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FORTHCOMING EVENTS 1985

Friday, 8th November	K.C.S. Old Boys' Annual Dinner – Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, London, SW15.
Friday, 22nd November	K.C.S. Boat Club Dinner – at the London Rowing Club, Putney. For all past and present members, apply to the Secretary for details.
Saturday, 14th December	O.K.C. Annual General Meeting – Room 4, The Music School 11.30 hours, followed by sherry. There will be a lunch after the meeting – apply to the Secretary.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE, OLD KING'S CLUB

PRESIDENT: R.M. Reeve, Esq., M.A. (Head Master K.C.S.)

VICE-PRESIDENTS:
Sir Cyril Black, S.C.L. Burford, K.A. Collyer, A.G. Cranch, N.M. Crockford, R.E. Dawson, R.F. Diacon, P.K. Gerhold, P.J. Gibbs, J.D.E. Hamilton, D.E.M. Jarvis, H.R. Lewis, O.B.E., J.A. McGilchrist, D.M. Maxton, M.B.E., Sir Ronald Owen, S.O.B. Powell, F.H. Shaw, M.B.E., F.S. Smith, C.Taylor, C.H. Thomas, N.R. Topping

HON. SECRETARY: A.S. Wells **HON. TREASURER:** L.G. Brew

COMMITTEE (inc. President, Secretary, Treasurer)
CHAIRMAN for 1984 and 1985 C.H. Thomas, Trustee of Invested Fund
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Rifle Club: F.A. Hedditch, M.B.E.
Rugby Club: M.E. Bruce
Cricket: M.R. Fenez
Cross Country: J.P.H. Smith
Golf: P.N. Crowther
Lodge: P.J. Gibbs
Soccer: R.A. McDougall
Swimming: F. Gerrand
Co-opted Members: Z.F. Waters, J.E. Fullbrook, M. de Groot

SECRETARIES:
O.K. Club: A.S. Wells, 4 Morecoombe Close, Kingston Hill, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 7JQ (01-546 7134)
(Assistant Secy. G.P.J. Tomkinson Membership Secy. A.G. Sinclair)
Rifle Club: Miss L.E. Jackson, White Lodge, 51 Lodge Hill Road, Lower Bourne, Farnham, Surrey. (Farnham 726904)
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Cricket: M.R. Fenez, 6 West Point, Putney Hill, London SW15 6RU. (01-789 5920)
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Soccer: R.A. McDougall, Vine House, The Vineyard, Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey (01-948 1577)
Swimming: F.D. Gerrand, 16 Beverley Close, East Ewell, Epsom, Surrey KT17 3HB.
Tennis: C.G. Diacon, 20 Rivermead, Byfleet, Surrey.

School Leavers Careers Evening:
To be announced

Sub-Committees
Finance: M. Barron, L.G. Brew, A.G. Cranch.
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Benevolent Fund
Trustees: L.R. Barkey, C. Taylor, J.D.E. Hamilton,
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Management Board: R.M. Reeve (Head Master K.C.S.), L.G. Brew, R. Lowndes, L.D. Peters

GENERAL NOTES

Contributors are thanked sincerely for their entries in this issue of the Newsletter. It would be appreciated if material for the next issue could reach the School before February 14, 1986.

The Register of K.C.S. Old Boys

The first part lists some 3,300 boys who passed through the School during Dr. Maclear's headship, 1866-80. Numbers grew from 341 to 635 in his final term and an impressive array of Old Boys were found in every walk of life. From that short reign, no fewer than 29 Knighthoods emerged. Most interesting perhaps, considering the School's abysmal (voluntary) sporting facilities, were the five 'Blues'. These include T.W. (later Sir Thomas) Lewis, President of the Cambridge University B.C. in 1877, the year of the only tied result. Another rowing blue was Reginald McKenna, later Chancellor of the Exchequer. Best remembered to-day is Sir Jeremiah Colman, whose garden and generosity provided the JS 1st XI field.

Leaders in their professions include an admiral, actors, professors galore, the greatest English painter of his time, W.R. Sickert, and an archbishop. Sinners too as well as saints. P.J.L. Laughton was expelled from Marlborough, came to King's, was expelled after one term, went up to Cambridge from another school, was sent down after one year, went up to Oxford and left 'without graduating', lost without trace.

The second part covers the nine years of T.H. Stokoe, when numbers fell rapidly to only 256, due largely to the death of Charles Bourdas after lunchtime bullying and the movement of schools from the City to greener pastures with proper playing fields. Even so these few years produced some famous names, including Calouste Gulbenkian, whose Foundation generously contributed to the costs of this Register; A.D. Prebble, non-playing captain of the Davis Cup team in 1927; Sir Dan Godfrey, 41 years the Conductor of the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; G.R. Blades, later Lord Ebbisham, a Governor and founder member of the Masonic Lodge; Admiral Sir Frederick Field, First Sea Lord.

It is impossible to do full justice to Frank Miles' work in this Register (which is of course continuing into the next volume to the end of H.L. Rogers' headship, 1934). There is such a wealth of information about King's, its pupils and the social history that they reflect that every effort must be made towards digestible publication under appropriate categories. It is no wonder that the first volume attracted so many enquiries from the United States and from social historians. This volume is available at a subsidised price of £10 from Frank Miles at the School and is fascinating reading for anyone truly interested in the living story of KCS. Volume 1 covering the years 1831-1866, is still available at a price of £3. This first Volume contains a full historical introduction.

A.G.C.

'A HUNDRED YEARS NOT OUT'

The Story of the Old King's Club

Although Graeme Cranch was invited to write a "short history" of the Old King's Club in 1982, he has modestly described his new book as "the story of the Od King's Club 1884-1984". It is a masterly analysis of the Club's chequered fortunes over the last one hundred years. He starts by putting to rest the old chestnut that the Club may have been founded in 1883: he firmly puts the date at 1884. The early difficulties of the Club are traced with lack of membership, persistent non-payers and the notorious Bourdas affair. The move of the School to Wimbledon in the Summer Term of 1897 should have heralded a new era for the Club but did not do so. The history shows the enormous importance of the dedicated few who were prepared to act as Secretary or Treasurer and the influence they brought to bear. The turning point was the appointment of J.D. Casswell as Secretary/Treasurer in 1911. Despite inadequate records, Graeme Cranch has deftly painted a lively picture of the activities of "Daddy"Price, W.H. Nicholas, "Duggie" Dalziel, Peter Gibbs and more.

This is a thought provoking book which all O.Ks should read. The Theme echoes the views of the great H.L. Rogers who in 1911 said that the School did not end with the premises at Wimbledon but it embraced the great array of all those who had received their education within its walls. "A Hundred Years Not Out" serves to remind us that "time present and time past are both perhaps present in time future". At the same time the book is immensely entertaining and I found myself compulsively led along to 1985.

John Jarvis (1965)

Copies may be had from the Hon. Secretary at the School. Price £3.00 post free U.K. and overseas (surface mail). Add £1.00 for airmail overseas. An order form is enclosed with this Newsletter.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

CLUB OFFICE

This is in the East Turret of the Great Hall and is manned on Tuesday and Thursday mornings but messages may be left at any time with the School telephone Operator on 01-947 9311.

CLUB COLOURS

The official supplier is Messrs Greenaway, of 3 High Street, Wimbledon, London S.W.19. Tel: 01-947 7766. Open Tuesday to Saturday all day.

HISTORY OF THE OLD KING'S CLUB

This has been written by Graeme Cranch and is now ready – see stuffer. We extend our grateful thanks to him for undertaking the considerable research and work entailed.

Memoir of H.L. Rogers

A memoir of 'Bertie' Rogers through the eyes of his pupils was produced for the Gaudy last June. Contributions from more than 60 Old Boys of his era were collated for this book. It also contains a summary of his schooldays at St. John's, Leatherhead. Many personal stories about Bertie are now revealed for the first time and make fascinating reading, strongly recommended to all who were at King's in Rogers' time.

Copies, price £1 including postage, are available from the Hon. Sec. at the O.K. Club Office.

CLUB RULES

Members requiring a copy of these please write to the Secretary.

CAREERS ASSISTANCE

We would be glad to try to assist any Old Boy who has been made redundant or requires advice. Any such requests would be treated in confidence. Enquiries addressed to the Secretary should be marked "Confidential".

SCHOOL HISTORY

We still have a few copies of "The First 150 Years" by Frank Miles and Graeme Cranch at a cost of £5 plus £1 postage.

ADDRESSES

We thank all members who have kindly sent in new addresses for names published in the newsletter unknown address section.

NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS

The Club maintains a number of albums containing cuttings from newspapers and magazines about Old Boys and about the School, which always evoke much interest when they are on display The Secretary will be glad to receive any such news items which members may come across, particularly those from local or specialist papers, which might otherwise be missed.

OLD KING'S CLUB

For OKs living abroad and for those who are about to go abroad, the following listing is included in this Newsletter which might be of interest to them.

If any Club member is going to a particular country, or for those already resident overseas, a list of named OKs together with their addresses in the country, could be provided by the Secretary.

OVERSEAS MEMBERS

Abu Dhabi	1	Israel	2
Algeria	1	Kenya	6
Argentina	1	Kuwait	3
Australia	35	Monaco	1
Belgium	2	Nigeria	2
Brazil	3	New Zealand	2
Canada	19	Portugal	1
Chile	2	Saudi Arabia	1
Denmark	1	Singapore	1
Eire	3	South Africa	26
Fiji	1	Spain	2
Finland	3	Switzerland	7
France	5	Thailand	6

Greece	1	United Arab Emirates	1
Holland	1	U.S.A.	25
Hong Kong	7	West Germany	2
Iceland	1	West Indies	1
India	1	Zambia	1
Italy	1		
Japan	2		
		TOTAL	176

The Secretary would be happy to advise Old Boys who may consider joining the Territorial Army or Metropolitan Special Constabulary.

TERRITORIAL DECORATION PLATE

This year 1985 sees the 60th anniversary of a memorable event in the history of the Territorial Army. On 9 May, 1925, King George V promulgated a Royal Warrant bestowing on the Territorial Decoration the same distinction that belongs to other senior Orders and Decorations.

This occasion is to be marked by the issue of an Edition of commemorative plates, approved by H.M. The Queen's Albany Herald of Arms and manufactured by QUEEN ELIZABETH'S FOUNDATION FOR THE DISABLED.

Any holder of the Decoration and anyone interested in the traditions of the Territorial Army should write for details to Lady Penelope Gilbey, 26 Cambridge Street, London SW1V 4QH.

KCS SPORTS CLUB 1985/86

The Sports Club opened on 1st May 1985. It is open to parents past and present, Old Boys, members of the OKC and members of the Corporation. Old Boys over the age of 25 must take out a separate membership from their parents. Individual and family rates are the same.

The Club consists of three sections:

1. Swimming
2. Tennis
3. Sports Hall

Membership can be for one, two or all three sections. The swimming pool is only open during the summer months but the tennis and sports hall sections are open all year round.

The tennis courts are now bookable in advance and the tennis section also includes competitive ladders and coaching.

The Sports Hall is open to members on three evenings a week at present. Badminton courts may be booked in advance, five-a-side soccer is popular, basket ball and table tennis are played, aerobics and yoga classes take place once a week and the multi-gym is always available.

As of 31st August 1985 Club membership registered 295 families of which 92 have joined all three sections. Membership by Old Boys and their families is around 30% of the total membership but with a capacity of 500 the Club can accommodate many more members.

All memberships are renewable on 30th April 1986 and there are reduced rates available for the remainder of this year.

Subscriptions

Each family joining the Club will pay an annual Club subscription of £5. Membership of individual sections will cost:

Tennis	£5
Swimming	£30
Sports Hall	£30

Family membership of the Club and all three schemes is being offered at the specially discounted price of £80 inc. VAT. These subscriptions are for a complete family of whatever size. To join please write or telephone the Sports Club Manager, Andrew Moore at the school or the Hon. Secretary.

Contact Andrew Moore, the Sports Hall Manager, for details: Telephone: 01-879 0944.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1985

All members are invited to the Annual Meeting of the Old King's Club to be held in Room 4, the Music School, on Saturday, 14th December 1985 at 11.30 hours and to take Sherry immediately afterwards.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of AGM, 15th December 1984 (circulated, see Newsletter No. 66, April 1985, pages 5 to 8).
1.1. Matters arising.
2. To receive the Honorary Secretary's Report.
3. To receive and approve the Club's accounts to 31st August 1985 – copies will be distributed at the Meeting.
4. Election of:
   Officers.
   Trustees of the Invested Funds.
   Committee Members.
   Honorary Life Members.
   Honorary Members.
5. To elect the Honorary Auditors.
6. To receive the report of the Benevolent Fund including Accounts for the year ended 31st August 1985 – copies will be distributed at the Meeting. (also ratification of accounts for year ended 31st August 1984, see 1984 Minute 6.1.3).
7. To elect the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund, and to approve the Officers and Members of the Management Board.
8. To consider any Resolution submitted within the Rules.
9. Rule 19. Subscription rates.
   To approve the Committee's recommendation that the Life Membership rate be increased to £45 effective Autumn Term 1986.
10. Any other business, notice of which shall have been submitted to the Chairman prior to the meeting.

Alan S. Wells
Honorary Secretary

Nominations for officers and committee members must reach the Honorary Secretary by 2nd December 1985, duly proposed and seconded in writing, together with the written consent of the nominee.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As my two years' stint as Chairman draws to its inevitable close, the Dalziel Memorial must stand out as a worthy landmark – in both senses! It has given me considerable pleasure to steer the project through the various problems that arose, and Robert Scanlon's final design clearly satisfied everybody's idea of the right memorial to Duggie.

Next year my successor will bring a fresh mind to the perennial problem – how to meld new ideas with traditional attitudes. No easy task, I promise him. He will, however, have the ever-keen support and enthusiasm of the permanent staff – a hard-working team comprising Alan Wells, Peter Tomkinson, Algy Sinclair and Molly Green. I would like to thank them all for the help they've given me over the last two years.

I will, of course, continue to serve the Club as a Trustee of the Invested Funds and as Chairman of the Social Sub-Committee – if they'll continue to have me! The other task I'd hoped to see completed by the end of this year is the computerisation of our Club records. This has been held up while a decision on the most suitable system for the School has been taken. This now appears to be on the point of resolution, and during the next month or two we hope to start keying in the data from our existing Kardex system. With the help of Clive Snashall, who will be managing the School's computer system, I shall hope to realise my ambition of modernising our records.

C.H. Thomas

JUNIOR SCHOOL 1984-1985

Many Old Boys returning to King's for the Gaudy after an absence of many years were struck by the total transformation of the Junior School buildings since their schooldays. Now settled on its own Priory site around an attractive courtyard of red paving, green lawns and maturing trees, the Junior School seemed more distinct in its identity and yet better integrated with the rest of the School landscape.

Amid such changes the membership of the Junior School Common Room has remained remarkably stable. However, well-earned retirement continues its inexorable call and in December 1984 we said farewell to Mr. A.G. Sinclair. Algy was appointed by Cecil Venner in 1953 and since then he has held office as Head of Maths, Housemaster, President of the Common Room and Second Master. Such long and consistent service was recalled both at Prizegiving and at a special Assembly when Algy was presented with a cheque by the Head Boy, Richard Moore, on behalf of the boys and parents of the Junior School. Over the years King's has produced a bevy of distinguished mathematicians and they – and many more reading this report who would make no such claim for themselves – will be grateful to Algy for teaching them the basics with such firmness, such clarity and such panache.

In July 1984 Peter Hearn left to become Head of Games and P.E. at Clifton College Preparatory School. In September Alan Dennis joined the Staff as Head of French; he had previously taught at King Edward VI School, Southampton. Andrew Moore, appointed as Sports Hall Manager.

combines that role with taking J.S. boys for P.E. and Games, and J.S. teams also enjoy the expert coaching skills of Simon Williams, a member of the Biology Department.

Miss Susan Hall, who had previously taught at City of London School for Girls, became our second specialist linguist and has introduced German to the Junior School curriculum. Daniel Edwards, previously Head of Maths at The Elms with Seaford Court, joined the Junior School Common Room in January 1985. The average age of the J.S.C.R. has slimmed down to 43.

The Junior School settled with little fuss into the pattern of the new five-day School Week, although the youngest forms had not experienced the joys of Saturday morning lessons since 1976. All J.S. boys continue to play games on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and a record of the School's sporting achievements concludes this report.

In May, Francis Joseph and Paul Southern were elected to Major Scholarships to the Senior School. Howard Deed, David Knight, Anthony Van der Meer and Simon Parker gained other awards. 76 other boys transferred to the Senior School on the basis of Scholarship or Common Entrance papers; their average mark in C.E.E. was the highest recorded for many years. 15 boys were awarded places at other schools; these were mostly to boarding schools such as Westminster, Wellington, Winchester and King's Canterbury.

Four School Parties were away over the Easter holidays. Tony Hein's skiing group went to Tonale in Northern Italy, Andrew Moore organized an Activity Week based in Minehead, David Beard led a coach trip to Paris and Rheims and Alan Dennis supervised a French Language course under the auspices of Guardian Overseas Education. In the Summer holidays Michael Barry took a large group to the Rhine Valley and the Black Forest, while David Fenton's Snowdonia party had good walking in spite of the weather.

Musically there was an unusual diversity of scene and programme. The grandest sight was the vivid slash of over a hundred red blazers across a packed Royal Albert Hall when the trebles of the School Choir sang with three adult choirs in Mahler's Eighth Symphony under the baton of Sir Colin Davis. The richest choral fare was provided by the Chamber Choir at their concerts in the Purcell Room, St. Lawrence Jewry and St. John's, Smith Square. By contrast a most enjoyable spread of varied music making was provided in our own domestic concerts from small chamber groups to the long tiers of the J.S. Orchestra and J.S. Concert Band playing in ensemble in the Christmas and Summer Concerts. More than twenty J.S. boys play with the first Orchestra. David Henderson Begg and Nicholas Podworski-Sillitoe (ex-J.S.) won Music Scholarships to the Senior School. Rupert Demery earned a similar award to Bradfield College.

The J.S. Play this year was "Ross" by Terence Rattigan, making some very adult demands on the cast and the stage-crew. Our Guest Lecturer was Mr. Paul Hutchins, the L.T.A. National Team Manager. At Prizegiving we were honoured by a visit by the Minister for Schools, Mr. Robert Dunn, M.P.

J.S. boys raised over £2,500 for various charities over the year but particularly moving was the spontaneous emptying of pockets in aid the the Ethiopian Disaster Fund when £234 was collected in the J.S. Tuck Shop. Closer to home, J.S. boys and their families contributed generously towards the success of the Community Carol Service and Tea for our elderly and disabled neighbours on the last Sunday of the Autumn Term.

There were some innovations in our regular programme too. The facilities of the new Sports Hall were put to good use and in fencing, table-tennis and basketball J.S. boys have notably improved their skills, won awards and shown increasing competitive edge. The newly-equipped Computer Room with 8 BBC B micros has been put to good use both in periods and in extra-curricular time. Although the heady rush of novelty has passed in home-based computing, all boys at King's are gaining in ease and familiarity with these tools of modern life especially by computer-assisted learning. Some are breathtakingly adept and creative in their expertise.

There is enough in this report to indicate the vitality of Junior School life. We should be pleased to supply further evidence of our activities by way of "Cabbages and Kings", the Junior School magazine. The Editor, Richard Halsey, would be glad to arrange a subscription.

C. Holloway
Headmaster

JUNIOR SCHOOL GAMES
SUMMER 1984-SPRING 1985

Cricket

1st XI

Played: 12 **Won: 4** **Lost: 3** **Drawn: 5**

In a season when wickets were hard and fast, the team averaged about 120 runs per innings. There were several impressive and promising cricketing performances, especially the beguiling leg-breaks of Farrukh Hassan who took 43 wickets. The team were lively in the field taking thirteen run outs and only negative play by some of their opponents thwarted a better tally of victories. Generally a solid and competent season with three 1st XI Colours remaining in the J.S. for the 1985 season. Captain of the XI, Rupert Nightingale.

Other teams

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
2nd XI	6	1	5	–
Minimus	7	2	2	3
(U.12) 'B'	4	2	1	1
Quintus (U.11)	9	7	–	2
Septimus	4	2	–	2

Quintus were once again unbeaten, following a similar record in 1983. An encouraging feature was the number of boys of all-round ability who contributed to this result.

Athletics

The strength of Philip Tremberth and Brian Munday dominated both track and field events at senior level. Robert Day, Mark Rose and Christopher James were promising Victores Lundorum in their age-groups. Simon Phillips won the 800 metres (U.11) at the I.A.P.S. championships.

Swimming

Mark Lawrence broke the one length Butterfly record and was one of a number of boys competing in combined Senior and Junior teams against other schools. Stuart House were House Champions at the annual Swimming Gala.

Tennis

Played: 13 **Won: 6** **Lost: 7**

The tennis teamsthis year was young but grew in confidence and skill with good wins in the Surrey League and on the West Country tour. Against schools with access to their courts every day the boys showed their relative inexperience. Daniel Wise won the Tennis Cup.

Rugby

1st XV

Played: 10 **Won: 2** **Lost: 7** **Drawn: 1**
Points for: 83 **Points against: 139**

A disappointing season in terms of results but it was noticeable that the standard has improved in other schools and there are no 'easy' games any more. Several matches could have gone either way. Our team was much smaller than usual which meant a modification in tactics but unfortunately our tackling let us down rather too frequently. Ben Richardson captained the side well and was a real force to be reckoned with in the line-out and in his loose play. Other notable players were Robert Day, Richard Moore, Christopher Clunie and James Kidd.

Other Teams

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
2nd XV	7	2	3	2
3rd XV	7	1	5	1
Minimus 'A'	8	1	7	0
U.12 'B'	6	4	2	0
Quintus 'A'	9	3	5	1
U.11 'B'	4	3	1	0

Hockey

1st XI	Played: 6	Won: 1	Lost: 5
2nd XI	Played: 4	Won: 1	Lost: 3

Because of the weather both teams turned out for their first matches as almost total novices on grass. Yet there was much to commend in the teams' performances. Several players showed promise for next year and all the boys played with commendable spirit and determination. Captain: James Laurenson.

Soccer

1st XI	Played: 5	Lost: 4	Drawn: 1	
2nd XI	Played: 5	Lost: 2	Won: 1	
Septimus (U.10)	Played: 5	Lost: 1	Drawn: 1	Won: 3

The team played well but suffered from lack of stature which caused problems – chiefly in defence. Lack of concentration at crucial moments also caused matches to go the other way. Robert Day was the outstanding player and he captained the side by example.

A.G. Sinclair, Esq.

Algy Sinclair retired from the Junior School at the end of the Autumn Term 1984. He was appointed by Cecil Venner in 1953 and was the last of the J.S. Common Room to serve under four Senior and four Junior School Headmasters. He was born in India but came as a pupil to Haberdashers' Askes, Elstree and, after the war, graduated in Science at London University.

He became Head of the Mathematics Department in the Junior School in 1958 and succeeded J.D. Rosser as Housemaster of Tudor in 1965 and again as Second Master in 1978.

His war service was spent in the R.A.F. which he joined directly from school. Qualifying as a pilot, he flew anything from military gliders to four-engined bombers.

Algy added a wider dimension to the Common Room for which he was a part and he will be remembered for the directness of his approach in personal relationships and for the firm grounding he gave to the classroom. Believing firmly that the text book supplied but a small part of a boy's education, he encouraged the young in the pursuit of their hobbies. His own many interests will ensure that his retirement will be both full and varied.

W.B.L.

SENIOR SCHOOL

I.R. Stewart, Esq.

Ian Stewart retired at the end of the Summer Term, 1985. Having left Pembroke College, Cambridge with a First Class Honours Degree in Modern Languages, he joined the KCS Staff in 1950.

He was Head of the Modern Languages Department from 1954 to 1978 and also held a number of other significant appointments; he was the last Housemaster of East and the first of Alverstone, and he was Master in charge of the Boarding House from 1967 to 1973.

During the War, he served with the Royal Signals and also with No. 10 Inter-Allied Commando which comprised not only British troops but also members of the Dutch, Belgian and French Armed Forces; his conduct in the course of operations against the enemy led to his being awarded the Order of Leopold and the Belgian Croix de Guerre.

Ian has always been a reticent, modest person and he has also possessed the now possibly uncommon qualities of straightforwardness in personal relationships and of loyalty to institutions.

He has always been admired and much respected by those who have known him well.

A.G.S.

CAREERS SERVICE

Discussion by the Old Boys' Committee on providing assistance with careers advice was initiated in 1971, and after a long gestation period gave birth to the first careers evening of 1974. Since then there has been an annual careers event with the scale of demand from the boys increasing manifold. However, as testimony to the foresight and imagination of the architects of the initial evening – Anthony Bosworth for the School and Ted Lewis for the Old Boys – the format has remained largely intact, still very effective and much admired.

On May 23, 1985, there was thus the twelfth Careers Evening. For the statstically minded, there were 74 Old Boys, supported by 12 parents and 2 external volunteers, to give the benefit of their experience in 176 interviews, covering careers ranging from the exotic to the quixotic to the pragmatic and the hippocratic. As always, the Head Master ensured that the inner man was replete before launching the boys and their interviewers on voyages of career discovery, and a little alcoholic refreshment in the library (for the interviewers only) facilitated debriefing afterwards.

My thanks go to Bob Hiller, the Careers Master, for his stalwart and enthusiastic contribution on behalf of the School in the well oiled progress of the Evenings over the last 5 years of our joint involvement. Finally, before passing over the organisation of the Evening, on the Old Boys' side, to a successor, may I repeat my cri de coeur: more volunteers for giving careers advice, please. The Evening is guaranteed painless – indeed, it is thoroughly enjoyed by virtually all who participate and it is invaluable to the boys.

A. John Hopper

1940's GAUDY 1985 7th JUNE

To: The Head Master.

Dear Robin June 13th 1985.

It really was a splendid idea to initiate gaudies for old boys of King's and I want to thank you for making it possible. I hadn't been back to the school for many years (30?) and it was certainly good to revisit one's old haunts again. It was even more interesting to see just how much has changed. The school seems to be doing very well, from what we could see, and I must say that I regret that I wasn't able to send my son (or my daughter!) to KCS when they went to school. One of the costs of going away from England, I fear.

There are many individuals who helped to make last week's gaudy a success and I would ask you to convey to them my own appreciation of their efforts. I hope very much that there will be another gaudy for the 1940s before too long, and that I shall be able to come then. Who knows, I may be over in Europe again.

In response to your (most gentle) request for a contribution to the Benevolent Fund, I am pleased to enclose a cheque and I hope it will do some good in a small way.

Thanks again for inviting us all. I hope that we can come again before too long.

With very best wishes,

Werner Wolf

Professor W.P. Wolf left King's in 1948 with an Open Scholarship in Natural Sciences at New College, Oxford. He had been an active leader in the Science Society at School. In the course of a distinguished academic career, he was appointed a Professor at Yale over twenty years ago. He is the first Old Boy to hold such a post. He took time off a scientific conference in Germany to return to King's for a few hours for the Gaudy.

Approximately 135 Old Boys and 15 Staff attended.

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12 June 1985

Cavan Taylor Esq., M.A., LIB.,
Chairman, Board of Governors,
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London SW19 4TT.

My dear Chairman,

I write primarily to thank you for the Gaudy which was held last Friday evening. It was a tremendous success from every point of view, and I am sure we all enjoyed it and will long remember it.

Much of our pleasure resulted from seeing the splendid condition which the School is now in – not only the fabric, but also the manners, bearing, and enthusiasm of the boys. Having worked abroad for almost all my working life, I have had few opportunities of visiting the School, and found doing so again a most refreshing experience.

I have, of course, written to the Head Master, who has much of the responsibility for the morale of the School, but I appreciate, too, how much effort the Governors and others, and especially you yourself, must have put in to achieve the success we now enjoy. May I express my thanks to you and your fellow Governors for what you have achieved?

There is but one feature which, to me and to several others to whom I spoke, strikes a discordant note. And that is the clock outside Great Hall facing the playing field. (The one inside Hall isn't much better, but is less obtrusive). I realise that visibility is important, but this should not be incompatible with a greater elegance. Before exploring ways in which some of us could, perhaps, do something about it, I would welcome your views, and blessing for such an attempt.

I hope in the future to be able to visit School more frequently, and occasionally to attend functions. Unfortunately, this Saturday is one I shall have to miss, much as I would wish to be there.

Every good wish for continuing success.

Yours sincerely, *Sandy Renwick*

Sandy Renwick has recently retired from the Australian Government Department of Mineralogy in Canberra.

COMMEMORATION DAY, 15th June 1985

In the morning the Head Master, Robin Reeve, had unveiled the memorial to "Duggie" – this is reported elsewhere by Charles Thomas. This was an appropriate way to start the day and many Old Boys stayed at School for the various events of the day: cricket, tennis and swimming versus the School.

As customary, the OKC had a stand manned by the secretariat. This was in the Tuck Shop, or the old senior school dining hall as it was known to the

"older" Old Boys, and provided a suitable venue for members, wives, partners and their families to socialize over tea, kindly provided by the School. Many Old Boys will be interested to know that Mrs. Thirza Bailey visited us and asked us to pass on her good wishes to all Old Boys.

It goes without saying that, as usual, the entire School was resplendent in all its glory with exhibitions, displays of work and art of all varieties including a strong element of music; the OKC was but a small part of the School's Commemoration Day.

Peter Tomkinson

DALZIEL MEMORIAL FUND

On Commemoration Day, 15th June 1985, nearly one hundred of Duggie's friends gathered at the Slips Pavilion at 11 am. The new wrought iron weathervane with its gilded cardinal letters rose majestically from the ridge of the tiled roof. The indicator, with its imposing figure in academic robes holding a rugger ball and a cricket bat, turned easily into the wind. His old friend, Bob Scanlon had got it just right – the eyebrows and the chin were definitely Duggie's!

After a brief welcome and explanation of the form of the memorial, Charles Thomas asked the Head Master (Robin Reeve) to unveil the plaque on the Pavilion wall. This was followed by a brief dedication by the School Chaplain (Robin Stevens). We then retired to the School Field where we took wine and reminisced about the man we were here to honour.

Apart from the weathervane and its stainless steel plaque, the fund has provided four 8-ft long teak benches, suitably inscribed, which will be placed around the grounds. In the tea-room in the Pavilion we have framed the two well-known Scanlon cartoons of Duggie with a short linking narrative.

The fund still has around £700 in credit, and further contributions are invited. The Committee is considering how best to spend the balance to enhance the memory of our own "Mr Chips".

C.H.T.

The 2nd List of Subscribers (to 22nd July 1985).

We apologise to G.S. Abbott (1933) for incorrectly describing him as B.S. Abbot in the first List, and also to A.D. Hein for omitting his name altogether. The total sum subscribed to date is £2364.10, to which must be added some interest earned.

1933 G.S. Abbott
1953 Prof. R.A. Beaver
1952 D.D.C. Belchamber
1953 B.M.B. Bigwood
1975 L.G. Brew
Hon. F.W. Cosstick
1945 Col. J.S. Fowles
1960 A.D. Hein
1948 J.G.H. Hirsch
KCS Lodge
1932 S.C. Lawrence
1933 J.M. Meade
1932 D.P.T. Metherell
1979 J.R. Montgomery
1983 R.H. Montgomery
1952 R.W. &
Mrs M. Montgomery
1952 P.M. Myers
1967 N. Nathanson
1932 N.E. Norman
1925 J.E. Nuthall
1944 Capt. D.A. Oakley, MBE, RM
1950 Dr J. Provan
1931 R.A. Rayner
1940 J.D.H. Reddick
1949 J.G. Robson
1934 Dr R.A. Sandison
1965 T.A.J. Scovell
1922 L.M. Sivers
1960 J.F.D. Smart
1957 M.A. Smith
1955 C.L. Thompson

WEST COUNTRY LUNCH, 1985

The second West Country Lunch was held at Axminster on June 22nd, and proved to be as enjoyable as last year's. The number attending was again 21. The Cedars Hotel provided an excellent meal (with some reservation as to the wines), some speeches, claiming not to be speeches, were made, and later most of the company moved further into the wilds for tea at the Gerholds at Smallridge.

Both the Head Master and the Club Chairman, Charles Thomas and his wife, gallently made the double journey from London. Their journeys were made hideous by heavy holiday traffic and it may be necessary to meet next year outside the main holiday season. The Head Master was rewarded with a bag of Dorset Knobs, kindly left at the hotel by Norman Norman (1932) who was unable to attend but had been moved by the Knob famine last year. A Dorset Knob was passed round to satisfy the curiosity for Old Boys unfamiliar with this delicacy.

Since the Lunch took place during the 300th Anniversary celebrations of Monmouth's Rebillion, the Head Master was also given a souvenir mug of the event.

Those present were:
The Head Master
C.H. Thomas (1941), Chairman, OKC
Mrs. Marion Thomas
JV. Burgess (1938)
Mrs. Burgess
K.A.T. Cant (1929)
Mrs Cant
P.K. Gerhold (1934)
J.N. King (1956)
C.E.G.T. Kirk (1931)
Mrs. Dorothy Kirk
J.C. Stone, CBE (1937)
Mrs. Stone
I.C. Walker (1954)
Mrs. Juliet Walker
N.R. Topping (1945)
Mrs. Elspeth Topping
T.G.C. Ward (KCS staff, 1932-47)
S.F. Willey, CBE (1945)
Mrs. Glenys Willey
D.E. Young (1936)

Next year's lunch will be announced in the Newsletter in due course. Those who attended, or sent apologies, this year will be notified individually. Others who like a personal reminder should send their names to Peter Gerhold, Forboys, Smallridge, Axminster, Devon.

P.K. Gerhold

UNIVERSITY NEWS

The following Old Boys won First Class Honours in this year's results:

Oxford

C. Buxton, English Finals. A.W.J. Carmichael, Physics Mods. C.E.H. Hipps, Engineering Mods. D.M.A. Stuart, Physics Finals. A. St. L.J. Wickens, Physics & Philosophy Finals.

Cambridge

P.N. Balister, Maths Tripos 1. R.J.B. Barkey, Engineering Tripos 2. D.V.F. Blakely, Philosophy Tripos 1. J. Davy, Natural Sciences Tripos 1. A. Ho, Engineering Tripos 1. S.W.J. Silvester, Natural Sciences Tripos 1. A.S. Waldron, English Tripos 2. J. Watts, History Tripos 1 (Distinction).

S.C. Marlow has been awarded an Exhibition in Modern Languages by St. Edmund Hall, Oxford.

KING'S COLLEGE SCHOOL OLD BOYS RIFLE CLUB

The only weather conditions which bring full bore shooting to a close is thick fog. The 1985 season has produced to date every condition except fog and so far no snow. The effect of course is to test the marksman's skills even more than usual. One is pleased to note, however, that the members of the Club have responded admirably in that the scores of the average shots have increased notably over this last season.

A new system of scoring has been introduced in that each member is put into one of three categories, namely King Shot in the highest category, Marksman and Rifleman, each category producing its own winner. Prizes are given at each Club Meeting to the winner of each category.

This year we have entered the Surrey League and now are obtaining practice in shooting shoulder to shoulder with other teams under strict competition conditions. The first year has resulted in our having won three matches and lost three. With the experience gained there is no doubt that our performance will improve next year.

Our fixture list is quite heavy in that overall there will have been fifteen meetings. In addition there

have been meetings of the pistol section which now boasts a dozen members and who fit in their meetings with the Club shoots.

Two teams were entered for the Surrey Veterans Competition with Michael Hook Sinclair, a former member of the Great Britain team joining us for the first time. He made a score of 48 points out of 50. Geoffrey Atkinson had the same but on a count-out Geoffrey became the winner of the new Surrey picture which will be presented at the Wappenschaw.

On Ashburton Day Paul Charlton whom we welcome back to the Club after having been abroad for 3 years was the winner of the Dann Statuette. The final positions for both the A and B teams in the Public School Veterans Competition being approximately half-way up the lists of their respective categories.

At the Bisley Meeting three of our members, namely Michael Hook Sinclair, Nick Newall-Holliday and Geoffrey Atkinson, entered the major competitions. Nick Newall-Holliday got through to the second stages of both the St. George's and the Queen's prizes. Geoffrey Atkinson got into the Queen's Hundred and won a silver medal and bars for being in the prize list of the Northland Aggregate, the Prince of Wales Trophy and of course being one of the Hundred. This is a very creditable performance by members of the Club and it would appear that we are returning to the standard of shooting which existed at the time when Jim Allen won the Queen's prize during the Secretaryship of John Powell.

The Golden Shot was won by Nick Newall-Holliday under atrocious conditions. The wind was tricky to say the least of it. The weather conditions at the 1,000 yards were appalling with a thin fine driving rain and mist which hid the targets from time to time. It was only in the latter part of the afternoon that it cleared.

We look forward to the Wappenschaw and the dinner in the evening which will be held at Hampton Court Palace.

It was not possible this year to have our normal shoot against the School as a date could not be fixed. However very close co-operation with the School Bisley party has now been arranged and there is every indication that it will be possible for the School to enter once again the Ashburton.

As a matter of general interest a terrace has recently been built at the Surrey Hut and has been named after the School. "The King's Terrace". It overlooks the ranges. It is very pleasant to have lunch there or sit at in the evening when it is not raining!

A new design of spoon has been introduced in place of the more traditional shape, namely a replica of a Roman swan-neck spoon.

A history of the Club is being prepared jointly by S.O.B. (John) Powell, the former Secretary of the Club, the President of the Club Major Jack Hedditch and the Captain of Shooting Jeffery Burr.

After the Wappenschaw there will be an Autumn meeting on the 19th October in the afternoon and two morning meetings on November 9th and December 14th, being the Winter Shoot and the Christmas Shoot respectively. There will be a Christmas Lunch for the members of the club at the Surrey Hut immediately following the last shoot.

Our membership we are pleased to say is increasing and we look forward to welcoming school leavers during this coming year.

All enquiries concerning the Club should be made to Miss Louise E. Jackson, an Honorary Old Boy at The White Lodge, Lodge Hill Road, Lower Bourne, Farnham, Surrey, daytime telephone number 01-946 1173, evening telephone number Farnham (0252) 726904.

J.C. Burr

INTERNATIONAL SPORTSMEN

M. Hook-Sinclair

The first of a series of articles about Old Boys who have represented their Country.

Michael Hook, as he was then known, left King's in 1944. He was in the 1st VIII but war-time conditions were hardly conducive to great achievements. The Captain of Shooting that year wrote: 'There has been much disturbance of the usual training but there seems to be a lack of concentration . . .' Nevertheless Hook's interest was aroused. After war service in the Indian Army and after participation in the 6th Airborne Division he started 'serious' Bisley shooting as a member of the Bank of England Club in 1950.

Progress in lesser meetings was rapid. He reached the second stage of the Queen's Prize three times before (in his own words) 'in 1959 everything came right and I reached the final for the first time, winning the Silver Medal after a tie-shoot with one of the "greats", Brig. Barlow.' After that he reached the final in 1960, 61, 63, 67 and 71, when he retired from top level shooting.

With this consistent record, he was selected for England in the National Match (short ranges) in 1960, 61, 62, 63 and 66 and in the Mackinnon Match (long ranges) in 1961. That year he was chosen for the Mother Country team of eight in the Kolapore Match. 'All these matches I am relieved to say we won.'

He made two overseas trips with the Great Britain team. First, to Canada in 1962, when he got the highest British place and won the Governor-General's Prize qualifying round trophy, the equivalent of Bisley's Silver Medal. His second trip was to the West Indies in 1971, where he won two more trophies in Trinidad and Barbados.

His county honours and club trophies are too numerous to mention. Having double-barrelled his name to Hook-Sinclair, he is coming back from retirement and is again in touch with the Old Boys' Rifle Club. His record will perhaps inspire younger members. They will be hard-pressed to match it, of which he says: 'Believe me, if it hadn't been for H.G. Lee's original tuition all those years ago (at King's) none of this could have happened.'

K.C.S. OLD BOYS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Keep good men company, and you shall be of the number (Proverb)

By the time that the Newsletter comes to publication, the fields of Robin Hood Way will doubtless be repopulated with fleet, scurrying figures decked in red, blue and old gold. The advent of the 78th year is upon us, together with the rituals of loin-girding, kit-washing and, for the serious-minded, pre-season training.

Summer retrospectives necessarily suffer from a dearth of printable material, may I therefore seize the moment to advertise the Rugby Club's continuing existence. Records and reputation are safe in the hands of history, so there is no need of further rehearsal. Nonetheless, we remain – with one or two honourable exceptions – a closed club, and consequently dependent upon a ready supply of talent from amongst the Old Boys. What better arena for the venting of surplus energy than a rugby football club? Should there be any amongst you uncertain how to fill the idle Saturday afternoons of winter, please get in touch with Paddy Ralston or myself.

May I also appeal with equal fervour to any would-be non-playing member. Why not revive some memories of your own golden youth by keeping in touch with those that came after? The Club depends heavily and gratefully upon the support given by this Membership: can you be persuaded to be of our company, and to share our future success?

Finally, an item of hard news. The Club has recently leased a third pitch from the Commons conservators on the Richardson Evans Memorial Ground, a much more attractive proposition for lower sides playing at home. No more that trek to the midden that was Barham Road.

M.E. Bruce

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Hon. Secretary: Michael Bruce, 40 Prince's Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey. 01-549 5118.

KCS OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB

The report on the season is, by force of circumstances, brief. Unfortunately a couple of games were cancelled. This was due to the poor organisation from a much overworked secretary and from a lack of support. Even the games against the School were very difficult to "staff" and I am grateful to the rugby team for putting up a great performance as the Old Boys 2nd XI.

In the games on Commemoration Day the School 1st XI proved too strong for the Old Boys' team which on paper "promised much but produced little". In a seven wicket defeat we were led by our "County Star" Andrew Bredin who will admit set the standard for the rest of the team by failing to bother the scorers. However, to be fair to Andrew and the rest of the side we gained a solid victory in a 20 over match.

The 2nd XI secured a spectacular victory over the School and so reversed a series of defeats. All members of the Side contributed well so proving that rugby players are very versatile.

Before any member enquires as to why this year's results were a reverse of the norm I shall volunteer the fact that I have played in losing sides for all of the last five years. No further comment required!!

My final reflections on the season: where are *all* the ex-cricketers and where did the summer go?

Marcel Fenez

KCS OLD BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY

Over the past few years, neither the Old Boys, nor the School have been able to set up a string of wins against each other, so in 1984 we could not repeat 1983's success. However, the result was again close – KCS 225, Old Boys 169. On the other hand the individual race was in no doubt as Nicky Watt ran to a clear victory, in a comfortable 15 mins. 55 secs. over the "Junior" course. Kevin Hawney led the Old Boys in 47 seconds behind with John Owen a close third. Both teams were evenly matched at the head of the field but the School's middle order packing was superior.

The following week we ran in the inter Old Boys' match over a five mile course on Wimbledon Common. The race was fast but treacherously slippery in places, especially alongside Beverley Brook and the infamous "claypits". Stephen Hubner did well to finish 19th mins. 50 secs. but the team could only manage 6th out of 9. No one could compete with King Henry VIII, Coventry whose four scoring runners were in the first seven places. They also provided the winner, Glassborrow, who recorded the fastest course time for many years – 26mins. 24 secs.

This year the provisional date for the match against the School is Saturday, 7th December at 2 p.m. Any Old Boy interested can send me his name and address and I will forward more details in early October, or even just turn up on the day at the School.

Martin Jones

(Club Secretary – for address see page 3.)

KCS OLD BOYS' LAWN TENNIS NOTES

Once again the Old Boys were able to put out two teams for Commemoration Day that succeeded in holding the School 1st VI at bay by 5½ to 3½, and the 2nd VI by 6-3. Neither margin was as comfortable as the Old Boys might have liked and both matches were still very much in contention at tea-time, so a good day's tennis was enjoyed by everyone concerned.

Chris Diacon and Len Barkey; Chris Barkey and Phil Chadder; Chris Moir and Ross Prideaux played for the OB's 1st VI. John Howitt and Tom Britten; Peter King and Neil West; Paul Johnson and David Bennett played for the 2nd VI. My thanks to everyone for turning out – and for winning.

In the d'Abernon Cup we reached the quarter-finals with a bye, and a 3½-½ win over King's Canterbury.

At the time of writing the appalling summer weather has delayed our semi-finals against a strong side from St. Paul's.

A shining star at the end of a 26-year-long tunnel heralds the arrival of a new Secretary. Watch this space for more news in our next edition.

L. Barkey

KCS OLD BOYS' SWIMMING

Report on the KCSOB's swim against the School on Commemoration Day:

All the events were of one length and the traditional strokes were swum: backstroke, breast-stroke, butterfly and front crawl. We succeeded in winning both the breaststroke and front crawl, being placed second and third in the backstroke and butterfly respectively.

The freestyle and medley relays followed, in which we notched up first and third placings.

Adding up the events left us one point behind the School team; a frustrating result. However, consolation was then found in a triumphant diving event, albeit slightly, though justifiably, biased.

The team consisted of: S. Ahmed, M. Newbury, P. Gibbs, N. Gabriel, T. Stokes and myself.

I hope to see continued support for this annual fixture. Thanks to all those who gave their time and energy.

Fergus Gerrand

KING'S COLLEGE SCHOOL LODGE

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At the regular meeting held at the Masonic Hall Surbiton in April, The Master, with the assistance of Keith Sturgeon and officers of the Lodge, completed the steps for John Newman.

At the meeting at the School in May Graham Bulkeley was installed as Master. He appointed and invested Jack Willson and Bryan Adams as Senior and Junior Wardens respectively. He also appointed and invested other officers. Richard Ashdown was presented with his Grand Lodge Certificate.

After the meeting the members, friends and guests dined in the Vining Hall. The Lodge is appreciative of the Head Master's kindness in allowing it to hold its Installation Meeting at the School. Mr. Michael Ball provided, as usual, an excellent dinner.

During the year donations were made to the Dalziel Memorial fund, Cancer Research, and to the School (to be added to the Rothschild prize).

It gave The Lodge great pleasure to learn that the Provincial Grand Master had decided to promote Cecil Rogers, the Treasurer, to Past Provincial Grand Registrar.

The Lodge is delighted by the number of younger Old Boys applying for membership. More would be welcome to ensure the strength of the Lodge, consecrated in 1921, is maintained.

Any Old Boys who are members of the craft would be most welcome at the meetings. The Secretary would be happy to meet any Old Boy who might be interestd in membership.

E.A. Roberts

NEWS OF MEMBERS

PROF. SIR STANLEY PEART MD, FRCP, FRS. W.S. Peart left King's in 1940 after a career of outstanding merit in both sporting prowess and academic achievement. As a School Prefect he was Head of West House, and on the rugger field he achieved high honours. In 1938-39-40 he was in the 1st XV, being vice-captain in his last year. He played representative rugger for many Public Schools XVs including the Rosslyn Park, Surrey, Home Counties and Southern XVs. He was also in the Athletics Team for three years.

After gaining a Surrey Major Scholarship and a scholarship to St. Mary's Medical School, his medical career (and his academic distinctions) continued unabated. At the age of 34 he was appointed Professor of Medicine, University of London, at St. Mary's Hospital, London, a post he still holds 29 years later.

He gained his Fellowship (FRCP) in 1958, was awarded the Stouffer Prize in 1968, and the following year was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society. He has also been a member of many professional associations, learned societies, and charitable trusts, mainly connected with medical research. Amongst others, he is a trustee of the Wellcome Trust, which will dispense £50 million next year in medical research.

His knighthood this January in the New Years' Honours List was a fitting recognition of his standing in medicine today – both nationally and internationally.

It is not easy to summarise in a few words a career of such eminence and distinction as Sir Stanley's, but we hope that we will see for ourselves the charisma and ability which took him to the pinnacle of his profession when he takes the Chair at our next Old Boys' Dinner, to be held on 8th of November at the Roehampton Club.

C.H.T.

D.M.G. ADDISON (1981) graduated from Newcastle University in 1984 with a B.Sc. in statistics and is now taking up a two year position with Minnesota Protective Life Insurance Company as assistant to the Chief Executive Officer and will be responsible for "Special Projects".

D.J. ALDOUS (1958), working for Cables & Wireless, is at present in London, doing (as he says) "uninteresting things", after a period as Manager, Engineering, of a subsidiary company, C.T.M. in Macao. Before that he was on a roving commission to many countries in the Far East, including China, where his enterprise seems to be bearing fruit. He hopes to go abroad again in about a year.

M.D. BAILEY (1969) is a tax consultant at the London Office of Edward Moore & Sons, The British Associate in Fox Moore International, a Denver, Colorado based Company. He is Editor of the EM & S Journal and recently with his wife paid a visit to Denver. A newspaper cutting about that visit has been received by the OKC office which shows that his work is very much appreciated.

J.G. BATES (1947) held the post of County Commissioner for Surrey in the Scout Movement from 1974 to 1984, when he retired and was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant for Surrey by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, HM Lord Lieutenant for Surrey. Gordon Bates is still connected with Scouting and is currently Chairman of the County Group Executive.

G.G. BISLEY, OBE, FRCS, D.O. (1934) writes – March 1985 – I was at the Junior and Senior Schools from 1925-1934. My progress and achievements

there were totally unremarkable – but looking back, how grateful I have been for the teaching and the high standards which were taught us. Duggie D.L. used constantly to get me confused over the 15' and '45 Scottish rebillions! However, a good deal must have sunk in for I managed to qualify in medicine at KC.H. then went as an M.O. in the RAF from 1940 to 1979 (with a change over after its Independence in 1963 to the Kanya Government Service). By 1955 I had specialized in ophthalmology and was Senior Government Eye Surgeon from 1955-1979. Was then invited to be Warden and Chief Surgeon at the St. John Ophthalmic Hospital from 1979-83. Since than I have been "free lancing" doing various assignments, locum consultancies in UK, for "Sight by Wings" to Uganda last year and now for six months here in the Seychelles as Ophthalmic Consultant to the Ministry of Health (until 30th April 1985).

Was awarded the OBE in 1974 for services to Ophthalmology in Kenya, and have written "A Handbook of Ophthalmology for Developing Countries" in 1973 and this is just now coming out in a French Edition for use in Francophone Africa.

This is not a boasting letter for I remain very much a nobody – but it illustrates what a good basic education which encourages initiative can do for a very average schoolboy.

T.M. BRADY (1971) is currently a Research Fellow at the Science Policy Research Unit at Sussex University where he has been working since March 1980. His research is concerned with the effects of technological change on skills and employment and has been funded by various bodies such as the Engineering Industry Training Board and the Manpower Services Commission. He lives in Brighton with his wife Karen and two children: Rory (four) and Megan (two).

W.G. CHALLIS (1970) is teaching in Matana, Burundi. He and his wife recently holidayed at Lake Tanganika, where they saw the stone commemorating the meeting of Livingstone and Stanley.

J.C CLOAKE (1943), formerly Ambassador to Bulgaria, who retired from the diplomatic service to devote himself to writing, has now produced his biography of Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer. Entitled "Templer, Tiger of Malaya", it is published by Harrap at £14.95. It was written at the request of Lady Templer, and with her co-operation. The "Observer's" reviewer, Patrick Morrah, a great admirer of Templer, considers that John has done a highly satisfactory job on his hero.

A.G. CRANCH (1929) is providing an important Exhibition of Eighteenth Century English Glass at Salisbury Museum, on show until the end of November 1985.

R.W. DEAN (1981) is at present studying engineering at Exeter University.

K.W. DENBIGH (1958) Chartered Patent Agent, European Patent Attorney is now working at the Research Centre, Sunbury as a Patent Attorney.

I.E. DIXON (1984) in May 1985 had received news of his application to Leicester Polytechnic for a B.A. in interior design and he would be starting there in the Autumn.

Lt. Comdr. P.R. ENGEHAM, R.N. (1968) is now appointed as Electronic Warfare and Communications Officer in H.M.S. Illustrious and would be very happy to assist with visits to the ship.

A.J. ENGLAND (1981) has graduated from Durham University (College of St. Hilda and St. Bede) in Engineering Science and is going to Wolfson College, Cambridge for a year to do the advanced course in Production Methods and Management – a post graduate course run by the University Engineering Department, for which he is being sponsored by the Science and Engineering Research Council and Cadbury Schweppes.

N.B. FERNANDES (1980) graduated in medicine, Southampton University July 1985.

Colonel J.S. FOWLES (1945) is serving on the Executive Secretariat of NATO and is currently living in Belgium.

J.G.H. HIRSCH (1948) was widowed in 1980 and remarried in 1985 to Janet M. Dormandy. He is Deputy Chairman of Appleyard Group p.l.c. and Autocar Equipment Ltd. and Director of Carborundum Abrasives p.l.c. and Towco Ltd.

C. HOLLOWAY (1957) Colin Holloway's viola concerto, commissioned by the B.B.C., was performed on September 7th this year at a Promenade Concert, and was very enthusiastically received.

A.J. LAST (1945) has lived in Canada for 34 years and, after 30 years in the Ontario Research Foundation, he now runs a company making LASTRAP, a product for relieving tennis elbow.

P.L. LINDON (1972) is keenly interested in duplicate bridge, reaching the rank of Life Master earlier this year. Recently his team won their way through to the semi-finals of the Gold Cup (bridge equivalent to the F.A. cup in Football) from over 500 starters. (Success reported in the "Times").

C.D. LUSCOMBE (1982) recently appeared at the Thorndyke Theatre, Leatherhead in the Cambridge Footlights Revue "Tropical Heatwave" prior to its appearance at the Edinburgh Festival. His finely-drawn skit on a Head Master's wife meeting a new master for the first time was particularly amusing and true-to-life.

Dr. BRANDON LUSH (1937) was retiring from his N.H.S. appointment as Consultant Physician at the end of July but hoped to continue doing some sessional medical work. He has also been asked to continue as President of Friends of Age Research (Bristol).

P. St. L. LUSH (1961) was elected a County Councillor for the Westgate Ward of Gloucestershire on 2nd May 1985.

Rev. W. McKEACHIE (1960) is Rector of St. Paul's Parish, married Elisabeth in 1982 and has two daughters.

R.J. MARTINUS (1979) has graduated as an Electronics Engineer and is now working for Lucas in Birmingham.

C.R.S. PRESTON (1976) graduated in 1982 from University College, London with a B.Sc. in Economics. He is currently working for Conoco (U.K.) Ltd. as a systems analyst.

R.A. RAYNER (1931) writes: with regard to "Duggie" Dalziel: In the early 30s when his classroom was in the huts he had a library of books from which he introduced me to the books of John Buchan, and his favourites became mine. I am deeply grateful for the memory.

Professor H.W. RODGERS (1926) lives in Highgate and is active with work for the Royal College of Surgeons. He attends various meetings and is a Church Warden at St. James's, Muswell Hill. He has retired from actual surgery and Queens University gave him an Honorary M.D. recently.

Dr. T.S. RODGERS (1923) is well and active. He celebrated his 80th birthday in Canterbury.

E.P.T. RONEY (1950) has bee elected Master of the City of London Solicitors' Company.

I. SHERMAN (1981) in May 1985 he just completed a four year joint honours course in Ecology and Marine Biology at St. Andrews University, and was waiting for his degree result with bated breath.

R.E. SHUTE (1975) is doing post-doctorate research at the University of Madison, Wisconsin, USA, having obtained a B. Pharm. 2(2) and Ch.D. in Pharmacy at Nottingham University.

T.A. SHUTE ("Tim") (1977) graduated from Chelsea College (London University) with an Hons. B.Sc. in Environmental Biology (1981), obtained a post-graduate certificate in education (P.G.C.E.) from King's College (London) in 1982. He is now a computer programmer for a software house in the City of London.

A.P. SUPPERSTONE (1969) has now become a partner in Stoy Hayward & Co., Chartered Accountants of Waterloo House, 20 Waterloo Street, Birmingham.

P.A. SUMMERSIDE (1978) graduated from Polytechnic of the South Bank, London with a B.Sc. Third Class Honours Degree in Building, and is now working in the construction industry for Higgs and Hill Building PLC as a planner. He is still keen on music and is also involved in inner-city missionary work.

R.H. WALKER (1964) appointed Director of Music at Harrow School from September 1985.

P.B. WATES (1942) in March 1985 was appointed a Governor of the College for the Distributive Trades to represent the interests of the National Association of Retail Furnishers.

KCS OLD BOYS RANDOM JOTTINGS

EXTRACT FROM THE "DECANTER"
April 1985

Country Wine Merchants: Hein Wines Ltd of Kingston upon Thames.

If 'artistic licence' will allow location to be made a less important qualification for country wine merchants than an individual and discriminating approach to selecting wines, then Hein Wines Ltd of Kingston upon Thames certainly qualify. Though both Tony Hein and Peter Joyce, who jointly run the company, are only part time members of the wine trade, they have since 1980 assembled an impressive collection of wines from France's lesser known and more problematic regions. In particular, they have found and shipped fine, *genuine* burgundies at very reasonable prices, something that some long established merchants woefully fail to manage.

Hein Wines Ltd grew out of Tony and Peter's long associations with and love of Burgundy. Tony's ties with the region are particularly strong since he married a nurse at the Hospices de Beaune! Acquiring Burgundian relatives meant that he was introduced to the region's wines, to many growers and to people working for various négociants. The most important of these connections came about quite by chance, when he played in a rugby match against Gévrey-Chambertin Olympique. This resulted in his friendship with the president of the Côte d'Or growers' association and

René Jacquesson, a small grower in Gevrey-Chambertin.

It was force of circumstances which transformed Tony and Peter's increasingly knowledgeable, but relaxed appreciation of Burgundy into a business.

Tony and Peter modestly insist that they were lucky when setting up the company to find some excellent growers and be blessed with fine vintages. However, anyone who tastes their range at one of the many evening tastings they hold for customers in their Kingston cellars, will find a group of wines that speaks of a dedicated search for the best of each region. Their Muscadet exemplifies this commitment to quality.

Clearly the company is strongly committed to the wines of France. They profess to have no prejudice against the wines of the New World, but, as Tony asks 'Can it be genuinely economic to ship them half way around the world and sell them competitively against the best that France produces?' Hein Wines will be extending their range to encompass Bordeaux and less well-known areas of France, rather than trying to do justice to every corner of the globe.

Though they acknowledge that mail order will become a much greater proportion of their business as they expand, they aim to retain the direct contact with their customers which lively cellar tastings and a wide free delivery area make possible. All their wines can be purchased in complete cases or in mixed cases at no extra charge. Details of their tastings are printed on the back of every list and all are welcome. This is indeed a company that is a pleasure to do business with, since it takes so much pleasure in its business.

Their Kingston cellars can be visited by appointment or at one of their tastings and a discount is made on orders that are collected.

Hein Wines Ltd., 44 Oldfield Road, Hampton, Middlesex. Tel: 01-941 2328, Peter Joyce); 6 Overdale Avenue, New Malden, Surrey. (Tel: 01-942 2723, Tony Hein).

GEORGE HEYER Secretary 1899-1909

George and Georgette Heyer

George Heyer was in his time well-known in the School, both as an Old Boy, an outstanding schoolmaster, and a highly successful Secretary of the Old King's Club. To-day, except by Old Boys with very long memories, he is thought of only as the father of one of our most popular novelists, Georgette Heyer.

A recent book on Georgette by Jane Aiken Hodge also throws some new light on her father. His father, also George Heyer, was a Russian fur merchant, who came to this country from Kharkov in the mid-19th century, and settled down with an English wife. George, their only son, was born in Islington in 1869 and, in due course, was educated at K.C.S. in the Strand. After graduating at Cambridge in Classics, he took up teaching and went for a time to Weymouth College, but when K.C.S. moved to Wimbledon in 1897 he accepted an invitation to teach French in the school at a salary of £135 per annum.

He has been described as a natural and inspiring teacher, and one of his former pupils (G.S. Szlumper, later Major General) has written of his schooldays: "The most popular master was Heyer. He was young and good-humoured, and joined in the games – and many of the pranks – of the boys, but nevertheless worked a good deal of French into the heads of some of us younger boys". Later, on war service, he was rememberd for "irrepressible optimism and unfailing good temper", and by owners of French chateaux which he had to requisition as "the persuasive English officer with the perfect French". He was given the M.B.E.for his services.' It was in these intolerant days that he changed his name from Heyer, rhyming with "fire" to Heyer, rhyming with "hair", as it sounded less Germanic.

When Heyer came to King's the Old King's Club, recently re-established on its present basis (as opposed to a social club with its own premises) was in the doldrums. The 1898 Dinner had to be cancelled for lack of support. Heyer took over as Hon. Secretary the following year and, during his ten years in this office, turned it into an effective and popular organization.

In 1901 he married Miss Watkins, whose family were tug-boat owners on the Thames, and his daughter, Georgette, was born the next year, to be followed by sons, George Boris and Frank Dmitri. The family first lived at Woodside, but by 1918 was in Homefield Road, and in 1923 moved to a newly-built home in Ridgway Place.

By this time he was no longer teaching. In 1904 the school had been in difficulties in finding the money to buy the "New Field" and Headmaster C.W. Bourne (1889-1906) gave Heyer the job of organizing an appeal for funds. In this task he discovered in himself unexpected gifts as a fund-raiser, and before long decided to leave teaching,

and devote himself to fund-raising as a career. He continued however to do a good deal of literary work, including a translation of the poems of François Villon for the Oxford University Press.

There was a close bond between Heyer and his daughter Georgette, and he was undoubtedly the formative influence of her early years. Widely read himself, and a stimulating talker, he encouraged her in her voracious reading. She was only 19 when she published "The Black Moth" and had eleven novels to her credit by the time she was 28. One of her closest friends was Joanna Cannan, also a successful writer, who married H.J. Pullein-Thompson, another name well-known at King's.

About 1920 a friendship developed with G.R. Rogier, a mining engineer and Rugby player, who was attracted to George by his wide-ranging talk and stimulating company. In due course he was attracted to the daughter, and they be came engaged in 1925. A month later, after a game of tennis with Rougier, George Heyer died suddenly from a heart attack, at the age of 56. This was a shattering blow to the family, not only emotionally, but financially, for Heyer's career had not been one to produce much wealth. From now on the family had to depend on Georgette's writing for its support. Her novel, "Simon the Coldheart", published in the year of his death, was dedicated to him. *Peter Gerhold*

(with acknowledgements to Jane Aiken Hodge, Frank Miles and A.G. Cranch).

ROGER RANDALL-CUTLER (1966)

An article, by Elisabeth Dunn,
in *The Observer*, 1966

Miranda Richardson will almost certainly be this year's version of the Julie Walters phenomenon. It is impossible to take your eyes off her in *Dance With a Stranger*, the film about Ruth Ellis, the last woman to be hanged in Britain, which opens in London on Friday. "If we had a film industry she'd be a world star after two films", said the theatrical producer Oscar Lewenstein when he saw the film. "As we haven't, forget it."

The film industry might not be up to much in Lewenstein's opinion, but Dance With a Stranger would never have been made without the tenacity of the young British producer of TV commercials called Roger Randall-Cutler.

It was actually a car crash that gave birth to the idea. Randall-Cutler was driving along the A3 to Guildford in the summer of 1978 when his Beetle convertible was in collision with an oncoming vehicle. After the accident, he engaged the services of a solicitor called John Bickford who, it turned out, had acted for Ruth Ellis in 1955.

"Bickford was a man with a conscience – a conscience he had been carrying around for nearly 25 years", says Randall-Cutler. "Maybe, he felt, he could have saved her from the gallows."

As the legal proceedings over his car crash ran on, Randall-Cutler and Bickford talked increasingly about the Ruth Ellis case – the story of a divorcee in her late twenties, the madame of a rather seedy nightclub, who fell in love with a pretty but wet motoring enthusiast from the Home Counties whom she shot while the balance of her mind was disturbed. "As he told me more and more about it, I thought: 'Hang on. This might make a very good film'."

It was nearly three years before Randall-Cutler made any headway. He was an admirer of Shelagh Delaney's writing – A Taste of Honey and, particularly, Charlie Bubbles – and finally he raised enough money from the National Film Development Fund to set her to work on a script.

She was to produce draft upon draft until they had a script they were confident would attract backers.

"I was very impressed with Roger's perseverence," says Mamoun Hassan of the National Film Finance Corporation, which contributed a total of £1m. "He had this belief that the film *would* be made. He has singular powers of persuasion. We had to put our hands in our pockets two or three times to put up more and more money. £1m is a big contribution for the NFFC to make."

Randall-Cutler secured a further £500,000 from Goldcrest and Channel 4, and asked Mike Newell to direct the picture. Together they set about the casting.

"We saw just about every possible actress – about 150 of them," says the 36-year-old producer. "There were a few women we were tempted by – well-known actresses. But both Mike and I wanted to find an unknown. We wanted someone who would let the part dominate rather than an actress of a known reputation giving a portrayal of Ruth Ellis.

"So we went on searching. Then, right at the end, in she walked."

OWEN SCOTT, who left KCS in 1926, has written to give us an account of his life in Canada where he has lived since 1979. His home is on 6½ acres of

orchard, pasture and forest and is 15 miles from Powell River, B.C. on the Sunshine Coast ("more hours of sunshine than Hawaii but not quite so warm").

He keeps fit felling trees for firewood but is beginning to feel that the place is getting over-crowded as there are now sixteen people to every square mile; even the bears encroach and Owen had to shoot one which was just 60ft. from his dining room window.

He reminds us that he left the School "under a cloud". He was suspended on the Monday before the Friday when he was due to leave: he had "cut" the last two lessons after the swimming heats, in order to "fire" a locomotive during the General Strike and this had displeased Lionel Rogers.

He still has the swimming cup that he won that year as well as his OTC swagger stick with which he beats his dog when it tries to kill and eat the chickens that the bears have rejected.

N.R.A. CROWE (1933). I write with reference to notes on the late N.R.A. Crowe (1933) which appeared on page 20 of Newsletter No. 65 and Page 22 of No. 66, and which both mention the "redoubtable editor of the Wimbledon (Boro') News". With great respect to any subsequent editors, I would suggest that the only editor famous in his time for being redoubtable was my grandfather, William Henry Stoakley, who together with Octavius Holmes Beatty founded the paper in 1895 and was its editor for 33 years up to his retirement in 1931. The Boro' was not inserted into the title of the paper until Wimbledon got its Charter in 1905. It was once written of WHS that "For all his lack of stature, an encounter with him was seldom forgotten. He had several of the characteristics of a circular saw. He whirled round at an incredible pace and cut fast and deep whether he was dealing with soggy verbiage or bloated complacency.".

On his retirement WHS sold out to Samuel Stephen, who owned a chain of papers based on Streatham, and who remained in control almost up to the outbreak of WW2, when he sold out to Provincial Newspapers Ltd. I believe the editorship was then taken over by Mr. E.E. Taylor, who was followed by Mr. Reginald Exton, and that brings the succession up to about 30 years ago, after which I seem to have lost touch with things. Was Ron Crowe's father ever actually one of the more recent editors, or has some confusion crept in somewhere? If any of your readers can enlighten me I would be most interested to know.

Although I remember Ron Crowe very clearly I never knew him well, and strangely enough I rather think my father knew him better than I did, on account of their membership of the Territorial Army. For most of the years between the wars my father was a captain in the 5th Bn. The East Surrey Regiment, which unit Crowe joined sometime after he left school in 1933. I believe the Battalion went over to tanks at the outbreak of war.

Incidentally, the O.H. Beatty mentioned above had two descendants at KCS: his son A.P. Beatty (1908) and his grandson C.J.P. Beatty whose year of leaving I cannot give as he is not mentioned in the List of Members, but it would have been circa 1938.

T.E. Stoakley (1932)

ENGAGEMENTS

C.J. Golding (1972) engaged to Audry, younger daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Selby Bolton of Bryanston, South Africa.

Error in April Newsletter: Neil A. Price (1969) engaged to Fr. Andrea Helfritz.

MARRIAGES

Simon C. King (1974) married Miss Lucy Hailey on 1st June 1985. The wedding was attended by Old Boys: Mark Wallis (1974) who flew in from the States to act as Best Man, Vincent Forrester (1972) also from the States, Matthew Sewell (1973), Jonathan Gillett (1974), Blair Wallis (1974) and Matthew Walter (1972).

Clive R.S. Preston (1976) married Margaret Susan Griffith in December 1984.

Dr. T.M. Hunt (1975) married Caroline Vye at Bournemouth on th 31st August 1985.

BIRTHS

M.D. Bailey (1949) – a son born to Michael and Marian on 11th April 1985 – James Michael Blake.

P.J. Blewitt (1974) – a first child born to Peter and Lyn on 25th April 1985 – Sarah Ann.

DEATHS

F.R. Brampton died during 1984.
J.A.L. Chitty (1939) died 20th May 1985 in Nairobi.
Major H.G. Freeman (1916) died on 14th February 1985.
D. Morley (1981) killed in a flying accident, September 1985.
C.D. Parker (1965) died May 1985.
F.R. Plomley (1930) died 29th May 1985 aged 71.
V.H. Ralston (Honorary Life Member. Informed of death June 1985. Date unknown.)
E.L.N.S. Sack (1940) died on 26th December 1984. (Known at School as E.L.N Shoeten-Sack.)
B.N. Tattershall (1930) died 16th April 1985.
J.D. Vergette (1925) died 2nd August 1985.
A.A. Wenban (1926) died 27th January 1985.

OBITUARIES

J.A.L. CHITTY. Jim's disarming modesty meant that few of us ever heard of or knew about his achievements prior to his arrival in Kenya. Head boy at King's Wimbledon, he was awarded an Open Scholarship in Physics to Cambridge University when war broke out in 1939. The Army took him to India and Ceylon, where he later taught, and peacetime took him to Cambridge, not to read physics but history, which he later considered to be a mistake. This led him to teach at the Dragon School Oxford where he met Jane, and persuaded her to marry him, but only after a long and determined courtship.

He was always a lover of sport. His favourite game was rugby. He was a young England triallist and played for Wasps. An accomplished tennis player, I suspect he was also a useful cricketer. One day he was umpiring at square leg during the annual Oxford versus Cambridge match at Nairobi Club – he was always a keen member of the Oxford and Cambridge Society and its one-time master. The Cambridge batsman, a member of his staff incidentally, hit a long hop, the ball going like a rocket waist-high to the square leg boundary. Not a bit of it. He plainly thought the batsman had been there long enough, and casually, almost languidly, stretched out his right hand as the ball flashed by, caught it and put it in the pocket of his umpire's coat.

I have only realised recently that Jim was a master of forward planning, always looking ahead, even to his last day. The one exception was his coming to Kenya. Jane by now had Carloine in the making and the food bill was astronomical for a poor schoolmaster's salary, so one day Jane shut her eyes, plunged a pin at random into the 'Situations Vacant' column of the Times Educational Supplement, and came up with Kaptagat Preparatory School.

From his arrival in 1956 Jim transformed a small, run-down, ill-equipped establishment into a school which vied with all others of its kind in Kenya. He even persuaded his friends the Fosters to construct an airstrip to expedite the arrivals and departures of his boys and girls, regretting its existence only when an aerial flour-bag arrived on his breakfast table one Sunday morning delivered by a parental pilot before landing. It was a happy era.

In 1966 he took his biggest step forward by purchasing the Banda Hotel in Langata, consisting of a few wooden chalets around a small central bar and restaurant. The history of its transformation over the course of time into the biggest preparatory school in the world outside Britain requires no comment here. All the more amazing in view of the fact that Jim had to be careful of his health ever since 1968. I well remember calling on him then in the London Clinic, to find him charming all the nurses off their perches, chewing philosophically on a rather aged duck bone, the major part of a diet of six hundred calories per day, to be increased to one thousand before he rejoined Jane.

It is fitting that he has been laid to rest nearby, a short distance from the school he loved.

J.W. FORGES (1930). In view of the distinguished contribution by J. W. Lindus Forge over many years to the recording, conservation and restoration of antiquities in London and the Home Counties, I should be grateful if I may be allowed to add a few details to the obituary published in last week's Herald.

Born at South Woodford, Essex, in 1911, Mr. Forge was a pupil at King's College School, Wimbledon, and later qualified as an architect at Regent Street Polytechnic School of Architecture. His career was interrupted by the outbreak of war in 1939, during which he served with the Royal Corps of Signals in Egypt, India and Burma.

After the war, he was employed by several famous firms of architects, and, during the final years of his career, at Donald Insall and Associates. He worked on the restoration of historic buildings including the Guildhall at Windsor, Asgill House, Richmond, the Old Palace School, Croydon, and Garrick's Temple at Hampton.

A member of Surrey Archaelogical Society since 1933 and for some years chairman of its conservation committee, Mr Forge began his local history

activities by surveying the grotto at Oatlands Park shortly before its demolition in 1948, and in later years surveyed the Duchess of York's famous dogs' cemetery in the same area.

In 1965, he edited Antiquities of Surrey, published by Surrey County Council. He was also the first chairman of the Walton Conservation Areas Advisory Committee.

He was an original member of the Walton and Weybridge Local History Society, was chairman for several years, and was its president at the time of his death. With other members of the society, he carried out a survey of St. Michael's Church, Weybridge, before its demolition in 1973 and recorded the monumental inscription of St. Mary's Church, Walton and St. James' Weybridge.

He also became a member of the Walton Society at its foundation and was the first chairman of its conservation committee.

One of the most-absorbing interests in the last years of Mr Forge's life was his participation in the restoration of Painshill Park, which he had known and loved since boyhood. Having been recruited both as a guide and a senior architectural adviser to the Painshill Park Trust, Mr. Forge began a detailed study of the remaining follies with a view to their eventual reconstruction. His skill and knowledge in this sphere, as in the others, will be sorely missed.

C.D. PARKER (1965). Christopher David Parker was born in 1946. He entered K.C.S. in 1959, and in 1964 proceeded to King's London where he took a B.Sc. degree in 1967. A year at Nottingham University followed for his PGCE. In September 1969 hejoined the Staff at Repton School to teach Chemistry and Maths, and there he remained until his untimely death on April the 9th this year, at the age of 38.

When I retired to Feock in 1970 I found that his home was a mere 50 yards from mine, and in his holiday times we often met. Our bond as K.C.S. Old Boys naturally started us off on a friendship that I came increasingly to value. He kept very fit, and could often be seen in his track suit running in this pleasant and hilly area.

His work at Repton was very highly regarded to quote from this summer's "Reptonian" – "He was a born teacher and loved his work and the School. In return he was to an unusual degree loved by those he taught over several generations." He became House Tutor to three Houses in succession, ending up at Brook House. He was an able administrator and will be remembered for his organisation of the Cross Country Running. He loved cricket and music, and being with people. He had an irrepressible sense of humour and fun, and those of all ages enjoyed his company.

Just over two years ago he became ill. It seemed incredible that such a fit man should be stricken with cancer. It subsequently involved the amputation of a leg. He became expert with crutches. The illness gradually spread, and painful chemotherapy proved only temporary. The cheerfulness and wonderful fortitude with which he faced increasing suffering amazed the many who visited him. Said one of them, speaking for all, "I went to cheer him up but he cheered me up." He somehow continued teaching up to the end of the Lent Term. Two days after Easter he died, with well-known Easter words on his lips.

Behind his life was his Christian Faith, which, learned first in early years at home, was deepened at K.C.S. and K.C.L., and in sixth form divinity discussions at Repton, in a progressive development. It was also enriched by his marriage and parenthood. To Betty his mother and Sue his wife who devotedly cared for him, and to Elizabeth his little daughter whom he adored, we give much sympathy.

To all who knew him Chris will always be an inspired and happy memory, an Old Boy of our School of whom we may indeed be proud.

Canon R.C. Rham (1919)

F.R. PLOMLEY, O.B.E. (1930). The unexpected death of Roy Plomley on May 31st has robbed the School of one who, in these days of radio and TV, was probably its best-known Old Boy. Details of his career are already well-known through radio, through his amusing autobiography, "Days Seemed Longer", and through his speech at the 1980 Old Boys' Dinner.

Although his voice suggested descent from a long line of landed gentry, he was in fact born over his father's chemist's shop in Kingston, at a time when small tradesmen had become socially acceptable at King's and before they were priced out of the market.

He was not a high-flyer at school, either academically or in sports, his chief distinction being in rifle shooting; he was in the Cadet Pair at Bisley, and later was in the VIII for the Ashburton Shield. He was also a sufficiently keen Rugby player to play for the Old Boys for several seasons, until switching to

rowing. He had an abiding love for the river, and his riverside home in Putney, one of the few in London backing directly onto the water, was his pride and joy.

His chief interest was in music and the arts, but K.C.S. had little of either to offer in those days.

On leaving school in 1930 he found, like many others, that jobs were not easy to find, and took several wrong turnings before finding his real métier. Selling houses down the Kingston By-pass was followed by a spell in advertising, and then a move to Jersey where he worked for a mail-order astrologist, Professor El-Tanah (by whom my own brother was taken in –PKG).

Finally, realising that his real interest was in the theatre, he took a number of jobs at the bottom of the ladder "roughing" crowd scenes, back legs of horses, etc. but his real break came when he took a job as a disc-jockey – though they were not then so called – with Radio Normandie, an independent station aiming a mixture of records and advertisements at the British listener.

This took him to Fécamp, where he became a confirmed Francophile, but it also meant that he was still in France when it was occupied by the Germans; his return home, with his newly-married wife, reads like a James Bond saga. He had married, in Paris, the Malayan Chinese actress, Diana Wong, with whom he lived happily for the rest of his life; they had one daughter, Almond.

Although he had done other work in radio and TV, and had written several books and plays, it is the programme, "Desert Island Discs", for which he will be remembered. The idea came to him while preparing for bed in a cold war-time bed-sitter; in his pyjamas he wrote to the BBC suggesting six programmes. They offered him eight, but in fact the series ran to 1,791, spanning more than forty years. It is a considerable achievement to have gained a national reputation on so narrow a base, but the secret lay in the meticulous care with which he prepared each interview, the integrity of his approach, and the fact that he did all his own research, instead of using official handouts. Also, of course, his unfailingly courteous manner.

Many tributes were paid on his death. The "Daily Telegraph" had four items about him, including a leader headed, "A Generous Voice gone", which described his style of interviewing as dating from another age. "It was a self-effacing and considerate style, unchanging for Princess or commoner . . . not a method now cultivated in the broadcasting schools, where confrontation is the order of the day." He was made an O.B.E. in 1975, and in 1979 won the BBC Radio Personality Award of the Variety Club.

When asked why the good and famous were prepared to come and be quizzed, his answer was typical; "Look at it this way. On arrival we give them a good lunch. They then spend a couple of hours talking about themselves and listening to music, and on departure, they are handed a cheque. Why should they not come?"

His humour and friendliness were as much a part of him in private life as on the air, and he never acquired the raffishness or self-importance of so many "stars". He came to the School on a number of occasions in recent years; he was one of the speakers at the Old Boys' Dinner of 1980, and attended the Gaudy last year for those who left KCS in the 'thirties, afterwards writing an amusing account for the Newsletter. He finished, "I have always been quietly proud of being a King's man. Having seen the School's new face, I am prouder".

Roy never wished to retire. He said, "One day they will find it a bit harder to wake me than usual, and that will be that". And so it has happened. R.I.P. dear Roy.

P.K. Gerhold

A portrait of Roy Plomley is on the back cover.

ARCHIE WENBAN, F.B.O.A. (1926) (Supplied by Mrs. Wenban). An old boy of KCS died suddenly of a heart attack on January 27th last, aged 77 years.

He joined KCS in 1918 as a scholarship day boy cycling daily to School from Wimbledon Broadway, where he lived over the business which his father ran as jeweller, watchmaker and optician.

He remembered the year of 1921 of severe drought when Wimbledon Common grassland caught fire and blazed for days, the ash blowing into the School.

At the end of 1921 he moved from junior to senior School. He joined the OTC and went to camps during the following summers. He loved his School and talked much about it.

In 1924 he failed Oxford and Cambridge School Certificate and so worked for London Matric. External. He left School in 1925 and later that year got a job as learner with C.W. Dixey & Sons, Dispensing Opticians in Welbeck Street and began evening classes three nights a week at the Northampton Polytechnic Institute in Clerkenwell. In 1928 he qualifited as an Ophthalmic Optician and went back to work with his father. They

separated the watchmaking and jewellery from the optical work and concentrated on optical work at 36 The Broadway. He finally took over the business when his father retired. He married in 1933 and brought his Manchester bride to live at the Broadway.

In the 1939/45 War he was reserved at first and then volunteered for the Navy to work as Ordnance Artificer repairing the lens parts of ships' instruments, gun-sights, binoculars, telescopes. He was sent to Canada to work in the Halifax shipyard in Nova Scotia where he was for three and a half years.

In 1945 he returned to take up his business again, but not for long.

Before and during the war he had met the work of Moral ReArmament which had intrigued him and won his allegiance and in 1948 he sold his business and gave all his time to working with this force. His wife went with him, living in London, Switzerland and travelling to Malaysia and India and back to N.E. England and London. In 1962 he felt travelling days were over and took up his profession again. He was offered a position in Birmingham and lived and worked there until he died in 1985.

DAVID MORLEY, an obituary notice will appear in the next Newsletter.

NEW MEMBERS

The names of those who left at the end of the Summer term will appear in the next Newsletter.

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S.J.C. HETHERINGTON (1984) 40 Hoppingwood Avenue, New Malden, Surrey KT3 4JX.

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C.A. MALMAEUS (1983) 28 Dunstall Road, London SW20 0HR.

OWEN T. SCOTT (1926) Malaspina Road, BR2, Powell River, B.C. V8A 4Z3. Canada.

G.C. SLIMMON (Easter 1985) Arden Paddock, Wey Road, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 8HR.

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R. McIldowie	1960	M.J. Massey	1958	P.J. Moore	1951
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I.D. Macintyre	1961	A.B. Masters	1958	D.R. Morgan	1968
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O.G.W. Norman	1958	C. Pierce	1975	I.D. Robson	1968
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D. O'Connell	1976	B.W. Pollard	1975	A.N. Rogers	1955
Dr. W.D. Ogston	1946	J.V. Pollard	1933	C.V. Rogers	1922
A.G. Oke	1968	S.T. Pollock	1971	D.W. Rogers	1969
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G.F. Oliver	1965	L.W. Potts	1933	R.B. Roper	1938
P.A. Oliver	1959	J.M. Powell	1961	K.M. Rosen	1965
R.P. Oliver	1975	C.V. Powell-Evans	1959	J.S. Rothbart	1965
J.A. Organ	1966	E. Praem	1949	M.J. Rowe	1950
G.A. Ormsby	1967	G.P. Pratt	1949	W.G. Rowland	1968
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P.R.E.C. Ottey	1974	R.L.M. Pratt	1978	B.K. Roy	1961
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A.J. Palmer	1971	L.N. Radcliffe	1934		
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J.C.L. Pank	1958	W.D.S. Raffin	1959		
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HISTORICAL NOTES

So that Old Boys can have some idea of the remarkable list of distinguished men who received their education at K.C.S., it is intended to include extracts from the introduction to the two Registers of Old Boys. Vol. 1, from which the extracts below are taken, covers the period 1831-1866. In due course, similar extracts from Vol. 2 will follow, covering the period 1889-1899. The Registers themselves, of course, have full details of the careers of those listed briefly in these synopses.

ARCHITECTS

Barry, Sir Charles Middleton, R.A. Professor of Architecture at the Royal Academy. Copious designer of every type of building. (D.N.B.)

Burges, William F.R.I.B.A., A.R.A. Designed the cathedrals at Cork and at Brisbane, Australia. Rebuilt Cardiff Castle for Lord Bute. (D.N.B.)

Cates, Arthur, F.R.I.B.A., F.S.I. Vice-President of the R.I.B.A. Vice-President of the British Archaeological Association. (D.N.B.)

Cottingham, Nockalls Johnson. Assisted his father in the restoration of Hereford Cathedral, where he designed the reredos.

Cumberland, Frederick William. Costructed the Ontario, Simcoe, and Huron Railway, 1852-4. Designed the University of Toronto, said to be the finest example of Norman Gothic in Canada or America.

Emerson, Sir William. President of the R.I.B.A. Undertook extensive work in India, including Allahabad University and Lucknow Cathedral. His design for Liverpool Cathedral was placed first. A pupil of William Burges (q.v.).

Mould, Jacob Wrey. Designed the Moresque-Turkish divan at Buckingham Palace, and the decorations for the Great Exhibition of 1851. Chief Architect of New York, 1870.

Newman, Arthur Shean. Surveyor to Guy's Hospital. Built a large number of London churches in the mid-century. (D.N.B.)

Niven, William. Articled to Sir G. Gilbert Scott, with whom he worked. Editor and author of well-known architectural writings.

Spiers, Richard Phené, A.R.I.B.A. Gold Medallist and Prizeman of the Royal Academy. Master of the Royal Academy Architectural School. President of the Architectural Association. (D.N.B.)

Whichcord, John, F.S.A. President of the Royal Institute of British Architects. Designed numerous important office buildings in the City of London. (D.N.B.)

ARTISTS, ENGRAVERS, MEDALLISTS

Moscheles, Felix Hone. Studied at Paris and Antwerp. Exhibited at Antwerp, the Paris Salon the Royal Academy and the Grosvenor and New Galleries. President of the London Esperanto Club.

Pearce, Stephen. Learnt drawing at school under J.S. Cotman. Studied subsequently as Sass's Academy and the Royal Academy Schools. Pupil of Sir Martin Archer Shee. Became well known for his equestrian groups. Undertook commissions for Queen Victora, and exhibited ninety nine paintings at the Royal Academy. (D.N.B.)

Rossetti, Dante Gabriel. The famous Pre-Raphaelite artist. (D.N.B.)

Townsend, James. Produced some unusually precocious work at the age of twelve, under J.S. Cotman's tuition. Became a well-known water-colour artist, and a much sought after book illustrator.

Wyon, Allan, F.S.A. Vice-President of the British Archaeological Association. Engraver of the Royal Seals, 1884-1901. (D.N.B.)

Wyon, Leonard Charles. Succeeded his father as Chief Engraver to the Royal Mint in 1851. Designed most of the naval and military medals from 1851 until his death. (D.N.B.)

AUTHORS, SCHOLARS, POETS, PUBLISHERS

Arber, Edward, F.S.A. D.Litt. (Oxon). Emeritus Professor of English Language and Literature, Birmingham University. Issued many reprints of rare books. (D.N.B.)

Bentley, George, F.R.G.S. Member of the Stationers' Company. Entered his father's famous publishing office. Acted as special constable in 1848 Chartists' riots, sharing his beat with Louis Napoleon. Publisher to numberous popular novelists, including Wilkie Collins and Mrs. Henry Wood. (D.N.B.)

Bodkin, Alfred Arthur. Professor of Mathematics, Diocesan College, Rondebosch, Cape Town.

Bywater, Ingram. Regius Professor of Greek, Oxford University. (D.N.B.)

Chretien, Charles Peter. Dean of Oriel College, Oxford, Contributor to the second series of *Tracts*.

Crosby, Allan James. Archivist. Edited, 1871-81 *Calendar of State Papers, Foreign Series, from 1558*. (D.N.B.)

Dickens, Charles. Eldest-son of the novelist. Sub-Editor of *All the Year Round*. Advertizing Manager of Macmillan & Co.

Fleay, Frederick Gard. Polymath, whose name figured in no fewer than four final Tripos lists. A pioneer of phonetic spelling. Founder member of the *New Shakspere Society. Shakespearian Scholar. (D.N.B.)*

Gibsone, Burford Waring. Professor of Mathematics, Queen's College, Birmingham.

Gow, James, Litt. D. (Camb.) Fellow of Trinity College. Third Classic and Chancellor's Medallist. Headmaster of Westminster School, 1901-19.

Groves, William Henry Professor of Botany, King's College, London.

Gurney, Edmund. Fellow of Trinity College Cambridge. Fourth Classic and Porson Medallist. Student of medicine, law, music, science, psychical research. (D.N.B.)

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Ince, William. Regius Professor of Divinity, Oxford University. (D.N.B.)

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Kitchin, George William. Scholar and historian. Censor of Christ Church, Oxford. Dean of Winchester and Durham. Chancellor of Durham University. (D.N.B.)

Matthew, Frederic David. Co-founder, with F.J. Furnivall, of the Wyclif Society. Edited works of Wyclif for the *Early English Texts Society*.

Ross, John Wilson. Editor, poet and translator. Attempted to defend the Rowleian Authorship of the Chatterton pastiches. (D.N.B.)

Rossetti, William Michael. Brother of Dante (q.v.). Edited the Pre-Raphaelite publication, *The Germ*. Edited numerous editions of well-known poets for the publisher, Edward Moxon. (D.N.B.)

Shelley, Charles Percy Bysshe. Professor of Manufacturing Art, King's College, London.

Skeat, Walter William. First Elrington and Bosworth Professor of Anglo-Saxon at Cambridge University. Author and editor of numerous works on early English and etymology. (D.N.B.)

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Taylor, Charles. Master of St. John's College, Cambridge, and Vice-Chancellor or Cambridge University. (D.N.B.)

Watson, Albert. Principal, Brasenose College, Oxford. (D.N.B.)

Wheatley, Benjamin Robert. Librarian and compiler of catalogues. (D.N.B.)

Williams, Sir Monier. Professor of Sanskrit, Oxford University. (D.N.B.)

BOARDING AT K.C.S.

Now that the Boarding House has finally closed, it is of interest to look back on the history of boarding at K.C.S.

When the School first opened its gates in October 1831, the Headmaster, Dr. Major, and the Second Master, Joseph Edwards, both advertised their willingness to take boarders. Major housed the first four in the history of K.C.S. at fees of 100 guineas a year each. Edwards was more modest: he demanded only 50 guineas.

Most of the boys lived within walking distance of the School in the first fifty years of its existence and even at the height of its fame in the Strand days, boarders never comprised more than 10% of the total numbers in the School. Indeed, when F.W. Walker, Headmaster of Manchester Grammar School and future High Master of St. Paul's (possibly the most eminent Headmaster of the day) applied unsuccessfully in 1866 for the Headmastership of King's, he commented: "It is the only great London Day School."

During the Strand period, some dozen or so members of staff were authorized at different periods to take boarders. When the Rev. G. Rust died suddenly, the privilege was transferred to his widow. During Maclear's Headmastership some 340 boys boarded during the fourteen years, out of a total of 3300.

When the School moved to Wimbledon in 1897, with 181 boys, the boarding fees were lowered in an attempt to attract clients. Brooksmith and Speed both had boarding houses. In poor Brooksmith's case, it was an unmitigated disaster. He rented a large house on an expensive repairing lease and never made both ends meet. In his despair he attempted suicide and a few years later was

declared bankrupt. Finally, all the boarders were accommodated at Glencairn under Carrodus, and there they remained until Charles Dann gave up the responsibility, when the lease at Glencairn ran out. The School now bought its own boarding house, Weycroft. This functioned under four separate house masters, until the Lodge was ready.

THE FRIENDS OF K.C.S. NINTH ANNUAL REPORT 1984-85

The members of the Council for 1984-85 who were elected at the A.G.M. in September were:

Michael Barry, Marion Bayfield, Verona Buchan, Ted Day, June King and Jan Phillips. Rory Reilly and John Rink were elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer respectively and the other members of the Council were Graeme Cranch and John Hamilton, appointed by the Governing Body, and the Head Master and the Headmaster of the Junior School as ex officio members.

The first event of the year was the established Wine and Cheese Evening for the parents of new boys. This was again organised by the Friends and was held at the School of 6 November. The Evening is intended to be an informal social occasion to introduce new parents to the Friends, to attract new members and to enable new parents to meet one another in a relaxed environment.

The equally well-established Christmas Fair was held on 24 November. This was the first Fair held since the introduction of the 5-day teaching week and June King, the organiser, was apprehensive that this may affect the attendance and the profit. However, this year we were able to extend the Fair into the old gym, which undoubtedly enlarged its scope and eased the congestion, and in the event the Fair achieved a surplus of £3,314. This is an increase of nearly 25% on the previous year and reflects the enormous amount of work put into the Fair by June and her many helpers, all of whom we gratefully thank.

This year saw the introduction of a Community Carol Service, a joint venture by the School and the Friends. The Service was held at Christ Church on 16 December and was attended by over 200 elderly and/or handicapped from the neighbourhood. These had all received personal invitations as a result of considerable research by the School Chaplain who played a large part in arranging the event. Senior and Junior School boys acted as walkie-talkie operators, escorts, chair-pushers and sidesmen and, of course, sang in the School Choir and the part played by all the boys was much appreciated. To all the Members of the Friends who so willingly offered to provide transport we give our grateful thanks and to Ted Day, in particular, who so masterminded the trandsport operation that it appeared to go without a hitch.

At the end of the Service all our guests were given a marvellous tea in the Dining Hall and here our thanks go to June King and all who helped and made sandwiches and cakes. Indeed, they produced so much food that even the boys were hard pressed to finish all that was left after our guests had been taken home.

The Guild of Social Welfare had generously loaned us ambulances and drivers to transport those who were especially handicapped and the Council thought it appropriate to donate to the Guild the profit of £200 made from the sale of Christmas Cards over the past two years or so.

Following the great success of last year's Old Tyme Music Hall Evening, we paid another visit to the past this year with a 1920's evening. 260 Friends and their guests listened to the Jeremy Bourmon Trio and danced to the School Jazz Band at Flappers Night Out held in the Dining Hall on 23 February. A chorus line of flapping Friends heralded a Charleston competition and the majority of those present wore 1920's dress.

Our thanks to Mike Ball, who prepared an excellent hot supper, and to June King who again organised a most enjoyable social evening that also made a profit, despite our having kept the ticket price the same as for the previous year.

June was soon busy again, this time in connection with a musical evening held on 3 May. A packed Great Hall listened to a concert given by members of the Music Staff, the highlight of the evening being a performance of Facade written by William Walton and Edith Sitwell. June Whitfield and James Fox were The Reciters of Edith Sitwell's abstract poems, which she described as 'patterns in sound', and they very generously gave their services free.

The evening ended with a buffet and wine in the Dining Hall and the profit on the evening of £800 has been donated to The Stars' Organisation for Spastics.

Members will have noticed the attractive and original designs on many of the leaflets which we send out and for these we are indebted to Sally Howland. We are also grateful to Matthew Rowson and Denis Mohamad for their help and expertise in providing sound amplification at our functions and to Jan Phillips and her helpers for their beautiful flower arrangements which decorate functions both of the Friends and the School.

Throughout the year the Junior School Shop, which is open twice a day during term time, has been manned by a roster of mothers but I know that Michael Barry would welcome some more volunteers.

The Council is conscious that during the year our funds have accumulated and we have not spent all that you have contributed. We are anxious that our funds are used to the best advantage to provide equipment and facilities which the School really requires and we hope that next year we shall receive a number of requests of this nature.

However, you will see from the accounts that we have contributed £500 towards the purchase of a computer by the C.C.F. This will be used for the control of stock and for flight training simulation games and will also be used in the Tuck Shop.

We have also committed funds of over £3,500, of which the largest item is for the conversion of a room in the Junior School into a dark room and providing equipment up to £1,500.

In the immediate future, we shall again be organising the Wine and Cheese Evening at the beginning of November for the parents of new boys and the Christmas Fair will be held on 23 November. The social event to be held in February next year will have as its theme the Mississippi Showboat.

Verona Buchan, Ted Day, June King and John Rink, having each served three years on the Council, have to retire at the A.G.M. and they do so with our very grateful thanks for all that they have done for the Friends. So many of our functions involve the Social Committee and June has had a particularly busy and successful two years as Chairman of that Committee.

In conclusion I should like to thank all the members of the Council for their work for the Friends over the past year and the many members who have contributd in different ways.

John Hamilton
Chairman 1984-85

A.R.O.P.S. CONFERENCE

The annual Conference of A.R.O.P.S. was held at the Royal School, Bath on May 11th. As usual the Conference was opened by the Headmistress Mrs. S. Grieg M.A. She told the Conference something of the school's history and of her great pleasure in her links with "Former Pupils". She spoke with strong feeling against the practice of boys' schools taking girls in the sixth form, though made clear that she found no fault with proper co-education.

Conference was then addressed by David Woodhead, National Director of ISIS. He spoke of the continuing threat to independent schools from the Labour Party. He felt that a special effort should be made with the Alliance Party and was very pleased that Earl Attlee, a former labour peer, now S.D.P. had become a patron of the ISIS Association. He felt the need for ISIS to influence the political debate and called for the help of A.R.O.P.S.

After an excellent lunch Adrian Reed of Deloitte, Haskins and Sells spoke about the trends in independent schools from their researches. He pointed out that schools needed to be more commercial in marketing their product and the economic use of their assets.

Old King's Club members at this meeting were Charles Thomas; Peter Gerrold, who recalled the traditions of Liberalism in the political discussion; and Graeme Cranch, Chairman of the final session when benefits arising from the use of computers and of covenants were widely discussed among other administration matters. The views expressed at the Conference have been reported to the OKC Committee.

FROM THE ISIS ASSOCIATION TO ALL OLD BOYS . . .

The independent sector of education is entering a period of great political uncertainty. There is every possibility that the next general election, which will probably take place in the autumn of 1987, will produce a government committed to attacking the independent sector. Let me remind you of the views of our political opponents:

"We will isolate those schools from the educational community and mobilise the facilities, assets and

resources of those schools for the use of the whole community."

Neil Kinnock, MP

"The Liberal Party . . . would make the private sector more private. We should certainly take from it such concessions, such as charitable status, as it currently has."

Clement Freud, MP

These people may well be in a position to legislate against us, after the next general election. It is therefore vital that we all play our part in building up the ISIS Association, which was formed to enable all friends of independent schools to join together to demonstrate their positive support for independent education.

In the coming years, the ISIS ASSOCIATION's highest priority, working closely with A.R.O.P.S. (The Association of Representatives of Old Pupils Societies), will be to win *all-party* support for independent education. The public support for independent schools is already there. Our task is to convert the public support into political support.

To do this important task, we must support our active Parliamentary Liaison Office which has built up a strong voice protecting independent education in Parliament. We must also continue to commission opinion polls and fund research.

You can help us do all of this by JOINING THE ISIS ASSOCIATION. You have benefited from a first class education at your school. If you wish to support your school and the education it provides, simply complete the form enclosed with this Newsletter . . . NOW!

With gratitude,