OLD KING'S CLUB

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King's College School
January 1961

Dear Sir,

This letter contains news received up to January 17th, and a Calendar of Events for the Terms. Please send items of General Information to the Hon. Secretary at K.C.S.

Engagements:—
B. P. Constant to Miss C. S. A. Strain.
D. R. Cook to Miss J. Watkins.
G. H. Crane to Miss H. Butler.
G. D. Dann to Miss P. J. Hussey.
A. J. Gorton to Miss J. A. Tanbman.
D. R. Johnson to Miss P. M. Gillman.
P. C. Methley to Miss M. Evans.
G. Roxburgh to Miss J. Crowther.

Marriages:—
J. E. Andrews to Miss S. Gillies.
M. A. P. S. Downham to Miss S. Gibson.
D. H. S. Duncan to Miss M. A. Ives.
O. L. Forgaes to Miss P. P. Saunders.
B. R. Gover to Miss A. Jerome.
R. C. Hennessey to Miss F. Tildesley.
J. E. Hickson to Miss P. Giles.
D. C. Hinge to Miss P. A. Corke.
G. R. John to Miss M. Sherriff.
T. R. Lowry to Miss G. Warner.
D. Toller to Miss T. B. Kirkbride.

Silver Wedding:—
V. W. Powell-Evans to Miss J. Curtis.

Births:—
R. C. Agabeg, a daughter.
C. Besley, a son.
J. M. Lawry, a son.
Rev. C. Leffler, a son.
D. R. G. Mitchell, a son.
Fl.-Lt. J. G. Morgan, twin daughters.
C. Parsloe, a son.
Dr. S. C. C. Scott, a daughter.
R. I. Slocombe, a daughter.
Lt.-Cdr. M. C. Spencer, a son.
E. A. Stokes, a daughter.
D. Thompson, a son.

Obituary: —
D. M. Browne, aged 32.
P. F. H. Cardew, aged 57.
Lt.-Col. G. C. Hans Hamilton, aged 72.
P. J. S. Shinn, aged 28.
A. J. Stewart, aged 60.

New Year Honours: —
B. J. Dudbridge, C. M. G.
V. W. Powell-Evans, O.B.E.

Appointments, etc.: —
Lt.-Col. (Acting) A. S. Harris, R.M. on the directing staff of the Joint Services' Staff College at Latimer, Bucks.
B. A. Theo, Director of City Assurance Consultants Ltd., of 28 Monument Street, E.C.3.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Rugger Club

Hon. Secretary, R. D. Gauntlett, 13 Woodville Road, W.5.

The 1st XV have been doing well, and up to January 15th had won 13 and drawn 1 out of 19 matches, scoring 182 points against 89.

The most gratifying wins were over Old Alleynians, Old Rutlishians, Old Millhillians and Old Cranleighans. We were rather disappointing against St. Thomas's Hospital and U.C.S. Old Boys; against Wolverhampton we were without our strong half-backs P. H. Elkington and W. J. Wright.

Elkington's return has made a lot of difference to the back division, but he has not always been available, as he is still in the Army. J. V. Pomeroy, the captain, always plays well in the pack, and the young R. D. Phillp is promising, while J. Keeling is becoming a very good player. In the University vacation we have actually three good centre-threequarters available in C. H. Briggs, B. M. Moritz and D. E. Meikle.

There is a Veterans' Day at the Clubhouse on March 11; Dances at the Clubhouse on February 25 and April 29; and the Club Supper is on April 13.

R. F. McGann has been playing for U.S. (Portsmouth). J. J. Peters played for Surrey v. Westminster Bank, and P. H. Elkington was chosen to play for Surrey v. Eastern Counties, but was unable to get Army leave. G. J. Bendon

played against the Springboks at Bournemouth and was Reserve for the England—South Africa match.

Matches won—13: (St. Mary's 14-6, Haileyburians 34-0, Alleynians 16-6, Beckenham 14-3, Woodford 13-3, Old Emanuel 17-0, Rutlishians 3-0, Dunstonians 5-0, Millhillians 5-3, Bart's 11-0, Cranleighans 6-3, Civil Service 16-3, Westminster Hospital 8-0).

Drawn—1: (Clifton 3-3).

Lost—5: (Paulines 3-11, Stroud 3-8, St. Thomas's Hospital 0-14; U.C.S.O.B. 3-8, Wolverhampton 8-18).

K.C.S. Old Boys' Squash Club

Hon. Secretary, G. R. G. Brown, 25 St. Mary Abbot's Court, W.14.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Rifle Club

Hon. Secretary, S. O. B. Powell, 45 Cotterill Road, Surbiton.

The Club hopes to have some miniature range matches against Old Whitgiftians and other opponents.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Lawn Tennis Club

Hon. Secretary, L. R. Barkey, 35 West Hill Road, S.W.18.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Golf Club

The Hon. Secretary, D. H. L. Wadsworth, 9 Rosebery Avenue, New Malden, asks golfers to get in touch with him with a view to reviving the Spring Meeting.

Old Kings' Motoring Club

Hon. Secretary, P. J. Farley, 1 Knightswood Crescent, New Malden.

The "Pathfinders" Rally on September 25th attracted 18 cars which started at Esher and finished at Abinger. The winner was G. S. King in a Sunbeam Rapier.

The last event of the Year was a Night Rally starting at Esher and finishing at the Rugger Club Pavilion. 20 cars competed, M. Watts being the winner in a Jaguar.

K. C. S. Old Boys' Cricket Club

Hon. Secretary, R. G. Fielder, Maburne, Barfields, Bletchingley, Surrey.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Cross-Country

Our team of 6 just failed to win the annual Inter-Old Boys' Cross-Country Race at Roehampton on December 6th, being beaten by 2 points by Old Rutlishians. R. D. Robinson was 2nd; W. A. Cummings 4th; C. P. Lumb 12th; L. J. Danks, C. A. Clark and B. H. Taylor completed the team.

On December 17th we were beaten by the School, running over the 3-mile course on the Common.

W. A. Cummings ran in the Cross-Country Race for Oxford against Cambridge. R. D. Robinson represented Cambridge Third team against Oxford.

K.C.S. Lodge of Freemasons

The Autumn Meeting was held at Ardington Rooms, S.W.11, on October 21st, with M. A. E. Lilley in the Chair.

Mr. T. H. Garrud took the final step and was congratulated by all the Members of the Lodge. Messrs. G. E. Cox and N. P. Sparks were elected auditors for 1960. Sincere regrets were expressed at the death of Mr. J. F. Legg, one of our earliest members, who played some part in the founding of the Lodge.

All enquiries regarding membership of the Lodge, etc., should be addressed to W. H. Nicholas, 80 Copse Hill, S.W.20.

Annual Dinner and Presentation to Mr. Dixon

The 1960 Dinner was held at the Charing Cross Hotel on December 9th. F. G. Hole, Esq. was in the Chair and over 150 Members attended —not counting D. W. W. Horne, A. J. Burford, F. N. R. Hawke and T. B. Reddick, who were dining at the time in the Metropole Hotel, Capetown, from which they sent a telegram of greetings.

The Chairman in a short speech introduced the new Headmaster (F. H. Shaw, Esq.) and Mr. Shaw made a witty and delightful speech of thanks. D. A. F. M. Russell Esq. (Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford) made a speech of thanks and appreciation, before presenting H. J. Dixon, Esq., with his portrait (painted by Andrew Freeth, A.R.A.), and with a cheque and a Book containing the signatures of all the donors. It was an enjoyable and memorable occasion. Mr. Dixon's portrait has now been put up in the Great Hall to join those of the other Headmasters of King's.

Examinations, Degrees, etc.

J. E. Andrews has passed the General Ordination Examination; R. I. Bryant is now A.M.I.C.E., and R. Green M.R.C.V.S.; D. M. Jordan obtained First Class Honours in Maths in

the Final B.Sc. (London) examination; and J. M. Lawry was also awarded a 'First' in the Diploma of Technology (Mechanical Engineering) at Birmingham.

D. J. L. Mobsby obtained Second Class Honours in the Law Society's Final Examination.

J. D. H. Nicholas has passed the Final Examination of the Association of Costs-and-Works Accountants.

J. A. Nicholson has passed the Law Society's Intermediate examination in Trust Accounts and Book-keeping.

O.K.'s as Authors

R. C. Mason is the author of "Jack Hobbs" (Hollis and Carter) which was warmly praised by E. W. Swanton in the Daily Telegraph.

O.K.'s in Africa who would welcome the chance of meeting Members who are visiting or emigrating include:—

East Africa:

E. B. Seex, P.O. Box 30158, Nairobi.
J. A. Kidd, P.O. Box 664, Nairobi.
R. G. W. Maynard, P.O. Box 4138, Nairobi.

South Africa:

J. A. Fryer, P.O. Box 7440, Johannesburg.
B. H. Fryer, P.O. Box 4870, Johannesburg.
A. J. Burford, Highways, Oakhurst Avenue, Rondebosch, Cape.
D. W. W. Horne, P.O. Box 4471, Cape Town.

Calendar of Events—Easter Term

Feb. 18 Cross-Country, Junior and Senior.
Feb. 25 Hockey v. Epsom (A)
Mar. 4 Hockey v. St. Georges, Weybridge (A)
Mar. 11 Hockey v Dulwich (H)
Mar. 16-17-18 School Play
Mar. 18 Hockey v. Old Boys (H)
Mar. 22 Hockey v. Caterham (H)
Mar. 24 Hockey v. Masters.
Mar. 25 Sports Finals
Mar. 27 Triangular Athletics Meetings (H)

Old Boys' Home Rugger Fixtures: Feb. 18, Old Haberdashers; Feb. 25, Teignmouth (a.m.); Mar. 4, Esher; Mar. 11, Old Whitgiftians; Mar. 18, Aldershot Services (a.m.); Mar. 25, R.M.A. Sandhurst; April 15, Old Blues.

School News

In December the following boys obtained Open Awards at Oxford and Cambridge:—

C. J. Bransom: Scholarship in Natural Sciences, St. John's (O).

G. R. Brooks: Exhibition in Natural Sciences, Pembroke (C.).

B. L. Evans: Exhibition in English, St. John's (C).

N. E. Fry: Minor Scholarship in Modern Languages, Pembroke (C).

J. C. Hart: Exhibition in Natural Sciences, Downing (C).

R. G. Holloway: Exhibition in English, King's (C).

D. Lester: Major Scholarship in Natural Sciences, St. John's (C).

R. J. Lewis: War Memorial Scholarship in Natural Sciences, University College (O).

N. J. Mills: Minor Scholarship in Natural Sciences, King's (C).

J. R. Pinder: Exhibition in History, Peterhouse (C).

T. W. Roberts: Minor Scholarship in History, Peterhouse (C).

R. G. Shephard: Exhibition in Natural Sciences, Selwyn (C).

J. R. Tarling: Exhibition in History, Trinity Hall (C).

Mr. P. J. L. Gaillard has left to take up a post at Reed's School, Cobham, and Mr. E. Monkcom has gone to Monmouth School. Mr. P. J. L. Mahiques has joined the Staff.

Christmas Concert: This was held on 12th December, and selections from Handel's 'Messiah' were given, and also Cornelius's 'The Three Kings'. R. Hardinge of the J. S. made a promising début as a treble.

Service of Nine Lessons: This was held at St. Mary's Church on 16th December.

C.C.F. (R.N. Section): Petty-Officers D. G. Glasgow went to India representing the British C.C.F.'s in connection with India's Independence celebrations.

Rugby Football: The XV had a very unsuccessful season, winning only one match and losing 12. It is a little difficult to explain these disappointing results, but the fact is that the forwards never really dominated the opposition in a match, and the outsides were not skilful enough to make tries from the limited chances that came their way.

A disappointing 0-22 defeat at the hands of J. P. D. Smith's XV was followed by a mud-bath at Runnymede which Beaumont won 6-3. If Drew had been in his usual kicking form we would have won this game. Kings Canterbury were in every way too strong for us and beat us 16-0; but we looked after five minutes like beating St. John's

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—gaining an early six-point lead; however on a very muddy pitch the visiting forwards proved too good for us, and they eventually won 9-6. The next two matches produced improved form, though we lost 6-14 to St. Mary's Hospital and 0-6 to Trinity Hall; and against Brighton we actually scored three tries and a penalty goal, but lost 12-14.

The next match was the surprise of the season, an unbeaten Whitgift side being expected to defeat us very heavily; however a fine diagonal kick by Arnott was touched down by the right wing Kerner in the first half for what proved to be the only try of the match; Whitgift had no reward at all for continuous pressure in the second half.

The U.C.S. match was lost 0-11, and the School gave a most disappointing performance, as they did four days later in losing 3-18 to Douai, but they did well against a strong Old Boys' side and were a little unlucky to lose 5-8.

An enjoyable tour in Yorkshire followed, Leeds Grammar School being played on Saturday December 17th and Wakefield Grammar School on the following Tuesday. We rather expected to beat Leeds, but they showed an unexpected liveliness and won 9-3. The strong Wakefield side was very well held till a quarter of an hour from the end, when we had scored 8 points against 11 and were attacking strongly with the wind at our backs; but two disastrous mistakes completely changed the game and Wakefield at the end were well on top, winning 25-8. Apart from the result of the matches, the tour was a great success, and we look forward to receiving our Yorkshire guests in our turn in December.

The 2nd XV was, ironically enough, very strong, and Colts 'A' were undefeated till the last match, losing in the last minute to a King's Canterbury side that had demolished all previous opposition.

I. M. Arnott played for the Scottish v. the English Schools at Richmond, and D. H. Howell for the Blackheath Schools. M. S. Costerton and M. R. Hughes played for Surrey Schools v. Middlesex.

Cross-Country:

The 1st VIII and Under 16 VIII have won all their fixtures against schools, and though the 1st VIII has not won an Open Competition it has only once failed to obtain second place. K.Shaughnessy was first in the Surrey A.C. Schools race, and also in the Mitcham A.C.'s race.

Shooting:

The VIII was 56th out of 113 schools in the Staniforth Competition.

Squash

The 1st V won the only match they played. R. J. Wheeler played in two matches for the Surrey Senior Team.

Hockey prospects

Several of last year's team are left. Under 16 matches have been arranged for the first time.

Chess

The team beat R.M.A., Sandhurst, drew with St. John's and lost to Surbiton G.S. and Rutlish.

Dramatic Society

The Society has been making a tape-recording of Ustinov's 'Love of Four Colonels', and are producing Sheridan's 'The Critic' in March.

The other Societies are flourishing, though the Union is not quite so vigorous as it has been.

North African Expedition

This was led by Messrs. F. W. Cosstick and B. J. Stokes and consisted of them and F. R. Hartley (navigator), N. R. Chalmers (apothecary), J. H. Norkett (mechanic), M. T. McDonough (loader and geologist) and J. C. R. Naylor (cook and cameraman). The route was Calais-Palermo-Tunis-Sabratha-Tripoli - Leptis Magna-Djerba - El Djem-Dougga-Tunis-home, a trip of 5,900 miles.

Yours sincerely,

D. G. DALZIEL,

Hon. Secretary.

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