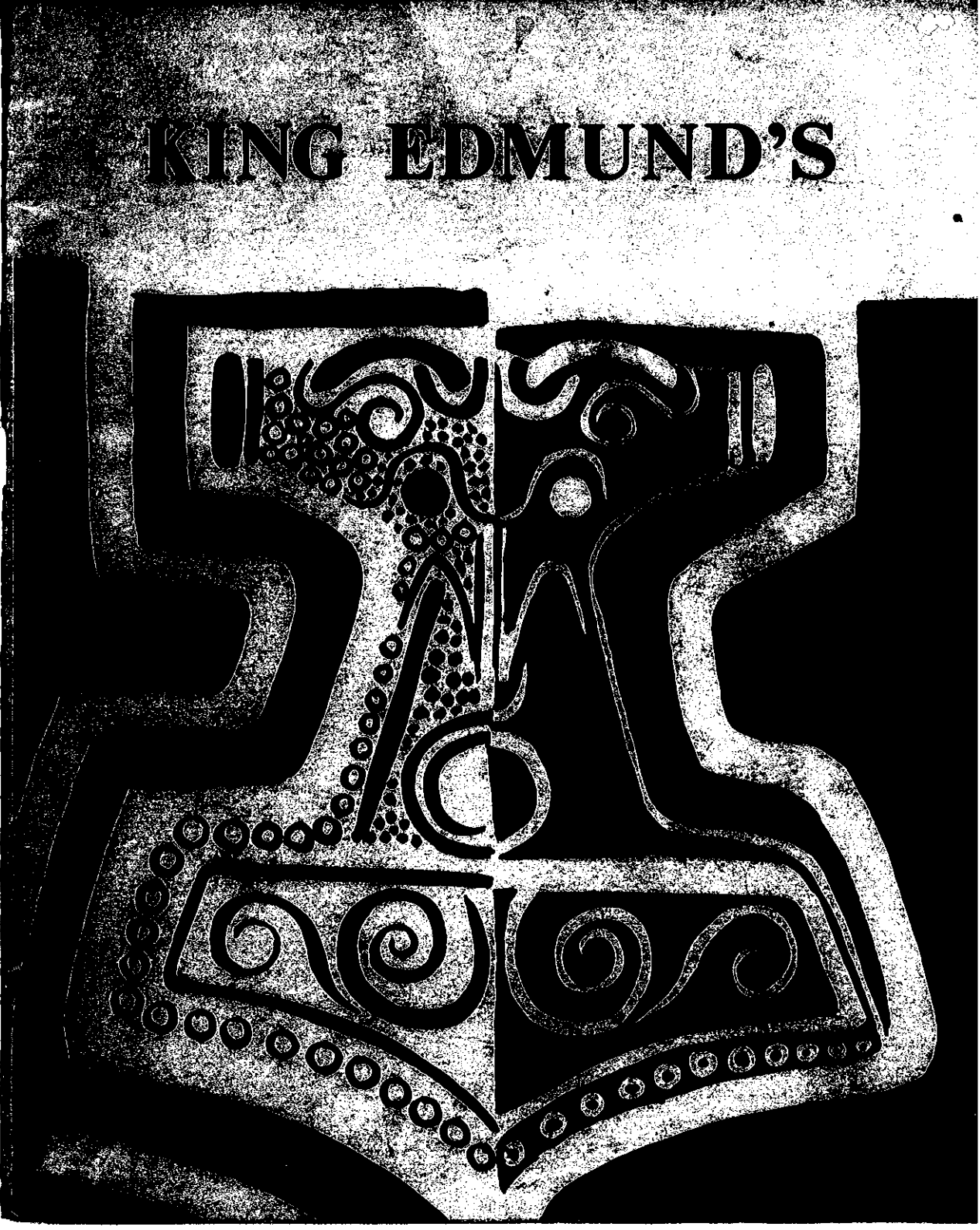
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KING EDMUND'S SCHOOL MAGAZINE

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FOREWORD

This year our Annual Magazine is in some ways a reflection of the stringent economic measures which are being forced upon the nation. In the past we have received a Grant from the Local Education Authority towards the publication of the School Magazine and even with this help during the last two years further financial assistance from the School Fund has been needed towards the cost of printing. This is not a satisfactory state of affairs and so this year we have reverted to the printing being done within the school office. This has thrown a great deal of work on the clerical staff and thanks are due to them for completing the work cheerfully and efficiently.

That a Magazine has been published this year under these circumstances shows that we have amongst us both staff and pupils who are not deterred by difficulties but are able and willing to find a way to accomplish a job such as this and surmount the obstacles which appear along the way.

K.E. WATKINS

SCHOOL NOTES

During 1969 the number of pupils in the school has continued to rise and now there are 700 on the roll. Although we have still four streams in the 4th Year, the 3rd and 2nd Years are both divided into five groups and the 1st Year pupils who joined us last September are divided into 6 forms.

It is a pleasure to record successes of ex-pupils. Richard Pethrick B.Sc. who was at Chipping Sodbury with us in the late 1950s has been appointed to a University Lectureship and Derek Kemp has passed the first part of his Batchelor of Arts Degree at the University of Western Australia. Susan Powell was awarded a Prize as the Best Nursing Cadet of the Year at Bristol Eye Hospital; Simon Newton-Smith has successfully completed a Teacher Training Course while his brother, James Newton-Smith has started on a London University External B.Sc. Degree Course in Geography.

In the Advanced Level G.C.E.

Mary Hurford was successful in Geography, Dressmaking and Economics at Rodway High School.
James Newton-Smith was successful in Geography and Mathematics at Chipping Sodbury Grammar School.
Paul Capener-Technical Drawing

At 'O' Level G.C.E. - Richard Poole - Physics.

Our Pupils were entered for C.S.E. and G.C.E. Examinations last Summer and results were as follows:

STEPHEN BLACKLER	9 passes in C.S.E.
IAN BRAIN	8 passes in C.S.E. (E)
STEPHEN BROWN	9 passes in C.S.E.
ANDREW CHAPMAN	9 passes in C.S.E.
STEPHEN COX	8 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-A-M-GS-P-TD) 5 passes in G.C.E. (E-M-G-GS-TD).

ANDREW DRUMMOND	9 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-B) 3 passes in G.C.E. (E-G-H)
DAVID FLETCHER	10 passes in C.S.E.
HEDLEY GARDINER	3 passes in C.S.E. (A)
ADRIAN GITTINGS	8 passes in C.S.E.
ALAN GOWER	6 passes in C.S.E. (W)
ROBERT JOHNSON	9 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-H-RK-C) 3 passes in G.C.E. (E-G-H)
JOHN ORCHARD	9 passes in C.S.E.(W-TD) 1 pass G.C.E.(TD)
KEITH OVERALL	9 passes in C.S.E. (G-RK-A-M-W-TD) 3 passes in G.C.E. (M-G-TD)
MICHAEL PEARCE	9 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-H-A-M-GS-B) 4 passes in G.C.E. (E-M-G-H)
CHRISTOPHER PEASE	10 passes in C.S.E. (G-RK) 1 pass in G.C.E. (G)
PHILIP REEVES	8 passes in C.S.E.
PETER SMITH	10 passes in C.S.E. (G-H) 3 passes in G.C.E. (E-G-H)
RICHARD TROTMAN	9 passes in C.S.E. (G-A-M-TD) 2 passes in G.C.E. (G-TD)
STEPHEN WATTS	8 passes in C.S.E. (A-M-TD) 2 passes in G.C.E. (TD-M)
NIGEL WHITE	9 passes in C.S.E.
STEPHEN WINCH	9 passes in C.S.E. (G-Rk-M) 2 passes in G.C.E. (M-TD)

ANN GOODRICH	9 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-RK-A-GS-B) 3 passes in G.C.E. (E-G-GS)
VANESSA HAINES	8 passes in C.S.E. (E-RK-T)
GILLIAN HARPER	7 passes in C.S.E.
SANDRA HARPER	9 passes in C.S.E. (A)
DIANE LUTON	9 passes in C.S.E. (RK-A-M) 2 passes in G.C.E. (G-D)
IRENE McKIE	7 passes in C.S.E. (RK-A)
HAZEL MEAD	9 passes in C.S.E. (E-G-RK) 1 pass in G.C.E. (G)
DAWN NEWMAN	8 passes in C.S.E. (A) 1 pass G.C.E.(G)
PATRICIA SMART	6 passes in C.S.E.
ANGELA WATKINS	10 passes in C.S.E. (E-RK) 2 passes in G.C.E. (E-G)
CATHERINE WATTERSON	8 passes in C.S.E. (G-H-RK-A) 2 passes in G.C.E. (G-H)
JOY WORSLEY	10 passes in C.S.E. (E-RK-A-DS) 1 pass in G.C.E. (E)

Subjects in brackets are Grade 1s in C.S.E. and passes in G.C.E. (O) Level.

A - Art, GS - General Science, W - Woodwork, G - Geography, TD - Technical Drawing, H - History, E - English, RK - Religious Knowledge, B - Biology, M - Mathematics, N - Needlework, DS - Domestic Science, T - Typewriting, P - Physics, Me - Metalwork, D - Dress.

Among other noteworthy distinctions is the 'hat' trick scored by the School winning the Marling Shield for Commonwealth Knowledge for the third year in succession. It was retained for us this year by Stephen Stone's prize-winning essay.

Adrian Gittings was awarded a place on an Outward Bound Course, as was ex-pupil Richard Ludlow.

Susan Marciniak and Brian Raven were both highly commended for their entries in the Trades Alphabet Competition.

At the end of the Summer term we were sorry to lose Miss Palmer, Mr. Bomford and Mr. Roberts from our staff and we thank them all for the services which they have rendered to the School in past years. At the beginning of the Autumn Term we welcomed Miss Armitage (Domestic Science), Miss Taylor (Art), Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Neely (2S), Mrs. Beeré (Maths), Miss Lavis (History), Miss Painter (Religious Education), Mrs. Lewis (English) and Mrs. Hayward to our staff which now numbers 33.

It was with pleasure that we welcomed Mr. Young's return after his illness and we are all very grateful that Mr. Dailey was able to help during Mr. Young's absence and that he has been able to remain with us through the Autumn Term.

Mr. Phillips left at the end of October and his lessons are being covered by Mrs. Parker whom we are pleased to have with us until Christmas, after which a new Music Master, Mr. Dinham will join us, as will a new Head of the Mathematics Department, Mr. Camp. We hope both of these new gentlemen will enjoy working in our School.

As in the past two years a series of Talks to some members of the 4th year, is being given by a wide variety of speakers in order that boys and girls may leave school with a broad outlook on the community in which they will live and work. In this connection we have been pleased to welcome to our School, Mr. Corfield the local M.P., Mr. Lewis as a Member of the Parish Council, Colonel Mead of the Rural District Council and two Old Boys of the School, Simon Newton-Smith and P.C. Alan Hillier, both of whom talked about the work that they are doing.

There have been several history outings during this year. In the Spring term 1A and 1 Alpha went to Chedworth Roman Villa, and to Cirencester. During the Summer term the 5th form went to Kings Weston Roman villa; the 5th and some members of 4A and 4Alpha went to London to visit the Houses of Parliament and the Tate Gallery with Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Bomford. Members of the 3rd Year had the opportunity of going to Cowley Manor with Miss Greenway and Mr. Ferguson. 2A and 2 Alpha went to Glastonbury, Wells and Farleigh Hungerford Castle in the Autumn term.

Through the year there are many demands on our School Fund - Hallowe'en Party, Christmas Festivities, Speech Day and sometimes transport to Saturday matches, to name but a few. This has necessitated our finding varied ways of raising money and so a successful Jumble Sale was held in the Spring; a Summer Gala in June; a Harvest Sale in late September and a School Concert in November.

The usual well-established annual events were held at appropriate times during the year. These included the Hobbies Festival of which Tyndale House was the winners; Speech Day with Sir Alec Rose as our Guest Speaker; Sports Day when Mr. Trotman presented the Trophies, and a Carol Service in St. Mary's Church for the use of which we thank the Reverend Woodhouse.

Our Prefects for the year 1969-1970 are :

Lane (Head Boy)	Perryman	George
Green) (Deputy Head	Rollason	Lucker
Stone) Boys)	Webb	Price
Fisher	Jones	Sage
Woodford	Iles	
A. Woodfield (Head Girl)	A. Guest	J. May
F. Maggs (Deputy Head Girl)	M. Kacki	G. Knott
C. Gardner	S. Schlegelmilch	L. Roberts
J. Smith	A. Willis	

Finally a big 'thank you' is offered to all pupils and staff who have made contributions to this Magazine or helped with its publication.

KING EDMUND'S AND NATURE CONSERVATION

It is very pleasing to be able to write of continued support by the School for two worthy Causes connected with Nature Conservation.

Firstly, boys from the 4th and 5th years have given tremendous help to the Gloucestershire Trust for Nature Conservation by their work at Midger Wood which is a Nature Reserve owned by the Trust. Not only has there been hard practical work in keeping the rides clear and in coppicing of selected areas, but interesting records have been made by means of quadrats and transects of vegetation changes. Members of the Reserve Management Committee have often spoken in appreciation of the work done by our boys in this Reserve. In 1968 about 450 man/hours were worked, and I estimate we shall do just about the same this year.

It is interesting to note that Rodney Fry did this work as part of the Service to the Community Section of his Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award and Adrian Gittings will shortly reach the necessary qualification in the same way.

Secondly, we have continued to support the World Wildlife Fund by the collection of Brooke Bond Tea labels, and here again it is very gratifying to have bundles of labels sent along from time to time by old pupils. So far this term we have raised £4 for this cause, and labels continue to come in. Parents who read this account may care to know that for every 1000 labels collected from any brand of Brooke Bond tea, the firm donates £1 towards the conservation of wild life both in this country and abroad. Your continued help in this painless way of raising funds will be much appreciated.

H.W. HAYES.

THE LIBRARY

We now have nearly 2,900 new books available in the library. Many of these have been selected by members of staff or by pupils.

Most sections are expanding and all age ranges are catered for. Some books have been bought bearing in mind the change-over to the Comprehensive System.

Several classes have a library period where free choice of reading matter is possible and some forms are brought to the library for project work. Because of the helpful co-operation of members of the staff, the library is now open in both mid-day sessions and is very popular.

A few problems still exist, particularly with regard to replacement of books in their proper places. This is essential for the smooth running of the library. Some books have been badly handled, but fortunately these are very few. Some are missing, particularly the more conveniently sized 'pocket' volumes. No more 'Observer' books are being bought!

The librarian is also building up a collection of records, which are available for members of staff to use. A portable tape recorder has also been purchased, and the library stencil set may be borrowed.

It is envisaged that the library will be a very important part of the new Comprehensive development and we hope that it will be a valuable and much used part of our future School.

K.J.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Here are a few of the new additions -

Official Report of the Olympic Games ..... Make a Menu Book
Inns and Villages of England (1&2) ..... The Lions of Longleat
Many titles in the 'Let's Visit ....' series .....Caves & Caving
The Christian Encounters a Hungry World .....Treasury of Angling
20 Volumes of the New Caxton Encyclopaedia ..... Pigeon Racing.
Inside a Comprehensive School ..... Design your own Craftwork
Development through Drama .....Commerce for Schools
6th Blue Peter Book .....Royal Hunt of the Sun
Decimal Currency .....The King Must Die
Plays for the Open Stage .....The Automobile Book
.....My Lively Lady .....

SOME NEW RECORDS

Peter and the Wolf ..... Television Theme Tunes
Bells of Bristol ..... Stories in Movement
Sound Effects ..... Babs Ballads and Cautionary Tales
Carols from Bristol Cathedral ..... French Songs
Black Beauty .... Dr. Dolittle
Sea Shanties ..... Psalms read by Sir Lawrence Olivier.

MEMBERS OF STAFF MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING BOOKS:

Inside a Comprehensive School ..... The Comprehensive School
Teaching in Comprehensive Schools ..... Teachers & Machines
Education Committee Year Book ..... The New Law of Education
Children and Their Primary Schools (Plowden Report) .....
Education Authorities Directory and Annual (1969) .....
..... Treasure Chest for Teachers .....

There are many more titles in the Education Section, some for more specialised interests.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME

BOYS

Rodney Fry became the first boy at King Edmund's to complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold stages of the Scheme with us. He was accompanied by his parents and Mr. Hayes, who gave him much help in the Scheme, to Buckingham Palance in the summer to receive the coveted Award from Prince Philip. Fry had worked with enthusiasm throughout the Scheme and the standard of his work was always high. Our congratulations go to him on his deserved success.

There are at the present time, about thirty boys working at the Bronze level. Mr. Bevan once again gave his time and energy running a First Aid Course at basic level, and Sister Wheeler kindly consented to carry out the testing. She commended the boys on the standard achieved. At the moment she is giving a course of lectures to a mixed group at this level, organised by the British Red Cross. In the Expedition Section our work was mainly carried out at Pwll Du near the Brecon Beacons, last Whitsuntide. I am grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Cains and Miss Woods for their assistance in this epic adventure. I find it hard, even now, to forget the charming Third Former who used my face as a step to his bunk each night, not to mention another camper who regularly through the night walked over both Mr. Cains and myself on the way to the ------. However, despite terrible weather conditions, spirits were high, and the 20 mile hike completed. It is pleasing in this section to see more boys working and a higher percentage gaining success.

At Silver level, fourteen boys are currently working and some of them have joined the girls attending a Course by the Fire Service. Eight Silver Award Boys completed a 30 mile Expedition in the Forest of Dean last July and gained high praise for their Log Books. Another group are helping the Mentally Handicapped, and in the Pursuit Section various sports are now popular, these include -

Soccer, Rugby, Tennis, Archery and Sailing.

At Gold Level, Adrian Gittings has nearly completed all the requirements. His 60 mile hike was carried out in the Lake District last August, and for his Residential Qualification he spent a month at Eskdale Outward Bound School, Cumberland. Cycling was his choice for the Pursuit Section and in Public Service he has continued his work with mentally handicapped adults, and is at present working a number of given tasks in Nature Conservation. He should complete the Gold Section by early 1970.

Again many thanks must go to the members of staff who have found time to encourage boys in the scheme and to the many parents who are now helping in different ways.

K.M. DAVIS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following boys who gained Awards during the year:

BRONZE

Stephen Stone
Rodney Webb
Alan Jones
Peter Mannion
Timothy Green
Stephen Wissun
Richard Tovey
Keith Young
Martin May
Graham Tarling
Peter Bryer
Marcello Biagioli
John Woodcock
Rodney Fraser

SILVER

Stephen Blackler
Stephen Brown
Stephen Perrin

GOLD

Rodney Fry

PWLL DU ADVENTURE CENTRE

At Whitsuntide, thirty eight of us set off, accompanied by Mr. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Cains and Miss Woods.

We stopped at Abergavenny for lunch and then made our way to Pwll Du, near the Brecons. Our home for nearly a week was to be an old Miner's Welfare Centre, specially converted for youth groups.

The girls were housed at one end of the centre in two rooms and the boys had their bunks in the main hall. As Mr. Davis and Mr. Cains were last off the coach they slept on the floor on mattresses.

During our explorations we found that the nearest village was about three miles away. Nearby was a lake - some of us ventured to swim in it, despite the Arctic conditions. Many old iron works were in the vicinity of the Centre, and slag heaps were a coarse reminder of a bygone day.

On Wednesday the boys and some of the girls, set off in groups to do their Bronze Expeditions for the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. The girls returned during the afternoon but the boys had to endure a very rainy night under canvas. Early next morning, like drenched rats they were coaxed from their tents back to the Centre for hot tea and cooked breakfast. They didn't require much coaxing. Everything and everybody was saturated.

Robin Churchill managed to lose himself on the expedition with a map; Brian Walter became verbally angry over a camp fire, struggling desperately against high wind and torrential rain, and Stephen Jones created so many problems that even Mr. Cains walked around for a whole day as if the world was about to end.

However, we all returned safely with plenty of stories to tell.

GRAHAM TARLING)
VIVIEN LOCK) 4A

YOUTH HOSTELLING

During the year Mr. Smith has taken boys and quite recently girls (accompanied by Miss Lavis), Youth Hostelling in England and Wales. These trips have been a great success and as a result are becoming longer and more frequent.

I expect many parents would like their children to go on these trips, but they might not know much about them, so here is a brief description of a Youth Hostel.

In a hostel (which is owned by the Youth Hostel Association) you will find dormitories with bunk beds. There will be a mattress and blankets, but members are expected to bring their own sheet bag; however the Warden of the hostel has fresh clean ones to hire at a small fee.

There is a common room in which you can read and play games in the evening, and a Members' kitchen in which you can cook your own food, for a very small fee, if you feel like a snack. The main meals of the day are eaten in the dining room. Every meal served by the Warden is a very good one, and there's always plenty of it!!

As the fee for staying at a hostel is so cheap, 4/- per night, each person is expected to help in little chores like washing-up or sweeping. This keeps the price of staying as low as possible.

The cost of a weekend trip is around 30/- (it all depends on how far you are going). The Membership Card costs 5/- a year for a young member: 5-16 years. The address to write to is: Y.H.A., National Office, St. Albans, Herts, giving your name, age, address, date of birth and sex.

The Y.H.A. exists to encourage those who want to explore the countryside and make new friends. There are Youth Hostels abroad as well.

CHRIS. HEFFER
3 ALPHA.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME (GIRLS)

This Autumn has brought a considerable increase in the number of girls who are taking part in this scheme so that it has become necessary to run the Thursday Club in two sections. The people working for the Silver Award this term are attending a series of Talks and demonstrations on Fire Service and they meet at the new Yate Fire Station, while the girls starting Bronze level are taking First Aid Lectures run by Sister Wheeler and her helpers at the school. Boys working for the Award at both levels now join the girls in the Thursday Evening Club.

In the Spring of 1969, 28 girls, trained by Mrs. Tretman, took the British Red Cross Society's Junior Mothercraft Test and all were successful. They received their Certificates for this at a Morning Assembly later in the year when Mrs. Buck of the Stroud Headquarters of the British Red Cross Society was our Guest and made the presentations.

In the early Summer girls working at both Bronze and Silver Level were fortunate in being able to attend a series of Lectures in the 'Art of Make Up' taken by a Counsellor of the Beauty Council.

The Adventure Section of the Award was undertaken by a number of girls at Bronze Level while they were at the Whitsuntide Camp at Pwll du in Monmouthshire and a small group who were too young to start the Award at the Camp planned a local expedition to visit Fry's Factory at Somerdale during the October half term break.

A number of people working at Silver Level availed themselves of the opportunity to join an Adventure Weekend at Bracelands in the Forest of Dean.

At the time of going to press there are 15 girls who have achieved a part of their Bronze Award, 12 who have made a start on the Silver Award and 5 working at Gold Level.

Duke of Edinburgh Awards are not easily won. Those who achieve them show perseverance and determination. Good Luck to all those who are willing to 'have a go' and may they enjoy the many and varied experiences which they will meet with through the Award Scheme.

Congratulations to the following:

BRONZE AWARD	Susan King
	Vivien Lock
	Janet May
	Annette Woodfield
	Valerie O'Sullivan
	Margaret Hicks
SILVER AWARD	Amanda Foster
	Carole Gardner

THE TRAIN VIEW

Through the dirty windows,
Sloganed by football supporters
I see row upon row of dirty, red brick houses
And grubby, grey washing, hanging limp on lines,
Dirty children watch the big, black, roaring monster
Whizz past the weedy jungle in which they play
Until the train shoots into a black cavern
But only for a moment is it dark inside
As the shrill squeak of the whistle
Sounds above the chugging of the train
The black monster dies as it pulls into the station

Pauline Fox 4 Alpha

A VISIT TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE TO RECEIVE A GOLD AWARD

Like so many of today's young people I was introduced to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme at School. I attained both the Bronze and Silver medals whilst still at School, but I had to continue working for the Gold Award after leaving. The Award Scheme took up most of my leisure time and indeed some of my working time, but I was extremely fortunate in having an employer who was both interested and kind enough to release me from work to attend several Courses which were a necessary part of the Award Scheme.

The climax came when on March 26th of this year I was to personally receive my Certificate from His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, at an Award Presentation at Buckingham Palace. Forms and the official Invitation, had arrived in a very regal-looking envelope several weeks before.

At 1.30p.m. on a frosty, but sunny day, the gates of Buckingham Palace were opened and it seemed like one mad rush across the Palace forecourt, past the sentries in their boxes, to the inner courtyard. I can honestly say that I was the first Award winner to enter the Palace on that day. Everywhere stretched staircase upon staircase of red carpet. Rows of white pillars stretched as far as the eye could see, and everything was touched with gold.

All the Award winners had to assemble in the annexe to the Ballroom, and to reach this room meant walking along corridors hung with magnificient paintings and portraits. Everything was so impressive and big. Fortunately the route to the annexe was well marked.

At 2p.m. all the Award winners were assembled and we were led into the Ballroom, where the parents and guests were seated and being entertained by the Musicians in the Gallery. Just as we were seated, the orchestra began to play the National Anthem and the Duke of Edinburgh entered

The television cameras at the back of the room began rolling and the Duke delivered a short speech about the Scheme, its growth and aims. He then went on to present the Certificates. We were all trying to calm one another as we waited to meet the Duke; trying to indulge in conversation about anything that came to mind. I even found myself discussing Rugby tactics, (being surrounded by Rugger enthusiasts it seemed the only general topic). None of us needed to worry as the Duke made everyone feel completely at ease. It had been such a build up of tension and nerves, and within minutes the actual presentation was over, and we were all back in our seats.

Once more Prince Philip gave a short speech and then walked from the Ballroom to return to his private quarters. Everyone moved at once and all the order that had presided throughout the afternoon's proceedings was cast to the wind.

It was a day worth working for and I would without hesitation, urge you to enter for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. This will widen your outlook and you will gain much knowledge and many friends.

MAUREEN GREENAWAY.

A STORM AT SEA

At first all was calm and serene
And then came the wheeling
And keeling of the ship

And then the sky turned
Black, and the wind hissed
And whipped the waves.

The waves crashed and
Splashed up against the
Ship. Then once again

The deck moaned and
groaned and the wind died
out. The sea turned
calm, and the sky Bright.

Andrew Lea 2 Gamma.

HELPING OUR NEIGHBOURS

AN INTERVIEW WITH MEMBERS OF 4 BETA

As you have probably noticed groups of people leave the classroom behind one day a week and wander off into the surrounding neighbourhood. This is the last we see of them for the day.

Have you ever wondered where they go, and just what they get up to? I asked 4 Beta a few questions on your behalf.

Ed. When do you go out of school?
Tim Once a week for two lessons on a Thursday with Mr.Davis

Ed. Where do you go?
Graham Orchard Close to Old Peoples Homes

Ed. What do you do when you get there?
Graham Gardening for people who can't manage.

Ed. Do you all work on the same garden?
Michael No, we split up into groups of twos, threes and fours.

Ed. Is it hard work?
Andrew Very hard!

Ed. What do you like about this work?
Royston Helping the old people.

Ed. And what do the girls do while you're gardening?
Thelma Three go to Frome House and six go to Ridgewood

Ed. What sort of homes are these?
Susan Old Peoples' Homes.

Ed. What do you do at the Old Peoples' Home?
Marie Give them cups of tea and wash-up. Then we lay tables and chat to the old people.

Ed. What's it like there?
Susan Not always very nice. Not everyone has her own room and sometimes the ladies argue.

Ed. What do you like best about this work?
Marie It's different.

AND WHERE DO THOSE TWO BOYS GO WHEN THEY SLOPE OFF ON TUESDAY?

DAY RELEASE COURSE

On Tuesday we go up to the old school at Chipping Sodbury. We have a variety of different lessons in the morning - at the moment we are learning about pigs. In the afternoon we learn about farm equipment and how to maintain machinery.

Only two of us go from King Edmund's but we meet many farm workers who used to come here, like Peter Smith who left last year.

It's very hard work, but it's worth it.

ANDREW EVANS

SOUNDWELL COLLEGE

At 9.10a.m. on Thursday we leave for Soundwell. On arrival we separate and go to our classes; while the girls type the boys learn brick laying. In the brick laying shop we learn the various ways of laying bricks and cutting them to shape. We have a morning break at 10.30 with the other students of the College.

In the afternoon we are divided into two groups. One section learns painting and decorating, while the other learns carpentry. It's a day of hard work.

MARTIN RICHINGS
4B.

TYNDALE BEAUFORT GRACE JENNER

The four Houses into which the School is divided are named after famous men who have definite connections with our part of South Gloucestershire.

BEAUFORT HOUSE takes its name from the long line of Dukes who have exercised considerable influence over the area for generations. The present Duke is Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire and it was he who performed the official opening of King Edmund's School on February 25th 1966.

GRACE HOUSE is named after Dr. W.G. Grace, a famous cricketer who was born at Downend. Until twenty-five years ago a relation of his was the local doctor at Chipping Sodbury and there is still a doctor relation living at Thornbury.

JENNER HOUSE Edward Jenner was the famous doctor who discovered a vacciniation against Small pox. As a young man he worked at Old Sodbury and had connection with the Iron Acton district. He was born and buried at Berkeley.

TYNDALE HOUSE William Tyndale spent a short time as the tutor to Sir John Walsh at Little Sodbury Manor where he would have had a wide view of the Vale of Severn. Here the land was ploughed by hand-ploughs pushed along by boys who had had no chance of schooling. Even if they had been able to read no books were printed in English, and even the Bible was printed in Greek. While looking on this scene the idea came to Tyndale that he would translate part of the Bible into English so that even the plough boys could read and understand it.

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GRACE	3
BEAUFORT	4

ATTENDANCE	
BEAUFORT	1
JENNER	2
TYNDALE	3
GRACE	4

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OVERALL RESULTS

SENIOR HOCKEY

1. Tyndale
2. Jenner
3. Beaufort
4. Grace

JUNIOR HOCKEY

1. Grace
2. Beaufort
3. Jenner
4. Tyndale

SENIOR NETBALL

1. Tyndale
2. Grace
3. Jenner
4. Beaufort

JUNIOR NETBALL

1. Jenner
2. Beaufort
3. Grace
4. Tyndale

SENIOR ROUNDERS

1. Jenner
2. Tyndale
3. Grace
4. Beaufort

JUNIOR ROUNDERS

1. Jenner
2. Beaufort
3. Tyndale
4. Grace

N.B.

For all other HOUSE RESULTS refer to Pages 25,26 and 27.

SOCCER REPORT

1969

The season provided our best results since we began in 1967, and the Directors while not increasing my salary decided against sacking me for the time being. The poisonous pen-letters too mountainous during the relegation battle of the previous season, ceased to threaten me.

We achieved our results through better team work and more effort in our matches. Steven Woodhouse added more punch to the attack and with Brian Lock formed a useful spearhead under the energetic leadership of Andy Fisher. Some memorable games were recorded, perhaps the best being the 3-1 victory at Winterbourne and a 4-1 success at The Chase. The team had plenty of skill, but still the policy of sacrificing sound defence at the back for all out attack resulted in too many defeats. In our 4-2-4 system, a tremendous amount relies on the two mid-field men, and though Jeff Lane and Stuart George were successful going forward, their defence duties were often neglected.

However, a much better season with more determination to win was evident in our play. Graham Tarling and Andy Northam have already played several times at Senior Level while in their Third Year - this is a good pointer for the future.

RESULTS	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
	12	5	6	1

Leading Scorers: B. Lock 8; J. Lane 5; S. George 4; S. Woodhouse 4.

Senior Colour Awards: B. Lock; J. Lane; A. Fisher; J. Burns; S. George; A. Rollason

THIRD YEAR

The team enjoyed a very successful season only being beaten twice in eleven games. The success was due in many ways to excellent team work and a keeness and determination which is the essence of modern soccer.

Graham Tarling and Geoff Pease were selected for the South Gloucestershire Representative Team. Geoff played twice and Graham was substitute goalkeeper. In school matches, Andy Northam was top scorer netting twelve times.

With plenty of talent in the team the Senior side should gain in a season or two. Under the expert eye of Mr. Cains the team had a record to be proud of throughout the season.

We are grateful once again to Mr. Pease and Mr. Northam for help withtransport to Away matches when our financial situation became difficult.

RECORD	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
	11	7	2	2

LEADING SCORERS: A. Northam 12; G. Penton 5; C. Sharp 4; S. Jones 4; J. Thomas 4.

I say, I say, I say----------

Fatty passed to Finny
Finny passed it back,
Fatty took a rotten shot
And hit the goalie flat
Where was this goalie
When the ball was in the net?
Hanging from the cross bar
With his legs wrapped round his neck.

TONY DAVIES 3R.

ATHLETICS 1969

During the Athletic season we entered into competition with other schools, as well as the usual schools and County Championships.

With the introduction of the metric system, races were changed to the metre distances.

Graham Tarling gave consistent performances in the 400 Metres with times around the 57 sec. mark. This culminated in his selection for South Gloucestershire together with -

R. Trotman	-	Javelin
J. Orchard	-	Triple Jump
Lorraine Shipp	-	High Jump
Angela Guest	-	Javelin
Vivian Lock	-	800 metres

HOUSE ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Because of the change over to the metric system, new records were established in the sprint and distance.

Boys John Orchard won the Three Senior Jumps breaking the record in all -

Long Jump	19'3½"
High Jump	5'1"
Triple Jump	41'11"

Richard Trotman established a new record in the 400 Metres with a time of 58.2 and also a new record in the Javelin of 115'6½"

Other new records or good performances came in the Intermediate section with the following -

Stephen Jones	100 m	12.5
	200 m	26.5
Brian Chappell	Long Jump	17'4½"
James Newman	Weight	41'3¾"
Peter Bryer	Discus	93'1"

Girls	Annette Woodfield	High Jump	4' 4"
	Annette Woodfield	Long Jump	14' 5½"
	Vivian Lock	Long Jump	15' 5½"
	Sylvia Lea	Long Jump	13' 6½"
	Angela Guest	Javelin	79' 4"
	Felicity Maggs	Discus	79' 10"

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

TYNDALE	1st
JENNER	2nd
BEAUFORT	3rd
GRACE	4th

ROUNDERS 1969

The Rounders season last year was on the whole very successful.

Good fielding and batting were prevalent in all the teams, together with an enthusiastic fighting spirit, which is essential when playing any form of Sport whether one is winning or losing.

4th/5th Year	-	Won 2:	Lost 2:	
3rd Year	-	Won 2:	Lost 1:	Drew 1:
2nd Year	-	Won 2:	Lost 1:	Drew 1:
1st Year	-	Won 1:	Lost 1:	

Rounders Colours awarded to:

Annette Woodfield, Maria Kacki, Angela Guest,
Felicity Maggs, Joy Worsley

HOUSE BASKETBALL RESULTS

SENIOR

1st	GRACE
2nd	JENNER
3rd	TYNDALE
4th	BEAUFORT

JUNIOR

1st	TYNDALE
2nd	GRACE
3rd	BEAUFORT
4th	JENNER

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

SENIOR

INDIVIDUAL - ANDREW FISHER GRACE 19mins.7 secs.

TEAM RESULT

1st	GRACE	166
2nd	JENNER	191
3rd	BEAUFORT	231
4th	TYNDALE	233

JUNIOR

INDIVIDUAL - STEPHEN ROGERS BEAUFORT 17mins.47secs.

TEAM RESULT

1st	TYNDALE	177
2nd	GRACE	186
3rd	BEAUFORT	217
4th	JENNER	250

NB STEPHEN ROGERS wqs selected to run for South Gloucestershire in the County Championship at Stroud.

HOUSE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

SENIOR

1st	GRACE	- TYNDALE
2nd	-	
3rd	JENNER	
4th	BEAUFORT	

JUNIOR

1st	TYNDALE
2nd	GRACE
3rd	BEAUFORT
4th	JENNER

HOUSE CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP

SENIOR

1st	TYNDALE
2nd	BEAUFORT
3rd	JENNER
4th	GRACE

JUNIOR

1st	GRACE	- TYNDALE
2nd	-	
3rd	JENNER	
4th	BEAUFORT	

GAMES CUP

1st	TYNDALE
2nd	GRACE
3rd	JENNER
4th	BEAUFORT

HOCKEY 1968/69.

Due to bad weather conditions many of last seasons fixtures had to be cancelled. However, of the matches played, all were of an excellent standard.

The 1st XI playing a much stiffer opposition than last year won four of their games and lost only two. There were sixteen goals scored and only eleven goals scored against.

Throughout the year this team showed a lot of potential with good individual stick work, but still playing as a complete team. By the end of the season a definite all round improvement could be seen.

In the Under 15 Schools Tournament they did extremely well, considering the strong opposition they had, losing one match and drawing two.

The Junior XI had a very successful undefeated season. They won four matches and drew one. During these five matches, twenty seven goals were scored and only three goals were scored against. An excellent record well done.

Hockey Colours Awarded 1968-69 -

Annette Woodfield, Felicity Maggs, Maria Kacki, Angela Guest, Kathrine Phillips, Monica Bailey, Pat Smart.

HOCKEY AUTUMN 1969.

This term has been even more successful so far than last season. The 1st XI have won all three of their fixtures. Hockey Colours this term were awarded to Vivien Lock.

The Junior XI have won the two matches they have played and scored fourteen goals without any goals being scored against them.

Many thanks to all the girls who have helped with the refreshments throughout the year. Your work is much appreciated by all players.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

Twenty four cadets were enrolled on Monday November 3rd at King Edmund's School, in the presence of Mrs. E. Buck, Branch Officer for Youth and Juniors; Mrs. Davis, Miss Watkins and Sister Wheeler. The evening was well attended by parents.

The entertainment consisted of slides on East Germany presented by Mr. Ray Wassal. Mr. Wassal was the top Junior Cadet for 1968-69 which awarded him a place at the International Camp in East Germany.

There is a great need for male cadets. There is no age limit and newcomers will find interesting and varied activities. Why not come along to the Red Cross meetings and see?

M.F.

HOBBIES FESTIVAL

On March 25th the Annual Hobbies Festival was held at this school. After a great deal of preparation, and persuasion a large number of entries were received, and these were displayed in various rooms in the school. The entries covered a wide range of interests and were of all shapes and sizes.

The entries were judged by staff members of local schools and friends of King Edmund's, who kindly gave their time to perform this task.

Pupils were given the opportunity to view the exhibits during the morning, and quite a large number of parents visited the school for the same purpose in the evening.

The Champion Cup was won by Tyndale and the Isaac Cup for the Individual with the highest number of points was shared between Sheila Collins and Charles Dye.

Stephen Stone 5th.

CAMPANOLOGY

I have several hobbies, one of which is bell rining, or campanology, the technical word for it. I ring the church bells at Wapley and Westerleigh.

Some people might think that bell ringing is easy, but this is not true. It takes a long time to learn and can be dangerous if not learnt properly. Some of the ringers I meet are quite elderly and have years of experience. Church bells are generally rung for church services, calling people to prayer, or to weddings. At funerals they are tolled and muffled.

Both my parents are regular ringers. My grandfather told me that the bells were not rung during the war, but were rung at the victory celebrations. There is a practice night each week when we are taught the art of bell ringing by the captain of the band.

Very often in the summer we have an outing, visiting a number of lovely old churches and then off to a grand tea.

The bells will be rung for the New Year.

PAUL CAREY 1B.

MY HOBBY

My hobbies are drawing, riding and anything to do with horses In my drawing I like to draw animals best, because one day I hope to be an artist. I read a lot about horses, mostly about where and how they live and about the different breeds you can find all around you.

When my birthday comes I don't have a party, but instead I have a day's pony trekking on the moors while we are on holiday. The pony I rode last summer was white with tiny brown spots on, and his name was Lollipop.

VALERIE TALL 1B.

ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL

MATHS CLUB	Thursday	3.45p.m.	Room 12
SLOT CAR CLUB	2/3 times a term	3.45p.m.	Metalwork Room
PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB	Wednesday	3.45p.m.	Physics Lab.
COOKERY CLUB	Monday (every fortnight)	3.45p.m.	Junior Cookery Room
CHESS CLUB	Tuesday & Thursday	12 -1p.m.	Tech.Drg.Room
RED CROSS SOCIETY	Monday	3.45p.m.	Needlework Rm.
GYM CLUB (GIRLS)	Friday	3.45p.m.	Gym.
BRASS BAND	Monday	3.45p.m.	Hall
LIBRARY	ALL WEEK	12-1p.m. & 3.45p.m.	Library
DUKE OF EDINBURGH CLUB	Thursday	7.00p.m.	Domestic Sc. Room 1.

INTO THE CITY

Leaving the country,
You suddenly gatecrash the city.
No more fresh air
Only the smoke,
The dark, thick, choking smoke,
From the factory stacks;
That reach into the sky,
Blotting out every trace of sunlight.
Only the noise of the traffic in the city's busy streets,
As on the sidewalks, a seething mass of multiracial people,
Push their way past each other,
With no time to notice anyone.

Linda Bayliss 4 Alpha

THE FOX HUNT

The dogs and horses line up steady
Waiting for the signal, ready
Soon they're off
Fox in front -
No turning back
The horn blows
Everything goes
No one stops
They just follow the fox
Over fields and stiles
Tearing up over the rides,
Now the scent is very clear,
Dogs bark, people cheer,
Screams of joy, cries of mirth
The fox just makes it to his earth.

Mary Meadows 2 Alpha

WARS

Why are there wars?
Why the fear when that hooter calls?
Why the whir of fighter planes overhead?
Why do men have to be shot dead?

We will never understand
What devilish torture Hitler planned
It didn't happen to us -
We thank God in whom we trust.

The river of the battle ground ran the red
Of soldiers that have been shot and left for dead
We will never know the pain
Or how many people were left insane.

M. Winder 3A.

MOULDY OLDIES

Question Why does a farmer take a bale of hay to bed with him?
Answer To feed his night mare.

Question What did the scarf say to the hat?
Answer You go on a head and I'll hang around

Question Why did the tap run?
Answer Because it saw the water fall.

Question How do you spell mousetrap in three letters?
Answer C.A.T.

Question Why does a bear wear a fur coat?
Answer He would look silly in a mackintosh

Question What's green and robs stage coaches?
Answer Dick Gherkin

Question What's black, lives at the bottom of the sea and plays a clarinet?
Answer Acker Welk.

Question What's green, hairy and goes up and down?
Answer A gooseberry in a lift.

Question What can run all day without getting hot?
Answer A cold water tap

Question What does a miser hang out at Christmas?
Answer A Parking Meter on the chimney

Question How can you tell an elephant has been in your fridge?
Answer Footprints in the butter.

MORE MOULDY OLDIES

Question — Why is a dog's tail like the inside of a tree?
Answer — Because its farthest from the bark.

Question — What is better than presence of mind in an accident?
Answer — Absence of body.

Question — What is it that even the cleverest man overlooks?
Answer — His nose

Question — What is the difference between a bottle of medicine and a hearth rug?
Answer — One is shaken up and taken, and the other is taken up and shaken.

Question — Which dogs have no tails?
Answer — Hot Dogs

Question — What word is always pronounced wrong?
Answer — Wrong

Question — What part of a fish weighs most?
Answer — Scales

Boy — Mum, is it true that an apple a day keeps the doctor away?
Mother — Yes dear, why?
Boy — I've just broken two of his windows.

You should never bath in an Irish Stew
It's a most illogical thing to do
If you try it, against my reasoning
Don't forget to add some seasoning.

A. Forsey 3B.

THESE MOULDY OLDIES were produced by members of the THIRD YEAR. Please do not come to the editor with your complaints.

ARE YOU A POTENTIAL FIFTH FORMER

If you are in the third or fourth year you may be contemplating entering the fifth form. For your benefit a study of the present situation concerning fifth formers has been made and the following Questionnaire compiled. We hope this will help you (though we very much doubt it) in making your decision as to whether you leave school at 15 or not.

ANSWER A, B or C, to each question and check your score at the end of the list of questions.

1. Do you consider it your right to take occasional half-days off school?
   A - YES B - NO C-YES, TO WATCH ROVERS

2. Which excuse for not having done your homework would you choose?
   A - 'I felt I needed a little more time to digest the work, Sir'
   B - 'I forgot my book, Sir'
   C - 'I didn't know which question to do Sir'.

3. Which do you prefer to read?
   A - BEANO B - THE TIMES C - TIT BITS

4. Which method would you adopt for avoiding running in the Cross country?
   A - Say 'I'd love to run, but I'm not fit, Sir' and cough violently.
   B - Stay away from School
   C - Develop some ailment, which to your bitter disappointment, prevents you from running the race of your life.

5. Do you make a point of wearing at least one article of clothing not included in the regulation school uniform?
   A - Yes, always
   B - No
   C - Occasionally.

7. Which soap do you prefer?
   A - soft soap
   B - Lifebuoy soap
   C - Wrights Coal Tar Soap

8. You have been asked to do some work on loose paper, and naturally you have not done it. Do you?
   A - As Sir draws near, fumble about frantically for the scrap of paper you know (and probably he does as well) is non-existent.
   B - Admit it slipped your mind?
   C - Exclaim in a shocked manner, 'What homework, Sir'?

9. You arrive late for school, which excuse would you choose?
   A - 'My Mother had a headache and I had to look after her for a while'
   B - I had a puncture, Sir'
   C - 'Well, Sir, just as I was leaving, it came over me ....'

10. You are faced with an unexpected test in a subject which is far from being your best, do you:
   A - Treat the whole matter lightly, and when the teacher calls you to his room the following morning, explain that it was not through want of learning, but merely a lack of intelligence that you failed?
   B - Frantically glance through your note book?
   C - Accurately copy down the required information on a piece of paper the size of a postage stamp and slip it into your cuff?

YOUR RATING

Count 3 for an A;

Count 1 for a B;

Count 2 for a C;

UNDER 15 You have absolutely no tendencies towards Fifth form life. You treat school far too seriously, and as a result would probably enter the Fifth form and ruin its efficiency.

15 - 20 Better. You have some idea as to what is required of you, but you must try to ignore your conscience a little more.

20-25 You are pretty average Fifth form material, and given some experience you will develop into a good layabout.

25-30. If anyone gains this rating would he inform any member of the present Fifth form, or any member of staff, thus giving both parties ample chance to make their escape.

A. Non E. Mouse.

UNDERSTANDING OUR BROTHERS

A few weeks ago a neighbour of ours took his wife into Broadmead to buy her a new dress. While she went to Peter Robinson's he went to the Cafeteria in Lewis'. He bought himself a cup of tea and a packet of biscuits and sat at a table with a man he did not know. There was no sugar on the table so he went back to the counter to get some. When he got back to the table, the stranger had opened the packet of biscuits and was eating one. My neighbour did not speak to him, but he thought he had a right taking one of his biscuits. He took one himself - and the stranger took another.

Now there was only one biscuit left in the packet and to be certain the stranger could not eat it, he broke it into little pieces and dropped them into the ash tray. When he found his wife he told her what had happened and how furious he was that the stranger had eaten his biscuits. Putting his hand in his pocket, for the bus fare on the way home, he discovered his packet of biscuits.

JOHN FLINDERS 2S.



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