secretary:* E. W. MARSDEN. *Hon. Match Secretary:* J. M. PROSSER. *Hon. Cygnets' Secretary:* J. HODGSON.

THE past season must have been one of the most successful the Club has ever had, both in respect of numbers and standard of play. Six

teams were run, of which four competed in the League. The Cygnets, who comprised those players of the Fourth Team and below, were conspicuous for their enthusiasm. Their experiment of playing an away match proved most successful, for Exeter College's Second XV were beaten 9-6 at Oxford. The referee on that occasion, it should perhaps be mentioned, was J. Hodgson, who performed the arduous duties of Cygnets' Secretary with great tact and all the efficiency of a civil servant designate.

In the League matches before Christmas, the Fourth XV finished half way up the Fifth Division, and thoroughly justified its inclusion in the League. The Third XV, captained by Hodgson and ably assisted by W. D. Cockburn and T. O. P. Preen, finished at the top of the Fourth Division. Next year it will join the Second XV in the Third Division. The latter team retained its usual position at the head of that division, from which it is not allowed to rise, although it has defeated several college first teams in friendly matches. The stalwarts of the Second XV were J. T. Nye, M. C. Templeton, R. F. Salisbury and H. Allison. After a good start the First XV, considerably weakened on this occasion by injury, succumbed once more to Jesus. It recovered later, however, and finished runner-up to Jesus in the First Division.

We must next offer our congratulations to those players who distinguished themselves outside the College: to A. F. Dorward on what we hope is only the first of many Scottish caps and on being captain of the University side; to G. P. Vaughan and R. C. C. Thomas on being awarded their Blues and to J. B. Chaumeton on being elected to the LX Club. I. F. Goodhand and J. O. Mavor also played for the 'Varsity on occasions during the season, and for the LX Club in which we were also represented at times by K. J. Fisher and J. M. Prosser.

The First XV started the Lent Term well with comfortable victories over Lincolnshire and Guy's Hospital Second XV, but the first Cuppers' game proved to be one of those last-minute victories which have so often worried Johnian spectators in recent seasons. Neither backs nor forwards settled down against Trinity Hall, although the backs were mainly at fault for they tended to give their forwards the impression that they would not get through, even if they managed to give and take their passes successfully. Trinity Hall scored a try and a penalty goal against a penalty goal by Chaumeton and a try resulting from a Dorward kick ahead, which was touched down by Prosser (as usual well in the van). Late in the game our forwards pinned their opponents in their own half, but no score seemed likely until a goal dropped by Marsden near the end settled the issue. Clare, our next opponents, were a very tough proposition.

Our forwards, however, played magnificently, dominating a heavier pack, and the backs supported them well after a poor start. A well-placed diagonal kick by Hall enabled Fisher to score a fine try, but Clare retaliated with a goal and a try from unorthodox but clever movements. We fought back well against this deficit and Chaumeton kicked a penalty goal. Finally, Thomas, backing up his three-quarters about fifteen yards from the line, took an inside pass at such speed that he hardly needed to elude the opposing full-back to score a fine try. A great feature of the game was the corner-flagging from the second row by P. G. Wade. John Hall, the captain, was injured in the second half and, although he continued until the end on the wing, he had to stand down for the remaining two games. This was a great blow, but M. L. Grant proved a most able substitute. In the semi-final, Jesus were easily beaten. Fisher opened the scoring with a good try, soon followed by others, including one by Vaughan, who side-stepped three men like a three-quarter, and one by J. W. Mawle, whose falling on the ball and tackling were invaluable throughout the series.

The tremendous demonstrations of support provided by what appeared to be the rest of the College greatly heartened the team, anxiously waiting to take the field for the Final against Pembroke, which was watched by a crowd of 5000. Until half-time, however, there was no score, but the forwards had gradually worn down the Pembroke pack and the second half proved fairly fruitful in tries. Pembroke were unfortunate throughout this period in being without their stand-off half, but it is doubtful whether this affected the result. The scoring opened when Dorward broke down the blind side and on reaching the full-back put Fisher in for a try. The momentary setback of a goal dropped by Shephard who played a fine game for Pembroke at scrum-half was immediately followed by a clever try by D. Berry. Thomas soon appeared amongst the three-quarters and added another try. Marsden then gathered a neat kick ahead by Goodhand and once more Fisher was up to complete the movement. A further try came when Marsden profited by a mistake in the Pembroke defence. So the Cup was held for the fifth year in succession (including 1947 when bad weather caused the cancellation of the competition).

Although the team was so well balanced that it is difficult to single out individuals, one or two should be mentioned whose positions usually keep them out of the limelight. Vaughan led the forwards both on and off the field with great drive and enthusiasm and produced a vigorous pack. D. R. Overton played well at full-back and showed himself to be probably the finest touch-finder with either foot in the University, while Prosser was a consistent hooker.

At the beginning of the Easter vacation a most successful tour was conducted in the area of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Twenty-two players were taken and victories were recorded against Rockliffe (23-3) and Northern (18-5). On the last evening, perhaps appropriately, we drew 11-11 with the Gosforth Club, which had been our principal and very generous hosts. I. F. Goodhand delighted the Newcastle crowds with his clever play in the centre and G. W. Scott proved himself to be a forward who may well go far in the future. K. J. Fisher, D. S. Minns and Goodhand deserve special mention for playing so well in all three games.

The following officers were elected for next season: J. B. Chaumeton (*Captain*); K. J. Fisher (*Hon. Secretary*); D. Berry (*Hon. Match Secretary*); W. R. Rodger (*Hon. Cygnets' Secretary*).

First XV: D. R. Overton; K. J. Fisher, E. W. Marsden, I. F. Goodhand, D. Berry; J. Hall, A. F. Dorward; G. P. Vaughan, J. M. Prosser, J. B. Chaumeton, J. O. Mavor, P. G. Wade, R. L. West, J. W. Mawle, R. C. C. Thomas.

Also awarded First XV Colours: M. L. Grant and K. M. Riley.

Second XV: R. F. Salisbury; B. P. Maloney, M. C. Templeton, W. D. Cockburn, P. W. Rowe, P. B. Townsend, J. M. W. Holmes; D. S. Minns, D. E. Hunt; J. Taylor, H. Allison, M. T. Hopper, N. W. Palmer, J. T. Nye, G. W. Scott, P. G. Suckling, W. D. L. Anderson, J. C. Ratcliff, C. W. Storr, M. O. S. Hawkins.

THE SQUASH CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: DR WINFIELD. *Captain*: N. ROSSER.

Hon. Secretary: A. L. JONES.

THREE of last year's team, A. J. Maltby, T. J. Aitchison and N. Rosser were still in residence, and with D. Finlay and A. V. Alexander playing at fourth and fifth strings the season proved quite a successful one.

In the Michaelmas Term our only defeat in the top division was from Magdalene, by three matches to two. Ultimately they were to beat us for the championship by only two points, so the result was crucial. Had any one of our three defeats been reversed—and two went to five games—we would have tied for the leading position.

In the Cuppers we beat Peterhouse and Jesus without losing a game, but were again defeated by Magdalene in the semi-final. Of the fixtures arranged with outside clubs, Cambridge Town and

County were beaten 3-2 at home, but beat us 4-1 away; both matches against University College, London, were won 4-1; the Escorts were narrowly beaten 3-2; and the annual match with Balliol College, Oxford, was drawn 3-3.

The College Second Team had a run of victories in the Fourth Division and were duly promoted. In the higher division they acquitted themselves well against several college first teams. The Third Team, starting in an unusually high position, were not as successful, but it was encouraging to see the occasional appearance of a Fourth Team.

First Team Colours were awarded to D. Finlay and A. V. Alexander; and Second Team Colours to C. R. Clarke, J. K. Waddell, J. M. Rankin, B. Armitage and D. R. Peters.

Officers elected for 1950-1: *Captain*: A. V. Alexander; *Hon. Secretary*: C. R. Clarke.

THE SWIMMING CLUB

SEASON 1949-50

President: PROFESSOR MORDELL. *Captain*: B. S. FOSTER.

Hon. Secretary: F. HARRIS-JONES.

THE season is to be remembered for the fact that all members of the College team, with one exception, were also members of the 'Varsity Team. The converse statement did not hold, unfortunately, this marking a fundamental difference between the Swimming Club and L.M.B.C.

In the Lent Term a VII was entered for the Water Polo Cuppers Competition. Beating Caius and Downing in the preliminary rounds, the team went on to defeat Queens' in the final by six goals to one. The team included two Cambridge Blues and one from Oxford. Is this a record, we wonder? The Dark one, J. H. N. Pitman, confounded the opposition with several long shots into the goal-mouth, three of which reached the back of the net, whilst B. S. Foster and N. W. Palmer scored by more orthodox methods.

In the same term an Inter-Collegiate Relay Competition was arranged. In the early rounds the College teams were established favourites and were again victorious in the finals. Thus all three University swimming cups had been won by St John's.

A match was organized with the Leys School in the Easter Term, with polo and relay events. In free-style we were challenged strongly by the School, but just won; the medley and polo were also won. For the end of term a match was arranged with Bishop's Stortford College.

To conclude this very successful season a meeting was held at which N. W. Palmer was elected Captain, and J. K. Iliffe Secretary for next season.

First VII: J. K. Iliffe; F. Harris-Jones, D. H. Burgin; B. S. Foster; P. B. Treacy, N. W. Palmer, J. H. N. Pitman.

Medley Relay: D. H. Burgin, J. K. Iliffe, B. S. Foster.

Free-style Relay: N. W. Palmer, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones, P. B. Treacy, F. Harris-Jones.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1950 AND LENT TERM 1951

President: M. C. MORGAN. *Vice-President:* E. H. LEATON. *Secretary:* C. C. GOLDSMITH. *Treasurer:* R. RAE. *Committee Member:* J. L. DIXON.

THE chief feature of the activities of the Society this year has been the large attendances (on four occasions the Old Music Room was filled to capacity), which may be attributed not to the Secretary's advance publicity, nor even to the Society's record membership, but to the excellence of the speakers and their attractive choice of topics.

At the first meeting Dr R. A. Rankin, speaking on "Some Problems Concerning the Closest Packing of Circles and Spheres", dealt mainly with equal circles and spheres in the two and three dimensional cases. Dr Lyttleton, with the aid of a comprehensive set of slides, addressed the next meeting on "Comets", and painted an excellent picture of his subject, concluding with his own theory of comet birth. This was an admirable talk, enjoyed by all present. The high light of the year, however, was provided by Mr White, who, digging deep into his vast fund of anecdotes, spoke on "The Development of The Mathematical Tripos". He spoke with particular relish of the vicissitudes of the 1906-7 reform, in a talk enjoyed throughout by audience and speaker alike.

In the Lent Term, Dr G. K. Batchelor spoke to a smaller gathering on "The Stability of Fluid Systems". A less forbidding and more accurate title would have been "When will the porridge burn?" By far the greater part of the audience at the next meeting, addressed by Mr A. P. Robertson on "Cybernetics", were previously un-

acquainted with this new branch of study. The speaker was both instructive and entertaining and we soon appreciated the subtleties of his subtitle "How to pick up a glass of water". An excellent discourse on "The Breeding of Fissile Materials" was given at the final meeting of the year by Mr O. Buneman, who has but lately come to Cambridge from Harwell. We were given an outline of the difficulties, theoretical and practical, of harnessing atomic power for civil purposes, with the emphasis more on the economics than the mathematics of the process.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

President: MR BOYS SMITH. *Captain:* J. A. SLATER.
Hon. Secretary: A. DEWHURST

THE Club began the season with a playing strength of fifty-three, which included eight full colours but few promising freshmen. The league side gave a mediocre display throughout. Cup prospects were bright but did not materialise, mainly because of injuries before the semi-final. Bad weather interfered considerably with the season's fixtures, several games including R.M.A. Sandhurst, R.A.F. College, Cranwell, and Alleyn's School, having to be cancelled.

In the Michaelmas Term the First XI seemed to be playing under a cloud, and could do no better than to finish seventh in the League table. In friendly games defeats were suffered at the hands of South-east Essex Technical College, Old Kimboltonians and R.A.F. College, Cranwell.

The Christmas vacation infused a keener spirit into the Club, and the return of the blues effectively strengthened the Cup side. The first game against the Borough Police was drawn; then there followed a run of eight successive wins, which included those over University College, London, St Edmund's Hall, Oxford, and the achievement of a wholly satisfactory revenge at South-east Essex Technical College. In the "Cuppers" the side reached the semi-final by virtue of convincing wins over King's and Sidney Sussex, and were then unfortunate to be beaten by Queens'.

A certain lack of keenness prevented the Second XI from heading the Second XI League once again, but, in finishing as runners-up, it achieved the best goal average in the League and the results do credit to the efficiency of W. M. Fairbairn, who led the side for the major part of the season. A Third XI was occasionally put into the field, being ably led by G. H. Guest and achieving good results.

The Club congratulates J. David, J. Platt and R. Sutcliffe on being chosen to represent the University against Oxford, and again the two last-named, who played regularly for Pegasus F.C., J. Platt being a member of the side which won the F.A. Amateur Cup at Wembley.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

President: THE PRESIDENT. *Captain:* D. E. LYALL.

Hon. Secretary: G. A. COUTIE.

WITH all last year's full colours in residence, except one, the Club had every prospect of a successful season. The standard of athletics in the University has improved generally since the war, and evidence of this is to be found in some of the good performances set up during the year in Inter-College matches.

In the Michaelmas Term the Club again did well in the Field Events Competition, and first place was shared this year with Queens'. An unfortunate disqualification in the last race of the Inter-College Relays, however, when the College looked certain of winning, reduced us to third place. The final of the Inter-College Sports in the Lent Term was reached fairly comfortably, but here, for the third successive year, St Catharine's proved just too strong for us, though their winning margin of 168½ points to 158½ points was smaller than in the previous two years.

We are very pleased that Mr Wordie has kindly consented to be President of the Club; the former title of "President" has been changed to that of "Captain". At the Annual Dinner, at which Mr Wordie presided and Mr W. Christen, P. B. Hildreth and E. W. Marsden were guests, full colours were awarded to N. W. Palmer and J. H. B. Simpson; and half-colours to K. D. Austin, D. P. Harlow, A. Robinson, W. E. Smith and V. Whitehead.

Two enjoyable matches were held this year at Iffley Road, Oxford, against Oxford colleges. In the first, the Club gained a narrow win against Balliol, and in the second, a combined St John's and St Catharine's team defeated a team from Brasenose and Lincoln colleges.

Three members of the College competed in the University Sports against Oxford. C. W. Brasher had a great struggle with P. R. Ll. Morgan in the three miles, and was only beaten by the latter's tremendous burst in the last lap; D. E. Lyall, third in the half-mile, recorded a time which would have won the race on all but four previous occasions; and A. J. Maltby was third in the discus event. In the

Inter-Varsity Cross-country race D. H. Gilbert was again placed second, and was only a few yards behind R. G. Bannister of Oxford at the finish.

We extend our best wishes for a successful season to D. H. Gilbert, the new captain of the University Hare and Hounds Club, and to D. E. Lyall, the new secretary of the University Athletic Club.

At the final meeting of the year, G. A. Coutie was elected Captain, and J. H. B. Simpson, Hon. Secretary, for the year 1951-2.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

Captain: H. R. W. LAXTON. *Hon. Secretary:* F. WHIDBY.

Hon. Treasurer: A. P. SPARKS.

THE rising cost of playing badminton has tended to cut down Club membership this year, but with over twenty playing members the College has continued to play a team in both Leagues I and II.

The success of the College First Team, which began the year with only two old colours in residence, exceeded all expectations. Five ties of three matches each were played in League I, and the first team emerged without having conceded a single match, thereby heading the League 6 points ahead of King's I.

The Second Team began the year at the head of League II but did not maintain the form of its predecessor, and as a result of losing five of its six ties—mostly against other College first teams—has been relegated to League III.

In the "Cuppers" the College, represented by R. Fielding, D. J. Griffiths, D. S. Hodgkiss and H. R. W. Laxton, beat Peterhouse, King's and Jesus without losing a game and thereby qualified to meet Trinity in the final, which match is still outstanding.

The College Singles Tournament, played in the Lent Term, was contested by D. S. Hodgkiss (winner in 1949 and 1950) and D. J. Griffiths (next year's captain). After a very even struggle of three games the former just failed to retain his title for a third year.

In the University teams, the Club was well represented by D. J. Griffiths, D. S. Hodgkiss, R. Fielding and H. R. W. Laxton, who all appeared for the First Team on several occasions. Congratulations are due to the last three named on their selection for the University Second Team against Oxford (which won by 14 matches to 1) and the award of "Cockerel" colours.

Precedents were set with three College fixtures against the Hurst, Ramblers' and Cambridge Banks' Clubs respectively, and since each team contained a sprinkling of current and ex-county players, much

valuable experience was gained, and the fixtures will doubtless be repeated.

For all those members of the Club who had a liquidity preference, the year concluded with a lively sherry party in the Treasurer's Rooms at which J. R. Best, the sole English Blue in this year's University team, was guest of honour.

Officers for the year 1951-2:

Captain: D. J. GRIFFITHS.

Hon. Secretary: A. P. SPARKS.

Treasurer: R. J. ADIE.

Colours in residence: H. R. W. LAXTON, D. S. HODGKISS, R. FIELDING, D. J. GRIFFITHS.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: W. HAY. *Vice-President:* A. E. WARDMAN.

Hon. Secretary: J. R. BAXTER. *Treasurer:* D. H. FORD.

ATTENDANCE figures this year have been considerably greater than last although not many of the first year appeared until the occasion of the Society's Annual Dinner which was held on 4 June.

The year's programme was opened by Mr D. B. Weaver, who read a paper on "Greek Temple Miracles". This was followed by a meeting which took the form of a Symposium in which various members of the Society who had visited Greece gave accounts of their experiences.

In the Lent Term Mr J. F. Healy read a paper in which he described how archaeology sheds light on the life of Ancient Greece, and Mr A. J. Beattie talked to us on "The Origins of the Dionysiac Cult". In the Easter Term, following the Annual General Meeting, Mr Howland talked on "Ancient Athletics".

THE CRICKET CLUB

President: PROFESSOR BAILEY. *Captain:* D. J. ARMSTRONG.

Hon. Secretary: J. M. N. RANKIN.

ST JOHN'S has had a very satisfactory term's cricket, more games being won than lost. However, as usual during the Summer Term, it was not always possible to field the strongest team available, owing to the Mays. There were perhaps not quite enough Second XI fixtures, as there were over fifty playing members and it was not possible to give them all games as often as they would have liked. The pitch was in good condition as usual although the last match *v.* The Travellers was marred at times by having to avoid the falling trees.

The side was ably captained by D. J. Armstrong, who was strongly supported by J. Ratcliff, P. Hobson and J. Lowden. At the beginning of the season R. W. Smithson seemed to make runs in every match, and was easily the most consistent batsman. The bowling was mainly in the hands of D. Crabtree and P. Dyke, both quickish bowlers. Indeed the side nearly always contained three quickish bowlers but, for spin, J. Ratcliff was the mainstay, since J. Peberdy spent most of his time in the examination room. We were lucky in some matches to obtain the service of G. H. C. Griffith, who strengthened the side a good deal.

The College handsomely reversed the decision of last year's match against the Old Johnians, who were rather a weak side. A very weak Balliol College, Oxford, XI visited us this year, who were also beaten. We were not so successful against college sides, being beaten by St Catharine's and Queens'.

Next year's officers are:

Captain: J. C. RATCLIFF.

Hon. Secretary: R. HEARNE.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1950

President: P. M. LEIGH. *Vice-President:* G. H. C. GRIFFITH.

Secretary: J. BAIN. *Asst. Secretary:* D. H. FORD.

LENT TERM 1951

President: G. H. C. GRIFFITH. *Vice-President:* J. BAIN.

Secretary: D. H. FORD. *Asst. Secretary:* A. E. CAMPBELL.

"THERE is no new thing under the sun." During the past year the usual number of debates was held, on much the usual subjects. Some of the speakers were different, but not many. Nor was this surprising, since the active membership of the Society was perhaps fifteen. Attendances were naturally slightly higher on special occasions, and we can only suggest that next year's committees try to provide guests, Fellows, or even dancing girls for every debate.

During the year the Society entertained the Hourglass Society of Trinity Hall and the Orators' Society of Jesus College, and were entertained in turn by the Cabbage Club of Girton College and the Orators' Society. Members refused to give New Court Home Rule, declined to be smart, and would much rather not be Peter Pan. In the Lent Term they announced, in spite of the united opposition of the Committee and the Vice-President's tie, their abhorrence of

the dilettante, and regretted the dying art of Welshmanship—if it is a dying art. We extend our thanks to Mr Bambrough and to Dr Daniel for arguing this last motion in the Fellows' Debate, which was held on St David's Day.

THE GOLF CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

Captain: M. J. H. BROWN. *Hon. Secretary:* T. I. SPALDING.

THE Club was restarted for the first time since the war in November 1949 with the aim of encouraging members of the College to play golf by introducing golfers to one another, and of providing teams to play other colleges. Although the number of serious golfers in the College is still small, this year saw some, if only slight, advance in the interest taken in golf amongst members of the College.

In the Michaelmas Term several matches were played against other colleges, of which only one was lost. In the Lent Term several matches were arranged, but bad weather prevented all but two from being played, of which one was halved and the other lost. On the whole this was quite a creditable record for the first full year of the reconstituted Club.

M. J. H. Brown and T. I. Spalding represented the College in the Welch Cup, the Golf "Cuppers", in the Lent Term. They were unfortunate to meet Clare "A", who eventually went on to win the competition, in the first round, and they were beaten rather easily.

We congratulate M. J. H. Brown and C. R. Carr on being elected members of the "Stymies", now the official University second team, and M. J. H. Brown on being elected captain of the "Stymies" for the year 1951-2. T. I. Spalding also played for the "Stymies" on occasions.

At the final meeting of the year the following were elected officers for the season 1951-2:

Captain: T. I. SPALDING. *Hon. Secretary:* H. J. O. WHITE.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President:* D. M. JOSLIN.

Treasurer: P. W. ROWE. *Secretary:* A. R. P. ELLIOT.

DURING the past year the Society has held six meetings at which papers were read, three by undergraduates and three by Fellows. Two general characteristics have predominated: domesticity—all the papers being contributed by members of the College, and illumination,

not only academic, for this was constant at all our meetings, but epidiastic, which, owing to the historian's natural aversion for things mechanical, was not.

At the opening meeting Professor Pevsner, a recent recruit to the senior historians among us, read a topical paper on "The Great Exhibition of 1851 and the Crystal Palace". He outlined the conception and creation of Paxton's "Palace of Glass", and then proceeded to discuss the contents of the exhibition and their reflection of the general Victorian taste. The paper and the illustrations provoked a lively discussion in which such topics as utility furniture and the design of Dreadnoughts were given an airing. In November John Erickson read an erudite paper on "Carpathian Kremnitz—the Golden Empire". His knowledge of Slav languages and sources enabled him to relate the history of a thirteenth-century gold rush, and the discussion of the resultant social structure and economic organisation of a mining area interested the audience greatly, though it horrified some of the more aesthetically highly strung.

In January the Society, according to the official card, was invited to the rooms of a dissenting grocer to hear extracts from his correspondence. The printer's flattery was not wasted on Derek Bond, who gave a highly entertaining account, from original documents, of a schism in a Norfolk dissenting community at the time of the French Revolution. The sentiments and phraseology of these Yarmouth worthies, and the clear way in which the dispute was traced and discussed, added to the relish of prying into private lives. In February two papers were read. We were happy to accept the hospitality of the Master's Lodge, when a large audience gathered to hear Mr Thistlethwaite, under the title of "Englishmen in the United States", give an account of the intimate personal relationships and common bonds of sentiment and motive linking the lives of English emigrants to the United States in the early years of the nineteenth century. Their varied activities, both at home and in the land of their adoption, were illustrated by the detailed study of five men. The essence of this paper's emphasis was the necessity for detailed and intimate study before broad movements can be properly understood. Later in the month George Wedd gave an illustrated talk on "Nineteenth Century Municipal Architecture", with special reference to the Whitehall area and the Law Courts in the Strand. The contemporary battles over taste, the unscrupulousness with which contrasts were battled for and reputations besmirched, were made clear to us by quotation and illustration. The paper stimulated a lengthy discussion. The tastes of the Victorians were once more assailed and defended, and the College chapel once again demolished.

The final meeting of the year was Dr Davidson's benefit. With his usual verve he gave us his views on "History and Politics", against the background of his recent experiences in the wilds. His arguments in favour of a historical training for the practising politician were firmly contested by the sweet reasonableness of the poetic treasurer and the common-sense school of Messrs Hinsley and Laslett. The latter's salty blasts of scepticism swept most members along with them. But Dr Davidson rode out the storm as firm as the Rock of Gibraltar.

At the Society's Annual Dinner, at which the Master was a welcome guest, the domestic note was again struck. The President bade farewell to Professor Walker and Dr Davidson on the Society's behalf, and congratulated David Joslin on his election to a Fellowship at Pembroke College. The Secretary welcomed the guests with gratuitous insult, to which Mr Michael Stephens made suitable reply for the guests. We then adjourned to the dissenting grocer's rooms for further refreshment.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: PROF. JOPSON. *Captain:* D. J. ARMSTRONG.

Secretary: A. B. ROOD.

To write a short account of College hockey during the past year is in many ways to relate the sorry tale of inclement weather, cancelled matches and injuries. The London School of Economics were played in a London "pea souper", Christ's in a blizzard and Trinity Hall in a veritable mud bath. However, thanks to our groundsman Len Baker, in spite of the weather and many difficulties in other fields, our own grounds have been kept in a most efficient state, even if they have not been used as much as we would have liked.

Again the Club has enjoyed a very strong following of nearly seventy members, and a President who has been tireless in his support of all elevens wherever they may have been. The First XI started the season very badly as far as the League was concerned. This was mainly due to injuries and unsettledness. However, a string of conclusive victories in the middle of the term gave the team a chance of winning the First Division for the second year running. These hopes were finally smashed by Christ's, in a most uncomfortable match played in a snow storm. "Cuppers" went according to the inevitable and unfortunate tradition of St John's hockey. Whatever promise there appears to be, disappears on the vital day. Downing were beaten 4-0 in the first round; but Trinity Hall, again in atrocious

weather, beat the College 5-3. The successes of the season have been registered against non-Cambridge sides. King's Lynn Pelicans (H.) being the only club to win outright against the College. Other enjoyable matches have been played and won against Norwich Exiles, St John's, Oxford (A.), University College, London, Middlesex Hospital, Lynn Men's Hockey Club, and Balliol; whilst St John's, Oxford (H.), and the Pelicans (A.) have figured in drawn games.

The Second XI, under the captaincy of P. Greener, and the Third XI, under the direction of first J. D. Roberts, and then in the Lent Term of M. L. Cooper, have also fared very well. The Second XI League is still incomplete, the College Second XI not having lost a game. They have been equally successful against "outside" clubs, again with an unbeaten record. The Third XI have caused many a headache to all concerned, the main problem being to provide a fair distribution of games for nearly forty players, whilst a fixture list had to be literally worried together from all parts and institutions of Cambridge, as few colleges run a Third XI. This last fact has meant that it is quite safe to say that the same XI have never played together more than once; a fact which is not conducive to good hockey, but shows great enthusiasm, which is the hall-mark, rather than anything else, of all Third XI games. One momentous day is brought to mind, when, due to an oversight on the secretary's part, two First XI's and two Second XI's were fielded; luckily they were not all to play on the same pitch. The results were that both First XI's drew and both Second XI's won, which may be said to prove that the standard at the bottom of the Club is higher than at the top!

This year, for the first time, a College XI took part in the Folkestone Easter Hockey Festival. The day before the Festival commenced, the team was entertained in Dover by Dover College. A match with the College, as a limbering up exercise, was played in the afternoon. As the grass pitches were unplayable, this took place on the Army drill square right on the top of Dover Cliffs. Although the final result was well in our favour, we lost the services of our centre-half through injury, and all suffered cuts and bruises. A record of Festival results on paper is most discouraging, as the College lost to Cheam 4-0, Dulwich 4-2, and Guy's Hospital 2-0. Nevertheless a most enjoyable and instructive time was spent by all, in spite of the "paper record" and the appalling weather. It is hoped that this visit will be a precedent for future visits.

All that remains now is to wish the Club, and the 1951-2 Captain M. M. Ispahani, and Secretary R. Crabtree, the very best for next season. May they win the "Cuppers" for the first time!

First XI colours were awarded to A. J. O. Ritchie, K. T. Fuad, D. M. Ackery, R. Crabtree and J. C. Kay.

The following Johnians took part in the Easter Festival: D. J. Armstrong, A. B. Rood, M. M. Ispahani, R. Crabtree, D. A. J. Crawshaw, K. T. Fuad, A. J. O. Ritchie, D. M. Ackery, J. C. Kay, J. C. A. Mousley, M. H. Dehn, T. J. Aitchison and C. J. Smith.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *First Boat Captain:* H. H. ALMOND. *Secretary:* E. J. WORLIDGE. *Second Boat Captain:* R. F. A. SHARPLEY. *Junior Treasurer:* P. GARBETT. *Acting Secretaries:* N. B. M. CLACK and J. H. SCOTT-PARK.

MARLOW REGATTA 1950

ALL the Henley crews took part in the Marlow Regatta. The First VIII retained the Grand, beating London (by $\frac{3}{4}$ length) and Eton, in the Final in the time of 4 min. 8 sec., though W. T. Arthur was unable to row, and G. W. Harding came in at "3".

The Second VIII were beaten by Trinity Hall "A" in the first round of the Marlow VIII's by $\frac{1}{2}$ length and the Third VIII were beaten by Oriel in the first round of the same event.

In the Senior Fours, the "B" Four beat Jesus (Cambridge) in the preliminary round, but lost to Leander in the next round, while the "A" Four lost to Trinity (Oxford) in the same round.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA 1950

THIS year three VIII's were sent to Henley for the first time in the Club's history, the First VIII competing in the Grand, the Second VIII in the Ladies' Plate and the Third VIII in the Thames Cup.

The First VIII drew Harvard University, the eventual winners, in the first round of the Grand Challenge Cup, and had a very hard race. From the start, in a strong head-wind, they gradually drew ahead, though at a higher rating than Harvard, and held a lead of 1 length at the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile-post. From this point, Harvard gradually narrowed the lead until they overtook the First VIII near the mile post, and went on to win by $\frac{1}{2}$ length in the time of 7 min. 8 sec.

The Second VIII drew Clare in the first round of the Ladies' Plate but gave a rather disappointing performance when they lost by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths after leading Clare by $\frac{1}{2}$ length at Fawley. They were unable to answer a fine finishing spurt by Clare.

In the Thames Cup, the Third VIII well justified its appearance at Henley. In the first round they rowed a very well-judged race against Durham University to win by $\frac{3}{4}$ length after being a length down until Fawley. In the second round, they went off to a good start

against Reading University and had a lead of nearly a length by Fawley, but were unable to hold on to it and were finally beaten by $\frac{3}{4}$ length.

In the Fours, a crew was entered for both the Stewards' and the Visitors' Cups. In the Stewards', a very tired crew, having raced Harvard in the morning, was beaten by Clare by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths in the first round. The Visitors' Four, however, proved itself a fast and very useful combination, and improved with each round, to win the final by 3 lengths against Emmanuel, having beaten Pembroke by 1 length in the semi-final and Corpus Christi (Cambridge) (easily) and New College (by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths) in previous rounds.

Crews

<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> H. H. Almond	<i>Bow</i> P. Garbett	<i>Bow</i> B. N. Fox
2 D. D. Macklin	2 T. W. W. Pemberton	2 G. R. Wace
3 R. K. Hayward	3 E. J. Worlidge	3 G. C. Chapman
4 A. L. Macleod	4 W. M. Dixon	4 D. R. Morris
5 W. T. Arthur	5 N. B. M. Clack	5 N. J. Day
6 P. M. O. Massey	6 R. F. A. Sharpley	6 J. H. Scott-Park
7 C. B. M. Lloyd	7 G. W. Harding	7 A. T. Brown
<i>Str.</i> J. L. M. Crick	<i>Str.</i> R. S. Emery	<i>Str.</i> J. B. Wills
<i>Cox</i> J. Blow	<i>Cox</i> H. M. Stewart	<i>Cox</i> P. Prestt

<i>First IV</i>	<i>Second IV</i>
<i>Bow</i> C. B. M. Lloyd (<i>steerer</i>)	<i>Bow</i> H. H. Almond (<i>steerer</i>)
2 A. L. Macleod	2 D. D. Macklin
3 W. T. Arthur	3 R. K. Hayward
<i>Str.</i> J. L. M. Crick	<i>Str.</i> P. M. O. Massey

As a result of Henley, a crew based on the L.M.B.C. First VIII and including six members and the cox of the First VIII, represented Great Britain in the European Championships at Milan, coming third in the final heat.

The Michell Cup, previously held by Clare, was won by L.M.B.C. for the year 1949-50.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1950

Only one Four entered for the Light Fours this year, and made an early start to training on 25 September. Mr Roy Meldrum coached for the first part, and for a further week later in the training, and was followed by C. B. M. Lloyd, the President of the C.U.B.C., and finally by Mr R. H. H. Symonds.

In the races the long training was fully justified, and a series of decisive victories resulted in the Club winning the Cup for the first time since 1879.

The results of the four days' racing were as follows:

First round: beat Queens' by $33\frac{1}{2}$ sec.
 Second round: beat Pembroke by 14 sec.
 Semi-final: beat First and Third Trinity by 23 sec.
 Final: beat Trinity Hall by 15 sec. (in the fast time
 of 9 min. 53 sec., 2 sec. outside the record).

The order was:

Bow H. H. Almond (steerer)
 2 D. D. Macklin
 3 E. J. Worlidge
Str. R. F. A. Sharpley

A Clinker IV which possessed considerable weight represented the Club in the Clinker Fours. In the first round they beat St Catharine's, but in the semi-final were again beaten, as last year, by King's, the eventual winners, by $1\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

The order was:

Bow J. H. Scott-Park
 2 N. J. Day
 3 J. R. Dingle
Str. D. R. Morris
Cox G. Gregory

Two members of the Club entered for the Colquhoun Sculls: C. B. M. Lloyd (who lost to J. R. A. Macmillan by $\frac{3}{4}$ sec. in the semi-final), and D. D. Macklin (who was beaten in the second round). C. B. M. Lloyd had previously won the Long-Distance Sculling Championship of Norfolk over $4\frac{1}{4}$ miles.

After a considerable number of changes the First Fairbairn VIII eventually moved quite fast, and came second to Jesus in the time of 15 min. 34 sec., 16 sec. behind Jesus. The Second VIII were unable to hold their high place, but did well to finish thirteenth. The "Crock Pots" were won by the Third VIII, who went up to thirtieth. A total of eight crews was entered.

The crews were as follows:

<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> T. C. Line	<i>Bow</i> D. MacIver	<i>Bow</i> D. E. Side
2 D. H. Smith	2 J. MacDowall	2 R. K. Gilbert
3 P. Garbett	3 G. T. Wordie	3 J. D. Anderson
4 J. A. Binnian	4 A. D. N. King	4 J. F. M. Newman
5 J. R. Dingle	5 N. J. Day	5 H. F. Beaumont
6 J. S. M. Jones	6 D. R. Morris	6 G. Ross
7 K. S. Rowan	7 J. A. N. Wallis	7 E. Halladay
<i>Str.</i> J. B. Wills	<i>Str.</i> J. H. Scott-Park	<i>Str.</i> W. B. E. Wood
<i>Cox</i> G. Gregory	<i>Cox</i> A. J. Hosking	<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill

<i>Fourth VIII</i>	<i>Fifth VIII</i>	<i>Sixth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> J. H. B. Cotton	<i>Bow</i> B. H. M. Lawson	<i>Bow</i> J. W. Maltby
2 P. V. Trotman	2 H. N. Udall	2 D. V. Brostoff
3 G. R. P. Henton	3 S. J. F. Harris	3 B. W. K. Fayle
4 J. Hay	4 M. J. R. Cooper	4 H. P. R. Bury
5 H. T. Bruce	5 J. D. Blick	5 M. A. Pallister
6 A. E. MacRobert	6 J. A. Bristow	6 J. Vinnicombe
7 C. R. Reese	7 A. E. Campbell	7 D. A. Earnshaw
<i>Str.</i> P. J. D. Kirk	<i>Str.</i> R. J. Dee	<i>Str.</i> P. F. Roe
<i>Cox</i> G. B. Lawson	<i>Cox</i> J. S. Lloyd	<i>Cox</i> C. B. Thomson

<i>Seventh VIII</i>	<i>Eighth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> M. E. Coops	<i>Bow</i> J. F. Lively
2 J. F. Harrison	2 B. H. Laister
3 E. J. Woodbridge	3 A. M. Mackerras
4 D. Gore-Lloyd	4 D. G. Wilson
5 G. E. W. Hebditch	5 S. H. Wellisz
6 A. Davy	6 K. Appelbee
7 M. T. Hopper	7 D. M. Andrews
<i>Str.</i> J. Wallerstein	<i>Str.</i> H. M. Stewart
<i>Cox</i> A. J. Baird	<i>Cox</i> D. E. R. Bateman

In the Trial VIII's, the President and the Secretary, C. B. M. Lloyd and H. H. Almond, did not row. Four members of the Club rowed in the Trial VIII's race: D. D. Macklin at "2", R. F. A. Sharpley at "6" and N. B. M. Clack at "7" in the losing crew, and E. J. Worlidge at "5" in the winning crew.

LENT TERM 1951

The First Lent VIII came up early for training and during the term various changes were experimented with, but the crew never quite achieved the uniformity or polish of either of its predecessors. In the races it was bumped by Jesus on the first night at the Glass-houses and from then onwards had to fight an uphill battle against the crews following Jesus. On the second night, after a better start, they gained slightly on Jesus but then First and Third Trinity came up on them in the Long Reach and bumped them just before the Railway Bridge. For the first two nights of the Lents J. S. M. Jones, the stroke, had been rowing with a very bad cold and was not feeling at all well, and so for the last two nights he and J. B. Wills (no. 4) changed places. On the third night the crew made a spirited effort to rebump First and Third Trinity, but after getting to within a third of a length at the end of the Plough Reach could not make the final spurt and were eventually caught by Clare at Peter's Posts, after some very daring coxing by the Clare cox. On the final night, Clare just managed to hold off a strong challenge by our crew, who got to within a third of a length, and had to be content with rowing over.

The Second VIII was very inexperienced and unable to cope with the strong opposition behind, and was unfortunately bumped on all four nights. The Third VIII, after being bumped on the first two nights, regained the places again with two good bumps on the last two nights. The Fourth and Sixth Boats both gained their oars with some spirited rowing, and the Fifth VIII (the Medicals) and the Seventh VIII (a "Gentlemen's" VIII) both got two bumps, though the former were unlucky to miss an overbump by a very short distance.

The crews were as follows:

<i>First VIII</i>		<i>Second VIII</i>		<i>Third VIII</i>	
<i>Bow</i> J. D. Anderson		<i>Bow</i> D. MacIver		<i>Bow</i> G. R. Henton	
2 A. D. N. King		2 A. E. MacRobert		2 J. Hay	
3 J. H. Scott-Park		3 C. R. Reese		3 H. T. Bruce	
4 J. B. Wills		4 P. J. D. Kirk		4 M. V. Lloyd	
5 N. B. M. Clack		5 J. A. N. Wallis		5 J. D. Blick	
6 J. A. Binnian		6 G. Ross		6 K. Applebee	
7 K. S. Rowan		7 P. Garbett		7 D. E. Side	
<i>Str.</i> J. S. M. Jones		<i>Str.</i> W. B. E. Wood		<i>Str.</i> P. V. Trotman	
<i>Cox</i> P. Prestt		<i>Cox</i> G. Gregory		<i>Cox</i> A. J. Hosking	
<i>Fourth VIII</i>		<i>Fifth VIII</i>		<i>Sixth VIII</i>	
<i>Bow</i> A. E. Campbell		<i>Bow</i> P. F. Roe		<i>Bow</i> J. F. Lively	
2 J. A. Bristow		2 H. P. R. Bury		2 J. M. Wallerstein	
3 G. E. W. Hebditch		3 J. W. Maltby		3 E. J. Woodbridge	
4 A. S. Valentine		4 D. V. Brostoff		4 D. Gore-Lloyd	
5 R. E. Batchelor		5 D. A. Earnshaw		5 S. J. F. Harris	
6 A. Davy		6 J. Vinnicombe		6 D. G. Wilson	
7 M. T. Hopper		7 B. W. K. Fayle		7 B. H. Laister	
<i>Str.</i> R. J. Dee		<i>Str.</i> M. A. Pallister		<i>Str.</i> H. N. Udall	
<i>Cox</i> G. B. G. Lawson		<i>Cox</i> C. B. Thomson		<i>Cox</i> J. S. Lloyd	
<i>Seventh VIII</i>					
<i>Bow</i> R. A. Matthews					
2 D. R. Jones					
3 K. K. Milne					
4 R. K. Gilbert					
5 T. C. Line					
6 M. I. Scott					
7 J. R. Howe					
<i>Str.</i> E. R. F. W. Crossman					
<i>Cox</i> D. E. R. Bateman					

In the Foster-Fairbairn Pairs, N. B. M. Clack, who stroked on bow side, and J. S. M. Jones (steerer) proved themselves strong finishers over the second part of the course and after beating two of the then University spare-men in the first round, went on to beat Selwyn in the semi-final and Emmanuel in the final, thus being the first L.M.B.C. pair to win for a number of years.

A crew was entered for the Reading Head of the River Race, but they did not have time to settle down, and were unable to retain the Cup, finishing ninth. At Putney, under the energetic coaching of Mr J. H. M. Ward, they improved considerably and rowed well in the Putney Head of the River Race to finish seventh in the time of 19 min. 6 sec.

The crew was:

Bow J. D. Anderson
 2 P. Garbett
 3 A. D. N. King
 4 R. S. Emery
 5 J. R. Dingle
 6 J. S. M. Jones
 7 N. B. M. Clack
Str. J. B. Wills
Cox G. Gregory

In the University crew which beat Oxford by 12 lengths after a re-row, the Club had five members of the crew: H. H. Almond (*bow*), D. D. Macklin (2), R. F. A. Sharpley (4), E. J. Worlidge (5) and C. B. M. Lloyd (6). All these five members were in the Cambridge crew which subsequently went to America and beat Harvard and Yale in separate races.

EASTER TERM 1951

In the Magdalene Pairs the Club was well represented, and in the Final the pair composed of the incoming and retiring Presidents of the C.U.B.C., J. G. P. Crowden (Pembroke) and C. B. M. Lloyd respectively, beat H. H. Almond and D. D. Macklin by 13 sec. In the previous round N. B. M. Clack and J. S. M. Jones had been beaten by Lloyd and Crowden by 10 sec.

In the Lowe Double Sculls the Club had two pairs, N. B. M. Clack and R. F. A. Sharpley, and J. S. M. Jones and D. D. Macklin, but both lost in the first round.

In the May Races the Club created a record by having 10 boats on the river. A Tenth VIII, formed from a combination of the Soccer and Hockey Clubs, and known as the "Shocker" Boat, was successful in the "Getting-on" Race and started two from bottom of the Seventh Division.

At the Head of the River, the First VIII successfully rowed over on all four nights, without great difficulty, and became the first L.M.B.C. crew to start and finish Head of the Mays. They were admirably stroked by C. B. M. Lloyd, and were very fortunate to have had three of the coaches of this year's University crew, Mr R. Meldrum, Mr W. T. Arthur and Dr J. R. Owen, to coach them for the Mays and Henley. On each night Clare were chasing them, but

after rowing hard to Ditton the First VIII were usually well outside their distance, and were able to paddle down the Long Reach at about 25 strokes a minute and still maintain their distance.

The Second VIII improved a great deal in the fortnight before the races but, on the first night, Caius I eventually caught them after overlapping them down the whole of the Long Reach. With Jesus II behind them on Thursday they rowed over, but were caught on Friday night by the same crew, and on Saturday they again rowed over, this time in front of Downing. The Third VIII made three bumps but were unable to catch Pembroke II on Thursday and so missed gaining their oars.

Of the rest of the Club, the Seventh VIII ("Gentlemen") gained their oars and were the only boat in any club to get an overbump during the four days' racing. The Fourth VIII went up two places and on Thursday the Sixth VIII (Medical) were chasing the Fifth VIII, but the former avoided any trouble by bumping Trinity Hall VI.

The Sixth VIII, however, ended the races on Saturday again behind the Fifth VIII, having gone up three places to the latter's two. The Ninth VIII (Rugger Boat) went up three places and the Tenth VIII ("Shocker" Boat), after being bumped on the first night, made three bumps. The Eighth VIII, however, was not so fortunate, and went down three places.

Hence during the May Races, the Club, besides rowing over Head of the River, gained twenty places and lost five, and for this success our thanks go to the First VIII coaches, Mr R. Meldrum, Mr W. T. Arthur and Dr J. R. Owen, and to our many other willing and patient coaches, notably Mr L. H. Macklin, Mr J. H. M. Ward, Dr R. Hambridge and Professor Walker, and finally to all those members of the Club who have spared time to coach crews, whether fast or not quite so fast.

The crews were:

<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> H. H. Almond	<i>Bow</i> C. R. Reese	<i>Bow</i> D. MacIver
2 J. S. M. Jones	2 J. F. M. Newman	2 J. A. Binnian
3 J. R. Dingle	3 T. C. Line	3 G. T. Wordie
4 D. D. Macklin	4 J. D. Blick	4 D. R. Morris
5 E. J. Worlidge	5 H. F. Beaumont	5 A. D. N. King
6 R. F. A. Sharpley	6 J. H. Scott-Park	6 J. B. Wills
7 N. B. M. Clack	7 J. D. Anderson	7 J. A. N. Wallis
<i>Str.</i> C. B. M. Lloyd	<i>Str.</i> P. V. Trotman	<i>Str.</i> J. MacDowall
<i>Cox</i> P. Prestt	<i>Cox</i> R. Mewton	<i>Cox</i> G. Gregory

<i>Fourth VIII</i>	<i>Fifth VIII</i>	<i>Sixth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> G. R. P. Henton	<i>Bow</i> J. F. Lively	<i>Bow</i> J. W. Maltby
2 M. V. Lloyd	2 R. J. Dee	2 P. F. Roe
3 S. J. K. Harris	3 B. H. M. Lawson	3 B. W. K. Fayle
4 W. B. E. Wood	4 J. Hay	4 H. P. R. Bury
5 G. E. W. Hebditch	5 K. Appelbee	5 D. A. Earnshaw
6 D. H. Fawcett	6 B. A. Collingwood	6 J. Vinnicombe
7 M. T. Hopper	7 J. H. Hyatt	7 M. A. Pallister
<i>Str.</i> G. Ross	<i>Str.</i> H. N. Udall	<i>Str.</i> A. Davy
<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill	<i>Cox</i> G. B. Lawson	<i>Cox</i> C. B. Thomson

<i>Seventh VIII</i>	<i>Eighth VIII</i>	<i>Ninth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> J. H. B. Cotton	<i>Bow</i> B. H. Laister	<i>Bow</i> W. R. Rogers
2 D. R. Jones	2 D. G. Wilson	2 I. F. Goodhand
3 D. E. Side	3 M. E. Coops	3 L. F. Read
4 P. J. D. Kirk	4 J. Wallerstein	4 G. W. Scott
5 M. I. Scott	5 D. Gore-Lloyd	5 M. F. Hosking
6 J. S. Elliott	6 D. L. Macrae	6 J. R. Baxter
7 R. W. Riley	7 E. J. Woodbridge	7 J. T. Nye
<i>Str.</i> E. R. F. W. Crossman	<i>Str.</i> J. F. Harrison	<i>Str.</i> C. W. Storr
<i>Cox</i> R. Fielding	<i>Cox</i> A. J. Baird	<i>Cox</i> D. E. Hurst

<i>Tenth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i> P. Greener
2 J. David
3 A. Dewhurst
4 J. A. Slater
5 D. E. Turnbull
6 A. B. Rood
7 J. A. Raffle
<i>Str.</i> P. T. Davies
<i>Cox</i> J. C. A. Mousley

MARLOW REGATTA 1951

All the crews competing at Henley this year, and the Third VIII, entered for Marlow Regatta.

The First VIII retained the Grand Challenge Cup for the third year in succession, but not without a hard race in the final. In the first round, they drew London and Thames and won by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Thames. In the final, against Leander and the German crew, Horsheim-Russelsheim, they beat the Germans by $\frac{3}{4}$ length, with Leander a further $\frac{3}{4}$ length behind the Germans. L.M.B.C. went off to a good start at 40, but by the end of $\frac{1}{2}$ min. the Germans were half a length up and they increased this lead to nearly a length after a minute. In the meantime Leander were gradually dropping back, but it was not until after just over three minutes that L.M.B.C. had again drawn level with the Germans, who from then onwards rapidly fell back, the final verdict being $\frac{3}{4}$ length in the time of 4 min.

8 sec. The Second VIII were unlucky to draw Pembroke, who won the event easily, and Caius in the first round of the Marlow Eights. They rowed a good race, and although beaten by $1\frac{3}{4}$ lengths by Pembroke, beat Caius convincingly for second place. The Third VIII were rather upset by alterations in their order, but raced quite well against Oriel to be beaten by 1 length.

In the Fours, both crews entered, but were both beaten in the early rounds. The "A" Four had a very eventful race against Thames, the race being notable for a vast "crab" on the eighth stroke of the start, and a collision after two minutes of the race, which was then re-started. Thames won in a close finish by $\frac{1}{4}$ length. The "B" Four also had an eventful race against Leander, and did well until they hit a punt near Bisham Church and subsequently lost by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. C. B. M. Lloyd and J. G. P. Crowden (Pembroke) rowing together in the Pairs, won the event with considerable ease, which augured well for their appearance in the Goblets.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA 1951

Two crews were sent to Henley this year, staying at Remenham Rectory. The First VIII entered for the Grand, the Second VIII for the Thames Cup, and Fours for the Stewards' and Visitors' Cups.

Nine crews had entered for the Grand this year, including four foreign crews. In the first round L.M.B.C. drew Thames, whom they beat by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in the time of 7 min. 3 sec. without being seriously extended, the rating at one time dropping as low as 28. On the Friday, in the semi-final, great interest was centred around the L.M.B.C.-Leander race, the latter crew containing three of last year's L.M.B.C. crew and coached by Mr R. H. H. Symonds. In the race both crews went off at just over 40 and by the Barrier, reached in 2 min. 2 sec., L.M.B.C. had a slight lead, but from there onwards, settling into a good stride, they gradually drew ahead, until at Fawley (3 min. 24 sec.) they were leading by $\frac{3}{4}$ length. Rowing at 30, to Leander's 32, they continued to draw slowly ahead, despite some spurts by Leander, and won by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths in 7 min. 7 sec., which was a fast time in the conditions, as there was a squally cross-head wind. In the final, reached for only the second time in L.M.B.C.'s history, the Club started favourites, but were given some anxiety by Laga, the Dutch crew, before they had the race under control. L.M.B.C. went off at 42 to Laga's 39, but after 1 minute Laga led by $\frac{1}{2}$ length. However L.M.B.C. then began to settle down and by the Barrier, reached in 2 min. 5 sec., were leading by 2 ft. At Fawley (3 min. 28 sec.) they had increased their lead to $\frac{1}{2}$ length, and were rowing stroke for stroke at 31. A spurt to 32 at Remenham increased their lead to $\frac{1}{2}$ length and, continuing at 32, the Club had a lead of 1 length

at the Mile Post. The Dutchmen continued to fight the whole way past the Enclosures, but L.M.B.C. held them off to win by 1 length in 7 min. 15 sec., there being a moderate head-wind.

The Second VIII were drawn to race King's College, London, in the preliminary round of the Thames Cup on the Friday before the Regatta. They had a number of "shipwrecks" in their start and were soon half a length down. After this bad start, they never quite settled down and were unable to row past K.C.L., finally losing by $\frac{1}{2}$ length in 7 min. 19 sec.

The "A" Four, rowing in the Stewards' Cup, were drawn against Thames in a preliminary round on Wednesday. A very close race ensued, with neither crew ever getting a lead of more than $\frac{1}{4}$ length. L.M.B.C. started at 36, but Thames drew ahead and by the first signal had a lead of $\frac{1}{4}$ length. At the Barrier L.M.B.C. were closing the gap and the crews were level at the half-mile. At Fawley (3 min. 36 sec.) L.M.B.C. had a lead of $\frac{1}{4}$ length, and rating 26 to Thames 30, held on to this lead, till at Remenham, Thames spurted, but L.M.B.C. still held a slight lead. At the Mile Post, both crews were level and they remained like this past the Enclosures, Thames finally getting the decision by 2 ft. in the time of 7 min. 21 sec. Thames incidentally went on to win the Stewards' Cup without great difficulty.

In the Visitors' Cup, the "B" Four raced very well in the first round to beat Emmanuel "A" by $\frac{2}{3}$ length in 8 min. 9 sec. on the Thursday. They started at 36 to Emmanuel's 40, and the latter soon had a lead of $\frac{1}{2}$ length. At the Barrier, L.M.B.C. began to draw level and from Fawley onwards, reached in 3 min. 58 sec., they gradually rowed past Emmanuel, who made repeated spurts, but could not make up the leeway. L.M.B.C. rowed at 28 for the majority of the race and settled down well. In the semi-finals on Friday, Trinity Hall, the eventual winners, proved themselves too experienced, and after obtaining a lead fairly early in the race, gradually drew away to win by 1 length.

In the Goblets, C. B. M. Lloyd and J. G. P. Crowden (Pembroke) proved themselves an outstanding pair. In both their races, they gave a fine demonstration of pair-oared rowing. On Friday they met Davidge and Callender (Trinity College, Oxford) and this race aroused great interest. Going off at 36 to Davidge's 40, they were soon down by a length, but rowing a superbly controlled race, and underrating their opponents by about 5 strokes a minute, they soon drew level and went past the post to win by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths in 8 min. 40 sec. In the final, against Rosa and Van Antwerpen, of Belgium, the race took much the same pattern, but Lloyd and Crowden drew ahead more rapidly and won easily in the time of 8 min. 52 sec.

In the Spare-Men's Pairs, A. D. N. King and M. A. Pallister got into the final, but were beaten by the Royal Engineers' pair, who had already competed at another regatta and so were more practised.

Dr J. R. Owen coached both the First and Second VIII's at Henley, besides both Fours, and the Club is very much indebted to him and to the other coaches who have made such a successful Henley possible.

The crews were:

<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i> (<i>Marlow only</i>)
<i>Bow</i> H. H. Almond	<i>Bow</i> C. R. Reese	<i>Bow</i> G. R. Henton
2 J. S. M. Jones	2 D. R. Morris	2 E. R. Crossman
3 J. R. Dingle	3 T. C. Line	3 M. A. Pallister
4 D. D. Macklin	4 J. D. Blick	4 J. A. Binnian
5 E. J. Worlidge	5 J. A. N. Wallis	5 A. D. N. King
6 R. F. A. Sharpley	6 J. H. Scott-Park	6 J. B. Wills
7 N. B. M. Clack	7 J. D. Anderson	7 G. T. Wordie
<i>Str.</i> C. B. M. Lloyd	<i>Str.</i> P. V. Trotman	<i>Str.</i> J. MacDowall
<i>Cox</i> P. Prestt	<i>Cox</i> R. Mewton	<i>Cox</i> G. Gregory

<i>First IV</i>	<i>Second IV</i>
<i>Bow</i> H. H. Almond (<i>steerer</i>)	<i>Bow</i> N. B. M. Clack (<i>steerer</i>)
2 D. D. Macklin	2 J. H. Scott-Park
3 E. J. Worlidge	3 J. R. Dingle
<i>Str.</i> R. F. A. Sharpley	<i>Str.</i> J. S. M. Jones

THE LADY MARGARET PLAYERS

President: MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Vice-Presidents:* THE MASTER, THE DEAN, MR WATT. *Chairman:* J. B. DENSON. *Secretary:* D. A. BOND. *Treasurer:* M. F. LITTLEBOY. *Committee Members:* B. CANNON, P. A. CULLEN, D. H. RUDD, R. L. BUSVINE.

THE committee for the academic year 1950-1, having been elected early, was well into its stride by the Michaelmas Term. However, not all its carefully laid plans bore the fruit that was anticipated. The term began with a General Meeting attended by a promising number of freshmen. Sufficient of these were auditioned and accepted membership, to make up for the heavy loss in personnel suffered at the end of the previous year. The term was devoted to the production of *The Zeal of Thy House*, by Dorothy L. Sayers. Although only three performances were given, it drew larger audiences than *Christ's Comet*, and its success emphasised the soundness of the avowed aims of the Society.

The Annual Dinner, which followed hard upon the production party, on Thursday, 7 December, was attended by forty-five members of the Society and guests. The speeches of the evening were

enthusiastically received. Those of the Master, proposing the toast to the Society, and that of the chairman in reply, contributed greatly to the enjoyment of the evening—as did the presence of a more than usually large number of lady guests.

As the year progressed it became clear that the absence of a sufficient financial guarantee would force the abandonment of the production of Nashe's *Summer's Last Will and Testament*; it had been hoped to present this as part of the Festival programme for Cambridge. The committee decided that the Society should give performances in the Fellows' Garden, as usual, during May Week and the Duke of Newcastle's *Humorous Lovers*, one copy of which dated 1677 reposed, unbound, in the Library, was chosen for the occasion. The projected production of Donald Rudd's new play *In my beginning*, during the Lent Term, proved impracticable owing to the impossibility of securing theatre space. However, a highly successful reading of the work was given to an audience of members and invited guests in the Old Music Room on Tuesday, 20 February.

The modifications which had to be made in the year's programme prevented the usual play-readings of the Lent Term, and what time could be spared towards the end of it was devoted to auditions for the *Humorous Lovers*. In its way, the latter was as much new pasture for the Society as an *Evening in June* had been, for costumes and scenery were used in the garden for the first time. The Society was fortunate in securing the services of John Hosier, who composed and directed the incidental music.

The inter-relationship of College and University drama, for which last year's secretary hoped in vain, has this year been a reality. It has not been an unmixed blessing, and some have felt the strain of having too many irons in the theatrical furnace. However, the Lady Margaret Players have another year of youthful achievement behind them, and it is impossible not to feel that they are now a permanent and valuable part of the life of the College.

THE LADY MARGARET SINGERS

President: MR ORR. *Vice-Presidents:* DR HERBERT HOWELLS, MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Conductor:* G. H. GUEST. *Secretary:* J. W. MARTIN.

THE number of recitals by the Singers during the academic year 1950-1 is the smallest, and the programmes themselves the most modest, since the choir was founded in 1947. This has been a long-term policy on our part, for we have been busy preparing for what promises to be the most important concert since our inception,

namely, a recital in Chapel as part of the Cambridge Festival, in August.

In the Michaelmas Term we sang three balletts by Morley at a University Music Club concert. Early in January we gave another short programme at the Music School in which the first performance of a part-song "Walking in the Snow", by Herbert Howells was given. This work was written for the Lady Margaret Singers. We repeated this, together with Dr Howells' carol-anthem, "A Spotless Rose", at a University Music Club concert later in the month.

At the end of the Lent Term we gave, at the invitation of the Arts Council, a recital at the Music School to the Arts Council Delegates for the Eastern Region. Our half-hour programme included madrigals and part-songs by composers ranging from Tudor times to the present day. We were, in fact, "on show" at this concert, and have since received enquiries from many places in the Eastern Counties with a view to our giving similar programmes for them during the coming winter.

The Singers were invited to give a recital in Peterborough Cathedral in connection with the City's Arts Festival. We regretfully had to refuse this, however, as the date fell in the middle of examination time.

Our Cambridge Festival concert in August will include a first performance of "A Festival Te Deum" by Mr Orr, our President. This work was written especially for this concert, and is also inscribed to the Lady Margaret Singers. We find it most stimulating and uplifting music to sing, and look forward to performing it, accompanied by the composer at the organ. Also in this concert we will sing the Mass, "O Bone Jesu", by Robert Fayrfax. This is a new edition of the work, transcribed by our conductor from manuscripts in the University and various college libraries. Miss Anne Avery undertook the tedious task of copying the fifty-three pages on to "Gestetner" stencils. We then checked, duplicated and bound about fifty copies of the Mass. This concert will also include Benjamin Britten's "Hymn to St Cecilia", and organ solos by Mr Orr. Negotiations are at present in progress for the B.B.C. to record the whole programme for re-broadcast at a future date.

It was with great pleasure that we learnt that George Guest is to be appointed Organist of the College from next Michaelmas Term, and we can look forward to the Singers being, under his enthusiastic and musicianly guidance, a permanent feature of College and University musical life.

THE LAW SOCIETY

SEASON 1950-1

President: K. J. FISHER. *Secretary:* P. M. LEIGH. *Treasurer:* G. H. C. GRIFFITH. *Committee:* J. VAN DER LEE, T. L. C. PERRY, K. T. FUAD, J. R. D'ARCY.

THIS year the Society has had an extremely interesting programme. In the Michaelmas Term Mr A. H. I. Swift, Clerk to the Cambridge Borough Council, spoke to the first meeting of the year on "Local Government both in General and Particular", and gave us a very clear insight into the duties of his office. Mr K. W. Welfare, solicitor, gave a talk on "A Solicitor's job", and this also was extremely illuminating to members of the Society; and not only to the potential solicitors among us but also to prospective barristers. Mr Welfare showed himself a speaker of considerable wit.

The outstanding event of the Lent Term was the Annual Dinner, which was, as usual, a great success. The Guest of Honour was Professor Bailey, whose recent elevation to the Rouse Ball Professorship conferred yet another distinction on the College. Everybody enjoyed Professor Bailey's speech, which was marked with his customary gentle and scholarly humour.

The Society had the pleasure of the company of the University College, London, Law Society, on Wednesday, 28 February, when they were our guests at a Moot in the Old Music Room. Professor Glanville Williams presided. Unfortunately not all the numerous "Amici Curiae" were able to advise the Court, as the University College had to return by bus. Still, it was a very enjoyable evening.

Mr Scott and Dr Jackson have as usual been of inestimable value in obtaining speakers and entertaining them on our behalf.

LAWN TENNIS CLUB

President: DR DANIEL. *Captain:* A. J. MALTBY.
Hon. Secretary: D. R. PETERS

TONY MALTBY only had two places to fill in his team, with Norman Rosser, Pat Hobson and David Peters still up, and he had little difficulty in selecting two useful freshmen, Roderick MacLeod and Colin Laurie, thus making up quite a powerful team.

We have had a successful term, though unable to retain the League Cup, being beaten by Trinity. In this we were unfortunate in playing them early in the term, when their blues were available, and in meeting them in both the Singles and Doubles of the "Cuppers".

In the Doubles the blues were too strong for Hobson and Peters; but in the Singles Hobson, Rosser and Peters must be congratulated on giving the blues close matches and beating their "Grasshopper".

The Second Six had a successful though somewhat variable season. They came second in the Fourth League, so that under the new rules, whereby two teams are promoted they will be in the third next year, playing against several other college firsts.

We played our two matches against Balliol, on lovely days, and were victorious on both occasions. The weather spoilt our other "outside" fixtures, interrupting what promised to be a very good match against a strong team from University College, London, and forcing us to cancel matches with the Cambridge Town and County L.T.C., and the Inns of Court Students' L.T.C.

We welcome Dr Daniel as our new President, and wish next year's teams every success.

The following have been elected for next year:

Captain: D. R. PETERS. *Hon. Secretary:* H. R. MACLEOD.

THE MEDICAL SOCIETY

President: PROFESSOR HARRIS. *Vice-President:* J. F. M. NEWMAN.

Hon. Secretary: B. H. B. ROBINSON.

At the beginning of the Michaelmas Term the Society decided that it was unfair and even undesirable to persuade freshmen to join the Society before they had had time to decide for themselves whether they wished to become members. The result was a constitutional amendment; freshmen are welcomed to all meetings during their first term, but are not eligible for membership until their second term of residence.

The Society has indulged in a variety of activities during the year. During the Long Vacation term we challenged Caius College Medical Society to a game of cricket which we won by a quite surprising number of runs. The Caius Medical Society were again our guests during the Michaelmas Term when a film show was given in the Old Music Room. Later in the term Mr Davies entertained us with a fascinating account of the history of embalming, with particular reference to Egyptian Mummies.

During the Lent Term the Society welcomed Dr Fulton Roberts from the Department of Pathology, who read a most interesting paper on "The Blood Groups", and Dr Wright from the Anatomy Department, who led us to new pastures when he discussed "The Anatomy of Metaphor"; a most stimulating lecture. By the kind invitation of the Law Society we held a joint meeting at which the

Coroner of Birmingham told us about his powers and duties. The Lent Term was concluded by a most successful dinner, after which we were afforded evidence of the eloquence of our guests and of our committee.

In accordance with tradition and with the demands of Tripos, no meetings were held in the Easter Term. Early in May Week, however, a quorum was assembled and the officers for the next academic year were elected. We wish them success and good fortune.

It was with great regret that we learned of the impending departure of Professor Harris and Mr Davies. Professor Harris is retiring from the Chair of Anatomy, where his energy and guidance will be missed by all; we hope, however, that he will be able to remain President of the Society, for which he has done a great deal.

Mr Davies is leaving for the United States of America, where we wish him every success and happiness. As a token of gratitude for his brilliant supervisions and for his willing assistance in all matters concerned with the Society, it was decided to present him with a wrist watch.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Musical Director: MR ORR. *Librarian:* DR HOLLICK. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Junior Treasurer:* J. H. DAVIES. *Secretary:* D. R. HOWE. *Committee:* G. H. GUEST, L. A. OFFICER, J. U. SIDGWICK

THE year's activities have been confined to four smoking concerts and the annual Michaelmas Term Concert in Hall. On the whole, these have been well attended, though outside musical attractions, of which there are so many, naturally draw people away from small college groups.

Outstanding items from these concerts have been L. A. Officer's performance of six Dances from Bartok's "Mikrokosmos", a set of four Glee's for solo men's voices (these were later performed at C.U.M.C.) and a set of pieces played by John Margetson on his clavichord. One concert, which was open to the public, was given by the Alma Musica Sextet from Holland. They played a Vivaldi concerto and Bach's "Musical Offering". The performance was excellent, though the Continuo part, played on a pedal harpsichord, an instrument rarely heard in this country, was lacking in imagination.

The May Concert, for which tickets were in great demand, included a set of four Madrigals sung by the Male Voice Choir, a piano duet "Trois Pièces Nègres" by Constant Lambert, a Bach Trio Sonata for violin, flute and harpsichord, and a Wind Trio, "Suite d'après Corrette", by Milhaud. In the Purcell ode, "Ye

Tuneful Muses", the Chapel Choir, with four sopranos instead of the choristers, was accompanied by the orchestra with George Guest at the harpsichord. As is now known, George Guest will succeed Mr Orr as Organist and choirmaster of the College. He has been elected Musical Director of the Society for the coming year, while Mr Orr becomes President in the place of the late Mr Charlesworth. The committee would like to thank Mr Orr for all he has done as Musical Director in past years.

The Male Voice Choir under L. A. Officer and the College String Orchestra have assembled regularly throughout the year. Without any outside members the Orchestra consists of eighteen players, an unusually large number to find in College in one year.

Through the generosity of the College Council the Society has recently acquired a double bass. This is a valuable acquisition and will be welcomed by members of the orchestra (trained for most of the year by David Howe). Is it too much to hope that our newly elected President may find time now to write a short work for us?

THE NASHE SOCIETY

Vice-Presidents: MR H. S. DAVIES, MR WATT. *Chairman:* J. B. BEER.
Secretary: G. L. GREEN

THE Nashe Society has this year continued to uphold its tradition of low living and high thinking, and has concerned itself with the writings of its founder for what is probably the first time in its history.

The year opened with a paper from Mr Watt on "The Humour of Dr Johnson", which maintained a light approach in spite of the weightiness of the matter. This was followed by Professor Hooker's paper on "The Augustan Disease", which proved to be the Spleen. The paper involved a clinico-literary account of eighteenth-century pre-psychology in its literary manifestations.

In the Lent Term we had a welcome second visit from Peter Allt of Dublin and St Catharine's, who enlightened us on "Aspects of the Forsterian Novel". The paper was both comprehensive and penetrating, and it made a good sequel to his earlier paper on Yeats.

The crowning achievement of the year, however, was the celebration of the 350th anniversary of Nashe's death. Nashe was probably alive in 1600 and certainly dead in 1602, but the celebration fixes his death as 10 March 1601. The evening opened with the dinner at which toasts were proposed to Queen Elizabeth, to the spirit of Thomas Nashe and to the confusion of Gabriel Harvey, the last being proposed in the time-honoured phrase, "Have With You to

Saffron Walden". Percy Cradock, the guest speaker, replied to the toast with a spirited tribute to the memory of "ingenious, ingenuous, fluent, facetious Thomas Nashe". The Society then adjourned to form a solemn procession to the places in Cambridge mentioned in the writings of Nashe, where by the light of lanterns (by courtesy of the Folk Museum) the appropriate passages were read and each station solemnly blessed.

Further details will be found elsewhere in this issue.

During the summer the College Librarian was kind enough to arrange an exhibition of items connected with Nashe, including his signature in the College Register, a number of illustrated editions, and the Society's earliest programme.

THE "P" CLUB

SEASON 1956-1

President: MR LEE. *Vice-President:* R. J. NEWTON.
Hon. Secretary: J. R. QUAYLE

THE P Club has a fine tradition of versifying the year's edition, and once a year it gives a treat with quite a lot of iambic feet. So here once more we tell you how, we passed the session, ending now.

We started off, all hale and hearty at T. S. Eliot's *Cocktail Party*, the fare was good, we rated highly the song we sang to One-Eyed Reilly. We thought that next we'd hie to France, to see if *Huis Clos*, perchance, would please us, but alas for lack of copies we were brought aback; notwithstanding, *Arms and the Man* delighted us with Shaw's élan. And Russell Lewis read one night the Master's Essay, which was titled *Technology* and invoked much warm discussion as we smoked taking our coffee black and white we talked aesthetics through the night.

As nineteen fifty one drew nigh
 we read a play by Mr Fry,
Lady's not for burning, so he said,
 we said so too, and went to bed.
 When next we met we were but four:
 (the lowest number yet for sure)
 and of this four, three-quarters read
 Theses that they had edit-ed.
 The subjects ranged from weird alchemic,
 through Roman tales to high polemic.
 A *Family Reunion* held
 next term, effectively dispelled
 all ling'ring doubts (however heinous)
 that questioned Mr Eliot's genius.
 And now the year is nearly through,
 just what, you ask, was left to do?
 Then to the rooms of Mr Lee,
 our new President to see;
 who kindly plied us with Madeira
 and thus we met in style superior:
 to hear a talk by Harry Beaumont
 (what rhymes here, apart from Gaumont?),
 on *The Cocktail Party*, and, Look, What Fun!
 We're back again where we begun.

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

SEASON 1950-1

THE Purchas Society at St John's is now in the third year of its existence, and the talks given during the last three terms have more than kept up the high standards envisaged by the founders of the Society—Dr Daniel and Mr Farmer. In the Michaelmas Term, two members spoke to the Society on their visit to the Pyrenees and Spain; Mr J. H. Patterson, from the Department of Geography, presented a stimulating picture of "Economic Development in the Southern United States", following on his recent visit to that area; and Dr Daniel, now one of our Vice-Presidents, gave the last talk of the term on "Geography and Pre-History", in which he outlined the numerous ways in which the geographer can aid the research work of the archaeologist in the field, with particular reference to his (Dr Daniel's) work on Megalithic Monuments.

In the Lent Term we were extremely fortunate in procuring the services of two eminent research workers—Mr W. V. Lewis,

Lecturer in Geography, who illustrated some of his glaciological studies in Iceland, and Professor Fortes, Head of the Department of Archaeology and Anthropology, who spoke on his work in the Gold Coast.

Only one meeting was held this term, when Mr Barnes, now of the Department of Anthropology in University College, London, gave a talk which proved most interesting to geographers and anthropologists alike, on "Ecological Relations among Bandits".

The Third Annual Dinner of the Society was held in the Lent Term in the Old Music Room, when Professor J. A. Steers, Head of the Department of Geography, was the principal guest.

This term we say good-bye to our President, C. I. M. O'Brien; also temporarily to Mr Farmer, who has gone out to Ceylon for the next six months.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

President: SIR PERCY WINFIELD. *Captain*: E. W. MARSDEN. *Secretary*: K. J. FISHER. *Match Secretary*: D. BARRY. *Cygnets' Secretary*: W. R. RODGER.

APART from one small misfortune the season was reasonably successful. Admittedly we lost the Cup, which had been in our possession for five years, but the general standard of play was as high as usual. Our defeat in "Cuppers" was due rather to lack of the one or two really outstanding players necessary to transform a workmanlike team into a winning team than to shortage of good solid material in the middle of the Club. The main difficulty was one of selection where so many people were of the same standard. Several members of the Third XV played for the First XV occasionally, and acquitted themselves well.

This situation can be better appreciated through an examination of the league results. The First XV, after a poor start, finished strongly to take third place in Division I. In Division III we had both Second and Third XV's, and appropriately enough these shared the honours of first place. The most exciting match was when they met each other; strange to relate, the Second XV won, but there was as usual very little in it. Our Fourth XV was first in Division V, thus earning promotion. Let us hope that next season they continue their progress and join the two higher teams in Division III.

The Second XV had a powerful pack, amongst whom J. E. Mitchell and F. Wilkinson were prominent when not playing for the First XV. Its back division was rather impressive. Led by P. W. Rowe, they

produced some dazzling displays, with balanced running by M. C. Templeton, distance-devouring striding by P. H. Clarke, determined dashes by W. D. Cockburn and M. S. Girling. The Third XV was well captained by J. C. Ratcliff and, as the season went on, found a promising stand-off half in C. Barringer. W. R. Rodger, Cygnets' Secretary, took the Fourth XV to its present position assisted by J. R. Baxter in the centre and J. E. Gardner at scrum-half. In extra-collegiate rugby, E. W. Marsden was awarded his "blue" and K. J. Fisher was elected to the LX Club, for whom he played against the Oxford University Greyhounds. We must congratulate M. L. Grant and W. A. M. Bewick on being chosen for Eastern Counties and Surrey respectively. In the Lent Term, W. R. Mason and R. W. Smithson played for the University. H. Morgan and G. W. Scott turned out for the LX Club.

The first round of "Cuppers" against Trinity was typical of cup football. We won 6-3, a try and a dropped goal to a penalty goal. The forwards gained a large share of the ball which the backs were unable to make full use of in the face of good defence. We kept up constant pressure until, in the second half, I. F. Goodhand made a creditable attempt at a drop-goal which just missed, but rebounded off the post. D. Berry, following up hard with two or three forwards, was able to snap up the ball and score between the posts. After a penalty goal had made the scores even again, R. W. Smithson clinched the issue by dropping a goal from thirty yards out. Against Jesus in round two the team clicked into form right from the start. Our forwards once more won a large share of the ball and sometimes showed an ability to start quick passing movements. M. L. Grant and C. W. Storr at wing-forward put in some punishing tackles, while A. W. Wescombe and L. F. Read did useful work in the scrums. As the Jesus pack was by no means weak, this was a fine performance. A long throw-in on our own twenty-five led to a try by K. J. Fisher, which was soon followed by a break through in the centre and a try by R. W. Smithson. After a spell of inaction, during which C. W. Storr relieved the monotony by kicking two long penalty goals, D. Berry went over in the corner. The final score was 17-3. St Catharine's were obviously going to provide tough opposition in the semi-final. In the first half of this game, our forwards played well as usual, but the backs needed a very large share of the ball in order to penetrate the opposition's experienced defence. With J. K. Iliffe and G. W. Scott jumping well in the line-outs, they gained about 60 per cent of the ball, but no one could quite force his way over and we changed round with the score 3-3 (one penalty goal each). Our opponents' heavier pack then began to assert itself a little more and, when through injury shortly after half-time we lost D. C. G. Breddy

the hooker, whose performances had been consistently good throughout "Cuppers", it was all our own forwards could do to hold their own. Nevertheless everyone defended hard, as the fact that only a goal and a try were scored against us shows. J. O. Mavor put in some strenuous corner-flagging and tackling, B. P. Malony saved some awkward situations and was kicking a long ball. Slight relief came when W. R. Mason made a break from the scrum and covered sixty yards before being brought down. K. J. Fisher kept up constant pressure on his wing and showed up well against a certain English International. We must mention here J. B. Chaumeton, whose injury kept him from playing this season, but who devoted much time to producing a speedy, efficient pack of forwards and whose advice was of great assistance to the selectors.

The Club had an enjoyable Easter tour in Yorkshire. Otley was defeated 21-13, but we lost to Harrogate 3-11.

Next year's officials, to whom we wish the very best of luck, are:
Captain: G. W. SCOTT. *Secretary:* R. W. SMITHSON. *Match Secretary:* D. C. G. BREDDY. *Cygnets' Secretary:* D. H. FORD.

First XV. B. P. Malony, K. J. Fisher, I. F. Goodhand, E. W. Marsden, D. Berry, R. W. Smithson, W. R. Mason, A. W. Wescombe, D. C. G. Breddy, J. K. Iliffe, G. W. Scott, M. L. Grant, J. O. Mavor, C. W. Storr, L. F. Read. Also played: R. L. West, H. Morgan.

Second XV. M. C. Templeton, W. A. M. Bewick, P. W. Rowe, P. H. Clark, M. S. Girling, D. S. Minns, D. E. Hunt, J. T. Nye, J. M. Prosser, J. E. Mitchell, J. S. Martin, C. H. K. Maltby, F. Wilkinson, J. M. Meadows, M. O. S. Hawkins. Also played: W. D. Cockburn.

THE SQUASH CLUB

SEASON 1950-1

President: DR WINFIELD. *Captain:* A. V. ALEXANDER.

Hon. Secretary: C. R. CLARKE

FOUR of last year's colours, N. Rosser, A. J. Maltby, A. V. Alexander and D. Finlay were available during the Michaelmas Term and although Rosser was able to play in only two league matches, the team was undefeated and managed to win the League Championship by 2 points from Magdalene. C. R. Clarke completed the side and H. R. MacLeod played when Rosser was not available.

Any hopes of repeating this success in the "Cuppers" during the Lent Term disappeared when it became known that neither Rosser nor Maltby would be able to play. Selwyn were easily defeated in the first round, but the handicap of playing without our regular first and second strings proved too great, and we succumbed to Trinity, losing by 2 matches to 3. In the fixtures arranged with outside clubs

during the season, both Cambridge Town and County and the Wellesley Club, Croydon, were beaten 5-0; Balliol College, Oxford, were comfortably beaten by 4-1, but we were defeated by "The Cocktails" and narrowly lost a very enjoyable match against "The Escorts".

The Second Team did very well to finish at the top of the Fourth Division, but because D. Cameron and W. S. S. Maclay were required for the First Team during the Lent Term, they could never really do themselves justice on being promoted to the Third Division.

The Third Team began well and had some notable victories in the Sixth Division, but in the Lent Term they were handicapped by injuries and the general shortage of players, and showed inconsistent form. The Fourth Team, however, did most creditably and were promoted to the Sixth Division upon finishing second in the Seventh Division during the Michaelmas Term. They rounded off a successful season by inflicting a rather surprising but nevertheless decisive defeat on the College Third Team.

We must congratulate Norman Rosser on being awarded his half-blue for playing in the University match *v.* Oxford, and also A. J. Maltby and A. V. Alexander on being made members of the Ganders Club.

First-Team Colours were awarded to C. R. Clarke, and H. R. MacLeod, and Second-Team Colours to D. Cameron and W. S. S. Maclay.

Officers elected for season 1951-2: *Captain:* C. R. CLARKE. *Hon. Secretary:* H. R. MACLEOD.

SWIMMING CLUB

President: PROFESSOR MORDELL. *Captain:* N. W. PALMER.

Hon. Secretary: J. K. ILIFFE

THE swimming season this year has been confined to just one very crowded term, owing to the fact that the Leys School bath has been out of action throughout the winter months. Efforts to take the team to Bedford and Northampton were largely unsuccessful, and when the baths eventually became available we were faced with the prospect of fitting water-polo "Cuppers" and college relays as well as Tadpoles and University swimming matches into the few weeks before the Tripos.

In these Inter-college competitions we failed to repeat the success story of last year, when we won all three cups for the first time, and of these only one will remain with us for the coming year. In the Medley Relay our team consisted of the three University first strings,

and this fairly romped home in the final some eight yards ahead of St Catharine's. The Freestyle team, albeit weakened by examinations, reached the final of the Freestyle Relay competition, but were beaten into second place by a margin of four feet by St Catharine's, in spite of valiant attempts by Palmer on the last lap to regain lost ground.

In the Water Polo draw we seemed to have been favoured, and the team was so confident of reaching the final that it narrowly escaped being beaten in both of the preliminary matches. However, some long-range scoring enabled us to beat Downing 4-2 and our old rivals, St Catharine's, 2-1, and we went forward to meet Caius in the final. Caius were a well-balanced side consisting mainly of University and Tadpole players as against our two Water Polo blues and numerous University swimmers, and consequently what we gained in speed we tended to lose in ball technique. Pinning our faith in a solid defence by Burgin and Iliffe and a long distance attack by Palmer and Treacy, we were 1-2 down at half-time, and eventually lost 2-4, both our goals being scored by Palmer.

Once again St John's has provided a major part of the University teams against Oxford; N. W. Palmer and J. K. Iliffe both swam and played polo, whilst D. H. Burgin, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones and P. B. Treacy were invited to swim. College "Cuppers" teams were as follows:

Medley Relay: D. H. Burgin, J. K. Iliffe, N. W. Palmer.

Freestyle Relay: D. H. Burgin, J. K. Iliffe, N. W. Palmer, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones.

Water Polo: J. K. Iliffe, D. H. Burgin, J. A. Bessell, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones, P. B. Treacy, N. W. Palmer, D. Berry.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1951 AND LENT TERM 1952

President: C. C. GOLDSMITH. *Vice-President:* J. L. DIXON. *Secretary:* F. R. OLIVER. *Treasurer:* G. GREGORY. *Committee Member:* R. A. BECHER.

A SUCCESSFUL year began with a talk by Mr Curtis on "Dynamics Made Difficult", in which he discussed inertial problems with especial reference to the galactic centre. For the second meeting of the term we invited Mr J. B. Marriott, an ex-Treasurer of the Society, to renew his acquaintance both with the College and with the President. He spoke most entertainingly on the history of Mathematics. Mr D. Rees wound up the open meetings of the term with a talk on pedic numbers. On Saint Cecilia's Day a dinner was held in the old Music Room, attended by thirty-seven senior and junior members of the Society. M. C. Morgan proposed the toast of the Society, to which Mr White replied, giving a history of Mathematical Societies in this country, and concluding by giving the words of the first extant Mathematical drinking song. The President ended his speech by proposing the toast of Saint Cecilia.

During the Lent Term Professor Hodge spoke on "Recent Trends in Geometry", and Dr Smithies on "Spaces with an Infinity of Dimensions". The last meeting of the year was addressed by G. M. Kelly, a junior member of the Society, who spoke on "The Use and Abuse of Matrices". After the talk the Annual General Meeting was held, at which a vote of thanks to the retiring committee was passed, and best wishes were extended to their successors.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

President: MR BOYS SMITH. *Captain:* R. SUTCLIFFE.*Hon. Secretary:* G. M. LEES

THE Club once again began the season with a large playing strength, and six full colours were available. There were a larger number of freshmen than usual, and from them emerged a group of promising players. The season was, however, one of only moderate success, in which our ideals were never completely fulfilled. 'Varsity and Falcon calls, coupled with injuries, ruined our league chances, and this was followed by an unaccountable failure in the "Cuppers".

In the Michaelmas Term a remarkable recovery after a bad start enabled the First XI to reach third position in the League table. Early matches against Magdalene, Fitzwilliam House and Christ's were lost, but no further defeat was incurred in League matches. Weakened sides contributed to defeats in all four matches against outside clubs—Westminster College and University College, London, Old Kimboltonians, and S.E. Essex Technical College.

After the Christmas vacation the return of R. A. West after injury did not offset the absence of G. G. Tordoff and J. A. Slater, and the team never completely justified its promise. In the "Cuppers" a comfortable 5-0 win over Trinity Hall on an icy pitch was followed by defeat at the hands of the eventual winners, St Catharine's, by 2-1. Many other keen games were played, notably against R.A.F. Cranwell (lost 2-3), St Edmund Hall, Oxford (drawn 1-1), and the return matches against the London Colleges, University and Westminster, both of whom were held to drawn games. R.A.F. Technical College, Henlow, finalists in the Argonaut Trophy, were beaten 4-2.

The Second XI once again succeeded in winning their League, though only by virtue of a goal average which was superior to that of our old rivals, Christ's. This was a fitting reward for the work of R. A. West, Secretary, and for the enthusiastic leadership of B. Tomlinson and J. Bamber. Several enjoyable outside games were played, and the loss of only six matches out of twenty-eight played is a tribute to the team's consistency.

Despite the difficulty in finding opponents for the Third XI, thirteen games were played, of which five were won and three drawn, the side being gallantly led by I. E. Telfer.

The congratulations of the Club are accorded to J. David, R. Sutcliffe and G. G. Tordoff, who represented the University

against Oxford, and again to R. Sutcliffe, who played regularly for Pegasus F.C.

Full Colours were awarded to W. T. Barber, D. Cooper, F. B. Corley, T. P. J. Dyke, P. H. Mark, J. R. Peberdy, G. G. Tordoff, R. A. West and D. J. D. Yarwood.

Half-colours were awarded to J. Bamber, J. H. D. Briscoe, K. Foster, R. T. Forster and J. A. P. Salter.

The Annual Dinner was held on Wednesday, 12 March in the Old Music Room, when the Senior Guest was Mr Howland.

At the Annual Meeting of Full Colours on 23 April 1952, the following officials were elected for the season 1952-3:

Captain: R. A. WEST. *Hon. Secretary:* P. B. GILES.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* G. A. COUTIE.*Hon. Secretary:* J. H. B. SIMPSON.

WITH the loss of three Blues and one Alverstone Club member, we could not expect to maintain the very high standard attained last year. However, four of last year's full colours in residence provided a useful nucleus to build a team for the Inter-College competitions during the year.

In the Michaelmas Term we finished third to Christ's and Queens' in the Field Events competition, and shared fourth place with Pembroke in the Inter-College Relays. An unfortunate number of injuries and illnesses in the Lent Term reduced our chances in the heats of the Inter-College Sports, and resulted in our having to compete in the "Losers" Final to avoid relegation to Division II. With our full team available for this, we were successful, the points being: St John's, 103½; Trinity, 95½; Queens', 86.

We had an enjoyable match against Balliol College, Oxford, at Fenner's during the Michaelmas Term, in which we were narrowly beaten by four points—the result depending on the last event. It was not possible to hold our annual fixture with St Catharine's against Brasenose and Lincoln Colleges, Oxford, owing to the weather, but it is hoped that it will be arranged next year.

On being elected Master, Mr Wordie regretted that he could not continue as President of the Club owing to his new commitments. We are very pleased that Mr White has consented to be his successor.

In the Inter-Varsity Cross-country race D. H. Gilbert, the University Hare and Hounds captain, was again placed second for the third year in succession.

Full Colours were awarded to I. K. Orchardson and D. B. Stronach; and Half-colours to P. F. Roe, I. E. M. Hughes, J. S. Lyon, R. R. Allan, M. J. Mustill and J. S. Murray.

At the final meeting of the year, J. H. B. Simpson was elected Captain, and D. B. Stronach, Hon. Secretary, for the year 1952-3.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

Captain: D. J. GRIFFITHS. *Secretary:* D. G. STOREY.

Treasurer: R. J. ADIE.

THE Club started the season under a rather severe handicap. Only seven active senior members remained, but fortunately after some extensive canvassing by the Captain and Secretary we reached a total of eighteen members.

Thanks to excellent coaching by the Captain, the First Team maintained the previous year's record by again not losing a single match in League I. This also despite the fact that three of the six players were freshmen.

The Second Team, however, had to suffer from lack of experienced players and was able to win only one of its five ties.

In the "Cuppers" the College was represented by D. J. Griffiths, K. W. Sapru and F. A. Hunter. In the first round they beat Pembroke, but lost to Queens' in the next.

In the annual College Singles Tournament, D. J. Griffiths retained his title for the second year by beating F. A. Hunter in the final.

This year the special congratulations of the Club go to David Griffiths on being awarded a Half-Blue for the University match against Oxford, which was once more won by Cambridge by fifteen games to nil. Griffiths is only the second member of the Club to be awarded a Blue since the end of the war. F. A. Hunter played for the Second Team against Oxford and was awarded his Cockerel colours.

Once more the year was concluded with what has now become an annual event: a sherry party held in the Secretary's rooms. The true convivial spirit was shown by all, but particularly by the Treasurer.

Officers elected for 1952-3:

Captain: K. W. SAPRU. *Secretary:* F. A. HUNTER.

Treasurer: L. C. JOHNSON.

THE CHESS CLUB

Captain: A. J. WILLSON. *Secretary:* F. R. OLIVER.

THE Club did not repeat the success of last year in the "Cuppers"; neither the First nor the Second Team reached the final pool. Socially, however, the season has been most happy. The number of matches played has been greatly increased, partly as a result of entering the Cambridge and District League. All the regular attenders at our informal sessions have had occasional match games, and this has led to an increase in the general standard of our play. We played twenty-three matches, winning eleven, drawing two, and losing ten.

A. J. Willson was awarded a Half-Blue, and G. D. E. Soar played in the Dragons' match. A number of talented freshmen joined us, and we look forward to a most successful season next year.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: J. R. BAXTER. *Treasurer:* T. B. ANDERSON.

Secretary: J. P. SULLIVAN.

ATTENDANCES this year were rather poor as was evinced by the number of unused coffee cups after each meeting. The select few, however, were amply repaid by an interesting variety of talks. Mr Crook began the Michaelmas Term with an intriguing examination of the "Ara Coeli". Mr Papastavrou of Pembroke and Mr McCrum of Corpus Christi, with their amusing talks on "Greek Ballads" and "Greece Ancient and Modern" respectively, gave a very proper Greek bias to our meetings, a bias which was further emphasized by Mr Morrison of Trinity, who dealt very lucidly with the problems of Greek Ships of War. The balance was more or less restored by Mr Crook, who nobly stepped into the breach when the speaker for the last meeting found himself unable to attend. He gave a talk on "Augustan Imperium and Auctoritas", a subject to which the impending tripos gave a double interest.

The penultimate meeting saw the election of next year's officers. The Classical Dinner on 4 June had, surprisingly enough, the largest attendance of all our meetings and brought a worthy end to the year. Thanks are due to Mr Howland, Mr Lee and Messrs Ford and Whittaker, who lent their rooms to the Society for meetings of one sort or another.

THE CRICKET CLUB

President: PROFESSOR BAILEY. *Captain:* J. C. RATCLIFF.

Secretary: R. HEARNE.

ST JOHN'S had a very successful term's cricket, and in most games we had the better of our opponents. The main feature of the term's cricket was that there were at least twenty men in the College who were up to first team standard. This meant that everyone was keen to play in as many games as possible, and we were always able to turn out a good team. Len Baker gave us some good pitches, and we were usually lucky with the weather.

The side was well captained by J. C. Ratcliff. Once again R. W. Smithson was our highest scorer, but he was well supported by J. K. E. Slack, W. R. Mason, J. C. Ratcliff and A. W. Morris. J. M. N. Rankin was easily our best bowler, and C. J. Denham-Davis, R. Crabtree and J. P. Peberdy also did well. G. G. Tordoff, a freshman, was awarded a Blue, and his preoccupation with University cricket prevented him from assisting the College side.

This year's home fixtures were very successful, but the away matches, with the exception of that at Bishop's Stortford, were rather disappointing. We visited two Colleges in Oxford, but the demands of Final Schools unfortunately prevented our Oxford opponents from fielding fully representative sides.

This year, for the first time, Second XI Colours were awarded as a measure of recognition for those who played for the First XI for much of the season, but who did not ultimately find places in the first team.

Next year's officers will be:

Captain: R. W. SMITHSON. *Secretary:* A. W. MORRIS.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1951

President: J. BAIN. *Vice-President:* D. H. FORD.

Secretary: A. E. CAMPBELL. *Asst. Secretary:* I. J. MCINTYRE.

LENT TERM 1952

President: D. H. FORD. *Vice-President:* A. E. CAMPBELL.

Secretary: I. J. MCINTYRE.

ONE feels that an obituary notice would be more fitting than a review of the year's activities; pernicious anaemia is a terrible thing, and after a rather half-hearted struggle, the Society has all but succumbed to it.

Attendances were abysmally small; when a visit from the Girton Cabbage Club could attract no more than a dozen people, things were obviously pretty far gone. The last agony must be very near; let us hope that the weather keeps fine for the funeral.

THE GOLF CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

Captain: T. I. SPALDING. *Hon. Secretary:* H. J. O. WHITE.

THE Club has been carried on throughout the year by a still too small, but keen, group of golfers. An Inter-College League was inaugurated during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms. In this the College met with limited success, winning two matches, losing three and drawing one.

This year the Welch Cup, the Golf "Cuppers", was reorganized so that each College was represented by two foursomes pairs and the result decided on the sum total of holes up or down in the two matches combined. In the first round the College defeated Christ's by four holes, and in the second Clare, the eventual winners, just beat us by two holes. Our first pair, M. J. H. Brown and T. I. Spalding, finished two up on the University Captain and another Blue, a very fine performance! The second pair, P. E. B. Ford and H. J. O. White, finished four down to two other Blues.

In the Michaelmas Term the handicap knock-out competition was won by M. J. Darling (11), who defeated H. J. O. White (14) by 6 and 4 in the final.

We congratulate M. J. H. Brown on leading the "Stymies" to victory over the Oxford "Divots".

At the final meeting of the year the following were elected officers for the season 1952-3:

Captain: H. J. O. WHITE. *Hon. Secretary:* P. E. B. FORD.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SEASON 1951-2

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President:* C. W. PARKIN.

Secretary: A. E. CAMPBELL. *Treasurer:* J. ERICKSON.

THE Society began slowly in the Michaelmas Term, when only two meetings were held. For the first, Mr Miller played a captain's innings by giving, at very short notice, a paper on "Changes in English Rural Society, 1100-1349", and showed once again that the Abbey and Bishopric of Ely is an inexhaustible source of apt illustration. At the second, J. F. Lively dealt with "The Rise of the Gentry in the Sixteenth and early Seventeenth Centuries", and by analysing the social origins and status of the gentry of Northumberland cast doubt on several assumptions too easily made. The Society seemed a little abashed by its ignorance of this subject and the discussion that followed was very wary.

Not so the discussion at the first meeting of the Lent Term when R. L. Busvine read a paper on "Political Education: Oakeshott against the Rationalists". Most members felt that in this matter their guess was as good as Professor Oakeshott's, and that with so many rationalists around nothing was to be gained by calling them wrong. We argued in circles for a long time. Ten days later Mr Joslin revisited us from Pembroke to tell a select gathering about "Eighteenth-century Private Banking" and to answer questions till well after eleven. There was no discussion—this was a virtuoso performance. At the next meeting Mr Holmes, in a paper on "The Post-Feudal Society", argued strongly that the Middle Ages are a false abstraction, and that they contain two quite different societies, feudal and "post-feudal", which last survived both Renaissance and Reformation. This thesis was challenged chiefly by E. O. Blake. We understand the debate continues.

C. W. Parkin gave us, in his paper on "Bolingbroke and the Eighteenth-Century Constitution", a highly ingenious revaluation of the constitutional thought of the time superbly illustrated with quotations from contemporary political speeches. At the last

meeting of the year we were honoured by Professor Gabriel, visiting Professor of American History, who dealt with "Herman Melville and Modern American Thought", tracing the changing estimates of Melville's work with the changing social thought of different generations.

In view of this crowded programme, the Society's annual dinner was postponed till the Easter Term. Professor Gabriel and Mr Joslin were the guests. Apart from the distressing fact that no beer was available after the dinner and that speeches from nearly everyone demonstrated once again that beer is best, the function was a great success. According to *The Eagle*, post-prandial beer was an innovation in 1949. This shows the more than mediaeval faculty of historians for proliferating custom. After three years it is already established as so immemorial "that the mind of man runneth not to the contrary". Next year, perhaps, we can proliferate again.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

President: PROFESSOR JOPSON. *Captain:* M. M. ISPAHANI.

Secretary: R. CRABTREE.

SEASON 1951-2 will be remembered by all concerned as a most successful one in every way, culminating in the sharing of the "Cup" with Trinity Hall after an epic struggle involving two periods of extra time.

From the very beginning it was obvious that we had the core of a very good First Team, mainly owing to an exceptionally good crop of freshmen. In the face of this, the Michaelmas Term results were rather disappointing, for although we were beaten by only one College side—Caius—we seemed to suffer from a lack of the will to win, and several games were only drawn, when a little more effort would have produced a win. As a result we came joint second to Caius in the Inter-College League.

However, in the Lent Term the team slipped into top gear with a crushing 7-1 defeat of Pembroke's full "Cuppers" side in a friendly game, which restored confidence to everybody, and the Season drew to a close in a blaze of glory. In the first two "Cuppers" rounds, St Catharine's were beaten 3-1, and Emmanuel 5-4 after a thrilling struggle. In the semi-final, King's were beaten 4-3 in a dour battle, and in the final, after being led 2-1 at half-time and 3-1 shortly after, we fought back, and were on level terms at the end of full-time. Extra time produced no further score although we played

better as a team than ever before. We can, however, look forward to completing the job next year, as we shall have seven of this year's side still in residence.

The Second XI, under the able leadership of R. G. E. B. Watson and J. G. Quinton, had a good season, ending up joint second in the Second XI League.

As in previous seasons, the Third XI was used more as a medium for giving games to all who wanted them, but could not play regularly or command a regular place in the First or Second XI, rather than as a match-winning machine. Notwithstanding, the Third XI in several of its many shapes and forms achieved some excellent wins, and provided excellent hockey for those who played. M. W. S. Barlow's work as Third XI Secretary was much appreciated.

During the Easter Vacation, a touring side went to Ireland for a week, spending three days in Belfast and four in Dublin. As seems unavoidable on our hockey tours, our results were very disappointing on paper—one draw and four lost games! However, the trip was in every other way a great success, and it was with a strong feeling of nostalgia that we sailed for home.

This year we have again had one Blue in our Club—W. B. Peeling—who also distinguished himself by gaining a Welsh cap. He is to be congratulated on such a success in his first year. Finally, as always, we owe much to our President, whose tireless support has meant a great deal.

First XI colours were awarded to M. H. Dehn, D. R. Peters, W. B. Peeling, C. P. R. Nottidge, A. J. Tombling, C. J. Denham Davis, D. C. M. Waddell and G. A. McCaw.

At the final meeting the following were elected officers for the season 1952-3:

Captain: R. CRABTREE. *Secretary:* C. J. DENHAM DAVIS.

THE JOHNIAN SOCIETY

THE President, Professor Sir Frank Engledow, C.M.G., was in the Chair at the Annual Dinner, which was once more held at the Café Royal on the day of the University Rugger match. A large gathering of Johnians was marked by an unusual number of present members of the College, both Fellows and undergraduates, as well as by the red blazers of the 1951 May crew, who were guests of the Society.

At the brief Annual General Meeting before the Dinner, Mr J. M. Wordie, C.B.E., was elected President for 1952. The following appointments were also made: Professor N. B. Jopson and Dr Glyn

Daniel as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, two new posts, and Messrs P. J. Hobson, M. W. Stephens, J. S. Wordie, G. B. G. Lawson and J. C. Ratcliff as members of the Committee.

Proposing the toast of "The College" in a speech rich with apt agricultural simile, the President described changes in the constitution made by the Committee: membership had dwindled since the war, and, firmly convinced of the value to both of close contact between the College and the Society, they had decided on measures to revivify the Society and to ensure a steady flow of young Johnians into it. His suggestion that the next dinner should be held in College as an experiment was welcomed enthusiastically. The Master replied to the toast, and reviewed the various notable events in the College during the previous year.

Later in the evening the President was heartily supported by all present in expressing the Society's gratitude to Mr E. W. R. Peterson for his twenty-eight years of service as Honorary Secretary, and he presented him with a silver salver from the Committee and past Presidents of the Society to mark the occasion of his retirement.

On Saturday, 15 December, following a sherry party to Lord Tedder, a group of Johnians on Merseyside dined at the University Club, Liverpool. The Dinner was organized by H. S. Magnay, 1922-5 (14 Sir Thomas Street, Liverpool 1). D. R. Seaborne Davies, 1925-8, Professor of Law and Public Orator at the University, Liverpool, proposed the toast of "The College" and Dr G. E. Daniel, Steward of the College, replied.

D. N. B.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President—to Lent Term 1952: THE LATE MASTER. *Easter Term 1952:* THE MASTER. *First Boat Captain:* R. F. A. SHARPLEY. *Secretary:* N. B. M. CLACK. *Second Boat Captain:* J. S. M. JONES. *Junior Treasurer:* P. PRESTT. *Acting Secretaries:* J. A. N. WALLIS, P. PRESTT.

THE LATE MASTER

IT was with deep regret that we learnt of the death in February of the late Master, Mr E. A. Benians, who had been President of the Club since 1934. Although he never actually rowed in the First Boat he was awarded his First May Colours in 1948, and never missed an opportunity of supporting the Club, whether on race Days or at Bump Suppers. His after-dinner speeches from the chair were perfect examples of apt and fitting comment, and the gentle humour which he brought to them will be remembered for ever.

Tributes to his off-the-river activities have been paid in many forms, but here the Club would like to express that it has lost a most revered, respected, and valued friend and counsellor. We are happy in the knowledge that he was able to see the Club complete a successful year with the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley for the first time. The thought that this gave him pleasure during his last days softens the sadness we all feel.

Our sincerest sympathy goes to Mrs Benians and her family.

THE NEW PRESIDENT

It was with much pleasure that we heard that the Master, Mr J. M. Wordie, had accepted the Presidency of the Club as from the Easter Term 1952.

Mr Wordie has shown a very keen and active interest in the Club's affairs, and the Club is glad to feel secure under his guiding hand.

We welcome him, wishing him a successful and lifelong Presidency, and offer him our heartiest congratulations on accepting his First May Colours after the successful completion of the 1952 May Races.

THE INTERNATIONAL REGATTA, COPENHAGEN 1951

A LIGHT IV was invited to row at Copenhagen on Bogsvaerd Lake, and left by car the Monday after Henley. The journey was longer than expected and the crew arrived only one day before the race.

After several determined efforts to loosen up on arrival, it was soundly beaten in both the first round and the repêchage of the Coxwainless IV event, but then discovered it had been entered for the Coxed IV's the following day, with a cox borrowed from University College and Hospital who had entered an VIII.

This time, against the same opposition as before—plus coxes—but rowing with far more abandon, they were left at the start, but level again at the 1000 metres, and won the first round comfortably. This meant no repêchage, and a similar race ensued in the final, which was won by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from the Danske Studentes.

Crew: Bow H. H. Almond
 2 D. D. Macklin
 3 N. B. M. Clack
 Str. R. F. A. Sharpley
 Cox R. C. Gabriel (U.C. and H.)

In the crew which represented Great Britain in the European Championships at Macon the following August, the Club had H. H. Almond (bow), D. D. Macklin (2), N. B. M. Clack (3), J. S. M. Jones (4) and J. R. Dingle (5). This crew won the event by three feet after being led all the way by Denmark in the final.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1951

One Light IV and one Clinker IV were entered this year for their respective races, the former coming into residence a week early to start training. Mr Roy Meldrum coached the Light IV throughout and produced a fast crew, which had some exciting rowing notwithstanding.

In the first round against First and Third Trinity, the "bush telegraph" went rather awry, which resulted in the crew missing its stride and belting over the course at about 34, finally winning by half a minute, without ever settling down.

The second round was rowed from the back station against Corpus, who were caught in the Plough, and L.M.B.C. settled into a paddle, winning by 20 seconds.

The semi-final against King's provided the best race. Our opponents stayed practically level until the middle of the Long Reach, when the Club went home with 12 seconds to spare.

In the final Pembroke went fast over the first half of the course, but L.M.B.C. drew away to win by 25 seconds.

The order was:

Bow J. S. M. Jones (*steerer*)
2 N. B. M. Clack
3 J. R. Dingle
Str. R. F. A. Sharpley

The Clinker IV, recruited from the Fourth and Sixth May Boats, got to work in deadly earnest and dealt most convincingly with all their opposition, which included several First May Colours.

They beat Caius, King's, and Sidney Sussex, in that order, by going steadily up from the start in each case, and winning by 7 or 8 seconds from each crew.

Thus the Club carried off the Autumn Double for the first time, and this seemed to set the pace for the rest of the year.

Clinker IV crew:

Bow S. J. F. Harris
2 G. Ross
3 M. A. Pallister
Str. J. Vinnicombe
Cox E. G. Hill

We had one entry for the Colquhoun Sculls in J. S. M. Jones, who was unable to get enough practice for his wrists to toughen and had to paddle home behind Waterer of Sidney Sussex.

The First Fairbairn VIII never became very far advanced owing to a certain amount of rather inexperienced material. The crew went over in a strong paddle around 28 and came in fourth, which was

very creditable. The Second VIII came fifteenth, and the "Crock Pots" were awarded to the Third VIII.

The crews were as follows:

	<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	C. R. Reese	N. M. Ragg	J. Lively
2	R. G. Carpenter	J. Hay	R. J. Dee
3	J. A. N. Wallis	R. W. Riley	P. D. Madeley
4	D. H. Fawcett	J. H. Scott-Park	R. Whittaker
5	S. J. F. Harris	D. Gore-Lloyd	K. Appelbee
6	J. Vinnicombe	J. A. Binnian	B. A. Collingwood
7	D. M. H. Turner	J. Hyatt	M. G. K. Konstam
<i>Str.</i>	M. A. Pallister	P. V. Trotman	P. R. Butler
<i>Cox</i>	E. G. Hill	G. Gregory	A. B. Groves

	<i>Fourth VIII</i>	<i>Fifth VIII</i>	<i>Sixth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	R. A. Becher	J. Bessel	M. E. Coops
2	W. A. G. Muir	J. H. Yeoman	R. T. Tait
3	A. E. Campbell	J. Hoyland	H. Jones
4	G. C. Howell	W. Moore	J. Tunstall
5	P. R. Bromage	P. J. McGregor	D. H. Gray
6	D. G. Wilson	J. Harrison	M. C. B. Johns
7	C. K. Smith	B. H. M. Lawson	P. W. Jowett
<i>Str.</i>	H. N. Udall	P. F. Roe	J. A. W. Davie
<i>Cox</i>	J. P. Daly	C. B. Thomson	T. Gooch

	<i>Seventh VIII</i>	<i>Eighth VIII</i>	<i>Ninth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	J. I. Holt	I. H. Davies	P. J. Goulthorpe
2	A. M. Nisbet	J. S. Lyon	J. S. Lloyd
3	A. J. G. Bull	M. L. Boyns	D. G. Storey
4	D. L. Macrae	J. A. Davidson	R. Arab
5	D. H. Whitaker	G. Bass	A. M. Mackerras
6	J. L. Bush	D. L. Marr	R. Stedman
7	J. P. Sullivan	J. C. Robertson	G. N. Mainwaring
<i>Str.</i>	G. Lean	P. G. Corrin	P. R. Spendlove
<i>Cox</i>	T. G. Murphy	D. J. J. Brown	J. Irving

In the Trial VIII's, N. B. M. Clack and J. S. M. Jones rowed at "6" and "7" respectively in the winning crew, and J. R. Dingle at "5" in the losing crew. R. F. A. Sharpley coached.

LENT TERM 1951

The First Lent VIII came up early for training again, and had a large number of changes for a First Lent Boat during the eight weeks. Illness dogged it twice in the last fortnight, which probably slowed it sufficiently to prevent bumps. However, it rowed over each night, closing on the leaders every time, and gave a very worthy performance.

The Second VIII, though suffering from lack of coaching in the later stages, made a step in the right direction and bumped Selwyn 1, putting itself in a good position for next year. The Third VIII did well to bump Emmanuel 2 on the third night, and the Fourth likewise bumped Pembroke 3 and Selwyn 3. The Fifth VIII had the most successful Lents by overtaking Peterhouse 3, Emmanuel 3 and Trinity Hall 4, missing their oars by being robbed on the third night.

The Sixth VIII also took Peterhouse 3, the Seventh Corpus 4 and Pembroke 4 and the Eighth, which started bottom of the river, Trinity 6. Thus every boat improved its position at one time or another. This was the first time any College had eight boats in the Lent Races.

The crews were as follows:

	<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	C. R. Reese	R. A. Becher	P. D. E. Madeley
2	P. V. Trotman	J. H. Scott-Park	J. Hoy
3	J. A. N. Wallis	R. W. Riley	K. Appelbee
4	R. G. Carpenter	M. G. K. Konstam	C. R. Whittaker
5	S. J. F. Harris	D. Gore-Lloyd	D. H. Gray
6	M. A. Pallister	J. A. Binnian	B. A. Collingwood
7	D. M. H. Turner	J. H. Hyatt	C. K. Smith
<i>Str.</i>	J. Vinnicombe	D. H. Fawcett	P. R. Butler
<i>Cox</i>	E. G. Hill	C. B. Thomson	A. B. Groves

	<i>Fourth VIII</i>	<i>Fifth VIII</i>	<i>Sixth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	P. F. Roe	J. I. Holt	A. J. G. Bull
2	J. H. Yeoman	W. A. G. Muir	A. M. Nisbet
3	H. J. Hoyland	A. E. Campbell	H. Jones
4	W. R. Moore	G. C. Howell	P. G. Corrin
5	J. A. Bessell	D. H. Whitaker	H. T. Bruce
6	J. F. Harrison	D. G. Wilson	J. A. W. Davie
7	P. J. McGregor	P. W. Jowett	J. C. Robertson
<i>Str.</i>	B. H. M. Lawson	H. N. Hall	C. Lean
<i>Cox</i>	J. P. Daly	A. W. T. Gooch	D. C. Twinn

	<i>Seventh VIII</i>	<i>Eighth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	M. E. Coops	P. J. Coulthorpe
2	P. C. Peddie	J. S. Lloyd
3	I. H. Davies	E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen
4	M. L. Boyns	P. C. Heal
5	G. J. Bass	D. C. Ward
6	J. L. Bush	R. A. Arab
7	G. N. Mainwaring	M. J. Mustill
<i>Str.</i>	J. R. Stedman	J. Prince
<i>Cox</i>	D. J. J. Brown	P. L. McIlmoyle

After the Lent Races the Club launched its heaviest attack for some years on the small boat races which come in the ensuing fortnight, namely the Forster-Fairbairn Pairs, the Fairbairn Junior Sculls and the Bushe-Fox Freshmen's Sculls.

In the first-named event, of which we were the holders, we had two crews: J. A. N. Wallis with M. A. Pallister, and J. Vinnicombe with D. M. H. Turner, being stroke and steerer respectively in each case.

Both pairs went through their first rounds quite easily, then Pallister got a chill, and he and Wallis went out to Leadley and King of Emmanuel.

Vinnicombe and Turner remained fit, however, going on to defeat the favourites Chavasse and Carson of Clare by 27 seconds, then avenging the other pair by getting a four seconds' victory over the Emmanuel pair in 9 min. 31 sec. Conditions were bad on all days with a head gale on the last, but a determined sit back by the winners counted for a great deal, bringing them a splendid victory.

In the Fairbairn Junior Sculls, again we had two entries. J. H. Scott-Park, who sculled exceptionally well, was very unfortunate to lose to the final winner P. Brandt (First and Third Trinity) by 1½ seconds, after being 7 seconds down at Ditton, in the first round.

D. Gore-Lloyd survived one round, but after a hard race was also eliminated in the second round.

Finally in the Bushe-Fox Sculls for freshmen, J. M. King succeeded in beating J. P. Clarke of Trinity Hall in the first round, C. G. I. Paterson of Jesus in the second, and P. D. Rohde of Emmanuel in the final, all by 8 seconds, a very convincing performance.

While all this was going on two crews were practising daily for the Reading Head of the River Race, and the First for Putney as well.

At Reading, both crews excelled themselves, the First, by winning the event from Jesus, who had gone head in the Lents, by 4 seconds in 16 min. 4 sec.; and the Second by coming second in the Clinker Division in 16 min. 35 sec., with very little practice indeed.

There was no foundation for a rumour that the First Boat had been mistimed.

At Putney, with a following wind, the crew got a little off its feet and spent a long time on the outside of the Surrey bend overtaking two crews, but nevertheless acquitted itself very well to come seventh in a satisfactory time.

The crews were:

	<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	J. Hyatt	N. M. Ragg
2	R. G. Carpenter	P. R. Butler
3	J. A. N. Wallis	C. R. Reese
4	D. Gore-Lloyd	D. H. Fawcett
5	S. J. F. Harris	D. H. Whitaker
6	M. A. Pallister	B. A. Collingwood
7	D. M. H. Turner	R. W. Riley
<i>Str.</i>	J. Vinnicombe	P. V. Trotman
<i>Cox</i>	E. G. Hill	A. B. Groves

In the Boat Race, which Oxford won by a canvas, the Club supplied four members of the University Crew. J. R. Dingle, R. F. A. Sharpley, N. B. M. Clack and J. S. M. Jones at "5", "6", "7" and "stroke" respectively.

EASTER TERM 1952

If the last two Easter Terms had provided us with a ready made First May Boat, nothing could have been in sharper contrast than this term's problem. The fact that the final First May Boat stayed Head of the River without serious challenge merits a few notes on the term's events.

Briefly, L.M.B.C. promised to let Leander, who had been nominated to provide the Olympic VIII, have anyone they wanted for trials, the agreement being that a person who got into the Leander VIII would be unable to row in his College boat.

For the first three weeks then, the four Blues and Vinnicombe—who had got into a Leander VIII after Putney—were away from the Club. At this stage, the Leander VIII was practically sorted out and Dingle, Jones and Vinnicombe were able to get into the May Boat, although still practising in fours which Leander were submitting. This left just over two weeks before the first night of the Mays, and the crew is to be congratulated on a really inspiring performance. Our greatest thanks go to the coaches: Messrs A. L. Macleod, C. B. M. Lloyd, R. Meldrum and R. H. H. Symonds, for producing such a crew in the time available.

Before the May Races the Club had two boats entered for the Magdalene Pairs, J. R. Dingle (steerer) and R. F. A. Sharpley (stroke) in one, and J. S. M. Jones (steerer) with N. B. M. Clack (stroke) in the other. The latter pair had just changed sides in trials, but got in a fair amount of practice. There was a head wind on all three days.

On the first day there was one race only. Jones and Clack versus Leadley and King of Emmanuel. L.M.B.C. rowed indifferently and were 1 second down after a minute when the rating dropped to

24, and 2 seconds down all the way to the last signal, after several spurts. Here they made a rather desperate attempt with the rating rocketing to 36, and were lucky to fumble over the line with $\frac{1}{2}$ second to spare.

The second day saw a local Derby as both pairs met in the semi-final, Dingle and Sharpley having had a walk-over from the first day. At First Post Corner, Dingle and Sharpley led by 1 second, but after this the other pair had Jones's experience of steering the Light IV to call on, and went round the corners well, rowing much better than on the previous day to win in 8 min. 15 sec.

In the final against Crowden and Naylor of Pembroke the L.M.B.C. pair had the back station for the first time, and made rather a mess of their spurts, but got together in the Long Reach to win by 8 seconds in 8 min. 12 sec.

This was the first time the Club had won the Magdalene Pairs outright since 1914.

In the Lowe Double Sculls, D. Gore-Lloyd rowed bow with J. G. P. Williams of Caius, and beat Hall and Nicholls of Corpus after a hectic race, in which they led throughout. In the final Macmillan and Brandt of Trinity were rough but fast and won by 20 seconds.

Our boats in the May Races have all reached very high relative positions, and it was encouraging to see that we were still eleven bumps to the good overall on four days' racing.

The First VIII strode away from Clare, who were bumped by Jesus at Ditton on the Wednesday. On the second night Jesus never came very close, but the third saw them strike 42 to Ditton to come within half a length before expiring. On the last night the First Boat was over 2 lengths up on them when they were removed by Pembroke opposite Ditton Ditch, leaving L.M.B.C. to paddle home at will.

The Second VIII, who were probably in the six fastest crews, were unlucky after disposing of Jesus 2 and Caius to be robbed on the third night and bumped on the fourth, when a foot behind St Catharine's, by King's 1, who were boating two Blues and a trial cap.

The Third VIII bumped St Catharine's 2 on the second night and came within a foot of Sidney 1 on the third. They were the highest third boat by a long way, and had only three other second boats in front of them. The Fourth VIII, in a similar position, succumbed to St Catharine's 3 and Corpus 2, which was no disgrace.

The Fifth VIII (Medical VIII), after making three bumps, were very unlucky on the last night to be robbed by the collapse of Jesus 5 to Trinity 5, thus missing their oars. The Sixth were well rewarded, however, and by winning their oars took up station

immediately behind the Fifth on the last night. They are the highest Sixth Boat, which made four bumps, a very commendable achievement.

The next two boats distinguished themselves in traditional, if questionable fashion. The Seventh (Gentlemen's) VIII, after a slow time during their Club Trial, proceeded to go up seven places, by getting an overbump in a re-row and changing divisions, and the Eighth (First Rugger Boat), after making bumps on the first two nights, was overbumped on the Friday, but bumped the boat it had originally bumped on the Wednesday, again on the Saturday, thus finishing where it began.

The Ninth and Tenth (Shocker) Boats are the only boats of those numbers on the river. The Ninth, assembled only a week before the races, did very well to row over 100th all four nights, but the Tenth hardly justified its reputation established last year and descended meteorically each night. There was also a second Rugger Boat which was too slow for the getting-on race, although it was in fact an eleventh boat.

To all our coaches go our very warmest thanks, particularly, in addition to those already mentioned, to Dr R. Hambridge with the First Lent Boat, Mr J. H. M. Ward with the Putney Boat and Messrs L. H. Macklin, H. H. Almond, D. D. Macklin, E. J. Worlidge and Professor Walker with the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth May Boats, which they largely shared between them.

The crews were:

	<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>	<i>Third VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	D. M. H. Turner	C. R. Reese	P. D. E. Madeley
2	J. A. N. Wallis	R. G. Carpenter	P. C. Heal
3	S. J. F. Harris	R. W. Riley	J. M. King
4	M. A. Pallister	C. K. Smith	D. H. Fawcett
5	J. R. Dingle	D. H. Whitaker	M. G. K. Konstam
6	B. A. Collingwood	J. H. Scott-Park	P. R. Butler
7	J. S. M. Jones	J. H. Hyatt	N. M. Ragg
<i>Str.</i>	J. Vinnicombe	P. V. Trotman	J. Hay
<i>Cox</i>	P. Prestt	E. G. Hill	A. B. Groves
	<i>Fourth VIII</i>	<i>Fifth VIII</i>	<i>Sixth VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	H. Jones	J. H. Yeoman	E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen
2	H. N. Udall	W. R. Moore	R. J. Dee
3	A. D. Gray	J. A. Bessel	J. L. Bush
4	W. A. G. Muir	J. F. Harrison	P. R. Stedman
5	P. W. Jowett	V. Whitehead	G. J. Bass
6	D. G. Wilson	H. P. R. Bury	G. C. Howell
7	K. Appelbee	H. J. Hoyland	G. Mainwaring
<i>Str.</i>	J. A. W. Davie	P. F. Roe	P. C. Peddie
<i>Cox</i>	G. Gregory	J. P. Daly	A. W. T. Gooch

Seventh VIII

Bow A. E. Campbell
 2 M. J. R. Cooper
 3 J. F. Lively
 4 C. R. Whittaker
 5 D. Gore-Lloyd
 6 D. R. Morris
 7 R. A. Becher
Str. J. A. Binnian
Cox D. E. R. Bateman

Eighth VIII

W. R. Rodger
 M. C. Templeton
 D. C. Breddy
 M. T. Young
 M. F. Hosking
 J. R. Baxter
 L. F. Read
 G. W. Scott
 D. E. Hunt

Ninth VIII

M. E. Coops
 J. S. Lyon
 I. H. Davies
 J. Prince
 J. C. Robertson
 M. L. H. Boyns
 P. R. Bromage
 C. Lean
 D. J. J. Brown

Tenth VIII

Bow W. H. Hirst
 2 R. A. West
 3 R. Crabtree
 4 M. Dickinson
 5 T. P. J. Dyke
 6 J. A. Slater
 7 D. E. Turnbull
Str. J. David
Cox G. A. Hudson

As a result of all-round performances in University events for the year 1951-2, the Club was awarded the Michell Cup.

J. R. Dingle was elected Secretary of the C.U.B.C. for the year 1952-3.

MARLOW REGATTA 1952

After the May Races, Dingle, Jones and Vinnicombe were recalled to the Leander IV's and this meant that five members of a potential Marlow and Henley crew were now absent from the Club. It was therefore decided that those competing at these two regattas should be men who were coming into residence for a further year, particularly when Pallister was asked to join Leander as spare man.

The First crew was entered for the Marlow Eights and had three hard races. In the final against Corpus Christi and Thames, L.M.B.C. drew the Bucks station and were led by about $\frac{1}{2}$ length for a minute. They then got into a great stride at about 34 and rowed past the others to win by $\frac{3}{4}$ length in 4 min. 11 sec. Previously this crew had recorded the fastest time of the day.

The Second crew was entered for the Marlow Junior Eights, but owing to a bad slip a senior oarsman was included, and this crew was disqualified after winning a race against St John's, Oxford, and St Bartholomew's Hospital, by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

It was a great disappointment to this crew, and it is to be hoped it will never happen again.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA 1952

The VIII was entered for the Ladies' Plate and one IV was entered for the Visitors'.

In the first round the VIII met King's College, Cambridge, and after being led to a point somewhere between the Barrier and Fawley, by rather less than half a length, proceeded to row past and go steadily up all the way, winning by nearly 2 lengths. The blades were tending to go in from rather high up, but did plenty of work once locked up. In the afternoon, the Visitors' IV rowed a plucky race, being washed rather a lot by a more experienced First and Third Trinity crew. L.M.B.C. were about $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths down over the majority of the course, and eventually lost by about a length.

On the Thursday the VIII had a fairly easy race against Selwyn, going up all the way and finally winning by 2 lengths.

The Friday and Saturday were in terrific contrast, the crew providing two races that were little short of epic. The semi-final was against Pembroke, who had their entire four-bump May crew. Pembroke were off at 41 to L.M.B.C.'s 42, and the crews rowed level to the Barrier, Pembroke slightly lower than L.M.B.C.; after this each crew spurted alternately, neither getting ever more than $\frac{1}{2}$ length lead, until going past the enclosures L.M.B.C. got all the stops out, and won by the same margin, $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

In the final, L.M.B.C. had Bucks, Trinity Hall had Berks. Hall went away at 40, and L.M.B.C., who had been going off at two pips higher each night, left the stake boat at 44 to be led by an ever-increasing distance which had reached a length at Remenham Club; here, however, L.M.B.C. once again got down to work, and rowed past very fast to win by a length and a quarter, and bring back the Ladies' Plate once again.

Altogether this was an astonishing performance in view of the fact that the crew was an amalgam of the First, Second and Third May Boats, four of whom were in their first or second year of rowing, and was together for only three weeks. All are to be heartily congratulated, particularly J. A. N. Wallis, who stroked with admirable sense and judgment, having never stroked before, and S. J. F. Harris who, as secretary-elect, assumed all the responsibilities of captaining the party, avoiding none of the concomitant vicissitudes, in the absence of both captain and secretary.

Our final word is to convey our heartiest thanks to Mr Robinson and Mr Bowles, who leave us this term, for all their help at Cambridge, to Mr and Mrs Butler for looking after the crew so well at Remenham Rectory, and last of all to the two people responsible for such a memorable Henley: they are Roy Meldrum and Ronnie Symonds.

R.M. who took the crew from May Week to the first part of Henley training, and R.H.H.S. who finished them up to four days' excellent racing.

The crews were:

	<i>First VIII</i>	<i>Second VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	C. K. Smith	N. M. Ragg
2	P. V. Trotman	P. C. Heal
3	S. J. F. Harris	P. D. E. Madeley
4	J. M. King	D. H. Fawcett
5	D. H. Whitaker	C. R. Reese
6	B. A. Collingwood	P. R. Butler
7	D. M. H. Turner	J. H. Hyatt
<i>Str.</i>	J. A. N. Wallis	J. Hoy
<i>Cox</i>	E. G. Hill	A. B. Groves

THE LADY MARGARET PLAYERS

President: MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Vice-Presidents:* THE MASTER, MR BAMBROUGH, MR WATT. *Chairman:* P. A. A. CULLEN. *Secretary:* R. L. BUSVINE. *Treasurer:* M. F. LITTLEBOY. *Committee Members:* J. BAIN, B. N. CANNON, P. H. HUTTON, D. H. RUDD, C. N. STEPHENS.

THIS year the Society has suffered a great loss in the deaths of the late Master and Dean: they were both Vice-Presidents of the Society and our great friends. Especially shall we miss Mr Benians' charming and delightfully informal speeches at the Annual Dinner.

At the end of the Michaelmas Term there was no production in the Chapel, as there has been for the last three years, but two successful play-readings were held during the term, the first of *Antony and Cleopatra* and the second of Synge's *Deirdre of the Sorrows* and Yeats's *The Resurrection*. The major event of the term was undoubtedly the Annual Dinner—notable, as always, as the only College Society dinner to invite lady guests—attended by thirty-five members and guests, among whom there was a goodly number of freshmen.

Early in the Lent Term Mr T. R. Henn gave an engrossing talk in the President's rooms on "Yeats and the Theatre"; we would like to thank Mr Henn, not only for this talk, but also for his help in the production of *The Resurrection*, later in the term. There were two further play-readings: of Ben Jonson's *Epicene* and of a new play by Gordon Birtles, *Let Pride...*

But all these activities were mere prologues to the productions of the Lent and Easter Terms, which between them have made this possibly the best year of the Society's existence, both artistically and financially.

An attractive purpose for the new Palmerston Room seems to be the production of plays, but there were many difficulties to be overcome, not the least of which was the room's smallness. An intimate production, however, before a select audience of under eighty was planned to capitalize just these disadvantages, and in the fifth week of the term *The Resurrection* by W. B. Yeats, and a translation of *On ne badine pas avec l'amour* by Alfred de Musset, were performed for a week. The result was entirely charming and successful, and enthusiasm for the plays was high both among cast and audience.

Those who found Yeats and de Musset too highbrow an attraction at Easter must have appreciated the different appeal of Ben Jonson's *Epicene, or the Silent Woman* in May Week. The play was well supported, despite a damp second night, and enjoyed not least by the orchestra, who played a suite of incidental airs not usually heard outside bump suppers.

The year has been a full and successful one: it might have been even more so had support from within the College equalled that from without. Nevertheless, a dramatic tradition can now fairly be said to have been established within the College, thanks to some hard work and to benevolent support from the Fellows; this tradition is now even envied by other colleges, while our choice of plays can put several University Societies to shame. Success, however, is at its most ephemeral on a stage, and we must work to retain our useful position in the life of the College.

THE LADY MARGARET SINGERS

President: DR ORR. *Vice-Presidents:* DR HERBERT HOWELLS, MR THISTLETHWAITE, MR THURSTON DART. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Conductor:* MR GUEST. *Secretary:* J. W. MARTIN.

THIS year the choir welcome Mr R. Thurston Dart, who has honoured us by accepting our invitation to become a Vice-President of the Singers.

Although we have given no public performances in Cambridge during the year, our voices have not been unheard. Early in the Michaelmas Term, the B.B.C. broadcast a recording they made at our Festival Recital in Chapel last summer. The works heard were the Mass "O Bone Jesu" by Fayrfax, and Dr Orr's "Festival Te Deum".

This year we have been singing mostly secular music. Our first concert was sponsored by the Arts Council, and was at Wisbech, early in the New Year. At this we gave the first performance of a new part-song written for us by Herbert Howells, entitled "Long, long Ago".

We also sang Dr Howells' "Walking in the Snow", which was inscribed to the Singers last year, and his "A Spotless Rose". Our programme included some madrigals and ballets, three songs by Ravel, and Britten's "Five Flower Songs".

We gave similar programmes when the choir visited Haileybury and Imperial Service College later in the term, and at another Arts Council concert at Newmarket in April.

At the end of the Lent Term, the B.B.C. made recordings in Hall of some madrigals and ballets, and part-songs by Howells and Britten. These were transmitted as two recitals in the Third Programme during the Easter Term.

Next year we hope to perform more sacred music again, and a recital in Chapel is planned for the end of the year.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: K. G. O. GWYNNE-TIMOTHY. *Hon. Secretary:* D. R. PETERS.
Hon. Treasurer: H. R. MACLEOD.

THIS year's officers, all being new to the committee, and their predecessors departing with the minute book, meant that the Society had to make a new start. It was, therefore, most appropriate that the first talk in our new beginning should come from Professor Bailey, who has done so much for the Society both this year and in the past. With his usual clear and gentle manner he informed and entertained us on "Innkeepers".

We were very pleased to welcome His Honour Judge Lawson Campbell, who told us much of interest from his experiences as a county-court judge and as judge in the Court of the Liberty of Peterborough.

The Society was greatly honoured by the presence of the Rt Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton, P.C., who very kindly consented to talk to the College Society alone, and in a manner only possible from a Scot gave us some excellent advice on going to the Bar.

Several moots were held during the year: against Jesus the Society was represented by A. V. Alexander and L. F. Read, against St Catharine's by J. M. Trott and R. D. Ogden, and against University College, London, by A. V. Alexander and D. R. Peters. We learnt from the first of these that however interesting the subject the moot can last too long; so that in the second a court of first instance (the President and Secretary) limited the number of points, and so enabled the speakers to cover their cases thoroughly in a shorter time.

At the Annual Dinner we were pleased to welcome Mr J. A. Brightman, an old President of the Society and a Chancery lawyer of note, as our Guest of Honour. We were very glad also to have with us one of our Vice-Presidents, Sir Percy Winfield, Professor Bailey, Dr Jackson and Mr Scott, whom we would like to thank for their support and help during the year.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

President: DR DANIEL

Captain: D. R. PETERS. *Secretary:* H. R. MACLEOD.

THE Club had a successful season and managed to play a larger number of matches in the periods before and after the examinations. The First VI remained in the First Division, the first pair being unbeaten in League games, and the Second VI remained in the Third Division.

The College reached the finals of both the Singles and Doubles "Cuppers" competitions: the Singles against Trinity were won 3-0, but the Doubles, played immediately afterwards, were lost to a strong Clare pair.

J. E. Barrett played for the University against Oxford and was invited to visit America with the combined Oxford and Cambridge side.

Len Baker and his staff deserve thanks for producing so many courts to withstand the very hard wear of the term.

J. E. Barrett, J. R. Shakeshaft and J. P. Bradshaw were awarded their First VI colours. J. Bamber, D. Cameron, P. M. Eagles, P. F. Earlam, C. N. Hayter, G. A. McCaw and D. Thomas were awarded Second VI colours.

H. R. MacLeod was elected Captain and P. F. Earlam was elected Secretary for the Season 1952-3.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: DR ORR. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Musical Director:* MR GUEST. *Librarian:* DR HOLLICK. *Junior Treasurer:* G. B. G. LAWSON. *Secretary:* J. S. ELLIOTT. *Committee:* A. J. BAIRD, J. F. HOWE, J. U. SIDGWICK.

THE remarkable wealth of musical talent in the College this year has made possible an increase in the number of concerts without a lowering of the high standard of performance. Indeed this has been, if anything, higher than in previous years.

The six Smoking Concerts have been consistently well attended, providing a great variety of musical entertainment. The year's programmes span a period of from 1260 to 1951, with four rondeaux by Adam de la Halle and two sets of songs by present members of the Society, Gordon Lawson, and David Gwilt; the diversity of tastes catered for is apparent in a programme where a Haydn string quartet is followed by an exposition of Scottish bagpipe music. Especially notable items were a group of Fauré songs sung by Margaret Orr and accompanied by Dr Orr, some American folk-songs charmingly sung to the guitar by Robin Tait, and the Mozart Oboe quartet which was performed at the Combination Room Concert. This last concert was a great success, largely perhaps because it was once again given in the Combination Room instead of in the Hall as in recent years, and the beauty and atmosphere of the room must necessarily add much to the effect of the music.

Once again the demand for May Concert tickets exceeded the supply. It is to be hoped that in future junior members of the College will realize that only timely application for tickets can ensure a fair distribution. The programme consisted of Haydn's "La Reine" symphony, vigorously and competently played by the College orchestra, four widely diverse part-songs by the College chorus, and a Suite for wind quintet by Milhaud. The second half was devoted to a performance of Purcell's St Cecilia Ode, "Hail Bright Cecilia".

The College orchestra under Gordon Lawson has assembled regularly throughout the year, though there are more opportunities for string players than for wind. The astonishing amount of musical talent in the College is well demonstrated here, for there must be very few years when the College has been able to produce a full Haydn symphony orchestra without outside assistance. The College chorus has also met weekly under John Elliott and has tackled with enthusiasm and success a great variety of works. As an experiment a Smoking Concert was arranged at the end of the Lent Term in the Music Room to give the orchestra and chorus each an opportunity of performing that term. With a little rearrangement of furniture there was quite enough room for audience and performers, though the acoustical effect left something to be desired.

Unfortunately this very favourable account of the Society's activities must include a less satisfactory note. The costs of the Society are heavy now, and our only source of income, subscribing members, is inadequate. The standard of the concerts, as well as the many facilities of the Music Room, ought to attract many more members. Perhaps next year will see a rise in numbers commensurate with the musical benefits which the Society has to offer.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

Honorary Vice-Presidents: DR BUDDEN, DR EVANS. *President:* M. J. P. CANNY. *Secretary:* E. G. HILL. *Treasurer:* R. H. WHIDDINGTON.

THE attendance at meetings of the Club steadily decreased during the previous year, so at the first meeting of the year it was decided to modify the rules of the Club. The main changes made in the constitution were that members themselves should read papers to the Club at weekly meetings, and that papers should not necessarily involve scientific subjects.

All fourteen papers given this year have been of a uniformly high standard, but mention should be made of a few that are still well remembered. Graham Dukes gave a very interesting talk on "The English Newspaper", and included in his examples of the art one of the two extant copies of the first newsheet ever published. Gordon Russell read a paper on "The Bee Orchid", Martin Canny on "Evolutionary Theory", and Michael Locke on "Butterfly Migration in the Pyrenees", which was illustrated with slides and specimens. Papers were also given on "Seismic Oil Prospecting", "The Chemistry of Colour", and on the properties of dusts and smokes. On the applied side of Natural Sciences, talks were given by Nigel Palmer on "The Making of Leather", and by George Storey on "Wasted Fuel Resources". As a research student, Ted Crossman read a paper on "Mechanical Minds", and showed that many features of a mind could be synthesized in the laboratory.

The Club has grown considerably this year, and it is hoped that next year a greater proportion of its members will be made up of Natural Scientists reading for Part I of the Tripos.

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

President: C. EMBLETON. *Senior Treasurer:* MR FARMER.

Hon. Secretary: J. C. BARRINGER.

BELIEVING that discussion is one of the most enjoyable and valuable sides of Cambridge life, the Purchas Society has held several small but interesting meetings in the past year.

Many ask for whom or for what does the Society exist. It was founded four years ago for Geographers, Archaeologists and Anthropologists within the College. It was named after one Samuel Purchas of the College who, in *Purchas His Pilgrimages*, published in the early seventeenth century, wrote of many early voyages and

journeys, some of which are not mentioned in the writings of his more famous predecessor Hakluyt.

In the past year the Geographers have come to outnumber the Archaeologists and Anthropologists in the College, and the meetings have had a marked geographical bias. It is often difficult for a small society to obtain outside speakers, but next year we hope to have a rather wider selection.

The subjects covered have ranged from ice-tunnelling to the problems of town planning with excursions to the changing climate of North Africa and to land use in Ceylon en route. The post-speaker discussions usually last at least as long as the main speech and have often ranged even further afield. A final word of thanks must go to the Department of Geography for the loan of a projector for several of the meetings.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

President: SIR PERCY WINFIELD. *Captain:* G. W. SCOTT. *Secretary:* R. W. SMITHSON. *Match Secretary:* D. C. G. BREDDY. *Cygnets' Secretary:* D. H. FORD.

THE past season can hardly be described as a successful one. We failed in the immediate object of regaining the Cup, and finished only second equal in the League through losing our last two games. In addition to these setbacks the Third XV was relegated from Division III, which they had headed, together with the Second XV, in 1950. Even the Second team, by far the best side in their Division, could only finish in second position. The Fourth XV, however, made a most auspicious start in Division IV, and could, with a little more fortune, have finished well above the rather modest position of fifth. With some regrets we now replace the "Derby" match between the Second and Third XV's, by one between the Third and Fourth. We hope in 1953 to stage three "Derbys" in Division III.

In the Michaelmas Term the First XV won five of their first six matches, all by convincing margins, while our one defeat was only by three points, but, ominously, at the hands of Caius. Our last two League matches spoiled any chance of our winning the League—an honour John's find peculiarly difficult to gain—for we lost against Clare 3-13, and against Trinity Hall 0-14. We had to be content with sharing the title of runners-up with Emmanuel and Trinity Hall. Meanwhile the Second XV, after losing two of their first four games, went from strength to strength, piling up in-

numerable points in a manner that left the First XV onlookers rather uncomfortable. However, even such brilliant performances could not make up for a bad start, and we finished second. The Third XV never settled down, mainly because of the constant calls being made on its members to fill gaps in the Second XV. They did not succeed in winning their first victory until half-way through the term. The pack was rather too light, and the outsides were unreliable in handling and tackling. The Fourth XV did exceptionally well to hold a safe position in the middle of the table, and looked likely at one time to be in the running for promotion. In University Rugby, M. J. O. Massey, a freshman, won his Blue, while H. P. Morgan and R. W. Smithson played for the LX Club against the Oxford Greyhounds, and together with B. J. Gillespie went on the LX Club tour at the end of the Michaelmas Term. In the Lent Term H. P. Morgan played regularly for the University, and with D. C. G. Breddy, who came into the University side half way through the term, went on the French Tour, from which both returned in the best of spirits. Further afield, W. A. M. Bewick played consistently for Surrey, and J. K. E. Slack played several games for Middlesex "seconds".

It is a very long time since John's have been knocked out of the "Cuppers" in the first round, as the pundits lost no time in telling us. Our conquerors once more were Caius, who had beaten us the previous term by exactly the same margin, one try to nil. There was no excuse, unless it be that it was one of those days when nothing will go right. After three minutes the Caius full-back had to be taken off with a badly cut head. For the rest of the first half we attacked; the forwards were giving the backs all the possession that they could reasonably ask for; the threequarters seemed to be going perfectly until the line was in sight; the terror that this spectacle provoked, caused passes to be dropped, thrown forward, or too far back; once even we crossed the line, but our claim for a try was disallowed. It seemed impossible that this could go on, yet the half-time whistle blew with the score sheet still blank. After half-time it was our turn to be put under pressure, and the Caius forwards began to give their backs more and more of the ball. After about 15 minutes Caius scored from a very scrappy and unconvincing movement. However, it was the vital score, and it caused the John's efforts to become over-anxious and ragged. The one exception was W. A. M. Bewick on the right wing. The arrival of the ball in his hands seemed to act like dynamite, and his runs down the touchline usually left a trail of sprawling bodies on the turf. Unfortunately, the Caius defence was exceptionally good, and always the last line held out. The final whistle blew when we were in the Caius

"25", but by then we had let slip too many chances to deserve a last-minute reprieve. The forwards had been unable to make use of their extra man; in fact at the start of the second half they were being mastered by the Caius pack; while the backs had been quite unable to finish off their moves, and in the later stages were perfectly content to give the ball to Bewick.

The Club had a most enjoyable, if unsuccessful, tour in Gloucestershire after the end of Term. All the matches played, against Lydney, Bath, and Stroud, were lost, but, apart from the last, only by small margins. Indeed, our performance against Bath, where we lost 8-13 against a strong side, was our best of the season, and was much appreciated, we hope, by a very good crowd of spectators.

We are very pleased that Sir Percy Winfield, who offered to resign because of rather poor health during the winter, has agreed to remain as President of the Club for a further year.

The officials elected for next year are: *Captain*: H. P. MORGAN. *Secretary*: M. T. YOUNG. *Match Secretary*: S. J. FRANCE. *Cygnets' Secretary*: B. G. CARTLEDGE.

First XV. J. K. E. Slack, W. A. M. Bewick, H. P. Morgan, J. E. Barrett, B. J. Gillespie, R. W. Smithson, D. M. Webber, J. E. Mitchell, D. C. G. Breddy, D. S. Henderson, G. W. Scott, J. K. Iliffe, W. R. Mason, J. M. Meadows, M. T. Young. M. J. O. Massey was unable to play because of a broken wrist.

Second XV. M. V. Lloyd, M. S. Girling, G. A. C. Weeden, M. C. Templeton, J. M. Temple, P. H. Clarke, D. S. Minns, J. David, L. F. Read, J. M. Trott, A. W. Wescombe, M. F. Hosking, J. O. Mavor, S. J. France, F. B. Barnes, J. F. Bennetts, P. H. E. Goodrich.

THE SQUASH CLUB

President: DR WINFIELD. *Captain*: A. V. ALEXANDER.

Secretary: H. R. MACLEOD.

THE Club had a moderately successful year—the First team remaining in the First Division, although at no time looking as though they would finish near the top.

In the "Cuppers" the College were beaten in the second round by Magdalene more easily than was expected, but as four of the team then playing will be available next year the chances of regaining the Cup are good.

A. V. Alexander and H. R. MacLeod played for the "Ganders" against the "Squirrels" at Oxford. The usual enjoyable matches were played against the "Escorts" and the Wellesley Club.

The Second, Third and Fourth teams all played more or less regularly and with some success—thus showing the healthy condition of the largest club in the College.

The Squash courts are in need of considerable attention and this has been promised for the Long Vacation. The renovation should do a good deal towards improving the general standard of play in the College.

D. R. Peters and D. Cameron were awarded their First V colours. C. N. Hayter, J. J. H. Wilson and E. B. Lewis were awarded their Second V colours.

H. R. MacLeod was elected Captain and C. N. Hayter was elected Secretary for the Season 1952-3.

THE SWIMMING CLUB

President: PROFESSOR MORDELL. *Captain*: J. K. ILIFFE.

Hon. Secretary: J. A. BESSELL.

WE have had a fair amount of success in the "Cuppers" this term. We won the Free-style Relay by a comfortable margin, Clare being second, and St Catharine's third. The team included three University first strings. In the Medley Relay we had a most exciting race, sharing a dead-heat with St Catharine's. Iliffe and Palmer, particularly the latter, swum well to reduce the early lead established by the opposing team's back-stroke swimmer—the University first string. The race was re-swum a few days later, when we were beaten by over a yard.

In the early stages of the Water-Polo "Cuppers" we beat Downing 4-1, after being 0-1 down at half-time, and the holders, Caius. We beat the latter 4-3 after a fairly hard game. In the semi-finals, we met St Catharine's, and again drew with them. However, the result after a replay, organized at great haste, was in our favour. Their swimming was strong, and their passing lively and intelligent, but they lacked the ability to shoot and score goals—much to our advantage! We were unfortunate to be without Palmer in the final against Clare. However, we put up quite a creditable performance, losing 3-4. Iliffe, the University goalkeeper, has been a great asset, so too has Palmer. These two were the mainstay of the team, contributing to by far the greater part of the goals scored. Other goals have come from Cellan-Jones and Bessell. Burgin has been a valuable back, with a keen sense of tactical play.

We must congratulate the following on being invited to represent the University against Oxford: N. W. Palmer and J. K. Iliffe, both old Blues, both swimming and playing polo; and M. J. Absalon

and A. J. G. Cellan-Jones swimming. The latter must be congratulated on being the University Captain.

The outlook for 1952-3 is not bright, unless a number of freshmen and others are willing to swim. J. A. Bessell and M. J. Absalon have been elected as Captain and Hon. Secretary respectively for next year.

The College "Cuppers" teams were as follows:

Medley Relay: D. H. Burgin, J. K. Iliffe, N. W. Palmer.

Free-Style Relay: D. H. Burgin, M. J. Absalon, N. W. Palmer, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones.

Water Polo: J. K. Iliffe, D. H. Burgin, M. T. Young, A. J. G. Cellan-Jones, J. A. Bessell, N. W. Palmer, M. J. Absalon. Also J. A. Terrett.

THE TABLE TENNIS CLUB

SEASON 1951-2

Captain: J. BAMBER. *Hon. Secretary*: D. J. D. YARWOOD.

THE large influx of keen freshmen into the Club this year clearly underlined the claim for, and the recent official recognition of, Table Tennis as a College half-colour sport.

With much fresh talent available the Club started the season well, entering a team in each of the five University League Divisions. The First team had a disappointing start, but later improved considerably, and with two freshmen, R. R. Allan and J. P. Daly, ably supporting the imperturbable P. Eagles, finished strongly in fourth position in the First Division.

The Second team showed much promise after a poor beginning, and, playing more confidently, lost only one match during the Lent Term. Honours must go to the stalwart Third, Fourth and Fifth teams. With fine consistent play during the season, each finished near the top of their respective Divisions, the Third and Fourth missing promotion only by a matter of averages.

In this year's "Cuppers" the Singles team was beaten 4-5 in the second round by a very strong Jesus team. The Doubles team, however, righted matters, and, playing in a convincing manner, which included a fine 5-2 win over Fitzwilliam House, reached the final, only to be narrowly beaten 4-5 by Christ's.

The Club extends its congratulations to P. Eagles on representing the University again against Oxford and to J. P. Daly on being selected to play for the University second team.

Colours were awarded this year to R. R. Allan, J. P. Daly, P. M. Eagles, R. Sutcliffe, D. J. D. Yarwood.

Officers elected for the season 1952-3: *Captain*: P. EAGLES. *Hon. Secretary*: J. D. JUKES.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

MICHAELMAS TERM 1952

President: R. A. BECHER. *Vice-President:* F. R. OLIVER.

Secretary: J. A. W. DAVIE. *Treasurer:* T. G. MURPHY.

LENT TERM, 1953

President: F. R. OLIVER. *Vice-President:* J. R. RINGROSE.

Secretary: J. A. W. DAVIE. *Treasurer:* T. G. MURPHY.

FOR the first meeting of the year Mr Hoyle spoke on "Pure and Applied Mathematics". He explained the difference of outlook in the two fields in terms of the workings of the cells of the brain. Professor Besicovitch, speaking on "The Asymmetry of Convex Sets", dealt with great clarity with a subject normally difficult to grasp. Dr J. A. Todd introduced us to "Finite Geometries", an interesting branch of geometry which the Tripos cannot include.

In the Lent Term, Mr S. W. P. Steen developed "A Universal Language" which included all modes of expression of mathematical logic, but not, unfortunately, of ordinary life. Mr S. Wylie in "The Ham Sandwich Theorem" showed us how to bisect simultaneously with one plane cut a slice of white bread, a slice of ham, and a slice of brown bread. We hope this theory may be demonstrated at the next Society dinner. Dr Budden gave the last talk of the year on "Radio Wave Propagation". He explained some of the recent discoveries in guided waves, and illustrated his lecture with exhibits of wave-guides, and with recordings sounding like bird-song.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

1952-53

President: MR BOYS SMITH. *Captain:* R. A. WEST.*Hon. Secretary:* P. B. GILES

THE Club began the season with six full colours in residence but experienced a disappointing season.

In the Michaelmas Term with fewer 'Varsity and Falcon calls than in the past few seasons, it was hoped that the 1st XI would be strong enough to win the League. However, although six of the nine games were won convincingly, five points were dropped in important games against Pembroke, Christ's, and St Catharine's. Finally, we had to be satisfied with fourth place. In outside matches, victories were gained over London Hospital, Old Kimboltonians and S.E. Essex Technical College.

Hopes of a successful "Cuppers" run were not realized. After an easy 4-0 victory over King's, Christ's were drawn in the 2nd Round. In bad conditions, the side played with determination and led 2-0 twenty minutes from the end, but Christ's fought back, and were allowed to equalize. Extra time having failed to produce a definite result, a replay was necessary on our own ground, but in this game the team, unsettled by two early setbacks, lost 3-0. Outside clubs defeated during this term were Alleyn's School, Old Foresters, Cambridge City Police and University College, London.

Easily the most discouraging feature of the season was the failure of the 2nd XI to produce their usual standard of play. Despite the untiring efforts of R. T. Forster as Captain and Secretary, the team could finish no higher than fourth in the League which it is their habit to win.

It is pleasant to record that the 3rd XI played throughout with vigorous enthusiasm and thanks are due to G. N. Slater for his keen captaincy.

The congratulations of the club are extended to W. Knightley-Smith who played regularly for the University and was unfortunate to miss selection for the match against Oxford; and to D. Cooper who represented the Falcons against Oxford Centaurs and again in the final of the Argonaut Trophy.

Full Colours were awarded to: W. Knightley-Smith, R. R. Lycett, N. J. B. Pocock and I. J. Whitting.

Half-Colours were awarded to: G. C. Clayton, J. E. Dutton, C. Farrimond, B. D. Fuller, A. R. Long and J. M. Williams.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on Thursday, 12 March. The Senior Guest was Dr R. E. Robinson,

and in the unavoidable absence of Mr Boys Smith, the Dean presided.

At the Annual Meeting of Full Colours on Monday, 20 April 1953, the following officials were elected for the season 1953-4:

Captain: N. J. B. POCKOCK. *Hon. Secretary:* I. J. WHITTING.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* J. H. B. SIMPSON.*Hon. Secretary:* D. B. STRONACH.

THE past season has been one of great progress and activity within the Club. While only three Full Colours were left from last year's team, we were fortunate in obtaining a large number of freshmen, whose ability can be gauged from the fact that the College was represented in ten of the fourteen finals in the Freshmen's Sports. In particular the Club was very glad to welcome Harry Whittle, the Captain of the British Olympic Games team, whose personal performances, advice and encouragement have contributed so handsomely to our achievements this year.

In our opening competition of the Michaelmas Term, the Inter-College Relays, we obtained 29 points out of a possible 32, to take first place 5 points ahead of Emmanuel.

Our three winning relay teams consisted of the following:

3 × 120 yards hurdles: J. S. Lyon, D. N. S. Vellacott, J. H. B. Simpson. Time 49.5 sec.

4 × 110 yards: D. B. Stronach, J. S. Macve, H. Whittle, G. A. Coutie. Time 44.4 sec.

440 × 220 × 440 yards: G. A. Coutie, D. B. Stronach, H. Whittle. Time 2 min. 4 sec.

In the Field Events Competition we retained last year's third place.

The Freshmen's Match against Oxford was notable for Whittle's treble win in the 220 yards low hurdles, long jump and 440 yards. However, our other freshmen, J. S. Macve, M. Orrell-Jones, A. J. P. Campbell and R. N. Dailey also performed with credit. A fortnight later three members of the College competed against Oxford in the Inter-Varsity Relays, namely G. A. Coutie, J. H. B. Simpson and H. Whittle. Then, to conclude the term's events, the College defeated Trinity in a friendly by 61 to 37 points.

The Lent Term started with our "Cuppers" match against Caius, another seeded college. After a close struggle we had to admit ourselves defeated by 126 to 117 points. Sidney Sussex were third with 40 points.

A week later, in the University Sports, Stronach won the 100 yards, Coutie the 440 yards, Simpson the 120 yards hurdles, and Whittle the 220 yards, long jump, and low hurdles. When these four subsequently represented C.U.A.C. against Loughborough College, Whittle again registered three firsts, while Coutie won the 440 yards in 50.8 sec., and Simpson won the hurdles in 16.5 sec., with Stronach returning 10.2 sec. for third place in the 100 yards.

The following day the College were entertained by Balliol on the Oxford track, and the Club more than atoned for last year's narrow defeat by scoring 55 to 34 points.

At the Annual Dinner, at which Mr White presided, we were pleased to have the Master as our guest. Full Colours were awarded to H. Whittle, J. S. Macve, R. N. Dailey, A. J. P. Campbell, M. Orrell-Jones and J. S. Lyon. Half-Colours went to D. N. S. Vellacott, C. H. Arnold, M. G. Cross, R. E. Jones, R. S. Lloyd and G. L. W. Fryer.

Four members of the Club were selected originally for the Inter-Varsity Sports, and our sympathy goes to G. A. Coutie who had to withdraw at the last moment owing to a muscle injury. Concerning the others, H. Whittle won the long jump and came second in the 220 yards and the 220 yards low hurdles, while J. H. B. Simpson and D. B. Stronach came fourth in the 120 yards high hurdles and 100 yards respectively.

The Easter Term began with a close match between the College, Nottingham University and Notts A.C. The latter team included two internationals, and they ran out winners with 100 to our own 93 points, and the University's 75.

Later, at the U.A.U. meeting at Birmingham, Whittle won the 440 yards hurdles for Cambridge, while Simpson reached the final of the high hurdles. In the annual Alverstone *v.* Centipedes fixture, Macve ran in both sprints, Orrell-Jones and Lyon were second in the 440 yards and high hurdles respectively, and Dailey won the half-mile convincingly. Finally, in the Cambridge *v.* A.A.A. match, Whittle set up a record in the 440 yards hurdles, which represented his last race before departing on the American tour. For the second year in succession Simpson finished runner-up in the high hurdles. And, in the last leg of the final event, the sprint relay, Dailey had a sluggish change-over and only passed Stronach 30 yards from the finish.

To complete these notes mention must be made of two new ventures the Club has made. The first has been to raise a crew for the Mays, which managed to hold its own successfully. And the second has been to organize a joint tour of Public Schools with Emmanuel College, which, it is hoped, will benefit the team, and

perhaps encourage school athletes to apply for entrance in the right quarter!

Next year's officers are:

Captain: D. B. STRONACH. *Hon. Secretary:* J. S. MACVE.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

Captain: K. N. SAPRU. *Secretary:* F. A. HUNTER.

Treasurer: L. C. JOHNSON.

THE Club was fortunate in having, at the beginning of the season, four of last year's first team available for league matches. After a number of trials the remaining two places on the first team were filled by C. D. Laurie and J. E. Guillet.

This strong team fulfilled the hopes of the captain in retaining for the third successive year the championship of the first division of the Inter-College League, again, as last year without the loss of a single game. The second team, owing to lack of interest by players other than the first pair, failed to secure promotion from division three.

In the "Cuppers", helped to some extent by an easy draw, the College has reached the final, where it will meet the international team of Trinity College.

A College singles tournament was again held, and a large number of entries were received. The four seeded players have reached their appointed places in the semi-finals, which have yet to be decided.

Fixtures with Homerton College, and the Cambridge "Ramblers" Club were arranged by the Secretary. These proved to be most enjoyable, and the "Ramblers" fixture in particular provided the first team with some excellent and much-needed practice.

The College was well represented in the University teams this year. D. J. Griffiths, who travelled with the "Blues" team in their successful tour in the Christmas Vacation, was again awarded a Half-Blue. F. A. Hunter, and K. N. Sapru played in the "Cockerels" team which beat the Oxford University "Woodpeckers" team by fifteen games to none.

The Captain awarded Colours to R. H. Raybould and L. C. Johnson.

The season was, as tradition now leads us to expect, concluded with a modest sherry party, held in the Secretary's rooms. The Secretary had no trouble at all in arranging for the attendance of all members at this latter "fixture".

Officers elected for 1953-54:

Captain: F. A. HUNTER. *Secretary:* R. H. RAYBOULD.

Treasurer: L. C. JOHNSON.

THE CHESS CLUB

Match Captain: F. R. OLIVER. *Secretary:* G. E. N. LANCE.

THIS has been one of the most successful seasons in the history of the Club. The first team went through the season with the loss of only one match and won the "Cuppers" and the Cambridge and District League. The team was not particularly strong and in the Lent Term was without one of the best players who was away on a training course.

Once again A. J. Willson was awarded a Half-Blue and G. D. E. Soar played in the Dragons match against Oxford. F. R. Oliver came second in the Cambridge Lightning Tournament.

The results were very impressive, the first team playing 22 matches, winning 17, drawing 4 and losing one. In the "Cuppers" 8 matches were played, 6 of them being won and 2 drawn. In the Easter Term the team did very well to beat a strong Balliol team $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$; and, without the top two boards, drawing $3\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ with the Rest of the League.

In the "Cuppers" series A. J. Willson and G. E. N. Lance played without losing a game and F. R. Oliver played in 9 League matches without defeat.

The Club holds social meetings on Sunday evenings throughout the term and all chess players are welcome.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: J. P. SULLIVAN. *Secretary:* R. A. TOMLINSON.

Treasurer: M. C. STOKES.

AGAIN the attendances have been rather poor, and, on one or two occasions, virtually non-existent. The more energetic heard admirable talks by Mr Hutchinson, Professor Adcock on "The Greek and Roman art of war", Mr Lacey on "Social and ethical questions in the *Odyssey*", Dr McDonald on "The manuscripts of Livy", and Mr Trevaskis on "Plato and Protagoras". A most amusing meeting was held in the Lent Term when we read "The Pseudolus of Plautus", though it must be confessed there were times when we hardly knew what it was all about. The Classical Dinner on 1 June was well attended, despite the proximity of another occasion. In accordance with the theory of "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" we must mention the cricket match with Clare Classical Society. The

result was a draw; nothing more need be said beyond the fact that we all enjoyed it.

To conclude we must express our thanks to Mr Howland and Mr Crook for the use of their rooms during the past year.

THE CRICKET CLUB

President: PROF. BAILEY

Captain: R. W. SMITHSON. *Secretary:* A. W. MORRIS.

THE College again had a strong team this year and although it lost the first three matches it soon struck form. Such was the competition for places in the team, that finally thirteen Colours were awarded, while W. Knightley-Smith played for the University against Oxford. Most of the runs were scored by R. W. Smithson, J. K. E. Slack, A. J. Drew, S. P. F. Senaratne and A. W. Morris, while R. Crabtree, C. J. Denham-Davis, T. P. Dyke and R. B. Blatcher all had success with the ball.

The 2nd XI were much too strong for most of their opponents. R. T. Nye was well supported by D. Cooper, W. B. Moralee, A. J. Tombling, J. A. Carter and many others.

Next year's officers:

Captain: A. W. MORRIS. *Secretary:* A. J. DREW.

THE GOLF CLUB

1952-53

Captain: H. J. O. WHITE. *Hon. Secretary:* P. E. B. FORD.

THIS year there has been a decrease in the number of regular golfers, although there have been several part-time players to draw upon for College games.

The Inter-College League system of matches was abandoned this year, and so the fixtures were reduced to the Welch Cup and some friendly games.

In the Welch Cup, the Golf "Cuppers", the College was represented by H. J. O. White and P. E. B. Ford in a foursomes pairing. In the first round they beat Trinity Hall by 3 and 2, and in the second round lost to Trinity, the eventual winners of the competition, at the 19th hole.

Next year's officers will be:

Captain: P. E. B. FORD. *Secretary:* M. SAMUELSON.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President:* C. W. PARKIN.

Secretary: J. F. LIVELY. *Treasurer:* D. HALLADAY.

THE writing of the history of a Historical Society is an activity tainted by a suggestion of parasitism, but gratitude to the eminent gentlemen who gave so generously of their time and intelligence forces the hand of even the most dilatory of secretaries. The year began violently with a paper on Russian nihilism, given by John Erickson. The atmosphere of the Petersburg beer cellar was dispelled only by the equally potent associations of J. S. Conway's paper on contemporary German social and political thought. With a paper by B. G. Cartledge on Stalin, the Society moved eastward again; and so a term of great violence came to an end. Giles Constable established a tone of romance with a paper on the Second Crusade. A. E. Campbell maintained this more leisurely and gentlemanly note with a paper on Anglo-American diplomacy in the 1890's. The issues became really personal when Mr B. G. H. Wormald read a paper on Self-examination in History. Dr Robinson introduced a characteristically contradictory note and broke the grip of psycho-analysis when he gave a paper on the Myth of Imperial History. Finally, J. F. Pokorny read a paper on Bohemia in the age of Hus.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on Friday, 24 April, when our guests were Mr B. G. H. Wormald and Mr Lee. Speeches were made, toasts were drunk and passages from the biography of a well-known Supervisor were for the first time revealed to an eager public.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: PROFESSOR JOPSON. *Captain:* R. CRABTREE.

Secretary: C. J. DENHAM-DAVIS.

ON the whole the College side had a good season last year. The 1st XI in the Michaelmas Term played some very good games against outside clubs, but they lost one or two vital League matches, notably against Trinity and Trinity Hall. Thus they ended fourth in the First Division. The 2nd XI, however, were very strong and, led by A. J. P. Hall, won the Third Division of the League, just beating Emmanuel in their last game. The 3rd XI had their usual games against Girton, Newnham, and Homerton, all of which they won, while they had mixed fortunes against the other colleges. In the Lent Term "Cuppers" matches C. J. Denham-Davis and W. B.

Peeling came into the side and we became favourites. However, an unaccountable lapse in the semi-final against King's robbed us of the Cup.

The teams were:

1st XI: D. J. Perry; R. Crabtree, D. H. Davies; D. N. S. Vellacott, A. J. Tombling, C. J. Denham-Davis; W. B. Peeling, J. C. Kay, R. B. Blatcher, R. H. MacLeod, D. C. M. Waddell; G. A. McCaw, C. L. Penn.

2nd XI: W. J. Grice; J. G. Quinton, J. C. Hubble, H. Liebeck; S. S. Cohen, F. Robertson, B. J. Pearce; W. B. Moralee, A. J. P. Hall, J. T. Mounsey, R. T. Nye, R. Russell-Smith.

Officers for 1953-54:

Captain: C. J. Denham-Davis. *Vice-Captain:* D. N. S. Vellacott. *Hon. Secretary:* A. J. Tombling.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *First Boat Captain:* J. S. M. JONES. *Secretary:* S. J. F. HARRIS. *Second Boat Captain:* D. M. H. TURNER. *Junior Treasurer:* J. A. N. WALLIS.

THROUGHOUT the year we have received reminders of how hard it is for a club once it has reached a position of pre-eminence, to maintain it. By the standards of recent years, this last has not been particularly successful. This was especially disappointing, as we had two Blues, the entire 1952 Ladies Plate crew, and more freshmen talent than usual, available. However, illness upset our plans for the Fours, and it was not until the Mays that we were able to float a crew that was not boating at least one substitute.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1952

Two light fours went into training some days before the beginning of term. Illness and examinations prevented the early fixing of the crews, with the result that most of the benefit of the long training was lost.

An unusually large entry necessitated a preliminary round, for which both our crews were drawn, and exciting races resulted. The "A" IV beat Emmanuel after being level at the Railway Bridge, and the "B" IV gained a 1 sec. victory over Trinity Hall after being 8 sec. down at the bottom of the Long Reach.

On the Wednesday the "A" IV beat Queens' "B" by 22 sec., and the "B" IV lost a hard fought race to First and Third Trinity "A" by $1\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

On the Thursday and Friday the "A" IV beat Clare "A" and Christ's by 13 and 4 sec. respectively, in each case gaining their lead from the Railway Bridge. In the final they met First and Third Trinity "A" who, except for their race against our "B" IV had never really been pushed. L.M.B.C. were 8 sec. down at the Railway Bridge and spurted at 36, but were unable to close the gap and lost by 3 sec. in a time of 10 min. 28 sec.

The crews were:

"A" IV	"B" IV
<i>Bow</i> J. M. King (<i>steerer</i>)	<i>Bow</i> C. K. Smith (<i>steerer</i>)
2 B. A. Collingwood	2 S. J. F. Harris
3 J. R. Dingle	3 J. A. N. Wallis
<i>Str.</i> J. S. M. Jones	<i>Str.</i> D. H. Whitaker

Meanwhile a Clinker IV had been in practice. This crew paddled quite neatly, but lost all semblance of gather when rowing and lost the first round to Magdalene by 9 sec.

The order was:

<i>Bow</i> D. H. Gray
2 A. Davy
3 M. G. K. Konstam
<i>Str.</i> P. R. Butler
<i>Cox</i> J. P. Daly

In the Coloquhoun Sculls the Club had two representatives, D. Gore-Lloyd and R. V. Taylor. These two drew each other and Gore-Lloyd, who had been having trouble with his wrists, withdrew at the Red Grind leaving Taylor to paddle home. In the next round he met Tozer of First and Third Trinity. The first race resulted in a dead heat, Taylor lost the re-row by 2 sec.

The Club entered seven crews for the Fairbairns. The First VIII were calculated to be 10 sec. up on Jesus at the Railway Bridge, but the rating dropped down the Long Reach, a slow second half ensued and the crew ended up sixth.

The Second VIII raced hard and came in seventeenth, thereby losing one place but keeping their position ahead of five first boats.

The Fourth VIII rose eight places, which placed it considerably above the next highest fourth boat. For this the "Doctors" were awarded "the crockpots".

The Third, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Boats each lost a few places, but, as they were largely composed of novices with only one term's rowing experience, did well not to lose more ground.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII	Second VIII
<i>Bow</i> N. M. Ragg	<i>Bow</i> H. Jones
2 D. H. Fawcett	2 P. C. Peddie
3 D. H. Gray	3 D. J. Naylor
4 D. W. T. Hague	4 P. W. Jowett
5 P. V. Pigott	5 M. G. K. Konstam
6 R. V. Taylor	6 A. H. Wood
7 C. K. Smith	7 K. Appelbee
<i>Str.</i> P. V. Trotman	<i>Str.</i> J. Hay
<i>Cox</i> A. W. T. Gooch	<i>Cox</i> G. B. G. Lawson

Third VIII	Fourth (Medical) VIII
<i>Bow</i> J. L. Bush	<i>Bow</i> C. D. Plows
2 P. Sachs	2 K. D. Austin
3 E. H. Lewis-Bowen	3 J. H. W. Shaw
4 D. G. Wilson	4 J. S. Lyon
5 T. W. Williams	5 V. Whitehead
6 A. R. Muirhead	6 W. R. Moore
7 G. N. Mainwaring	7 J. C. W. August
<i>Str.</i> G. C. Howell	<i>Str.</i> P. C. Heal
<i>Cox</i> J. D. C. Peacock	<i>Cox</i> M. L. Johnson

Fifth VIII	Sixth VIII
<i>Bow</i> D. W. G. Hardy	<i>Bow</i> W. R. Smith
2 A. P. Sewell	2 A. K. Oates
3 A. C. H. Morgan	3 B. L. Shelley
4 P. M. Spinney	4 J. S. Barton
5 J. A. Harrison	5 H. G. Wright
6 J. E. Broad	6 R. A. Arab
7 R. L. E. Rich	7 I. E. M. Hughes
<i>Str.</i> K. C. Holmes	<i>Str.</i> R. Crisp
<i>Cox</i> A. D. Rooke	<i>Cox</i> P. C. H. Wood

Seventh VIII
<i>Bow</i> R. W. H. Baxter
2 P. E. Barton
3 B. Malone
4 J. L. Miller
5 M. T. J. Axford
6 A. R. Murray
7 T. Pentelow
<i>Str.</i> J. D. Smith
<i>Cox</i> J. McKenzie

Our thanks are due to Mr Roy Meldrum and to Mr Ronald Symonds for coaching the Light IV's and to Mr Roy Meldrum and Mr Michael Pallister for coaching the First Fairbairn VIII.

J. S. M. Jones and J. R. Dingle (Hon. Sec. C.U.B.C.) both coached Trial Eights. In the race over the Adelaide course on 6 December J. A. N. Wallis rowed "2", D. H. Whitaker "5" and J. M. King "7" in the "Hengist" VIII which beat "Horsa", in which B. A. Collingwood rowed "6", by 8 lengths.

LENT TERM, 1953

The First and Second VIII's both commenced training before the beginning of term. The former took rather a long time in settling down and was never able to command a rate of striking higher than 32 during practice. It was creditable that in their two best races they maintained a consistent 36.

On the first day Clare was rowed down and caught at the Coloquhoun posts. On the Friday, again racing with dash and determination, the crew got to within half a length of First and Third Trinity at Ditton, but lacked the flexibility to produce a killing spurt. On the other two days the First VIII rowed over.

The Second VIII, too, just lacked sufficient flexibility in its rate of striking. They overlapped Magdalene on the first night, and closed in on each of the following nights, but Magdalene always escaped with a judicious spurt.

The Third VIII was a rather inexperienced crew and learnt its bumping the hard way, going down to Selwyn II in the Gut, Emmanuel II at the Plough, First and Third Trinity III on Ditton and Jesus IV above the Pike and Eel.

The lower boats all made progress. The Fourth caught Christ's III and Fitzwilliam II. The Fifth bumped Downing III and Magdalene III, but succumbed to Emmanuel III on the last night. The Sixth VIII bumped Trinity Hall IV, Downing III and Magdalene III; while the Seventh gained its oars at the expense of Selwyn IV, Fitzwilliam III, Sidney Sussex III and St Catharine's IV.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII		Second VIII	
<i>Bow</i> N. M. Ragg		<i>Bow</i> J. C. W. August	
2 P. V. Trotman		2 P. C. Peddie	
3 C. K. Smith		3 G. N. Mainwaring	
4 D. H. Fawcett		4 A. R. Muirhead	
5 D. H. Gray		5 P. W. Jowett	
6 R. V. Taylor		6 A. H. Wood	
7 D. M. H. Turner		7 H. Jones	
<i>Str.</i> D. H. Whitaker		<i>Str.</i> J. Hay	
<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill		<i>Cox</i> A. B. Groves	
Third VIII		Fourth (Medical) VIII	
<i>Bow</i> D. W. G. Hardy		<i>Bow</i> C. D. Plows	
2 G. C. Howell		2 K. D. Austin	
3 M. T. J. Axford		3 P. J. McGregor	
4 A. K. Oates		4 J. S. Lyon	
5 A. T. H. Morgan		5 H. J. Hoyland	
6 K. Appelbee		6 V. Whitehead	
7 P. Sachs		7 P. D. E. Madeley	
<i>Str.</i> A. P. Sewell		<i>Str.</i> P. C. Heal	
<i>Cox</i> J. McKenzie		<i>Cox</i> M. L. Johnson	

Fifth VIII

Bow G. Muir
2 J. D. Smith
3 T. Pentelow
4 P. M. Spinney
5 B. L. Shelley
6 J. E. Broad
7 K. C. Holmes
Str. R. Crisp
Cox G. B. G. Lawson

Sixth VIII

Bow R. W. M. Baxter
2 R. Tait
3 M. J. Mustill
4 M. C. B. Johns
5 M. G. K. Konstam
6 D. G. Wilson
7 J. L. Bush
Str. D. J. Naylor
Cox C. P. H. Wood

Seventh VIII

Bow I. H. Davies
2 J. L. Miller
3 W. R. Smith
4 P. E. Barton
5 H. G. Wright
6 A. Davy
7 R. L. E. Rich
Str. P. R. Butler
Cox A. D. Rooke

We should like to express our thanks to Mr Jack Maskell, Mr Roy Meldrum, Mr Mervyn Palmer and Mr Ronald Symonds for coaching the First VIII and to Mr Geoffrey Hoyland for coaching the Second VIII.

In the small boat races the Club again had several entries. In the Forster-Fairbairn pairs Turner and Collingwood drew a bye in the first round, beat King's by 8½ sec. in the second and lost the final to a Christ's pair in what purported to be a very fast time.

Harris and Whitaker lost to a Jesus pair by 7 sec. in the first round.

In the Fairbairn Junior Sculls Taylor passed through the first round without racing, beat Ward of First and Third Trinity in the second, and lost the next round to Tozer of First and Third Trinity by 8 sec.

The results of the Club small boat races were as follows:

The Bateman pairs were scratched.

The College sculls were won by R. V. Taylor.

The Freshmen's sculls were won by J. D. Smith and the Sandford Lower Boat Pairs by D. J. Naylor and M. G. K. Konstam.

Meanwhile two crews were practising for Reading University Head of the River Race. The First VIII was sadly depleted by injury and effectively had but one week's practice. In the race it got off to an appalling start and eventually settled down at 27. Even so it came in fifth, 8 sec. behind the winners.

The Second VIII rowed very well and shared the pennant for the fastest Clinker Boat and the Coronation Cup with First and Third Trinity II. They were only 8 sec. behind the First VIII and gained the Second VIII a place in the 1st Division for next year.

The First VIII then paddled down to Putney in three stages and arrived on the Tideway rather better together than it had been at Reading. As a result of further illness, an inexperienced stroke and a dispirited crew, little improvement was recorded on the Tideway. In the Putney head itself, the crew was pushed from behind by London University as far as Hammersmith, and then having shaken them off, failed to produce the resilience necessary to beat the head wind over the last mile. They came in tenth in 19 min. 55 sec.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII (at Reading)	Second VIII
<i>Bow</i> H. Jones	<i>Bow</i> J. C. W. August
2 D. H. Gray	2 J. Hay
3 C. K. Smith	3 G. N. Mainwaring
4 R. V. Taylor	4 A. R. Muirhead
5 J. R. Dingle	5 P. W. Jowett
6 B. A. Collingwood	6 D. H. Fawcett
7 D. M. H. Turner	7 N. M. Ragg
<i>Str.</i> S. J. F. Harris	<i>Str.</i> P. V. Trotman
<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill	<i>Cox</i> A. B. Groves

First VIII (at Putney)

<i>Bow</i> H. Jones
2 P. C. Peddie
3 C. K. Smith
4 D. H. Gray
5 J. R. Dingle
6 B. A. Collingwood
7 D. M. H. Turner
<i>Str.</i> S. J. F. Harris
<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill

Our thanks are due to Mr Roy Meldrum and Mr J. H. M. Ward for having given their time to coaching the First VIII.

EASTER TERM, 1953

In the Magdalene Pairs the Club was represented by one and one half crews. The half consisted of J. A. N. Wallis who paired, as the incoming Secretary of C.U.B.C., with the incoming President—D. A. T. Leadley of Emmanuel. They were successful in winning the event, beating a Christ's pair in the first round, Turner and Collingwood—rowing in the reverse order from their order in the Forster-Fairbairns—in the second, and a Trinity Pair in the final.

In the Mays the First VIII maintained its position at Head of the River without at any time being seriously worried from behind.

The Second VIII were closely pressed by Jesus II on the Thursday and got to within half a length of King's on the Friday. But neither they nor the Third VIII were able to improve their positions.

The Fourth VIII made three good bumps at the expense of Corpus II, St Catharine's III and King's II. They missed their oars when Jesus IV got away on the last night.

The Fifth VIII also gained three places, going up at the expense of First and Third Trinity V, Peterhouse III and Selwyn III. The Sixth VIII, starting immediately behind the Fifth, went down three places, while the Senior Rugger boat rowing as Seventh VIII lost two.

The Eighth VIII won their oars, bumping Selwyn V, First and Third Trinity VII, Magdalene IV and Fitzwilliam III.

The Ninth VIII—a second rugger crew—made two bumps, catching St Catharine's VI and Peterhouse V.

The Tenth VIII were caught by the Sidney Sussex gentlemen, who had defeated our Eleventh VIII in the getting on race, on the second night, but redeemed themselves by catching First and Third Trinity VIII on the last night.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII	Second VIII
<i>Bow</i> D. M. H. Turner	<i>Bow</i> H. Jones
2 J. S. M. Jones	2 P. V. Trotman
3 D. H. Whitaker	3 C. K. Smith
4 B. A. Collingwood	4 D. H. Fawcett
5 J. R. Dingle	5 D. W. T. Hague
6 R. V. Taylor	6 S. J. F. Harris
7 J. A. N. Wallis	7 P. V. Pigott
<i>Str.</i> J. M. King	<i>Str.</i> A. R. Muirhead
<i>Cox</i> E. G. Hill	<i>Cox</i> A. B. Groves

Third VIII

<i>Bow</i> G. N. Mainwaring
2 J. Hay
3 P. W. Jowett
4 A. H. Wood
5 J. A. Binnian
6 J. E. Broad
7 D. H. Gray
<i>Str.</i> P. C. Peddie
<i>Cox</i> J. D. C. Peacock

Fifth (Medical) VIII

<i>Bow</i> C. D. Plows
2 K. D. Austin
3 J. H. D. Briscoe
4 W. R. Moore
5 V. Whitehead
6 J. S. Lyon
7 H. J. Hoyland
<i>Str.</i> P. C. Heal
<i>Cox</i> M. L. Johnson

Fourth VIII

<i>Bow</i> D. G. Wilson
2 P. Sachs
3 A. K. Oates
4 A. C. H. Morgan
5 B. L. Shelley
6 T. W. Williams
7 K. C. Holmes
<i>Str.</i> A. P. Sewell
<i>Cox</i> J. McKenzie

Sixth VIII

<i>Bow</i> A. C. M. Maitland
2 J. D. Smith
3 H. H. Magnay
4 J. F. Heath
5 P. J. Wordie
6 R. Tait
7 K. Appelbee
<i>Str.</i> D. J. Naylor
<i>Cox</i> A. D. Rooke

Seventh (1st Rugger) VIII

Bow I. H. Davies
 2 M. T. Young
 3 D. B. Henderson
 4 M. D. Parkinson
 5 M. F. Hosking
 6 S. J. France
 7 I. E. M. Hughes
Str. G. M. Jordan
Cox T. T. Hay

Ninth (2nd Rugger) VIII

Bow F. B. Barnes
 2 G. A. C. Weeden
 3 H. S. Cormack
 4 J. Martin
 5 R. J. Chambers
 6 M. J. Pitt
 7 R. D. Sykes
Str. P. R. Bromage
Cox D. W. T. Gooch

Eighth VIII

Bow A. C. Le Maitre
 2 J. L. Milles
 3 W. R. Smith
 4 D. M. Stevenson
 5 J. A. D. Harrison
 6 D. W. G. Hardy
 7 M. T. J. Axford
Str. R. Crisp
Cox C. P. H. Wood

Tenth (Athletes) VIII

Bow C. Willmott
 2 A. J. P. Campbell
 3 R. N. Dailey
 4 J. S. Macve
 5 H. W. Acteson
 6 G. L. W. Fryer
 7 J. H. B. Simpson
Str. M. G. K. Konstam
Cox R. E. Jones

We should like to express our warmest thanks to all the coaches, especially to Mr Ronald Symonds and Mr Roger Hayward who each took two crews over the last fortnight, but also to Mr Jack Maskell, Mr Alistair Macleod, Mr Mervyn Palmer and Mr Roy Meldrum for coaching the First VIII; and to Mr Geoffrey Hoyland and Mr Hilary Macklin for taking the Second VIII. Various members of the Club have given a great deal of time to coaching the lower crews, and they also deserve appreciation.

Marlow Regatta, 1953

It was decided not to enter Fours at Marlow this year but to concentrate upon the Eights.

This was justified when the First VIII regained the Grand Challenge Cup. In the first heat Lady Margaret beat Jesus and Thames R.C. In the final we had the Bucks Station and won by $\frac{3}{4}$ length from London R.C., with First and Third Trinity some way behind in a time of 4 min. 8 sec.

The Second VIII competed in the Marlow Eights but was beaten in the first round by Balliol by $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

The Third VIII in the Junior Eights beat Peterhouse II on the Friday evening. On the Saturday they met Bristol University and lost to a more experienced crew in a time of 4 min. 20 sec. Bristol then went on to win the final by a considerably greater margin, and our crew was probably the second fastest in its event.

Henley Royal Regatta, 1953

Henley was the most disappointing for some years; not so much because we lost, as because each crew knew that it could have given a better account of itself.

On the Wednesday the Thames Cup VIII and the Visitors IV both raced in the afternoon. On the Thursday the Grand VIII raced in the morning and the Stewards IV in the afternoon.

It was generally considered that the first heat of the Grand between Leander on the Berks station and Lady Margaret on the Bucks station would settle the home of that cup for the next twelve months. And so it worked out. Both crews went off at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ –20–39 in the first quarter, half and whole minute, but from the start Leander were rowing the harder finish, and had a lead of half a length at the top of the island. By the Barrier, reached in 1 min. 53 sec., Leander had increased their lead to a length and a quarter and had added a further half-length to their lead by Fawley. Both crews were striking 33. At Remenham Club Lady Margaret spurted to 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ and regained half a length, but Leander rowing a lower rating maintained just about a length's lead. By the mile Lady Margaret were striking 36 and at the mile and one-eighth, 38. From there Leander too, raised their rating and they finished a length ahead of Lady Margaret in a time of 6 min. 41 sec.—only 3 sec. outside the record.

The Stewards IV were one of the most polished fours we have had for some time. In their race against First and Third Trinity they put 36 strokes into the first minute and had attained a clear length's lead by the Signal. Then the rating dropped to 32, the finesse vanished and from the Barrier, where we were still half a length up, we were struggling. Fawley was reached in 3 min. 35 sec. and Trinity were half a length up. By Remenham Club Trinity had increased their lead, Lady Margaret were still striking 32. From there to the finish Lady Margaret's rating rose and the gap narrowed. At the mile and one-eighth the rating was 36, Trinity's lead one-quarter of a length. They still had 4 feet of that lead when the crews crossed the line—and in this race, too, the time of 7 min. 17 sec was only 4 sec. outside the record.

Wednesday's racing was not of the same quality. In the Visitors' Magdalen College, Oxford, led off the start and held their lead to win by a length and a half in 7 min. 29 sec.

Earlier the same afternoon the Thames Cup VIII were beaten by London University. Lady Margaret failed to hold their opponents off the start, which enabled University of London to settle down to the better stroke, at a higher rating. Although Lady Margaret's rating rose a little past the enclosures, it was no answer and the race was lost by a length and one-half.

The crews were as follows:

First VIII		First IV	
Bow	J. S. M. Jones	Bow	J. S. M. Jones (steerer)
2	J. M. King	2	J. A. N. Wallis
3	P. V. Pigott	3	J. R. Dingle
4	D. H. Whitaker	Str.	R. V. Taylor
5	J. R. Dingle	Second IV	
6	R. V. Taylor	Bow	D. M. H. Turner (steerer)
7	D. M. H. Turner	2	J. M. King
Str.	J. A. N. Wallis	3	P. V. Pigott
Cox	E. G. Hill	Str.	D. H. Whitaker
Second VIII		Third VIII (Marlow only)	
Bow	H. Jones	Bow	K. C. Holmes
2	P. V. Trotman	2	P. C. Peddie
3	P. W. Jowett	3	G. N. Mainwaring
4	S. J. F. Harris	4	P. Sachs
5	C. K. Smith	5	B. L. Shelley
6	B. A. Collingwood	6	J. E. Broad
7	D. H. Gray	7	P. W. Jowett
Str.	A. R. Muirhead	Str.	A. P. Sewell
Cox	A. B. Groves	Cox	J. D. C. Peacock

At Marlow D. W. T. Hague had rowed "7" and D. H. Gray "3" in the Second VIII. Hague was unable to row at Henley.

On the preceding days the Spare-Men's Pairs had been raced. In that event P. C. Peddie rowing bow on stroke side and steering, was successful in winning with the King's spare man at stroke. They beat Quinton on the Monday and St Bartholomew's Hospital and Lensbury on the Tuesday.

For Henley Mr Roy Meldrum and Mr Ronald Symonds were once again called upon to coach the First Boat. Throughout the year they have both given their time to the Club's service quite unstintingly and we owe them a deep debt of gratitude, as indeed we do to Mr Roger Hayward for his coaching of the Second Boat during the summer.

THE LADY MARGARET PLAYERS

President: MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Vice-Presidents:* THE MASTER, MR BAMBROUGH. *Chairman:* J. BAIN. *Secretary:* C. N. STEPHENS. *Treasurer:* D. BATY. *Committee:* J. R. HARGREAVES, J. C. KAY, I. S. S. MCGLASHAN, F. M. RAPHAEL, T. WILLIAMS.

THIS has been another successful year in the life of the Society. Apart from our Michaelmas and Easter Term productions we have had a fair number of play-readings ranging from Robert Greene's *James IV* to Ibsen's *The Pillars of the Community* and Maugham's

Home and Beauty. The obvious enjoyment of those readings by the members who took part in them seems to suggest that this is a part of the Society's life which should not be overlooked and future committees are urged to continue this year's policy of organizing as many readings as possible to give all members a chance to show their paces and to maintain interest in the Society when no major production is on hand.

The proposal that we should do Ibsen's *Ghosts* fell through when the Palmerston Room was found to be unavailable and instead the tradition of having a Chapel play at the end of the Michaelmas Term was upheld by a highly impressive production of Milton's *Samson Agonistes*. The attendance of large and enthusiastic audiences justified the courage of the Society in putting on so daring a production and utterly confounded those who predicted artistic and financial ruin.

During the Lent Term play-readings were continued and F. M. Raphael was elected acting Chairman during the Chairman's absence. The May Week production of Rostand's *The Fantastics* and *X=O* by Drinkwater was cursed with the first really bad weather in the history of the L.M.P. plays in the Fellows' Garden, but those who braved the neo-Elizabethan drizzle found both plays well worth their attention.

The Society is by now a fully established part of College life, but its courage and success is recognized outside the College more than within, since the most discouraging feature of the year, as ever, is the lack of support from members of the College. It is for the players of the next few years to break down the antipathy which seems to exist between the Society and other sections of the community before it becomes an insurmountable barrier which might well prove fatal to the existence of so valuable an asset to the College.

THE LADY MARGARET SINGERS

President: DR ORR. *Vice-Presidents:* DR HERBERT HOWELLS, MR THISTLETHWAITE, MR THURSTON DART. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Conductor:* MR GUEST. *Secretary:* J. W. MARTIN.

THIS year, our only public recital was given in Chapel towards the end of the Michaelmas Term. It was given jointly with Lady Susi Jeans who played organ music by Orlando Gibbons, Walter Pach, and C. B. Rootham.

The main choral work of the evening was Byrd's "Mass for Four Voices", and the programme was completed by two modern works—"Jesus and the Traders" by Kodaly, and "A Festival

Anthem" by Lennox Berkeley. David Lumsden was the organist in the latter work.

Early in the New Year we made a B.B.C. recording of the Lennox Berkeley anthem, which will be broadcast during the summer.

For the remainder of the year we prepared for another B.B.C. recording which was made in Hall early in May. This time our programme was entirely secular. It included "Trois Chansons" by Ravel, and two recently published songs by John Hind, one of which—"O Sing unto my Roundelay"—is inscribed to Mr Guest and the Singers. We also sang two songs by Peter Warlock, and concluded with a number of Folk-Song arrangements, including the Scottish "Bessie Bell and Mary Gray" by Dr Orr, which we endeavoured to interpret in authentic accents!

The choir has much enjoyed performing this wide variety of music during the year, and we hope to maintain this catholicism in the future.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: A. V. ALEXANDER. *Hon. Secretary:* J. H. WESTON SMITH.

Hon. Treasurer: M. J. MUSTILL.

THE Law Society met this year in Dr Jackson's rooms in New Court, and was first addressed by Dr Jackson on Royal Commissions. Dr Jackson illustrated an informative and entertaining account from his own experience as Secretary to the Royal Commission on Magistrates.

Later in the Michaelmas Term the Society welcomed Colonel L. H. Gluckstein, Q.C., who spoke most fluently on "The Ethics of Advocacy", and delighted his listeners with incidents from his own practice at the Bar.

A Moot was held in the middle of the term with Girton Law Society. The Moot was set and judged by Mr Scott, and the Society was represented by D. D. Charters and M. J. Mustill.

In the Lent Term Mr D. V. Durell, Solicitor to the College, spoke on "Solicitors". Mr Durell traced the training of a solicitor and offered some helpful advice to those who intended to enter articles. He also gave a general picture of the state of the profession.

Two further moots were held, against Jesus College, in which the Society was represented by E. G. Hill and M. G. K. Konstam, and against Trinity College, with H. R. Macleod and A. W. Morris appearing for St John's. It was unfortunate that both moots were concerned with very similar points of law, although they had been independently set.

The Annual Dinner was held on 5 March, and the Society was

delighted to welcome Lord Morton of Henryton, P.C., as Guest of Honour. Lord Morton had earlier accepted an invitation to become a Vice-President of the Society. Professor Bailey, Dr Jackson and Mr Scott were also able to attend, and the Society is most grateful to them for their support during the year.

J. H. Weston Smith was elected President, and M. B. Ward, Secretary for 1953-54.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

President: DR DANIEL. *Captain:* H. R. MACLEOD.

Hon. Secretary: P. F. EARLAM.

ONCE again the Club has had a successful term, winning both the Doubles and Singles of the "Cuppers" and being placed high up in the League. Roderick MacLeod was fortunate in having most of last year's team available as well as three successful freshmen—Stephen Cohen, who only just failed to get the last singles place in the 'Varsity side, Stewart Millar and Rodney Dodds who proved a consistently good second pair and had many creditable wins to their name, especially that in the match against Emmanuel.

In the "Cuppers" our mainstay has once again been John Barrett, but he has been ably supported by Cohen in the Doubles and by Cohen and MacLeod in the Singles, neither of whom lost a match during the Competition. In the Doubles, Pembroke were defeated in the Final, though Clare in the Semi-final proved the stiffest opposition, being only overcome 8-6, 7-5. In the Final of the Singles, Downing were beaten by three matches to nil.

In the League the team started very well; MacLeod, ably supported by Cohen whenever he was available did not lose a Doubles match throughout the season. The last two matches proved our undoing—a much weakened side lost to Downing and the Clare match was left unfinished after being postponed four times due to rain—our most worrying opponent throughout the term. Of many outside matches which were played, perhaps the most enjoyable was against the Bar Society L.T.C. which we just lost 5-4. A weakened team easily lost to Guy's Hospital in London, though University College, London, were beaten 6-3. It was disappointing that rain caused the cancellation of the matches against the Cumberland Club and Cambridge City and County. The match against Balliol College, Oxford, also had to be cancelled.

The Second VI were not so successful, having failed to win a League match. They came only fifth in the third division and thus are relegated for next season.

This term a Third VI was run in order to cater for more of the sixty-four persons who entered for the Trials. Twenty people played in this team during the term. Our thanks are due to Colin Willmott for undertaking the job of running the team which played matches against other College Second and Third VI's as well as the Ladies' Colleges. This proved a successful experiment. A Mixed Doubles Tournament was successfully organized during May week; it is hoped that this will be given more support next year.

P. F. Earlam, S. S. Cohen, R. H. Dodds and S. A. Millar were awarded their First VI Colours.

The following have been elected for next year:

Captain: P. F. EARLAM. *Hon. Secretary:* R. H. DODDS.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: DR ORR. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Musical Director:* MR GUEST. *Librarian:* DR HOLICK. *Junior Treasurer:* D. W. GWILT. *Secretary:* J. F. HOWE. *Committee:* A. J. BAIRD, M. J. DARLING, G. B. G. LAWSON.

DURING the past year, the Society has, as usual, held several Smoking Concerts, which this year have been organized in turn by junior members of the Committee. This had the advantage of bringing a wider range of both music and performers to these concerts than sometimes in the past. Several compositions by members of the College have been performed. While the standard of performance has been high, it is a pity that so few members have been able to attend, but the Committee have done their best to attract members and have experimented by holding Concerts on Monday instead of Sunday evenings as has always been the custom.

The two outstanding events of the year have been the Combination Room Concert in December and the May Week Concert. At the former, an audience of over a hundred heard a varied programme of music old and new, serious and humorous. At the latter, the College Hall was, as usual, filled to capacity. The Committee had taken great pains to devise a programme which would suit the occasion, and also involve as many members of the Society as possible. The Concert coming only a week after the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, it was thought appropriate to conclude the programme with Walton's march, "Crown Imperial", written for the Coronation of King George VI in 1937. For this, a large orchestra was necessary, and it was good to see that nearly all the players were members of the College, and also that a junior member was given the opportunity to conduct the orchestra.

THE NASHE SOCIETY

President: J. BAIN. *Vice-Presidents:* MR. DAVIES, P. CRADOCK, J. S. WILDERS. *Secretary:* F. J. BENTON. *Treasurer:* G. J. GARBETT.

THE phoenix of College societies was officially reformed, and the above officers were elected at a meeting held in the Michaelmas Term. At the same meeting a subversive proposal to change the Society's name was soundly defeated. In the course of the year a number of learned and highly controversial papers have been read. Mr H. S. Davies, with due regard for Johnian patriotism, successfully installed Wordsworth, with Shakespeare, on what we were informed was the saddle of English poetry. J. F. Lively read a paper on Herman Melville, and F. J. Benton spoke on E. M. Forster.

In January, Mr Norman Callan braved a journey from the depths of the London University to read a paper on the tradition of poetic imitation. Subsequently, Professor G. E. Bentley, who also favoured us with his presence at the Annual Dinner, shattered what remaining illusions we had about Shakespeare and the theatre. In an effort to achieve a synthesis of the old and new worlds, the next meeting was European in character: M. Robert Escarpit, of the University of Bordeaux, read a paper on Byron and Mme de Staël. The Society was flattered to be given the results of much original research, and awed into an almost obsequious entente by the speaker's Gallic efficiency.

At the last meeting of the year, Professor Pevsner spoke, with his invariable authority, on the architecture of the College. After a learned colleague from the Historical Society had fought a desperate, and eventually successful, battle with a refractory "optiscope", the talk was illustrated with lantern slides.

With the co-operation of Mr Sadler and the kitchen staff, to whom we record our thanks, and as a result of long hours of research in the O.E.D., an Elizabethan dinner was held on 6 March. It is rumoured that Foreign Powers took grave exception to the extent of Her Majesty's dominions proclaimed (with acknowledgement to Master Spenser) in the Toast. We can, however, deny the report that the officers have gone into hiding and are contemplating an appeal for asylum to Senator McCarthy.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

THIS has been a very successful year for the Club. We have now about twenty members, with representatives of all years, so that the Club has a much greater stability than at some periods in the past. The policy, begun last year, of being largely self-supporting, with only one paper a term by a research student or outside speaker, has been rigidly adhered to and seems fully justified. We are, after all, an informal club for natural scientists, and thereby satisfy a need which is not catered for by other scientific bodies open to undergraduates.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1952

President: R. H. WHIDDINGTON. *Honorary Vice-Presidents:* DR BUDDEN, DR HOLLICK. *Secretary:* D. A. HOPWOOD. *Treasurer:* R. P. LLOYD.

The term began with the research student's paper by Peter Scheuer on "Radio Astronomy", in which the discovery of radio stars and their distribution and possible nature were discussed. Dick Whiddington in a paper entitled "Two Hundred Minutes" analysed the past activities of the Club. During his researches he had discovered that the Club was in fact founded in 1902, and not 1929 as had been thought, but had died out in 1914, to be refounded in 1929 with no mention of its earlier history. Unfortunately a search has failed to trace the minute books for the first twelve years of the Club's existence, although the blackboard seems to be a foundation member! Richard Lloyd read a paper on "The Evolution of our Alphabet"; and John Clark one on "Cambridge Heraldry", in which he considered many of the coats of arms to be seen in Cambridge. Peter McIlmoyle in "Interplanetary Travel" considered various means of leaving this earth, and many of the problems and attractions which space flight would offer; while David Hopwood in "Plants, Soil, and Climate" came back to earth with an account of some of the factors influencing the distribution of plants in Britain. The term ended with a discussion over port in celebration of our newly discovered fiftieth anniversary.

LENT TERM, 1953

President: D. A. HOPWOOD. *Secretary:* R. P. LLOYD.
Treasurer: P. L. MCILMOYLE.

Our guest speaker was Ray Adie, who gave us a first-hand account, illustrated with slides and films, of Antarctic exploration. Dick Whiddington in "Arguing by Analogy" showed how a consideration of electrical circuits can be used to solve mechanical problems;

George Storey in "Modern Architectural Design" indicated how new materials have greatly altered our ideas on building design; and Michael Locke in "Orientation" discussed Von Frisch's work on direction-finding and communication in bees. David Griffiths gave us an account of "Diatoms", Kit Swinfen an outline of linoleum manufacture; and Keith Wallace a talk, illustrated with records, on "Orchestral Music since Beethoven". Dennis Wort was to have led a visit to the Observatory, but bad weather made this impossible. He stepped into the breach with an excellent impromptu talk on astronomy.

Could anyone who can help to locate the Club's minute books for the period 1902-14 please contact the Secretary?

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

President: J. C. BARRINGER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR FARMER.
Hon. Secretary: A. G. DALTRY.

SINCE the Society is primarily of interest to geographers, anthropologists and archaeologists within the College, its size is necessarily limited by the comparatively small numbers reading those subjects. Nevertheless, the meetings this year were well attended and proved to be both stimulating and, at times, entertaining. The speakers, inevitably, tend to be restricted to members of the University—not that the Society has any reason to complain on that score.

This year we heard talks on "Volcanic Activity in New Zealand", "Cave Art", "The Mother Country and Tropical Africa", and "British Exploration in Graham Land". If the Annual Dinner is any indication of the success of a society, then the Purchas is in a healthy state.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

1952-53

President: MR MILLER. *Captain:* H. P. MORGAN. *Secretary:* M. YOUNG.
Match Secretary: S. J. FRANCE. *Cygnets' Secretary:* B. G. CARTLEDGE.

ALTHOUGH the First XV did not do as well as had been hoped, the 1952-53 season was a very enjoyable and a very successful one so far as the results of all the other teams are concerned. The Second XV did not lose a League match throughout the Michaelmas Term and amassed some 200 points, while the Third XV, after a bad start, probably owing to lack of cohesion, only lost two matches—one of which was against the Cygnets' "A" (4th) team. The Cygnets' "A"

gained promotion from the Fourth to the Third Division and were almost unbeaten in League matches. Even the Cygnets' "B" had an almost unbeaten record.

After a narrow win against Corpus Christi in the first round of the "Cuppers", a game played in extremely inclement weather on a rain-soaked pitch, we were beaten in the second round by St Catharine's after a very exciting and extremely enjoyable game played under almost ideal conditions.

The season ended on a hilarious note in Devonshire, the venue of our annual tour. Apart from winning two out of the three matches, we were able to enjoy Rugger of the best possible kind, the games being fast and open even when the score was against us. The proximity of a very attractive bar completed the pleasure occasioned by a very successful tour.

To mention names is often invidious, but in closing we should like to congratulate H. P. Morgan not only on winning his Blue, but for his fine spirit on and off the field; M. J. O. Massey for winning his Blue again; and B. G. Cartledge for his great enthusiasm as Cygnets' Secretary.

The following officers have been elected for next season:

Captain: M. YOUNG. *Secretary:* S. J. FRANCE. *Match Secretary:* R. H. CHAMBERS. *Cygnets' Secretary:* D. J. ODDS.

THE SQUASH CLUB

President: MR WINFIELD. *Captain:* H. R. MACLEOD.
Secretary: C. N. HAYTER.

THE College Squash Racquets Club did not, sad to relate, have a very happy season—as far as results go at any rate.

The First Team was relegated to the Second Division in the Michaelmas Term, and failed by one infuriating point to be reinstated in the First Division in the Lent Term. This may have been due to the fact that the first two in the College were unable to play in ordinary League matches—the first, H. R. McLeod was striving for his "Half-Blue", and we most heartily congratulate him on achieving this aim, while work was too pressing for the second.

The Second Team was also relegated from the Third Division, which does, however, contain a number of First Team players. The Third and Fourth Teams stayed where they were. We were unfortunate in having no freshmen to take the place of those who had gone down, our best fresher being in the Third Team.

In the "Cuppers", we beat Gonville and Caius 5-0 in the first round,

but we were then defeated 4-1 in the next round by Trinity Hall. Again we were unfortunate here as MacLeod was unable to play due to injury.

It is generally agreed that the standard of squash racquets in the College has dropped owing to the shocking conditions of our courts. The Amalgamated Clubs have, however, agreed to do something about them during the Long Vacation, and we can but hope for better results in the coming season.

First Team was from: H. R. McLeod, A. V. Alexander, D. Cameron, C. N. Hayter, E. B. Lewis, C. R. W. Gun.

Second Team was from: D. A. Good, A. W. Morris, J. J. H. Wilson, D. Cooper, R. A. Albinson.

C. N. Hayter was elected Captain in place of H. R. McLeod.

J. P. Bradshaw was elected Secretary in place of C. N. Hayter.

THE SWIMMING CLUB

President: PROFESSOR MORDELL. *Captain:* J. A. BESSELL.

Secretary: M. J. ABSOLON.

THE Club has had a more active, if perhaps a less successful, season than last year, matches having been played in each term.

Three freshmen, I. G. Carnegie-Brown, I. M. G. Baillie, and M. T. J. Axford, completed the polo team, which, with a nucleus of four of last year's players, showed early signs of promise. All three forwards were speedy, although lacking good shooting power, and Carnegie-Brown provided a good link at centre-half.

The chief faults were poor marking and passing, especially when under pressure, and an exasperating tendency to allow good movements to peter out.

Unfortunately, Iliffe was away for most of the Easter Term, and thus we lost both the University goalkeeper and breast-stroker, and also an opportunist forward in the shallow end. However, Axford developed into a useful goalkeeper, and we were fortunate in being able to obtain the services of D. L. Thomas, to complete the team.

We beat a scratch side of Tadpole and University players, and were unlucky to lose to the Leys School, being a man short for most of the second half.

In the "Cuppers", however, our opponents were too strong for us. We were beaten 3-2 in the first round of the polo by St Catharine's, and gained no success in the relays, although we would have reached the final of the free style event, but for a faulty take-over.

J. A. Bessell captained the team admirably, and next year the Club should reap the rewards of his efforts.

I. G. Carnegie-Brown was elected a Tadpole, and played against O.U. Dolphins, and has been awarded swimming Colours.

J. K. Iliffe and M. J. Absolon again swam for the University against Oxford.

Results of matches played:

- v.* The Leys. Won polo 4-2, won relays.
- v.* The Leys (return match). Lost polo 2-4, won F.S. relay.
- v.* Clare College. Lost 2-3.
- v.* J. M. Rae's team. Won 4-3.
- v.* St Catharine's. Lost 2-3.

Teams

Polo: J. K. Iliffe and M. T. J. Axford (goal); I. M. G. Baillie, D. L. Thomas (full backs); I. G. Carnegie-Brown (centre-half); J. A. Bessell, M. J. Absolon, E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen (forwards).

Free style relay: E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen; J. A. Bessell; I. G. Carnegie-Brown; M. J. Absolon.

Medley relay: M. J. Absolon (back-stroke), I. G. Carnegie-Brown (breast-stroke), and J. A. Bessell (free style).

Officers for season 1953-54

Captain: M. J. ABSOLON. *Secretary:* I. G. CARNEGIE-BROWN.

THE TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Captain: P. M. EAGLES. *Secretary:* J. D. JUKES.

Treasurer: A. YOUNG.

THE Club continued successfully during the season 1952-53, maintaining five teams in the University League, one in each division. At the conclusion the First Team occupied second place in the senior division of the League, being runner-up to Queens' I.

The success of the First Team was due mainly to the skill and consistency of P. M. Eagles and the freshman J. Caro. Both are to be congratulated on representing the University, Eagles being a veteran and mainstay of its First Team.

The other four teams of the College were rather less successful, but measured up to the average standard of the divisions they occupied.

At the annual meeting the officers elected for the season 1953-54 were:

Captain: J. A. CARO. *Secretary:* A. YOUNG. *Treasurer:* D. J. J. BROWN.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

President: J. A. W. DAVIE. *Vice-President:* G. M. KELLY.
Secretary: W. S. WYNNE WILLSON. *Treasurer:* H. P. GOODMAN.

IN the Michaelmas term Dr Taunt spoke on "Marriage and other combinatorial problems". This marriage problem was a purely mathematical one, of discovering the conditions that a set of bachelors could all marry, assuming that each must have met his future wife. Miss Grimshaw told us about "Mean Value theorems", giving a large variety of variations on this theme. And Mr J. F. Adams explained some of the theory of "Assembly puzzles", and brought some very puzzling examples with him.

The first meeting of the Lent Term was the 250th meeting of the Society, and the speaker was Mr White who has kept a fatherly eye on the Society since he addressed its first meeting. His subject was "Some Johnian mathematicians", from John Dee in the sixteenth century to Todhunter in the nineteenth. And the year ended in the same parochial spirit with Dr Lyttleton's talk on "The discovery of Neptune" in which Adams played a leading role.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

President: MR BOYS SMITH. *Captain:* N. J. B. POCKOCK.
Secretary: I. J. WHITTING.

THE Club had a playing strength of about forty-five, including five Full Colours.

In the Michaelmas Term the 1st XI finished second in the League,

after losing three of their first four matches. Once the team had settled down, they played very successfully, and in outside matches defeated Charing Cross Hospital and Westminster College, London; they lost to Imperial College and Gaynes Hall, and drew with University College, London.

In the Lent Term the Club had a fine run in the Cuppers competition: King's were beaten 5-0, and Clare 8-0 in the early rounds. Downing were beaten 2-1 in a hard game, and then St Catharine's were drawn as our semi-final opponents. The first game produced a dull draw, 2-2, but in the second the forwards made certain of the result by scoring 6, while St Catharine's again scored 2. In the final we were defeated 2-0 by Christ's. In other matches we defeated Imperial College and R.A.F. Henlow, and lost to the Old Kimboltonians. We again drew with University College, London, and with Charing Cross Hospital and St Edmund's Hall, Oxford. The 1st XI's full results for the season were as follows: Played 32; Won 18; Lost 7; Drawn 7. Goals for: 102; Goals against: 47.

The 2nd XI again did not manage to produce the football we expect from them, despite the efforts of M. B. Lea, their hard-working Captain and Secretary. Their full results were: Played 29; Won 13; Lost 13; Drawn 3. Goals for: 79; Goals against: 66.

The 3rd XI played with their usual enthusiasm under the captaincy of J. D. Mercer in the Michaelmas Term, and D. C. Ward in the Lent Term; we wish to thank them for their efforts. They played 19 games, won 7, lost 13, and drew 3, scoring 45 goals and conceding 68.

The Club congratulate W. Knightley-Smith, who played for the University at right-back in the match against Oxford, and R. R. Lycett, who played for the Falcons against Oxford University Centaurs. They also extend their sympathy to W. Davies-Colley, whose leg was broken shortly before the Cuppers Final, in which he was to have played.

Full Colours were awarded to: A. J. Clayton, W. Davies-Colley, J. E. Dutton, K. R. Heeley, T. G. R. Morgan, J. W. Robertson, and J. F. Roe.

Half-Colours were awarded to: P. Dutton, D. W. Jones, and M. B. Lea.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on Wednesday, 10 March. The guests included Mr Howland, Inst. Capt. J. Fleming, R.N. and Dr Robinson. Mr Boys-Smith presided.

The Annual Meeting of Full Colours was held on Friday 23 April 1954, when Mr Boys Smith was re-elected President, N. J. B. Pocock was re-elected Captain, and W. Davies-Colley was elected Secretary, for the season 1954-5.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* D. B. STRONACH.

Secretary: J. S. MACVE.

Only three Full Colours went down at the end of last year, so despite the lack of any outstanding freshmen the College team proved once again to be a strong one.

In our first competition, the Inter-College Relays, we repeated last year's success by retaining our title by one point from Emmanuel. Once again we obtained 29 points, our four individual relay teams collecting one first place (440 × 220 × 440) and three second places. The teams consisted of the following:

3 × 120 yards hurdles: J. S. Murray, D. N. S. Vellacott, J. S. Lyon.

4 × 110 yards: M. G. Cross, N. W. Bliss, J. S. Macve, D. B. Stronach.

440 × 220 × 440 yards: M. Orrell-Jones, D. B. Stronach, J. S. Macve.

2 × 880 yards, 2 × 1 mile: A. J. P. Campbell, R. S. Lloyd, C. H. Arnold, R. N. Dailey.

In the Field Events Competition, we finished in fifth place.

Three members of the College competed against Oxford in the Inter-Varsity Relays, Lyon, Dailey and Macve running in the High Hurdles, One Mile and 440 yards Relays respectively. Dailey also ran in the Inter-Varsity Cross-Country Race.

At the end of the Michaelmas Term we again won our annual match against Balliol College, winning eight of the twelve events, the final score being 66 points to 38.

In the Handicap Races at the beginning of the next term, several members of the Club were successful, Macve and Orrell-Jones coming first and second respectively in the One Lap Race, while Reynolds won the Pole Vault, and Bliss was placed third in the 150 yards sprint.

Later, in a friendly match with Queens'—our future Cuppers opponents as it turned out—the frosty conditions were overcome and the College managed to win seven of the ten events.

In the Cuppers heats we were drawn against Queens' and Trinity. The match provided the College with an easy win by 124 points to Queens' 86 and Trinity's 78. Stronach took both sprints while Orrell-Jones and Dailey won the Half-mile and Mile respectively. Lyon and Murray between them secured both the Hurdles events, and Cross did well to record 20 ft. 5 in. in the Long Jump, as did

Fawcett to get over 152 ft. with the javelin. Macve obtained three second places.

The Club decided to introduce the custom of inviting a past athletic celebrity of the College to its Annual Dinner, Angus Scott being invited on this occasion.

Full Colours were awarded to: N. W. Bliss, M. G. Cross, J. S. Murray, T. Fawcett and G. E. Reynolds.

Half-Colours were awarded to: M. J. Absolon, M. J. O. Massey, R. G. Constable and E. J. Walker.

A week later in the University Sports, Dailey came second in the One Mile, Lyon third in the High Hurdles, Stronach third in the 100 yards and fourth in the 220 yards, Macve fourth in the 440 yards and Orrell-Jones sixth in the 880 yards. Subsequently Dailey and Stronach represented C.U.A.C. against Loughborough College, Dailey coming second in the Mile while Stronach had the misfortune to pull a hamstring in the 100 yards, which put him out of athletics for the next month.

In the Cuppers "Winners Final" we competed against Christ's and Emmanuel who last year finished as winners and runners-up respectively. Unfortunately in the face of this opposition Stronach was unable to run for us and Dailey was handicapped by injury. However, Orrell-Jones, Lyon and Fawcett were each well placed in their events, and our pole-vaulters Roberts and Reynolds excelled themselves to come second and third. The final result was that we finished third with 79 points, behind Emmanuel and Christ's who tied for first place with 117 points. Following the end of term, at the Inter-Varsity Sports at the White City, R. N. Dailey finished sixth in the Mile. Also during the Vacation, some three weeks later, Stronach and Macve competed in the Channel Islands with the Alverstone Centipedes team.

The Easter Term began with a triangular match against Nottingham University and Emmanuel. With the College back at full strength we repeated our success of last year in beating the University, while finishing only seven points behind the Cuppers holders. On this note our Club fixtures for the year came to a close, apart from our annual athletic tour with Emmanuel at the end of term.

However, seven College athletes were picked to represent the Alverstone Club against the Oxford Centipedes on 5 June. In addition, Dailey, Orrell-Jones and Stronach were selected to run for the University against the A.A.A., and Orrell-Jones was also chosen to compete against the visiting American team at the White City. Both D. B. Stronach and R. N. Dailey were elected to serve on next year's C.U.A.C. committee.

Next year's officers will be: *Captain:* R. N. DAILEY. *Secretary:* M. ORRELL-JONES.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

Captain: F. A. HUNTER. *Secretary:* R. H. RAYBOULD.
Assistant Secretary: A. JONES. *Treasurer:* L. C. JOHNSON.

WITH all the members of last year's successful College First Team in residence, it was generally expected that the season would be successful. In fact, the College First Team again headed Division I of the Inter-College League (for the fourth successive year), while the Second and Third Teams also headed their respective divisions.

In the Cuppers, the College defeated Christ's, Downing, Fitzwilliam House, and, in the final, Trinity Hall, to win this Inter-College singles tournament for the first time since the war. F. A. Hunter, K. N. Sapru, R. H. Raybould, L. C. Johnson and C. D. Laurie represented the College in these games.

The College was heavily represented in the University teams throughout the year. F. A. Hunter is to be congratulated on the award of a Half-Blue. K. N. Sapru, L. C. Johnson, and C. D. Laurie also made appearances for the University First Team during the season, and these three and R. H. Raybould played for the "Cockerels" against the Oxford "Woodpeckers". J. E. Guillet also made appearances for the "Cockerels" during the season.

The Captain awarded First Team Colours to C. D. Laurie and J. E. Guillet. Second Team Colours were awarded to A. Jones, J. P. Bradshaw, B. S. A. Ma'arof, D. A. Hopwood, D. L. Marr and P. W. Thompson.

Next season's officials will be: *Captain:* J. E. GUILLET. *Secretary:* A. JONES. *Assistant Secretary:* A. C. BROWN. *Treasurer:* P. W. THOMPSON.

THE CHESS CLUB

Match Captain: G. E. N. LANCE. *Secretary:* P. R. ALLEN.

THIS year the Chess Club has not been so successful as last year, which is rather disappointing as the team was somewhat stronger. We reached the final round of the Cuppers competition and although we drew with the eventual winners (Pembroke) we lost to Downing, thus coming second in the order. In the Cambridge and District League the Club came third without ever fielding the full first team.

Two other events may be mentioned: a light-hearted "mixed doubles" match with Newnham, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the annual match against Balliol, which was won at Oxford by the score of 4-2.

Three members of the Club played for the University Dragons against the Oxford University Unicorns, all winning their games.

The first team was so well balanced that it would be invidious to single out any one player as outstanding, but mention must be made of G. D. E. Soar's win against J. E. Barrett, the University Champion, in the final round of the Cuppers, and of A. J. Willson's forceful victory over J. J. A. Handley, the President, in the first round.

The full team was: A. J. Willson, G. D. E. Soar, P. R. Allen, G. E. N. Lance, R. W. M. Baxter.

Unfortunately the Club did not receive as much support from freshmen as we would have liked and we hope this will be rectified in the coming season (1954-5).

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: R. A. TOMLINSON. *Secretary:* M. C. STOKES.

Treasurer: D. C. WARD.

It is becoming a platitude to open this notice with a complaint concerning poor attendances. The claims of work more immediately relevant to the Tripos would appear to have been overwhelming, but those who scorned such banausic considerations were this year well rewarded. Mr Hammond exposed the weaknesses of previous accounts of Salamis and succeeded in using every available piece of evidence in his own reconstruction, all in a most entertaining style. Mr Wilkinson spoke on a frequently neglected subject, "Colloquial Latin"; he too combined scholarship with entertainment. Mr Kenney rescued from oblivion the younger Heinsius, and had some interesting Heinsiana to show us. Professor Page, in a joint meeting with the Trinity College Classical Reading Society answered for us "Some Problems in the *Odyssey*". Readings were held of Aristophanes' *Thesmophoriazousae* and Euripides' *Cyclops*, at which beer was imbibed as well as learning. The Society's year ended, except for the Annual Dinner, with a most interesting and important paper from Mr Lloyd-Jones on "Zeus and Prometheus". It is to be hoped that attendances will improve: meanwhile we can but thank Mr Howland for the loan of his rooms, and him and his colleagues for their encouragement.

THE CRICKET CLUB

President: PROFESSOR BAILEY. *Captain:* A. W. MORRIS.

Secretary: A. J. DREW.

THE College has had one of its best seasons for several years, having lost only one of the fifteen matches played. Runs have been consistently scored by A. T. Davis, D. A. Music, who scored the only century of the season, A. W. Morris, J. K. E. Slack and A. J. Drew, while the bowling honours went to R. B. Blatcher, C. J. Denham-Davis and H. M. A. Cherry-Downes.

The 2nd XI's record is not so convincing as that of the 1st XI. Five of the fifteen matches played were lost. This, however, was largely due to the fact that more have been given the opportunity to play this season. The side has been well led by J. R. Singleton, who was ably backed up by D. Cooper, A. J. Tombling, W. J. Bromley and many others.

In conclusion, after a most enjoyable season, we would like to express our thanks to Len Baker and all his staff for preparing such excellent wickets and teas.

Next year's officers: *Captain:* A. J. DREW. *Secretary:* A. T. DAVIS.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

Chairman: J. G. D. SHAW. *Senior Treasurer:* MR SCOTT.

Junior Treasurer: F. J. WARE. *Secretary:* M. D. ROSENHEAD.

Committee: T. M. ALDRIDGE, J. LEWIS.

IN the Michaelmas Term, the Society again opened its doors to controversy and discussion, after more than a year's silence. After a highly successful opening meeting in November, it was clear that the College was likely to support the Society's activities, and a full programme of debates was accordingly drawn up and followed.

The outcome of these meetings has been that a consistently high standard of debating has been maintained, and that members have been able to express views—serious or frivolous, relevant or otherwise—on a series of topics of greater or lesser significance. The House decided that it did not deplore the Government's action in British Guiana, that Columbus did not go too far, that the Liberal Party has not outlived its usefulness, and that individuality is better than good taste.

It has been gratifying to find that a not inconsiderable number of members of other Colleges have been attracted to the debates, and have attended as guests of members. If the College continues to

support the Society, there appears to be every chance that it will emerge as the premier group of its kind in Cambridge, combining the functions of a College debating society with those of a forum of even wider interest.

If the standard of this year's debating can be sustained, and the range of interest within the College extended, the auguries for 1954-5 may well be favourable. For the Michaelmas Term 1954, M. D. Rosenhead has been elected Chairman, and T. M. Aldridge, Secretary.

THE GOLF CLUB

Captain: P. E. B. FORD. *Secretary:* M. SAMUELSON.

THERE were very few regular players this year, and it is hoped that an increase in membership next year will enable more college matches to be played.

In the Welch Cup, the Inter-College Foursomes Competition, the College was represented by P. E. B. Ford and M. Samuelson, who lost by 5 and 4 to Selwyn.

Officers for next year will be:

Captain: M. SAMUELSON. *Secretary:* J. R. MORRIS.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President:* C. W. PARKIN.
Secretary: B. G. CARTLEDGE. *Treasurer:* J. F. POKORNY.

THE fact that the Historical Society is indisputably the most flourishing of all College faculty societies is perhaps as great a source of mystification to historians as to their enemies; but it carries dangers of its own. This year, for example, the Society found itself compelled to stifle the unprecedented and anarchical proposal that it should possess a Constitution; to repudiate with horror the suggestion that its Officers should be elected; and to stamp out indignantly an attempt to glamourize its name. But while the Vice-Presidency remains in the admirably competent hands of a disciple of Burke, the Society may hope long to withstand such heinous subversion.

The year opened with a paper on "St Crispin's Men", by D. C. Ward: some new aspects of Gild history were brought forward to support the thesis that the Cobblers were and have continued to be the natural leaders of British working-class movements. Both the author and the Society failed to find any valid reasons why this should have been so, and eventually decided that it probably was not so after all. However, the discussion was by no means devoid of interest, and

enabled claws to be sharpened in preparation for severer contests later in the year. Professor Herbert Butterfield's "History of Historiography" provided a stimulating introduction to a neglected but important subject; it provoked an excellent discussion in which the Professor dealt most patiently with a variety of questions on the historical method and its changing purpose. The last meeting of the Michaelmas Term was devoted to a political analysis of "The Post-Fascist Era in Italy" by R. J. H. Chambers, which exposed the weaknesses of a manufactured democratic constitution and helped to unravel a tangle of political issues from which Englishmen are apt to turn aside with a sneer and a shudder.

During the Lent Term, the Society began by hearing from Dr David Thomson "How France is haunted by her history". Although neither the paper nor the discussion attempted to break new ground, they made up in humour what they lacked in depth. "Silly old France" was the keynote of an evening which showed that although the French are an old joke, they are still an irresistible one. Nevertheless, if the Society came no nearer to an understanding of the recurrent tragedy of French politics, it at least has now no excuse for not being aware of it. Dr J. P. C. Roach's paper on "The Foundations of Politics" perhaps provided the best meeting of the year: from a criticism of the premisses of Weldon's *Vocabulary of Politics*, Dr Roach went on to examine the relation of politics to ethics and to affirm that the sovereignty of rationalism must not be unqualified. The resulting discussion revolved around those mysterious things called Absolute Values, and consequently continued for a very long time; but it never ceased to be lively or interesting, metaphysics being for the most part avoided. The term ended with an extremely valuable paper by J. H. Salmon on "Dostoevsky and Communism", which unleashed the Society's resident Slavophiles for a heated discussion of the Russian character and of the exclusively native elements in Russian Communism.

The Society held its Annual Dinner in the Wordsworth Room on 29 April; Dr David Thomson and Dr J. P. C. Roach were the principal guests, and their excellent speeches contributed to a most successful evening, later spiced with danger by the Vice-President. We must record our gratitude to Mr Miller for his unfailing hospitality: and our sorrow that Dr Holmes has departed for another place.

Officers for 1954-5: *Secretary:* I. D. LLOYD-JONES. *Treasurer:* D. H. STABLES.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: PROFESSOR JOPSON. *Captain:* C. J. DENHAM-DAVIS.
Vice-Captain: D. N. S. VELLACOTT. *Secretary:* A. J. TOMBLING.

THIS has been an exceptionally good year for the Club as we won the Cuppers for the first time in the history of the competition. But in the Michaelmas Term our league record was not very good. After a disastrous series of defeats, the 1st XI finished half-way down the table in Division I. The 2nd XI was somewhat inconsistent, due to the calls made on it by the 1st XI from time to time, and it finished second in the 2nd XI League. The 3rd XI had many games cancelled, but under D. J. Perry's secretaryship, many interesting fixtures were arranged and most members had enough games. Our somewhat inconsistent record in the League was due to the calls made on our players by the Wanderers and University teams. Our Cuppers side included four Wanderers and the three Blues, C. J. Denham-Davis, W. B. Peeling and A. J. Tombling. In this competition only once did we play well, against Downing in the preliminary round. Thereafter our victories came by weight of numbers alone and in the semi-final and final all our goals came from, or as the result of, corners. Nevertheless, the team did very well to win, with C. J. Denham-Davis, the captain, playing many outstanding games.

The officers for next year are: *Captain:* D. H. DAVIES. *Secretary:* P. W. MOORE.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR BROOKES. *Captain:* D. M. H. TURNER. *Secretary:* C. K. SMITH. *Vice-Captain:* P. V. PIGOTT. *Junior Treasurer:* J. M. KING.

J. A. N. WALLIS was elected Captain at the last meeting of the Club in the Easter Term, 1953, but owing to his election to the Presidency of the C.U.B.C. at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term, he resigned and D. M. H. Turner was elected in his place.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1953

Only one Light IV was entered this year for the University Light IV Race and it commenced training a week before the beginning of term. It showed great promise and power in the earlier stages of training

but never quite fulfilled this promise during the races, when the crew appeared rather rough and wooden.

There were a large number of entries for the Light IV's this year and the L.M.B.C. crew were drawn against St Catharine's in a preliminary round on the Tuesday. They beat St Catharine's by 17 sec. and went on to beat Queens' by 8 sec. and Selwyn by 15 sec. in the next two rounds. In the semi-final, rowing on back station, they met the favourites, Clare "A". L.M.B.C. went off to a good start and were 2 sec. up at the first signal, but never managed to get into a stride and lost ground steadily all the way, to be beaten by 11 sec. Clare "A" went on to beat 1st and 3rd Trinity "A" in the final.

Light IV crew:

Bow D. M. H. Turner (*steerer*)
 2 J. A. N. Wallis
 3 P. V. Pigott
Str. R. V. Taylor

The Clinker IV on the other hand proved a very fast combination. A provisional crew was up training for this race from the first day of full term. Many experiments in both composition and order were tried, until the final crew contained only one member and cox of the original crew. The final crew, which included a freshman, had only ten outings together before the first race, but despite this it proved to be a powerful combination and one of the fastest Clinker IV's seen on the Cam in recent years.

In the first round, against Queens', after being level at the first signal, the L.M.B.C. crew drew steadily away to win by 14 sec. in a fast time. In the next round they won easily against Magdalene by 33 sec. in 7 min. 42 sec.—only 4 sec. outside the record. As was expected, the semi-final against the powerful 1st and 3rd Trinity crew proved to be the hardest race. At all the flagging points along the course there was no more than 1 sec. difference between the two crews. The greater flexibility of the L.M.B.C. crew, however, told. At the finish of the course they were able to raise the rating and spurt in for the last stretch home to win by 3 sec., equalling the previous day's time, but in slower conditions.

After this, there seemed little doubt that we would win the final against St Catharine's. The L.M.B.C. crew were on back station, but by the Red Grind came within a length of St Catharine's and paddled home comfortably behind them, to regain the Clinker IV Cup, which we last won in 1951.

Clinker IV crew:

Bow N. M. Ragg
 2 J. F. Hall-Craggs
 3 C. K. Smith
Str. A. R. Muirhead
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

A provisional 1st Fairbairn VIII had begun training at the beginning of the term and put in much good groundwork. After the Fours' races were over, it was strengthened by all but one of the Clinker IV crew and from then on put in a lot of hard work and mileage. The final full-course time was quite fast, but illness and the return of men at a late stage from trials necessitated several last minute changes, so that the final crew was together for only three days before the race.

Despite this they raced hard and quickly came within sight of Clare who had started immediately ahead of them. Clare, however, fought hard all the way down the Long Reach, not to be overtaken, but were eventually passed on the outside of Ditton Corner. This lost our crew several seconds through having to take a longer course. They did well to finish third, 4 sec. behind Jesus, who in turn were 5 sec. behind 1st and 3rd Trinity, the winners. The 2nd VIII went up one place to finish sixteenth and the 3rd VIII did well to go up three places, finishing thirtieth and thereby winning the "Crock Pots".

The crews were as follows:

<i>1st VIII</i>		<i>2nd VIII</i>	<i>3rd VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	N. M. Ragg	G. N. Mainwaring	A. L. Anderson
2	A. H. Wood	K. C. Holmes	J. M. Round
3	B. L. Shelley	H. Jones	M. C. Thompson
4	A. R. Muirhead	A. K. Oates	D. W. G. Hardy
5	P. V. Pigott	L. J. Gathercole	M. T. J. Axford
6	D. H. Whitaker	E. Bridgewater	J. L. Miller
7	C. K. Smith	J. C. W. August	D. M. Wright
<i>Str.</i>	A. P. Sewell	P. Sachs	J. Prince
<i>Cox</i>	J. D. C. Peacock	J. G. D. Shaw	J. McKenzie

<i>4th VIII</i>		<i>5th VIII (Medical)</i>	<i>6th VIII</i>
<i>Bow</i>	P. S. Ashton	H. B. Francis	D. T. Millar
2	A. D. Rooke	M. L. V. Pritchard	T. Fawcett
3	J. W. Evans	C. S. Menzies-Kitchin	J. P. Musson
4	R. M. Needham	R. D. McVean	R. A. Arab
5	W. R. Smith	E. B. Lewis	C. Watson
6	J. F. Williams	T. B. Duff	J. F. Bennetts
7	I. C. Pyle	C. D. Plows	I. J. Holt
<i>Str.</i>	J. R. Plowman	P. C. Heal	R. Crisp
<i>Cox</i>	W. R. Horrell	N. A. Harker	R. E. Jones

Our warmest thanks are due to Roy Meldrum for the valuable groundwork he put in, coaching both the Light and Clinker IV's and the 1st and 2nd Fairbairn VIII's. Our thanks are also due to Dr Raymond Owen and Ronnie Symonds for coaching the Light IV, Jack Maskell for the Clinker IV and 1st Fairbairn VIII and J. A. N. Wallis and D. W. T. Hague for the Fairbairn VIII, together with all

who have given up valuable time to the arduous task of coaching the many novices whom we are pleased to welcome at this time of year.

The Club Sculling races were competed for during the week after the Fairbairn Race. There were only two competitors for the "Pearson and Wright" Sculls, which were won by a freshman, J. F. Hall-Craggs who beat D. H. Whitaker by 10 sec. The "Andrews and Maples" Sculls for freshmen were won by W. R. Horrell, who beat L. J. Gathercole in the final by 18 sec.

D. H. Whitaker, our only entrant in the Norfolk Long Distance Sculling Championships, did well to come fifth.

In the C.U.B.C. Trial VIII's Race held at Ely on 5 December, the Captain D. M. H. Turner, rowed "7" in the losing crew and J. A. N. Wallis, the newly elected President, coached.

LENT TERM 1954

The 1st VIII came up to train, as usual, a few days before the beginning of full term, and under the constant watchful eye and guiding hand of Roy Meldrum, slowly developed from eight rather second-class oarsmen into one first-class crew; a crew in fact, which regained the Headship lost in 1951 and which was said to be the best Lent Boat seen on the Cam in recent years. That this was so, was as much due to the planned coaching of Roy Meldrum and the co-operation shown by those other coaches working with him, as to the keenness and determination of the crew. Though boating was held up for a week owing to the river being frozen, the crew conscientiously endeavoured to keep fit by running up and down the bank, doing physical training and exercising in other ways out of the boat.

After our critics' forecasts that we should not go up and might even go down, the races themselves, which were rowed in May Week weather, proved quite dramatic. On the first night, in a chase after 1st and 3rd Trinity, the latter managed more or less to hold their distance up to Ditton Corner; but once past there, the L.M.B.C. crew raised the rating a couple of pips to 32 and, increasing the pressure down the Long Reach, rowed down the Trinity crew, bumping them just at the Railway Bridge.

The row on the Thursday night followed a similar pattern. Underrating the Jesus crew by about 10 strokes a minute down the Long Reach, we again scored the bump at the Railway Bridge, thus going Head.

On the Friday and Saturday the L.M.B.C. crew kept outside their distance up to the Railway Bridge but the Jesus crew challenged hard from there to the finish to try and regain the Headship. Our crew,

however, were never seriously in danger and rating 29 to Jesus's 37 were rowing well within themselves.

The 2nd VIII which had seemed so promising in practice turned out rather disappointing. On the first night, with a bump ahead at the top of the Second Division, they had to be content with a row-over, but on the Thursday night, they bumped a demoralized Queens' I crew, who had already fallen to Magdalene I the previous night. Queens', however, seemed to gain new life on the Friday, whereas our 2nd VIII lacked staying power over the full course and were caught back again by Queens' after the Railway Bridge. On the Saturday, they were bumped again by 1st and 3rd Trinity II who had already made two bumps.

The 3rd VIII was unable to hold its position and went down all four nights, as also did the 7th VIII. The 4th VIII went down two places but the 5th VIII (Medical) did well to make three bumps and were unfortunate not to gain their oars, by being robbed on the second night. The 6th VIII, already in a high position, did well to row over every night.

The overall performance of the lower boats does not seem too healthy; but our style being a rather difficult style to learn, the break in training caused by the bad weather this term probably affected our crews more than those of other clubs. Nevertheless, much of the success of a Club during bumping races is judged by the final position of its 1st VIII and if this be the yardstick then surely this has been a successful Lents.

Crews were as follows:

1st VIII

Bow N. M. Ragg
2 A. H. Wood
3 B. L. Shelley
4 J. F. Hall-Craggs
5 C. K. Smith
6 R. V. Taylor
7 P. V. Pigott
Str. A. R. Muirhead
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

2nd VIII

Bow K. C. Holmes
2 A. P. Sewell
3 L. J. Gathercole
4 J. E. Prince
5 M. C. Thompson
6 E. Bridgewater
7 A. L. Anderson
Str. P. Sachs
Cox A. B. Groves

3rd VIII

A. D. Rooke
J. P. Musson
R. M. Needham
J. M. Round
J. R. Plowman
J. F. Williams
D. W. G. Hardy
J. L. Miller
J. McKenzie

4th VIII

A. C. Le Maitre
D. T. Millar
C. Watson
M. T. J. Axford
E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen
A. C. Taylor
I. J. Holt
D. Naylor
W. R. Horrell

	5th VIII (Medical)	6th VIII (Gentlemen)	7th VIII
Bow	R. Moat	R. E. Jones	J. W. Burren
2	T. Fawcett	H. G. Wright	J. E. Viles
3	R. D. McVean	H. H. Magnay	R. R. Inskeep
4	D. H. Gray	A. J. P. Campbell	J. P. Allatt
5	C. S. Menzies-Kitchin	A. C. H. Morgan	H. H. Johnstone
6	T. B. Duff	G. M. Jordan	J. D. Mercer
7	C. D. Plows	J. C. W. August	J. W. Evans
Str.	P. C. Heal	R. Crisp	W. R. Smith
Cox	D. P. Stables	C. P. H. Wood	D. B. Grigg

In the University Small Boat Races which followed the Lents we had no success. P. V. Pigott (stroke) and D. M. H. Turner (bow and steers) were entered for the Forster Fairbairn Pairs and J. F. Hall-Craggs for the Bushe-Fox Freshman's Sculls.

Two crews were entered for the Reading Head of the River Race. We were unfortunate in losing Pigott from the 1st VIII in consequence of his having to take an examination, and so had to break up the successful combination of the Lent Boat. The crew lacked life and attack, and during the race went over the greater part of the course at little more than a paddle, rating 28 most of the way. They finished fourth which was one place higher than last year but not lower than they deserved. The 2nd VIII was handicapped by illness and was little more than a scratch VIII. It, consequently, was unable to hold the very high position of last year's crew in the 1st Division, and finished 2nd in the Clinker Division.

The crews at Reading were as follows:

1st VIII

Bow A. L. Anderson
2 J. F. Hall-Craggs
3 B. L. Shelley
4 D. H. Whitaker
5 C. K. Smith
6 R. V. Taylor
7 D. M. H. Turner
Str. A. R. Muirhead
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

2nd VIII

K. C. Holmes
J. F. Williams
L. J. Gathercole
J. E. Prince
M. C. Thompson
E. Bridgewater
H. Jones
A. H. Wood
A. B. Groves

After Reading the 1st VIII was reorganized and commenced training for Putney, on the Cam. The new order did not seem to be very successful and after a couple of days' break, the crew was again reorganized and moved down to Ely for training. On the paddle down to Ely, the boat was nearly lost over the weir at Baitsbite Lock, but was saved in the nick of time by a heroic effort on the part of J. F. Hall-Craggs, who jumped in the river fully clothed to rescue it.

Dr Rhodes Hambridge, who had put in so much good groundwork

with the Lent Boat early in training, took over the coaching for the three days at Ely and also at Putney. The crew arrived at Putney only two days before the Head of the River Race and so had only four outings on the tideway before the race. They were fortunate, therefore, to have calm conditions on the day. They got off to a very good start, but as had happened at Reading the attack soon fell off. Despite this they managed to pass Corpus at Hammersmith and quickly overhauled Thames III and Pembroke by the end of Chiswick Eyot. With Clare $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths ahead at this stage, there showed no signs of the attack returning until Barnes Bridge when the rating was raised to bring the boat home in fine style, abreast with Clare. The crew gained six places, finishing fourth, but with more drive was fully capable of coming first or second.

The crew at Putney was:

Bow D. M. H. Turner
 2 A. R. Muirhead
 3 B. L. Shelley
 4 D. H. Whitaker
 5 C. K. Smith
 6 R. V. Taylor
 7 P. V. Pigott
Str. J. F. Hall-Craggs
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

In the University Boat Race, J. A. N. Wallis, the President, rowed at bow, for the second year in succession, in the crew which lost to Oxford by $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

EASTER TERM 1954

The May Boat commenced training on the first day of full term and with only seven clear weeks until the beginning of the May Races, the immediate task of producing a crew that was sure of staying Head and at the same time keeping Henley in mind, seemed at first quite forbidding, but far from impossible. The Lent Boat provided a sound basis, but the Reading and Putney crews had been disappointing and we were without the usual complement of winning Blues, to reinforce the May Boat, that we had been accustomed to in the past few years. The crew remained virtually unchanged from the first day of training until the races and a coaching plan, similar to that which was so successful in the Lents, was adopted. Dr Rhodes Hambridge was unable to coach the initial stages, as he had done in the Lents, but our thanks are due to Rodney Dingle who did so instead.

The crew developed well and a new racing ship was procured from Banhams, Ltd., three weeks before the races. Some very fast times

were put up in practice and although it was rumoured that Jesus were very fast and that both 1st and 3rd Trinity and Trinity Hall were also quite fast, prospects immediately before the races seemed good. Races, and especially Bumping Races, are far from certainties in most cases, and with the "vultures all ready for the kill" to prevent us from retaining the Headship for the fifth year running, tension was quite high on the first night. As a result, the crew got off to a bad start and thereby lost a few feet, but then steadily drew away from 1st and 3rd Trinity until the end of the Long Reach. From there 1st and 3rd made a spirited effort to make a bump before the finish. The strength and determination of the Trinity crew had been, perhaps, underestimated and this last minute turn of speed rather caught our crew off its guard. Trinity came within one-third of a length at the finish but our crew were never seriously in danger.

On the second night L.M.B.C. got off to a much better start and rowing over in fine style led comfortably all the way. 1st and 3rd Trinity, however, who were still lying second, were not to be discouraged, and on both Friday and, to a lesser extent, on Saturday made a determined effort to go Head. On both occasions they got well within their distance at the finish of the course. They were a powerful crew, but were not well enough together to produce that extra pace needed to bump our crew which, even under pressure, never lost its form, though at times it could have shown a little more drive. The Jesus crew which lay third and was rumoured to be fast enough to go Head, never came within striking distance of 1st and 3rd on any of the four nights and in fact, on three nights, was almost caught by Trinity Hall at the Railings.

The 2nd VIII had been a problem in practice and a fortnight before the races, rowing in a shell boat, was slower than the 3rd VIII in a clinker. Various changes between the two crews were made at this stage, but no combination was found which was convincingly faster than the 3rd VIII. It was hoped that they would at least hold their place, but in the races they proved to be no match for the crews following. They were bumped on the first three nights to become "sandwich-boat" on the Saturday when they rowed over twice.

The 3rd VIII on the other hand did very well to bump two college 1st VIII's, Sidney Sussex on the Friday and Downing on the Saturday, finishing up 6th in the Second Division, ahead of three College 1st VIII's, above all but three other College 2nd VIII's and the highest 3rd VIII on the river.

The Medical VIII, highly placed as the 4th VIII, did well to make two bumps at the expense of Jesus IV and Downing II, thus becoming the highest 4th Boat on the river. For the rest of the

crews, on the credit side the 6th Boat, after being bumped on the first night, went on to make three bumps and the 10th Boat made bumps on the first three nights, firmly establishing itself in the 7th Division. The 7th Boat, after making a bump on the first night, was bumped by Queens' Gentlemen's VIII on the Friday, thus finishing up where it started, while on the debit side the 5th and 6th Boats both went down two places, and the 9th, one place.

Thus, again the total number of bumps has been on the credit side and since 1950, when we first had ten crews on the river, the Club has made a net total of forty-two bumps in the May Races as well as being Head of the River for five years in succession. Much of the credit for this, both this year and in previous years, goes to Roy Meldrum, to whom we offer our deepest thanks for the many hours he has spent coaching and giving helpful advice, and for the patience and perseverance he has shown with all the crews he has coached. Apart from those already mentioned, the Club owes a great debt to and thanks David Hague for the coaching of the 1st and other Club Boats throughout the year and also Jack Maskell who has done this in addition to his duties as Boatman. Our thanks are also due to Mervyn Palmer and Harry Almond for coaching the 2nd VIII, to Peter Peddie for coaching the 3rd VIII, to Professor Walker for coaching the Medical VIII throughout the year and to the numerous active members of the Club who have found time to coach other boats as well as row themselves.

Crews for the May Races:

1st VIII

Bow J. A. N. Wallis
2 J. F. Hall-Craggs
3 C. K. Smith
4 R. V. Taylor
5 D. H. Whitaker
6 D. M. H. Turner
7 P. V. Pigott
Str. A. R. Muirhead
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

2nd VIII

Bow N. M. Ragg
2 A. P. Sewell
3 A. L. Anderson
4 E. Bridgewater
5 B. L. Shelley
6 L. J. Gathercole
7 H. Jones
Str. J. E. Prince
Cox J. McKenzie

3rd VIII

K. C. Holmes
J. L. Miller
D. W. G. Hardy
M. G. K. Konstam
E. H. P. Lewis-Bowen
J. F. Bennetts
M. C. Thompson
A. H. Wood
W. R. Horrell

4th VIII (Medical)

R. Moat
H. Francis
R. D. McVean
T. Fawcett
C. S. Menzies-Kitchin
J. S. Lyon
D. C. Plows
P. C. Heal
D. P. Stables

5th VIII (Gentlemen)

Bow R. E. Jones
2 M. T. J. Axford
3 J. A. D. Harrison
4 A. J. P. Campbell
5 G. N. Mainwaring
6 A. K. Oates
7 J. C. W. August
Str. P. Sachs
Cox C. P. H. Wood

6th VIII

A. C. Le Maitre
W. R. Smith
J. Goodson
D. M. Stevenson
J. W. Evans
R. Mangles
H. H. Magnay
R. M. Needham
A. B. Groves

7th VIII (Rugger)

F. B. Barnes
R. Chambers
B. Reeve
J. Martin
H. Cormack
P. R. Bromage
R. Sykes
G. A. C. Weeden
T. T. Hay

8th VIII

Bow H. Wintle
2 C. P. Burnham
3 C. Watson
4 A. C. Brown
5 M. Blackburn
6 R. F. Axford
7 D. M. Wright
Str. J. R. Plowman
Cox P. J. Lawrence

9th VIII

D. T. Millar
R. Donovan
J. P. Allatt
D. N. Axford
R. W. Taylor
J. P. Musson
B. T. Small
A. C. M. Maitland
G. B. G. Lawson

10th VIII

D. Jones
R. G. E. Howe
D. C. B. Powell-Price
B. King
A. Hakki
N. Spinney
C. Woodburn
D. J. D. Reid
P. L. McIlmoyle

An 11th crew was in training during the term but for the third year in succession was unsuccessful in the "getting-on" race.

In the Magdalene Silver Pair Oared Races rowed this term, R. V. Taylor (stroke) and C. K. Smith (bow and steers) were beaten in the first round by Findlay and Oakden (Emmanuel). The latter went on to beat J. A. N. Wallis (bow and steers), pairing with J. G. Stancliffe of Pembroke, in the next round, but lost the final to the Clare pair.

The Club Pair Races were also rowed this term, having been postponed from the Lent Term owing to the frozen state of the river. The Lower Boat Pairs were won by R. E. Jones and R. Crisp, who beat A. P. Sewell and A. L. Anderson by 8 sec. The Bateman Silver Pair Oars Race was entered for by all the 1st VIII, paired off in order of rowing, and produced some chaotic racing, people changing sides and boats between heats. The final was won by Muirhead and Pigott who beat Whitaker and Turner easily, the latter pair having hit the bank several times during the race.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA 1954

There being only a week between the Mays and Marlow Regatta this year, no crew was entered, as it was decided to concentrate all our energies on winning the Henley Grand this year. Only one VIII, from which was drawn a Stewards IV, and a Wyfold IV was sent to Henley this year and once again we stayed at Remenham Rectory.

Foreign competition was great this year and the VIII never seemed to develop, between the Mays and Henley, that extra speed needed to meet it. The crew was slow off the mark, but nevertheless, drawn against Jesus in the first round on the Thursday, were a quarter of a length ahead of them after the first twenty strokes, rowing 33 to Jesus's 37. L.M.B.C., rating 31, kept a half to three-quarters of a length ahead of Jesus, rating about 36, all the way to the enclosures, when Jesus, in a last desperate effort raised the rating to well over 40. They made no impression on L.M.B.C. who, rating 37 at the finish, came in three-quarters of a length ahead.

In the semi-final on the Friday L.M.B.C. were drawn against Leander who had had a bye from the previous day. Going off at 43 to L.M.B.C.'s 41, Leander were soon in the lead and by the Barrier, reached in 1 min. 56 sec., were still striking 40 to our 34 and were $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths up. They increased this lead to nearly 2 lengths by Remenham Club, still overrating our crew who were now striking just over 32, Leander, however, seemed unable to keep up this pace and the opportunity was seized. Muirhead raised the rating to 35 by the mile post, where the gap was already narrowing. At the $1\frac{1}{8}$ mile post, striking 36, the gap had been reduced to barely a length and from then on a tremendous battle ensued, with the L.M.B.C. crew steaming up every stroke, having raised the rating to 38. However, the spurt had been left too late and Leander struggled over the line to win by one-third of a length in 6 min. 56 sec.

It was a tired Leander crew which raced on Saturday in the final to be beaten by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by Krylia Sovetov, U.S.S.R., the European Champions.

The Stewards IV, which was stroked on bow side, had several changes in order in practice and never really had time to settle down. They drew Merton College, Oxford in the first round, and going off at 35 to Merton's 42 were $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths down at the Barrier. At Fawley, both crews were striking 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ with Merton $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in the lead, and there seemed little hope of an L.M.B.C. victory. Merton won by 3 lengths, but were beaten in the semi-final by Krylia Sovetov, the eventual winners.

The Wyfold IV drawn from the 2nd and 3rd May Boats was a rather inexperienced crew, but seemed promising and by the time the Regatta commenced should have been going quite fast. They were unlucky, however, to draw an eliminating heat the previous Saturday and so had only nine outings together before the race. They were drawn against Isis who quickly gained the lead. The L.M.B.C. IV raced hard all the way, however, and did creditably to lose by only a length to a far more experienced crew.

Grand Challenge Cup VIII

Bow J. A. N. Wallis
 2 J. F. Hall-Craggs
 3 C. K. Smith
 4 D. M. H. Turner
 5 D. H. Whitaker
 6 R. V. Taylor
 7 P. V. Pigott
 Str. A. R. Muirhead
 Cox J. D. C. Peacock

Stewards Cup IV

Bow D. M. H. Turner (steerer)
 2 J. A. N. Wallis
 3 R. V. Taylor
 Str. P. V. Pigott

Wyfold Cup IV

Bow A. L. Anderson (steerer)
 2 L. J. Gathercole
 3 B. L. Shelley
 Str. A. H. Wood

Our warmest thanks are once again due to Roy Meldrum who coached both the VIII and the Stewards IV, to Dr Rhodes Hambridge who coached the VIII and to David Hague who coached the VIII and Wyfold IV. We have also to thank Cecil and Mrs Butler for once again looking after us so well during our stay at Remenham and for putting up with all our fads and fancies.

HAMBURG INTERNATIONAL REGATTA 1954

At the invitation of the Allgemeine Alster Club and the British Consul in Hamburg, Dr J. K. Dunlop, an Old Lady Margaret May Colour, the 1st VIII was sent to Hamburg International Regatta this year, for the first time. The crew left Harwich on the Tuesday morning after Henley and arrived in Hamburg via the Hook of Holland in the small hours of Wednesday morning.

On arrival our stroke, A. R. Muirhead, sprained his ankle and was incapacitated until the day before the Regatta. As we were only going to be away for a week we had not taken the precaution of bringing a spare man, but David Hague who had accompanied us as coach, stepped into the crew for a few outings. Racing in borrowed boats and with borrowed oars and with an incapacitated stroke, we were not as successful as we might have been, but the hospitality was excellent and the experience of racing six abreast and being battered by ocean rollers was quite novel, so that a good time was had by all. We raced in the First Senior VIII's on both Saturday and Sunday, and on both occasions were beaten by a very good Argentinian crew. After an all night tour of the sights of Hamburg, the crew left at 4 a.m. on Monday, arriving in England that same evening.

THE LADY MARGARET PLAYERS

President: MR THISTLETHWAITE; *Vice-Presidents:* THE MASTER, MR BAMBROUGH; *Chairman:* F. M. RAPHAEL; *Secretary:* T. W. WILLIAMS; *Treasurer:* P. E. BARTON; *Committee:* D. W. G. HARDY, J. C. KAY, G. MORRIS, J. O. TRAFFORD.

THIS year the Society's activities have followed their customary course. Play readings were held regularly throughout the year and were enjoyed by all who attended, chiefly because most members took the trouble to examine their parts thoroughly before the reading took place. Works by Ibsen, Webster and Coward were amongst those read during the year.

In the Michaelmas Term Ronald Duncan's *This Way to the Tomb* was performed in the College chapel. A strangely constructed play, it required, in its static and ponderous first part, a great deal of purely verbal pace and colour to maintain the interest of the audience, whilst the second part used a large cast which needed careful production. We therefore started rehearsal more than three weeks before the first night and by dint of hard work overcame at least those difficulties which were apparent to us. The audiences were disappointingly small, due, perhaps, to the choice of play or the fact that it was performed during the very busy last week of term, but the cast derived much satisfaction from the successful staging of this ambitious choice.

During May Week *The Frogs* of Aristophanes was produced in the Fellows' Garden, and, as usual, preparations had to be made during the very short time available after the examinations. The Chorus, which takes so large a part in this play, required the most intense rehearsing of both plotting and music, for a mistimed movement or a forgotten line is even more glaring in chorus work than in an individual performance. However, they were working well together within a surprisingly short time and the first night proved a well-produced and light-hearted frolic, marred only by the weather.

This has been an active and happy year for the Society, but it has also been a year in which the committee has had to face three problems, always latent but never until now so acutely felt, each one of which aggravates the troubles caused by the other two. Briefly they are membership, money and a theatre. The garden, the chapel and the Palmerston Room are the only places where a play may be staged within the College and each one has serious drawbacks. In the garden the weather is a constant worry. In the chapel the echo leaves no room for "character" voices or wide changes of pitch and pace, and, more important, the choice of a religious play becomes increasingly difficult each year. The Palmerston Room has only one stage entrance

and allows no space for scene-changes. These are all problems, inherent in the existence of a dramatic society within the College, which may be, and have been, overcome, or at least, braved by zeal and good humour. However, they do have a direct effect upon another aspect of theatrical production which is as impersonal as it is awful in its workings. If it rains on the play in the Garden, or if the play in the Chapel is of interest to only a few people in the University then the Society loses money. All the expense of producing a play is incurred before a single seat is sold. A steady income from members' subscriptions is, therefore, the only safeguard against an unsuccessful production. This year subscriptions were only one-sixth of the total expenditure. For the rest we relied, in vain, upon our audiences.

We intend, therefore, to encourage as many members of College as is possible to join the Society next year, and we hope that neither shyness, nor work, nor bankruptcy, nor *la vie d'amour*, nor versifying, nor speechifying, nor boating, nor beagling, nor bugling, nor any other thing shall thwart a true interest in the theatre. With, or even without their subscriptions, all are most welcome.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: J. H. WESTON SMITH. *Master of the Moots:* M. J. MUSTILL. *Secretary:* M. B. WARD. *Junior Treasurer:* T. M. ALDRIDGE.

ALL aspects of the legal profession were covered by our speakers this year. The first meeting was addressed by Mr Scott, who spoke about Lord Justice Denning. The talk ranged from the nature of the judicial process to the learned Lord Justice's views on the Victorians, and was especially notable for its lucid exposition of the law as it was, is, and might be. Later in the term a select audience heard Mr W. L. Hann, Deputy Clerk to Cambridgeshire County Council, describe, with reference to his own experiences, life and opportunities for lawyers in Local Government. Finally, in the Lent Term, Mr P. J. B. Reynolds, O.B.E., who has experience both as a barrister and as a solicitor, gave a splendid "unscripted" performance in describing "not so exhaustively as Kinsey" the behaviour of lawyers, studded with anecdotes and helpful advice.

Two Moots were held: against Jesus College, when D. M. Webber and T. W. Williams appeared for St John's, before Mr A. L. L. Alexander; and against University College, London, when M. J. Mustill and M. B. Ward represented the Society, before Mr R. N. Gooderson.

At the Annual Dinner, which was held in the Wordsworth Room, we were delighted to welcome as our Guest of Honour Mr Roderic Bowen, Q.C., M.P., Recorder of Merthyr, and a former member of the College. Professor Bailey and Mr Scott were also able to be with us, and we are grateful to them and to Dr Jackson for their continued support of the Society.

M. B. Ward was elected President, T. M. Aldridge, Secretary, and A. J. H. Buckley, Junior Treasurer, for 1954-5.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

President: DR DANIEL.

Captain: P. F. EARLAM. *Secretary:* R. H. DODDS.

THE Club has had its most successful season for some years, winning both the Doubles and Singles Cuppers and being placed first in the League, Division I. Peter Earlam has had an embarrassment of talent from which to choose his team. There were five old Colours and several good freshmen, amongst whom mention must be made of A. J. Clayton and D. M. Eagles.

We were fortunate in having two Blues to assist us in the Cuppers—J. E. Barrett, the Varsity Captain, and A. J. Clayton who must be congratulated on his Blue. In the Doubles not a set was lost; in reaching the Final, Emmanuel and Trinity were easily beaten, and for the second year running Clare were beaten 9-7, 6-2. Stewart Millar assisted the team in the Singles. Emmanuel were beaten 2-1 in the Final after a struggle against Queens' in the Semi-Final which we only just won. The team are to be congratulated on their success—for the third year running in the Singles and for the second year in the Doubles.

In the League, rain did not cause such widespread postponement as in other matches, many of which had to be cancelled. Earlam and Eagles proved a consistently good second pair and Bradshaw guided the third pair to success in all but one match. Clare and Downing were easily beaten, and good wins over Emmanuel and Pembroke rectified an earlier lapse in losing to Christ's. It was unfortunate that we had to play a weak team against Trinity. Stewart Millar has played well in the first pair with Rodney Dodds until S. S. Cohen came out of retirement in time for the "Grass-hoppers" v. O.U. Penguins match, after which with his assistance we were able to clinch the first place. David Eagles has played well to win all but one of his Singles matches. Guy's Hospital just beat us 5-4, though we won our remaining matches against Cambridge City

and County, M.A.'s VI, Old Uppinghamian L.T.C., University College, London and Balliol College, Oxford.

The 2nd VI must be congratulated on winning Division IV and thus being promoted. All their League matches were won, except against Trinity Hall II which was only just lost.

In Division VI, our 3rd VI—the only one in the League—made a satisfactory start in its first season, being placed third out of five. Colin Willmott managed the team, which also played twelve or more outside matches—thus we hope catering for more of the unsatisfied "tennis talent" of the College. Matches against other College 2nd or 3rd VI's and the women's Colleges were played. The Mixed Doubles Tournament during May Week had to be cancelled because of the weather. Our first Dinner proved to be successful.

A. J. Clayton and D. M. Eagles were awarded their 1st VI Colours.

T. B. Duff, G. Kerslake, H. D. Miller, K. Shenoy and K. C. S. Young were awarded their 2nd VI Colours.

The following have been elected for next year: *Captain:* R. H. DODDS. *Hon. Secretary:* T. B. DUFF.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: DR ORR. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Musical Director:* MR GUEST. *Librarian:* DR HOLICK. *Junior Treasurer:* M. P. HARMAN. *Secretary:* I. M. KEMP. *Committee:* K. J. ELLIOTT, A. S. HEMMINGS, B. RICHARDS.

THIS has been a most successful year. Membership has risen considerably under the energetic canvassing of Michael Harman, and the Society's accounts, despite the high expenditure for the Combination Room Concert, seem in a less parlous state than usual. We had an unprecedented number of very accomplished singers of whom Kenneth Bowen, Michael Harman, John Noble and Derek Perry took major roles in outside productions. And the year closed with a highly entertaining May Concert.

The six Smoking Concerts were reasonably well attended though one might have thought that the high standard of performance would attract larger audiences. Composers represented ranged from Monteverdi and Gabrieli to Stravinsky and Britten, not to mention David Gwalt and Norman Solomon—members of the College. Particularly memorable were Schumann's "Carnaval" played by Peter Smith, three of Britten's "Donne Sonnets" sung by Kenneth Bowen, four violin sonatas by Bach and Beethoven played by Angus Watson and Peter Smith, and some Monteverdi madrigals transcribed

by Kenneth Elliott. These last were in fact so successful at the Combination Room Concert that they had to be repeated, with slight alterations, at the May Concert.

A great diversity of instrumental talent has been available but unfortunately it was possible only once to assemble all the players at a concert. On this occasion the work performed (Suite for Orchestra) was specially composed by David Gwilt. It went swimmingly: not least on account of Mr Gwilt's conductorial enthusiasm. The College Chorus met regularly under Alan Oyston and gave two performances, the second of which, consisting of Bartók's "Hungarian Peasant Songs", was most exhilarating and provided a fitting introduction to the College Boat Song at the end of the May Concert.

The May Concert itself offered variety first and foremost, and, judging by the applause from the large audience, seems to have been well appreciated. The programme included Handel's "Esther" Overture conducted by Mr Guest; Fauré's Pavane (with vocalists), conducted by Dr Orr; Bax's Clarinet Sonata in a sympathetic performance by Mr Crook and Phyllis Palmer; Mozart's B♭ piano-duet sonata played by Kenneth Elliott and Brian Peeling; and an engaging performance of Armstrong Gibb's "Songs of a Mad Sea-Captain", by John Noble. Perhaps the outstanding item, however, was a group of part-songs sung by the Chapel Choir under Mr Guest. For beauty of tone, precision and vigour this can rarely have been bettered.

THE NASHE SOCIETY

President: W. MACGAFFEY. *Vice-Presidents:* MR DAVIES, P. CRADOCK, J. S. WILDERS. *Secretary:* G. J. GARBETT. *Treasurer:* M. T. J. AXFORD.

"THE phoenix of College societies" lives on, and the year's activities began with a highly successful meeting at which Professor D. W. Harding of Bedford College, London, gave a paper on "Some Aspects of Rhythm in English Poetry". The Society was most impressed by his treatment of the subject: it combined a good deal of original thought with great clarity of expression. What he had to say was of especial value in that it helped the understanding of the mechanics of free verse—a subject rarely treated with much success. At the following meeting G. J. Garbett gave a paper in which he analysed and attempted to account for some of the qualities in Victorian hymnody which we find most odious.

On Friday, 13 November, Mr Leslie Halliwell, manager of the Rex Cinema, decided to ignore the ominous nature of the date, and gave a most interesting talk on the corrupt condition of the modern

cinema, considered both as an industry and as an art. A discussion lasting until a late hour gave evidence of the Society's satisfaction with his talk. The term's activities concluded with a symposium on "The 1890's"—a symposium in both senses of the word, thanks to the provision of an excellent punch.

In January Mr John Danby of Sheffield University gave a paper on Keats, with special reference to *Endymion*. His material was stimulating and he directed our attention to a work which is sometimes neglected. Subsequently, Mr Raymond Chapman came from the London School of Economics to address the Society on the role of the goddess Fortuna in Elizabethan drama. His erudite talk gave rise to considerable discussion. And on 26 February Signor Vittorio Gabrieli of the University of Rome came up from London to give a paper on "Cultural Relations between England and Italy in the Seventeenth Century". Unfortunately, the attendance was very poor, and so Signor Gabrieli spoke with considerable charm about his research work into the exploits and works of Sir Kenelm Digby.

The Annual Dinner was held on Thursday, 4 March. As a result of the efforts of the President and the help of Dr Daniel, we were able once again to enjoy an Elizabethan menu. Our chief guest was Mr Davies. The Society, we are pleased to report, once again proclaimed in the Toast the full extent of Her Majesty's dominions, completely ignoring the rumours of protests from Foreign Powers.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

THE year has again been a successful one, with membership and meeting attendance well maintained. Two changes have occurred—the rules have been rewritten to make them clearer, and the post of President has been replaced by that of Chairman, an Honorary President being elected from among the senior members of the College. The Master has accepted the invitation to become first Honorary President.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1953

Hon. President: THE MASTER. *Hon. Vice-Presidents:* DR HOLLICK, MR MILLER. *Chairman:* R. P. LLOYD. *Secretary:* P. L. McILMOYLE. *Treasurer:* J. MCKENZIE.

The year started with a decision that in future the Club would make its own coffee, a task given to the treasurer. This was followed by David Hopwood's paper on "Murphy's Mischief" or "The potatoes that caused all the trouble". Tony Price spoke about "Ur" and its

archaeology, while John McKenzie returned to the kitchen with "How many Beans", a short introduction to Mathematical Puzzles. "Baccy for the Clerk" by David Arrowsmith included the making of snuff. The next speaker, Professor Jopson, was the guest speaker, and gave a memorable talk on "Highlights of Philology". "Spitzbergen" by Tony Hallam described the 1953 Cambridge expedition, of which he was a member. A symposium on Heyerdahl's book *American Indians in the Pacific* followed, and although no conclusion was reached much discussion was provoked. Michael Howl's paper on "Gas Turbines" rounded off the term.

LENT TERM, 1954

Chairman: P. L. McILMOYLE. *Secretary:* J. MCKENZIE.

Treasure: A. HALLAM.

"The Red Dragon" opened the term. This proved to be a paper by P. L. McIlmoyle on Magic, black and otherwise. Richard Lloyd followed with weird glowing liquids in "Fairy Lights" or "Bioluminescence". Peter Corrin's paper on "Songs and Stories" dealt with ballads and was illustrated by the speaker with voice and guitar. Dennis Wort returned to the ghostly theme with "Cosmic Fire" a light-hearted discussion of Sanskrit weapons and magic. The Guest Speaker was Dr Adrian Horridge, who discussed plastic structural materials, with demonstrations in "Fibrous Materials". Kit Swinfen spoke about British coinage, its history and minting in "Legal Tender". "Parapsychology" by Adam Kendon gave an excellent review of recent scientific work on the paranormal. The final meeting of term was a member's exhibits meeting with refreshments. The business was rapidly disposed of and the port followed suit while the exhibits were presented.

Early in the Easter Term, the Club revived a former custom, and held an annual dinner. About fifteen members attended and the meal was an excellent conclusion to the year's activities.

The minute books (1902-14) referred to in the last Club notes have not yet been traced—could anyone who can help please contact the Secretary?

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

President: A. G. DALTRY. *Senior Treasurer:* MR FARMER.

Junior Treasurer: D. J. HAWORTH. *Secretary:* D. M. METCALF.

THE College Society for those reading the kindred subjects of geography, anthropology and archaeology has held successful meetings for the sixth year since its revival. Outside speakers

included Mr C. E. Charter, of the Gold Coast Soil and Land Use Survey, and Professor G. T. Trewartha, of the University of Wisconsin. Members of the Society gave talks on their research abroad—R. D. Hayes on Portugal and J. C. Barringer and C. Embleton on Iceland. The principal guest at the Annual Dinner was Mr W. S. Thatcher of the Department of Geography.

THE RUGBY FIVES CLUB

RUGBY FIVES has had a very successful season. In the League St John's had more teams entered than any other college and the first team remained undefeated. In the Cuppers Competition R. T. Forster, R. H. Dodds, D. B. Sutcliffe and D. Baty reached the semi-finals. However, owing to the laziness of those in charge of University Fives, neither this nor the Singles tournament was completed. In the University Singles R. H. Dodds had reached the finals and T. C. Hindson the semi-finals.

Matches were won against the Old Oundelians and Worcester College, Oxford. Worcester included two Oxford Blues in their team, one of them being R. Birmingham, the amateur All-England Singles champion.

A team from the College visited Winchester School but was soundly defeated at their version of the game.

At a meeting in the Lent Term T. C. Hindson was elected next year's Secretary and the Chaplain, the Rev. H. Hill, has accepted the position of President.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

President: MR MILLER. *Captain:* M. T. YOUNG. *Secretary:* S. J. FRANCE. *Match Secretary:* R. J. H. CHAMBERS. *Cygnets' Secretary:* D. J. ODDS.

ONCE again the 1st XV did not do as well as had been hoped, but nevertheless has had a very enjoyable Season. After a good start in the League the 1st XV fell away towards the end, finally losing to three colleges. However, two of those defeats were so narrow that the score might well have been the other way round.

For the rest of the Club the season was once more a most successful one. The 2nd XV again headed Division III, although losing with a weakened side to St Catharine's. The 3rd XV proved much stronger than had been anticipated and brought off some very creditable victories. The Cygnets "A", ably led by D. J. Odds, maintained the high standard of the previous year and finished

second in Division IV thereby gaining promotion. This means that we now have three teams in one division which demonstrates the high standard throughout the Club. The Cygnets "B" were unfortunate with cancellations, but won more games than they lost.

We began the Cuppers with high hopes of bringing back the Cup, but injuries to J. K. E. Slack and H. S. Cormack—both of whom had been dogged with bad luck in the previous term—caused a severe setback. The descent of the frost and cold upon Cambridge necessitated the introduction of new methods of keeping fit. Pack runs came at the bottom of the popularity poll. Eventually it was possible to play the Bye Round against Clare who scored an early penalty goal from which we never properly recovered. We finally lost a most enjoyable and sporting game by 11 points to 3, although to the disappointment of players and supporters alike.

The season wound up, as usual, with a tour. This year we turned north to Newcastle and spent a very enjoyable few days up there. We were right royally entertained by the very generous hospitality of our hosts. Our playing record too was quite successful considering the strength of the opposition—one won, one lost and one drawn. Our victory—although only by the margin of one point—was a notable one, for we defeated Priory Park who had not suffered a reverse since the middle of November.

In conclusion we should like to congratulate H. P. Morgan and M. J. O. Massey who both played against Oxford; and also B. J. Gillespie who helped the LX Club to a resounding victory over the Greyhounds. It is to be hoped that next season will be a highly successful one.

The following officers have been elected for next season:

Captain: S. J. FRANCE. *Secretary:* D. B. SUTCLIFFE. *Match Secretary:* T. G. SMAILES. *Cygnets' Secretary:* H. H. MAGNAY.

THE SQUASH CLUB

Captain: C. N. HAYTER. *Secretaries:* J. P. BRADSHAW, M. P. HARMAN.

THE little black ball proves too elusive for Lady Margaret's grasp. This year College Squash has plunged to a nadir of such profundity that many moons must elapse before we clamber to the top again. Our ignominious position is accentuated by the apparent lack of newcomers to replace the stalwarts who have battled so manfully for so many years.

Clive Hayter was early elevated from the commonalty to Gander peerage, and was thus unable to play for the College in league

matches. Considering the large number of people who make use of the squash courts it is surprising that the level of play is not higher, but the general standard has to be seen to be deplored.

Large-scale excavations have at last resolved themselves into a number three court of entirely new aspect, and a very great improvement it is on the abomination of the last few years. It is to be hoped that the renovation of the other courts will soon be completed, to the greater enjoyment of all active and inactive players.

John Bradshaw was a most efficient secretary in the Michaelmas Term and credit must be given to him for revising the Squash ladder and for typing so unmistakably.

In the Cuppers we beat Sidney Sussex convincingly in the first round, but were defeated only too decisively in the next round by Queens'. Let us hope for better things next season.

THE SWIMMING CLUB

President: PROFESSOR MORDELL. *Captain:* M. J. ABSOLON.

Secretary: I. G. CARNEGIE BROWN.

THE Club had a fair amount of success during the past season but failed to win any of the University Cups.

During the Michaelmas Term the Club were placed second in the newly formed Inter-Collegiate Water Polo League, only one match being lost. This was against Clare, the winners of the Cuppers. Two matches were played during the Lent Term against Downing and Clare. The former were beaten; but once again we lost to Clare.

The Easter Term brought the Cuppers and for these the teams put in quite an amount of practice. In the first round of the Water Polo we were unfortunate in being given a walkover by St Catharine's. Then in the second round we were narrowly defeated by a strong Downing side including two of the University team. This match was lost in the first five minutes owing to bad marking. At half-time we were 4-1 down. In the second half we were on top but were unable to score as often as we should. The final result was 4-6.

We reached the finals and were placed second in later relays.

We must congratulate M. J. Absolon on being invited for the third year to swim against Oxford; also J. W. Davis and I. G. Carnegie Brown who have been awarded swimming Half-Blues.

The College Cuppers teams were as follows:

Water Polo: P. A. Trott, I. M. G. Baillie, R. F. E. Axford, I. G.

Carnegie Brown, J. W. Davis, M. J. Absolon, D. L. Thomas.

Medley Relay: J. W. Davis, R. K. Brown, M. J. Absolon.

Free-style Relay: J. W. Davis, R. J. Donovan, M. J. Absolon, I. G. Carnegie Brown.

College Colours were awarded to the following: M. J. Axford, R. F. E. Axford, I. M. G. Baillie and J. W. Davis.

The prospects for 1954-5 are fairly good as a large nucleus remains around which to build a reasonable side.

The Officials elected for 1954-5 are: *Captain:* I. G. CARNEGIE BROWN. *Secretary:* J. W. DAVIS.

THE TABLE-TENNIS CLUB

Captain: J. A. CARO. *Secretary:* A. YOUNG.

Treasurer: D. J. J. BROWN.

THE Club has again maintained five teams in the University League. For the second year in succession the First Team were runners-up in the senior division, on this occasion yielding to Selwyn I on sets average, each having won ten matches and lost one. The Fifth Team gained promotion from Division V to Division IV of the League, winning eight matches and losing three. In a closely fought final of the Singles Cuppers the College Team defeated Downing five sets to four.

The loss of P. M. Eagles from the First Team has been more than compensated for by the arrival of his brother D. M. Eagles as a freshman. D. M. Eagles has been outstanding not only in College but also in University table-tennis, possessing an unbeaten record in the League, winning both his Singles and Doubles games in the match against Oxford, and winning the Singles title in the University Individual Championships. The second mainstay of the First Team has been the Captain, J. A. Caro; he is to be congratulated on captaining the University Second Team against Oxford. The College First Team has been completed at different times during the season by J. K. Shenoy and by W. Davies-Colley.

The Officers elected for the Season 1954-5 are:

Captain: J. A. CARO. *Secretary:* P. NICHOLLS. *Treasurer:* D. M. EAGLES.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

President: W. S. WYNNE-WILSON. *Vice-President:* H. P. GOODMAN.
Secretary: D. N. AXFORD. *Treasurer:* R. M. NEEDHAM

THIS has been a successful year for the Club, with an average attendance of over thirty members at each meeting. The year began with a discourse on "Elementary Particles" by Dr A. Salam, who traced the theories from Ancient Greece to their present state. Dr D. W. Babbage then spoke on "An Extension of the Double-Six Theorem", presenting with clarity a difficult five-dimensional proof of this three-dimensional theorem.

He was followed by Dr E. R. Lapwood on "Elastic Waves in the Earth". He spoke of the effects of disturbances such as earthquakes, or the hydrogen bomb, and of the methods employed in finding the source of such a disturbance. Dr F. Smithies gave the last talk of the year on "Continuous Dimensional Geometry" in which he described what is meant by two-thirds of a dimension and developed the theory.

The year is also notable as that of the Triennial Dinner, which was held in the Wordsworth Room on Monday, 22 November. Professor K. Bullen, who was present at the initial Club dinner, was our guest. It was a great success, and members were still to be seen and heard well after midnight.

THE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

President: MR BOYS-SMITH. *Captain:* N. J. B. POCKOCK.

Secretary: W. DAVIES-COLLEY.

WITH ten Full Colours from last year and several good freshmen, the Club seemed at the beginning of the season to stand a fair chance of winning either the League or Cuppers competition. But the First XI never reached the steadiness of performance that was necessary. However, the number of members was high and there were four teams playing regularly in the Lent Term; which gives some satisfaction and considerable hope for next season.

A last-minute defeat by St Catharine's, after the game had seemed almost won, reduced our final position in the League to third. In the Cuppers it was again St Catharine's who, rather unexpectedly, eliminated us in the semi-final round (3-2) after we had beaten Caius, Jesus and the favourites Christ's (4-2) in a fine game. In each case we lost through our inability to take chances while dominating the play, and then through brief defensive slips.

The Second XI, after mediocre results in the Michaelmas Term, turned out a strong team for the League-Cup competition in the Lent Term, which they won without much difficulty, after beating the College Third XI in the semi-finals.

The Club congratulates W. Knightley-Smith, who again played for the University at Wembley, this time at centre-half; and A. J. Clayton, S. E. Odamtten and D. J. Smith, who played for the Falcons against the Oxford Centaurs, and who scored between them all five of the Falcons' winning goals—only twelve hours after the end of the Club's Annual Dinner!

Full Colours were awarded to: J. R. B. Meehan, S. St C. B. Crawford, A. T. Davis, S. E. Odamtten and D. J. Smith.

Officials elected for the season 1955-56 were: *Captain:* J. W. ROBERTSON; *Team Secretary:* K. R. HEELEY; *Match Secretary:* D. J. SMITH.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* R. N. DAILEY.

Secretary: M. ORREL-JONES.

HAVING lost only two Full Colours at the end of last year, the College team was again a strong one in spite of the fact that we had no outstanding freshmen.

The first competition was a friendly match against Christ's, which was lost by a very narrow margin, the final score being 67½ to 64½.

By tying for first place with Emmanuel, the College won the Inter-College Relays competition for the third year running. The teams were as follows:

3 × 120 yards high hurdles: J. M. Firth, H. G. Waterfield, C. J. Constable.

1 mile × 880 yards × 880 yards × 1 mile: M. Orrell-Jones, C. R. J. Heathcote, A. J. P. Campbell, R. N. Dailey.

4 × 110 yards: M. G. Cross, J. Nuttall, N. W. Bliss, D. B. Stronach.
440 yards × 220 yards × 440 yards: J. S. Macve, N. W. Bliss, M. Orrell-Jones.

In the finals, the Hurdles and Sprint teams gained third places, the long-distance team second place and the 440 × 220 × 440 yards team first place. The most heartening feature of the competition was the effort made by our three freshmen hurdlers in coming third, which must augur well for the future.

The College followed this up by gaining second place in the Inter-College Field Events competition.

Two members of the College were chosen to compete in the Inter-Varsity Relays Match at Oxford: J. S. Macve in the 4 × 440 yards, and M. Orrell-Jones in the 4 × 440 yards and 4 × 880 yards. In addition, we had two representatives in the Inter-Varsity Field Events Competition: C. J. Constable in the Hop, Step and Jump and G. E. Reynolds in the Pole Vault.

Just before the end of term, a strong team went to Oxford for the annual match against Balliol, which was won by a very large margin.

We started the Lent Term with two friendly matches in preparation for Cuppers. In the first against Clare, a weak team lost by 67 points to 58. For the second match, a small team travelled to Oxford to compete against University College, and finally won by 66 points to 57 after a very close and exciting struggle.

In our heat of the Cuppers competition, we competed against Selwyn and Caius, reaching the final without any special effort. The final against Emmanuel and Clare proved to be a close and exciting struggle, the final result being Emmanuel 113 points, St John's 96 points, Clare 85 points. Emmanuel's strength in the field events pulled them through after St John's had gained first places in the 220 yards, J. S. Macve; 440 and 880 yards, M. Orrell-Jones; 1 mile and 3 miles, R. N. Dailey.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on Thursday, 10 February, Mr White presiding. Full colours were awarded to: C. J. Constable, J. M. Firth, R. E. Jones and J. Nuttall. Half-colours were awarded to: N. E. Recordon and E. A. Vickerman.

The University Sports were postponed, due to the bad weather,

and eventually a series of trials had to be held at the Battersea track in London. Bliss and Macve both reached the final of the 220 yards, Macve finally gaining third place. Orrell-Jones was second in the finals of the 440 and 880 yards and Dailey in the final of the 1 mile. As a result of these, Dailey represented the University in the 1 mile in the match against Oxford, gaining fifth place, and Orrell-Jones in the 440 yards, gaining second place.

In the Easter Term the College had only one match, a triangular competition between Nottingham University, Emmanuel College and St John's at Nottingham. This resulted in a decisive win for Nottingham and Emmanuel were second. This was a somewhat disappointing result after we had succeeded in beating Nottingham on the two previous occasions that we had met.

The College was very well represented in Alverstoke Club matches, the following being chosen to compete in one or more matches: N. W. Bliss, J. M. Firth, C. J. Constable, J. Nuttall, G. E. Reynolds, R. N. Dailey and M. Orrell-Jones.

At the Annual General Meeting of the University Athletic Clubs, Orrell-Jones was elected to be a member of the Club Committee.

For the annual match against the A.A.A. the following were selected to represent the University: N. W. Bliss, 440 yards; R. N. Dailey, 1 mile; M. Orrell-Jones, 440 and 880 yards; and G. E. Reynolds, pole vault. At the end of the term Orrell-Jones was selected for the combined Oxford and Cambridge team to compete against the visiting American Universities team at the White City in the 880 and 440 yards.

For the third year in succession a combined St John's and Emmanuel tour of the south of England was arranged, which serves the purpose of encouraging school athletics and also providing a week's hard competition for the team.

Finally, we would like to thank all other College clubs who have helped us out by loaning some of their members whenever we have been in need.

Next year's officers are as follows: *Captain*: M. ORRELL-JONES. *Secretary*: N. W. BLISS.

THE CHESS CLUB

Captain: P. R. ALLEN (Michaelmas Term), R. W. M. BAXTER (Lent Term). *Secretary*: R. F. E. AXFORD

THIS has been a somewhat disappointing year for the Chess Club. Despite having potentially one of the strongest College teams, we failed to get through the first round of the Cuppers, losing narrowly

to an Emmanuel side which contained no leading University players. Our honour was slightly restored when Emmanuel went on rather surprisingly to win the tournament. In the Cambridge and District Chess League we finished a poor second to Cambridge City.

Individually, certain members of the club did well. D. J. P. Gray was awarded a half-blue and won his game against Oxford on board four. P. R. Allen and R. W. M. Baxter again played for the University Dragons (second) team. Allen, Baxter and Gray represented the College in the University Championship and finished respectively second, third and fifth equal, out of about fifty entrants.

The weekly meetings have continued to flourish, and during the Lent Term a handicap tournament was held with fifteen entrants. The fact that this resulted in a triple tie among the three members of the handicapping committee is a pure coincidence.

The officials for the forthcoming season will be: *Captain*: R. F. E. AXFORD. *Secretary*: J. NUTTALL.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

THE Society enjoyed a successful year. The membership was increased and meetings were well attended. The session began with a lively paper from Dr M. I. Finley, a visitor to Cambridge from the U.S.A. Dr C. O. Brink, Kennedy Professor of Latin in the University, and Mr G. S. Kirk, Fellow of Trinity Hall, followed him, providing scholarly and interesting dissertations. In January the Society was glad to welcome Professor N. B. Jopson (who retired this year), and, in March, Professor J. M. C. Toynbee. Both these speakers delighted and instructed, as did Mr M. M. Willcock, Fellow of Sidney Sussex College, who was the last speaker of the year.

The Society's Annual Dinner was held in the Old Music Room on Monday, 6 June, when the guests were Professor Brink and Mr Kirk. After a most palatable meal and some witty speeches, the conviviality, *ut moris nobis est*, was carried on till a late hour in another part of the premises. This dinner was a most fitting conclusion to a happy year in the life of the Society.

THE CRICKET CLUB

President: PROFESSOR BAILEY. *Captain*: A. J. DREW.
Secretary: A. T. DAVIS.

IN spite of the weather, the Cricket Club has had a very successful season. The First XI remained unbeaten. The Second XI was not so successful, mainly because a policy of giving games to as many people

as possible was followed. In view of the many people who wished to play cricket this year, it is hoped to run a regular Third XI next year.

The strength of the club is reflected by the fact that, apart from W. Knightley-Smith and D. J. Smith, there are five Crusaders in the College at the time of writing, and by the time that this appears there may well be more. Mention of individuals is invidious, but the form of the Captain, John Drew, has been exceptional. In eight innings he has made 500 runs, including two centuries on successive days; and he may be considered very unlucky not to have had a trial with the University. Other successful batsmen were D. A. Music, A. G. Tait and A. T. Davis; while of the bowlers, H. M. A. Cherry-Downes and R. B. Blatcher shared most of the wickets. But the main reason for the team's success was good all-round play; the ground fielding was, on occasion, excellent, and after F. B. Walter came into the side, vital catches were held in the slips.

The Second XI was ably captained by P. C. N. Conder, A. W. M. Burman and W. J. Grice. These three were handicapped by the fact that rarely did the same team turn out for two games in succession. Nevertheless, the Second XI had some enjoyable games, with as many victories as losses.

In conclusion, it was with some regret that we heard that Professor Bailey felt compelled to resign from the office of President because of his many other duties; but in welcoming his successor, Mr J. G. W. Davies, we feel that the club is very lucky to have as President a man who is not only well known and liked off the field, but also—as those who played against the Old Johnians this year will testify—a very capable performer on it.

Next year's officers: *President*: MR J. G. W. DAVIES. *Captain*: D. A. MUSIC. *Secretary*: R. B. BLATCHER.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

President: K. W. J. POST

MEETINGS held by the Society during the Lent Term included two "home" and two "away" matches. Attendance at the former was better, members apparently fearing the rigours of journeys to other Colleges.

On the motion "That the Cambridge Man is a boor and a bore", we had the pleasure of hearing opposing views on the subject by two ladies from Girton. The House was somewhat alarmed to hear from Miss Suzanne Puddefoot that the Cambridge Man was intangible,

in a state of flux, non-existent and amorphous, but recovered sufficiently to give itself a vote of confidence by defeating the motion.

The joint debates that were held were with the Jesus Orators, at Jesus College, and with the Gonville Hall Society, at Caius College. At the former it was decided that the House did not prefer to be watched by Big Sister, while loyal feelings were aroused at the latter debate to defeat the motion: "This House would fiddle while Cambridge burned."

The Presidential debate was graced by the presence of the Easter Term's President of the Union, Mr J. D. Waite, and two other performers from that sister society, Messrs Tertius Metcalfe and Fred Bilson. Aided and abetted by our President, they dealt occasionally with the motion: "That this House believes it has fairies at the bottom of its garden." While, on the one hand, there was no doubt that a princess was kept locked in the tower of the University Library, against the motion were the facts that, according to Mr Bilson, there was no difference between Johnians and Girtonians, and that according to Mr Waite, it was due to the bad influence of Mrs Dale's Diary.

The Society hopes for strong support from all during the Michaelmas Term, and a special invitation is extended to freshmen and to guests from other Colleges.

THE GOLF CLUB

A MEETING of the Club was held at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term. A large number of freshmen attended and membership is now higher than for some years. A knock-out tournament was held in the Michaelmas Term, but the Inter-College Foursomes for the Welch Cup were cancelled owing to the inclement weather in the Lent Term. We would like to congratulate C. A. Strang on his performance in the Dinner Match at Rye.

Officers for next year: *Captain*: C. A. STRANG. *Secretary*: G. D. MERCER.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President*: C. W. PARKIN.
Secretary: I. D. LLOYD-JONES. *Treasurer*: D. H. STABLES.

THE year's programme began with a stimulating attack by Mr Laslett on the conception of "Class in the seventeenth century". He easily showed how ridiculous the term "class" is as a nostrum in historical writing, but refused to suggest more than tentatively other ways of analysing society. The discussion ranged into the rarefied heights of sociological theory. Perhaps it was a mistake to introduce new

members immediately to such technical fields, and it may have discouraged them from attending later meetings.

A particularly pleasant evening was spent listening to Mr Crook unfolding the "Legend of Ara Coeli"—an example of the fascination that the remains of classical culture exercised over the medieval mind. Later in the year we caught another glimpse of the detective work involved in so much medieval history when Mr Southern, whom we were pleased to welcome over from Balliol, told us about the "Letters of Heloise and Abelard". It was amazing to find the passionate feelings of Heloise blazing out from the stiff conventions of medieval epistolary art. The discussion was enlivened by Mr Hinsley's unorthodox thesis that the affair never became as Platonic as history would have us believe.

Turning from the past almost to the future, Professor Brebner gave us a lively discourse on the development of Canada *vis-à-vis* Great Britain and the United States since 1896. He made us properly ashamed of our ignorance of the history of such a key member of the Atlantic Community. We were regaled with many off the record remarks on Commonwealth and American statesmen. While denying that he was—as the Russians claimed—the author of the conception of the Atlantic Community, Professor Brebner admitted that such a reputation would prove a good guard against the activities of the Committee for the Investigation of Un-American Activities.

The Secretary's paper on "The Mormons" attempted to illustrate the development of one facet of the pioneering society of the American West. The possibilities of the study of one field of enterprise throwing light upon the whole development of society were further shown by R. Gavin's survey—dispassionate in spite of its title—"A Hundred Years of Nationalization in the Gas Industry". Politics have disturbed the peace of the society only in the continuing undercurrent of opinion in favour of glamorizing the Society's name. But it is to be hoped that all such schemes will be stayed when in the coming year the Society celebrates fifty years of lively and sometimes fruitful activity.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: PROFESSOR JOPSON. *Captain*: D. H. DAVIES.
Secretary: P. W. MOORE.

THE past season has not been a particularly successful one from the point of view of results or weather. Once more our League record was disappointing, and the First XI was capable of winning more matches than it did. After last year's performance the Lent Term

Cuppers were even more disappointing, and we were defeated in the first round. The Second XI was once more of variable composition, but the results were quite satisfactory. Under the Secretaryship of A. T. Goodchild the Third XI continued to produce rather less serious but none the less enjoyable hockey. They too were hit in both terms by the bad weather, which meant the postponement or cancellation of many matches.

The Officers for next season are: *Captain*: P. W. MOORE. *Secretary*: R. C. LALLEMAND.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer*: MR BROOKES. *First Boat Captain*: P. V. PIGOTT. *Second Boat Captain*: A. R. MUIRHEAD. *Secretary*: D. W. T. HAGUE. *Junior Treasurer*: J. D. C. PEACOCK.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1954

FIVE people came up to commence training for the light fours at the beginning of term, with Shelley and Hall-Craggs contesting for the no. 2 seat. The choice was made more difficult as the latter had never previously rowed on bow side—P. V. Pigott, the Captain, was stroking on bow side. The decision was not made for three weeks, so that the final crew did not have a long period consistently together. Nevertheless they improved satisfactorily though not always happily.

The delay in the early stages, on the other hand, made it impossible for the crew to get really fit before the races and this was largely their undoing. The draw for the first race did not help matters. Having the back station against Selwyn the crew had to paddle light and easy at stages during the race. The second day was a different matter. Racing Trinity II our four gained slightly at successive signals, having a 4 sec. lead at the Railway Bridge. Then Trinity on the front station raced very hard to the finish and we won by 1½ sec.—almost by accident.

The third race was against Pembroke, who went off very hard and were leading at the first signal by 1 sec., but rowing a long 27 into a strong head wind down the Long Reach our four gained steadily to win by 14 sec.

In the final we met Clare, who were the favourites and who were our natural enemies after their victory the previous year. Our four were down by 3½ sec. at the first signal and this was increased to 8 sec. at the Long Reach. At the Colquhoun Posts Clare still held their 8 sec. lead, and though for the rest of the race our four made

a big effort, it was too late and the victory went to Clare by 6 sec. in 10 min. 31 sec.

A Clinker IV was put into training early in the term. When its composition was settled it was still very unsatisfactory, but though never good-looking it appeared towards the races to have considerable pace. This was unfortunately never put to the test, for owing to a misunderstanding for which the officials of the Club and C.U.B.C. must share the responsibility, the crew was disqualified for non-arrival at the start.

Light IV

Bow A. R. Muirhead
2 J. F. Hall-Craggs
3 J. M. King (*steerer*)
Str. P. V. Pigott

Clinker IV

A. L. Anderson
B. L. Shelley
D. M. Wright
A. P. Sewell
Cox W. R. Howell

The Fairbairn VIII this year was composed mainly of freshmen who got a great deal of individual training, which was of value later, in a year in which the Club had to rely more than usually on its freshmen. As a crew, however, it was unsatisfactory in addition to being light and inexperienced. In the race they dropped to eighth. With the exception of the 4th Boat, a gentlemen's boat which rose two places, all the crews went down, which reflected the increasing difficulty of making up crews to row regularly and the acute shortage of second- and third-year men.

The crews:

1st VIII

Bow J. W. Turner
2 D. J. Buckton
3 B. H. Rofe
4 A. P. Sewell
5 D. M. Wright
6 A. H. Wood
7 B. L. Shelley
Str. J. F. Hall-Craggs
Cox F. B. M. Page

2nd VIII

C. W. Woodburn
C. J. Platten
R. G. Fleming
A. E. Forbes
M. C. Thompson
E. Bridgewater
A. L. Anderson
A. H. M. Evans
M. J. Frisby

3rd VIII

C. E. Nonjaim
R. H. Linstead
P. J. Riley
W. J. Allday
A. Hakki
K. W. Blyth
D. T. Millar
J. F. Williams
G. F. Boothby

4th VIII

Bow C. Watson
2 J. D. Smith
3 T. Fawcett
4 J. R. Plowman
5 A. D. Rooke
6 R. M. Needham
7 K. C. Holmes
Str. R. G. E. Howe
Cox P. J. Lawrence

5th VIII (Medical)

R. W. Davies
W. D. Graham-Brown
A. J. Fox
M. J. S. Smith
J. G. Robson
J. M. Round
R. D. McVean
H. B. Francis
J. S. M. Hutchinson

6th VIII

H. J. Wintle
F. C. German
J. P. Allatt
D. N. Axford
R. Fawcett
K. W. Berentzen
J. W. Evans
J. D. Musson
D. B. Grigg

Trial VIIIs. A. R. Muirhead and P. V. Pigott rowed stroke and three in the winning crew. R. V. Taylor rowed six in the losing crew.

Club races. A. E. Forbes beat B. H. Rofe in the final of the Andrews and Maples Sculls.

LENT TERM 1955

This term was clouded by a very sad event: the death of Roy Meldrum. So the Club lost its greatest coach and successive generations of oarsmen a good friend.

D. W. T. Hague, owing to the pressure of his many extra-mural studies, found that he could not cope with the office of Secretary and resigned: J. F. Hall-Craggs was elected in his place and B. L. Shelley his assistant secretary.

Two Trial VIII's were boated at the beginning of term, and for ten days were under the supervision of D. M. H. Turner and J. A. Maskell; these crews were tried in many different orders, gradually dividing into 1st and 2nd Boats, and by the end of his two weeks David Turner handed over a 1st Boat which was well grounded and very promising. The boat went on to be coached by D. W. T. Hague, P. V. Pigott and J. A. Maskell, but did not seem to develop the pace forecast by the good start. The 2nd Boat suffered badly when some people who were prepared to row while there was a chance of a place in the 1st Boat, decided, once the 1st Boat order was settling down, that they could not spare the time. This made the 2nd Boat a very weak and light crew.

The results of the races were possibly the worst in the Club's history. We lost the Headship on the first night, all the boats went down, and the only boat to make a bump was the 7th. This is not considering the bump that the Gents' boat made on a steel barge, which left bow with no boat in front of him. On the first night the 1st Boat were rather gun shy, going off the start at 44, and though they went away a little at the start, blew up going round Grassy, and were bumped by Jesus on Ditton Corner. On Thursday a similar row ended in the boat being bumped by 1st and 3rd Trinity just round Ditton. On the third and fourth nights the boat acquitted itself much better; Pembroke on Friday came to within $\frac{1}{4}$ length at the Railings, but our crew held their form and rowed away; this gave the crew some confidence and Saturday's row was much their best, though again Pembroke came very close.

The 2nd Boat, which went down to St Catharine's II and Selwyn I, rowed better than in practice, and did well to fight off Sidney I on Thursday after having almost been caught at the Railings. All the

other boats dropped two or three places, and so the disappointing record for the races.

	1st VIII	2nd VIII	3rd VIII
Bow	B. H. Rofe	R. E. Jones	J. P. Allatt
2	A. H. Wood	A. Hakki	R. H. Linstead
3	H. Jones	J. C. W. August	R. Fawcett
4	D. J. Buckton	A. H. M. Evans	J. L. Miller
5	J. F. Hall-Craggs	D. M. Wright	R. M. Newson
6	B. L. Shelley	E. Bridgewater	W. R. Smith
7	J. W. Turner	R. G. Fleming	R. G. E. Howe
Str.	A. E. Forbes	K. W. Blyth	M. J. S. Smith
Cox	F. B. M. Page	G. F. Boothby	D. H. Ross

	4th VIII (Medical)	5th VIII (Gents')	6th VIII
Bow	J. L. Wilkins	J. D. Smith	H. Robertson
2	W. D. Graham-Brown	J. D. C. Peacock	J. Silvey
3	R. N. Davis	C. W. Woodburn	G. Fryer
4	R. F. Axford	B. F. King	I. E. Butler
5	A. J. Fox	A. D. Rooke	K. W. Berentzen
6	J. Fawcett	K. C. Holmes	G. C. Howell
7	J. G. Robson	A. K. Oates	W. J. Allday
Str.	H. B. Francis	R. Crisp	D. J. Naylor
Cox	J. M. Sharman	P. J. Lawrence	M. J. Frisby

7th VIII (Gents' II)

Bow	J. D. Evans
2	R. Needham
3	H. H. Magnay
4	J. M. Round
5	R. D. McVean
6	J. D. Musson
7	D. W. G. Hardy
Str.	J. R. Plowman
Cox	J. G. D. Shaw

There were two L.M.B.C. entries for the Bushe-Fox Freshman's Sculls, A. E. Forbes and B. H. Rofe. Both sculled hard but suffered from lack of practice. Forbes, after an easy first-round victory, was defeated by the eventual (illegitimate) winner; and Rofe lost in the first round to the other finalist.

P. V. Pigott and R. V. Taylor entered for the Forster-Fairbairn pairs and won their way through to the final where they met the Clare first pair. In a very good race, with bad conditions, they lost by $2\frac{1}{2}$ sec., after having led as far as Ditton Corner.

The Almond and Worlidge pairs were won by K. W. Blyth and R. G. Fleming, who beat P. Sachs and A. H. M. Evans.

An eight was sent to Reading for the Head of the River Race. With 10 days for practice, it made good progress under David Hague's coaching, until the Blue Boat called for P. V. Pigott as an additional spare man. This rather upset the boat, and it never managed to gain any life off the stretcher. However, in the race the crew rowed well, keeping the boat moving through some very rough water, to come in tenth.

Crew:

Bow B. H. Rofe
2 D. J. Buckton
3 H. Jones
4 A. E. Forbes
5 J. F. Hall-Craggs
6 R. V. Taylor
7 J. W. Turner
Str. K. W. Blyth
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

It was decided that, as there were a large number of light freshmen in the 1st Boat who had already had a hard term's rowing, we would form a Putney VIII mainly from old L.M.B.C. men, to hold a place as near as possible to the head of the river.

The crew had two outings in pitch blackness, and then on Saturday had a awful trip paddling to the start, which, owing to the lateness of the R.A.F., was into a fierce snowstorm. This storm did not last very long, but just after Barnes the water was very rough; then from Hammersmith the sun shone.

The crew had a good row and were eventually placed 42nd. Warmest thanks are given to those who very public-spiritedly came out of retirement to row in the boat.

The crew:

Bow D. M. H. Turner
2 J. Vinnicombe
3 C. K. Smith
4 M. A. Pallister
5 J. F. Hall-Craggs
6 D. D. Macklin
7 P. V. Pigott
Str. R. V. Taylor
Cox J. E. Hinde

In the Boat Race, A. R. Muirhead stroked Cambridge to a sixteen-length victory; he was later elected Secretary of the C.U.B.C.

EASTER TERM 1955

The 1st Boat was very lucky in receiving a very good coaching team for the Mays: H. H. Almond, C. B. M. Lloyd, A. L. Macleod and R. H. H. Symonds; they by no means confined their activities to the

1st Boat, and the Club is very much in their debt for all they did during the term. The crew covered mileage in a big way, being coached to start with by Harry Almond, who concentrated on fitness and getting the legs moving; then Brian Lloyd instilled a good finish, so that the boat was travelling quite well—in fact it travelled 400 miles in just under the first six weeks. Alastair Macleod and finally Ronnie Symonds brought the crew up to the post ready and eager to race.

On the first night, after a slightly shaky start, the Red Grind was passed in a very fast time; afterwards 1st and 3rd Trinity came up to a length and finished at about their distance. The second night saw a better start, but again Trinity came up; then shortly after the Railway Bridge, when they had slipped back to about a length, they were bumped by Jesus who had only just failed to bump them the night before. Friday night saw a great race. All realized that this was the real test. After L.M.B.C. had gone away at the start, Jesus then made up the lost distance and came up hard in the Long Reach. They had their first bumping ten at the Railway Bridge and their next at Morley's Holt. Both were answered with successful spurts by L.M.B.C. Peter's Post saw another terrific ten by Jesus which sent their boat leaping forward and caught L.M.B.C. a few yards after the Pike and Eel. Great credit must go to Mike Marshall for some very fine stroking.

The last night saw L.M.B.C. I a determined crew. Going off hard, they gained $\frac{1}{2}$ length in the first ten strokes and were $\frac{3}{4}$ length away in the Gut. They pressed Jesus hard to the finish, but could never get closer to them than half a length.

The 2nd Boat did not progress very well at first, and in the fifth week it was found that the third crew was faster. After radical changes they went from strength to strength, and by the races were very fast off the mark. On the first night they got within 4 ft. of Jesus II on First Post corner, but could not press it home before Jesus bumped Caius I. However, the three following nights saw three good bumps, all before First Post Corner, at the expense of Caius I, St Catharine's I and King's I. The 3rd Boat, starting very high in the second division, fell three places to Jesus III, Downing I and Sidney Sussex I. The 4th Boat made up a lot of ground in the last two weeks of practice, but could not hold their place, and also went down three places. The 5th Boat had bad luck on the first night, making their bump on 1st and 3rd Trinity at the same moment as Trinity was bumping Fitzwilliam II. The bump was awarded to Trinity. After staving off a challenge from the 6th Boat they caught Downing III on the last night. The 6th Boat rowed well, bumping Kings III and St Catharine's IV.

The 7th Boat rowed without life or zest in losing three places. The 8th went out only once a week until the week before the races, when, with four consecutive outings, they made great strides. They bumped Clare V, Downing IV and overbumped Pembroke V by the Colquhoun Posts on the last night. The 9th Boat, finally together only a week before the races, also went up five places, on the first night overbumping Peterhouse V at the Red Grind—surely one of the earliest overbumps ever made—then bumping Clare V and 1st and 3rd Trinity VII. The Rugger Boat after rowing over on the first night went down three places.

The Club sends its warmest thanks to those who came from outside and those of the College who helped in coaching the boats.

Crews:

1st VIII			2nd VIII			3rd VIII		
Bow	B. H. Rofo		D. J. Buckton			J. P. Allatt		
2	J. W. Turner		H. H. Magnay			A. Hakki		
3	K. W. Blyth		N. E. Recordon			R. Fawcett		
4	A. H. Wood		R. H. Linstead			E. Bridgewater		
5	P. V. Pigott		R. M. Newson			H. Jones		
6	J. F. Hall-Craggs		A. P. Sewell			D. W. G. Hardy		
7	J. M. King		R. G. Fleming			A. K. Oates		
Str.	A. R. Muirhead		A. E. Forbes			A. D. Rooke		
Cox	J. D. C. Peacock		F. B. M. Page			G. F. Boothby		

4th VIII			5th VIII (Gents')			6th VIII		
Bow	D. C. B. Powell-Price		R. E. Jones			P. J. Vincent		
2	P. D. Budgen		A. H. M. Evans			D. W. Harvey		
3	W. R. Smith		C. W. Woodburn			R. S. Randall		
4	G. D. Madeley		A. P. J. Campbell			F. C. German		
5	J. R. Shaw		M. C. Thompson			C. J. Heathcote		
6	B. F. King		G. M. Jordan			J. Silvey		
7	R. G. E. Howe		A. L. Anderson			G. Fryer		
Str.	D. J. D. Reid		K. C. Holmes			W. J. Allday		
Cox	M. J. Frisby		C. P. H. Wood			D. H. Ross		

7th VIII (Gents')			8th VIII			9th VIII (Medical)		
Bow	R. F. Eberlie		H. J. Wintle			I. E. Butler		
2	R. I. Raitt		J. Q. Musson			R. C. Lallemand		
3	A. C. M. Maitland		R. F. E. Axford			M. T. J. Axford		
4	P. J. Wordie		J. F. Williams			J. L. Miller		
5	G. R. T. Sorley		R. M. Needham			A. J. Fox		
6	I. M. G. Baillie		J. M. Round			M. J. S. Smith		
7	J. A. D. Harrison		R. D. McVean			J. G. Robson		
Str.	A. T. Dalgety		J. R. Plowman			H. B. Francis		
Cox	J. D. G. Shaw		P. J. Lawrence			M. J. Sharman		

10th VIII (Rugger)

Bow	J. M. Walker
2	N. E. L. Thomas
3	F. A. Emery
4	J. T. Sweet
5	G. T. Harris
6	M. R. Stedman
7	W. E. L. Reid
Str.	R. J. Rossiter
Cox	R. W. B. Davis

MARLOW REGATTA 1955

The term was again late this year so that the crews only arrived on the Thursday before the Regatta, both having had considerable changes since the Mays. However, each managed to settle down a little for the Races.

The 1st Boat, in for the Grand, was drawn against Thames and Vancouver, but the latter, owing to the strike, and so no boat, had to scratch. In very rough conditions, Thames, with their 7 in. barrel blades and going off at 52, quickly gained $\frac{3}{4}$ length. They were held at this until shipwrecks (in L.M.B.C.) enabled them to win by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. In the final they beat Jesus by 2 lengths. The 2nd Boat beat St Catharine's, Cambridge, and Corpus Christi, Oxford, in their first race, and then after a good race were beaten by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by Queens', who went on to win the event. R. V. Taylor went in for the Junior Sculls; after winning his first race he was leading and sculling well in the final when, just before the finish, he allowed a Balliol man to come past and win.

"A" Crew

Bow	B. H. Rofo
2	A. E. Forbes
3	J. W. Turner
4	A. H. Wood
5	K. W. Blyth
6	J. F. Hall-Craggs
7	P. V. Pigott
Str.	A. R. Muirhead
Cox	J. D. C. Peacock

"B" Crew

D. J. Buckton
R. H. Linstead
N. E. Recordon
E. Bridgewater
R. M. Newson
A. P. Sewell
R. G. Fleming
A. D. Rooke
F. B. M. Page

HENLEY REGATTA 1955

Raymond Owen very kindly came down and coached the first crew for three days, and after this the crew had a grounding which could be built on to make the boat fast. One day L.M.B.C. rowed a

Fawley with the Thames Grand Crew, who took only half a length off us. Two fours were also going out; they seemed to gain by taking their outings very casually and enjoying them.

The "B" IV, who were all rowing in a Light IV for the first time in their lives, were drawn against Royal Chester in a preliminary heat of the Wyfolds on Saturday. Going off tentatively but steadily L.M.B.C. were soon led by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, but after the Barrier some faulty steering by Royal Chester and a well-placed ten enabled them to go past and, to their surprise, win quite easily.

The Ladies draw was very fair, the four best crews being in separate quarters. The first race against Peterhouse was rather a scrappy row in spite of the 2 length victory. The rowing improved a little against The Queen's, Oxford, who gave L.M.B.C. a much harder race. The semi-final against Trinity Hall was a good race; they were leading by $\frac{3}{4}$ length at Fawley, and then L.M.B.C., rowing with a good stride, overhauled them rapidly to lead by the Mile and to win by $\frac{3}{4}$ length. Queens', who had reached the final without having to race 1st and 3rd Trinity, were a fit and heavy crew, so heavy compared to the light L.M.B.C. crew that they had an advantage of 20 lb. a man. In the race they took a lead soon after the start and gradually increased this throughout the course. L.M.B.C. were unable to reproduce the form that had taken them past Trinity Hall; and it was an unsatisfactory finish to their racing.

The Visitors IV found great difficulty in going straight, and this made each outing rather an adventure. After climbing up the Island, and then being towed past the rafts by a launch with our bows firmly impaled in its stern, the boat became decidedly notorious. However, when going straight it went quite fast, and so in the first race Oriel were easily disposed of; and then an old score was paid off when Clare were beaten in the semi-final. In the final, Trinity Hall, thanks to our bad steering, were able to get a lead by the Barrier, which allowed them to settle down and row away at a rating of their own choice.

The "B" IV also had steering trouble, and in beating Molesey by $\frac{1}{4}$ length caused alarm amongst their followers by finishing on the booms, having already lost a length by hitting them at Fawley. They next beat Clare "B", and then after a very good and straight row were beaten by $\frac{1}{2}$ length by the R.A.F. in the quarter-final on Friday.

The 2nd VIII came on well, but had the bad luck to draw the holders and eventual winners of the Thames Cup in the first round. However, they made a very good race of it to Fawley, where they pushed M.I.T. very hard and made them do by far the fastest Thames Cup time of the day.

Summary of races

Ladies Plate:

Beat Peterhouse by 2 lengths in 7 min. 36 sec.
Beat The Queen's College, Oxford, by $\frac{3}{4}$ length in 7 min. 13 sec.
Beat Trinity Hall by $\frac{3}{4}$ length in 7 min. 33 sec.
Lost to Queens' College by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 7 min. 26 sec. (final).

Visitors Cup:

Beat Oriel by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 8 min.
Beat Clare by $\frac{3}{4}$ length in 7 min. 54 sec.
Lost to Trinity Hall by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 7 min. 58 sec. (final).

Wyfolds Cup:

Beat Royal Chester easily in 8 min. 5 sec.
Beat Molesey by $\frac{1}{4}$ length in 8 min. 8 sec.
Beat Clare "B" by 2 lengths in 8 min. 10 sec.
Lost to R.A.F. by $\frac{1}{2}$ length in 8 min. 13 sec.

Thames Cup:

Lost to M.I.T. by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 7 min. 23 sec.
Crews:

"A" VIII

Bow B. A. Rofo
2 A. E. Forbes
3 J. W. Turner
4 K. W. Blyth
5 P. V. Pigott
6 J. F. Hall-Craggs
7 R. G. Fleming
Str. A. R. Muirhead
Cox J. D. C. Peacock

"B" VIII

A. D. Rooke
R. H. Linstead
D. W. G. Hardy
A. H. Wood
R. M. Newson
A. P. Sewell
N. E. Recordon
D. J. Buckton
F. B. M. Page

"A" IV

Bow J. W. Turner
J. F. Hall-Craggs (steerer)
P. V. Pigott
Str. A. R. Muirhead

"B" IV

R. G. Fleming (steerer)
A. E. Forbes
B. H. Rofo
K. W. Blyth

The Club would like to thank Ronnie Symonds and Raymond Owen for taking the whole burden of the coaching at Henley and Marlow.

Cecil and Mrs Butler must be congratulated on their superlative arrangements for the stay at Remenham, and for this we offer them our warmest thanks.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: M. B. WARD. *Secretary:* T. M. ALDRIDGE.

Junior Treasurer: A. J. H. BUCKLEY.

THE Society has had an active year. As custom now demands, our first meeting was addressed by an honorary Vice-President: Dr Lipstein spoke about the *jus primae noctis*. He examined references to the right in literary and more learned works but concluded that it probably never existed. Mr F. J. Odgers gave the first of two talks that the Society enjoyed about criminal law. His subject was Applied Criminal Law, and he illustrated his talk from the recent work done by the Department of Criminal Science on sexual offences. In the Lent Term Professor Glanville Williams, speaking on Criminal Law and Fundamental Principles, applied the tests of logic and utilitarianism to parts of our law with provocative unconventionality. At the invitation of Caius Law Society a few members heard Sir Arnold McNair talk on The Common Law and International Law soon after his return from the International Court at The Hague.

Although the membership of the Society has fallen, because fewer members of the College read law this year, a greater number of members mooted this year than last. For the first moot, judged by Dr T. Ellis Lewis, we did not have outside opponents: P. D. Williams and A. J. H. Buckley appeared for the plaintiffs, and A. E. Munir and R. K. Muir for the defendants. A moot against University College, London, was judged by Judge Lawson Campbell. T. M. Aldridge and M. D. Rosenhead represented the Society. Against Jesus College B. T. C. Small and M. B. Ward appeared before Mr P. Garland.

Professor D. R. Seaborne Davies was a very welcome Guest of Honour at the Annual Dinner held in the Old Music Room. We were also happy to number among members present Professor Bailey, Dr Jackson and Mr Scott. They have been active in their support of the Society this year, and we are very grateful to them.

A. J. H. Buckley was elected to serve as President for 1955-6, R. K. Muir as Secretary, and A. H. M. Evans as Junior Treasurer.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Captain: R. H. DODDS. *Secretaries:* J. B. DUFF, D. A. CLAYDON.

THIS year the College won the Cuppers singles and the League (1st Division). In the Cuppers doubles A. J. Clayton and D. M. Eagles were beaten by Sidney Sussex when they were unable to find

an answer to the attacking play of I. J. Warwick. Clayton, the University secretary, was our only blue, but S. S. Cohen and D. M. Eagles both represented the Grasshoppers against the Oxford Penguins. S. A. Millar also played for the Grasshoppers, and these three, together with W. Davies-Colley and R. H. Dodds, formed the mainstay of our league team.

Although we lost to Pembroke, convincing wins against Trinity (13-2), Emmanuel (15-0) and Caius (15-0) with a less satisfying 15-0 win over Queens' owing to the default of their first two pairs, secured us the championship. Of the other matches, we lost to Cambridge Town and County and the Old Uppinghamians, and beat the M.A.'s, the Bar Society, and St Thomas's Hospital.

D. A. Claydon, G. Kerslake and G. R. T. Sorley all played well in several matches for the team and were awarded colours.

The Second team's final position in the 3rd Division was second, so that next year it will enter the 2nd Division. Most of their friendly fixtures were cancelled owing to rain, but the team lost to Cambridge Town and County second team and to the C.U. Croquet and Lawn Tennis Club.

Second VI colours were awarded to P. W. Jackson, D. R. Knott and G. D. Ingram, who, together with the old colours M. B. Lea, H. D. Miller, J. K. Shenoy and K. C. S. Young, have played regularly for the 2nd VI.

The long fixture list arranged for the 3rd VI has enabled a large number of the College tennis enthusiasts to play for the College. The matches have varied in fierceness from the league matches to social fixtures against the B.B.C. mixed team, Girton, Newnham and Homerton. Graeme Sorley is to be congratulated for the way in which he has organized these teams, often finding players at extremely short notice.

The 3rd VI was placed third in the 6th Division; a very enjoyable season was had by all participants in its matches.

For the first time for many years the Club is sending out a touring side which will visit the West Country, playing several matches in its course.

J. B. Duff, the secretary, was unfortunately taken ill during the term and had to go down, D. A. Claydon taking over the secretaryship in his absence. Brian Duff is now recovering well, and we hope will be perfectly fit next year.

Next year's officers: *Captain:* J. B. DUFF. *Secretary:* D. A. CLAYDON.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: DR ORR. *Senior Treasurer:* MR LEE. *Musical Director:* MR GUEST. *Librarian:* DR HOLLICK. *Junior Treasurer:* A. S. HEMMINGS. *Secretary:* P. B. SMITH. *Committee:* J. E. BISHOP, K. J. BOWEN, C. W. BROOKS, R. C. SAMUEL.

THIS year the Society has given ample proofs of the College's musical leanings. The attendance at the Smoking Concerts, as usual, could have been higher, but the membership was well up to par, and all members enjoyed themselves thoroughly, both self-styled amateurs and those with higher aspirations.

The Combination Room Concert offered a good variety of works, from Fauré's "Elégie" for 'cello and piano, played by Thomas Rogers and Kenneth Elliott, to the "Banks of Green Willow" by Butterworth for full orchestra, conducted by David Gwilt. Other highlights during the year were the "Goldberg Variations", played by Peter Smith at one of the Smoking Concerts, and a Concertante Duet for piano and harmonium by Ebenezer Prout, performed with the utmost zest by John Bishop and Alan Hemmings.

An unusual and highly successful event was a special concert held in the College Hall during the Lent Term. Alan Oyston conducted a fine performance of Vaughan William's cantata "In Windsor Forest" for chorus and orchestra. On this occasion the College chorus was brightly ornamented by the addition of sopranos and contraltos. We were also honoured by a visit from the Cambridge branch of the Society of Recorder players, who played early English consorts—their first public appearance. One also remembers the Hall reverberating wonderfully to the strains of the Brass Choir, and the first performance of a serenade for wood-wind by David Gwilt.

The May Week Concert packed the Hall to the Screens. This year there were fewer works than usual, but some were on a grander scale. Dr Orr conducted Schubert's Fifth Symphony, and the orchestra, together with the College chorus, played Brahms's "Alto Rhapsody". The solo part was sung with distinction by Margaret Orr. The College choir were up to their usual high standard of vocal polish in a group of part songs, including Gibbon's "The Cryes of London". Two Mozart arias were superbly sung by Kenneth Bowen. The evening ended on a note of gaiety with Jean de Brunhoff's "L'histoire de Babar". It was told by Mr Davies, whom the audience found a delightful story-teller, and the descriptive piano music by Poulenc was played by Peter Smith.

THE NASHE SOCIETY

President: M. T. J. AXFORD. *Vice-Presidents:* MR DAVIES, DR DAICHES, MR BAMBROUGH. *Secretary:* D. N. SULLIVAN. *Treasurer:* J. O. TRAFFORD.

DESPITE a rumour, fortunately unfounded and based on the society's genius for forming, unforming and reforming, that the minutes of the Nashe Society had been abolished by the Secretary, some track can be kept of the year's meetings. At the opening meeting Karl Miller, of Downing, gave us a close scrutiny of the conception of literary elegance, with its theme narrowing to the elegance of Leavis's style. The ensuing discussion moved on a philosophical, almost mathematical, plane—the Philosophy of Science club being well represented. On 12 November, a talk by Dr Daiches on Dylan Thomas attracted the year's largest attendance. This was one of the more balanced estimates of Thomas's significance, and Dr Daiches pointed out the handful of poems that were truly great and those which were merely good. The side-lights shed on the poet's personality from Dr Daiches's own acquaintance with the man added further interest to the paper.

Perhaps one of the finest pieces of original research ever presented to the Nashe Society was the unfolding by Mr Henn of a lost chapter of Aristotle's *Poetics* on 'The Aesthetics of the Limerick'. Outstanding from the limericks quoted were those of the Young Plumber and the Young Don of, respectively, Leigh and St John's. These examples reinforced Mr Henn's main distinctions between the limerick of the single movement, as in Edward Lear, and the more flexible, complex limerick of the double movement.

On 25 February the Society was privileged to have Mr Arnold Kettle come all the way from Leeds to give a paper on "E. L. Voynich: A Forgotten English Novelist", which made many resolve to recover such of Voynich's books as *The Gadfly* from their Edwardian oblivion. This was followed on 9 May by the Annual Dinner, which again had an Elizabethan menu, though research for this becomes increasingly difficult each year. After the dinner proceedings were enlivened with speeches by J. Erikson and J. O. Trafford and by the introduction of churchwarden pipes, though the guest of honour, Dr Daiches, was heard to ask why the wenches had not been brought on. All that the rules allowed was Dr Daiches's "Delight", extemporized by David Ford on the President's virginals.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

THIS year has been another flourishing one for the Club. Members have presented papers on the widest variety of subjects and have invariably provoked lively discussion. A feature of distinction has been the operation for the first time of the new rule that those whose membership has lapsed must pay a fine of $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of chocolate biscuits upon readmittance. This surely makes the Club quite unique!

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1954

President: THE MASTER. *Vice-Presidents:* DR HORRIDGE, MR MILLER. *Chairman:* J. MCKENZIE. *Secretary:* A. HALLAM. *Treasurer:* D. A. CLAYDON.

At the beginning of the term John McKenzie began punctually with a paper on "Time", and was followed a week later by Robert Crisp, who gave a talk on wines. He ensured his popularity by providing free samples.

Next, Ken Holmes gave an amply illustrated account of sound reproduction. The meeting proceeded its noisy way with only one minor interruption. In the following meeting Ian Pyle spoke with great authority on phonetics, and then Peter Laurence spent nearly an hour explaining his aversion to a certain cosmic theory. The non-member's paper for the term was given by Martin Canny who told us of his research on primitive plants, using radioactive tracers. David Claydon then gave a paper on puppetry and at the final meeting the club celebrated their 25th Anniversary with port and madeira. Peter Ashton gave an appropriately informal talk on his expedition to the Amazon.

LENT TERM, 1955

Chairman: A. HALLAM. *Secretary:* D. A. CLAYDON.
Treasurer: H. J. WINTLE.

Tony Hallam opened with a review of the still unsettled problem of Continental Drift. Howard Wintle followed with an account of the theory of an eccentric who thought he had discovered the Lost Dimension! Undoubtedly the highlight of the year was the visit of Professor Pevsner, who spoke on the history of the College buildings. The members and guests who filled the Palmerston Room to capacity were entertained to a typically lucid address. At the next meeting Paul Burnham reviewed the subject of soil science, and then John Bausor dealt with the concept of zero. Tony Brown told of his

experiences aboard a Fishery Research vessel, and Tim Whitmore delved into the mystery of the origin of life. Not surprisingly this meeting resolved itself before long into an esoteric discussion on biochemistry. The term closed with an exhibits meeting at which port and madeira flowed freely.

The Annual Dinner was held on 30 April in the Old Music Room and was generally agreed to be a great success.

THE RUGBY FIVES CLUB

President: REV. H. HILL. *Captain:* R. H. DODDS.
Secretary: T. C. HINDSON.

WITH the acquisition of several new fixtures the season has proved a very enjoyable one and as successful as could be expected with the lack of any first class ability.

In the Michaelmas Term we entered four teams in the Inter-College Leagues in which no team was promoted or relegated and the 1st Team remained comfortably in Division I. Our first external match was against the Clove Club (London), who beat us by a narrow margin. Against Keble College, Oxford, we won by the uncomfortably close margin of two points, but our subsequent matches against Old Oundelians, Rugby School and Durham University were won more easily.

In the Lent Term we won all our outside matches, which were against Oundle School "A" team, Manchester University and Leeds University.

The first round of the "Cuppers" against Jesus resulted in a convincing win for us, but, after a bye in the second round, we found St Catharine's, with three "blues" and a "sparrow", too strong for us.

The season ended with a tour to Durham and Edinburgh, in which we lost our first match to a strong Old Dunelmian side through our own poor play. At Edinburgh we lost to Merchiston School by a small margin in strange courts and very strange weather conditions. On the last day we managed to redeem ourselves with a victory over Loretto School where we were most hospitably entertained.

During the season R. H. Dodds was elected to membership of the University Sparrows. Mr J. G. W. Davies has kindly accepted an invitation to become president as Mr Hill is leaving.

The following were elected for the coming season: *Captain:* T. C. HINDSON. *Secretary:* R. K. MACKENZIE-ROSS.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

President: MR MILLER. *Captain:* S. J. FRANCE. *Secretary:* D. B. SUTCLIFFE. *Match Secretary:* T. G. SMAILES. *Cygnets' Secretary:* H. H. MAGNAY.

THE First XV began the Michaelmas term as usual very successfully, but two defeats in a week, one by Christ's and the other by St Catharine's, destroyed any hopes of winning the League. Both games were close, the second, 6-9, being decided entirely by penalty goals, and the results might well have been different. The term ended with a defeat by Emmanuel, particularly disappointing after a fine victory over them earlier on in a friendly, and a draw against Pembroke. The Second XV completely justified its new position in the Second Division, although handicapped by an unusually large number of injuries. The Third XV was also a victim of the injury problem and its results were always unpredictable, but the pack was at times first rate. Cygnets A, led with great enthusiasm by H. H. Magnay, again had a most enjoyable and successful term, whilst so many people wanted to play for Cygnets B that it was necessary for a short time to run an Independents XV as well.

Snow and frost almost ruled out rugger in the Lent term and in fact the Second XV only played one of its thirteen matches. Training for Cuppers was likewise almost impossible, but in spite of this we won a fine struggle against Christ's by 6 points to 3. The second round, against St Catharine's, like the first, was played in two inches of snow. The pack, which had played magnificently against Christ's, had the better of the St Catharine's pack in the first half but tired towards the end and St Catharine's won an enjoyable and hard-fought game, although to our great disappointment.

The tour this year took place in France where we managed, in spite of the hospitality, to win all three games. The scores were 19-6 against Surgères, 39-3 against Egletons and 8-6 against Royan. Although we had intervals of two or three days between matches and went where we liked when we liked in our own coach, the pace was anything but leisurely, and we came back with happy and hazy memories of lunches which began at 12.20 and ended at 2.40 (with the kick off at 3.30!), civic receptions, National Anthems before the games, a riotous evening in Cognac with champagne on the house. A special word of thanks goes to T. G. Smailes who by the raffle he organized saved each person over £3 in expenses.

Cygnets, not to be outdone, embarked on the Channel Islands, where, apart from making an excellent impression on "the natives", they defeated Guernsey and Jersey 'B' and drew 3-all with the Jersey

First team—a fine performance. Their thanks are due to H. H. Magnay for organizing the first-ever Cygnets' tour.

This has been the first year since the war that we have not had a Blue, but we should like to congratulate H. S. Cormack on his many fine performances for the Varsity, LX Club and the College, and B. T. C. Small on being awarded his LX Club colours.

The following officers have been elected for next season:

Captain: D. B. SUTCLIFFE. *Secretary:* F. A. EMERY. *Match Secretary:* G. KERSLAKE. *Cygnets' Secretary:* P. BOYDE.

THE SQUASH CLUB

Captain: K. C. S. YOUNG. *Secretary:* A. J. H. BUCKLEY.

AT the beginning of the past season the fortunes of the Squash Club had indeed reached their lowest ebb, for the First Team had been relegated to the third league, and only two Second Team colours remained up. However, the first stage of recovery has been successfully completed, for in the Michaelmas Term both the first two teams were unbeaten and won their respective leagues; while in the Lent Term the First Team followed up by winning League II, and the Second Team held their own in League III.

In Cuppers we had the misfortune to meet Clare, with three half-Blues, the eventual winners, in the first round and not surprisingly made a speedy exit; but in club matches we lost once only, a 3-2 defeat at Balliol, which was amply revenged on our own courts. We are fortunate in that all our First Team remain up for the coming season, but at least two freshmen of good first team standard will be needed if we are to make our mark in the top league.

The favourite excuse for the low standard of play in the College in recent years has been the condition of the courts; and we are glad to report that two of them have now been rendered presentable, and it is hoped that the third will soon follow suit. Perhaps this will encourage many more members of the College to play the game seriously, as the appalling gap in standard after the top ten is inadequately revealed by the third team's dismal slide from League IV to League VI.

The teams were filled as follows:

First V: T. E. B. Abraham, A. J. H. Buckley, T. N. M. Delf, M. B. C. Simpson, K. C. S. Young.

Second V: H. M. A. Cherry-Downes, T. B. Duff, A. K. Oates, G. R. T. Sorley, D. C. K. Watson.

The following have been elected for next year: *Captain:* A. J. H. BUCKLEY. *Secretary:* M. B. C. SIMPSON.

THE SWIMMING AND WATER POLO CLUB

President: PROF. MORDELL. *Captain:* I. G. CARNEGIE BROWN.

Secretary: J. W. DAVIES.

THIS year the Club has had a very successful season—coming second to Downing in both relays and in the water-polo Cuppers.

It was obvious from the beginning of the year that the College would be strongly represented in the various Cuppers events.

The Water Polo side had, unlike Downing, no outstanding players, yet we reached the final with the greatest of ease, beating Magdalene 5-1 and Queens' 6-1. However, with two reserves in the side for the final, conditions were reversed. Downing having three of this year's University side were much too strong for us and we finally lost 6-1.

In the relays we easily reached both finals and pushed Downing in both Medley and Freestyle events. But with Peter Head finishing for Downing we were just unable to win either of the events.

Congratulations must be offered to J. W. Davies and I. G. Carnegie Brown swimming for the University for their second years; also to J. W. Davies, who has this year beaten the previous best time by a Cambridge back-stroker.

Colours have been awarded:

For Swimming: to R. K. Brown, R. J. Donovan, J. Silvey.

For Water Polo: to J. N. Brady, J. Silvey, P. A. Trott, H. G. Waterfield.

The following have been elected for next year: *Captain:* J. W. DAVIES. *Secretary:* J. N. BRADY.

THE TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Captain: J. A. CARO.

THE Club has experienced a rather uneven year in several respects. While the influx of new players at the beginning of the year was quite encouraging, many of these were unable to play during the Lent Term and difficulty was found in keeping five College teams in the field. It is hoped that better support from the coming year's freshmen will remedy this situation.

The First Team has had an eminently successful season, winning all eleven games played, and thus becoming the leaders of the First Division after being runners-up for the previous two seasons. Unfortunately we shall lose two of our regular First Team players, as

J. A. Caro and P. M. Eagles have both gone down. Whether next year's First Team will be able to retain its position remains to be seen.

The Second Team were relegated from Division II to Division III, winning only one game out of eleven, but were unfortunate to be at the losing end of several closely fought 5-4 games. The Third Team enjoyed a fairly comfortable position, but the other two teams were also dangerously near the relegation areas of their respective divisions, thus:

Team	Div.	Won	Lost	Position
III	4	5	5	6
IV	4	1	9	10
V	5	2	9	10

In the University Cuppers tournament the College lost to Fitzwilliam in the second round by five games to four. Our three First Team players, J. A. Caro, P. M. Eagles and D. M. Eagles, are to be congratulated on playing in the University teams, the latter being chosen for the match against Oxford.

Prospects of maintaining the positions won, and regaining some of those lost, in the coming year, are good, provided that the support gained at the beginning does not decline as swiftly as it has tended to do. It is realized that the College facilities for practice are not all they might be, but a little expenditure of energy might overcome this.

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THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR A. M. P. BROOKES.

Captain: J. F. HALL-CRAGGS. *Vice-Captain:* B. H. ROFE.

Secretary: K. W. BLYTH. *Junior Treasurer:* J. W. TURNER.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1955

At the beginning of the term about forty freshmen became members of the Club, of whom few had previous rowing experience. The rest of the Club consisted mostly of second-year men; apart from the captain, no third-year man rowed regularly throughout the year.

The training of freshmen and of the two IV's was hindered by the draining of the river between Jesus Lock and Baitsbite during the first two weeks of term. Two tubs were kept at the punt moorings behind New Court, and the IV's boated from Clayhithe, a marquee having been put up near the Bridge Hotel. The crew of the Light IV was not decided until a fortnight before the races. The chief difficulty, finding a satisfactory stroke, was never solved. Many changes were made in the order, and B. H. Rofo and R. G. Fleming also rowed. After an easy victory over Jesus "B", L.M.B.C. met Pembroke. A slight lead at the Railway Bridge decreased to less than 1 sec. at the finish, with the result a dead-heat. The race was re-rowed twice from the bottom of the Long Reach, with a dead-heat each time. In the second re-row a striding 31 down the Reach gave L.M.B.C. a lead, which disappeared after a shipwreck which brought back the previous scrambling 36. Darkness prevented further re-rows that evening, and next afternoon the race was rowed again over the whole course. Pembroke led the whole way and won by $4\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

Results: Beat Jesus "B" by 13 sec. in 10 min. 22 sec. Lost to Pembroke after three dead-heats by $4\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 10 min. 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

The IV was coached by P. V. Pigott for the first fortnight and then

by Jack Maskell. *Crew:* J. W. Turner (*bow, steerer*), A. E. Forbes, J. F. Hall-Craggs, K. W. Blyth (*str.*).

The Clinker IV remained unchanged throughout its training, and it was clear that it had a good chance of success and in the races it put up consistently fast times. It was coached by J. F. Hall-Craggs and then by Jack Maskell.

The results of its races were as follows:

Preliminary round: Beat Emmanuel by 19 sec. in 8 min. $7\frac{1}{2}$ sec. *First round,* beat Downing by 6 sec. in 8 min. 1 sec. *Second round,* beat Clare by 6 sec. in 7 min. 47 sec. *Semi-final,* beat Magdalene by $6\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 7 min. 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec. *Final,* lost to Peterhouse by 7 sec. in 7 min. 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

The Peterhouse IV was composed of members of its VIII which had considerable success during the year. In the final L.M.B.C. were level to half way, but lacked the strength to maintain their speed.

Crew: N. E. Recordon (*bow*), R. H. Linstead, R. M. Newson, D. J. Buckton (*str.*), M. J. Frisby (*cox*).

J. F. Hall-Craggs entered for the Colquhoun Sculls. On one of the five days available after the Light IV's he sculled to Ely and back. In the semi-final he was beaten by K. A. Masser (Trinity Hall) the winner, by 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec., in 8 min. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec. In the previous round he beat R. N. Young (1st and 3rd Trinity) by 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec., time 8 min. 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

For the Fairbairns there were five six-day-a-week crews, of which three consisted entirely of freshmen. All did well in the race, and the results were as follows:

1st VIII started 8th, finished 3rd (16 min. 15 sec.); 2nd VIII started 26th, finished 27th; 3rd VIII started 42nd, finished 31st; 4th VIII started 55th, finished 31st; 5th VIII started 68th, finished 44th; 6th VIII started 76th, finished 68th; 7th VIII started 80th, finished 78th.

Crews: 1st VIII: J. W. Turner (*bow*), B. H. Rofo (2), R. G. Fleming (3), R. H. Linstead (4), N. E. Recordon (5), K. W. Blyth (6), A. E. Forbes (7), I. L. Mackenzie (*str.*), M. J. Frisby (*cox*).

2nd VIII: P. D. Budgen (*bow*), R. S. Randall (2), J. R. Plowman (3), F. C. German (4), L. J. Gathercole (5), R. G. E. Howe (6), G. Fryer (7), W. J. Allday (*str.*), G. F. Boothby (*cox*).

3rd VIII: W. S. Shand (*bow*), J. R. Lancaster (2), A. P. L. Cox (3), J. B. Griffith (4), J. S. H. Sanderson (5); R. R. A. F. Macrory (6); C. Vita-Finzi (7); H. R. Quibell (*str.*), W. R. G. Arnold (*cox*).

4th VIII: J. B. Northam (*bow*), M. C. Findlay (2), M. S. Peacock (3), J. H. Cockcroft (4), M. R. Ayers (5), J. W. Dolman (6), B. H. Slater (7), G. C. A. Talbot (*str.*), C. J. Atkinson (*cox*).

5th VIII: W. J. Norman (*bow*), R. A. Johnson (2), J. G. Robson (3), R. F. E. Axford (4), A. J. Fox (5), R. N. Davies (6), D. Keens (7), M. J. S. Smith (*str.*), H. W. Thirlway (*cox*).

6th VIII: A. F. Keech (*bow*), C. Elliott (2), J. Pettifer (3), M. G. Denning (4), J. N. Spencer (5), J. V. Landell-Mills (6), C. J. Goodchild (7), R. C. Toase (*str.*), P. C. Dodd (*cox*).

7th VIII: R. Mubayi (*bow*), T. A. I. Grillo (2), J. E. Hollins (3), M. K. Khan (4), G. J. H. Mackintosh (5), T. R. Metcalf (6), G. Turner (7), G. T. Bungay (*str.*), C. W. Peacock (*cox*).

The race was won by Peterhouse in 16 min. 3 sec. Jesus was second, 7 sec. behind. The 1st VIII was coached by C. K. Smith, Jack Maskell and A. R. Muirhead. Few members of the Club were entered for Trials.

In the Trial VIII's race at Ely on 3 December, J. F. Hall-Craggs rowed at "6" in "Merlin", and F. B. M. Page coxed "Kestrel", which won by 1½ lengths. Both men were asked by the C.U.B.C. to come up early the following term.

In the Club sculling races, J. R. Plowman won the Pearson-Wright sculls, beating A. R. Muirhead and K. W. Blyth with ease. D. Keens won the Andrews-Maples freshmen's sculls.

LENT TERM 1956

Two VIII's came up a week before the beginning of term and were coached by Mr L. V. Bevan and Mr J. Hope-Simpson. At the end of the week First and Second VIII's were formed. After a further weeks coaching by Hope-Simpson, the 1st VIII had a week with A. R. Muirhead. It was then coached for a fortnight by Dr Rhodes Hambridge. Illness, however, had retarded its progress and it was only during this fortnight that the crew began to come together. By then it was too late for full success. The crew continued to improve during the last fortnight under P. V. Pigott, but never achieved sufficient length and drive. After bumping 1st and 3rd Trinity at the Railings on the first night, L.M.B.C. challenged Jesus for the headship, but disappointingly did not close up until the last part of the course, coming to within half a length at the finish. On the third night they were bumped by Peterhouse, who came very fast round Ditton and seemed to take L.M.B.C. by surprise. On the last night L.M.B.C. rowed over, with Peterhouse bumping Jesus to go head.

The 2nd VIII, with five freshmen, made three bumps without great difficulty, finishing as sandwich boat. Having rowed over in front of Downing I on the first night, they were unable in their second row on the last night to catch Selwyn and gain their oars. The 3rd VIII was not together for long before the races, and was handicapped by lack of speed over the second half of the course. The

Medics, coached by Professor Walker, failed to make four bumps thanks to a man coming off his slide on the third night. This prevented them bumping L.M.B.C. IV until the next night; the 4th VIII, after the disappointment of having a bump disallowed by the umpire, found the presence of the Medics behind them too great a strain for their morale. The 6th VIII had the misfortune to arrive late at the start on the first night, having had to return to the boathouse to collect a new boat after their original one had been damaged. The 7th VIII found rowing difficult, and in the races never succeeded in getting past First Post Corner.

Crews and results:

1st VIII: R. R. A. F. Macrory (*bow*), H. R. Quibell (2), N. E. Recordon (3), R. H. Linstead (4), B. H. Rofo (5), K. W. Blyth (6), A. E. Forbes (7), D. J. Buckton (*str.*), G. F. Boothby (*cox*). Bumped 1st and 3rd Trinity I. Bumped by Peterhouse I.

2nd VIII: R. G. Fleming (*bow*), J. R. Lancaster (2), J. R. Plowman (3), M. R. Ayers (4), R. M. Newson (5), J. S. H. Sanderson (6), C. Vita-Finzi (7), J. M. Andrews (*str.*), C. J. Atkinson (*cox*). Bumped St Catharine's II, 1st and 3rd Trinity II and St Catharine's I.

3rd VIII: B. F. King (*bow*), C. J. Platten (2), C. S. Menzies-Kitchin (3), J. M. Round (4), D. M. Wright (5), E. Bridgewater (6), J. P. Allatt (7), D. J. D. Reid (*str.*), F. B. M. Page (*cox*). Bumped Christ's III.

4th VIII: C. Elliott (*bow*), M. S. Peacock (2), C. J. Goodchild (3), W. S. Shand (4), J. H. Cockcroft (5), J. W. Dolman (6), J. B. Northam (7), G. C. A. Talbot (*str.*), W. R. G. Arnold (*cox*). Bumped by Emmanuel III and L.M.B.C. V.

5th VIII (Medics): W. J. Norman (*bow*), T. A. I. Grillo (2), J. G. Robson (3), J. P. Recordon (4), A. J. Fox (5), T. Fawcett (6), D. Keens (7), M. J. S. Smith (*str.*), M. J. Frisby (*cox*). Bumped Caius III, 1st and 3rd Trinity V and L.M.B.C. IV.

6th VIII: J. N. Spencer (*bow*), M. G. Denning (2), P. D. Budgen (3), F. C. German (4), J. F. Williams (5), R. S. Randall (6), A. P. L. Cox (7), J. B. Griffith (*str.*), H. W. Thirlway (*cox*). Bumped (technically) by Trinity Hall IV. Bumped Selwyn III and Magdalene III.

7th VIII: G. Turner (*bow*), P. C. N. Conder (2), R. Mubayi (3), M. K. Khan (4), M. J. E. Adams (5), R. C. Toase (6), A. F. Keech (7), G. T. Bungay (*str.*), B. Jeffrey (*cox*). Bumped by Clare V, 1st and 3rd Trinity VI, Selwyn IV and Peterhouse IV.

After the Lents, two crews were formed for Reading, the first having R. V. Taylor at "6", and being coached by A. E. Forbes; The second was coached by K. W. Blyth. J. R. Plowman entered

for the Fairbairn Junior Sculls, D. Keens for the Bushe-Fox Freshmen's Sculls, and Blyth and Forbes for the Foster-Fairbairn Pairs.

Plowman sculled with great vigour, and, after a comfortable first-round win, dead-heated with M. D. Birt of Trinity in the semi-final. The race was re-rowed the same afternoon over the full course. Keens also had some comfortable wins before losing to a more powerful sculler in the final.

Results. Pairs: Forbes (*bow and steerer*) and Blyth beat M. A. B. Harrison and R. C. Gray (1st and 3rd Trinity) by $17\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 8 min. $38\frac{1}{2}$ sec. Lost to R. J. Thompson and G. M. Wolfson (Pembroke) in the semi-final by 10 sec. in 8 min. 25 sec.

Fairbairn Sculls: Plowman beat J. O. Carter (King's) by $16\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 8 min. 19 sec. Lost to M. D. Birt (1st and 3rd Trinity) in the semi-final by 2.8 sec. in 8 min. 18 sec. after a dead-heat.

Bushe-Fox Sculls: Keens beat C. D. Barrie-Murray (King's) by 8 sec. in 9 min. 25 sec.; beat C. K. McMillan (Jesus) by $8\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 9 min. 16 sec. Lost to M. F. Harcourt Williams (Jesus) in the final by 20 sec. in 9 min. 1 sec.

In the Almond-Worlidge Junior Pairs, R. G. Fleming and R. M. Newson beat J. R. Plowman and C. Vita-Finzi in the final after a close race.

The Reading crew turned out disappointingly and was handicapped by Taylor straining his back two days before the race. His place was taken by Blyth. In the race the crew had a bad middle patch, were overhauled by The Queen's (Oxford), and went down from 10th to 23rd. The 2nd VIII finished 13th in the clinker division.

Crews: 1st VIII: B. H. Rofo (*bow*), D. J. Buckton (2), H. R. Quibell (3), R. H. Linstead (4), N. E. Recordon (5), K. W. Blyth (6), J. W. Turner (7), R. R. A. F. Macrory (*str.*), F. B. M. Page (*cox*).

2nd VIII: R. G. Fleming (*bow*), J. R. Lancaster (2), J. B. Northam (3), J. W. Dolman (4), M. R. Ayers (5), J. S. H. Sanderson (6), C. Vita-Finzi (7), F. C. German (*str.*), M. J. Frisby (*cox*).

After Reading a re-formed 1st VIII paddled down to Putney, spending Sunday and Monday nights at Maidenhead and Kingston boathouses. Their first outing on the tideway was in company with the Cambridge boat. Starting at 40th, the crew passed five crews in the race, finishing 12th; an improved performance upon Reading.

Crew: B. H. Rofo (*bow*), R. R. A. F. Macrory (2), J. W. Turner (3), R. H. Linstead (4), N. E. Recordon (5), K. W. Blyth (6), A. E. Forbes (7), D. J. Buckton (*str.*), F. B. M. Page (*cox*).

In the Cambridge crew that beat Oxford by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, J. F. Hall-Craggs rowed at "2".

MAY TERM 1956

Rowing in the May Term began on 16 April. The 1st VIII was coached for the first fortnight by A. L. Macleod, and thereafter by C. B. M. Lloyd, J. M. King, and R. K. Hayward, each for a fortnight. Many changes were made in the composition and order, and the crew was not settled until 19 May. At times the boat showed promise of moving fast; but, as in the year before, failed to improve sufficiently during the fifth and sixth weeks. There was a general lack of control, most apparent in the rows, which tended to degenerate into scrambles. The 2nd VIII, with a variety of coaches, at times looked the equal of the 1st VIII. They were unfortunate in the races to find themselves on two nights in front of the Ladies Plate finalists-to-be. This was a misfortune that they could have avoided, however, if they had bumped 1st and 3rd Trinity II on the first night. As it was they paid the penalty for one mediocre row by going down two places. The 1st VIII also had one particularly bad row, and this on the second night. On the first they had rowed over outside their distance on Trinity Hall, and slightly up on Jesus. The next night Trinity Hall, with the incentive of Queens' behind them, pressed hard, and made their bump shortly after Ditton Corner with no very effective answering spurt coming from L.M.B.C. The next night saw a bump in almost the same place, but after a very different row. A bad patch from the Gut to Ditton on the last night allowed Clare to come up to within a few feet. A succession of bumping tens ensued, down as far as Morley's Holt, after which L.M.B.C. began to draw away. It was a good race for the spectators.

The 3rd VIII, a part-time crew of previous 2nd and 3rd boat people, fast over the first part of the course, but in danger thereafter, rowed as well as their fitness would allow. The 4th VIII, a light crew with little previous experience, improved greatly as the term went on, and rowed with admirable spirit and attack. They made two bumps, on the other two nights having to wait for Jesus IV to send down to them boats for the succeeding night.

The Medics, again coached by Professor Walker, repeated their performance of the Lents by improving greatly during the races and bumping a demoralized and apprehensive 5th VIII. This was their only bump. The 7th VIII made four bumps and all the remaining boats went up, with the exception of the 11th VIII, which rowed over bottom of the river, having to be content merely with the knowledge that it was the first 11th VIII ever to appear on the river. With one place vacant, they came second in the getting-on race; but fortunately for them Pembroke withdrew one of their eights the evening before the races began.

The 10th VIII made three bumps, although bumping only one boat. After bumping Trinity IX on the first night, they had to row only ten strokes the next night, Caius VII having failed to appear at the start. They then found Trinity IX again in front of them, having made an overbump since their last encounter.

There was no club entry for the Magdalene Pairs, which had only three entries. B. H. Rofo and R. R. A. F. Macrory entered for the Lowe Double Sculls and were beaten in the only semi-final by M. H. Bartlett (Peterhouse) and K. A. Masser (Trinity Hall) by 20 sec. in 7 min. 29½ sec.

Crews and results:

1st VIII: J. W. Turner (*bow*), I. L. Mackenzie (2), K. W. Blyth (3), J. W. Dolman (4), C. Vita-Finzi (5), J. F. Hall-Craggs (6), A. E. Forbes (7), J. M. Andrews (*str.*), F. B. M. Page (*cox*). Bumped by Trinity Hall I and Queens' I.

2nd VIII: R. R. A. F. Macrory (*bow*), N. E. Recordon (2), S. J. Ross-Macdonald (3), M. R. Ayers (4), R. R. H. Newson (5), R. H. Linstead (6), B. H. Rofo (7), D. J. Buckton (*str.*); M. J. Frisby (*cox*). Bumped by Magdalene I and Peterhouse I.

3rd VIII: A. L. Anderson (*bow*), D. J. D. Reid (2), A. H. M. Evans (3), A. J. Fox (4), R. M. Newson (5), L. J. Gathercole (6), R. G. Fleming (7), H. H. Magnay (*str.*), W. R. G. Arnold (*cox*). Bumped by Clare II, Queens' II, and Pembroke II.

4th VIII: C. J. Goodchild (*bow*), R. C. Toase (2), P. D. Budgen (3), J. Tippet (4), M. J. E. Adams (5), J. R. Lancaster (6), A. P. L. Cox (7), C. Elliott (*str.*), H. W. Thirlway (*cox*). Bumped Caius II and Downing II.

5th VIII: J. N. Spencer (*bow*), W. J. Allday (2), J. B. Northam (3), F. C. German (4), G. Fryer (5), M. J. S. Smith (6), D. Keens (7), J. B. Griffith (*str.*), C. J. Atkinson (*cox*). Bumped by Downing III, Magdalene III and L.M.B.C. VI.

6th VIII (Medics): W. J. Norman (*bow*), T. A. I. Grillo (2), W. S. Shand (3), G. T. Bungay (4), I. Campbell (5), R. C. Lallemand (6), J. G. Robson (7), J. P. Recordon (*str.*), B. Jeffrey (*cox*). Bumped by Magdalene III. Bumped L.M.B.C. V.

7th VIII: H. J. Wintle (*bow*), J. P. Musson (2), R. J. Donovan (3), D. N. Axford (4), R. F. E. Axford (5), H. B. Francis (6), R. M. Needham (7), J. M. Round (*str.*), P. J. Lawrence (*cox*). Bumped King's IV, Sidney Sussex IV, Emmanuel IV, Sidney Sussex III.

8th VIII (Rugger): R. W. B. Davies (*bow*), D. Brierley (2), G. Kerslake (3), D. G. Gregory (4), W. E. L. Reid (5), R. C. Brandt (6), J. M. Walker (7), N. E. L. Thomas (*str.*), M. B. C. Simpson (*cox*). Bumped St Catharine's V, Magdalene IV, Caius V.

9th VIII: K. S. Ashton (*bow*), M. K. Khan (2), D. C. Hogg (3), D. W. Hayter (4), C. Watson (5), R. S. Randall (6), B. E. Reeve (7), G. C. A. Talbot (*str.*), C. W. Peacock (*cox*). Bumped Downing IV. Bumped by Fitzwilliam III.

10th VIII (Swans): R. F. Eberlie (*bow*), J. A. G. Toogood (2), J. L. F. Allan (3), P. W. Moore (4), J. R. Tusting (5), K. C. S. Young (6), G. R. T. Sorley (7), R. J. Rossiter (*str.*), J. M. D. Mott (*cox*). Bumped 1st and 3rd Trinity IX, Caius VII, and 1st and 3rd IX again.

11th VIII (Historians): R. K. Brown (*bow*), D. Oldham (2), J. F. Williams (3), J. Silvey (4), D. J. O. Mann (5), T. R. Metcalf (6), P. J. Vincent (7), M. S. Peacock (*str.*), D. P. Shenkin (*cox*). Rowed over all nights.

Reading, Marlow and Henley 1956

Besides the usual entries for Marlow and Henley, a 3rd VIII, composed mostly of members of the 4th May Boat, was entered for the Junior Eights at Reading and Marlow. In both events they raced well. At Reading they were beaten by half a length by Molesey, who went on to the final, and at Marlow they reached the semi-final, beating Monkton Combe and Henley R.C. in the first round. They were then beaten by Maidenhead, who won the final.

Crew: J. G. Robson (*bow*), R. C. Toase (2), P. D. Budgen (3), J. R. Lancaster (4), M. J. E. Adams (5), E. Bridgewater (6), A. P. L. Cox (7), C. Elliott (*str.*), H. W. Thirlway (*cox*).

Between the regattas the crew lived at Maidenhead boathouse, through the generosity of the Maidenhead B.C. D. H. Whitaker coached the crew during this week.

The first two VIII's had four or five outings on the Cam, without a coach, before going to Marlow. Both were entered for the Marlow Eights. The 2nd VIII did not have a good row and lost to Jesus "B" and London "B" in the first round. The 1st VIII beat Clare (who had so nearly bumped them) and Gladstone in its first race, but then in the next round lost to Pembroke by ¾ length. The stroke became short and the crew lacked stride.

At Henley the 1st VIII was coached by Dr Raymond Owen, and the 2nd VIII by J. F. K. Hinde, late of Pembroke, who was coxing the Leander crew. Both coaches tried to improve the crews' connexions and to achieve a solid stroke. The crews seemed to be improving, and it was a disappointment when the 1st VIII, in the first round of the Ladies' Plate, lost by 2¼ lengths to Trinity Hall in a not particularly fast time. In the race the L.M.B.C. rating hardly ever dropped below 36; the shortness apparent at Marlow had not been eradicated. Trinity Hall were held as far as the first signal, but

then went steadily ahead. The conditions, as for most of the regatta, were bad, with a strong, gusty, head- or cross-wind.

The 2nd VIII rowed in a preliminary round of the Thames Cup on the Saturday, and beat Royal Chester. Having established a lead they did well to fight off challenging spurts, and won by $\frac{1}{2}$ length. In the first round they were beaten by Gladstone, who were a livelier and neater crew.

Two IV's were formed from members of the 1st VIII. The Wyfold IV had to row in a preliminary race on Saturday and defeated a scratch B.A.O.R. crew without difficulty. The L.M.B.C. crew had only been together for three days, Blyth having had to miss three days' rowing through a strained wrist. Thereafter they proved the most successful of the L.M.B.C. crews, defeating Kingston and Clifton before being beaten by Brockville of Canada. Only against Brockville did they lead at the Barrier, normally starting off at a tentatively slow rating.

The Visitors IV had the misfortune to row in some of the worst conditions of the regatta, and after leading a strong Queen's (Oxford) IV to Fawley, faltered and lost by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Crews at Marlow and Henley:

1st VIII: J. W. Turner (*bow*), I. L. Mackenzie (2), K. W. Blyth (3), R. H. Linstead (4), C. Vita-Finzi (5), J. F. Hall-Craggs (6), A. E. Forbes (7), J. M. Andrews (*str.*), M. J. Frisby (*cox*).

2nd VIII: R. R. A. F. Macrory (*bow*), H. H. Magnay (2), S. J. Ross-Macdonald (3), M. R. Ayers (4), R. R. H. Newson (5), J. W. Dolman (6), B. H. Rofe (7), D. J. Buckton (*str.*), F. B. M. Page (*cox*).

Visitors IV: J. W. Turner (*bow, steerer*), I. L. Mackenzie (2), C. Vita-Finzi (3), J. F. Hall-Craggs (*str.*).

Wyfold IV: A. E. Forbes (*bow, steerer*), R. H. Linstead (2), K. W. Blyth (3), J. M. Andrews (*str.*).

THE ATHLETIC CLUB

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* M. ORRELL-JONES.

Secretary: N. W. BLISS.

THE loss of four Full Colours and the retirement of a fifth at the end of last season did not appear to augur well for this year. However, with the arrival of a number of promising freshmen, and increased versatility of some of the seniors, we were more than able to offset this loss.

The first match of the season was a friendly against Christ's, which was lost by the narrow margin of 53 points to 55, a notable feature

of the match being the appearance of members of both teams in events normally foreign to them.

The first major event of the term was the Inter-College Field Events Competition, in which the College lost ground in falling from last year's second place to fifth, still however remaining in the First Division. The only event we won was the pole vault, where G. E. Reynolds and J. McManus performed with credit. The pairs for remaining events were as follows:

Long Jump: J. P. Musson, H. G. Waterfield.

High Jump: C. J. Platten, G. E. Reynolds.

Shot: S. C. K. Bird, R. J. Rossiter.

Discus: T. Fawcett, S. C. K. Bird.

Javelin: T. Fawcett, J. Firth.

In Inter-College Relays, which followed immediately afterwards, the College were placed third behind Christ's and Caius. It was unfortunate that heat placings were considered in final points tally. On final results alone, the College should have been easy winners.

Teams and results in final were as follows:

4 × 110 yards: J. Nuttall, A. H. J. Miller, M. Orrell-Jones, N. W. Bliss; second.

440 yards × 220 yards × 440 yards: N. W. Bliss, A. H. J. Miller, M. Orrell-Jones; first equal.

1 mile × 880 yards × 880 yards × 1 mile: C. J. Heathcote, M. Orrell-Jones, R. J. T. McLaren, R. Dunkley; first.

3 × 120 yards high hurdles: J. Firth, M. G. Waterfield, C. J. Constable; fourth.

3 × 220 yards low hurdles: C. J. Constable, C. J. Platten, J. Firth; not placed.

This is the first year in which 3 × 220 yards low hurdles has been included in the competition.

The annual match against Balliol College, Oxford, took place in thick fog, it being difficult at times to see from one side of the ground to the other. The match was closely contested and the College just managed to win.

In realms of University sport the College was well represented in the Freshmen's Match against Oxford: R. Dunkley ran in the 3 miles and 1 mile events, R. J. T. McLaren in the 880 yards, and J. McManus competed in the Pole Vault.

In the Oxford and Cambridge Field Events Competition, J. McManus was in the Cambridge Pole Vault quartet. In the relays competition, M. Orrell-Jones ran in the 4 × 220 yards and 4 × 440 yards, and R. Dunkley in the 4 × 1 mile relay.

The Club's activities during Lent Term were frustrated by a prolonged period of frost and snow. Only the heats of the first set of handicaps had been completed before the weather caused, first of all, one postponement and finally cancellation of all fixtures, which unfortunately included Cuppers. At the end of the term the University sports were, however, held, and as a result of these R. Dunkley was selected to run against Oxford at the White City in the 3 miles, gaining his Full Blue.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on 24 February with the Club President, Mr F. P. White, in the Chair.

The Easter Term provided nearly perfect athletics weather, but at the same time succeeded in eventually rendering the track unusable. Unfortunately, many people found the call of examinations hard to resist, as a result of which the College teams were rather depleted.

In the first match against University College, Oxford, and Queens', Cambridge (at Oxford), the College came second to University and beat Queens'. We had the benefit of running on the straight 220 yards at Iffley Road, and although the track was fast many of the times recorded were probably flattering to the runners. Our lack of balanced strength in the field events was all too apparent in this match, but in fairness to our pole vaulters it must be recorded that this event was for some reason forgotten about during the course of the match.

In the same week we had a triangular match against Nottingham University and Emmanuel College in which we finished third. This match suffered in being squeezed in between the finish of cricket and sundown. The race against the latter was lost, the 440 yards being run in semi-darkness and the relay which should have followed was abandoned. As befitting a cricket ground—"bad light stopped play".

In University matches, M. Orrell-Jones and R. Dunkley competed against London University and A.A.A., and N. W. Bliss against Loughborough College.

At the end of the season Full Colours were awarded to R. Dunkley, R. J. T. McLaren and J. McManus.

In addition to the above C. J. Platten and A. H. J. Miller were awarded Half-colours during the season.

In an extremely successful Alverstone Club season the following members of the College competed for the Club: M. Orrell-Jones, R. Dunkley, C. J. Constable, J. McManus, R. J. T. McLaren and N. W. Bliss. All except Dunkley, who was ineligible, were selected for the Alverstone Centipedes match.

During the early part of the Long Vacation the College is again combining with Emmanuel in an athletics tour. This year new ground is being broken, the venue being Germany, where we are to compete against Service and German University teams.

Finally the secretary would like to thank all those people, both athletes and non-athletes, who have helped throughout the year as judges, timekeepers, etc.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

Captain: M. F. JOHNSON. *Secretary:* C. B. COX.

Treasurer: P. W. THOMPSON.

THE most important feature of the 1955-6 season was the large number of College players who appeared in the University teams. For the first time, two Half-blues were awarded to members of the Club, R. J. Thorpe and D. C. Ledger, who both also took part in the successful University tour to Germany in the Christmas vacation; in addition, M. F. Johnson and J. M. Firth were elected to the Cockerels. Both the "Blues" team and the Cockerels were successful in their matches against the Oxford teams.

In the Cuppers, the College team reached the semi-final before being beaten 2-1 by Queens', the eventual winners, whose team similarly included two Half-blues. In the Inter-College League the First Team, which did not lose a game, again won the championship of the First Division, which it has now held for six years in succession, while the Second Team won half its matches and should remain in the Second Division—a high position for a Second Team. The Third Team did not do well, and it has been decided that it will not be entered for the League next year, as the necessity of playing three sets of league matches cuts very heavily into the times of Club play.

Officers elected for 1956-7: *Captain:* J. M. FIRTH; *Secretary:* J. MCMANUS; *Treasurer:* S. JEPSON.

THE CHESS CLUB

Captain: R. F. E. AXFORD (Michaelmas Term),

J. D. MERCER (Lent Term). *Secretary:* J. NUTTALL.

THE Chess Club this year has met with moderate success. In the Cuppers we lost to Jesus College who were the ultimate winners, drew with a strong Pembroke team, which included the University President, beat Trinity, drew with Selwyn and beat Sidney. In the Cambridge and District League our first six games left us at the bottom of Division I. But with the assistance of D. J. P. Gray and A. J. Wilson, a former Half-blue, we gained eleven points out of the

last twelve, drawing with the City and beating the Y.M.C.A., the winners and runners-up in the Division respectively, and finally pulling up to fourth out of seven. Our comparative lack of success in the Michaelmas Term was due to an excessive number of matches which forced us to play much weakened teams.

Individually, members of the Club have done well. D. J. P. Gray won his game against Oxford and has been elected President of the University Club for the forthcoming season. J. J. Billington, D. R. Taylor and H. T. Croft have played for the University Dragons and Billington has been awarded the cup for the best record in matches for the University for players other than those playing against Oxford.

The officers for the forthcoming season will be: *Captain*: J. NUTTALL; *Secretary*: C. J. R. LASPER.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR MILLER. *Vice-President*: J. F. LIVELY.

Secretary: R. K. BROWN. *Treasurer*: D. OLDHAM.

THE Society's programme in its fiftieth year was entirely domestic, without outside speakers, but nevertheless interesting. Mr Hinsley attracted a large audience to hear his paper entitled "The Inevitability of War", in which he described and criticized methods of abolishing war which have been put forward from the seventeenth century to the present day, explained why they were bound to fail due to an inadequate understanding of the causes of war, but left us with some hope that world war might become unthinkable if statesmen realized in time that nuclear warfare was different in kind. The vigorous discussion which followed successfully demolished several further explanations as to the real causes of war, but failed to find a generally acceptable alternative. Our Vice-President gave us a learned description of the origins and development of the idea of the constitutional balance of power, which was perhaps most important in the eighteenth century, and provided an opportunity for senior members of the Society to quote their own especial fields of research, and for one member to criticize altogether the value of this sort of history. The Michaelmas Term concluded with "Gregory of Tours—the private lives of some eminent Merovingians", a paper by D. A. Johnson, which made use of contemporary writings to describe conditions in Merovingian Gaul, and amply demonstrated why this period of Europe's history is called the Dark Ages.

The Lent Term opened with a flourish when K. W. J. Post, in a talk entitled "The Zulus", dealt with another little-known subject,

describing the beginnings of the tribe, its growth to the full extent of the Zulu Empire and its decline before the forces of Christianity and British Imperialism. His lengthy exposition, "from a Zulu point of view", was much enjoyed by his audience, as were the practical demonstration of Zulu tactics in war and the "visual aid" of a map. We returned to less remote topics with a paper by Mr Campbell, now a Fellow of King's, on "Anglo-American Relations in the 1890's", in which it was shown how determination on both sides to maintain friendly relations between the two countries successfully overcame the friction which might have arisen from various crises. Finally, with the help of the Clerk of Works and the loan of an epidiascope from the Slavonic Library, D. Oldham was able to give us the welcome novelty of an illustrated lecture. With the help of some excellent photographs he traced the development of the English Castle from the Norman motte and bailey to the complex structures of the fourteenth century, and described its subsequent decline.

The Annual Dinner of the Society was once again held in the Easter Term, when we were very pleased to have a former and the present Tutor to historians in the College, Mr Boys Smith and Mr Lee respectively, as our guests. Interest was mainly concentrated on incidents during the past fifty years of the Society's existence and on some speculation about the future. The occasion was much enjoyed by all and provided a suitable conclusion to the year's activities and means of celebrating our golden jubilee.

This account would be incomplete without mention of the Historians Boat (consisting mainly of historians) which was brought together to row in the Mays, and after various trials itself made history by getting on the river as L.M.B.C. XI, the first eleventh boat in the history of the races. However, after this achievement it declined and rowed over at the bottom of the Seventh Division on four successive days.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: MR A. G. LEE. *Captain*: P. W. MOORE.

Secretary: R. C. LALLEMAND.

THE past season has been both a successful and an enjoyable one. The Inter-College League was won without defeat and with a most convincing goal average, thanks to the combination of the three inside forwards P. W. Moore, D. W. Harvey and D. E. Hyde.

Hopes for the Cuppers with one Blue, D. E. Hyde, and four Wanderers were high but, as last year, the first round saw our exit. Without R. B. Blatcher, we lost 2-1 to the eventual winners,

St Catharine's, in a match which, had we taken our chances, we might have won.

The Second XI, too, had a good season, just failing to win their league, whilst the Third XI, under the capable secretaryship of G. McGrath, had another enjoyable and sociable season.

Full Colours were awarded to: D. E. Hyde, C. I. M. Jones, J. M. Lutley, G. R. T. Sorley and D. C. K. Watson.

The officers for next season are: *Captain*: R. C. LALLEMAND; *Secretary*: C. I. M. JONES.

THE LADY SOMERSET BOAT CLUB

SUMMER 1955

THE College records show that the Lady Somerset Boat Club came into being in 1856, as one of the then variable number of boat clubs in the College. For five years it had boats on the river in the Lent and May Races. There is also in the possession of the College a tankard awarded for the "Lady Somerset Boat Club Fours".

The Club was refounded last year, and was affiliated to the A.R.A. Its chief object is to provide a club name under which members of the College who wish to compete in regattas during the Long Vacation may enter. The captain of the L.M.B.C. is *ex officio* captain of the club. During its first season of renewed life the Club met with considerable success. Members competed at Bedford, St Neots, Henley Town and St Ives regattas.

The following is a brief summary of crews and results:

Bedford. Won Senior Coxswainless Fours and Senior Pairs. *Four*: B. H. Rofe (*bow*), A. E. Forbes, J. F. Hall-Craggs, K. W. Blyth (*str.*). *Pair*: P. V. Pigott (*bow*), A. R. Muirhead (*str.*).

A Maiden Coxed Four was beaten in the first round by the eventual winners. *Crew*: J. R. Plowman (*bow*), J. M. Round, J. R. Shaw, D. J. D. Reid (*str.*), P. J. Lawrence (*cox*).

St Neots. Won Perseverance Cup for Senior Coxed Fours. *Four*: as at Bedford, with J. M. Arrowsmith as *cox*. Won also Open Gig Pairs (P. V. Pigott and J. F. Hall-Craggs, *cox* J. M. Arrowsmith) and Maiden Sculls (K. W. Blyth). A. E. Forbes and B. H. Rofe entered for the Junior Sculls, and B. E. Reeve for the Maiden Sculls.

Henley Town. The Four, as at Bedford, reached the final of the Town Challenge Cup. In the final there was a collision with London "B"; no action was taken by the umpire, and London "A" paddled home to win easily.

St Ives. In the final of the Long Vacation Sculls, J. R. Plowman lost to J. O. Carter (King's) by a canvas.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

President: THE MASTER.

Vice-Presidents: DR HORRIDGE, DR KIPPING.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1955

Chairman: D. A. CLAYDON. *Secretary*: H. J. WINTLE.

Treasurer: D. E. T. BIDGOOD.

LENT TERM, 1956

Chairman: H. J. WINTLE. *Secretary*: D. E. T. BIDGOOD.

Treasurer: B. E. KERLEY.

THE Club has had a quiet but nevertheless interesting year and, despite the depredations of research students on club coffee, is solvent for a change.

The papers read by members have in general had a scientific flavour, but this is doubtless only a passing phase. The senior members' papers were given by Mr J. R. Shakeshaft, who spoke on "Radio Stars" and by Dr F. B. Kipping, on "Substitution in Organic Chemistry". A welcome feature of the meetings was the increased number of exhibits brought along by members.

Through the kindness of a former member, Mr A. P. L. Blaxter, we now have in the archives group photographs for the years 1912 and 1913, but we have still not found the minute-books for these and previous years.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Wordsworth Room on Saturday, 28 April, when the Club's activities for the year were brought to a fitting close.

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

President: G. MCGRATH. *Senior Treasurer*: MR SMITH.

Secretary: G. FRYER. *Junior Treasurer*: M. C. BRADSHAW.

DESPITE its status as a "learned society", the Purchas Society—for Johnian Geographers, Anthropologists and Archaeologists—prides itself on the informality of its meetings. During the past year, the Society has heard speakers who have helped to maintain this tradition.

Mr C. T. Smith detailed the research being pursued on the Origin of the Broads. The results of the 1955 Cambridge University Archaeological Expedition to North Africa was reported on by Mr R. R. Inskeep, a member of the Society. Visual appreciation was to the fore when Mr B. W. Sparks, of the Department of Geography,

illustrated with his own photographs a talk about the Department's Part II (Physiography) Field Excursion in Arran. Questions about American University life kept Mr K. Warren, of St Catharine's College, very busy after his description of a post-Graduate visit to the U.S.A. At the Annual Dinner, the principal guest was Mr Charles Fisher, of Leicester University, who proved that his knowledge of South-east Asia was not confined purely to matters geographical!

The Society celebrated the successful completion of the year's activities as guests of the Senior Treasurer, after the President had thanked him on behalf of the Society for the able way in which he had filled that office. The most informal function of the Society was the occasion upon which its cricket team beat a Fitzwilliam XI by eighteen runs.

THE RUGBY FIVES CLUB

President: MR J. G. W. DAVIES. *Captain:* T. C. HINDSON.

Secretary: R. K. MACKENZIE ROSS.

THE many games and matches played during the season have again yielded considerable pleasure to the members of the Club. The advent of some very useful freshmen has enabled us to turn out a well-balanced team, thus amply justifying the retention of external matches. Consequently our own standard of play has risen by meeting players of higher standard and of varying styles.

Fifteen fixtures were arranged for the season; seven were won, six lost and two cancelled. Our successes included wins against the Clove Club, Old Merchant Taylors', Worcester College (Oxford), Scottish Wayfarers and Westminster Bank; a most creditable win was also gained over the Oxford University Beavers. Losses, often by narrow margins, were sustained against the Jeu de Paume Club, A. Mackenzie's team, Old Oundelians, the Hell Fire Club and a team kindly raised by our President, Mr J. G. W. Davies.

Only two leagues were run by the University this year, in both of which our couples retained their places; the Second pair did very well to finish second in their division. C. J. Constable, when his weekly excursions to town allowed, was a most valuable member of the side.

The semi-finals of the Cuppers were reached by wins against Queens' and Magdalene College; the team was only narrowly ousted from the competition by St Catharine's, whose side consisted of four Half-blues.

At the close of the season the Scottish tour of 1955-6 was repeated and extended; this was made possible by the kind provision of a car by G. S. Hathova (Queens') to whom we are most grateful. George's demon driving somehow managed to prevent us from keeping our eyes on the ball during our matches; this may perhaps explain the results of the matches which were played against the Northumbria Club, Merchiston Castle, Loretto, Strathallon School in Perthshire and the Old Dunelmians on the way back. The schools' co-operation and hospitality contributed greatly to the success of the tour.

During the season Colin Hindson was elected a member of the University Sparrows. Mr J. G. W. Davies has kindly consented to continue as President next year and we shall look forward to a further match with his team.

The following officers were elected for the coming season: *Captain:* R. K. MACKENZIE ROSS; *Secretary:* G. C. WILLSHER.

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THE ADAMS SOCIETY

President: R. FAWCETT. *Vice-President:* J. NUTTALL.
Secretary: C. W. J. MCCALLIEN. *Treasurer:* H. T. CROFT.

THE College mathematical society has had a very quiet, but very interesting year; the thirty-fifth since its foundation.

The meetings have been addressed by various senior members of the University, and we should like to express our thanks to them for their help and co-operation.

Dr E. A. Maxwell spoke about "Diagrams in Argument", and, after showing us how easy it was to make mistakes by arguing from appearances, he went on to point out that most of the proofs of Pythagoras' Theorem we had ever learnt were completely invalid. "Electromagnetism inside Molecules" was the title Dr J. A. Pople took, and he told us of various research techniques depending on the behaviour of substances in strong magnetic fields.

In the Lent Term, Dr J. Proudman gave a very interesting talk under the surprising title of "Bores", which, we discovered, referred to tidal waves on the Severn and other rivers. Dr M. V. Wilkes spoke on "Error-correcting Codes", describing methods of detecting and correcting automatically errors that might crop up in computers and similar electronic machines. Our last meeting was addressed by Professor Sir Harold Jeffreys, who took as his subject "Saturn". He mentioned many of the peculiar physical properties of that planet, and a few of the theories attempting to explain them, including some of his own research into the subject.

The Society's activities for the year concluded with the Annual General Meeting, when, after the Treasurer had survived the tradi-

tional motion of censure, the following officers were elected for next year:

President: C. W. J. MCCALLIEN. *Vice-President:* H. T. CROFT.
Secretary: A. M. JUDD. *Treasurer:* P. V. LANDSHOFF.

We are also glad to record that H. T. CROFT was elected *Vice-President* of the Archimedeans, the University mathematical society.

A. M. JUDD

ATHLETIC CLUB

President: MR WHITE. *Captain:* C. J. CONSTABLE.

Secretary: R. DUNKLEY.

THE College side has had only a fair season by recent standards and this has probably been largely due to lack of support. The number of serious athletes would certainly not amount to a dozen and for a college the size of St John's this seems a great pity. The result has been that throughout all matches far too much has rested on the shoulders of too few.

The main competitions of the Michaelmas Term were the inter-college field events and relays.

In the field events we were second in the first division behind Emmanuel, but alas a great deal behind. The team was as follows:

Long Jump: J. Fletcher, J. Nuttall.

High Jump: C. J. Platten, G. Reynolds.

Pole Vault: J. McManus, G. Reynolds.

Hop, Step and Jump: C. J. Constable, J. McManus.

Discus: J. H. Dunn, C. K. Corder.

Javelin: G. Denny, C. J. Constable.

Weight: J. Fletcher, J. M. Dunn.

We were first in the hop, step and jump and first equal in the pole vault.

In the relays we were placed fourth in the first division, which was again won by Emmanuel.

The team was:

3 × 120 yards hurdles } C. J. Constable, H. G. Waterfield, J. Firth.
 3 × 220 yards hurdles }

4 × 110 yards: C. J. Constable, C. Berbs, A. J. Miller, J. Walton.

440 × 220 × 440 yards: R. McLaren, C. Berbs, R. Dunkley.

1 mile × 880 yards × 880 yards × 1 mile: D. J. Murray Bruce, R. McLaren, C. J. Heathcote, R. Dunkley.

We were placed first in the long-distance medley relay, which was largely due to a fine last mile by Dunkley.

During this term the College had several representatives in the University teams. In the Freshman's match against Oxford J. Fletcher competed in the shot and discus and D. J. Murray Bruce ran in the mile. In the relays we were represented by R. Dunkley in the 4×1 mile and $4 \times \frac{1}{2}$ mile and R. McLaren in the $4 \times \frac{1}{2}$ mile, whilst in the field events we had G. Reynolds and J. McManus in the pole vault, G. Denny in the javelin and J. Fletcher in the shot.

Our first fixture in the Lent Term was against Balliol and University College. After an exciting match we just won by one point from University College.

The Cuppers were then held and in the First Division preliminary round we easily defeated Selwyn and Peterhouse. However, for the final R. McLaren was unfit and we had lost J. Fletcher who had gone down (voluntarily) after only one term's residence. The team was therefore not as strong as it might have been, and we finished third with 88 points behind Emmanuel (133 points) and Queens' (92 points). Our individual winners were R. Dunkley (1 mile and 3 miles), J. Firth (120 yards hurdles) and G. Denny (javelin).

In the match against Oxford at the White City in April, our only representative in the Cambridge team was R. Dunkley, who is to be congratulated on winning the 3 miles.

During the Easter Term the college club has been rather inactive. Our annual match against Nottingham University and Emmanuel was cancelled because the Nottingham track was undergoing repairs. However, individual members performed on several occasions for the University Athletics Club and the Alverstone Club, and in the Alverstone Club match against the Oxford University Centipedes G. Denny competed in the javelin and D. J. Murray Bruce ran in the mile.

Officers elected for 1957:

Captain: R. DUNKLEY. *Secretary:* G. DENNY.

CHESS CLUB

Captain: J. NUTTALL. *Secretary:* C. J. R. LASPER.

THIS season, the Chess Club, as is customary, competed both in the Cuppers and in the Cambridge and District League. But while both the First Team and the Second Team were eliminated from the Cuppers in the Michaelmas Term, the Club atoned for this failure by finishing at the top of the league. Losing only to Trinity Hall, and defeating Cambridge City (who, in the past few years, have

monopolized the championship) in the deciding encounter, the Club emerged a clear two points ahead of the runners-up. In the traditional match between the champions and the rest of the league, however, we were defeated by an extremely powerful league team. Individually, P. Hawes and R. A. Pearson played with consistent success throughout the season; while H. T. Croft, R. A. Pearson, and W. N. Bryant played in the University Championship. The Club was represented by the following: D. J. P. Gray, J. J. Billington, P. Hawes, R. A. Pearson, W. N. Bryant, C. J. R. Lasper, J. Nuttall, R. Axford, H. T. Croft, and R. Clarke. At the annual Chess Club Lunch held in the Michaelmas Term, the officers elected for next (1957-8) season were:

Captain: J. J. BILLINGTON. *Secretary:* W. N. BRYANT.

CLASSICAL SOCIETY

1956-7

President: A. G. SEMPLE. *Secretary:* F. R. D. GOODYEAR.

Treasurer: J. N. SPENCER.

THE Classical Society has had a flourishing year, largely through the regular attendance of a number of junior members and the continual support of the senior members. The year began with a joint meeting with Newnham Classical Society, held at Newnham. After this unconventional beginning the Society has heard papers on textual criticism, philology, history, and Greek architecture. Another innovation, or perhaps revival, was a reading of the *Amphitryo* of Plautus.

The Society's Annual Dinner was held on 11 June and proved a notable success. The guests were Professor A. T. Campbell, Mr Shackleton Bailey and Mr Tomlinson. Professor Campbell, the Nestor of the company, recalled the activity of the Society during the 1900's. Before 1900 it is wrapped in the mists of antiquity.

CRICKET CLUB

1956

President: MR J. G. W. DAVIES. *Captain:* D. A. MUSIC.

Secretary: R. B. BLATCHER.

THE disappearance of the scorebook and the inability of people to remember what has preceded accounts for the inadequacy of this report. There were many highlights in the season, but curiously

enough it was probably a car and the antics of its occupants that will long remain in the memories of those who played for the First XI. At the end of the season its non-arrival caused no great consternation; for by then everybody had great faith in R. B. Blatcher solving the intrinsic mysteries of the machine he so proudly owned. It played no small part in a notable win at Portsmouth against United Services, where our captain, D. A. Music, had no alternative but to ask the opposition to allow us to bat first as fielding with seven men might well prove disastrous. When our opponents batted it was fine bowling by J. L. Wilkins and P. E. Barber that gave us victory. Of the other bowlers R. B. Blatcher, J. R. B. Meehan and F. B. Walter all returned good performances. In the batting few will forget C. I. M. Jones's and R. B. Blatcher's stand against Northants Amateurs, where the score was taken from 86 for 5 to 259 in ninety minutes. Jones's share was 166 not out—surely one of the highest scores in college cricket. D. A. Music, the captain, had the misfortune to miss a century against the Stoics by one run and J. H. M. Salmon, J. L. Wilkins, A. G. Tait and D. Tranter all batted well. M. A. Hetherington shared the wicket-keeping with R. D. Bennett and both acquitted themselves well.

The Second XI under the determined captaincy of P. C. N. Conder had another enjoyable season, although very rarely was a full side available.

First XI: D. A. Music, R. B. Blatcher, J. H. M. Salmon, F. B. Walter, A. G. Tait, J. L. Wilkins, C. I. M. Jones, J. R. B. Meehan, D. Tranter, M. A. Hetherington, P. E. Barber.

1957

President: MR J. G. W. DAVIES. *Captain:* C. I. M. JONES.

Secretary: M. A. HETHERINGTON.

WITH eight old colours hopes for a good season materialized. Examinations as usual weakened the side considerably during the latter half of May and this accounted for a few disappointing performances. The final record of won 8, drawn 8, lost 3, reflected the difficulty of obtaining results on plumb Cambridge wickets. The highlight of the season was a notable victory against United Services, Portsmouth, who included six Royal Navy players. It is to be hoped that this will become a permanent fixture, as its social accompaniments cannot be rivalled. Another outstanding victory was achieved against the Northants Amateurs on the County ground at Northampton, where the winning score of 212 was reached in just over two hours. Of the bowling performances J. R. B. Meehan's 14 overs,

9 maidens, 7 runs, 5 wickets against H.M.S. Ganges was outstanding. Other good performances came from D. A. R. Williams, J. L. Wilkins and P. L. Morris, who all bowled very consistently. By far the most consistent batsman was C. I. M. Jones the captain, who scored 563 runs in all, including one hundred and four innings of seventy or over. J. L. Ward was the most promising freshman, scoring one century and also being a very useful slow left-hand bowler. M. A. Hetherington, a sound wicket-keeper, A. G. Tait, J. L. Wilkins, R. J. Peberdy and M. W. Vallance all returned some very useful performances. Mention should also be made of the willing umpiring of C. J. R. Lasper and M. A. Oakley.

The Second XI under the able leadership of S. C. K. Bird and J. I. Coulthard had little opportunity of fielding full-strength teams. Mention should be made of J. M. B. E. Raven's hundred against New Chesterton Institute, of the consistency of P. A. Ward as an all-rounder and J. I. Coulthard behind the stumps, and of useful performances with the bat by C. H. Beaumont, J. M. Firth and T. R. Davies.

The Devon tour which was such a success last year is taking place again this year under the management of W. J. Down.

First XI: C. I. M. Jones, M. A. Hetherington, D. J. Smith, J. L. Wilkins, A. G. Tait, J. R. B. Meehan, D. A. R. Williams, J. H. M. Salmon, J. L. Ward, P. E. Barber, M. W. Vallance, P. L. Morris, R. J. Peberdy.

Officers for next season: *Captain:* M. A. HETHERINGTON. *Secretary:* D. A. R. WILLIAMS.

CRUISING CLUB

THE number of members of the College, who are members of the Cruising Club, has decreased this year; but of the eighteen members at present, many have been regular visitors to St Ives and a few have been regularly chosen to represent the Club in their many matches.

Last year the College team survived the first round of the Cuppers, but were beaten in the second by Trinity. This year, the College has perhaps the strongest team for many years; having already beaten King's, Emmanuel, and Trinity Hall, it has reached the finals which will be decided at the Inland Regatta.

R. M. Needham has held office in the Club this year as Vice-President and Secretary.

ETON FIVES CLUB

1955-7

DESPITE its shortage of members the Eton Fives Club has managed to stay alive over the past two years. J. R. Tusting, as secretary to the Club in 1955-6, arranged friendly games within the College and a few equally friendly matches against teams from other colleges. This year, with a larger membership—and the reference is to active members—the Club has confined itself to games amongst its members. The season was rounded off, however, in March with a pleasant match against a Magdalene pair.

Our noteworthy successes in the sport this year have rested with M. G. N. Walker, who has captained the University side in which he himself was the only old Blue, and with J. L. Ward, a freshman, who has played regularly for the University. The Club extends its congratulations to them.

HOCKEY CLUB

1956-7

THE Hockey Club continued to run three XI's, which succeeded in supplying most members of the College with all the hockey they needed and occasionally a bit more. From the membership point of view the Club had a successful season with nearly fifty playing members.

The First XI, captained this year by R. C. Lallemand, had a great potential which unfortunately remained largely unrealized throughout the season. With six of last year's team still in residence, prospects were bright, especially as we were joined by two very promising freshmen in J. S. Chick and N. G. Mayhew. However, we soon "lost" C. I. M. Jones and J. H. Lutley to the University side and we must congratulate them on subsequently obtaining their Blue. As a result of this depletion we were not too successful in the league, only finishing sixth, and even with the Blues we were defeated for the third successive year in the preliminary round of Cuppers, this time by Pembroke, the eventual finalists, in a game which was very closely contested. Paradoxically enough we had more success outside Cambridge, for in February we inflicted the first defeat of the season upon Norwich Grasshoppers, always a difficult side to beat.

The Second XI, captained and organized throughout the season by R. B. McDaniel, had a moderately good season and when playing at full strength managed to inflict heavy defeats upon other College

sides. The Third XI continued to be run as a social function and I gather from the Secretary, T. P. Williams, that they had an enjoyable season and even managed to defeat Girton and Newnham.

Club officers for next season are:

Captain: N. G. MAYHEW. *Hon. Secretary:* J. S. CHICK.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

1956-7

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR A. M. P. BROOKES.

Captain: K. W. BLYTH. *Vice-Captain:* A. J. FORBES.

Secretary: R. R. A. F. MACRORY. *Junior Treasurer:* I. L. MACKENZIE

ON several occasions during the year the Club narrowly missed achieving its first success since 1954. In spite of these frequent disappointments, the year showed the beginnings of a return to former glories, and, what was more important, produced some pleasing and enjoyable rowing. Only the Lent Term gave cause for dissatisfaction.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1956

Two crews were entered for the Light IV's, and one for the Clinker IV's. The two Light IV's remained unchanged in order throughout the period of training. For the first fortnight both were coached by Dr Rhodes Hambridge. J. F. Hall-Craggs and P. V. Pigott then coached, and Dr Hambridge returned to take "B" IV for the week of the races. The two fours were of equal standard; by combination it might have been possible to produce a four faster than either, but since this was not certain the crews were left unaltered. "B" IV had the misfortune to collide with a Jesus IV halfway through training. Luckily there was no injury to any member of either crew, but the damage to "B" IV meant that the crew had to row for a fortnight in a boat borrowed from Corpus.

The Clinker IV was coached throughout by J. F. Hall-Craggs. Until two days before the races M. R. Ayers rowed at "2". He then went ill, and Schroeder was brought in instead of him. With Ayers rowing, the crew had an average weight of over 13 stone. Their strength was greater than their skill; but both in practice and in the races they rowed with commendable spirit. When they reached the final they were rowing against a crew that had had, by avoidance of dead-heats, two fewer races. It was unfortunate that three of the crew found themselves unable to row regularly during the rest of the year.

In their race against Pembroke, "B" IV just failed to repeat the dead-heat of the previous year, in spite of a fine finishing spurt after having been 5 sec. down in the Long Reach. The Clinker IV in their first race were 6 sec. down at the first signal, but drew up steadily from then on.

Crews:

"A" IV		"B" IV	
<i>Bow</i>	R. G. Fleming (<i>steerer</i>)	<i>Bow</i>	I. L. Mackenzie
2	R. H. Linstead	2	A. J. Forbes (<i>steerer</i>)
3	C. Vita-Finzi	3	K. W. Blyth
<i>Str.</i>	J. M. Andrews	<i>Str.</i>	D. J. Buckton

Clinker IV

<i>Bow</i>	S. J. Ross-Macdonald
2	A. G. Schroeder
3	R. C. Brandt
<i>Str.</i>	J. W. Dolman
<i>Cox</i>	C. J. Atkinson

Results:

"A" IV. *First round:* beat St Catharine's by 28 sec. in 10 min. 34 sec. *Second round:* lost to Jesus "A" by 7.2 sec. in 10 min. 19 sec.

"B" IV. *First round:* beat Emmanuel by 15 sec. in 10 min. 17 sec. *Second round:* lost to Pembroke by 2 sec. in 10 min. 8 sec.

Clinker IV. *First round:* beat St Catharine's "B" by 5 sec. in 7 min. 48 sec. after a dead-heat in 7 min. 47 sec. *Second round:* beat Queens' by 11.2 sec. in 7 min. 47 sec. *Semi-final:* beat Emmanuel by 2 sec. in 7 min. 50 sec., after a dead-heat in 7 min. 51 sec. *Final:* lost to St Catharine's "A" by 3 sec. in 7 min. 46 sec.

In the final of the Light IV's, Magdalene beat Pembroke by 3.2 sec. in 10 min. 12 sec.

There were four entries from the Club for the Colquhoun Sculls, Macrory and Keens having been sculling since the beginning of term.

Results:

R. R. A. F. Macrory beat K. W. Blyth by 11.8 sec. in 8 min. 53 sec.; lost to M. F. Harcourt-Williams (Jesus) by 9.5 sec. in 8 min. 55 sec.

D. Keens beat N. Debenham (King's) by 2.8 sec., no time taken; lost to M. H. Bartlett (Peterhouse) by 17 sec. in 9 min. 9 sec.

B. H. Rofo beat R. M. Smart (Christ's) by 8.2 sec. in 9 min. 8 sec.; lost to G. M. Wolfson (Pembroke) by 15 sec. in 9 min. 39.5 sec.

In the final Bartlett beat Harcourt-Williams by 5 sec. in 8 min. 29 sec.

The Club again received good support from the freshmen, although few had previously rowed. Seven crews were entered for the Fairbairns, and of these two, as last year, were composed of novice

freshmen. These two, the 4th and 5th, did particularly well, and the Club finished the races with five VIII's in the first division of the Fairbairns. At the Fairbairn Supper, the "crockpots" were awarded to the 5th VIII.

The 1st VIII was together for a fortnight before the race, the order till then having been frequently changed with the departure and return of people to and from trials. R. V. Taylor coached for a fortnight, and it became clear that the boat had a good chance of winning the race. In the event, it had a close struggle with Jesus, the crew being told of its position in relation to them all over the course. A 2 sec. lead at the Gasworks had turned into a 2 sec. deficit at Ditton. At the finish the crew was 1 sec. behind Jesus. Emmanuel, who were third, finished 17 sec. behind.

Crews:

1st VIII		2nd VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	R. G. Fleming	<i>Bow</i>	R. H. C. Symon
2	D. Keens	2	F. C. German
3	R. I. L. Howland	3	D. N. H. Greig
4	M. R. Ayers	4	F. M. Barrett
5	R. H. T. Ward	5	J. R. B. Murray
6	K. W. Blyth	6	R. H. Linstead
7	C. Vita-Finzi	7	W. S. Shand
<i>Str.</i>	I. L. Mackenzie	<i>Str.</i>	A. G. Schroeder
<i>Cox</i>	F. B. M. Page	<i>Cox</i>	C. J. Atkinson

3rd VIII		4th VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	K. S. Ashton	<i>Bow</i>	D. R. C. Kelly
2	B. E. Staley	2	F. C. Woodhouse
3	R. C. Toase	3	P. H. M. Price
4	M. G. Denning	4	T. J. Scantlebury
5	N. C. Page	5	J. T. Spence
6	P. V. Landshoff	6	J. M. Dunn
7	B. Jeffrey	7	D. W. H. Farmer
<i>Str.</i>	C. Elliott	<i>Str.</i>	A. D. Thombs
<i>Cox</i>	D. T. C. Hayes	<i>Cox</i>	J. L. Libson

5th VIII		6th VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	A. S. Durward	<i>Bow</i>	C. D. Robins
2	C. F. M. Cox	2	J. V. H. Hippiusley
3	K. A. Ryde	3	J. R. Longbottom
4	G. M. Newbury	4	J. C. Rucklidge
5	N. C. Peacock	5	J. N. Spencer
6	J. A. Vincent	6	R. S. Randall
7	R. S. Jackson	7	W. J. Norman
<i>Str.</i>	J. M. Aitken	<i>Str.</i>	T. P. Abbiss
<i>Cox</i>	G. L. Williams	<i>Cox</i>	H. W. Thirlway

7th VIII

Bow P. D. Budgen
 2 G. T. Bungay
 3 P. J. Vincent
 4 G. C. A. Talbot
 5 H. Hope Johnston
 6 J. Tippet
 7 M. J. E. Adams
Str. M. J. S. Smith
Cox G. F. Boothby

Results:

1st VIII started third finished second, time 16 min. 14 sec.; 2nd VIII started twenty-eighth finished twenty-third, time 17 min. 22 sec.; 3rd VIII started thirty-second finished thirty-fifth, time 17 min. 48 sec.; 4th VIII started thirty-third finished thirty-sixth, time 17 min. 52 sec.; 5th VIII started forty-third finished thirty-second, time 17 min. 40 sec.; 6th VIII started sixty-fifth finished fifty-seventh, time 18 min. 57 sec.; 7th VIII started seventy-second finished fiftieth, time 18 min. 28 sec.

No member of the Club rowed in the C.U.B.C. Trial VIII's race. Forbes, who had been stroking one of the Trial VIII's, slipped a cartilage in his knee a fortnight before the race and had to go into hospital for an operation.

In the Andrews-Maples freshmen's sculls, M. S. King beat D. N. H. Greig. The Pearson-Wright sculls were not held.

LENT TERM 1957

Two VIII's came up a week before the beginning of term: the 1st VIII and a crew consisting of novice freshmen, which subsequently rowed as 3rd VIII. The former was coached by Mr L. V. Bevan, and the latter by K. W. Blyth. Four changes were made in the order of the 1st VIII. It was subsequently coached by K. W. Blyth, D. H. Whitaker and R. S. Emery. At no time did it appear to develop the potentiality that was suggested at the beginning of the term. The 2nd VIII was handicapped by the absence of some members of the Club from the river. In the races, however, they performed better than the record suggests. The 3rd VIII, although as yet deficient in technique, rowed well as a crew, and only the presence of a very bad King's 2nd VIII deprived them of their oars. The only other six-day-a-week crew was the 6th VIII. They had the misfortune to miss their bump on the Friday by a few inches at the Pike and Eel. Next day they fell to a fast Selwyn crew. The 7th VIII, with a stern five that would have been useful in one of the regular VIII's, won their oars without having to row past First Post Corner. On the first night,

however, they all but went down to a Queens' Rigger boat, which came up fast at 44 before expiring.

The 1st VIII disappointingly went down to 1st and 3rd Trinity at the Glasshouses on the first night after having held their distance to Ditton. The rowing improved after that, and Peterhouse were caught at Ditton Corner on Friday. L.M.B.C. were helped by some good coxing by Frisby. On Saturday they were unable to make any impression on 1st and 3rd Trinity.

After being bumped by St Catharine's at the Glasshouses on Wednesday, the 2nd VIII next day got to within a third of a length of Selwyn at Ditton. They then dropped back and were bumped by Sidney at Morley's Holt. A start half on the bank gave Downing a fairly easy bump; but on Saturday the 2nd VIII were in no danger from 1st and 3rd Trinity II.

The 3rd VIII's bumps were all made at First Post, or sooner. On Friday the boat in front bumped King's II in less than a minute, and with a further two bumps in front of that there was no hope of anything spectacular. The 5th VIII had a good row on Saturday in keeping away from Trinity Hall IV, by inches.

Crews and results:

1st VIII

Bow R. R. A. F. Macrory
 2 A. G. Schroeder
 3 R. I. L. Howland
 4 R. H. Linstead
 5 R. H. T. Ward
 6 C. Vita-Finzi
 7 I. L. Mackenzie
Str. J. M. Andrews
Cox M. J. Frisby

Started 3rd, finished 3rd.
 Bumped by 1st and 3rd Trinity;
 bumped Peterhouse.

2nd VIII

Bow W. S. Shand
 2 M. G. Denning
 3 J. B. Northam
 4 D. N. A. Greig
 5 J. M. Dunn
 6 J. S. H. Sanderson
 7 J. R. Lancaster
Str. C. Elliott
Cox H. W. Thirlway

Started 17th, finished 20th.
 Bumped by St Catharine's,
 Sidney Sussex and Downing.

3rd VIII

Bow N. C. Peacock
 2 G. M. Newbury
 3 R. S. Jackson
 4 D. W. H. Farmer
 5 T. J. Scantlebury
 6 J. A. Vincent
 7 D. R. C. Kelly
Str. J. M. Aitken
Cox G. L. Williams

Started 42nd, finished 39th.
 Bumped Selwyn II, 1st and 3rd
 Trinity IV and King's II

4th ("Medics") VIII

Bow J. R. Longbottom
 2 C. J. Platten
 3 T. P. Abbiss
 4 R. S. Randall
 5 I. Campbell
 6 M. S. King
 7 R. H. C. Symon
Str. H. R. Quibell
Cox W. R. G. Arnold

Started 51st, finished 52nd.
 Bumped by Caius III.

5th VIII

Bow K. S. Ashton
 2 F. C. German
 3 D. Keens
 4 F. M. Barrett
 5 M. J. E. Adams
 6 G. C. A. Talbot
 7 A. P. L. Cox
Str. M. J. S. Smith
Cox G. F. Boothby

Started 52nd, finished 53rd.
 Bumped by Caius III.

6th VIII

Bow A. S. Durward
 2 G. R. Brown
 3 A. C. Sturt
 4 D. J. Newson
 5 N. C. Page
 6 K. A. Ryde
 7 J. N. Spencer
Str. R. C. Toase
Cox B. Jeffrey

Started 57th, finished 57th.
 Bumped 1st and 3rd Trinity V;
 bumped by Selwyn IV

7th VIII

Bow C. A. Charnaud
 2 J. C. Rucklidge
 3 C. D. Robins
 4 P. I. Sygall
 5 P. V. Landshoff
 6 A. D. Thombs
 7 J. T. Spence
Str. C. F. M. Cox
Cox S. P. H. Mandel

Started 74th, finished 70th.
 Bumped Peterhouse IV, Clare V,
 Pembroke V and St Catharine's V

There were two entries from the Club for the Fairbairn Junior Sculls and four for the Bushe-Fox Freshmen's Sculls. There was none for the Foster-Fairbairn Pairs.

Results. Fairbairn Junior Sculls: B. H. Rofe lost to J. O. Carter (King's) by 17 sec. in 8 min. 51 sec. K. W. Blyth beat M. B. Mennie (Emmanuel) by 17 sec. in 9 min. 3 sec.; beat C. E. A. Sweatman (Selwyn) by 18 sec. in 8 min. 58 sec.; lost (semi-final) to R. D. Carver (1st and 3rd Trinity) by 29 sec. in 8 min. 54½ sec.

In the final Carver beat Carter.

Bushe-Fox Freshmen's Sculls: M. S. King lost to J. A. Tripp (Jesus) by 12 sec. in 9 min. 38 sec. D. N. H. Greig beat R. H. T. Ward by 13 sec. in 10 min. 9 sec.; beat R. I. L. Howland by 26.2 sec. in 10 min. 4½ sec.; lost to J. A. Tripp (Jesus) by 32 sec. in 10 min. 23 sec. R. I. L. Howland beat I. Orr-Ewing (Pembroke) by 23 sec. in 10 min. 30 sec.; lost to Greig.

Greig, in his race against Tripp, went the wrong way round Grassy Corner, and collided with a boat on the outside bank. In the final Tripp lost to de Selincourt (Magdalene).

In the Club races, the Almond-Worldidge pairs were won by B. Jeffrey and M. J. S. Smith. The Bateman pairs were not held.

No crew was entered for the Reading Head of the River Race, but two went to Putney. The second of the two crews, since it was not a representative 2nd VIII, entered under the name of Lady Somerset B.C. It was made up entirely of novice freshmen. After ten days or so on the Cam after the Lents, the two crews went to Putney on the Monday before the race. The Club once again enjoyed the hospitality of Thames R.C. The 1st VIII was coached while at Putney by R. V. Taylor, the Lady Somerset crew by R. G. Fleming. Conditions were rough for the first two days, but gradually became calmer. For the race, on Saturday 23 March, the water was smooth, with a light head-wind. The race was rowed from Mortlake to Putney.

The 1st VIII, starting 14th, were hotly pursued by Pembroke, who came up to within half a length at Hammersmith, but the 1st VIII then drew away. They finished, however, 13th, 1 sec. behind Pembroke, but 1 sec. in front of Jesus. Lady Somerset, as a new entry, started 232nd. They did well, finishing 37th in 20 min. 32 sec., as opposed to the 1st VIII's 19 min. 51 sec.

Crews:

1st VIII

Bow R. R. A. F. Macrory
 2 R. H. Linstead
 3 R. I. L. Howland
 4 R. H. T. Ward
 5 C. Vita-Finzi
 6 K. W. Blyth
 7 I. L. Mackenzie
Str. J. M. Andrews
Cox F. B. M. Page

Lady Somerset

Bow D. R. C. Kelly
 2 G. M. Newbury
 3 N. C. Peacock
 4 J. A. Vincent
 5 J. M. Dunn
 6 J. M. Aitken
 7 R. S. Jackson
Str. D. W. H. Farmer
Cox M. J. Frishy

A. J. Forbes, who earlier in the term had had a trial in the Blue Boat, rowed at "4" in the Goldie crew that competed at Putney. As a new entry they started 224th and finished 2nd to Isis, in 19 min. 21 sec.

MAY TERM 1957

There were no entries from the Club for the Magdalene Pairs or for the Lowe Double Sculls.

The 1st VIII was coached by David Webster, Alastair Macleod, Dick Emery and Brian Lloyd. David Webster was unfortunately unable to be with the crew for more than a week. During that time, however, he gave the crew a good start and settled many of the selection problems. The good effects of his coaching were apparent throughout the rest of the year. When Brian Lloyd took over for the last fortnight he had a sound basis on which to build; and under his guidance the crew came on fast. It was apparent in the races, how-

ever, that the crew was not fully fit and had difficulty over the second half of the course. This was something which had been put right by Henley.

The Mays provided some of the most exciting racing for many years; and those who watched from Ditton Corner know how few inches there were between the 1st VIII's finishing fourth and going Head. On the first night the crew came up quickly on Queens' from Grassy, and got to within a canvas at Ditton. Queens', however, were always slightly nearer to Trinity Hall, and bumped them just round Ditton Corner. The next night, spurred by Pembroke behind, the crew had a very good row, and bumped Trinity Hall on Grassy. (This was the first bump made by an L.M.B.C. 1st May boat since 1950.) The next night was most disappointing. A less spirited row left the crew almost at their distance from Queens' at Grassy. They then closed up more quickly, but never got closer than a canvas, and over the second half fell back. Saturday was an entirely different row; but again Queens' held off, after being a third of a length away after Grassy, and a matter of inches at Ditton. They then drew away, but L.M.B.C. did not fall off as badly as before. Pembroke, however, came up very fast after the Railway Bridge and bumped at the Pike and Eel.

The 2nd VIII was coached throughout the term by Mr L. V. Bevan and B. H. Rofe. They did not develop the pace that had been hoped from them, but rowed over each night without ever being dangerously pressed by King's. More skilful steering on the corners would have saved them much distance; as it was they never got within striking distance of 1st and 3rd Trinity II or of Selwyn. The 3rd VIII also had steering trouble, and might well otherwise have bumped Clare II. They did well to catch Pembroke II at the Railway Bridge after narrowly missing their bump at Ditton. This crew did well to improve its position.

The 4th VIII finished higher than any other college 4th VIII, and also higher than any previous L.M.B.C. 4th VIII. The 5th VIII achieved a similar performance, and also won its oars. The 8th VIII produced much consternation by going up four places on the first night, bringing itself right behind the 7th VIII. This, the "Rugger" boat and (with an average weight of 14 stone) the heaviest crew on the river, found this too much for its nerves, and failed to produce the form sometimes achieved in practice. The 8th VIII finished higher than previous L.M.B.C. 8th VIII's, and the fourth crew to achieve this distinction was the 9th VIII, a Gentlemen's VIII of more than usual enthusiasm and efficiency. The record of the 10th VIII does little justice to them, for on three occasions they were past the Railway Bridge before being bumped. Their fate was not deserved.

The term was sadly marked by the retirement of Professor Walker from towpath coaching. It was a fitting tribute to his many services to the Club that the Medics, who were once again coached by him, should present him with a record of six places gained in four nights—together with the scalp of yet another L.M.B.C. crew. To him, and to the many others who give up so much of their time to coach, the Club is very grateful.

Crews and results:

1st VIII		2nd VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	R. S. Jackson	<i>Bow</i>	R. G. Fleming
2	J. M. Andrews	2	A. G. Schroeder
3	I. L. Mackenzie	3	N. E. Recordon
4	K. W. Blyth	4	M. R. Ayers
5	C. Vita-Finzi	5	R. M. Newson
6	R. H. T. Ward	6	R. H. Linstead
7	R. I. L. Howland	7	R. R. A. F. Macrory
<i>Str.</i>	A. J. Forbes	<i>Str.</i>	R. H. C. Symon
<i>Cox</i>	M. J. Frisby	<i>Cox</i>	H. W. Thirlway
Started 4th, finished 4th.		Started 15th, finished 15th.	
Bumped Trinity Hall; bumped by Pembroke		Rowed over all nights	
3rd VIII		4th VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	D. R. C. Kelly	<i>Bow</i>	G. R. Brown
2	G. M. Newbury	2	R. C. Toase
3	J. A. Vincent	3	A. S. Durward
4	D. W. H. Farmer	4	P. I. Sygall
5	J. M. Dunn	5	A. D. Thombs
6	D. N. H. Greig	6	T. J. Scantlebury
7	J. R. B. Murray	7	K. A. Ryde
<i>Str.</i>	W. S. Shand	<i>Str.</i>	J. M. Aitken
<i>Cox</i>	G. L. Williams	<i>Cox</i>	B. Jeffery
Started 27th, finished 26th.		Started 39th, finished 37th.	
Bumped Pembroke II		Bumped Clare III and Jesus IV	
5th VIII		6th VIII	
<i>Bow</i>	P. V. Landshoff	<i>Bow</i>	D. C. Ledger
2	C. D. Robins	2	D. W. Harvey
3	N. C. Peacock	3	C. Elliott
4	C. Morgan	4	C. G. Booth
5	J. B. Northam	5	D. C. Hogg
6	C. F. M. Cox	6	F. M. Barrett
7	J. T. Spence	7	G. Fryer
<i>Str.</i>	M. J. S. Smith	<i>Str.</i>	F. C. German
<i>Cox</i>	R. J. Fraser	<i>Cox</i>	G. F. Boothby
Started 59th, finished 55th.		Started 60th, finished 63rd.	
Bumped Downing III, Jesus V, Magdalene III, and 1st and 3rd Trinity V		Bumped by Trinity Hall V, Peterhouse III, and Clare IV	

7th (Rugger) VIII

Bow C. R. K. Considine
 2 D. Brierley
 3 J. M. Walker
 4 D. W. Hayter
 5 W. E. L. Reid
 6 R. C. Brandt
 7 R. R. H. Newson
Str. P. Bilton
Cox W. R. G. Arnold

Started 77th, finished 77th.
 Bumped Queens' V; bumped by
 L.M.B.C. VIII

8th (Medics) VIII

Bow J. J. Cogswell *W. Cogswell*
 2 J. P. Recordon
 3 W. J. Norman
 4 R. F. E. Axford
 5 I. Campbell
 6 M. S. King
 7 J. G. Robson
Str. H. R. Quibell
Cox J. E. L. Sales

Started 82nd, finished 76th.
 Overbumped Sidney Sussex III;
 bumped King's IV, Queen's V
 and L.M.B.C. VII

9th (Gentlemen's) VIII

Bow G. D. Ingram
 2 C. T. M. Hadwen
 3 L. Wharton
 4 T. E. B. Abraham
 5 D. Kaars Sypesteyn
 6 R. I. Raitt
 7 C. A. Charnaud
Str. M. S. Peacock
Cox P. C. Dodd

Started 90th, finished 89th.
 Bumped 1st and 3rd Trinity VII

10th VIII

Bow J. J. Billington
 2 D. A. Goulden
 3 D. J. C. Whitfield
 4 P. O. Brown
 5 J. Crabtree
 6 A. F. Moncur
 7 D. Little
Str. B. J. Webber
Cox C. W. Peacock

Started 103rd, finished 109th.
 Overbumped by Queens' VI;
 bumped by Emmanuel VII, Fitz-
 william IV and Trinity Hall VI

Marlow

The 1st VIII competed in the Marlow Eights, and the 3rd VIII, with one enforced change, in the Junior Eights. The 2nd VIII was unable to compete at either Marlow or Henley. The crews had one day on the Cam and two days at Marlow before the regatta.

The 1st VIII had two easy rounds, and then came up against Crowland. After leading by about $\frac{1}{2}$ length at halfway, the crew appeared to be unsettled by Crowland's boring tactics, and faltered, allowing Crowland to snatch a $\frac{1}{2}$ length lead which they maintained. In the final Crowland beat London. The Junior VIII, rowing in a clinker, did well in its races. The first was won from a deficit of $\frac{3}{4}$ length at halfway. The semi-final produced a dead-heat, and both crews were put through to the final. As a result, L.M.B.C. was the only Cambridge club with a crew in any final. The effects of May Week had apparently not worn off.

Crews: 1st VIII as for the Mays. Junior VIII, as the 3rd May boat, except that J. A. Vincent rowed at "7" and A. D. Thombs at "3".

Results:

Marlow Eights. *First round:* beat Quintin and Twickenham by 3 lengths; *second round:* beat King's College, Cambridge, and Caius College by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths; *semi-final:* lost to Crowland by $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Junior Eights. *First round:* beat Clifton College by 2 feet; *semi-final:* beat Downing College, dead-heat with Maidenhead; *final:* lost to Nottingham High School, and Maidenhead, by 1 length.

Leiden

The day after Marlow the 1st VIII flew over to Holland, and raced the following evening against Studenten Roeiveereniging "Njord", the boat club of Leiden University. This race formed part of "Cambridge Week" in Leiden, and the crew went over at the invitation, and expense, of the Cambridge Week Committee. The Club's second shell eight, together with its oars, had been sent over the previous week. In spite of the short time the crew was over in Leiden it was a very enjoyable and worthwhile visit, and the crew was fortunate in the very friendly hospitality of the Leiden crew. Conditions were not such that the crew could have been expected to give of its best; but in fact it performed well. In the race, which took place on a canal over 2000 metres, "Njord" quickly gained a lead, and led by over $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths at 1000 metres. L.M.B.C. then started to come back, and pushing "Njord" very hard at the finish lost by only about $\frac{3}{4}$ length. After the race the "Njord" crew scratched from the Grand at Henley. They had previously entered in 1950 and 1951. L.M.B.C. flew back on the Tuesday morning, arriving at Henley by midday.

Henley

At Henley the crew had the good fortune to be coached again by Dr Owen, who had also accompanied the crew to Leiden. In the last three days before the regatta the boat began moving well, and there were satisfactory performances in practice.

The two fours appeared to be coping satisfactorily in practice; but it was no small disaster when both got defeated on the first day of the regatta. The Wyfold IV hit the boom decisively after fifteen strokes, and thereafter played no part in the race. The Visitors' IV did not have similar steering trouble, but were not as well together as they were in the eight.

The eight had a comfortable win over Lincoln, Oxford; and then corrected any false impressions that might have been left by the

Mays. Queens' were led by about $\frac{1}{2}$ length at the Barrier and thereafter held without much difficulty. Over most of the course Queens' were rating 36 to L.M.B.C.'s 33. The semi-final against Pembroke was generally regarded as the virtual final of the Ladies' Plate, and so it turned out to be. L.M.B.C. had a fair start, but at the first signal Pembroke were almost $\frac{2}{3}$ length ahead. At this point L.M.B.C. got into a stride and prevented them going further away. At Fawley Pembroke were back to a lead of $\frac{1}{2}$ length, and the struggle continued over the whole course. This was a race which, though lost, left no unpleasant memories, and it was some satisfaction to the crew to have established itself as the second fastest college crew at Henley. It was a thoroughly enjoyable Henley; and as usual the care and consideration with which Cecil and Mrs Butler looked after us contributed largely to this. It was only matched by that with which Don Strange had throughout the year looked after the Club's boats.

Crews: VIII, as for the Mays.

Visitors IV		Wyfold	
<i>Bow</i>	R. I. L. Howland	<i>Bow</i>	R. S. Jackson
2	R. H. T. Ward (<i>steerer</i>)	2	J. M. Andrews (<i>steerer</i>)
3	C. Vita-Finzi	3	I. L. Mackenzie
<i>Str.</i>	A. J. Forbes	<i>Str.</i>	K. W. Blyth

Results:

<i>Results:</i>	Time (min. sec.)				
	Station	Distance	Barrier	Fawley	Finish
	Ladies' Plate. <i>First round</i>				
Beat Lincoln College, Oxford	Berks	3 l.	1.58	3.19	6.54
	<i>Second round</i>				
Beat Queens' College, Cambridge	Berks	$\frac{3}{4}$ l.	1.59	3.20	6.56
	<i>Semi-final</i>				
Lost to Pembroke College, Cambridge	Bucks	$\frac{3}{4}$ l.	1.57	3.17	6.48
	Visitors' Cup. <i>First round</i>				
Lost to The Queen's College, Oxford	Berks	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ l.	2.14	3.43	7.43
	Wyfold Cup. <i>First round</i>				
Lost to Burton Leander	Bucks	Easily	2.17	3.51	7.58

Newquay

After Henley, members of the Club again went down to Cornwall to race in the pilot gigs at Newquay. The crew was unfortunately a light one, and the sea on the evening of the race unpleasantly rough. The result was that they were unable to repeat last year's perfor-

mance, and only on the last leg of the 5-mile course did they succeed in passing one of the other six boats. In spite of this not very impressive performance an enjoyable three days were spent there; it is widely hoped, however, that one year the Club will be able to send down a crew from its 1st VIII and for once defeat the local crews. The crew for the race was: R. H. C. Symon (*bow*), R. S. Jackson, G. M. Newbury, D. N. H. Greig, K. W. Blyth, J. M. Andrews (*str.*) and D. R. C. Kelly (*cox*). K.W.B.

THE LACROSSE CLUB

1955-6

Captain: B. E. REEVE.

THE Club had quite an enjoyable season, playing friendly matches against Christ's, King's and Jesus. In the six-a-side competition in the Michaelmas Term, the Club First team lost to a strong combined side (the eventual winners) and in the Cuppers in the Lent Term were beaten by Christ's in the final.

Half-blues: B. E. Reeve, P. W. Jackson.

Eagles (University Second team) *Colours:* H. H. Magnay, J. Tippet.

1956-7

Captain: P. W. JACKSON.

Membership of the Club has been rather on the low side this year and it is hoped that more support can be obtained from members of the College next year to keep the Club in full operation.

The Club possesses one Half-blue (P. W. Jackson) and two Eagles Colours (J. Tippet and R. Varley). J. Tippet played for the Varsity during the Michaelmas Term before being injured in a climbing accident during the Christmas vacation, and R. H. White and B. J. North have also played for the Eagles.

Unfortunately, we had to scratch from the Cuppers at the last minute, being unable to raise a team, because of injuries.

Other matches arranged included one against the University Ladies' team (played according to Ladies' Rules) and two with Christ's, which unfortunately Christ's were forced to cancel at the last minute.

Next year's captain: J. TIPPETT.

LAW SOCIETY

President: A. H. M. EVANS. *Secretary:* A. J. JACOVIDES.

Junior Treasurer: N. RECORDON.

THIS was another active year for the Society. The opening meeting was addressed by Professor S. J. Bailey who dealt with clarity and precision with the academic study of law. He considered its major objective to be not so much to give actual knowledge as to enable the student to develop individuality, to weigh evidence and distinguish matters of fact from matters of opinion. The second meeting, held in Dr Campbell's rooms at the invitation of the Medical Society, was interesting from more than one angle: a medical man, a lawyer and a priest put forward their respective points of view on the topic of euthanasia, and this stimulated an interesting discussion and exchange of views between the members of the two societies. The International Law moot was another innovation; said to be the first of its kind ever to be held in the University, it was judged by Mr Clive Parry (who set the problem) and Dr K. Lipstein (who delivered the judgment). P. N. Smith and M. Pritchard appeared for the appellants, C. J. Cartwright and J. Crabtree for the respondents.

At a joint meeting with the Trinity Law Society H.E. Sir Hersch Lauterpacht spoke about "Individuals as Subjects of International Law", with particular reference to a recent Advisory Opinion of the I.C.J., of which he is a distinguished member. He dealt with the subject in an admirably simple way.

The Society's Annual Dinner was a memorable occasion. It was held in the Wordsworth Room with J. Megaw, Esq., Q.C., C.B.E. as the Guest of Honour, after Dr Jackson had entertained to sherry those attending the event.

Two moots took place in the Lent Term. The first one, against the Gonville and Caius College Law Society, was argued before Mr Prichard, Mr Hall and Mr Sealey in the absence of Dr T. Ellis Lewis, who set the problem. It was ably argued by J. Northam and J. Jones on behalf of the Society. The other, against University College, London, was judged by Mr K. Scott, N. Recordon and Mr Simpson representing the Society. An opportunity was afforded to members of the Society to entertain the London visitors informally.

H. J. B. Cockshutt, Esq., Senior Partner, Gibson and Weldon, gave a very useful talk on "Professional Examinations".

Finally, Mr J. C. Hall gave a reception to enable members of the Society to meet the Rt. Hon. L. M. D. de Silva, Q.C., a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. This proved a most enjoyable occasion.

The membership of the Society was satisfactorily high; and it would be an omission not to express the sincerest thanks to Professor Bailey, Dr Jackson, Mr Scott and Mr Hall for their active support of the Society.

At a committee meeting A. J. JACOVIDES, A. J. HANSON, and M. NEWBURY were elected to serve as *President*, *Secretary* and *Junior Treasurer*, respectively, pending a proper election at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term.

LAWN TENNIS CLUB

1956

Captain: T. B. DUFF. *Secretary:* D. A. CLAYDON.

Third VI Secretary: M. F. JOHNSON.

THE Lawn Tennis Club once again enjoyed a successful season, both in friendly matches and in the spheres of more serious tennis. The Club won the singles Cuppers, ably represented by A. J. Clayton, S. S. Cohen and D. M. Eagles, and lost the doubles Cuppers to the eventual winners, Peterhouse, after a very close and exciting match. The leadership of the league was unfortunately lost for the first time for several years, in a close struggle with Caius, St John's finally having to be content with second place.

Friendly matches throughout the season were played in the spirit in which they should be. Matches against old rivals, Cambridge and County (lost 2-7), Old Uppinghamians (lost 3-6), St Thomas's Hospital (won 6-3), the M.A.'s (won 5-4), and the Bar Society (lost 4-5) were all enjoyed, and two fixtures not previously held in previous years, against Bedford County Juniors (won 7-2), and U.C.S. Old Boys (won 5-4) were welcomed.

The Second VI, promoted the year before from the third division to the second division, found the strain of being the only second team in the division too much, and were relegated once again. Friendly fixtures with the Leys School, Cambridge and County second team, and the "Cock and Hen" (C.U.C. and L.T.C.) club were also played.

The Third VI, playing in the fifth division of the league, was blessed, as is its wont, with variable teams, and did well to finish third in the division. The social engagements of this team, against Girton, Newnham, Homerton, and the B.B.C., afforded many members of the College pleasant distraction, and perhaps a little exercise, prior to the calls of the examiners.

During the season, First VI colours were awarded to J. P. Fawcett, P. W. Jackson and D. R. Knott. Second VI colours were awarded to D. R. Aubrey, G. D. Ingram, S. E. Odamtten and R. White.

1957

Captain: D. A. CLAYDON. *Secretary:* J. P. FAWCETT.

Third VI Secretary: P. ROUNTREE.

The 1957 season resulted in the regaining of the Doubles Cuppers lost the year before and the retaining of the Singles Cuppers' title. The presence of B. R. Hatton compensated for the loss of Steve Cohen from the team of the year before and with A. J. Clayton and D. M. Eagles still up, the College had an invincible singles Cuppers team. A change in the organization for the Doubles, the Cuppers team consisting of three pairs instead of one as previously, meant that D. M. Eagles and J. M. Lee, as second pair, and P. W. Jackson and D. R. Knott as third, appeared in the Cuppers team for the first time. In the singles final, Emmanuel was beaten 2-1, and in the doubles Caius by 2-0.

In the league, the First VI were again second to Caius, this time by the margin of three points. Easy victories over Emmanuel (won 12-3), Pembroke (won 10-5), Clare (won 13-2) and Trinity Hall (won 15-0), put the College in a strong position, but close matches with St Catharine's (won 8-7) and Caius (lost 7-8) resulted in defeat in the final total.

Friendly matches were arranged with the same clubs as the year before, but the deficiencies of the weather resulted in the cancellation of the matches with St Thomas's Hospital, the Bar Society, and Balliol College, Oxford. The other matches, against Cambridge and County (lost 2-7), Bedford County Juniors (won 6-3), U.C.S. Old Boys (lost 4-5), Old Uppinghamians (lost 1-7), M.A.'s (lost 2-7) and Guy's Hospital (lost 4-5), proved to be most friendly and enjoyable fixtures, although the calls of the Grasshoppers and the examiners weakened the team on some occasions.

The Second VI, playing in the third division, again experienced the difficulty of playing other college first teams, including one team containing the University No. 1 player. Bad defeats by Magdalene (lost 5-10), Downing (lost 3-12) and Fitzwilliam (lost 0-15) were compensated by victories over Caius II (won 15-0), Corpus (won 9-6) and Clare II (won 15-0), so that the Second VI ended the season by retaining its place in the third division.

The Third VI, playing in the fifth division, again put forward varied teams and met with mixed success. It provided, however, enjoyable tennis for those participating, if a harrowing time for those

required to find the requisite number of people to make a team. Social fixtures with Girton, Newnham and Homerton, the B.B.C. and Clare were again arranged and, it would appear, were distinctly successful. For one match, it may even be recorded that eight Johnians arrived to form the VI! The results of these matches, measured in games and sets, do not matter—indeed, they are not recorded!

B. R. Hatton and T. M. Lee were awarded First VI colours for their consistently high standard of play throughout the season, and D. Bartlett, N. F. Lowe, J. J. Jones and D. B. Payne were awarded Second VI colours. J. P. FAWCETT and T. M. LEE were elected *Captain* and *Secretary*, respectively, for the 1958 season. The Club would like to register its thanks to the President, Dr Glyn Daniel, for inviting it to a sherry party during the course of the term.

MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: MR LEE. *Senior Treasurer:* DR MARTIN. *Musical Director:* MR GUEST. *Librarian:* MR CROOK. *Junior Treasurer:* R. SAMUEL. *Secretary:* P. WILLIAMS. *Committee:* K. BOWEN, J. E. BISHOP, P. RECORDON, P. WHITE.

OWING to the customary inattention paid by members of the College to notice-boards, little support was forthcoming at the beginning of the year for the reforming of the College Orchestra and Chorus—a reforming found necessary partly through Dr Orr's leaving Cambridge. Any ensemble items in the year's concerts were due to individual arranging rather than to a communal organization of the College. However, both Chorus and Orchestra (the first by Ken Bowen, the second by Peter White) have been reorganized for the May Concert, and are well supported.

The concerts throughout the year have been, as usual, of large scope, varying from Elizabethan songs sung by Peter Boggis (counter-tenor) to pieces played by Mr Davies on his accordion, which fascinated the unfortunately small audience. The Combination Room Concert was noticeable for its inclusion of compositions by members of the College, as well as more usual works by Mozart and Telemann. This concert will also long be remembered for the last item, a "Musical Jest in the Form of the Finale to an Italian Opera", where Don Rogers's singing of the words "Con passione" is still ringing in the ears of at least one listener.

Another unusual concert was the one given mainly by senior members of the Musical Society: Mr Lee played some piano pieces of Bartók and Albeniz, Mr Davies his unforgettable accordion solos,

and Mr Crook Hindemith's Clarinet Sonata. Other performers during the year, conspicuous through their frequent appearance, were Richard Samuel, Piers Recordon, John Bishop and Peter White, while the somewhat novel guitar solos, played at different concerts by Don Rogers and Sidney Harland, also proved to be very popular.

The May Week Concert consisted of ensemble music—by the Orchestra ("Water Music"), Chorus ("Folk-song Suite"), Chapel Choir (part-songs), small orchestra ("The Carnival of Animals") and Vocal Quartet (from "Rigoletto"). Dr Hanson played, by way of contrast, Hindemith's "Trumpet Sonata". There was an unusually large number of requests for tickets this year, but it was to be regretted that neither the President (Mr Lee), nor the Musical Director (Mr Guest) was able to be present.

NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

President: THE MASTER.

Vice-Presidents: DR F. B. KIPPING, DR P. A. G. SCHAUER

MICHAELMAS TERM. *Chairman:* D. E. T. BIDGOOD.

Secretary: B. E. KERLY.

Treasurer: G. TURNER.

LENT TERM. *Chairman:* B. E. KERLY.

Secretary: G. TURNER.

Treasurer: R. F. GRIFFIN.

THIS year's meetings covered a wide range of topics with a pretty even balance between the mathematical and non-mathematical sciences. The guest speaker for the Michaelmas Term was Mr R. Le Maitre who described the recent survey of Gough Island in the South Atlantic by a party composed largely of Cambridge graduates. In the Lent Term Mr A. T. Welford was guest speaker and spoke on the subject "How do we spend our time". This talk attracted a large audience, it being one of the rare occasions that the relatively young science of Psychology has been expounded to the Club.

At the end of the Michaelmas Term there was a special meeting to bid farewell to Mr Martin Canny, a member of the Club who did much to revive it from the doldrums a few years ago. The meeting was very informal, each member present coming prepared to talk for a few minutes on some pet subject. It was not unlike the Exhibits meeting held as usual in the Lent Term save that for the latter each member talked for a short while on his exhibit. At both meetings drinks were available.

The Annual Dinner was on Saturday 6 May, in the Old Music Room.

Mr A. T. Welford has kindly consented to accept the two-year term of office as Vice-President of the Club. The officers for next term are:

Chairman: G. TURNER. *Secretary:* R. F. GRIFFIN. *Treasurer:* N. C. PEACOCK.

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

President: G. FRYER. *Senior Treasurer:* M. FARMER. *Secretary:* J. TIPPETT (T. P. WILLIAMS in Lent and Easter Terms). *Junior Treasurer:* C. VITA-FINZI.

MR FARMER was welcomed back by the Society at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term after a year in Ceylon, when he spoke about "Vegetable Civilizations". Of other meetings during this term one evening was devoted to short talks by members, and on another Professor N. J. G. Pounds of the University of Indiana gave an illustrated talk on the American Middle West. In the course of the term twenty members of the Society paid a visit to a steel works at Corby. A hockey match with Homerton proved a successful and enjoyable function.

Owing to an unfortunate mountaineering accident to Julian Tippet during the Christmas vacation, T. P. Williams was elected Secretary at the beginning of the Lent Term. During this term speakers were Dr Daniel on archaeology in France, Dr Carpio (of Caracas University, Venezuela) about Venezuela, and Dr Wood, who presented the results of some researches into the life of our patron, Samuel Purchas. At the Annual Dinner the principal guest was Professor Pounds, and as usual further light was thrown on the life and activities of Samuel Purchas.

At the Annual General Meeting J. TIPPETT was elected *President* for the coming year, and D. R. STODDART was elected *Secretary*.

An honourable draw resulted from a cricket match played by the Society against a Willows team.

RIFLE CLUB

THE College Club is now affiliated to the C.U. Rifle Association, and preserves its own identity only in the annual Inter-College Rifle Competition (the London-Scottish Cup), and the Inter-College Revolver shoot (the Waldegrave Cup).

As holders of the London-Scottish Cup, the College Rifle Club entered two teams of four in 1956, but despite fine shooting by A. R. Muirhead and G. J. K. Mackintosh, were narrowly beaten into second place by Trinity. They were also placed second in the Revolver Competition, although Mackintosh won the Victory Bowl as the best individual competitor.

This year the College again entered two teams for the London-Scottish Cup, but neither team offered a serious challenge to the winners, Trinity Hall. In the Revolver Competition Mackintosh, as captain of revolver shooting, retained the Victory Bowl, but the College team were again placed second after a close shoot with Queens'.

RUGBY FIVES CLUB

President: MR J. G. W. DAVIES. *Captain:* R. K. MACKENZIE-ROSS.

Secretary: G. C. WILLISHER.

ONCE again a comprehensive external fixture list had been arranged, although subsequently several matches were cancelled due to travelling difficulties of visiting teams. Those members who have represented the Club during the year have gained a great deal of experience from playing against a wide variety of opposition. This has ranged from fit schoolboys to rather less fit middle-aged gentlemen, the latter usually being the more difficult to beat. The reason for this is somewhat difficult to find, as it could not be because of the comparative fitness of members of the Club.

Of the matches that actually took place, six were won and six lost. The most notable result was a resounding win against the Oxford University Beavers, for the second year in succession. Two school sides, Oundle second four and Felsted, were also beaten, although the singles were lost in both cases.

There were no leagues this year, and Cuppers were held in the Michaelmas Term. In the second round we played Trinity Hall under rather unsuitable conditions, and narrowly lost. Open singles and doubles competitions were run by the University on a knock-out basis. In the singles C. J. Constable reached the semi-finals, and the doubles competition was won by G. C. Willsher, partnering F. F. R. Fisher (Trinity).

Individually, members of the Club have distinguished themselves in a variety of ways. G. C. Willsher gained the first Half-blue that a member of the Club has gained since 1952, and C. J. Constable was elected to the Sparrows, playing in the match against Oxford. Both R. K. Mackenzie-Ross and M. Sharman also played for the

Sparrows, so that the Club was suitably represented in the University teams. Individual performances in club matches varied considerably from one match to the next, due to the varying social activities of members of the Club.

Prospects for the coming season are none too bright, and could probably only be brightened by the advent of some useful freshmen. However, there are now about twelve members of the Club and several of these should be able to improve their standard sufficiently to represent the Club. Once again Mr J. G. W. Davies has kindly consented to continue as President for the coming season and to raise a side to play the Club.

The following officers were elected for the coming season:

Captain: G. C. WILLISHER. *Secretary:* F. D. JOHNSON.

SOCCER CLUB

1955-6

President: MR J. S. BOYS-SMITH. *Captain:* J. W. ROBERTSON.

Match Secretary: K. R. HEELEY. *Fixture Secretary:* D. J. SMITH.

UNDER the able captaincy of J. W. Robertson, the First XI enjoyed a satisfactory season, though showing a surprising lack of consistency. Although nine old colours were in residence at the start of the season, few freshmen of even average ability were found, the only freshman to gain his colours being F. Bateman, a very hard-working and industrious full-back who made up for his lack of polish and inches with his vigorous approach to the game. Once again in Cuppers the side flattered only to deceive, for having easily disposed of Peterhouse and King's they lost deservedly to Downing, the eventual cup-winners, after a game in which John's had most of the play and yet never appeared as dangerous in front of goal.

In addition to the First XI, the College ran two other sides, both of which acquitted themselves very ably; in fact, the highlight of the College's season was the Final of the Second Eleven Cuppers between John's B and C XI's, in which the C XI brought about a selectorial upset by playing much the better football and eventually winning a tense and fluctuating struggle 3-2.

A. J. Clayton and J. R. B. Meehan are to be congratulated on their selection for the Falcons against the Oxford Centaurs, and Meehan especially is to be sympathized with as he was most unlucky not to make the Blue side against Oxford; for having played in a number of games immediately before the Varsity match, he was cast aside without justification for a much lesser footballer.

1956-7

President: MR J. S. BOYS-SMITH. *Vice-President:* DR R. E. ROBINSON.
Captain: D. J. SMITH. *Match Secretary:* F. BATEMAN. *Fixture Secretary:* C. H. BEAUMONT.

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ONCE again, the College had a disappointing season on the whole, for, having swept all before them in the Michaelmas Term, they made an early exit from the Lent Term Cuppers, losing in the Preliminary round to Christ's who, however, were the eventual winners. It was a pity that the side was not able to produce the brand of football that carried them to the top of the league table, with the impressive record of played 9, won 9, drawn 0, lost 0, goals for 55, goals against 10, in Cuppers; this was due in no small measure to the indisposition of C. H. Beaumont and injuries to S. E. Odaritten and D. A. Spencer, none of whom was able to play against Christ's. The highlights of the whole year were the defeats of Christ's by 8-1 and Emmanuel 6-1 in the Michaelmas Term, the latter result being achieved in spite of our having to play with only nine men due to injuries throughout the second half. It would be invidious to single out any particular player, as each player performed to the limit of his ability, but mention must be made of the tremendous amount of work that F. Bateman got through as match secretary, especially during the Lent Term.

The B and C XI's again were a great success, and, though they did not repeat their performance of reaching the final of the Second Eleven Cuppers, they nevertheless managed to win their respective leagues during the first term; their success was due in no small measure to the driving and able captaincy of J. Crabtree and C. Sheffield, respectively.

D. A. Spencer is to be congratulated on his selection for the Falcons against the Oxford Centaurs, and the Club would like to extend a very warm welcome to Dr R. E. Robinson, who has very kindly consented to become Vice-President of the Club, and hope that his association with the Club will be a long and happy one.

SQUASH CLUB

THE 1956-7 squash season was very much less successful for St John's than it has been for several years. The influx of good freshmen last October was not sufficient to make up for the paucity of last year and our First Team was unable to maintain its second place in the first league ladder. It was relegated after the Michaelmas

Term. The Lent Term saw better form from the First Team, but it narrowly failed to regain a position in the first league. The Second and Third Teams continued their almost traditional erratic course with a tendency this year to fluctuate downwards.

The Club was very active socially and possibly showed itself more adept in this line. Our popular fixtures in Oxford with Balliol College were put off by the petrol rationing.

I. M. Spence was elected captain for the 1957-8 season and P. O. Brown, our most promising freshman, who already plays first string, was elected secretary.

College Chronicle

THE ADAMS SOCIETY

President: C. W. J. MCCALLIEN. *Vice-President:* H. T. CROFT.

Secretary: A. M. JUDD. *Treasurer:* P. V. LANDSHOFF.

The College Mathematical Society has had a very interesting, if quiet, year.

In the Michaelmas Term, Professor Mott spoke about 'The Present Position in Mathematical Physics', describing the flood of results which followed the introduction of wave and quantum mechanics by Heisenberg, Schrödinger and Dirac. Dr E. C. Zeeman considered 'What Algebra would be like if time were two-dimensional'. He explained the difficulties of memory or of a logical chain of events, but showed us how easy debating would be—one simply surrounds one's opponent with argument.

In the Lent Term, Dr F. Smithies took as his subject 'Distributions' and showed how some of the more dubious processes of mathematical physics could be made socially acceptable. Dr W. L. Smith described what happened 'When Peter played Paul', and showed that there could be some very strange results when two people gambled on the toss of a coin. Our last talk was given by Dr D. R. Taunt on 'Concrete Results from Abstract Algebra' which include the designs of wall-papers, bellringing, and the logical design of electric circuitry.

In the Lent Term the Seventh Triennial Dinner was held. The guests of honour were Professor A. S. Besicovitch and Professor Sir Harold Jeffreys, both of whom were retiring at the end of the year. Both entertained us with their reminiscences. Professor Jeffreys recalled the Cambridge Mathematics of the pre-1914 era, and Professor Besicovitch enlarged on the difficulties of the Tripos, telling of the questions that the examiners could not answer.

At the Annual General Meeting the following officers were appointed: *President:* A. M. Judd; *Vice-President:* P. V. Landshoff; *Secretary:* D. J. H. Garling; *Treasurer:* R. V. Jayson.

THE CHESS CLUB

Captain: J. J. BILLINGTON. *Secretary:* W. N. BRYANT.

As Cambridge and District League Champions great things were expected of the Club this season but these did not materialize. The First Team just managed to avoid relegation in the League and were

eliminated from the Cuppers in the Michaelmas Term. The Second Team, after winning their section, were placed third in the final pool.

Of a total of 28 games played 12 were won, 1 drawn and 15 lost.

First Team: P. R. Allen, P. K. Hawes, J. J. Billington, R. A. Pearson, F. W. Knight, W. N. Bryant, C. J. R. Lasper.

Second Team: J. Richards, M. E. Allen, B. Delargy, D. B. Pearson, R. Clarke.

At the Annual Chess Club Lunch held in the Easter Term the officers elected for next season (1958-59) were: *Captain:* P. K. Hawes; *Secretary:* M. E. Allen.

THE CRICKET CLUB

Potentially, at least, the 1958 eleven was the strongest for some years, but it was not until the final week that the real strength was realized, when we saw three magnificent century partnerships. There were nevertheless some fine individual performances in the earlier weeks. Against the Stoics, the scoreboard read at one stage 198 for one wicket, and this off an attack which included C. S. Smith. The Captain managed to combine his office with enhanced ability, and batted consistently well throughout, ably assisted by J. L. Ward, P. E. H. Palmer, and J. R. Bernard (until he moved on to Fenners). In P. L. Morris and R. J. Peberdy the side was endowed with a husky and well-maintained pace attack, and spin of varying descriptions was supplied by Messrs Barber, Barnes and Williams, supported by Ward and Bernard. Mention must also be made of M. Wilkins, a competent wicket-keeper who is not afraid to apply bat to ball, and who provided us all with much entertainment, both on and off the field.

The Second XI was led with great enthusiasm and efficiency by T. R. Davies, and emerged with a most satisfactory record. Good knocks came from J. M. B. E. Raven and A. H. Oberman in particular, but the results achieved were more the outcome of team efforts than of individual performances.

Most of those playing will be available next season, and this, together with the growing realization among the Freshmen that work need not always precede cricket, augurs well.

First XI: played 19, won 4, drawn 10, lost 5. Second XI: played 12, won 5, drawn 3, lost 4.

First XI: M. A. Hetherington (*Capt.*); D. A. R. Williams (*Hon. Sec.*); C. I. M. Jones; P. L. Morris; J. L. Ward; R. J. Peberdy; J. R. Bernard; R. B. Barnes; J. J. B. Rowe; P. E. H. Palmer; P. E. Barber; M. Wilkins.

Officers for 1959: *Captain,* R. J. Peberdy; *Hon. Sec.,* P. E. H. Palmer.

THE ETON FIVES CLUB

The year has been a successful one in every way for the Club. Membership has doubled and we can boast the distinction of having introduced at least four men to the game, as well as reviving old enthusiasms.

Richard Nelson-Jones won a Freshman's half-blue this year, while John Ward retained the place in the Varsity side which he earned last year. We offer them both our congratulations not only on their individual success but for their contribution also towards the success of the team which beat Oxford in the Lent Term. Sporting statisticians, of course, will delight in noting that Nelson-Jones provided one of those family links such as endeared this year's Blue Boat to their hearts, for his brother was captaining the defeated Oxford side.

Finally, we would wish the new secretary of the club, P. D. ~~X~~C Rogers, the best of luck in the coming season. Phil will not come 'green' to the trials of secretaryship, for it is to his drive and initiative, coupled with the efforts of Chris Thompson, that the club owes its remarkable resurgence over the past two years.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR A. M. P. BROOKES.

Captain: J. M. ANDREWS. *Vice-Captain:* C. VITA-FINZI.

Secretary: R. H. T. WARD. *Junior Treasurer:* R. I. L. HOWLAND.

This year the Club again missed ultimate success in several events very narrowly, and again the overall performance was an improvement on the previous year. In spite of disappointments, rowing with the Club is still very enjoyable, and as long as this continues to be so, its object is not lost.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1957

Like many others, the Light Four suffered greatly from the 'flu epidemic, and in all seven oarsmen were involved in rowing in the Four by the time the races arrived. In the circumstances, with two Freshmen rowing, one put in two days before the race, they did very well to reach the final against crews less badly afflicted. The crew was coached for the first fortnight by D. O'R. Dickey, and for the second by R. S. Emery.

The Clinker Four suffered less from illness than the other, the one member who fell ill returning in time for the races. The crew, though somewhat rough in practice, rowed extremely hard in the races and had established a good rhythm in rowing. They lost in the final to a very fast 1st and 3rd Trinity Four. They were coached throughout by J. M. Andrews.

Clinker IV

Bow R. S. Jackson
2 J. M. Dunn
3 S. J. Ross-Macdonald
Str. R. H. C. Symon
Cox G. L. Williams

Light IV

R. H. T. Ward (*steerer*)
P. W. Holmes
E. T. C. Johnstone
K. W. Blyth

Results

Light Four: Beat St Catharine's (scratched).
 Beat Emmanuel II by 12.2 sec. in 12 min. 2 sec.
 Beat First and Third Trinity II by 18.6 sec. in 11 min. 13 sec.
 Lost (final) Emmanuel.

Clinker Four: Beat Corpus by 10 sec. in 8 min. 15 sec.
 Beat St Catharine's II by 18 sec. in 8 min. 40 sec.
 Beat Clare by 21.8 sec. in 8 min. 57.7 sec.
 Lost (final) Trinity.

The Club had two entries for the Colquhoun Sculls, both uninvolved in the Four races.

Results

D. M. H. Greig lost to R. Pardie by 20 sec. in 8 min. 2 sec.
 D. Keens lost to M. Harrison by 4 sec. in 8 min. 4 sec.
 Both their opponents were from First and Third Trinity.
 In the final, R. D. Carver (1st and 3rd) beat R. Pardie.

The Club had again had good support from the Freshmen, and in the Fairbairns yet another crew was entered, making the L.M.B.C. entry up to eight. No other college had more than five crews in this event, and this year the Club had five crews finish in the First Division alone.

The 1st VIII, coached by Mr L. V. Bevan, went well in practice, but not on the day due to a lack of racing spirit. It was rather a disappointing row, lacking in drive, and no one was surprised when the results showed it to have gone down. In contrast the 2nd VIII had a remarkably good row with a rest in the middle due to a collision with Fitzwilliam. They were awarded 55 sec. for this, and finished only one second behind the 1st VIII when this was decided.

The 2nd VIII were awarded the 'Crockpots' for their performance in this event.

Results

1st VIII started 2nd, finished 6th; 2nd VIII started 23rd, finished 7th;
 3rd VIII started 32nd, finished 24th; 4th VIII started 35th, finished 27th;
 5th VIII started 36th, finished 34th; 6th VIII started 51st, finished 63rd;
 7th VIII started 58th, finished 41st; 8th VIII started 80th, finished 70th.

The crews were as follows:

Fairbairns

1st VIII	2nd VIII	3rd VIII
Bow R. S. Jackson	D. R. C. Kelly	J. K. Munro
2 R. H. C. Symon	W. S. Shand	M. G. Denning
3 F. P. T. Wiggins	J. R. B. Murray	P. I. Sygall
4 J. Parker	B. Taylor	K. A. Ryde
5 S. J. Ross-Macdonald	J. M. Dunn	A. D. Tombs-Thombs
6 P. W. Holmes	D. R. Muirhead	D. C. Dunn
7 R. I. L. Howland	E. T. C. Johnstone	J. A. Vincent
Str. J. M. Andrews	G. M. Newbury	D. J. Brewster
Cox. G. L. Williams	C. P. E. Sutton	A. Y. L. Lee

4th VIII

Bow P. E. Mizen
 2 J. F. A. Moore
 3 J. W. O. Cleave
 4 J. C. Rucklidge
 5 T. J. Blackwood-Murray
 6 C. D. Strong
 7 H. A. Shrimpton
 Str. D. D. S. Kater
 Cox I. S. Wordsworth

5th VIII

R. G. Guinness
 J. M. Scroggie
 R. G. Brindley
 P. J. Harbour
 C. J. Bell
 J. A. Walker
 I. M. Wright
 J. L. S. Maclay
 M. L. A. Andrews

6th VIII

F. C. Woodhouse
 D. W. H. Farmer
 D. J. C. Whitfield
 C. D. Robins
 C. Elliott
 M. J. S. Smith
 K. S. Ashton
 H. R. Quibell
 W. R. G. Arnold

7th VIII

Bow A. S. Durward
 2 R. C. Toase
 3 G. R. Brown
 4 J. R. Longbottom
 5 N. C. Page
 6 G. C. A. Talbot
 7 J. T. Spence
 Str. C. F. M. Cox
 Cox N. J. M. Abbott

8th VIII

W. Haigh
 F. R. Noble
 T. K. Tompson
 D. W. Gould
 D. M. Glover
 D. R. Brown
 P. M. Bareau
 B. C. Taylor
 J. A. H. Butters

In the Trial VIII's race at Ely on 7 December, R. H. T. Ward rowed at '6' in 'Spring', which lost to 'Draw' by 2 lengths.

LENT TERM 1958

Two VIII's came up early, before the beginning of term, coached by J. M. Andrews, and C. Vita-Finzi. These two boats became 1st and 2nd boats, the order being settled as quickly as possible. The 1st boat was coached throughout training by J. M. Andrews, A. J. Forbes, K. W. Blyth and Mr L. V. Bevan. As it progressed in the early stages, it became clear that the boat had a great potentiality. It became beautifully drilled and had a good rhythm when paddling but there seemed to be a loss of application when the crew tried to row. During the last two weeks before the races the crew seemed to vary in proficiency when rowing more than is usually expected. All the same it was a great disappointment to its coaches and supporters when it did not improve upon its position. A series of minor mishaps and the sudden illness of one member might have contributed largely to this.

All the other boats of the Club progressed reasonably smoothly in training, and their record in the Bumps certainly points to this. All the Club's boats went up except the 1st, and the one bump which was made against an L.M.B.C. crew was made by another Lady Margaret boat, the 6th bumping the 5th on the second night, to the joy of *The Times* reporter, who thus found something to write about. He might have provided much more interesting reading had he watched the 4th boat which bumped up to sandwich boat and nearly made a double overbump on the last night. The embarrassing 6th boat made an overbump the first night.

On the first night the 1st boat had a disappointingly slow row over, undoubtedly handicapped by the fact that 5's seat had jammed shortly after the start. The next night saw a much better row as far as Ditton where they closed on 1st and 3rd, but they fell back in the Long Reach. Bow was then ill, and pronounced unfit to row next day. R. I. L. Howland, who had been rowing in the Goldie boat, was brought into the crew and rowed very creditably for the last two nights, which saw no alteration in L.M.B.C.'s position.

Crews and results:

1st VIII: J. R. Owen (*bow*), J. Parker, F. P. T. Wiggins, P. W. Holmes, R. H. T. Ward, D. R. Muirhead, E. T. C. Johnstone, R. H. C. Symon (*str.*), C. P. E. Sutton (*cox*). Rowed over all four nights.

2nd VIII: R. S. Jackson (*bow*), W. S. Shand, H. A. Shrimpton, B. Taylor, J. M. Dunn, D. N. H. Greig, J. R. B. Murray, G. M. Newbury (*str.*), G. L. Williams (*cox*). Bumped Selwyn I, Downing I.

3rd VIII: J. K. Munro (*bow*), J. L. S. Maclay, J. A. Vincent, D. J. Brewster, P. I. Sygall, D. C. Dunn, D. W. H. Farmer, D. R. C. Kelly (*str.*), A. Y. L. Lee (*cox*). Bumped Corpus II, Trinity Hall III.

4th VIII: W. Haigh (*bow*), A. J. Roskell, R. G. Guinness, R. G. Brindley, I. M. Wright, J. A. Walker, P. E. Mizen, P. J. Harbour (*str.*), I. S. Wordsworth (*cox*). Bumped Caius III, Clare III, Queens' III.

5th VIII: F. C. Woodhouse (*bow*), J. F. A. Moore, D. J. C. Whitfield, J. C. Rucklidge, C. J. Bell, C. Morgan, T. J. Blackwood-Murray, C. D. Strong (*str.*), N. J. M. Abbott (*cox*). Bumped by L.M.B.C. VI.

6th VIII (*Zeta*): J. T. Spence (*bow*), A. G. Schroeder, K. A. Ryde, J. S. H. Sanderson, M. R. Ayers, M. G. Denning, N. C. Peacock, J. M. Aitken (*str.*), W. R. G. Arnold (*cox*). Overbumped Trinity Hall IV; bumped L.M.B.C. V, Caius III, Clare III.

7th VIII: G. A. W. Murray (*bow*), R. A. Jones, J. D. Trubshaw, G. J. Yeomans, I. S. Borthwick, D. W. Gould, T. K. Thompson, F. R. Noble (*str.*), M. E. Manasse (*cox*). Bumped Fitzwilliam III.

In the Foster-Fairbairn Pairs, R. I. L. Howland and C. Vita-Finzi were beaten by J. Carver and B. Thomson-McCausland (1st and 3rd), the eventual winners, by 18 sec.

PUTNEY 1958

No crews were entered at Reading this year, but two went to the Putney Head of the River Race, one L.M.B.C. and, since we did not want to lose the position on the River, one from Lady Somerset. This was a composite crew of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Lent boat oarsmen, making it very easy to avoid dubbing a crew L.M.B.C. II. After ten days or so on the Cam, the two crews moved down to Putney for a week's practice on the Tideway, enjoying yet again the hospitality of Thames Rowing Club. At Putney R. S. Emery coached L.M.B.C. and I. L. Mackenzie coached Lady Somerset. Conditions throughout were very good.

On the day the 1st VIII, starting 13th, hotly pursued Pembroke, just in front, and were in turn pursued just as hard by Jesus, who started only a few seconds behind. After a very spirited and intense row, the 1st VIII overtook Pembroke and London University, but were just overtaken by Jesus. Lady Somerset did not fare so well.

Crews and results:

L.M.B.C.	Lady Somerset
Bow J. R. Owen	J. K. Munro
2 J. Parker	G. M. Newbury
3 E. T. C. Johnstone	H. A. C. Shrimpton
4 D. R. Muirhead	D. C. Dunn
5 R. H. T. Ward	D. N. H. Greig
6 K. W. Blyth	P. W. Holmes
7 F. P. T. Wiggins	J. R. B. Murray
Str. J. M. Andrews	R. H. C. Symon
Cox C. P. E. Sutton	A. Y. L. Lee
Started: 13th	Started: 37th
Finished: 8th	Finished: 55th

C. Vita-Finzi rowed in the Goldie boat, which came 6th.

R. I. L. Howland rowed as spare man for the Blue Boat in their final course trial when P. D. Rickett was ill. Rickett returned in time to row in the Boat Race.

MAY TERM 1958

There were no entries from the Club for the Magdalene Pairs. In the Lowe Double Sculls, E. T. C. Johnstone and J. Parker were beaten by 20 sec. in the first round. In the final, Pardie and R. D. Carver won.

The 1st VIII was coached by David Webster, David Macklin, Tim Denby and Dick Emery. This year there were considerably more problems in selection and it was three weeks before the crew was finally settled. This also had a retarding effect on the second boat, and probably accounted for the odd irregularities in the 1st VIII later. This year, however, it could not be argued that the boat was not fit, as not only were exercises done before every outing, circuit training performed before breakfast during strict training, but the crew also gave up paddling light completely for the last three weeks!

The Mays again provided extremely exciting racing, the pattern being very similar to last year. On the first night, the 1st VIII allowed the reputedly very fast Emmanuel eight, with four Trial caps and a Blue, to close to $\frac{1}{2}$ a length on Ditton and then rowed away from them down Long Reach, finishing well outside distance. Pembroke, in front, bumped Queens' at the Glasshouses. The next night Queens' were bumped very quickly on Grassy. It was the third night on which the 1st VIII so narrowly missed success; while closing fast on Pembroke through the Railway Bridge, the stroke side oars touched the bank which juts out just beyond it. Inches separated the crews at the time; some observers claimed them to be actually overlapping. The 1st VIII

recovered quickly but the moment had passed, and Pembroke were pursued from a canvas' distance to the finish. The next, and final night, they were pursued by 1st and 3rd Trinity, who had bumped Emmanuel. Up to Ditton there was little change, but down Long Reach the crews closed on one another very rapidly, Pembroke on Jesus, L.M.B.C. on Pembroke, and 1st and 3rd on L.M.B.C. Half-way down the Reach, 1st and 3rd were very close and the 1st VIII made an effort to catch Pembroke. Coming past the Glasshouses very little separated the crews, and Trinity made their bumping ten. A desperate spurt by the 1st VIII brought Pembroke within a canvas, and for a moment all was held in the balance. Then Trinity's spurt proved too much, and the 1st VIII was bumped—not ingloriously—at the Bridge.

The 2nd VIII also proved to be a fast boat, coached by R. G. Fleming, J. M. King, Mr L. V. Bevan, and I. L. Mackenzie. They were a heavy crew, and looked somewhat clumsy, but all worked extremely hard, and the boat moved only a few seconds slower than the first at times. They did not have to go very far to make their three bumps and on the last night were very close to getting their oars when the crew in front made a bump. The 3rd VIII was up to standard and the result is perhaps a bit misleading as they were in a high position to start with.

The 4th VIII suffered from only being a four-day-a-week boat, for the first time for some years, and even though they did go out for the full week before the races, it is perhaps significant that, due to pressure of work, fewer and fewer people are able to row full time. Consequently they were unable to withstand the challenge of better drilled and fitter crews. The 5th VIII was one of the more successful lower boats, containing some experienced oarsmen who had at one time rowed the full quota of six days a week. The 6th VIII, a 'Medics' crew, had many previously successful oarsmen in it, but after their first night effort of getting an overbump, they were forced to row further over the course and, being unfit, fell twice. The 7th VIII deservedly got its oars and so separated itself from the once clinging 8th VIII, which so often caught crabs and went heavily down. The 9th and 10th VIII's had a mixed record although they were better than the records suggest.

An 11th and a 12th VIII were entered for the getting-on race, competing for one place. Neither got on, but this is the first time any club has had twelve boats rowing before the Mays. After the Getting-on Race the then 11th VIII challenged the 10th VIII and beat it, so rowing as 10th VIII in the Mays.

Results

1st VIII started 4th, finished 4th; bumped Queens'; bumped by 1st and 3rd.

2nd VIII started 15th, finished 12th; bumped Selwyn I, Peterhouse I, Trinity II.

3rd VIII started 26th, finished 26th; bumped Clare II; bumped by Pembroke II.

4th VIII started 37th, finished 41st; bumped by Downing II, Caius II, Jesus IV, King's II.

5th VIII started 55th, finished 53rd; bumped Selwyn III, Sidney Sussex II.

6th (Medics) VIII started 63rd, finished 62nd; overbumped Peterhouse III; bumped by Clare IV, Trinity VI.

7th VIII started 76th, finished 72nd; bumped Corpus Christi III, Caius IV, Peterhouse IV, St Catharine's IV.

8th VIII started 77th, finished 80th; bumped by King's IV, Emmanuel V, Caius V.

9th VIII started 89th, finished 93rd; bumped by Trinity VII, Pembroke V, Magdalene V, Christ's V.

10th VIII started 108th, finished 107th; bumped Trinity IV, Fitzwilliam III; bumped by Queens' VIII.

Crews:

1st VIII			2nd VIII			3rd VIII		
Bow	J. R. Owen		R. S. Jackson			J. K. Munro		
2	J. Parker		B. Taylor			J. M. Scroggie		
3	E. T. C. Johnstone		D. N. H. Greig	-		D. W. H. Farmer		
4	R. H. T. Ward		D. C. Dunn			D. J. Brewster		
5	C. Vita-Finzi		J. M. Dunn			H. A. Shrimpton		
6	R. I. L. Howland		D. R. Muirhead			C. D. Strong		
7	F. P. T. Wiggins		J. R. B. Murray			D. R. C. Kelly		
Str.	J. M. Andrews		P. W. Holmes			G. M. Newbury		
Cox	C. P. E. Sutton		A. Y. L. Lee			I. S. Wordsworth		
4th VIII			5th VIII			6th VIII		
Bow	R. Guinness		G. R. Brown			J. J. Cogswell		
2	P. Reid	-	B. Jeffrey			J. E. L. Sales		
3	P. Mizen		D. Keens			W. J. Norman		
4	J. Roskell	-	J. C. Rucklidge			W. S. Shand		
5	R. Brindley		M. R. Ayers	-		I. Campbell		
6	J. Walker		P. I. Sygall			R. F. E. Axford		
7	I. Wright		J. T. Spence			I. L. Mackenzie		
Str.	P. Harbour		G. C. A. Talbot			H. R. Quibell		
Cox	N. J. M. Abbott		G. L. Williams			M. G. Glasspool		
7th VIII			8th VIII			9th VIII		
Bow	G. A. W. Murray	-	Z. G. K-Lahka			A. Lamb		
2	D. M. Glover	✓	J. Howell			G. J. Yeomans		
3	J. D. Trubshaw	-	H. Hope Johnson			G. F. Woodruffe		o
4	R. A. Jones		A. J. F. Webster			B. J. Webber		
5	D. J. C. Whitfield	✓	J. R. Lancaster			J. M. Virgoe		
6	J. F. A. Moore		J. L. S. Maclay			G. R. Jillings		
7	N. C. F. Evans		T. J. Blackwood-Murray			D. Buchan		
Str.	F. R. Noble		D. D. S. Kater			P. O. Brown		
Cox	J. A. H. Butters		M. L. A. Andrews			M. E. Manasse		
10th VIII			11th VIII			12th VIII		
Bow	J. E. Filer	-	4 J. M. Tarrant			7 J. J. Billington		
2	H. R. J. Hoare		5 D. T. Gibbons			Str. A. P. L. Cox		
3	D. W. Gould	κ	6 J. R. Wandless			Cox W. M. Bray		

A.R.A. NATIONAL TRIALS

The week after the Mays the 1st VIII was entered for the Trials for the Empire Games over a 2000 metre course at Henley. Accordingly the crew assembled at Henley on the Tuesday after the Mays. In the first race they were drawn against the R.A.F. Benson crew who had won the sprints at Amsterdam. Starting at the end of the island the crews were level at the Barrier, but here L.M.B.C. got into a good stride and began to pull away. At Fawley they led by half a length and went on to win by $\frac{3}{4}$ length. The next day the 1st VIII had to contend with Thames R.C. who were improving rapidly. They took the lead at the start, catching L.M.B.C. napping, and held that to the finish, only going away a little more to win by a length. In the final Thames beat 1st and 3rd Trinity by a canvas. L.M.B.C. were coached by R. S. Emery for this event.

MARLOW REGATTA 1958

Three crews were entered for this Regatta, in the Grand Challenge, the Marlow VIII's and Junior VIII's. The crews were the same as for the Mays save for one change in the 3rd VIII, which was in the Junior VIII's. The 1st VIII was originally drawn against Thames and Trinity, but these two eventually retired and after several combinations proposed by the Regatta Committee, they rowed Jesus and London R.C. The race was an utter shambles due to the usual trouble at this regatta, that of crews fouling one another. The 1st VIII were on the centre station, to which the cox adhered firmly, never getting off station throughout the race. Almost immediately after the start Jesus came across and fouled bow side oars. This unsettled the crew, who were just settling down to a stride at the time, and, when Jesus cleared, took some time to settle again. Hardly had a minute passed, when they were overtaking London, this crew also moved out of their water and fouled L.M.B.C. stroke side oars, continuing to chivvy the 1st VIII to the finish, when they drew clear. Jesus won by a length, with London $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths behind L.M.B.C. In the final, Australia beat Jesus by $\frac{1}{2}$ a length.

The 2nd VIII did extremely well to reach the final of the Marlow VIII's, beating Pembroke *en route*. They did suffer a little from May Week, their first row being the best, and the others getting slightly worse. Nevertheless this is not to minimize their performance, which was excellent in the circumstances. They were coached at Marlow by J. F. Hall-Craggs.

The 3rd VIII, drawn against Thames R.C. and Monckton Combe School, were also somewhat upset by a collision. They had settled down to a good stride and were progressing well when there was a foul and Thames were disqualified. The two remaining crews were restarted half-way along the course, and Monckton won by $\frac{1}{2}$ a length. Had they

not had this interruption, the result might have been different. They were coached by R. H. C. Symon.

Crews: As for the Mays except that R. Brindley replaces H. A. C. Shrimpton at '5' in the 3rd boat.

Results

Grand Challenge:

Lost to Jesus by 1 length, beating London R.C. by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths.

Marlow VIII's:

1st round beat 1st and 3rd Trinity and Bedford Modern School by 1 length.

2nd round beat Pembroke, Cambridge, and Bedford School by $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Final lost to Thames R.C. and Christ's, Cambridge, by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Junior VIII's:

Lost to Monckton Combe School by $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA 1958

Once again the 1st VIII and the Fours were coached by Dr Owen, who put the crew through an intense revision course, as it had been rowing in races every week for three weeks and was in dire need of personal coaching. Dr Owen did this most ably, as ever, and under his tuition the crew came up to a peak very nicely for the first race. The Fours also progressed well in practice, and hopes were high of bringing home at least one event this time. The 2nd VIII was coached by A. T. Denby, also very ably, and steadily improved its form.

On the first day L.M.B.C. had four victories, for the first time in many years. The 1st VIII, in the Ladies Plate, defeated 1st and 3rd Trinity in a strongly strode-out race by 2 lengths, thus avenging the Mays. The 2nd VIII beat Nottingham University by $1\frac{1}{3}$ lengths, and the two Fours both had comfortable wins. The next day, however, was not nearly so successful. The 1st VIII was slightly surprised when it did not lead Christchurch, Oxford, by more than $\frac{1}{2}$ a length at the Barrier. This caused the crew to lose its effective stride, and at Fawley the crews were level. Despite repeated attacks Christchurch could not be held, and though everyone rowed their hardest, the Oxford crew won by $\frac{1}{2}$ a length. It was not a disgrace, since they lost to Jesus by only $\frac{1}{4}$ of a length in the final. The 2nd VIII allowed Queen's University, Belfast, to get too far ahead over the middle of the course, and despite a very spirited take-in, when the rating jumped from 31 to 37, they had too great a distance to catch up, and lost by $\frac{2}{3}$ of a length. Both Fours again won, the Visitors Four comfortably and the Wyfold Four reasonably so, judging by the low rating while leading by a length!

On the Friday the Wyfold Four lost to the eventual winners, Burton Leander, in a good race. The Visitors Four had the misfortune to strike

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the booms while in a strong position early on in the race, and were too long disentangling themselves to make up the deficit on Keble, Oxford, who won the final of the event comfortably.

Crews: VIII's as for the Mays.

Visitors Four

Bow F. P. T. Wiggins (*steerer*)
2 J. M. Andrews
3 C. Vita-Finzi
Str. R. I. L. Howland

Wyfold Four

J. R. Owen (*steerer*)
J. Parker
E. T. C. Johnstone
R. H. T. Ward

Results

Ladies Plate:

1st round beat 1st and 3rd Trinity by 2 lengths in 7 min. 10 sec.
2nd round lost to Christchurch, Oxford, by $\frac{1}{2}$ length in 7 min. 4 sec.

Thames Cup:

1st round beat Nottingham University by $1\frac{3}{4}$ lengths in 7 min. 12 sec.
2nd round lost to Queen's University, Belfast, by $\frac{3}{4}$ length in 7 min. 8 sec.

Visitors Cup:

1st round beat Oriel College, Oxford, easily in 8 min. 15 sec.
2nd round beat Brasenose, Oxford, by 4 lengths in 7 min. 57 sec.
Semi-final lost to Keble, Oxford, easily in 7 min. 45 sec.

Wyfold Fours:

1st round beat Gladstone R.C. by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 8 min. 5 sec.
2nd round beat St Catharine's, Cambridge, by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 7 min. 46 sec.
Semi-final lost to Burton Leander by 2 lengths in 7 min. 26 sec.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: A. J. JACOVIDES. *Secretary:* A. J. HANSON.

Junior Treasurer: G. M. NEWBURY.

The year has been conspicuous both for the frequency and quality of the meetings. The opening meeting, attended by some forty members, was addressed by Professor Freund, the visiting American Professor from Harvard, who illustrated the subject of regional resistance to the Supreme Court by topical reference to legal issues arising from the 'Little Rock' disturbances over segregation policies. 'Local Government with the Lid Off' was the subject of a frank and forthright address given by Mr A. H. I. Swift, an Old Johnian and the present Town Clerk of Cambridge. A 'panel' consisting of two distinguished members of different branches of the legal profession, J. Megaw, Esq., Q.C., O.B.E., and Mr Bonsall answered a large number of questions put by members of the Society. The meeting proved to be as successful as it was novel. In the Lent Term the now customary joint-meeting

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with the Medical and Theological Societies took place. A stimulating discussion concerning the Wolfenden Report and A.I.D. was led by Mr Bezzant, Mr Hall, The Chaplain and Dr Campbell and continued into the early hours. In June the Society was honoured by a visit of the Rt Hon. L. M. D. de Silva, a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council; the opportunity of meeting this distinguished gentleman informally was taken by many.

Eight members have mooted for the Society during the year. For the first moot judged by Mr Hall, Mr Scott and Mr Griffith, we did not have outside opponents. A. J. Jacovides and T. S. Legg appeared for the appellants and R. J. Eaglen and D. A. Goulden for the respondents. A moot against University College, London, was judged by Mr Brevezer: M. Pritchard and J. Lewis appeared for the Society. Against Jesus College, C. H. C. Scott and C. P. Lim appeared before a Court of Appeal consisting of Dr Glanville-Williams, A. J. Jacovides and P. Prior.

The Society was fortunate to have Sir Arnold McNair as the Guest of Honour at the Annual Dinner. We were pleased to have among us also Mr Hall, Dr Jackson and Mr Scott. The Society is most grateful to them for their unfailing support of its activities.

G. M. Newbury was elected to serve as President for 1958-9, P. J. Clarke as Secretary and C. J. F. Turner as Junior Treasurer.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Captain: J. P. FAWCETT. *Hon. Sec.:* T. M. L. LEE.

This season was noted for a very creditable performance in both the Singles and Doubles Cuppers, and at the same time for a very disappointing display in the College League.

In the Cuppers, we lost at singles to Emmanuel in the semi-finals and again to Emmanuel in the finals of the doubles. This was a very fine performance indeed, and we only lost to a very good side, which eventually won both the Cuppers events and also topped the College League.

However, our play in the College League was extremely disappointing as some of our players realized their true potential too late. The third pair in particular failed to win a match despite some experimenting, and the third pair is usually the key to success in College League tennis. In the league we also missed the services of B. R. Hatton who was called away for higher duties, and who eventually got his Blue. We offer him our congratulations. His absence made all the difference. As a result of our indifferent performance we finished second last, one point behind Caius and St Catharine's, and have been relegated to the Second Division.

Our 2nd and 3rd teams also fared badly—the 2nd team being relegated as well.

1st VI colours were reawarded to: B. R. Hatton, T. M. L. Lee; and awarded to: A. Y. L. Lee, R. H. White, I. T. Jones.

2nd VI colours were reawarded to: N. F. Lowe, K. M. Mangaldas; and awarded to: C. D. R. Bovell, J. G. Clarke, J. F. Clegg, S. D. Mayes, M. R. Pemberton, J. M. Flackett, G. J. Korbel.

The new officers for 1959 will be: *Captain*, T. M. L. Lee; *Hon. Sec.*, A. Y. L. Lee.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: MR LEE. *Senior Treasurer*: MR THISTLETHWAITE. *Musical Director*: MR GUEST. *Librarian*: MR CROOK. *Junior Treasurer*: P. G. WHITE. *Hon. Secretary*: D. W. GOULD. *Committee*: D. S. JONES, J. D. HARVEY, J. L. O'KILL, P. F. WILLIAMS.

The first concert of the year was notable for a fine performance by Kenneth Elliott of Brahms' Variations and Fugue on a Theme of Handel. Apart from its technical competence the general interpretation was of a high order. The opening item of the concert was an arrangement of Wagner's Overture *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* for eight hands and two pianos.

The Freshmen's concert in November was opened by an ensemble not heard in a smoking concert for some considerable time—a consort of three recorders which rendered works by Purcell, Morley and Handel. The new talent which had arrived in the College was soon apparent in the singing of Christopher Bevan and in the instrumental playing of Jonathan Harvey (cello) and Martin Manasse (oboe). The concert concluded with early seventeenth-century songs for male voice trio sung by the other three Freshmen choral scholars seated round a table with lights dimmed, which gave a most appropriate homely and almost Tudor atmosphere in keeping with the spirit of the songs.

The highlights of the Combination Room Concert in November were the exquisite performance of five anonymous polyphonic part-songs from the early Scottish song-literature (edited by Kenneth Elliott from the original manuscripts as part of his research work in connexion with *Musica Britannica*), and a sonata for pianoforte composed and played by Peter Nash.

Further variety in smoking concerts was afforded by the Fauré Quartet in E minor played by the Harvey Quartet, Beethoven's Duo in B flat for Clarinet and Bassoon played by Mr Crook and Dr Brindley, and three works of Satie played by Mr Davies on his piano-accordion.

The May Week Concert always represents the apex of the activities of the College Musical Society. This year the orchestra conducted by Jonathan Harvey played the Hungarian March from Berlioz' *Damnation of Faust* and William Alwyn's Suite of Scottish Dances, and the Chapel Choir sang modern part-songs: Copland's *I Bought Me a Cat* and four Slovak folk-songs set by Bartók. Other items were Mozart's Piano Quartet with Peter Williams at the piano, and a very creditable per-

formance of Thomas Wood's *Daniel and the Lions* under the baton of John O'Kill with the College Chorus and the senior committee members of the Music Society giving a masterly demonstration of their diversity of talent and extreme versatility in all the departments of a large percussion battery. For the first time the College Boat Song sung by the First May Boat was accompanied by an ensemble consisting of violin, oboe, trombone and accordion, all played by members of the First May Boat.

It is a matter for regret that it seems to have become traditional for some members of the College not to give priority to their own College musical activities. Quite frequently in the experience of the contributor of these notes, vocalists and instrumentalists in the College have been asked for their services in a College concert only to reply that they are already engaged in another college concert. The results of this are in the first place a chaotic borrowing and lending of performers by all the colleges so that in the end no one college has a right to append its name to an orchestra or chorus, and secondly a lowering of musical standards and a lessening of opportunities for greater ambitiousness and enterprise to be shown in the choice of works for performance at concerts. It is to be hoped that in future members of the College, and particularly Freshmen coming up in the Michaelmas Term, will give pride of place to the musical activities of their own College.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Vice-Presidents*: DR P. A. G. SCHEUER, MR A. T. WELFORD. Michaelmas Term, *Chairman*: G. TURNER; *Secretary*: R. F. GRIFFIN; *Treasurer*: N. C. PEACOCK. Lent Term, *Chairman*: R. F. GRIFFIN; *Secretary*: J. C. RUCKLIDGE; *Treasurer*: C. F. J. HARMER.

The avowed object of the Club is to 'broaden the scientific mind in an age of ever-increasing specialization', and as the members themselves speak in turn at the weekly meetings, and interpret Natural Science in a manner sufficiently liberal to include any conceivable subject, this object is invariably achieved. In the Michaelmas Term the guest speaker was Mr M. H. I. Baird, who spoke on 'Surface Activity', while in the Lent Term Dr J. R. Shakeshaft initiated a discussion upon 'Social Responsibilities of the Scientist'. This innovation was remarkably successful, and further discussion evenings are contemplated. The final meeting of the Lent Term was the annual Exhibits meeting, at which the scientific mind was still further broadened by the customary ethanolic lubrication.

THE PURCHAS SOCIETY

Though somewhat depleted in numbers this year, the Society under the presidency of J. Tippet has continued to minister to the needs of Johnian geographers, archaeologists and anthropologists (though the

latter continue to be conspicuous by their absence), and has been rewarded by inclusion in the British Association List of Learned Societies and also in a further list prepared by the Bird Room of the British Museum. Distinguished speakers who have addressed the Society include Mr C. T. Smith on Peru, Dr Bushnell on Ecuador and Dr St Joseph on air photography, while Professor Leslie Banks was guest at the Annual Dinner. The Society congratulated both itself and Dr Wise upon the succession of the latter to one of the many chairs of geography in the University of London (Dr Wise being our Honorary Procurator Fiscal). Mr Farmer continues to develop his acquaintance with Samuel Purchas in the tower of the University Library.

At the Annual General Meeting, D. R. Stoddart was elected President, J. D. Trubshaw Secretary for 1958-9. Undaunted by rumours of a flood of Freshmen geographers next year, the Society looks forward to greater things forthwith.

THE COLLEGE RUGBY FIVES CLUB

President: J. G. W. DAVIES, O.B.E., M.C. 1957-8 *Captain:* G. C. WILLsher.
Secretary: F. D. JOHNSON. 1958-9 *Captain:* F. D. JOHNSON. *Secretary:*
A. SCHROEDER.

This year we managed to produce a Fives Club with the largest membership in the University. Unfortunately, numbers did not produce quality and the Club had to rely on four members for most of its matches.

The team was built around Geoff Willsher who, besides playing for the University for the last two years, has been our main source of strength, and it was mainly through his individual ability that we were able to hold our own in the matches.

We are the only College which has a regular outside fixture-list—and this year we had many enjoyable fixtures, even if the result was not always favourable. If we are to maintain our fixtures in the future we must have a good solid nucleus of fives players, and let us hope this will be achieved by the arrival of some good Freshmen in the coming season 1958-9.

The team this year was composed of Geoff Willsher (who will be with us for part of next year, before teaching duties carry him further afield), the unpredictable Michael Sharman, Alan Schroeder, and David Johnson. The latter two should be available for the coming year when we look forward to another enjoyable season, and hope to give better account of ourselves in the Fives Cuppers Competition, in which we reached the second round this year.

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President: A. M. JUDD. *Vice-President:* P. V. LANDSHOFF
Secretary: D. J. H. GARLING. *Treasurer:* R. V. JAYSON

The College Mathematical Society has had a very interesting year.

In the Michaelmas Term, Professor Hoyle spoke about 'Cosmic Sources of Radio Waves', describing the various sources and types of waves arising from them. He then gave one possible explanation of how and why they arise. Dr R. Penrose took as his subject 'Conic Cubes' and showed us that practically all properties of conics are special cases of a general theorem that he proved to us. The last talk of the term was given by Mr J. R. Bamborough who considered 'The Mathematical Ideal in Philosophy' finally leading us to the conclusion that there are many philosophical problems that cannot be treated in a quasi-mathematical way, so that the search for a Mathematical Ideal is doomed to failure.

In the Lent Term, our first speaker was Dr E. H. Linfoot whose subject was 'Information Theory'. He developed the subject and finished by giving an example of its use in the study of Optical Images. Dr M. V. Wilkes who told us about 'The Work of the Mathematical Laboratory', gave us a brief history of the University's interest in computing machines and then explained to us the uses that computers can be put to. The final meeting of the year was addressed by Mr A. E. Ingham, who examined the results obtainable from 'The Arithmetico-Geometric Mean'. He justified the study of this subject by the forceful argument that it had once proved useful in a Tripos problem.

In the Easter Term the Eighth Triennial dinner was held. The guests of honour were Mr E. Cunningham and Mr F. P. White. Both of them entertained us with their reminiscences. Mr Cunningham recalled senior members he had known, during his time in the college, including those present senior members who had attended his lectures. Mr White told us about college societies which had existed in the past.

At the Annual General Meeting the following officers were appointed: *President:* D. J. H. Garling; *Vice-President:* R. V. Jayson; *Secretary:* D. E. Wallwork; *Treasurer:* D. I. Olive.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

President: MR G. H. GUEST. *Fixture Sec.:* J. M. KING
Captain: W. A. KARWOWSKI. *Match Sec.:* E. E. GAVIN

The first team has done surprisingly and unexpectedly well in the past season. There was no lack of talent both old and new. All members of the previous year's team were up, even if they were not always available for selection. In addition some excellent new material entered the club, more notably M. A. J. Ryan and P. H. Gammon. The former especially was unlucky not to make the blue team and we extend to him our best wishes for next year. The success of the team was therefore surprising and unexpected only because equally well stocked teams of previous years have failed where we succeeded.

At the end of the Michaelmas Term we tied for second place at the top of the league. This comparatively undistinguished placing was due to two slipshod games against St Catharine's and Selwyn, two weak teams which finished at the bottom of the division. The team played better against stronger opposition, beating the eventual league winners Trinity, and drawing against Emmanuel and Christ's. Throughout the term players were pestered by injuries which made it impossible to field a consistent team. In fact in no two consecutive league games did the same team play.

In the Cuppers competition in the Lent Term the team was drawn in the preliminary round against Christ's, cup holders for two years running and strong favourites to complete the hat trick. This did not dismay our supporters who turned out in force to help us to a 6-3 victory. Our 6 goals were scored in the last thirty minutes, a magnificent recovery from 0-3 down. By beating Christ's we passed by far the stiffest test and the subsequent climb to the final was expected if not always obvious. Victories against Clare 5-0, Pembroke 7-2, and Fitzwilliam House 4-1, brought us to Grange Road where we beat Trinity 4-2, although for this last game the team was weakened by injury to two key players.

The success in the Lent Term can largely be ascribed to brilliance in the forward line, and here the steadying influence of Palmer cannot be overestimated. Little constructive play was expected from the defence which indulged in spoiling tactics and passed the ball up.

This is probably a fitting place to pay tribute to 'Fred' Bate-man who is now going down. He has been a staunch club member for four years and turned up to play in the Cuppers final in reply to a telegram, with less than twenty-four hours' notice. We wish him all the best in his career as a teacher.

Full colours: W. A. Karwowski, J. M. King, E. Gavin, J. A. E. Cockcroft, J. Walton, P. E. H. Palmer, P. H. Feldman, P. H.

Gammon, M. A. J. Ryan, C. D. R. Bovell, D. B. Willkins, N. McKenner, P. V. J. Lloyd, D. A. Spencer, D. Bateman.

ATHLETIC CLUB

Captain: G. DENNY. *Hon. Secretary:* P. A. JACKSON.

The 1958-9 academic year has been for the Athletic Club, as for many other College sports clubs, a most successful one.

For the most part, our strength has been taken from Freshmen and Seniors of one year's standing. Nevertheless, although our active members have only numbered about thirty, we have always been able to produce two good strings for each of fifteen or so events.

The inter-collegiate competitions started in the Michaelmas Term with the track and field relays. In the former, the College, running for the first time in scarlet vests, were placed 5th equal in Division I after being handicapped by two pulled muscles actually during races. In the field relays, we comfortably dismissed all opposition in Division II to resume our rightful place in Division I next year.

Cuppers, in the Lent Term, after being postponed owing to a frozen track, proved to be a fitting climax to the season. We beat Jesus and Caius (the holders) in the semi-final by 112 pts.—85½—100½. In the final, we had a convincing victory over Christ's and St Catharine's by 109 pts.—95—91 to win the Rouse Ball Bowl for the first time since 1937.

With only two of our Cuppers team going down, next season promises to be as triumphant a one as this has been.

Full colours were awarded to: P. J. Day, R. M. Wager, T. E. Briault, A. H. B. Turner, A. N. Duerr, W. Taylor.

Half colours were awarded to: D. R. Barnard, K. Orrell-Jones, W. J. Waghorn, D. B. Wilkins.

The College has been well represented in the University teams.

T. E. Briault (2 miles); A. H. B. Turner (sprints); and R. M. Wager (pole vault) were selected for the annual freshmen's match with Oxford.

D. J. Murray Bruce (1 mile); M. E. Cross (1 mile); P. J. Day (½ mile); G. Denny (javelin); P. A. Jackson (high jump) competed in the Inter-University Relay matches.

T. E. Briault; P. A. Jackson; M. E. Cross; K. R. van Horn (220 yds.) were included in the Blues team which was defeated at the White City.

G. Denny; D. W. E. Lee (3 miles); A. N. Duerr (long jump) were also included in the University team versus the A.A.A. at Fenner's.

P. A. Jackson and M. E. Cross represented Oxford and Cambridge against Harvard and Yale in June.

At the Annual General Meeting it was announced with regret by the retiring Captain, G. Denny, that Mr White had intimated that he would like to relinquish his office as President of the Club.

The following officers were elected for next season: *Captain:* P. A. Jackson; *Secretary:* A. H. B. Turner.

THE CHESS CLUB

Captain: P. K. HAWES. *Secretary:* M. E. ALLEN.

The club made up this year for a lack of any outstanding players who might have done consistently well on the top boards by having a large number of good intermediate players. Thus the second team did very well, coming second to Trinity in the second division of the Cuppers; while the first team consistently beat the weaker sides it met, coming fourth in the first division of the Cambridge District League, and reaching the final pool of the Cuppers.

Out of 20 games played by the first team 5 were won, 5 drawn and 10 lost. The second team won 8, lost 2, and drew 1.

The club was represented by the following: J. J. Billington, R. A. Pearson, P. K. Hawes, T. Shallice (who was awarded his Dragons colours), D. Gelder, F. W. Knight, W. N. Bryant, M. E. Allen, J. Richards, B. Delargy, D. Pearson, F. W. Morgan, R. Clarke, J. Astbury, C. Briscoe, B. Edney, P. Stephens, J. Gray.

At the annual Chess Club Lunch the officers elected for next season were: *Captain:* M. E. Allen; *Secretary:* T. Shallice.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

President: J. B. HALL.

Secretary: C. J. A. CURTIS. *Treasurer:* N. J. M. ABBOTT.

The Classical Society has met on seven occasions in the past academic year. Attendance at meetings has been variable, but on the whole better than in recent years, and it is hoped that this trend will continue. During the Michaelmas Term, we heard papers from Mr Woodhead of Corpus Christi College, and Professor Page of Trinity College, who spoke on 'Ancient and Modern Epitaphs' and 'The History of Troy' respectively. A small number were present at a reading of the Helen of Euripides. Perhaps the highlight of the term was Professor Page's paper, given to a large number of members. The speaker dealt with a controversial subject with his customary vigour and lucidity, and our numbers were swelled by the Girton College Classical Society.

In the Lent Term the Secretary was absent from Cambridge, and the President carried out a double task. Speakers in this term were confined to the college. Mr Bambrough read a most stimulating paper on 'The Socratic Paradoxes' at a meeting held in conjunc-

tion with the Philosophical Club. We then turned to two junior members—Mr Goodyear who spoke on the Helen episode in the Aeneid of Virgil, and M. R. Ayers, who read a paper on some aspects of Anaxagoras.

The Society usually holds one meeting only in the Easter Term. This year the junior members were invited to Girton to read the newly-discovered play of Menander, the 'Dyscolos'. The committee created history by being the first undergraduates to dine in Hall at Girton, not on High Table, for some ten years. We returned the hospitality, and Miss Duke, Fellow and Tutor of Girton, was gracious enough to attend our Annual Dinner, the first member of the opposite sex to do so *ex hominum memoria*.

Twenty-four persons attended the Dinner, which was held after the exams this year, and the occasion was a memorable one. Speeches were witty, sometimes in Latin, and usually to the point. The close of a successful year was marked by a rousing sing-song in Mr Goodyear's rooms.

The Society is very grateful to Mr Crook, who has given us the use of his rooms with most generous and unfailing regularity, and to Mr Howland and Mr Bambrough, who were kind enough to speak at the Annual Dinner.

Officers for year 1959-60: *President*: J. B. Hall; *Secretary*: R. W. Theobald; *Treasurer*: A. J. Bowen.

THE CRUISING CLUB

College Secretary: C. SAMPSON

There are now 31 College members of the C.U. Cruising Club. Many of them visit St Ives regularly, and several have represented the Club in its many matches. C. Sampson gained a half blue.

Two years ago the College was beaten in the final of Cuppers by Trinity, and last year won the Competition, gaining a narrow victory over Magdalene in the final. This year the College won comfortably, having the strongest team for many years. The final was won very convincingly, since all three Emmanuel boats retired in the first race.

R. M. Needham continues to hold office in the Club as Secretary. For next year C. Sampson has been elected Rear Commodore and J. W. O. Cleave has been elected Sailing Secretary.

In the Cuppers final the College team was: C. Sampson, J. W. O. Cleave, C. G. B. Mitchell, D. Spearman, J. Kilgour, M. Andrews.

THE CRICKET CLUB

Captain: R. J. PEBERDY. *Secretary*: P. E. H. PALMER.

With most of last year's side still in residence (?), the club enjoyed a most successful season. As is general throughout college cricket,

the batting was stronger than the bowling, which relied heavily on the Captain, R. J. Peberdy, and M. A. A. Harriss for any effective penetration. J. L. Ward and P. E. H. Palmer scored considerably more than the other batsmen, seven of whom nevertheless scored fifties on more than one occasion. The freshmen were rarely needed to show their full capabilities with so many old colours in the side, but R. F. C. Webster batted extremely pleasantly on occasions, and F. V. Morgan bowled his off-spinners with consistent steadiness. The latent talent of Percy's slip-fielding was brought to light midway through the season, and if interest ever waned in the field, the sight of Harvey practising his golf-swing provided entertainment of another kind. The club was fortunate once again to have the services of C. J. R. Lasper as Umpire. His interpretation of the 'off-side' rule and (in)ability to spot the dubious action of one college bowler during the last match against Trinity, brought the season to a pleasant ending.

J. R. Bernard was once more prominent at Fenner's; a freshman N. S. K. Reddy enjoyed a most successful final trial, and appears destined to score many runs in University cricket. C. I. M. Jones also played for the Varsity, and having secured a 'pair-of-spectacles', managed with their aid to score 44 off Middlesex.

T. R. Davies and J. M. B. E. Raven welded together a strong Second XI, the latter achieving his third century in three years.

First XI: Played 19, Won 10, Lost 3, Drew 6. Second XI: Played 11, Won 5, Lost 3, Drew 3.

Officers for 1960: *Captain*: P. E. H. Palmer. *Hon. Secretary*: R. F. C. Webster.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

Hon. Secretary: M. R. AYERS.

The past year has *not* been one of great achievement for the Debating Society, although it has seen a change of policy that may give some hope for a more worthwhile and secure rôle for the Society in the future. As both Lent Term meetings had to be cancelled, it would be rash to say how much hope.

The days are past when College debating could be a popular Saturday night entertainment. (Saturday was the day for meetings until 1923.) The undergraduate's activities and interests during term are now perhaps neither much more nor much less estimable than they were; they are certainly different. No longer can one rely on the attractions of weekly debates on perennial motions, as in the golden age when women's emancipation, disestablishment and Mr Gladstone's foreign policy were religiously and, no doubt, eloquently reviewed by each generation in turn.

Fewer may now have their eyes on public life; while in this sphere itself debate has given way to the three-line whip at one

level, and at another to journalists' rhetoric and telepersonality. If the future of the world depends on 'talks', it does not, we may piously hope, rest with the art of debating. The undergraduate, that earnest animal, has lost his faith in the value of debating, although he may vociferously demand international 'negotiations'; without that faith he has perhaps not the heart to enjoy its humour, which traditionally lacks some lightness of touch. Union debates certainly in part rely, even for their diminished popularity, on their anachronistically enhanced reputation outside Cambridge among schoolmasters and politicians. It takes a national figure—maybe a popular comedian with script writers we can trust—to fill the house.

At the beginning of the year it was decided that meetings of the Debating Society should be more informal and less frequent; deadly regularity should be sacrificed to the two principles that attractive speakers, preferably senior members of the College, grace each debate, and that there should genuinely be some general interest in the motions. The meetings that *were* held were well attended—perhaps the best attended for years—and were successful. It is to be hoped that this policy will be followed next year.

THE ETON FIVES CLUB

Secretary: P. D. C. ROGERS.

The Club has had another successful year. Membership has remained at a high level, and the standard of play has improved. Among the matches played was one against Queens' College in their recently renovated outdoor court; however our lack of local knowledge led to our downfall.

The Secretary for the coming year will be B. G. Garling, to whom we wish the best of luck, and hope that the Club remains in its present healthy state.

THE GOLF CLUB

Hon. Secretary: J. N. SCOTT.

In the last two years the College has had sufficient players of a high standard to be able to produce a strong side. Unfortunately, the availability of players has limited our fixtures. However, we have enjoyed matches against Cambridge colleges and St Edmund's Hall, Oxford, in addition to regular social fixtures against a C.U. Ladies' team.

The College was represented by A. N. Duerr and J. L. Ward in the Carr Cup. A. N. Duerr represented the University in the dinner match against Oxford.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President: MR E. MILLER. *Vice-President:* D. A. JOHNSON

Secretary: P. T. HAMMOND. *Treasurer:* R. HYAM.

In the Michaelmas Term, Professor Denis Brogan spoke about the 'Shadow of the French Revolution', indicating how the Revolution has continued to be a dominant theme in French politics. Dr Helen Cam, F.B.A., Professor Emerita of Harvard University, read a paper entitled 'Richard III: Fact and Fiction'. This was a particularly enjoyable occasion. 'John Redmond and the Third Home Rule Bill' was the subject chosen by Professor Mansergh. The only undergraduate paper of the term was given by Father Roger Barralet, on 'St Francis and his Age'.

In the Lent Term we were fortunate in hearing Professor Richard Hofstadter during his visit to this country. His subject was 'Right-wing extremists in the United States'. Dr J. H. Plumb provided a discourse on Lord Macaulay. Hugh Brogan read an impressive paper on Alexis de Tocqueville. Finally Mr Miller gave us an enlightening picture of the 'English Medieval Peasant'.

The Annual Dinner was held on 30 April. The guest of honour was the Reverend Professor M. D. Knowles, Regius Professor of Modern History, who read a paper to the Society last year.

THE HOCKEY CLUB

President: MR A. G. LEE.

Captain: H. A. C. EDWARDS. *Secretary:* M. ROWSE.

The club was clothed in glory during the season 1958-9. Despite a somewhat dubious rise to fame, one match containing no less than three penalty goals, the Cuppers side finally emerged victorious and proved themselves worthy winners. The side was perhaps fortunate in having five Blues and the remainder all of Wanderer standard, but to begin with there was some lack of teamwork, though individuals normally were very good. A sound defence was held together by the University captain C. I. M. Jones, which made up for the inexperience shown by the forwards, who relied almost entirely upon the scoring power of John Chick, who accepted the burden with great dexterity, together with Stuart Mayes, another Blue. Mayes was replaced, as secretary, by Guy Jillings when he left for higher planes, and the side was effectively captained by Hugh Edwards, whose sense of humour normally proved both demoralising to the opposition and inspirational to the XI.

The 2nd XI were similarly well captained by David Thomas whose energy to no small extent contributed to their not inconsiderable success. The lethargy normally attributed to second elevens was rarely apparent, and although the secretary had few

chances to attend matches in person, the fact that the team is now in a higher division and will therefore be playing only first eleven sides next season is a token of their remarkable achievement.

Few colleges boast a 3rd XI, but John's 3rd showed the same winning spirit as the other teams, and the only failure that captain David Beale can regret is the cancellation of the match against Homerton (away, go changed).

John's is not only a keen, but a very good hockey college. Sandy Grant has a hard record to maintain, but with many good players remaining for the season we can only hope for the same spirit in all teams and good weather, whilst we wish him the very best of luck in his captaincy.

THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Senior Treasurer:* MR A. M. P. BROOKES.

Captain: R. I. L. HOWLAND. *Vice-Captain:* R. H. C. SYMON.

Secretary: E. T. C. JOHNSTONE. *Junior Treasurer:* F. P. T. WIGGINS.

MICHAELMAS TERM 1958

Two crews were entered for the Light IV's and two for the Clinker IV's. The order of rowing in the Light IV's remained unchanged throughout training. Both were coached for the first ten days by Finlay Best (an ex-Pembroke oarsman) and for the last spell the 'A' IV was coached by Alf Twinn while L. V. Bevan took the 'B' IV. The 'A' IV soon mastered good boat control and balance and in practice returned fast times. Though the 'B' IV took longer to achieve the same proficiency, it was soon clear that both crews were among the best on the river. In the races the 'A' IV easily disposed of Trinity Hall and King's, but it was evident that they were not producing the good form they had shown the week before. A close race in the semi-final against Jesus was lost by a mere 1.6 secs., and the result might well have been different but for an unavoidable steering error and minor shipwreck. The 'B' IV came on well under "Beve's" coaching and in the races beat Emmanuel 'B' and Magdalene easily, returning faster times than the 'A' IV and rowing up to their best form. In the semi-final against Emmanuel 'A' their fine spurt brought an exciting finish, but Emmanuel, having been 4 seconds up at the Railway Bridge, hung on to win by 2.4 secs.

J. F. Hall-Craggs coached the Clinker IV's for the first period, and after he had seen the crews in various combinations, and in an VIII, the order was settled. C. Vita-Finzi then took over the coaching of the 'Red' IV and R. H. C. Symon the 'Green'. Both crews improved steadily and the 'Red' IV, with a considerable advantage in weight, were among the favourites for the event.

Then, on the evening before the races, they lost Muirhead through illness. Vita-Finzi gallantly gave up coaching to row at '2' and endured a particularly tough introduction to the year's rowing. The first race against King's resulted in a dead-heat, and so did the rerow. They won the second rerow the next morning by 3 secs., but in the afternoon lost by 4.2 secs. to a good Emmanuel IV, who were eventually the joint winners of the dead-heated final. The 'Green' IV lost its first race to quite a good Caius IV by 4.5 secs. This was a pity; they deserved better things for their enthusiasm and progress during training.

Crews:

Light IV's	
'A'	'B'
Bow J. R. Owen (<i>steerer</i>)	Bow R. S. Jackson
2 R. H. T. Ward	2 J. Parker (<i>steerer</i>)
3 F. P. T. Wiggins	3 E. T. C. Johnstone
Str. R. I. L. Howland	Str. P. W. Holmes
Clinker IV's	
'Red'	'Green'
Bow J. R. B. Murray	Bow D. R. C. Kelly
2 C. Vita-Finzi	2 P. I. Sygall
3 J. M. Dunn	3 B. R. Bonner-Davies
Str. D. C. Dunn	Str. H. McKeag
Cox A. Y. L. Lee	Cox G. L. Williams

Results

'A' IV.

First round: Beat Trinity Hall by 12 sec. in 10 min. 37 sec.

Second round: Beat King's by 11 sec. in 10 min. 35 sec.

Semi-final: Lost to Jesus by 1.6 sec. in 10 min. 21 sec.

'B' IV.

First round: Beat Emmanuel 'B' by 15.4 sec. in 10 min. 33 sec.

Second round: Beat Magdalene by 15.8 sec. in 10 min. 33 sec.

Semi-final: Lost to Emmanuel 'A' by 2.4 sec. in 10 min. 22 sec.

'Red' IV.

First round: Beat King's by 3 sec. in 8 min. 3 sec. after two dead-heats in 7 min. 58 secs. and 3 min. 22 sec. (half-course).

Semi-final: Lost to Emmanuel by 4.2 sec. in 7 min. 58 sec.

'Green' IV.

First round: Lost to Caius by 4.5 sec. in 7 min. 55 sec.

There were two entries from the Club for the Colquhoun Sculls, D. N. H. Greig and J. K. Munro. In spite of keen practising, each lost his first race; Greig to G. Francis (1st & 3rd), and Munro to J. Sutherland-Smith (Pembroke). The final resulted in a dead-heat between C. M. de Selincourt (Magdalene) and O. N. Tubbs (Caius).

The Club again entered seven crews for the Fairbairns, and finished the races with four in the first division. For the first time in ten years and the second time in history the 1st VIII won the

Fairbairn Cup. They beat Jesus by a very convincing margin, after being on even terms at the Railway Bridge, in the good time of 15 min. 59 sec. Their success is all the more praiseworthy because they had rowed together as a crew for only eight days before the race, and a lot of credit is due to C. K. Macmillan (Jesus!) for the inspiring coaching he gave them in training and during the race. A notable feature of the race was the cool and accurate coxing of Lee. The only other Club crew to improve its position was the 5th VIII. At the Fairbairn Supper "Crockpots" were awarded to the 1st VIII.

Crews:

1st VIII		2nd VIII	
Bow	R. S. Jackson	Bow	D. R. C. Kelly ✓
2	D. C. Dunn	2	H. McKeag
3	J. R. B. Murray ✓	3	D. N. H. Greig
4	B. R. Bonner-Davies ✓	4	R. R. Jordan ✓
5	J. M. Dunn	5	B. M. Webster ✓
6	D. R. Muirhead ✓	6	J. M. Whitfield
7	E. T. C. Johnstone	7	R. S. Symonds
Str.	G. M. Newbury ✓	Str.	R. H. C. Symon
Cox	A. Y. L. Lee ✓	Cox	G. L. Williams ✓

3rd VIII		4th VIII		5th VIII	
Bow	M. M. O'Hara	Bow	R. G. Guinness ✓	Bow	J. T. Spence ✓
2	J. L. S. MacLay ✓	2	J. M. Scroggie ✓	2	B. C. Taylor ✓
3	D. Buchan	3	P. Mizen	3	J. D. Trubshaw ✓
4	C. Morgan	4	J. F. A. Moore ✓	4	R. A. Jones
5	R. G. Brindley ✓	5	W. Haigh ✓	5	I. S. Borthwick ✓
6	P. J. Harbour ✓	6	D. W. Gould ✓	6	M. S. King ✓
7	J. K. Munro	7	J. A. Vincent	7	N. J. F. Evans ✓
Str.	D. J. Brewster	Str.	F. W. Williams ✓	Str.	G. A. W. Murray ✓
Cox	A. F. Montgomery-Smith ✓	Cox	J. A. H. Butters ✓	Cox	I. S. Wordsworth ✓

6th VIII		7th VIII	
Bow	W. J. F. Rawling-	Bow	D. M. Glover ✓
2	D. Gelder-	2	F. C. German ✓
3	A. J. Adey ✓	3	A. Lamb ✓
4	W. D. Kerkham ✓	4	L. Milner ✓
5	J. B. Peddie ✓	5	D. J. C. Whitfield ✓
6	R. C. Grime ✓	6	J. C. Rucklidge ✓
7	P. J. V. Rounce ✓	7	G. F. Woodroffe ✓
Str.	A. B. M. Campbell ✓	Str.	F. R. Noble ✓
Cox	N. J. M. Abbott ✓	Cox	B. H. Richards ✓

Results

1st VIII started 6th, finished Head, time 15 min. 59 sec.
 2nd VIII started 7th, finished 20th, time 17 min. 5 sec.
 3rd VIII started 24th, finished 27th, time 17 min. 21 sec.
 4th VIII started 27th, finished 41st, time 17 min. 50 sec.
 5th VIII started 34th, finished 32nd equal, time 17 min. 33 sec.
 6th VIII started 42nd, finished 53rd, time 18 min. 23 sec.
 7th VIII started 62nd, finished 67th equal, time 19 min. 21 sec.

Several movements to and from C.U.B.C. Trials had delayed the settling of the order in the Club's higher Fairbairn crews, and in the end five members rowed in the Trials. P. W. Holmes stroked the winning Trial VIII, "Phineas", with J. Parker rowing at 2; and in "Hophni" R. I. L. Howland, F. P. T. Wiggins and J. R. Owen rowed at 4, 3, and bow. "Phineas" beat "Hophni" by $\frac{1}{2}$ length in 16 min. 41 sec.

LENT TERM 1959

Training started on 7th January and within a short time the first boat showed that it could be good. There were some changes in order before it was decided that the boat went best with Parker at stroke and Muirhead at 6. It was a heavy crew, the heaviest on the river, and their optimum rate of striking was rather lower than that of most bumping-race crews. This meant that in the races they made little or no impression on their opponents over the first part of the course, but at the critical point they produced a turn of speed out of Ditton that was for the spectators remarkable to watch, and for their quarry unnerving. Their coaches were R. H. T. Ward, Angus Forbes, and L. V. Bevan, while R. S. Jackson, C. Vita-Finzi and K. W. Blyth coached the second boat.

On the first night of the races the first boat closed right up on Jesus by the Railings, but in the zig-zag manoeuvres that followed the Jesus cox managed to escape and L.M.B.C. rowed over, while Jesus went on to bump 1st and 3rd. On Thursday 1st and 3rd were their full distance away from L.M.B.C. and within a canvas of Jesus at Ditton. L.M.B.C., however, producing their usual spurt, closed the gap amazingly quickly and bumped 1st and 3rd near the Glasshouses. Friday evening was a tragic occasion, and the facts are by now well known. L.M.B.C., well able and determined to bump Jesus and go Head, broke an oar (No. 6's) on the first stroke and fell an easy prey to 1st and 3rd in the Gut. On the last night they bumped 1st and 3rd back again at the Railings after giving their celebrated 'ten' out of Ditton. The second boat bumped Sidney on the first night after a long chase, but could not catch Corpus on Thursday before they bumped King's. On the third night they disposed of King's but on Saturday had to yield to a very fast Selwyn boat. The third boat went down to Christ's II, a crew which made five bumps, and then bumped Peterhouse II and Jesus IV. The fourth boat did well, for, after three nights of rowing over as sandwich boat, not only did they get away from a notoriously successful 1st and 3rd V, but they then went on to bump St Catharine's III.

*Crews and Results**1st VIII*

Bow J. R. B. Murray -
 2 G. M. Newbury -
 3 B. R. Bonner-Davies -
 4 D. C. Dunn -
 5 J. M. Dunn -
 6 D. R. Muirhead -
 7 E. T. C. Johnstone -

Str. J. Parker -

Cox A. Y. L. Lee -

Started 3rd, finished 2nd.

Bumped 1st & 3rd twice.

Bumped by 1st & 3rd.

3rd VIII

Bow A. Lamb -
 2 A. J. Roskell -
 3 J. B. Peddie -
 4 P. Fisk -
 5 R. C. P. Dower -
 6 W. D. Kerkham -
 7 M. M. O'Hara -

Str. P. J. Harbour -

Cox J. J. Coulton -

Started 36th, finished 35th.

Bumped by Christ's II.

Bumped Peterhouse II and Jesus IV.

5th VIII

Bow D. M. Glover -
 2 F. W. Williams -
 3 J. D. Trubshaw -
 4 F. R. Noble -
 5 D. J. C. Whitfield -
 6 D. W. Gould -
 7 R. G. Guinness -

Str. G. A. W. Murray -

Cox D. I. Morphet -

Started 51st, finished 51st.

Bumped Queens' III.

Bumped by 1st & 3rd V.

2nd VIII

Bow N. C. Peacock -
 2 D. J. Brewster -
 3 B. M. Webster -
 4 R. R. Jordan -
 5 R. C. Brindley -
 6 J. M. Whitfield -
 7 R. S. Symonds -

Str. H. McKeag -

Cox C. P. E. Sutton -

Started 18th, finished 17th.

Bumped Sidney Sussex and King's.

Bumped by Selwyn.

4th VIII

Bow J. T. Spence -
 2 J. L. S. Maclay -
 3 D. Buchan -
 4 A. D. Thombs -
 5 M. R. Ayers -
 6 P. I. Sygall -
 7 H. A. Shrimpton -

Str. J. M. Aitken -

Cox I. S. Wordsworth

Started 49th, finished 48th.

Bumped St. Catharine's III.

6th VIII

Bow N. J. M. Abbott -
 2 D. Gelder -
 3 A. J. Adey -
 4 W. J. F. Rawling -
 5 G. F. Woodroffe -
 6 R. C. Grime -
 7 P. J. V. Rounce -

Str. A. B. M. Campbell -

Cox W. J. Kilgour -

Started 53rd, finished 56th.

Bumped by Caius III, Clare III and

Selwyn III.

7th VIII

Bow C. W. Cryer
 2 H. D. Woodward -
 3 M. G. Cruttenden -
 4 J. C. Ling -
 5 P. Van der Meer -
 6 G. J. Yeomans -
 7 J. B. Conybeare -

Str. R. A. Jones -

Cox J. A. Burdon-Cooper -

Started 67th, finished 67th.

Bumped by Fitzwilliam House III.

Bumped Caius IV.

In the Bushe-Fox Freshmen's Sculls B. R. Bonner-Davies first beat M. A. F. Stanford (Sidney) by the large margin of 1 min.



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12.7 sec. Then in the Semi-Final he endured two dead-heats before beating A. J. Jarvis (Emmanuel) over a shortened course by 2.7 sec. In the Final he lost to S. Martin (Emmanuel) by 5 sec. in 9 min. 39 sec.

Two crews, based on the first and second Lent boats, were entered for the Head of the River race at Putney, but since some men were unable to continue rowing after the end of term, both crews suffered changes in composition and order. There was clearly little enough time for them to settle into their new order, and in the event neither crew managed to achieve the speed over a long course that had been promised by their performances in the Lents, and the result was disappointing. The Club was also represented in the Head of the River race by three members rowing in the Goldie crew; Holmes rowed at 2, Howland at 4 and Wiggins at 7. The race was won by Barn Cottage with Isis second and Goldie, who started sixth, third in a time of 19 min. 8 sec., one second slower than Isis. Lady Margaret were 16th equal in 19 min. 53 sec. and Lady Somerset 129th in 21 min. 5 sec.

In the University Boat Race J. R. Owen rowed bow in the Cambridge crew which lost to Oxford, and R. I. L. Howland was spare man.

The Putney crews were:

<i>Lady Margaret</i>		<i>Lady Somerset</i>	
<i>Bow</i>	R. S. Symonds -	<i>Bow</i>	N. C. Peacock -
2	G. M. Newbury -	2	D. J. Brewster -
3	P. I. Sygall -	3	B. M. Webster -
4	D. C. Dunn -	4	H. McKeag -
5	J. M. Dunn -	5	R. G. Brindley -
6	D. R. Muirhead -	6	J. M. Whitfield -
7	J. R. B. Murray -	7	D. R. C. Kelly -
<i>Str.</i>	J. Parker -	<i>Str.</i>	J. L. S. Maclay -
<i>Cox</i>	A. Y. L. Lee -	<i>Cox</i>	C. P. E. Sutton -

MAY TERM 1959

There were no entries from the Club for the Lowe Double Sculls but there were three members concerned in the Magdalene Pairs. Parker and Wiggins paired together and Owen partnered P. J. Gibbons of Magdalene. Owen and Gibbons lost to Giles and Edgar (Emmanuel) by 11 sec., and Parker and Wiggins, after beating Halliwell and Gray lost the final to Giles and Edgar in a fine race by $4\frac{1}{2}$ sec. in 7 min. 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

At the beginning of term the first boat started training in the evenings under Harry Almond, while Rodney Dingle coached the second boat. The Captain had anticipated British Summer Time by a whole week, and so, to begin with, most of the work was done in the dark, but the coach saw enough to make one change in personnel and gave the crew a good grounding in boat control and sliding. Though experiments were later made with the order of

rowing, the composition of the crew was then the same as in the races. Tim Denby then coached the crew for three weeks, followed by Alf Twinn and Dr Owen for a few days. During this time the crew made steady progress and it was clear that, unless things went wrong, the crew could well be the fastest on the river. Things very nearly did go wrong when McKeag had to spend a whole week with his leg in plaster, because of a knee injury, and Ward was bitten by a horse-fly. Fortunately they were both fit again by the time Dick Emery took over the coaching for the last period; as usual he tuned the crew up perfectly for the racing.

On the first two nights of the Races the first boat bumped 1st and 3rd and Pembroke, both by Grassy Corner. On Friday, in spite of a fast start by L.M.B.C., Jesus were still nearly at their distance ahead at Grassy, but a good 'ten' out of the corner set the tone for the rest of the row. Up the Plough Reach L.M.B.C. steadily closed the gap, but Jesus fought hard and it was not until the Glasshouses that the bump was made. On Saturday the row over at the Head of the River was good—at least, as far as the Railway Bridge. The second boat during training suffered several upheavals in order and composition before settling down under Gordon Simpson's coaching. Although under him they showed a marked improvement, their earlier disturbances delayed their progress. However, with the coaching of F. P. T. Wiggins, J. R. Owen and, finally, "Beve", they improved steadily. In the races they did extremely well to raise their already high position to 10th by bumping Clare and Magdalene. The latter bump came after a long chase and, as the Magdalene cox did not acknowledge it, both crews raced through to the finish. It was confirmed afterwards by the Umpires that the bump had been properly made just past the Railway Bridge.

The third boat went down to a good Emmanuel II on the first night and then rowed over. The fourth boat, who had distinguished themselves during training by sinking a sailing boat, made two bumps but then fell on the last night to Emmanuel III. The 'Swans' (eighth boat), considering the type of training they enjoyed, went surprisingly fast and made three bumps. It takes a lot of skill to propel a boat that can boast a man of 13 st. 7 at bow, and the tenth boat, the heaviest and one of the most enthusiastic crews on the river, had not enough of it to cope with crabs; they went down with an overbump on the first night and then to our own eleventh boat. This crew, the 'Cygnets', by winning their oars, fully justified our putting a record number of boats on the river again.

On balance the Club came out with a gain of 7 places: up 18 (counting rowing over Head as a bump), down 11, and 16 rowing over.

Crews and Results

1st VIII		2nd VIII			
Bow J. R. Owen		Bow J. R. B. Murray			
2 H. McKeag		2 R. H. C. Symon			
3 R. H. T. Ward		3 R. G. Brindley			
4 R. I. L. Howland		4 P. I. Sygall			
5 F. P. T. Wiggins		5 B. Taylor			
6 J. Parker		6 D. C. Dunn			
7 E. T. C. Johnstone		7 R. S. Symonds			
Str. P. W. Holmes		Str. G. M. Newbury			
Cox A. Y. L. Lee		Cox N. J. M. Abbott			
Started 4th, finished Head.		Started 12th, finished 10th.			
Bumped 1st & 3rd, Pembroke, Jesus.		Bumped Clare and Magdalene.			
3rd VIII		4th VIII			
Bow P. J. V. Rounce		Bow G. Brown			
2 M. M. O'Hara		2 R. A. Jones			
3 J. A. Vincent		3 D. J. C. Whitfield			
4 P. J. Harbour		4 J. A. Walker			
5 R. C. P. Dower		5 I. M. Wright			
6 R. R. Jordan		6 C. Morgan			
7 B. M. Webster		7 J. T. Spence			
Str. J. L. S. Maclay		Str. F. R. Noble			
Cox J. J. Coulton		Cox I. S. Wordsworth			
Started 26th finished 27th.		Started 41st finished 40th.			
Bumped by Emmanuel II.		Bumped King's II and Downing II.			
		Bumped by Emmanuel III.			
5th VIII		6th VIII			
Bow A. J. Adey		Bow W. L. Paine			
2 D. Gelder		2 C. D. Carter			
3 W. J. F. Rawling		3 P. J. Newman			
4 J. F. A. Moore		4 G. R. Jillings			
5 J. B. Conybeare		5 R. M. Binns			
6 R. C. Grime		6 A. J. F. Webster			
7 J. J. Billington		7 N. J. F. Evans			
Str. D. W. Gould		Str. G. J. Yeomans			
Cox D. I. Morphet		Cox R. Whitfield			
Started 53rd finished 51st.		Started 62nd, finished 62nd.			
Bumped Trinity Hall IV and Queens' III.		Bumped 1st & 3rd VI.			
		Bumped by Pembroke IV.			
7th VIII		8th VIII		9th VIII	
Bow M. G. Glasspool		Bow P. H. M. Price		Bow D. R. Cooling	
2 C. M. V. Godfrey		2 F. C. Woodhouse		2 C. H. Bond	
3 J. J. Cogswell		3 J. G. Clarke		3 C. M. Hill	
4 J. R. Longbottom		4 H. A. C. Edwards		4 J. N. Scott	
5 R. E. Axford		5 T. J. Blackwood-Murray		5 K. Orrel-Jones	
6 M. King		6 M. S. Peacock		6 R. L. Makin	
7 D. N. H. Greig		7 D. W. H. Farmer		7 J. M. Virgoe	
Str. J. M. Aitken		Str. D. R. C. Kelly		Str. J. B. Peddie	
Cox G. Williams		Cox J. A. Burdon-Cooper		Cox M. M. Flett	
Started 72nd		Started 80th		Started 93rd	
finished 76th.		finished 77th.		finished 94th.	
Bumped by		Bumped Caius V,		Bumped by Downing IV.	
St. Catharine's IV,		Caius IV, Peterhouse IV.			
Emmanuel V,					
Queens' V, Corpus Christi III.					

10th VIII

Bow H. D. Wilsden
 2 B. H. Sharpe
 3 B. R. Reid
 4 D. E. Bucknall
 5 C. R. Potter
 6 D. R. J. Bird
 7 L. R. Drury
Str. D. H. Odling-Smee
Cox A. P. Hudson
 Started 107th, finished 111th.
 Overbumped by Magdalene VI
 bumped by L.M.B.C. XI.

11th VIII

Bow A. J. S. Maclaren
 2 L. Milner
 3 P. D. le Roux
 4 J. A. Howell
 5 N. F. K. Kefford
 6 R. K. Worters
 7 N. L. Booth
Str. J. M. Tarrant
Cox D. L. Destefano
 Started 112th, finished 108th.
 Bumped Christ's VII, L.M.B.C. X,
 Christ's VII (a second time) and
 Corpus Christi IV.

MARLOW

A few hours after the May Ball the first boat assembled, miraculously, at Marlow for five outings before racing for the Marlow Grand Challenge Cup on the Saturday. Ward was taking an exam. at Cambridge but returned to the crew on Thursday, Symonds taking his place in the meantime. The VIII gave Thames R.C. their hardest race, but after being on even terms until half way, Thames drew ahead to win by a length in a time of 4 min. 15 sec. In the next and final round Thames won the event by 2 lengths in 4 min. 19 sec.

Four members of the VIII also competed for the Senior Fours Challenge Cup. They easily disposed of London R.C. in the first round and Leander in the second round, but lost the semi-final by $\frac{1}{2}$ length to a combined St. Edmund Hall and Lincoln four, who won the event and later the Stewards' Challenge Cup at Henley. The main conclusion drawn from Marlow Regatta was that it takes more than a couple of days for the effects of a May Week to wear off. The VIII was the same as for the Mays and the Four was the same as for the Visitors' Challenge Cup at Henley. The crews were fortunate in having Tim Denby to coach them in the evenings.

HENLEY

After Marlow the crew began training at Henley under Dr Raymond Owen. They began to achieve a more powerful finish to the stroke and developed a fast start off the stake boats. Conditions in practice were often good, although never exceptionally so. The crew put up some very fast times, once beating the Harvard Grand crew by a length to the barrier in 1 min. 53 sec. They won the first race against Lincoln College easily, paddling past the enclosures at a rating of 24/25; and the next race, against Caius, was similar. The semi-final against Eton was the "needle" race, as they were reputed to be very fast. Eton, however, seemed unable to command the rating necessary for a Henley race and L.M.B.C.

drew away from the start, gained "clear water" and held their advantage to win by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. In the Final, against Emmanuel, L.M.B.C. again went ahead from the start and were able to hold off some very determined challenges. They were never unsettled by these but had to race hard to win by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. The members of the VIII also rowed in two fours for the Visitors' and Wyfold Challenge Cups. The Visitors' four had comfortable wins over Brasenose, University College and Keble, but in the Final the effects of their race in the Final of the Ladies' Plate in the morning and the discomfort of a very hot afternoon were evident, and they lost to a fresh Pembroke four by 1 length. The Wyfold four beat 'easily' Lincoln and then Keble, but lost to a very fast Molesey crew, who later won the event so easily that they were generally considered to be of Stewards' class.

Once again Cecil and Mrs Butler looked after the crew at Remenham Rectory with care and consideration, helping to make this year's Henley as enjoyable for all as it was successful.

Crews and Results

Winners of the Ladies' Plate

<i>Bow</i> J. R. Owen, 11 st. 7 lb.	Coach: Dr J. R. Owen.
2 H. McKeag, 11 st. 3 lb.	1st Round: Beat Lincoln easily in
3 R. H. T. Ward, 12 st. 8 lb.	7 min. 36 sec.
4 R. I. L. Howland, 12 st. 12 lb.	2nd Round: Beat Caius by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths
5 F. P. T. Wiggins, 12 st. 3 lb.	in 7 min. 19 sec.
6 J. Parker, 12 st. 6 lb.	Semi-final: Beat Eton by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths
7 E. T. C. Johnstone, 12 st. 7 lb.	in 7 min. 17 sec.
<i>Str.</i> P. W. Holmes, 12 st. 1 lb.	Final: Beat Emmanuel by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths
<i>Cox</i> A. Y. L. Lee, 8 st. 5 lb.	in 7 min. 13 sec.
(Average weight less cox: 12st. 2 lb.)	

Visitors' Four

Bow J. R. Owen (steers)
 2 R. I. L. Howland
 3 F. P. T. Wiggins
Str. J. Parker

1st Round: Beat Brasenose by
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 8 min. 6 sec.
 2nd Round: Beat University Coll. by
 $2\frac{3}{4}$ lengths in 8 min. 2 sec.
 Semi-final: Beat Keble by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths
 in 7 min. 48 sec.
 Final: Lost to Pembroke by 1 length
 in 7 min. 50 sec.

Wyfold Four

Bow E. T. C. Johnstone (steers)
 2 P. W. Holmes
 3 R. H. T. Ward
Str. H. McKeag

1st Round: Beat Lincoln easily in
 8 min. 27 sec.
 2nd Round: Beat Keble easily in
 8 min. 6 sec.
 Semi-final: Lost to Molesey easily in
 7 min. 34 sec.

During the Long Vacation three members of the Club, Owen, Parker and Wiggins, rowed in the C.U.B.C. "Goldie" Crew which went on tour in South Africa. They returned with an unbeaten record.

Throughout the year Don Strange has, with his usual care, kept the boats, equipment and boathouse in perfect condition. At the

end of the Lent term workmen invaded the boathouse, and by mid-April there was a new tarmac hard and a concrete and timber frontage, with a recessed bay for the bank-tubs. This was a very welcome, and much needed improvement.

After a year that has been one of outstanding achievement for the College in sport, it is pleasant to record that L.M.B.C. has met with its share of success. Only two from the First May Boat have gone down, and next year's prospects for the Club seem bright; may it continue successfully under the new Captain, J. R. Owen.

THE LAW SOCIETY

President: G. M. NEWBURY. *Secretary:* P. J. CLARKE.

Junior Treasurer: C. J. F. TURNER.

This has been another active and flourishing year for the Society. The opening meeting was addressed by Mr J. G. W. Davies, Secretary of the Appointments Board, who is an Old Johnian, his subject being 'Openings and Opportunities for Law Graduates'. In the course of an interesting and helpful address he gave details not only of the openings available in the legal profession, but also of the opportunities that exist generally for persons with a law degree. 'Reform of the Criminal Law' was the subject of the talk that Dr Glanville Williams gave to the second meeting; his interesting and controversial views provoked a lively series of questions. The Society were also very fortunate in being addressed by F. H. Lawton Esq., Q.C., the Recorder of Cambridge, who in the course of an entertaining talk successfully convinced his audience that the Bar is still a profession with great opportunities for those who are prepared to work hard. At the end of the Michaelmas Term, Mr J. B. Tyrer, an Old Johnian and the present County Court Registrar in Cambridge, gave the Society an illuminating talk about his job. The programme for the term was rounded off with a moot judged by Mr Hall in which G. D. Reed and T. J. Shaw appeared for the appellants and B. Fenwick-Smith and C. J. Bell for the respondents.

During the Christmas Vacation the President, Secretary, and Junior Treasurer of the Society were greatly honoured in being invited to lunch at the House of Lords by Lord Morton of Henryton. Lord Morton, who is an honorary Vice-President of the Society, proved a charming host and showed a great interest in the affairs of the Society.

At the first meeting of the Lent Term Mr P. L. Bushe-Fox, an assistant Legal Adviser to the Foreign Office, gave the Society a fascinating insight into his work. Two moots were also held in this term. One with Jesus College was judged, in the absence of Mr Scott, by a Court of Appeal consisting of Mr Hall, J. G. Miller, and D. Armes: D. A. Goulden and D. J. Brewster appeared for

the Society. The annual moot against University College, London, held this year in Cambridge, was argued before Mr Hall, who set the problem: R. J. Eaglen and A. F. Moncur represented the Society.

The Society's Annual Dinner was a notable success. It was held in the Old Music Room with Mr A. Ll. Armitage, President of Queens' College, as Guest of Honour, after Dr Jackson had entertained to sherry those attending the event. Professor Bailey, Dr Jackson and Mr Hall were among those present, and we were very sorry that Mr Scott could not also be with us, owing to his accident. The Society is most grateful to all of them for their unflinching support and assistance.

At the Annual General Meeting, P. J. Clarke was elected to serve as President for 1959-60, J. E. Cheetham as Secretary, and A. J. S. Maclaren as Junior Treasurer.

THE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Captain: T. M. L. LEE. *Hon. Secretary:* J. F. CLEGG.

This season the Club has improved its League record, although Cuppers turned out to be rather disappointing. This year for the first time there were no separate singles and doubles Cuppers; instead Cuppers matches consisted of 3 doubles and 6 singles. The Club—strengthened by B. R. Hatton, the University secretary—lost narrowly in the first round to Clare, the match being decided by the outcome of the final doubles.

The first league side had a good consistent season, winning all its matches, and so returning to the First Division from which it was relegated in 1958. The side was the same throughout the season, and this helped considerably towards winning matches. The 2nd and 3rd VI's remain in the same Divisions next year; the 2nd VI being particularly unlucky not to gain promotion.

1st VI colours were reawarded to B. R. Hatton, I. T. Jones, A. Y. L. Lee, and awarded to: J. F. Clegg, S. D. Mayes, G. Korbell, and A. Stalbow.

2nd VI colours were reawarded to: J. G. Clarke, M. Pemberton, and awarded to: R. I. Dick, M. Ellwood, M. Locke, G. Holbrook, Z. G. Kassim-Lahka.

THE MEDICAL SOCIETY

President: PROFESSOR H. A. HARRIS. *Chairman:* J. M. AITKEN.

Secretary: S. L. JEFFCOATE.

The Society, which is open to members of the College who are interested in medicine, meets on Wednesday evenings in Dr Campbell's rooms.

The aims of the Society are primarily to stimulate thought on the revitalization and readjustment of the accepted *status quo*, as

set by the medical yardsticks of Koch, Hunter and Bull.

The Michaelmas Term was mainly devoted to a homeopathic experiment, conducted by Dr Campbell and Dr Noel Pratt, a homeopathist from Norwich. Unfortunately the results were of little statistical value, and although the clinical manifestations, of the supposedly highly potent succussion, should have been dramatic in the extreme, the only significant symptoms, other than one case of idiopathic sinovitis, were those of orchipsoriasis. However a further experiment, designed to overcome the inherent ineptitudes of subjects in recording typical sensations, may well be run in the future. Dr Grillo, who comes from Nigeria, gave a well balanced lecture on 'Racial Problems'. His conception of race prejudice, and the psychological elements involved therein, were very stimulating. Dr Campbell started a subsidiary discussion group, for the pursuit of the philosophical aspects of physiology and psychology.

In the Lent Term, two more of our Vice-Presidents, Dr Hayhoe and Dr Greville, gave lectures. The former spoke about the history and aetiology of leukaemia, the latter talked on 'Fat Women and Ketosis'. Dr D. B. Cater told us about his experiences, surgical and otherwise, in London and Shanghai. D. J. Fagan showed some slides on the Cambridge Apollonia Expedition. Dr Glanville Williams, who is a lawyer and President of the Abortion Society, led a very learned discussion on medico-legal matters. He made it quite clear that present-day opinion on abortion is coeval with papal rites and leaded lights, and furthermore is designed to perpetuate ethically unjust suffering. Probably the most interesting and popular meeting of all was held at the beginning of the term, when Professor Alexander Kennedy, from the department of Medical Psychology at Edinburgh University, spoke about his experiences in the Secret Service, and gave some details of methods involved in brainwashing. We visited the British Drug Houses. The Annual Dinner was held on Monday, 9 March.

Dr J. W. Millen has automatically been elected a Vice-President.

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: MR A. G. LEE.

Senior Treasurer: MR F. THISTLETHWAITE.

Musical Director: MR G. H. GUEST. *Librarian:* MR J. A. CROOK.

Junior Treasurer: J. D. HARVEY. *Secretary:* M. E. MANASSE.

Committee: J. M. BUTTREY, B. P. S. CRITCHINSON, J. W. GITTINS, P. G. WHITE.

The Society held three concerts in the Michaelmas Term, three in the Lent Term, and two in the Easter Term. The amount of instrumental and vocal talent available made it possible for two

concerts to be held in the Combination Room, instead of only one, as was the case in previous years. The College Orchestra has also been functioning right through the year, instead of being used only for the May concert.

The highlights of the year were the two Combination Room Concerts in which the orchestra performed works by Cimarosa, Fauré, and Mozart, chamber ensembles performed Mozart's quintet for wind and piano K. 452, and Brahms' Piano quartet in C minor; while Mr Crook, ably accompanied by Miss Phyllis Palmer, performed the sonata for clarinet and piano by Herbert Howells. The choral scholars have actively assisted, singing both solo and ensemble works.

For the May concert B. P. S. Critchinson conducted the College Chorus in a performance of Stanford's *Songs of the Fleet*, P. E. Mizen and L. Coates played Fauré's *Dolly* for piano duet, and M. E. Manasse conducted the College Orchestra in Wagner's *Siegfried-Idyll*. After the interval the chapel choir, accompanied by the orchestra and under the direction of Mr Guest, sang Act IV of Purcell's *The Faery Queen*, the solos being sung by choral scholars. The first May boat completed the programme with a rendering of the college boating song.

The committee has been concerned about unauthorised use of the Music Room by non-members, as the entire brunt of the maintenance of the Music Room and the two pianos is borne by the Society's finances, and these depend upon members' subscriptions.

THE NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB

President: THE MASTER. *Vice-Presidents:* MR A. T. WELFORD, DR J. R. SHAKESHAFT. *Chairman:* J. C. RUCKLIDGE. *Secretary:* C. J. F. HARMER. *Treasurer:* R. M. HOLFORD.

Of science and logic he chatters
As fine and as fast as he can;
Though I am no judge of such matters
I'm sure he's a Talented Man.

—W. Mackworth-Praed.

Even scientists feel this way sometimes; for it is very difficult to produce a paper which is both informative to those who have specialised in one's own branch of science, and interesting to those in other departments. However, the Natural Science Club has continued to interest members and guests with its usual variety of topics, including, for example, 'The Structure of the Earth—a Petrologist's Viewpoint', 'The Physical Basis of Vision', and 'Scientific Atheism'. Several members have been on scientific expeditions abroad and have given talks of more general interest, illustrated with slides of artistic as well as scientific value.

Interest in a meeting is easily kept if everyone knows, or thinks he knows, something about the subject in question, which no doubt accounts for the success of a discussion evening, held in the Lent Term. Dr P. A. G. Scheuer gave a stimulating introduction entitled 'Why are dons dim?' to a discussion of the relation of teaching to research in the University. All scientists consider themselves well-informed concerning lectures and related topics, and a many-sided discussion took place, which covered in a single evening the necessity of specialisation, the degree of subjectivity in the marking of examinations, and the waste of professional talent on administration.

Thus for another year has the Natural Science Club continued to fulfil its constitutional function, the 'broadening of the scientific mind'.

THE RUGBY FIVES CLUB

Secretary: A. G. SCHROEDER.

This year's season has been somewhat disappointing, considering that two members of the Club are Blues, and a third has played regularly for the Sparrows. Out of nine matches played the Club won six, the vanquished including the Oxford University Beavers, who provided a useful first pair but found little support from their second pair.

G. Wilsher and D. J. T. Sharman are to be congratulated on being awarded their Blues, and the latter, together with R. M. Davidson, should be a difficult pair to beat; they will no doubt form the nucleus of the Club for the next two years. In Cuppers we succumbed to Trinity Hall, whose main strength lay in M. J. Allen, a first-class player; the game was a close one but the Trinity Hall men proved fitter and were able to exploit the weakness of our second four.

The Club officers for 1959-60 will be: *Captain:* D. J. T. Sharman; *Secretary:* R. M. Davidson.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

President: M. R. E. MILLER. *Captain:* I. T. JONES.

Captain: I. T. JONES. *Secretary:* M. WILKINS.

It has yet to be recorded that the Rugger Club won the Inter-College Cup last season—1957-8. The leadership of P. L. Morris and the brilliance of J. P. Horrocks-Taylor laid the foundations of our success. This season we started from scratch. No one had fully proved himself, and the majority of our players were unknown even in College football. I. T. Jones represented the third year almost single-handed, and so, much responsibility lay with the comparatively inexperienced members from the first and

second years. The League season started uncertainly, but by half-term the 1st XV had settled down. We were runners-up in the competition, and nine freshmen were thoroughly initiated in the ways of the League. Slightly senior players such as J. Scott and B. H. Sharpe had also made their mark.

Meanwhile the 2nd XV were struggling manfully. Always playing against 1st XV's, they could not compete in terms of settled team-work or individual brilliance, but no side had an easy game against them. They beat Sidney who were later to trouble the Cuppers XV in the final. C. W. Bond led the side splendidly.

The 3rd XV retained their place in Division III and deserved it. The Club is proud of what one of our veteran Cyprus campaigners would call our strength in depth. Particularly this year when only I. T. Jones, R. J. Peberdy and T. C. Kabell remembered a year without victory in Cuppers. We were all delighted to watch the progress of our stars; especially D. R. J. Bird as he made it clear that he would be playing at Twickenham.

Cuppers, of course, was a different matter. Half of us knew what it was about, but all of us knew that we were up against some formidable opposition. We played very hard, fast, rugby, which unsettled the opposition, and provided us with opportunities to score. It would be foolish to single out individual names, for all the players enhanced their reputations. The victories over Pembroke and Christ's were a justification of hard training and planning. Even in the Final, the same sort of rugby ensured our success—hardly ambitious tactics when they had already toppled the two likely favourites.

During the off-season, the Club is not merely recovering from its victorious tour of Denmark, but displaying its lively colours on the Cam in the May Races. At the moment we are feeling fairly confident and hope to feel the same way next year.

1st XV League: Played 8, won 4, drawn 2, lost 2. Runners-up. Cuppers—Winners. Points for, 31; Points against, 9.

League XV: I. T. Jones (*Capt.*), M. Wilkins (*Hon. Sec.*), C. R. Potter, B. H. Sharpe, J. N. Scott, S. Rugg, P. L. D. Reid, D. J. Councell, E. Bowater, E. J. Gamble, B. H. Cox, L. R. Drury, M. M. Flett, A. Murdoch, A. Watson, D. S. Rowe-Beddoe.

1st XV colours were reawarded and awarded to the following who represented the Club in Cuppers: I. T. Jones (*Capt.*), M. Wilkins, H. D. Wilson, D. R. J. Bird, R. L. Makin, C. R. Potter, B. H. Sharpe, J. N. Scott, B. H. Cox, D. J. Councell, L. R. Drury, M. M. Flett, A. Murdoch, D. T. Sharman, A. R. Watson, P. M. Whelan. Also played: C. M. Hill.

THE SQUASH CLUB

Captain: P. O. BROWN.*Secretary:* Michaelmas, K. G. HOLMES; Lent, W. L. PAINE.

The considerable improvement this year in the College Squash has been largely due to four freshmen: Dick, Hall, Reddy and Francis. The Lent Term League finished with the 1st V second to Trinity Hall in the First Division, the 2nd V second in the Fifth Division, and the 3rd V equal first in the Sixth Division. However, the most encouraging feature was the entry of more than thirty for a competition open to any member of the College and in the 1st or 2nd V.

Besides College League matches there were two other fixtures in the Michaelmas Term. Our visit to the London School of Economics was successful and very enjoyable. The Cheyne Walk Club beat us but the more lasting result of our visit might be to succeed in persuading British motor manufacturers to fit two spare wheels in their cars. In the Lent Term we won against the Escorts, L.S.E., and St John's College, Oxford, but unfortunately the matches against Balliol College, Nottingham Squash Club, and Cheyne Walk Club, had to be cancelled.

Congratulations to Brown on his half-blue. With his reinforcement to the League side we hoped to do better than our third seeding, but Emmanuel beat us in the third round while he was ill. Next year we should do better, with renovated courts and strong freshman support.

1st V from: R. I. Dick, R. A. B. Hall, M. S. K. Reddy, S. A. C. Francis, K. G. Holmes, W. L. Paine, E. Leader.

2nd V from: Francis, Paine, Leader, M. A. A. Harries, J. G. Collins, B. R. Hatton, R. F. C. Webster, J. N. Scott, N. B. Taylor, F. D. Johnson, M. D. Goldberg.

3rd V from: Harries, Collins, P. Chawla, C. F. Lian, M. V. Bright, J. F. Powell, A. P. Shaw, D. S. Milner, J. F. Darden, F. W. Hulton.

TORTOISE BOAT CLUB

President: MR L. V. BEVAN.*Captain of Boats:* D. KEENS.*Hon. Secretary:* N. J. M. ABBOTT. *Hon. Treasurer:* C. D. STRONG.

Few people, perhaps, realized the full significance of recent notices referring to Tortoises. This semi-illustrious Club exists 'to offer moral support to Lady Margaret and Cambridge rowing. Membership, which shall be by invitation of the Committee, shall be open to members of any Lady Margaret crew which has: either been "technically" bumped, or been bumped by another L.M.B.C. crew, or sunk (scullers excluded)'. Thus this year's L.M.B.C.

10th May Boat is eligible, following their performance in the Mays and doubtless invitations will be forthcoming.

Apart from meeting convivially, occasional, and very casual, races against similar clubs of other Colleges are held. Our last effort was to have been an eight-oared race against the C.U.W.B.C., but our opponents were regrettably unable to appear at the last minute, for reasons which need not, but nevertheless shall, remain unmentioned.