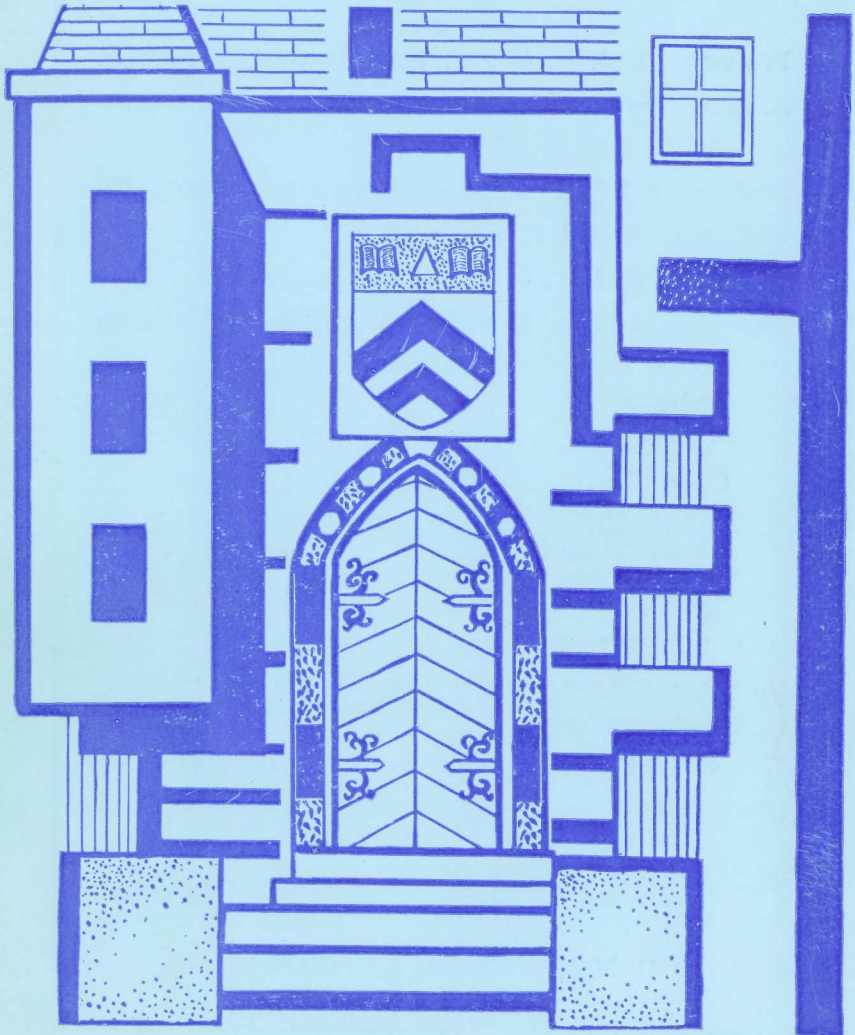


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Editorial

This is of general interest to those of you who still possess the ability to read after viewing our dazzling new cover, and for all proud owners of polaroid sunglasses.

At this stage in the proceedings we are expected to deliver some pert and witty remarks, but we've got your money now so pooh-pooh to you! Seriously though, once again we proudly present our annual literary folly; **THE MORRISONIAN**.

As we have said ad nauseam on our contribution-inducing posters, it is **YOUR** efforts that make the magazine, so you've cooked your own goose mate! In all fairness, however, it must be said that we did receive a huge flood of poems, essays, problem letters, threatening letters and even one anonymous phone call.

This year we hope our selection covers a wider range of ages, and indeed one infamously disorientated lower form appears regularly at the end of the Rector's belt!

Finally, we should like to extend our thanks and appreciation to the advertisers, the printers and especially to Mr MacLennan, who in his first year in charge of the Magazine, has devoted a great deal of time and effort towards its publication.

Spees on Fags out Eyes down!

School Notes

The School officials this session are:—

School Captain: H. T. BEATTIE

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Since the New Year, the School has been overcast by a shadow, following the sad death of Mr J. W. Ryan, Principal teacher of English. The energy he put into his work, along with his quick and ready wit, made him an extremely popular and memorable figure. His presence will be greatly missed, not least with regard to the work he devoted to the school magazine for many years, and we offer our deepest sympathy to Mrs Ryan and family in their bereavement.

We thank Miss Bayne, for many years Principal teacher of English in the Girls' School, for coming out of her well-earned retirement and filling Mr Ryan's place at such short notice.

At the end of this session, we bid farewell to Mr Livesey, who has taught Maths in the school for three years. We wish him success in his continued teaching, which he hopes to do on a part-time basis. We also wish good luck to Mr Gibb of the Games Department who leaves us this year to take up a new post as head of the Physical Education Department at Drewsteignton School in Bearsden, Glasgow.

Last summer term, the annual visits to the Pitlochry Festival Theatre were made. The plays seen were "Rossum's Universal Robots" by Karel Capek, a science fiction play written with great perceptiveness, and Ben Jonson's classic comedy, "The Alchemist". This latter play was particularly enjoyable. It was acted lightheartedly, but with a brilliant sense of timing by an excellent, highly polished cast.

In the science department, outings were made with Mr Wilson to the Westburn Sugar Refineries, and to St. Cyrus, to study the unique flora of the sand-dunes in the locality. Towards the end of the summer term, Mr Gibson took his senior technical pupils on their annual outing. Their destination this year was the new, then uncompleted, Longannet Power Station on the north bank of the Firth of Forth. The tour was highly interesting, and an enjoyable day was had by all.

This year has seen considerable change in the Boarding Houses. The girls resident in Knockearn have "swopped" places with the boys in Ogilvie House, and Knockearn has been incorporated into the new Dalmhor complex, which now houses some sixty boys. Mr and Mrs Macintyre have taken over the charge of the house from Mr and Mrs MacLennan. The new complex also includes a new refectory and study building, which has been named the Purdie building, after the late Theodore Purdie, who was himself a boarder from 1906 to 1909. In 1964 he died, bequeathing a sum of nearly £50,000, which he directed to be primarily used for the improvement of the boys' boarding houses. The building was officially opened on 30th October.

At the beginning of the Christmas term, Forms IV, V and VI received an excellent talk from Mr J. MacPherson, himself an Old Boy of the school, and now the Export Manager in the Eastern Hemisphere for W. A. Baxter's canned food company. His talk was on "Exporting and Marketing as a career", and was highly interesting, and spiced with a lively wit.

A French Prose and Verse-Speaking Competition for Perthshire schools was held in Perth High School this winter, and we extend our congratulations to the following on their successes — W. D. Allan and C. G. Murray, who were placed second in the Primary Group; D. M. Coull and D. J. Scott, who were first in the Form I Group; and especially to J. T. Watters, who despite being a scientist, defeated no fewer than five girls, to win first prize in the Form VI section. We also congratulate A. E. Matthews, who in a photographic competition held for Perthshire Cub Packs, came first in the black and white section, with a picture entitled "Deck of a Ship". The photograph appears later in the magazine. Another photographic competition, this time organised by the Art

Department, was held for first year boys, the emphasis being placed on the composition of the picture. It was won by Ronald McLean with a shot in black and white of the shore at Brora. The standard of the entries was high, in both black and white, and colour. It is hoped to run a similar competition over the summer vacation this year.

During the Autumn term the boys of the Lower School were asked to raise money to assist the National Children's Homes, of which there is one in Pitlochry. Their efforts realised about £67 — a very commendable result. The term also saw an innovation at Dalmhor. Under Mr Watson, the Dalmhor Boys' Choir came into being, and at the evening service on December 14th, delighted a large congregation at St. Andrews Church with a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols based on the service used in King's College Chapel, Cambridge. The House is to be congratulated on a fine display of teamwork.

Once again, just before Easter, a party of boys attended a Sixth Form Conference held in Edinburgh, under the auspices of the University S.R.C. The conference proved an ideal opportunity to sample the way of student life, and indeed everybody seemed to be so much at home by the end of the conference that they were loath to return to school at all!

Towards the end of the Easter term, the upper forms of the school received a talk from the London Metropolitan Police team. Well illustrated with slides and films, the talk gave a highly graphic account of a career in the modern police force.

This year the school was something of a guinea-pig when it took part in a world-wide statistical survey of scientific knowledge. About a dozen sixth-formers were involved, and if nothing else, the survey provided the perfect alibi for skipping classes!

The annual hockey match against the girls was won convincingly this year by the boys. Two dazzling goals each from Hall and Ashworth, to which the girls had no reply, made the score 4-0, after extra time. Easy!

During the Easter holidays, Mr Gibb took a party of seventeen boys from Forms II, III and IV on a 10-day trip to Brunnen, in Switzerland. Although plagued by bad weather, the holiday proved to be a highly entertaining and enjoyable experience.

We congratulate Mr and Mrs McLauchlan on the birth of a daughter, and Mr and Mrs Auchterlonie on the birth of a son.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of several contemporaries.

Once again, due to the generosity of an anonymous Old Boy, we are able to award a book token prize for the most meritorious article published in the magazine. We congratulate last year's winner, A. D. White, for his collection of six excellent poems. This year's winner will be announced in the Stop Press News.

Finally, congratulations also to last year's prize-winners, especially:—

MacRosty Medallist — K. M. LIECHTI
Dux Medallist — D. A. YULE

Obituary – James W. Ryan



It was with a great sense of shock and sorrow that colleagues, pupils, Old Boys and friends heard of the sudden death of Mr James W. Ryan at his home in Comrie on the morning of 11th February, 1970. Only the previous afternoon he had lingered on after school discussing various points of interest with some of his colleagues in his usual good spirits.

A native of Boston, Lincolnshire, Mr Ryan was educated at the local grammar school and at King's College, Cambridge; after a period of teacher training in Nottingham, he joined the staff of Morrison's Academy Boys'

School as assistant to the late Mr C. M. Taylor in the English Department in September 1948.

With great enthusiasm he plunged at once into the work and extra-curricular activities of the school. For a short time he was house tutor in Avondale and, later, for seven years he and Mrs Ryan took over the successful running of Glenearn. In due course he succeeded Mr Taylor as Head of the English Department, which post he held from September 1958 until his death. A gifted and highly successful teacher, with a genuine love of teaching and a warm hearted, helpful affection for his pupils, he gave himself whole-heartedly to their interests. For many years he guided and advised successive editors of *The Morrisonian* and ably supervised the activities of the Debating Society.

A keen and active sportsman, Jim Ryan had a passionate love of cricket and soccer, and an almost encyclopaedic knowledge of both. Many of his colleagues, and even more Old Boys, will long remember his performances in earlier Staff v. Pupils matches, more especially his immaculate length bowling and his somewhat unorthodox, but always entertaining, batting style. Rugby and Athletics also benefited from his encouragement; and as "unofficial" score-keeper in Athletics contests he had no equal.

From his earliest days in the Boys' School Mr Ryan was associated with the Combined Cadet Force, of which he was eventually Commanding Officer — a well deserved honour in view of his enthusiasm and army experience. The present writer remembers him as a vigorous, young undergraduate from Cambridge arriving at the Royal Signals O.C.T.U.

at Catterick Camp in an early year of Second World War, at the beginning of a period of military service which took him to North Africa and Italy. His service with the C.C.F. was terminated by illness some three years ago.

Always methodical and painstaking in his work and his play, always helpful and co-operative in his relations with pupils and colleagues, Jim Ryan won for himself a wide circle of friends in Strathearn and beyond and earned the respect and affection of all who knew him. His sense of humour and equable disposition of mind, his patience and courage were characteristics of the man, with whom it was a privilege to work, and whose passing leaves a blank that will be difficult to fill. To Mrs Ryan and her children goes out the sincere sympathy of all Morrisonians who treasure the memory of a well-loved teacher.

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Speech Day was once again held in St. Michael's Parish Church by courtesy of the Minister and the Kirk Session. There was a large attendance of pupils, parents and former pupils. Professor A. J. Beattie, the Chairman of the Governors, presided and told the audience of the new venture at the School, the news letters. These letters would tell everyone who wanted to know all that was going on at the School. Professor Beattie then introduced the guest of honour, Rear-Admiral W. T. C. Ridley, C.B., O.B.E., Admiral Superintendent of H.M. Dockyard, Rosyth. Admiral Ridley's speech dealt with two main themes — discipline and service. He said people often misunderstood these words. Discipline is a technique which helps us live, and it, along with service to the community, are the two things that make a human being.

The Rector began his annual report with a reference to the satisfactory academic achievement of the School as shown in S.C.E. results and acceptances for university or college courses. The School had also had a very successful season in sport, especially in rugby where the 1st XV finished the Christmas term as the only unbeaten school side in Scotland. There had also been a fine Athletics season with good wins over both Dollar and Watson's.

He turned to piping and the C.C.F. Band's success. The Band had won the Glasgow Highland Club's Banner for West of Scotland Schools, while Pipe-Major Liechti won the individual piping competition. At the Scottish Schools' C.C.F. meeting later in Dundee, the Band took third place and Pipe-Major Liechti second. He congratulated Mr Donaldson on his patient coaching and K. M. Liechti on his leadership.

The Rector went on to mention the Schools' societies and told of the plays the Dramatic Society had performed during the Session. The activities of the Scout Group under Mr G. Wilson and Mr M. Todd were also mentioned.

The Rector then referred to creative work of another kind — the work which had been going on at Dalmhor throughout the Session. "A fine central building, providing excellent cooking, dining, working and recreational facilities for twice the number of boys has risen between Dalmhor and Knockearn; and by exchanging the girls of Knockearn with the boys of Ogilvie, we shall have an enlarged boys' house on a site which holds out great possibilities of further development. This has been made possible by the bequest of the late Theodore Purdie, who was a boarder at this School and wanted his bequest to improve boarding amenities; I believe that he would have approved of what has been done, and we remember his name with gratitude". In connection with Dalmhor, Mr and Mrs MacLennan were relinquishing their position as Housemaster and Housemistress and the Rector thanked them for the fine work they had both done for the House. Mr and Mrs Macintyre, who were their predecessors at Dalmhor, had agreed to take over the guidance of the new House.

The Rector concluded his speech by saying: "I wish to give my sincerest thanks to all the staff for the work they have done so loyally inside and outside the classrooms; to congratulate all those boys who have done something of value for themselves and of credit to the School during the Session; to hope for those, who are leaving, the best of success and happiness in their new spheres".

Among the principal prize-winners were:—
Dux of the School — D. A. Yule; Proxime Accessit, L. C. Kennard; MacRosty Medal— K. M. Liechti; The George Duncan Prize for English Literature — L. C. Kennard; The C.M. Taylor Prize for English in Form V — J. T. Watters; The Strathairn Prize for History — R. M. Torrens; The Forbes Hynd Prize for Modern Languages — L. C. Kennard; The John Smith Prize for Mathematics — D. A. Yule; The Kippen Prize for Science — K. M. Liechti; The Moffat Prize for Biology — R. Simpson; The Howard Baker Prize for Economics — D. Watters; The Reid Prize for Technical Subjects — B. J. Simpson; The Howard Baker Prize for Art — A. P. Sinclair.

House Cups and Trophies were won as follows:—
Tennis — the Murrays. Swimming — the Grahams. Rugby — the Grahams. Cricket — the Murrays. Lower School Championship — the Grahams. The Crieff Shield for the Champion House was won by the Murrays.

The Appeal Fund

The Present Position of the Appeal

The Appeal Fund, which aimed at £77,000, has now reached £63,800. It has done well and the Appeal Committee is most grateful to those who have contributed and is appreciative of the "Helpers" and their efforts, in raising this very considerable sum.

Work has gone on quickly and the Beatrice Mason Building will be handed over to the Girls' School and will be in full use in the coming session. This building contains the senior girls' Domestic Science Department and three other classrooms. Phase One of the Development Plan will then be completed.

We must now press on energetically with Phase Two. First priority is the Boys' Primary School which will comprise four classrooms and a general purposes room for the Boys' primary classes. In addition the conversion is required of a number of rooms in the main Boys' School and in the John Smith Building to provide classroom accommodation for an increased number of senior boys in 1972. This work is expected to start in June 1970.

It is important to note that it is now intended to build the Boys' Primary on the main site inside the Academy Park facing the main School building. We hope that all Morrisonians will be pleased, as we are, that the traditional make-up of the School will thus remain unchanged.

The Boys' Primary is necessarily first priority in this stage of Phase Two development, but plans are being considered to provide the Girls' Primary classroom accommodation also on the main site adjacent to the new Beatrice Mason Domestic Science Block. Croftweit, with some conversion, will continue to provide the Preparatory classroom accommodation.

The Donnison Report, lately published, has renewed uncertainties concerning the future of the School and some years may elapse before all doubt is finally resolved. In spite of this the Governors intend to carry out as soon as possible the improvements which have been mentioned, believing them to be essential to the welfare of pupils now and in the immediate future.

But we are still £13,200 short of the target £77,000. With the Boys' Primary classroom building due to start in June it is now very important that the shortfall should be made good. It is hoped that this statement on the current position of the Appeal will be of interest and encouragement to Morrisonians who are contributors and also to Morrisonians who may not yet have made up their minds. We hope that these latter will consider afresh the needs of the School and that they will now decide to give the Appeal Fund their support.

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THE BOARDING HOUSES ASSOCIATION

IN 1969 the "Newsletter" compiled by Mr Williamson was circulated by the Governors to Morrisonians, parents, and to other well-wishers of the School. Those who had the opportunity to read it will recall the informative article written by Mr Tom Finlayson, the Chairman of the B.H.A. and remember his remarks concerning the magnificent bequest from the late Theodore Purdie. The improvements to the Boys' Houses which are described hereafter stem almost entirely from this generosity.

Mr and Mrs MacLennan retired at the end of last Session, after seven years of valuable service and Mr and Mrs Macintyre are now back once again at Dalmhor. They occupy the Bungalow, which was completed in 1967.

At the conclusion of last session due to the ill health of her husband, Mrs Thom retired as Housemistress of the Girls' House at Knockearn and in the holidays the kitchen and dining-room were gutted to form an additional dormitory, the matron's sitting room and a drying room. The bathroom in the Flat was modernised also. Finally, the Girls who had occupied the House, in September, exchanged houses with the Boys from Ogilvie, and Knockearn became known as Dalmhor Junior House. The Tutor, Mr Watson, who is the Assistant Classics Master, lives in the Flat.

The joint houses have a complement of 60 Boarders and these have the benefit of the new Purdie Building, around which the whole move was planned. This building comprises a modern kitchen, dining-room and prep room for the whole house, and there is also a rumpus room, which has proved beneficial during the miserable winter. The ground immediately adjacent has been levelled, and is to form an all-purpose tennis and games court, which will be in use next Session. All the alterations and resultant teething troubles have thrown a burden on the Macintyres and Staff, but the House is now settled, and is being run both efficiently and economically.

Glenearn, known to several generations of Boarders, was linked to the adjoining house of Ardenmhor in 1965, by a communicating corridor and prep room to house 50 boys. Mr and Mrs Turner have been in charge for the past two years, and live with their family in the Flat formed at the top of Ardenmhor. Mr Gibb, the Tutor, occupies part of the Housemaster's accommodation in old Glenearn. All the refectory arrangements are in Ardenmhor, and the kitchen was fitted out this year with modern equipment. At the time of writing, Mrs Turner has had to undergo an operation, and we wish her a rapid return to health and strength.

Benheath continues to be the same efficient and happy House under Miss Fraser's guidance. The considerable alterations made to the building in 1958 require only regular maintenance.

Last summer, coincidental with the alterations at Knockearn, a considerable sum of money was expended in converting Ogilvie into a Girls' House. Mrs McLauchlan was appointed Housemistress and moved

in to run the house immaculately, as was to be expected from the former Domestic Science teacher at the Girls' School. Her daughter Kathryn was born during the Easter holidays and we congratulate her parents and offer best wishes to the additional Boarder.

Academy House remains unchanged as far as property is concerned, but there also the personnel has increased by one! Our congratulations to Mr and Mrs Auchterlonie and best wishes to young Peter.

Changes which will be most apparent to visitors to the Houses are the alterations to the gardens. Mr John Dalglsh, now the Chairman of the Local Committee, with advice and assistance, has carried out considerable replanning to simplify the gardens, and to effect a saving in labour costs. The $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of ground at Dalmhor has the original tennis court, now full size, plus the new all-purpose one being prepared beside the Purdie Building. The remainder of the property is now a very necessary play area for the 60 boys. The whole area behind Glenearn and Ardenmhor is likewise under construction as a playground. We are in the process of levelling the ground in front of Benneath and a similar area has been completed behind Ogilvie. All these improvements will be of benefit to future Boarders.

The Swiss Trip

At Easter, a party of 17 boys spent a 10 day holiday in Switzerland. Leaving Edinburgh, we travelled by train down to Dover and then we crossed to Ostend by the Flemish "Princess Paola". We dined at Ostend and also had time to wander around this attractive port and tourist centre. Our overnight trip to Basle involved sleeping in "couchettes" as the express sped through Bruges, Ghent, Brussels, Namur, Metz and Strasbourg. Finally we arrived at Brunnen and were thankfully given the rest of the day free to recover from our 36 hour journey.

Our hotel was right down on the shores of Lake Lucerne. When we arrived, the water was dancing and sparkling gloriously in the warm sunshine. This was, however, virtually the last we saw of the sun. Instead of the heat we had hoped for, we were unfortunate in having the worst weather for Easter in that part of Switzerland since 1829. Despite the snow, we still managed to get out and about and to cover a fair bit of ground.

The area round Lake Lucerne is very important in Swiss history. We saw the charming wooden building at Treib which served as the first House of Parliament and visited Rutli where Switzerland was founded. We saw the famous statue at Altdorf of William Tell and his son, and sailed past the special small chapel that was built at the lakeside. We also saw the natural standing stone in the Lake that the Swiss use as a memorial to Schiller, the poet who made the story of Tell so famous.

Our first excursion was down to Lucerne. We went by the Lake ferry boat which zig-zagged back and forwards across the water. The mountains sloped right down to the shore, with the small townships nestling attractively at the foot. At Lucerne we lunched and then made our way to the Glacier Gardens. Here we marvelled at the rocks which had been formed by glaciers into large pot-holes or into particularly interesting shapes. While in Lucerne, we inspected the old town wall and visited an amusing maze of mirrors. We visited Lucerne later, this time to see the world-famous Transport Museum containing detailed models, as well as the genuine articles, of all the various forms of transport through the ages. There were fully operational displays of telecommunications with telephones and tape-recorders, and we were also able to see ourselves on television.

One of our all-day excursions took us to the really magnificent Falls of the Rhine at Schaffhausen. After briefly passing through part of West Germany we stopped in Zürich and had a good look round the town centre.

Our longest excursion was the 100 mile train journey to Lugano on the Italian border. Everywhere we could see the typically Swiss chalets with the curiously curved overhanging wooden eaves. These chalets serve as the family house and the winter byre for the cattle. We went through the famous St. Gotthard Pass with its three levels of tunnels spiralling through the mountains. The dirty and untidy Italian-speaking part of the country compared very unfavourably with the orderly cleanliness of our German-speaking area. It was certainly much warmer here and there were small plantations of vines everywhere.

Attractively situated round a bay in Lake Lugano, the town itself is an important tourist and shopping centre. It is guarded at each end by two small mountains, rather reminiscent of book-ends. Some of us went out in small pedal boats, while others took the funicular mountain railway up Mont Bré and were rewarded with a really magnificent view from the summit.

We also made a trip much higher into the Alps to the small town of Einselden to see the beautiful old Catholic Cathedral. It took 60 years to build and cost millions of pounds. The magnificence of the colouring and gilded décor of the interior was really breath-taking.

All too soon our holiday came to an end. Our return crossing was from Calais to Folkestone and then on to King's Cross and the overnight train to Waverley. The holiday was arranged by the Scottish Secondary School Travel Trust — we formed a combined party with George Watson's — and the efficiency in the organisation was excellent. The whole holiday was quite an experience. We all certainly enjoyed ourselves and came home full of happy memories —despite the weather having been such a heartbreak. We thank Mr Gibb most warmly for all he did to make this trip a success.

Sports Clubs

RUGBY



FIRST XV — This year's side had the formidable task of trying to maintain last year's exceptional record. It was clear from the beginning that this would be difficult as we lacked experienced players in key positions. Indeed, only six players returned to play for a second season. However, the less experienced players met the challenge admirably and there was keen competition for places, especially in the pack. As usual the first match was against the Old Boys when the side had to face one of the strongest Old Boys' teams of recent seasons. The school played well, but our 3-0 lead in the first half was severely dealt with during the second half when the cracking pace of the Old Boys' three-quarter line proved too much for us.

In many of the inter-school matches we held and dominated play in the first half but lack of experience under pressure in the second half led to exciting finishes and narrow defeats. The matches against Dollar, Melville and Hutcheson's all exemplified this failing. The team rose to the occasion against George Watson's and put on a fine display of defensive tackling to hold the powerful Edinburgh side to a 3-3 draw. We then drew again with Dunfermline, an unbeaten side at this time, when a win was easily in our grasp. Our next game against Robert Gordon's College was very exciting but the sheer force of their exceptionally large pack gave them the run of the field and ensured a win for the Aberdeen side. The succession of close defeats seemed to have an effect on the morale of the side (what might we have done if the games had gone our way!). We fell badly to Royal High and Strathallan School, but recovered form thereafter and decisively beat Paisley Grammar School for our first taste of victory. However, we were unable to capitalize on this as the weather cancelled our three remaining matches of the term.

Although victory was not ours we opened the second term with an enthusiastic display against George Heriot's, but injury took its toll of the team, and even that endearing cry of "where's the pack?" could not seem to inject the side with any vigour in the following match against Daniel Stewart's College, and we slumped badly.

For our last game of the season against Aberdeen Grammar we were at full strength again and in outplaying the opposition in every phase of the game we displayed the form which had been expected of us all season.

The results of the season were not a true reflection of the playing ability of the side as was indicated when four players were picked to

represent the Midlands Schools XV. They were H. T. Beattie (who captained the district in all games), K. C. Holden, J. R. Hall and I. T. A. Hall. D. M. Currie and R. D. S. Johnson were chosen to play for the Midlands Schools "B" XV.

With a large number of "blooded" players returning next season we confidently look forward to a profitable season next year, and those of us leaving wish them the very best of luck.

Full Colours were awarded to:— H. T. Beattie, J. R. Hall, I. T. A. Hall and K. C. Holden, with Half Colours to D. M. Currie.

SECOND XV — The Seconds had a reasonably successful season, winning the majority of their games. The side played good rugby throughout the season. The pack was efficient and good play also came from the backs especially in the game against Queen Victoria School. Unfortunately the side was very rarely at full strength due to injuries and it is also interesting to note that eleven players in the side had two or more games for the 1st XV.

THIRD XV — Despite constant changes in personnel, the team usually played with great spirit and were capable of producing some very good combined play. Better in attack than in defence, where lack of determination too often counted against them, inconsistency, however, tended to be the weakness of this useful all round side.

COLTS XV — The Colts XV had a successful season, mainly due to a hard-working and efficient pack, who were prepared to attack at every opportunity. The backs were all keen to run hard and proved to be sound in defence. Their obvious weakness lay in the forwards' inability to catch cleanly at line-outs thus causing scrappy play, and by no means certain possession.

The following players were awarded Colts' Buttons:— D. W. Allan, S. D. Cameron, I. G. S. Cunningham, A. B. Millar, A. Robertson, D. M. Wilson.

5th XV — The 5th XV had a reasonably successful season. They are an enthusiastic and hardworking side, ably captained by W. Milroy. Only by the end of the season was a satisfactory partnership found at half-back, and this weakness plus the lack of a specialist hooker created difficulties throughout the season.

6th XV — This promising young side was really starting to play well, when four successive matches, unfortunately, had to be cancelled because of frost. The whole team liked to join in running and handling as often as possible. Clever backs with a fair amount of pace — although not always used — and a hardworking pack of forwards, who were always "hungry for the ball", were able to produce several attractive attacking moves. The first year were fortunate too, in not only having a good team, but also a good "top practice", and this should augur well for the future.

PRIMARY XV — Aply captained by J. A. Cargill, the Primary XV had the distinction of being the only undefeated side in the school, winning all four of their matches. They played with great enthusiasm, both in matches and practices, and show great promise for future seasons.

1st XV RESULTS

Date	Opponents	Results	
		F	A
Sept. 20—	MORRISONIAN CLUB	3	17
Sept. 27—	DOLLAR ACADEMY	6	8
Oct. 4—	MELVILLE COLLEGE	11	13
Oct. 11—	HUTCHESON'S G. S.	3	6
Oct. 18—	GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE	3	3
Oct. 25—	DUNFERMLINE H. S.	9	9
Nov. 8—	ROBERT GORDON'S COLLEGE	3	8
Nov. 15—	ROYAL HIGH SCHOOL	0	22
Nov. 18—	STRATHALLAN	3	15
Nov. 22—	PAISLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL	19	0
Nov. 29—	DUNDEE HIGH SCHOOL	Cancelled	
Dec. 6—	GLENALMOND	Cancelled	
Dec. 13—	PERTH ACADEMY	Cancelled	

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Jan. 17—	GEORGE HERIOT'S SCHOOL	0	13
Jan. 24—	DANIEL STEWART'S COLLEGE	0	16
Jan. 31—	GLASGOW HIGH SCHOOL	6	14
Feb. 7—	MADRAS COLLEGE	Cancelled	
Feb. 14—	HILLHEAD HIGH SCHOOL	Cancelled	
Feb. 28—	BOROUGHMUIR SCHOOL	Cancelled	
Mar. 7—	GLASGOW ACADEMY	Cancelled	
Mar. 14—	ABERDEEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL	15	6

TEAM CAPTAINS

1st XV — H. T. BEATTIE	2nd XV — J. P. McNEE
3rd XV — A. G. BURNS	Colts XV — A. B. MILLAR
5th XV — W. L. MILROY	6th XV — G. S. BELL
Primary XV — J. A. CARGILL	

TEAM RECORDS FOR SEASON 1969-70

	P	W	D	L	Aban'd	F	A
1st XV	13	2	2	9	0	78	133
2nd XV	12	6	1	5	0	139	66
3rd XV	11	5	1	5	0	71	124
Colts XV	10	7	0	3	0	129	69
5th XV	12	7	1	4	0	140	56
6th XV	11	7	0	3	1	153	43
Primary XV	4	4	0	0	0	56	12

CRICKET

1969 SEASON



1st XI — The record of the 1969 season was poor, but it must be said that this was not a true reflection of the team's ability. The beginning of the season was completely disrupted by poor weather with 5 out of the 6 games being cancelled or abandoned. This dampened the team's spirit as they were on several occasions in a very commanding position. As time went on the weather improved and the batting became stronger with every player capable of a reasonable score. P. A. Cochrane, one of the few boys to captain both rugby and cricket, topped the batting averages and was leading scorer on several occasions. Cochrane's opening partnership with J. R. Hall usually set the foundations of a good innings. The middle batsmen — Ruxton, Sherriff, McCurrach and Kennard — were all capable of putting the bat to the ball, but sometimes lacked concentration. The 'tail-end' batsmen were capable of a high scoring rate when required. Millar, Ryder and Macdonald were the batsmen who 'let loose', and on several occasions saved the day.

Our bowling strength, which was always suspect, was weakened when McKerracher left at half-term. His bowling was of a penetrative style, and forced most batsmen into defence. He was assisted by Ryder and Macdonald but they lacked his penetration. The other two bowlers, Hall and Anderson, were useful change bowlers. Ruxton bowled his off-breaks well and on suitable wickets worried the batsmen.

The fielding was of a relatively high standard with wicket-keeper L. C. Kennard's sound performance giving added encouragement to the rest of the team.

Full Colours were awarded to P. A. Cochrane and Half Colours to J. R. Hall.

TEAM CAPTAINS

First XI — P. A. COCHRANE Second XI — J. P. McNEE
 Colts XI — R. I. DAVIDSON Junior 'A' XI — W. D. ALLAN
 Junior 'B' XI — R. A. R. McLEAN Primary XI — G. S. BELL

TEAM RECORDS 1969

	P	W	L	D	Abn'd
FIRST XI	13	2	4	4	3
SECOND XI	10	7	2	0	1
COLTS XI	4	0	2	1	1
JUNIOR 'A' XI	4	3	0	1	0
JUNIOR 'B' XI	5	1	2	1	1
PRIMARY XI	4	2	1	1	0



ATHLETICS

With L. G. Dick captaining the team, 1969 saw a very satisfactory season in athletics.

Our opening match against Dollar was won by a comfortable margin of 183 to 166 points, with L. G. Dick winning four of his events. In the Intermediate group R. D. S. Johnson gained three firsts, including a new best performance of 1.57 metres (5ft. 2ins.) in the high jump. G. A. McElhinney won the intermediate discus with a throw of 39.52 metres (129ft. 8ins.), also a new best performance.

The Watson's contest was closely fought with our senior relay team finally winning the match for us by 176½ to 174½ points. Again L. G. Dick was our star performer with firsts in four events — 100m. hurdles, shot and long jump. R. D. S. Johnson improved his high jump best performance of the Dollar match, clearing 1.60m. (5ft. 3ins.) It is interesting to note that in the same event L. Bryce came second with a jump of 1.57m. (5ft. 2ins.), equalling Johnson's previous best performance.

Our contingent of 14 boys at the Scottish Schools' Championships held at Scotstoun, Glasgow, met with a fair degree of success. We had two second placings — L. G. Dick in the senior triple jump, and H. T. Beattie in the intermediate 200m. N. T. Begg and R. D. S. Johnson were 4th in their respective events — shot and triple jump — both gaining standard awards. A very commendable performance was also put up by P. J. Duncan, who, although not a medal winner, came third in his 800m. heat in the fast time of 2 min. 8.3 sec. A great disappointment was our relay team of Cochrane, McElhinney, Beattie and Currie, who had the second fastest qualifying time only to learn that they had been disqualified in their heat through an incorrect changeover.

L. G. Dick took part in the Scottish Junior Championships held at Grangemouth, and put up a fine display, winning the triple jump. He was also elected to compete for the Scottish Schools' team for the International match, but an injury prevented him from taking part.

Despite good weather, the turnout of spectators for Sports Day was relatively low compared with recent years. However, those who came saw a high standard of athletics.

L. G. Dick was Senior Champion, with K. A. R. McKenzie runner-up. Dick broke the senior triple jump record by over two and a half feet, with an outstanding leap of 13.85m (45ft. 5¼ins.) R. D. S. Johnson was intermediate champion, his success including a new record of 12.17m. (39ft. 10½ins.) in the triple jump. G. D. Stalker was intermediate runner-up. Also in the intermediates, A. Robertson broke the javelin record throwing 40.02m. (131ft. 4in.). Junior Champion was I. T. Rankin,

with E. Blades runner-up. A. E. Rankin won the primary championship, and A. W. Miller was runner-up. The undisputed house champions were the Campbells who, with 236 points, won easily from the Drummonds (127½ pts), the Grahams (113½ pts) and Murrays (92 pts).

Our final contest was held against George Heriot's School at Goldenacre, under extremely windy conditions. Undaunted by the weather, however, we put up a good display in a close contest, losing in the end by 168 to 152 points. H. T. Beattie and L. G. Dick each gained three first places. One of the outstanding performances of the day was K. C. Holden's determined run in the 1500m., winning in the fine time of 4 min. 32 sec.

The key note of the season's success has been the extensive programme of pre-season training organised by Mr Gibb. Cross-countries and circuit training were maintained throughout the winter months. The importance of this cannot be overstressed — fitness at the start of an athletics season gives a team a head and shoulders advantage.

This year we had several entries for the Scottish Schools' Cross-Country Championships, and H. D. Watson is to be commended on his good run in the senior section, in a very strong field.

This year we would like to thank especially our captain, L. G. Dick. His unceasing encouragement and enthusiasm at practices, along with performances of the highest standard in the contests, set us all an example that made us give our best with a good team spirit and determination.

SWIMMING — This year showed an increase in the number of boys interested in the sport. This increase has forced training to be undertaken in group form rather than being left to the individual. There are several promising young swimmers in the school who should greatly benefit from this method of training.

The Primary section of the club showed their ability last June in the Inter-School Primary Swimming Gala at Perth. T. Blair, N. H. Crosbie, H. A. MacDonald, R. J. Storrier, A. F. Marshall, N. S. McLean, J. A. Payne, A. E. Rankin, and J. B. Wilson all obtained first places, and four seconds and a third were also recorded.

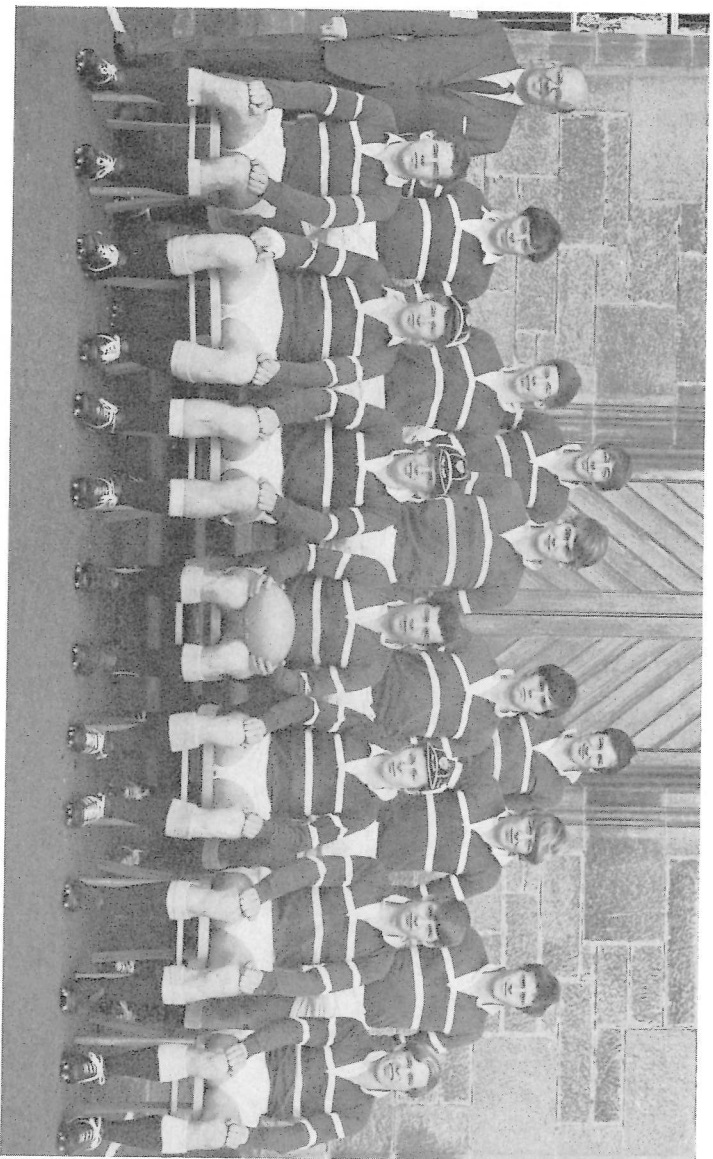
The Perth and Kinross School's Association County Gala in October saw a large contingent representing the school. The benefits of more frequent and organised training were obvious in all age groups, especially in the Juniors. All but one of our representatives reached the final of his event, with first places going to P. F. Craig, W. A. Ferguson, C. D. Moncrieff, D. J. West and G. S. Will. We also had seven second placings and one third. The Junior relay team had an excellent swim, winning their event, while the 'old men' in the Senior relay came second.

Time trials for the Scottish Schools' Swimming Championships took place at Glenalmond in November. Most of our competitors produced new personal best performances, although we are unable to compete fully with other schools who are swimming every day throughout the



PIPE BAND ON PARADE, MARCH 1969.

RUGBY FIRST XV, 1969-70



Mr A. P. Macintyre, D. G. A. Hume, G. D. Stalker, R. D. S. Johnson, A. C. G. Mavor, N. T. Regg, R. C. M. Beyer, A. A. Anderson, W. P. Balfour. Front Row: R. J. Laine, I. T. A. Hall, K. C. Holden, H. T. Beattie (Capt.), J. R. Hall, D. M. Currie, D. W. Ashworth.

week. However, our congratulations go to A. E. Rankin who eventually reached the finals at East Kilbride.

An extra competitive swim was in store for a few of the club members in March when they were chosen to represent Perth and Kinross in an Inter-County match at Falkirk.

The Inter-House Gala was won by the Grahams (139 pts) beating the Drummonds (116 pts), Murrays (90 pts) and Campbells (70 pts).

The usual life-saving awards have not been taken this year as illness took such a heavy toll of budding life-savers, that the exams were no longer a feasible proposition. There are a large number of enthusiasts and it is hoped that arrangements can be made for the awards to be taken before the end of session.

The introduction of Speed and Diving awards by the Scottish Amateur Swimming Association and the Scottish Schools' Swimming Association should allow more competition within the club and encourage new members to join and train regularly throughout the season.

Colours were awarded to K. C. Holden and S. A. Lochtie, with Half Colours to W. A. Ferguson (re-award) and G. H. R. Clark.



TENNIS

The season promised well with three experienced players (Cochrane, Millar and Sherriff) returning. In the Midlands Schools' Tournament we beat Perth Academy in the first round but were defeated by Glenalmond, the eventual winners, in the second round. In our school match against Strathallan we were defeated by a strong side. Unfortunately, the annual Old Boys' match had to be cancelled.

The team throughout the season consisted of Millar (captain), Cochrane, McCurrach, Hall, Johnson, Sherriff and MacKenzie. The inter-house competition was won, for the fourth consecutive year, by the Murrays, with the Grahams as runners-up.

There was, as ever, a large number of entries for the singles competition. The Dye Cup eventually went to J. R. Hall who defeated D. W. Millar in the final. Hall has yet quite a lot to learn, but he is available for two more seasons and promises well for the future. He was awarded Half Colours this season.

In conclusion, our thanks are due to David Millar for his captaincy throughout the season and to the Girls' School for their generous allocation of time on the courts.



GOLF

In 1969 the Belch Cup took the form of three medal scratch rounds. P. M. Jamieson was the winner with an aggregate of 223 strokes with A. G. Melville two shots behind, runner-up for the third year in succession.

A junior match-play competition was inaugurated last year. T. G. Muirhead was the winner beating R. McGregor in the final.

In the Midlands Schools' Tournament played at Glenalmond we were decisive winners of the team event, winning by a large margin, with P. M. Jamieson winning the individual tournament by 10 shots. In so doing he equalled the 9-hole course record of 33.

In our annual match against the Old Boys for the Cameron Cup, the school won for the second year running, by 3 games to 1. We had only one school match, against Perth Academy at Craigie Hill, which was won by $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$. This year we hope to arrange games against Glenalmond and Strathallan.

Last season W. T. G. Milne won the Central District Boys' Championship at Tulliallan by 1 shot, from R. Fyfe, the 1969 Scottish Boys' champion.

SKIING

The Ski Club was constituted at an inaugural meeting in September at which the general policy of the Club was discussed and decided.

Guy Crawford was elected as Secretary. An annual subscription of five shillings was to be charged. Weekend excursions to Glenshee during the season would be organised. Monthly meetings would be held during the season.

The Club membership for the year was 39 boys, an encouraging start, and it is hoped it will increase.

The Club meetings, held jointly with the Girls' School, proved interesting and informative — talks being given by Cairdsport, Banks and Grampian Travel.

The weekend outings to Glenshee were also popular and enjoyable. The skiing activities and abilities were enhanced by trips in the last week of the winter and spring terms, organised by the Physical Education Department whom we thank most sincerely.

In January three sixth-year boys spent a week at Glen More Lodge attending a course in skiing organised by the Scottish Council of Physical Recreation.

The Club has been helped by a generous grant from the Governors which enabled us to buy five sets of skiing equipment which will be available next season.

An annual general meeting will be held this term to discuss the programme for next season which we hope will be as enjoyable and exciting as this our first year.

CURLING

A Curling Club was started this year. During the season, regular visits were paid to Perth Ice Rink, for practice and coaching. In all, sixteen boys took part in the various curling sessions.

A team composed of J. Haggart, D. G. McCartney, J. S. Naismith and skipped by T. G. Muirhead won what is virtually the Scottish Junior Championship at Aviemore on March 14th. They returned with the J. & D. South Trophy for Junior Curlers.

On April 11th. they again took part in competition, this time a Senior Schools' Competition organised by Cairdsport, and again the venue was Aviemore. The team skipped by T. G. Muirhead was J. S. Naismith, J. Haggart and R. A. H. Naismith. This time although unbeaten they finished third. In the interim they were beaten by Perth Academy in a playdown for the knock-out stage of the Scottish Schools' National Championship.

All in all a most successful and encouraging first season.

The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who helped in coaching and transporting the boys. Their willing co-operation was greatly appreciated.



ANGLING

Activities continued throughout the winter terms. A hard core of enthusiasts met on Sunday afternoons to practise the tying of flies and to discuss various topics. Individual members assisted the Crieff Angling Club in a programme of bank clearing carried out during the close season.

The Angling Club gratefully acknowledges assistance given by local friends throughout the year.

Secretary/Treasurer:
R. J. Kendall.

BADMINTON

For the first time the school entered a team in the Perth and Kinross Badminton Championships. The boys' section was made up of G. Townson and R. Scott in the juniors and G. Dow and D. Cairns in the seniors. Mixed doubles teams were entered with the co-operation of the Girls' School. The senior mixed doubles were the most successful, both being beaten, narrowly, in the semi-finals.

SAILING

With the snows of winter gradually receding, the thoughts of 'small boat' enthusiasts invariably turn to sailing.

This season, thanks to a grant from the Governors, the School has been able to purchase three second-hand dinghies, two 'Enterprise' and one 'Mirror', which has enabled them to start a Sailing Club as an added leisure activity. The excellent facilities made available to the Club by Loch Earn Sailing Club at St. Fillans should ensure a successful and enjoyable season.

In conclusion we should like to thank Mr Grieve and his ground staff for their invaluable work at Dallerie and in Academy Park throughout the Winter and Summer. We are also fortunate in having a staff who are willing to give up their spare time to take practices, coach, travel with teams and officiate at matches. Our thanks go to all these members of staff and in particular to those who have organised the running of our numerous activities — Mr Auchterlonie (Angling), Mr Boyle (Skiing), Mr Findlay (Tennis), Mr McLauchlan (Curling), and Mr Wilson (Cross-Country and Golf).

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School Societies

DRAMATIC CLUB



The summer production was 'The Government Inspector' by Nicolai Gogol. We were very lucky in having with our cast that rare combination of talent and ability which makes a show a success.

The players were led by five keen and able actors; Lindsay Kennard as the Mayor, Maureen Hay and Diane Millar as his wife and daughter, Sandy Finlayson as the young 'hero' Hlestakov and Andrew Kerr as his servant. Maureen Hay achieved the difficult task of appearing and acting like a mature wordly woman with Diane Millar contrasting well as the pretty but feckless daughter. Lindsay Kennard made a noble effort at the extremely difficult part of the Mayor. Sandy Finlayson, too, gave a creditable performance in the contrasting role of the boastful, foppish upstart and was strongly supported by

AS Andrew Kerr as his cunning servant.

The play provided excellent opportunities for a series of lesser characters in the parts of the four officials and their wives. These were amusingly portrayed by Neil Anderson as the sly judge, Irene Milroy as his beautiful wife, Peter McNee as the nervous school superintendent with Sally Sylvester his gushing wife; David Finlayson, the crafty, two-faced Charity Commissioner and a charming, treacherous Postmaster from John Dalglish. Two memorable performances came from Alan Burns and Alan Ruxton as the landowners, Bobchinsky and Dobchinsky. Two small character parts much developed and amusingly presented were the Mishka of Jill Belch and the waiter of Jack Watters whose sense of comedy timing was excellent. The other character parts, all difficult tasks for inexperienced actors, were competently attempted by Mike Inglis, Bill Balfour, Andrea Devine, Matthew Lee, Campbell Christie, Anne Strang, Margaret Roger and Guy Crawford.

The striking visual effects were achieved with thanks to the Art, Technical and Domestic Science departments where many willing hands helped the show along. Outstanding contributions in this field came from Andrew Kerr and Kenneth Beaton in building the set, Sheila Davidson in costume and Mike Inglis and Donald Hume in the lighting department.

The stage management was efficiently carried out under the direction of Mr Watson.

The summer brought the loss of two stalwarts of the Dramatic Club in the retiral of Miss Margaret Bayne, who had been such a tower of strength for many years and the 'retiral' of Mrs McLauchlan whose cheerful and enthusiastic support and willing hard work had made many a production visually memorable.

The first meeting of the new term produced an enthusiastic membership of over 70 and although this year such numbers have been beyond the capabilities of the club we hope in future years to be more able to accommodate these large numbers. The first term we practised the rudiments of the dramatic art, which included two excellent and enjoyable evenings on movement. For these we were indebted to Miss Christie to whom we express our thanks.

The summer production will be a joint effort of the Dramatic Club and the Music Department of the Girls' School. The Club will present two one-act plays: an adaptation of 'The Importance of Being Earnest' by Osear Wilde and 'The Invisible Duke' by Sladen Smith. This year we are holding two public performances on Friday, 3rd July, and Saturday, 4th July, which we hope will be well patronised.

M.C.B.

(Editor's note:—Modesty has prevented Mr Boyle commenting on his own part in the success of the Dramatic Club and in particular of last summer's production. His own personal contribution has been enormous and his gifts very obvious to us all — we thank him most warmly for all he has done and we look forward to this summer's performance.)

DEBATING SOCIETY

The first meeting was held on November 21st and the following office-bearers were elected: Secretary, G. L. M. Crawford; sixth form representative, none; fifth form representative, A. G. Burns; fourth form representative, T. J. Macaskill; third form representative, R. Sylvester.

The first meeting of the year was held unusually late, but even so, five meetings were held during the session, and the boys were invited to a very enjoyable Burns Supper by the Girls' School Society.

There were two full scale debates during the year, when the motions 'That the money spent on the Space Programme could and should be put to better use', and 'That the British Police Force should be armed' were debated. They were both passed. In January a very lively 'Twenty Questions' night took place but without doubt the highlight of the year was the mock election. The mock election, a joint meeting, was a great success with an attendance of about 250 boys and girls. The successful candidate was N. W. P. Anderson who represented the Students' Freedom Association.

An encouraging trend this year has been the increased support and participation of our younger members. We would like to thank everybody who regularly supported the Society.

We should like to thank Mr Turner, who, after Mr Ryan's sudden death, took the chair for the last meeting. Mr Ryan had been Chairman of the Society for 22 years. His faith in the Society helped it to survive and his ready wit added spice to the meetings. His presence will be greatly missed. Thanks also go to Mr Bell, Mr Boyle, Mr Turner and Mr Gibb for representing the masters on the 'Twenty Questions' night.

G.L.M.C.

SCIENTIFIC AND GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

At the opening meeting of the session, the following office-bearers were elected:— Hon. President, the Rector; Hon. Vice-presidents, Mr Harrison Maxwell and Mr Marshall Sloan; President, Mr Findlay; Vice-Presidents, Mr Reid, Dr Todd, Mr Bell, Mr Wilson and Mr Auchterlonie; Convener, D. T. Thomson; Secretary and Treasurer, I. T. A. Hall.

During the session the society was limited to holding its meetings once every three weeks. Our thanks go to Mr McLauchlan for showing us some very interesting slides of his holiday in Norway, and also to Mr Findlay for obtaining three excellent films from British Petroleum:— 'Crossing of Antarctica,' '800-mile Journey by Hovercraft,' and 'Birth of an Oilfield'. We should also like to thank D. Currie for operating the projector.

The final meeting of the session took the form of a quiz against the Girls' School, which provided a great deal of brain-teasing entertainment for all concerned.

I.T.A.H.

SCRIPTURE UNION

The Scripture Union met regularly during the Christmas and Easter terms, and it is with great pleasure that I report a considerable increase in our numbers. Members represented all forms in the upper school, and we were particularly thick on the ground in the lower forms. It is very encouraging to see that more and more boys are seeking a Christian fellowship within the school.

Under Mr Thomson's extremely efficient and patient guidance, and with considerable help from some sixth formers our meetings managed to offer something different each week. They included Bible studies, a 'whistle and stop' competition, filmstrips, colour sound films, a very informative talk from Dr Heavenor, the school chaplain, and a visit from Mr P. M. Lee, the S.U. supervisor for East Scotland. All concerned feel that a great deal was achieved in our attempt to keep religion and Christianity alive in the School.

It is encouraging to note that two of our younger members attended an S.U. camp at King's Cross in Arran last summer, and they say that they found it extremely enjoyable. Several of our members are planning attending similar camps this summer, and we wish them a very happy holiday.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr Thomson, without whose help this very important society would surely have been unable to have existed this session.

Let us hope that continued support will be offered to the Christian cause in the School.

J.T.W.

C.C.F. Notes



Officers and N.C.O.s 1969-70:

Major A. C. Meakin
Capt. P. H. Stuttard
S.S.I. Mr G. Robertson
Cadet C.S.M. R. C. H. Beyer

Platoon Sgts.—

No. 1 (Campbells)—D. W. Ashworth; No. 2 (Drummonds) — P. J. Duncan; No. 3 (Grahams) — G. A. Hay; No. 4 (Murrays) — N. W. P. Anderson.

Trophies Presented 1968-69

KENYA CUP (best senior NCO)—C.S.M. D. Yule.
SWORD OF INDIA (best junior NCO)—Cpl. Beyer.
CULTYBRAGGAN CUP (best recruit)—Cadet A. Todd.
MUNGALL VASE (best senior shot)—Cpl. Dow.
DOBIE CUP (best recruit shot)—Cadet Grant.

The contingent's strength has remained at 90 throughout the session. As will be seen from the list of NCOs the platoons are now four in number, corresponding to the school houses. Help in training has been provided on a generous scale by W.O.I. Wombwell and NCOs of 36 Cadet Training Team from Perth. In addition, Mr Reid of the Physics Department, has kindly undertaken to run a course on motor maintenance. Progress in this course has so far been limited by lack of suitable accommodation but as this becomes available it is intended that cadets shall be prepared for Certificate 'T'.

Camp in 1969 was at Warcop, near Appleby, and unlike our last stay at Warcop, we enjoyed very fine weather and made several visits to the open-air pool at Appleby. The day trip this time was to York, a pleasant change after a series of visits to seaside resorts where we always met with rain. At camp we were visited by Brigadier Monteith from Perth, who is to be this year's Inspecting Officer (June 4th).

Field Days are now held mostly at Cultybraggan and on the last we incorporated a Proficiency Certificate Exam. 19 of the 20 candidates passed as well as three resits in one subject. A few who missed the exam have still to be tested this term.

The Inspection in 1969 was by Brigadier D. McQueen, a Morrisonian, this being the free year when we were allowed to choose our own Inspecting Officer. He was accompanied by Officer Cadet G. Bickett, a Morrisonian, now studying at Sandhurst.

A small group of cadets took part in late March/early April in what is now known as Adventurous Training in Skye. The group was based on the former T.A. Drill Hall in Portree, which they found preferable to camping at 1,000ft. the previous year. The weather varied from appalling, to Skye at its very finest. The appalling included the night when the cadets had chosen to bivouac and in the morning they were surrounded by fresh snow. However they saw a lot of the very fine scenery of the Storr and Quirang and gained a more general impression of a considerable part of the island.

The equipment situation improves and all the cadets on Adventurous Training were issued with combat jackets which were bought from our training grant. It appears that before long all cadets will be issued with a jersey pullover. During the session we acquired a second Land-Rover although it is not intended that this should be a runner like the other.

As is mentioned elsewhere we have received a most splendid trophy as a memorial to a former cadet Michael Finch. This trophy will be awarded to the best platoon and on this occasion will be presented by Mr Finch himself.

This session for the first time we had a CCF dinner. This was attended by twenty senior cadets in the Drummond Arms and by a fortunate coincidence we were able to have as guest a Morrisonian, Major G. Murray, who is serving on the staff at Headquarters Highland Area, Perth. Major Murray was at one time our Pipe-Major and he brought along his pipes and entertained the gathering.

THE PIPE BAND

In the competition organized by the Glasgow Highland Club, the Band had a most successful evening, being placed first, while P/M Liechti was first in the senior piping. Kenneth was unfortunately not able to carry off the double in this, his last year, as he was very narrowly beaten into 2nd place at the Scottish Schools competition at Dundee. The Band was third here. This competition was held on the wettest day of any band competition for many years.

Pipe Major—W. P. BALFOUR.

Drum Major—H. T. BEATTIE.

THE MICHAEL FINCH TROPHY

The Combined Cadet Force has gratefully accepted the gift of a beautiful silver cup from Mr and Mrs B. N. Finch, of Highfields, Upper Hopton, Mirfield, Yorkshire, in memory of their son, Michael, who was a boarder at the School from 1954 until 1963.

Michael went to the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, on leaving Morrison's and in 1965 joined his first ship, a minesweeper on patrol in the Java Sea, with the special task of intercepting gun-runners. The circumstances of his death are given in the citation accompanying the award to him of a posthumous Mention in Despatches as follows: "As a member of a boarding party which had intercepted an Indonesian Sampan on the night of 25th June 1965, Midshipman Finch had carried out his duties as Boarding Officer calmly and courageously, both during the shooting and while rescuing a wounded Indonesian, in the course of which action he lost his life." When the boarding party reached the sampan, there was seen to be left in it only one badly-wounded man; though aware of the danger of a booby-trap in these circumstances, Michael felt it to be his humane duty to attempt to save the man's life before sinking the sampan. He therefore boarded it himself alone, and was killed by the explosion while attempting an act of mercy for a fellow-man. He was nineteen years old.

Michael was an active and popular member of the School and his Boarding House; he played for both the Ist XV and the Ist XI; was a drummer in the Pipe Band for three years; was the Junior and Primary Athletics Champion; and Assistant Secretary to the Debating Society. He was on the threshold of a career and a life full of promise.

Michael's many friends of the 1954-63 years will be pleased, as we are, that his name will be preserved in the School by the trophy bearing his name, which will be competed for annually by the four platoons of the C.C.F., each of which now represents one of the School Houses.



27th Perthshire Scout Group

G.S.L.—

Mr R. MacGREGOR WILSON.

S.L.—

Mr M. A. H. TODD.

C.S.L.—

Mr A. B. WATSON.

V.S.—

R. C. M. LEE.

The Group membership is now over 80 with a troop of 40 in 5 patrols, a pack of 36 and 6 Venture Scouts who are also attached to the District Venture Unit.

SUMMER TERM 1969 — We held two week-end camps during the term, the first at Findoglen, Loch Earn. 30 boys attended and even though some activities were cancelled because of heavy showers, camp training, various hikes and games were undertaken. The second was an extended week-end at Kilbarchan, Renfrewshire, and 25 Scouts attended. Many activities were undertaken including building an aerial runway and an obstacle course, and Scouts Own, camp fires and Investitures were held. Patrol camps were held at Connachan, Dundurn and Edinample during the term, and the Scouts helped to construct part of the Nature Trail in Crieff.

CANAL CRUISE 1969—26 Scouts and two Scouters spent a wonderful week in glorious weather on the canals in England. This was the Group's second venture of this nature and two barges were used, the 'Kimberley' and the 'Baldock'. We covered a distance of 100 miles in a circular route but in opposite directions to each other, meeting near Tamworth. During the trip, the Scouts travelled through both rural and industrial England and 100 locks and 5 tunnels were negotiated. All aspects of barge handling were experienced. The towns of Leicester and Oxford were visited.

WINTER TERM 1969—The Membership of the Troop increased during the term to 5 patrols. We have had a Parents' Night, a barbecue and a fireworks display at Dornock; carting and skiing trips to Glenshee have increased in popularity. During the Christmas holidays a week-end was spent at the Aviemore Ski Centre.

EASTER TERM 1970—During this term the skiing continued with many happy hours spent on the slopes; carting, swimming and skating at Perth were undertaken as well as Badge and Test work sessions on Wednesdays and Fridays; we have had Cooking training sessions on two occasions and troop meetings on Saturdays; the term ended with a swimming gala. Another ski week-end at Aviemore was held during the Easter holidays.

PROSPECTS FOR THE SUMMER TERM — The Scouts look forward to two Troop week-end camps and also to a week's camp in Dumfriesshire during the Summer holidays. Carting, Patrol camps and two fund raising schemes (a Coffee Morning and a Sponsored Climb) will be undertaken. The Scouts are also looking forward to the visit of the Chief Scout to Perth in July.

VENTURE SCOUTS — The Ventures have been attached to the District Venture Unit and have taken part in its activities and have also given important help as instructors in both the Pack and Troop, especially in the absence of the G.S.L. on a course in Edinburgh. They have also spent many hours completely renovating and repainting a sailing dinghy which is now on Loch Earn.

Much of the Group's success must be attributed to the hard work of the new S.L. Mr Michael Todd, and his helpers but we hope that more adult Scouters will join this thriving Group.

R. M. WILSON, G.S.L.

MORRISON'S ACADEMY CUB SCOUT PACK

The Pack has continued to meet on Thursday evenings this session, the total membership being 33 boys aged 8-10½. Since the last publication of the 'Morrisonian', 7 boys have been awarded the Bronze Arrow, and 4 are within sight of the Silver. The spirit of rivalry has been awakened and work progresses in this field. On June 14th, we visited Edinburgh Zoo. Packed lunches and an air of general hilarity were the orders of the day. The visit was, I think, enjoyed by all, and we look forward to a similar outing shortly. The Swimming Badge has proved popular this term, 4 boys passing Stage 1, 4 Stage II, and 16 Stage III. Thanks are due to the two Scouts who present themselves faithfully to help out, and the whole Pack is to be congratulated for regular attendance and enthusiasm.

A.B.W.

THE NEW MATHS COURSE COMES OF AGE

There is scarcely a subject on the school curriculum to-day that cannot boast a new, up-to-date 'Alternative Syllabus' and Mathematics is no exception. Indeed the new syllabus in Mathematics has rather caught the popular imagination and gained a somewhat wider publicity than is normally given to such mundane matters as school curricula. We have had newspaper articles on the 'New Maths', and even enthusiastic maths

masters have appeared on the television screen at peak viewing times to explain that $1+1=10$ to the astonishment if not dismay of those whose only recollection of school maths was that $1+1=2$! Many anxious parents have crowded to evening classes whilst others have bought up popular books on the 'New Maths' in a desperate bid to keep abreast of their children in this fantastic new world of binary numbers, flow diagrams and the mysterious theory of sets. This apparently sudden plunge into the Computer Age was not as precipitate as it might have seemed for since the early 1950s various movements had been afoot both in this country and abroad to introduce modern ideas and topics into the classroom. It was to meet this demand that the Scottish Education Department set up a committee in 1963 to prepare alternative courses for the Ordinary and Higher grade examinations. This committee, as all innovators do, had to face some difficult problems not the least of which was the absence of any suitable text covering the work they wished to introduce. The committee, however, decided to undertake the not inconsiderable task of writing a text-book to cover the five-year course and a group of sixty schools throughout the country was selected in which the experimental text was to be tested and assessed before the final edition was produced.

Morrison's Boys School was fortunate in being chosen as one of these sixty schools and so the First Form in September 1964 was presented, not with the traditional three volumes of Algebra, Geometry and Arithmetic but with a slim blue volume which was Part I of the new experimental text. This particular form was to work its way through seven such volumes of varying hues and complexities until O-level was reached in May 1968 and those who stayed the course digested another two volumes for their Higher maths. in May 1969. This group of boys pioneered not only a new text book, but new style examinations as well, and those who have stayed with us for a Sixth Form this session have sat the Sixth Year Studies Certificate in Mathematics which is set for the first time this year. This completes the new course in school mathematics which now, so to speak, attains its majority.

As might be inferred from the above there have been substantial changes both in content and emphasis in the new syllabuses but let me hasten to assure the 'Old' mathematicians among you that if you were to return to the classroom to-day you would still find much that was familiar. We still use logs, solve quadratic equations and apply Pythagoras to suitable triangles, but although the results are the same our methods of deriving them have altered as has the language we use in discussing them. The most far reaching change has been in Geometry where Euclid's traditional approach — now slightly over 2,000 years old — has been abandoned for a simpler, less abstract treatment. In Algebra the most important change is the introduction of Set theory which provides a sound basis for the development along modern lines of such concepts as 'mapping', 'transformation' and 'function'. Set theory also, because of its generality, helps to provide unifying themes across the subject divisions of algebra-geometry-trigonometry.

There has also been a real attempt to take some of the drudgery out of the school course. Pupils now learn early to use slide rules and desk calculators for tedious arithmetical work and in algebra the accent has been taken off heavy manipulative work and more importance attached to the understanding of basic processes. This is truly a course for the modern age when man's environment is increasingly governed by mathematical law, and numeracy will be as important for a full life as literacy was in a former age.

In conclusion it may be of interest to those among you who had some part in pioneering the 'New Maths' texts to learn that the final text-book has met with success on a quite unexpected scale. The text-books are not only in use throughout Scotland but have been adopted with only slight modification in several Commonwealth countries. Dutch, German, Norwegian and Swedish editions are being published and in Guyana it is now the predominant text in use in schools. This is no small achievement but one which is in the best traditions of Scottish education and one in which we can feel in Morrison's that we played a small part.

C.T.

WHY CLASSICS ?

When I was asked by the editors to write something on the educational value of Classics, two quotations sprang to mind. The first, by A. N. Whitehead in 'The Aims of Education,' is one which is heard whenever the controversy is brought down from the shelf for its ritual dusting:

"If in after life your job is to think, render thanks to Providence which ordained that for five years of your youth you did a Latin Prose once a week and daily construed some Latin author."

The other is by R. F. Mackenzie in 'A Question of Living':

"I've often wondered at this strange persistence of a largely useless and culturally valueless subject."

These seem to me to express the views at the extremities of the scale of opinion about the teaching of Classics in our schools.

It is generally accepted that, whatever else it does, the study of Classics does give a degree of knowledge about language. By its very nature it can hardly do otherwise. A kind of bridge is erected towards the modern Romance languages of Europe — indeed the 'Romance' (alas it has no latent fairy-tale allusions or amorous pretensions) is a generic adjective describing the group of tongues which developed from Vulgar Latin — a group which is therefore essential 'Roman' — as it gradually changed from inflected to analytic language.

Many teachers would argue that the study of Classics trains the mind — that the student is thereby exercising the brain and keeping it fit in the same way as an athlete keeps his muscles in trim. Modern psychology claims to have disproved this, and denies that any such 'training' could be transferred to other fields. Even so, it would be

difficult not to admit transfer of such qualities as accuracy, alertness, freedom from 'woolly' thinking, and discipline of mind in approach to a subject.

A typical materialistic comment on Classics could be: "What's the point of my wee Jimmy doing Latin and Greek? He should be spending all that valuable school time on subjects which are relevant to the job he's going to do when he leaves."

The reply to this is simple. If the purpose of education is simply to provide vocational training, the study of Latin and Greek ought to have been (and would have been) scrapped a long time ago — along with many other elements of the school curriculum.

Many parents content themselves with a mild rebuke that classical studies are 'out of date'. Classical Latin died 1500 years ago or more. Why flog a dead horse? Of course the language itself is dead, but literature does not die. Literature is an art form, not a science — although we could perhaps adopt the reasoning of the biologist and maintain that a dead language admits of closer inspection, by dissection, than a living one. The theories of a science must be modified with the passage of time and the advent of new techniques. Not so with art. One does not hear Rembrandt's painting criticised for belonging to an age other than our own. Likewise with the work of Michelangelo, Bach or Shakespeare; and likewise with all good art, be it painting, sculpture, music or literature.

In the literature of the Greeks and Romans is found a record of ways of life and thinking which are basic to our understanding of Western civilisation. Whether we consider history, law, government, architecture, painting, philosophy, medicine, even literary forms, the study of Classics has something worthwhile to offer. Under a comprehensive system, all pupils — not the erstwhile élite few — will receive some teaching in Classics. If their masters can impress upon them something of the qualities of the men who were the motive force behind the progression from city-state to Empire, who laid the foundations of Western culture in the widest sense of the term, their time will not have been ill spent.

I end as I began — with a quotation. It is to be found in the Norwood Report (Curriculum and Examinations in Secondary Schools; Report of the Secondary Schools Examinations Council, 1941) and it puts the matter in a nutshell:

"Continuity is essential to culture, and a deliberate cut condemns an age to ignorance of the influences which have made it, and therefore denies to it real knowledge of itself."

A. B. WATSON.

THE RAINBOW

I went to school on a rainy day,
I saw a rainbow far away.
Its colours were so bright,
It was a marvellous sight.
Yellow, green, blue and red,
I kept the colours in my head.

After school on the way home,
I saw my rainbow had gone,
I wondered where it could be,
Rome, Italy or Germany?
When I got home I hung my coat on a hook,
Then I drew a rainbow in my picture book.

KEVIN ASHWORTH, Primary 4.

A MAN FROM HISTORY

"I've wakened in a strange world! Yesterday it seemed I was being taken away by three Queens in a boat. Now I am on board a huge rowing boat. The people wear different clothes and do not wear swords. I can't see Merlin or the three Queens. There are big pipes puffing out lots of smoke and carts with wheels making a terrible noise! The churches are different too. The houses are made of brick or stone with cement to hold them together when in my time there were stone houses without cement. There are no more castles or coaches; there are long rails with more carts which rush along. This is such a queer, different and new world. I wish I was fighting again and could see Merlin the magician once more and live like I lived before in a castle," said King Arthur.

FRANK BAND, Primary 4

THE CHESS CLUB

Each Monday afternoon we meet together at a chess club. Mrs Heavenor is our teacher. We play from half past three to four o'clock, and play to our hearts' content.

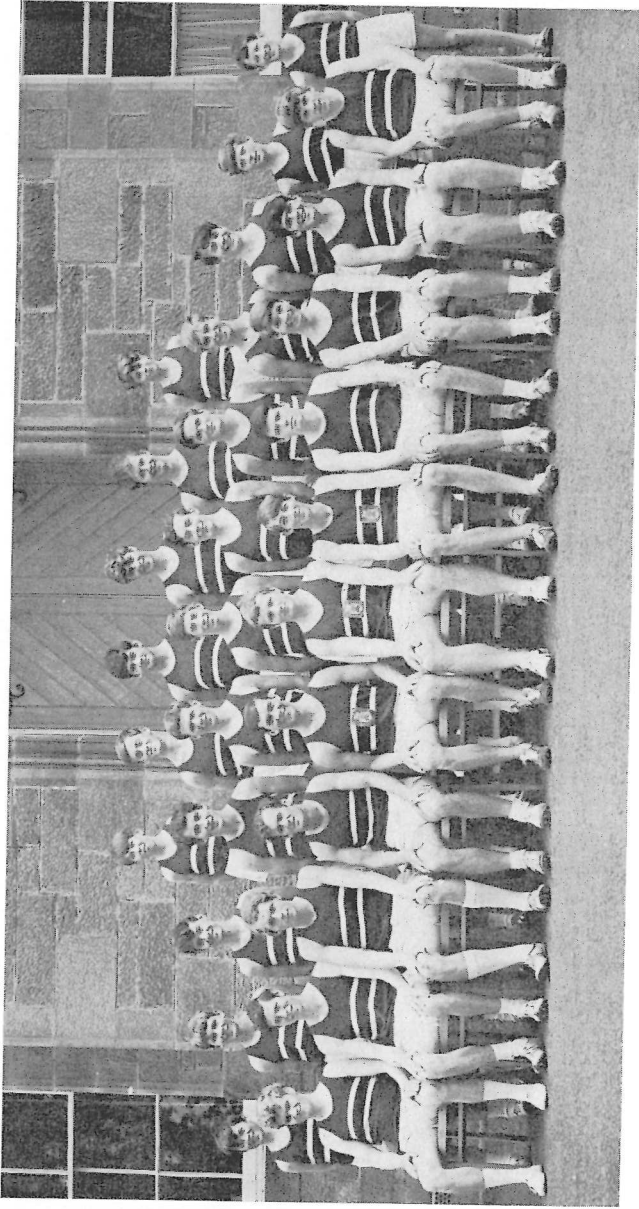
We play tournaments. There are three boys in each group, therefore one watches his friends while they play.

The rook moves from side to side, the knight moves like the shape of an L to fight its opponents, the bishop moves diagonally, while the queen can move in any direction to do duty for her side. But there is none more important than the king which can be put into check and check-mate.

Then the club is finished too soon. We all go home feeling very happy.

RODERICK WISHART and ANDREW BIGGART,

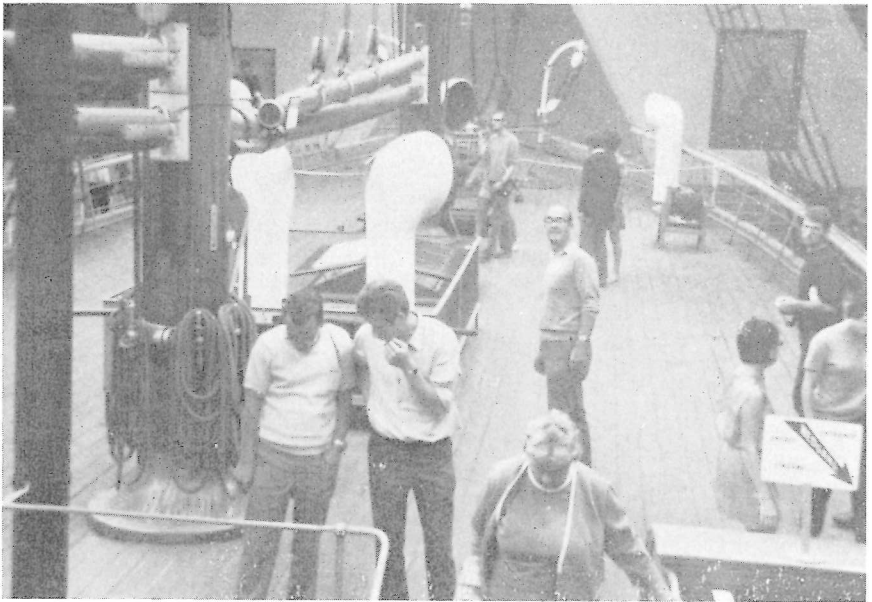
Primary 4.



ATHLETICS TEAM, 1969



'The Government Inspector', July 1969 — Principal characters.



A. E. Matthews' prize-winning photograph—'DECK OF A SHIP'.

P.5 SUGGESTION BOX

I wish that some teachers were not at school because they give us too much Prep. and because they patrol the class room.

I think you should put the holidays in the terms' place and the terms in the holidays' place.

The Boarding Houses, I think, would need to be painted over.

I would like to have Games in Academy Park because then I would not have to go away down to Dallerie and have a long way to walk back to the bus stop.

I think Mr Quick should change the school week, such as from Tuesday to Thursday.

I would change homework to boxing or wrestling because boxing or wrestling is more fun than homework. Change Art to Farming because it is more interesting.

I think lines should be banned from school. I get too many.

I would change the teachers because we hear them too much. I would put a television in their place for you can switch a television off but you can't switch a teacher off.

CITY SMOKE

Smoke, smoke, towering high,

Reaching to the upmost sky,

Smoke, smoke, grey and black,

Pouring from a chimney stack.

Smoke, smoke, every day,

Creeps along its lonely way,

Smoke, smoke, spreads around,

In every street it can be found.

STEPHEN J. PENNY, Primary 5.

OPENING UP THE WEST!

Modern road-building is usually associated with huge machines, gangs of workmen and earsplitting noise, the end product usually being a wide motorway able to carry a fast flow of heavy traffic.

The road in Wester Ross which runs from Shildaig to Kenmore, and which Princess Margaret opened on the 11th May is certainly an exception.

Built by one man, his digger and six labourers, this single-track road runs through some of the most picturesque country in Scotland.

It never seems to know what to do, for one minute it is winding its way along the rugged coast, the next it is climbing up steep hills, or slithering down them.

As it twists and turns, magnificent views are opened up in front of you — Shildaig, nestling at the foot of Beinn Shildaig, Loch Torridon, dominated by Liathach and Beinn Alligan. Finally Kenmore comes into view, half a dozen or so white-washed houses by a peaceful bay.

The road passes the houses and stops abruptly. Eventually it will continue round the peninsula to Applecross, but at present you have to explore further on foot.

DAVID STUTTARD, Primary 6.

MOTOR WAYS

Mechanical diggers, bulldozers and such,
Churning up farm ground, scattering clods of mud.
Crops are run down, animals lose their homes,
And dead birds lie here and there.
The road appears, level and wide,
Fly-overs, slip roads, warning lights,
Cars, lorries, vans rush madly on,
Exhaust fumes rise in clouds.
No time to lose, no time to look —
All in the name of progress.

CHRISTOPHER BROWNE, Primary 7.

HYACINTHS

They stand stiff and straight in a big round bowl,
Disturbing nothing, not a soul.
The soil is black and they are red,
Sleeping silently in their bed.
As the days pass they grow and grow;
Soon they'll make a magnificent show.

In Autumn time the bulbs were bought
And I looked round for an attractive pot.
With lots of water the fibre was soaked,
And into it the bulbs were poked.
For weeks they lay in a cool dark place
Until they were ready to show their face.

Then they were brought into a room
Where sun and warmth replaced the gloom.
The green shoots shot up by the hour
And soon appeared a bright red flower.
And thanks to water and to care
My hyacinths are standing there.

STUART FOSTER, Primary 7.

THOUGHTS ON THE MORRISONIAN

This mag. to me is quite fun,
Far better than the girls' one,
The articles are often good,
(But some of them are rather rude.)

The contributors I know quite well,
But of them I will not tell,
Instead I'll criticise and complain,
More pictures I ask — perhaps in vain.

But the price — that is my plea,
Three and six is too much for me;
Miss out the Ads. — what a waste,
Put in more articles — more to my taste.

Now my poem comes to an end,
Have I started a new trend?
Please Mr Editor lend an ear,
To these words I have written here!

DAVID M. ARNOTT, Form 1 cross.

A COUNTRY MEAL IN ITALY

Customer: "Waiter! Jamaica some soup?"

Waiter: "No, sir. Only Welsh Rarebit."

Customer: "Why not? Is the chef India kitchen?"

Waiter: "If Kuwait I'll see."

Customer: "All right. I won't Russia."

Waiter: "I don't know where he is. Alaska the owner, he's bound to know."

Customer: "I wouldn't like Tibet on it."

Waiter: "The owner says you Canada have that soup today, so are you going?"

Customer: "Yeah Siam, and I will not be back."

STUART MACINTYRE, Form 1 star.

THE SHIP THAT NEVER SAILED

The crew was there and all aready,
The anchor down and all was steady;
The stores were on, the ship was clean,
But not a captain to be seen.

The wind was in the whitened sails,
The first mate bit his ragged nails;
For all the trouble there had been,
But still no captain to be seen.

At last the first mate shook his head,
"Perhaps our captain is lying dead!
In some unseemly back street gutter,
Where drunks and hobos stand and mutter."

And so I end my story here,
With mate and crew still full of fear,
For thinking of their captain's fate,
Who really just forgot the date!

GORDON TOWNSON, Form 2 star.

JUMBLE SALE

What do you see at jumble sales?
Enamel basins and plastic pails,
Every kind of broken toys,
Dolls for girls, cars for boys,
Books that are old and battered,
Magazines new and tattered,
China ornaments of cats and dogs,
Big tall handsome golliwogs.
Clothes of every size and age
From last week to the Middle Age.
Fishing rods and fishing nets,
Wirelesses and T.V. sets.
Boots, braces — Skinhead gear,
Kits for brewing home-made beer,
Spades and shovels for the gardening man,
For the housewife — a pot or pan.
Footballs and broken cricket bats,
Curtains, carpets and doormats,
Clockwork and electric trains,
A special liquid for removing stains,
Broken hammers, screws and nails,
— That's what you see at jumble sales.

JOHN ANNAT, Form 3 star.

YOUR INHERITANCE

They're making guns that shoot straighter,
They'll probably use them sooner or later.
The missiles they make go faster and faster.
The bombs they make are bigger and better.
The flats they build grow higher and higher,
All made of asbestos (less chance of fire).
They're making planes that go around,
At $3x^2$ the speed of sound.
They're going to build a great big tunnel,
Underneath the English Channel.
They're making houses out of plastic,
Which makes their concrete look quite rustic.
They're making towers two miles high,
So you can live up in the sky.
You should love it, 'way up there,
Not that they particulary care.
Just look around you, take a glance,
Just look at your inheritance.

THOMAS M. SMITH, Form 4 star.

POLITICAL WHAT'S WHAT

Feudalism: You don't have any cows.

Conservatism: You have two cows.

Socialism: You have two cows, the Government takes both and gives you the milk.

Communism: You have two cows, the Government takes both and sells you the milk.

Fascism: You have two cows, the Government takes both and then shoots you.

Liberalism: You have two cows, you sell them and buy sheep.

Capitalism: You have two cows, you sell one and buy a bull.

DAVID G. MCKINNON, Form 5 cross.

IN VAIN ?

The world is shot with dark blood-red,
As sunset quickly falls;
The soldier runs forward, incensed with rage,
While a lonely bugle calls.

His brain is numb with cannon roar,
As he falls in death's deep pain,
He lies in peace — but his blood is there,
Did he give his life in vain?

DAVID G. MCKINNON, Form 5 cross.

A BRIEF ENCOUNTER WITH NATURE IN A BAD MOOD

I needed no second glance to tell me what that dense dun-coloured swirling mass was, as it rolled over the dunes blotting out and obscuring from view what was visible only mere moments before. Even now the crystals of sand at my feet stirred, writhed and were whipped away into oblivion, followed by countless millions of their indistinguishable brothers. The exposed parts of my body stung agonisingly while the brown skin turned red as it was flayed and lashed ceaselessly by the hurtling grains. The hot wind moaned and howled as if it enjoyed creating such terrible havoc. It was as if it were alive. A wild pent-up beast bent on destroying everything that stood in its path, anything that dared challenge its might.

Before my very eyes and under my feet the earth's face was being swiftly and systematically altered. Where the sand was piled up, the wind ruthlessly flattened, and what was once level, rose. Then the swirling wall of mica forced its way into my screwed-up eyes, shutting them completely. My clothes grew heavy as the sand found its way into every opening and fold. I tried uselessly to spit out the coarse grains

from my mouth. My mind reeled. My legs numbed and my knees buckled. I could no longer prevent myself from falling. Even as I sagged and hit the sand, the roaring in my ears ceased and the whip-lash sting on my face lifted. As I struggled into a sitting position I saw that the suffocating cloud had passed and the sun was beginning to filter through the sifting dust to reign once more alone in the empty sky. Dusk announced that the storm had indeed passed.

STUART LOCHTIE, Form 5 star.

The light of the night
Is dark
Where lovers meet
Unseen
By stagnant eyes,
And yet, despised
For daring to seem free,
Not caring
What their thoughts
Are thought to be;
Whose come-true dreams
Will never
Lose themselves to the past
When others' die
And wonder why
Their time has flown
For ever.

JOHN MACDONALD, Form 6L.

The sea air
Breathing
Through her golden hair
Gleaming
In the sun of the early morning
Filtering
Past the feathers on the seagull's wing
Gliding
Towards the sun's throne
Glowing
As she dances alone
Hoping . . .

JOHN MACDONALD, Form 6L.

BLOOD OF A CHILD

Blood of a child
Sacrificed to man's metal
As she slept curled in the sheets
Unknowing of the bomber's course
Or the whine of the siren.
—Dreaming of the daisies growing wild
That she'd never seen. —
No nightmare of rending steel,
No thought of the politician's speech
Or the scream of the man in the trench,
Only the prayer for her father's return
From 'wherever he'd gone',
And the wish for more strawberry jam.
— She was dreaming of white horses
And the scent of the daisy chain
Caressing her neck
As she fed the old mare with bread
From her outstretched hand, —
When, all of a sudden,
The crunch of her nail in the old mare's teeth
Froze her stock still,
And the blood trickled down her palm.

JOHN MACDONALD, Form 6L.

CHEMICAL STRUCTURE OF WOMEN (an examinable subject)

Average isotopic occurrence: 36, 24, 36% plus or minus 4% on each value depending on age and condition.

Structurally very interesting; constant research going on worldwide; pure samples hard to come by.

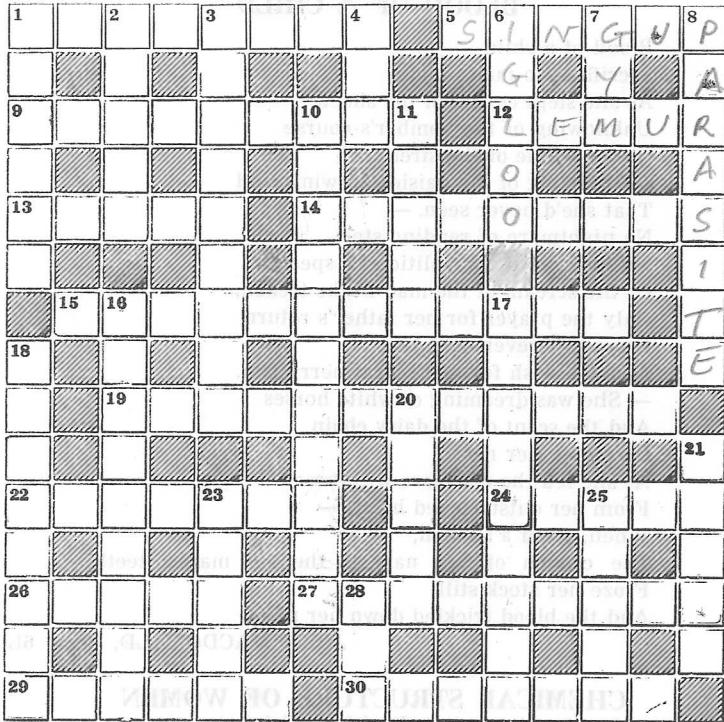
Physical properties: always appears in a disguised condition; boils at nothing and may freeze at any moment; very bitter if not used correctly but melts when properly treated; liable to smoulder and then explode violently when heated.

Chemical properties: can become caustic, frequently emitting hot air; some samples may become impregnated with fat unless reduction takes place; good looking samples constantly performing the silver mirror reaction; some specimens very powerful seducing agents especially in their natural state when a pinkish colour is predominant; can become a piece of cake if high alcohol content is absorbed; can become highly dangerous when placed beside a better specimen.

Further information and experiments from rooms 35 and 36 (practical notebooks please). Any volunteers for research come to the boys' library anytime where a team of experts will undertake statistical studies.

I. CUMFRAE-MURTHLY, Form 6s.

CROSSWORD



Clues Across

1. He's a man of the road and open air (8)
5. Instructions to unwilling choristers (4, 2)
9. Relieve (9)
12. Type of monkey (5)
13. Climbing aid (5)
14. Coin carts (anagram) (9)
15. What doubtful matters do?
(4, 2, 3, 3)
19. What a quick shower of heavy rain might be called? (7, 5)
22. Arresting document (7)
24. You can't go wrong (5)
26. Religious customs or ceremonies (5)
27. Can be blotted out (9)
29. Placid (6)
30. Sam Lees spent a week in bed because of them (7)

Clues Down

1. Town in N. Bulgaria, about 40 miles north of Sofia (6)

2. Latin word for a helmet (5)
3. Drinks (9)
4. A point (3)
6. Arctic dwelling place (5)
7. Exercise (3)
8. Animal that lives on another (8)
10. Proclaimed (11)
16. Device for drawing out gas from a vessel (9)
17. Disease which often afflicts the aged (9)
18. Moving away from (8)
20. Old French salt tax (5)
21. The least of his metallic problems (5)
23. Town in the Netherlands, exactly 53°N (5)
25. Film star who sounds as if he tagged himself onto the end of a house (5)
28. Mêlée up the tree (3)

JOHN DALGLISH, Form 5 cross,
& GRAEME GORDON, Form 3 star.

Old Boys' Notes

1969 ACTIVITIES—At 31st December 1969 the total membership of the Club was 1047 which represents a healthy increase in the membership over the past year. During the year there were 36 new members and 6 deaths reported. The Club has listed 51 missing members and 80 members abroad.

Monthly luncheons are held as follows:

GLASGOW—1st Friday each month, Buchanan Restaurant, Bath Street.

EDINBURGH—1st Tuesday each month, 'Wee Windaes', High Street.

No luncheons during July or August in either case. A reminder will be sent, on request, one week before each luncheon. Members are encouraged to support these events.

Rugby Reunions were held in the 'Wee Windaes', Edinburgh after each of the Home Internationals but greater support in the early part of the evening is requested. These occasions are a very good way of meeting friends and a pleasant way of spending the evening after the Games.

The 1969 A.G.M. was held in the Royal Stuart Hotel, Jamaica Street, Glasgow on Thursday, 24th April. A report follows in these notes.

The 'May Weekend' was once again held at the Murraypark Hotel, Crieff on 24th May and was again an enjoyable event. On the following day the open golf medal competition at Taymouth Castle resulted in a win for N. R. Waddell, the runners-up being G. Deakin and P. B. McLean. On the Monday the cricket against the School was abandoned due to rain.

At Sports Day the usual meeting took place after the programme had been completed. The golf match on the following day against the School was lost by the Club by 3 games to 1.

At Speech Day the Dux Medal was presented on behalf of the Club by the President.

The Club team for the Q.E.C.S. Golf Tournament was of a high calibre this year and fought a close match to be knocked out in the third round by the eventual winners.

In September the Club won the Rugby Match against the School by the convincing margin of 17 points to 3, the result being to some extent due to the new members who were representing the Club for the first time.

The Annual Dinner-Dance was a great success, there being a greater demand for tickets than the number available. This situation is a great credit to the organisers and this event promises to be the most popular date in the calendar of the Club. It was held at the Tinto Firs Hotel, Glasgow on 12th December 1969 and details of the 1970 Dinner Dance will be advised.

1970 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Luncheons held each month in Glasgow and Edinburgh except July and August.

Jan. 10—Rugby International Reunion, 'Wee Windaes', Edinburgh.

Mar. 21—As above.

Apr. 23—A.G.M., Royal Stuart Hotel, Glasgow.

May 23—Reunion, Murraypark Hotel, Crieff.

May 24—Golf, Open Medal, Taymouth Castle.

May 25—Cricket v. School.

June 27—Sports Day, Meeting afterwards.

June 28—Golf v. School.

July 9—Speech Day. Dux Medal to be presented by Mr T. Finlayson, F.R.I.C.S., F.L.A.S.

Sept. 19—Rugby Match v. School for McNaughton Cup. (Names to W. S. Thomson).

Sept. 26/28—Golf, Q.E.C.S. Tournament. (Names to P. B. McLean).

December — Dinner-Dance. (Details in August circular).

ORGANISERS' ADDRESSES

Cricket—Alan R. H. Ferguson, c/o Edinburgh University Union, Teviot Row, Edinburgh 8.

Dance Convener—W. S. Thomson, 18 Penrith Avenue, Glasgow.

Golf—T. N. Biggart, 'Merlindale', Kilmacolm (Cen. 9961).

T. N. Prentice, 123 Hillhouse Road, Edinburgh 4. (Davidson's Mains 3133).

P. B. McLean, 1a Victoria Drive, Troon. (Tel. 714).

Rugby—W. S. Thomson (address as above).

1969 A.G.M.

The A.G.M. of the Club was held on 24th April 1969 in the Royal Stuart Hotel, Glasgow, with the President, Mr K. M. Grant, in the Chair.

Membership of the Club at 31st December 1968 was 1017 of whom 80 were abroad. Committee and Sub-Committee meetings were held as necessary during the year.

The income for 1968 had fallen and the excess of income over expenditure was unsatisfactory, partly accounted for by the increase in duplicating and distribution costs, while the cost of the List of Members is now written off over two years instead of five.

The reports from Representatives on the Boarding Houses Association and on the Board of Governors followed and the occupation of Ogilvie House by girl boarders was noted and the building of the complex at Dalnhor and Knockearn was the subject of discussion. Various items of expenditure were approved for the following year and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

The 1970 A.G.M. was held on 23rd April and a report will appear in the next issue of the Morrisonian. The office-bearers elected being as follows:—

President—N. R. Waddell.

Vice-Presidents—A. S. Brown and Dr W. G. Semple.

Secretary—D. D. H. Coltart.

Assistant Secretary—B. K. E. Edridge.

Treasurer—A. W. Deakin.

Auditor—G. D. Caldwell.

Committee — A. J. Macmillan, M. A. White, J. M. Fairbairn, I. M.

Stewart, B. A. P. Shaw, P. B. McLean, S. E. L. Frutin, W. S.

Thomson, H. H. Wood.

Representative on Board of Governors—W. A. Cook.

Representative on Boarding Houses Association—T. N. Biggart.

Past-Presidents on ex-officio list—G. D. Greenshields, T. McNeil, H. G.

Dodd, J. B. Omand, C. C. Stewart, T. Dunsire, K. M. Grant.

LONDON MORRISONIAN CLUB

Chairman—D. D. Stewart.

Vice-Chairmen—D. Wanless, J. Diver.

Hon. Treasurer—G. Jones.

Hon. Secretary—D. D. Stewart, 58 Thorpe Hall Avenue, Southend-on-Sea.

(Tel. 86544).

Committee—D. Brown, N. McNie, D. Macmillan, D. Vick.

Meetings during 1970/71 will be held at The White Swan, New Row, London WC2, at 6.30 p.m. on the following Mondays: 11th May, 13th July, 14th September, 9th November, 11th January and 8th March.

Apply for details about Family Picnic on Saturday, 5th September 1970.

We regret to announce the death of Wing-Commander John Manson Craig of Coneyhill, Comrie, who was educated at Morrison's. He left at the end of the summer term 1914 to take up farming as a career. He gained the MacRosty Medal and was a prominent member of the rugby XV and the cricket XI. He was an NCO in the Cadet Corps.

He enlisted as a private in Lochiel's Camerons in the early months of the war and took part in the battle of Loos in September 1915. He received a commission in the spring of 1916 and was posted to the Royal Scots Fusiliers. He left for Egypt in charge of a draft of his regiment on the 'Ivernia' which was torpedoed and sunk, and many of his men were lost. He was wounded in May 1917, and had only shortly rejoined his regiment when the incident occurred in which he gained the Victoria Cross. The citation of August 1917 reads as follows: "Second Lieutenant John Manson Craig, Royal Scots Fusiliers. For most conspicuous bravery on the occasion of an advanced post being rushed by a party of the enemy. This officer immediately organised a rescue party and the enemy was tracked over broken country back to

his trenches. Second Lieutenant Craig then set his party to work removing the dead and wounded.

During the course of this operation his men came under heavy rifle fire and machine-gun fire. An NCO was wounded and the Medical Officer who went out to his aid was also severely wounded. Second Lieutenant Craig at once went to their assistance and succeeded in taking the NCO under cover. He then returned for the Medical Officer and, whilst taking him to shelter, was himself wounded. Nevertheless, by great perseverance, he succeeded in rescuing him also.

As the enemy continued a heavy fire, and in addition turned on shrapnel and heavy explosives, Second Lieutenant Craig scooped cover for the wounded, and this was the means of saving their lives. These latter acts of bravery occurred in broad daylight, in full observation of the enemy and within close range.

On three previous occasions, this officer has behaved in a conspicuously brave manner, and has shown an exceptional example of courage and resource."

Between the wars Wing-Commander Craig joined the Sudan Plantation Syndicate growing cotton in the Blue Nile Province. During the last war he served as a Wing-Commander in the Royal Air Force and was for a time an assistant Provost Marshal. When he retired he went to live at Coneyhill, Comrie, where he mainly occupied himself with his garden.



News From The Universities

EDINBURGH — A staff reporter writes: "The Morrisonian fraternity here continues to flourish, for although we lost several of our number last summer (all through graduation I hasten to add), the ranks have been made up again by a new batch of innocents fresh from the pastoral life who joined up here in October. As usual they all seem to have adapted well to the student scene and news of them and others is given below."

ALAN FERGUSON is in his Final Year M.A., L.I.B. He played at full-back throughout the season for the 2nd XV and had one moment of glory playing for the 1sts. **BILL RIMMER** is now in his Final Year of Hons. French after a year spent relaxing on the French Riviera. **ANDREW ABRAHAMS** graduates Hons. Agriculture in June. **MIKE**

WHITFIELD is in the final phase of his M.B., Ch.B. while KIT WHITFIELD is a member of staff in the Computer Science Dept. and working for his M.Sc.—he has to be dragged away from his computer for eating and sleeping. IAN SMITH is in Final Year Politics and is an ardent footballer. He gained his 'Blue' and also played for Scottish Universities. JOHN BROWN is in Final Year History and Economics and is President of the Wednesday Football League. GEORGE SUTHERLAND is in 4th Year Medicine and still directs operations from centre-half and appears to be fond of après-ski and culture! ALASTAIR STENHOUSE, SANDY THOMSON, JOHN RENNIE and ALEC MCKINNON are all in their 3rd Year. Alastair intends to graduate this year as he has gained a place in the Civil Pilot training school at Hamble.

Aspiring Vets. include PETER PHILIP, ALAN ANNAT, WILLIE STEWART, JOHN CORBETT and BUDGIE RYDER who played for the 'Dick' Vet. 1st XV and gained his colours and also plays cricket for the 1st XI. Vice-Captain of the University Cricket team is RICHARD VICK who is in Final Year Maths. STUART ARMIT is in 2nd Year French and German and will soon be off to Germany. EDDIE GRAHAM is doing the same course but he departs for Bordeaux where HUGH CAIRNS is this year. NEIL SUTHERLAND has changed his course and is at present sauntering through 1st Year English Lit. with Moral Philosophy. DAVID SUTHERLAND is in 2nd Year Law and is an aspiring politician now learning the rudiments of Neo-fascism after his election as President of Lee House this year. DAVID COOPER is a 2nd Year Social Scientist with left-wing views and is said to sit-in at all available opportunities. JAMES FAIRBAIRN is in 2nd Year Chinese and plays coarse rugby for Lee House and is also on the Committee of the North America Club. He was also seen playing his drum on Charities Day in his pyjamas. Among the quieter and possibly more serious (!) Morrisonians at the University are MIKE INNES (Bio-Chemistry), CHARLES YACOMENI (Chemistry), JOHN McRORIE (Medicine), GEORGE MEIKLE (Civil Engineering), IAN FRASER (Civil Engineering), EWART HOOD and DAVID HINGSTON.

Among the Freshers DAVID YULE, who is doing Maths, contemplates work in between bridge, table-tennis, peanuts and pints and his socially-orientated life. DAVID MILLAR is in 1st Year Psychology and can be found at most of Edinburgh's pop concerts. MICHAEL FISZER does the same course but spends most of his time in the company of his complicated(?) home-made stereo outfit. ALAN MELVILLE is at the 'Dick' Vet College and played successfully for their 1st XV. LINDSAY KENNARD does French and German and leads a hectic life but does some work in his spare time. ROBERT TORRENS reads History and still deals in coins while saving for a car. SANDY FINLAYSON does Law and has been voted the best dressed Morrisonian Freshman in Edinburgh. After a sabbatical year back at the ranch GAVIN JACK and JAMES ROBERTSON are now living it up and also studying Agriculture. DOUGLAS WATTERS pursues more cultural things and studies

Economics and also among the Morrisonian fraternity are ALEX. JOHNSTONE (Maths.), CRAIG WELSH (Engineering), ROBERT SIMPSON (Agriculture) and JOHN TODD (Science). Our staff reporter has unearthed a vast number of Morrisonians and apologises to anyone who has not been mentioned this year — no offence is meant, you must just make your whereabouts more readily known!

GLASGOW—The Morrisonian students at Glasgow apologise for the absence of news over the past few years. Our reporter writes: "Contacting the students at this University may not seem terribly difficult but when the various persons are scattered over a large area and seldom emerge from hiding, the task of tracking them down is extremely time-consuming. Thus any inaccuracies, omissions or lies are to be looked upon with a tolerant eye and forgiven."

RODDIE MACPHERSON graduated M.A. last summer and he is the only known Morrisonian to have done so recently. The Medical Faculty houses a number of Morrisonians. DAVID SIMPSON is a 5th Year Medic. and at the moment has forsaken Gilmorehill for a Glasgow hospital where he is completing the clinical part of his course. He has had to suspend his Judo training, in which he holds a brown belt, to concentrate on his studies. DAVE SMITH is in his 4th Year of Vet. Medicine and he is also an enthusiastic skier and a member of the Ski Club Committee. ANDREW MORTON is in his Final Year of an Honours Botany course and has gained distinction in the field of canoeing. Also in his Final Year is ALASDAIR GILMOUR who hopes to graduate in June with an M.A. in Philosophy and Religion. Another two in their Final Year are FRITZ GILLIES and DAVID ROBERTSON. Both are doing Engineering and we understand that Fritz is hoping to go to the London School of Art to do a course in some branch of Photography. In 3rd Year COLIN CLARK is doing Vet. Medicine and GORDON MACDONALD Engineering. Gordon is a keen boxer and a member of the Boxing Club Committee. ALAN ROY is studying at the Dental Hospital but is said to be more interested in Glasgow's nursing population. He claims he works hard but is frequently found in Joanna's Discotheque. CHRIS EDWARDS is in 2nd Year Geology. He has recently been elected Secretary of the University Geological Society and hopes to go to Australia for three months during the summer vacation to work for the Rio-Tinto Zinc Corp. probably prospecting in the Australian desert.

There are three Freshers at Glasgow: KEN LIECHTI is doing Engineering and hopes to specialise in aeronautical engineering. He blows his pipes with the University O.T.C. but prefers playing with a band in Dunfermline. He is also interested in the Sailing Club. MIKE INGLIS is doing Medicine but appears to be found usually in the Union. DAVID MARTIN does Drama and takes an interest in the Student Theatre Group although he is seldom seen outside the coffee room of the Drama Dept. Also at the University this year is DAVID DOULL doing the 'academic' year for the C.A. course, and last year ROBIN

TELFER and DAVID CLARK were engaged in the same pursuit.

Our writer concludes his report: "We wish to extend a warm welcome to any boys who are joining us in October. To all members of the School, both Staff and Pupils, we send our sincere best wishes."

HERIOT-WATT — Some Edinburgh students seem surprised that there does exist another institution of learning in the city, but there are a few Morrisonians attending classes at the 'Watt'. GEORGE PHIMISTER, now married, is a 1st Year Building student and swims for the University. GORDON PETRIE is a 1st Year Chemical Engineer. SANDY MILROY, after a couple of years excitement learning to fly and working for B.P., is now doing Civil Engineering. MURRAY SHERRIFF is doing Commerce and still plays football and golf and DAVID ASHTON is in his 2nd Year of Civil Engineering.

ST. ANDREWS—Little news has come in from St. Andrews but our correspondent there tells us that MICHAEL MERCHANT is currently completing a post-graduate year at the University of California at Berkeley reading some aspects of British History, but he seemingly spends most of his time working for the daily campus newspaper. On his return he intends to find a job in journalism. HARRY MACDONALD graduates this summer. He appears to have attracted a large following in Pittenweem with his semi-professional performances on guitar and piano. NORMAN STURROCK was an active member of the West End Panthers, a casual football team. Norman leaves in July for a year at Davis, California, to study Economics officially but privately he says "to live and exist on the fringes of convention". JAMES COOK and GRAEME CHRISTIE both intend completing Honours Degrees in the Zoological and Mathematical Sciences respectively and they are now the oldest Morrisonians at St. Andrews — sic tempus fugit!

At the time of going to press the following boys are known to be going to these Universities:

ABERDEEN—D. F. Finlayson (Medicine), I. G. K. Leighton (Law).

DUNDEE—J. L. Macdonald (Psychology and Philosophy).

EDINBURGH—N. T. Begg (Medicine), J. D. Brown (Law), B. J. Simpson (Mech. Eng.), D. T. Thomson (Elect. Eng.), J. T. Watters (Medicine).

GLASGOW—R. I. LAING (Medicine), J. P. McNee (Civil Eng.).

HERIOT WATT—G. L. Cockburn (Chem. Eng.), A. C. G. Mavor (Accountancy & Finance).

ST. ANDREWS—D. A. Cairns (Modern Lang.), P. T. Morris (Maths).

STRATHCLYDE—S. D. Brown (Metallurgy), A. J. Hume (Mech. Eng.), A. J. Luke (Pharmacy), R. I. MacFarlane (Elect. Eng.).

General Notes

We hear that:

MIKE McNIE was recently home for three months with his wife and daughter. He returned to Kaduna, Nigeria, where he is now the Northern Area Manager's Assistant at Barclay's Bank.

The REV. JOHN WILSON has returned from India, is married and now lives in Forfar where he is near 'Sigh' Miller.

COLIN and PAT McNAB returned from Ghana where Colin is the architect in charge of a hospital project at Tamale. They are now on a further 18-month tour of duty.

C. S. STEWART is at the Royal Exchange/Guardian Group office in Kano, Nigeria, and is expected home about the New Year.

RONALD ROSS has been home on leave with his wife from Canada.

IAN MACDOUGALL, who left in 1960, claims to be the first Morrisonian to take the B.Mus. degree at Glasgow University. After graduating in 1968, he went to Jordanhill and now holds a Scottish Studentship at Durham University where he is doing research on the music of the French composer, Olivier Messiaen.

IAIN GILMOUR is now working in Dagenham with Fords.

LOGAN LITTLEDYKE is settled in Singapore and lives under the title of Marketing Executive, Consumer Products Division, while working for a large Asian company. He occasionally sends Christmas Cards!

BRIAN TOD lives in Sydney. He moved to Australia after three years in the Merchant Navy.

LEWIS DICK is at Loughborough College and had the honour of playing for the 1st XV as a Fresher. He became top scorer and this in the company of several Internationalists. It is believed he is concentrating on jumping this athletic season.

Dr. GREGOR WATTERS, who was at Morrison's from 1952-58, has just returned home after three years in Africa. For the past two years he was Civil Engineer to the Tanzania Electric Supply Company in Dar Es Salaam. While out in Africa he was able to resume an active interest in flying and once qualified he found this an asset in the course of his work as an itinerant engineer. Dr Watters will be taking up an appointment with his parent company on the construction of the new aluminium smelter at Lynemouth in Northumberland.

PETER COCHRANE is doing a three-year course at the Napier Technical College and continues to play rugby with Dunbar 1st XV.

IAIN LOCHTIE is working in the Blackhall branch of the Royal Bank of Scotland.

ADAM SPENCE has spent the year with the British Steel Corporation in Glasgow working on the shop floor and he starts an M.Sc. at Bradford University in October.

ROBERT LITTLEJOHN is an Education Officer with the R.A.F. in London.

JAMES RYDER is working as a computer operator in Edinburgh and until recently was sharing digs with JAMES SLOAN who has removed to Windermere to take up the hotel business.

ALAN McNAUGHTON is in 2nd Year Chemistry at London University.

JEREMY AUSTIN works for an Insurance firm in London and plays for London Scottish 2nd XV from time to time.

STODDART WATSON is town clerk of Ashburton, 50 miles south of Christchurch, N.Z.

DENIS LAWSON's stage career continues to flourish. He was seen at Christmas in the pantomime in Perth and appeared recently in Slawomir Mrozek's 'The Prophets' at the Close Theatre, Glasgow.

BILL SYLVESTER has been on another cruise with the Sail Training Association.

Once more we thank those who have sent in material for the General Notes. We welcome information about Old Boys at any time of the year and especially towards the end of April each year. A brief note to the Secretary or to the Editor of 'The Morrisonian' at the School concerning yourself or others will be greatly appreciated. Don't be too modest!

The Secretary also appreciates prompt notification of changes of address.

Changes of Address

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A. C. McLeod, P.O. Box 10788, Johannesburg, R.S.A.
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J. S. Alexander, 41 Maeshendre, Aberystwyth, Cardiganshire.
P. G. Campbell, 39 Kilfield Road, Bishoptown, by Swansea.
J. M. Cameron, Newbigging, Errol, Perth.
D. P. S. MacArthur, 42 Craigmore Road, Montford, Rothesay, Bute.
C. S. Rose, Heather Cliff, Alligan, By Achnasheen, Wester Ross.
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C. G. M. Allardyce, Officers' Mess, Southwood Camp, Cove, Farnborough, Hants.
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Rev. J. M. Wilson, The Manse, Dunnichen, Forfar, Angus.
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R. Carrick, 199 Renfrew Road, Paisley.
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C. Campbell, Parkend, Ballantrae, Girvan, Ayrshire.
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Stop Press News

Bursary—Congratulations to N. T. Begg on being placed 5th in the Edinburgh Bursary Merit list and on subsequently being awarded a Thomson Bursary, tenable in Medicine.

Cricket—M.A.C. 64 for 2; Robert Gordon's College 63. Won by 8 wkts.
(Ruxton 30 n.o., Johnson 25 n.o.) (Ryder 5-24, Hall 3-14)
M.A.C. 62 for 7; Strathallan 141 for 4. Drawn.
(Mavor 19) (Macdonald 3 for 53)
M.A.C. 89 for 7; Crieff C.C. 94. Drawn.
(Hall 27) (Ryder 6 for 30, Hall 2 for 14)
M.A.C. 177 for 5; Paisley Grammar School 79. Won by 5 wkts.
(Hall 101 n.o.) (Ryder 8 for 16)
M.A.C. 67; Glasgow High School 82. Lost by 15 runs.
The match against the Old Boys was played as a friendly as so few former pupils turned up!

Athletics—M.A.C. 170½; Dollar 177½.
M.A.C. 161; George Watson's 158.

Tennis—Having beaten Glenalmond and Perth High School in the first two rounds of the Midland's Tennis Knockout Tournament, the Tennis team lost to Morgan Academy (the eventual winners) in the semi-final at Madras College on 26th May.

Corps Awards—Kenya Cup (best Senior N.C.O.) shared by Sgt. P. J. Duncan and Sgt. D. W. Ashworth; Sword of India (best Junior N.C.O.) Cpl. I. F. Turnbull; Mungall Vase (Senior Shooting) Cdt. D. C. Robertson; Robertson-Dobie Cup (Junior Shooting) Cdt. D. Murray; Cultybraggan Cup (best Recruit) Cdt. I. Cunningham; Arnold Shield (highest marks in A.P.C. Exam.) Cdt. A. MacNab; Finch Cup (best Platoon) Platoon No. 4—The Murrays.

Band — Congratulations to the band on being placed second in the Glasgow Highland Club's School Pipe Band Competition.

Magazine—The prize for the most meritorious article is won this year by J. L. Macdonald for his poem 'Blood of a Child'.

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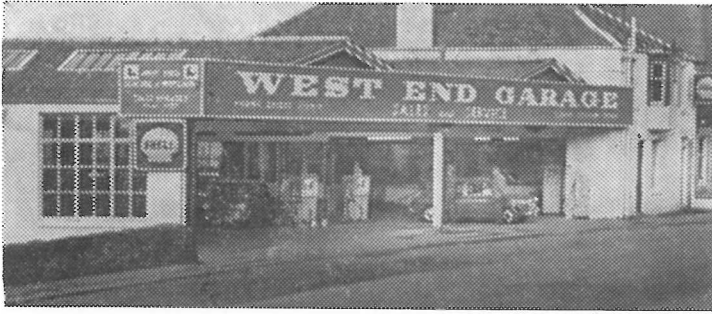
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