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## FOREWORD

Perhaps the loveliest time in the Cape is at the end of Spring when the days are beginning to lengthen, and the evenings are soft with the scent of many flowers and the long shafts of sunlight which touch us through a gap in the mountains. This year we have had many such days and evenings, and it is with wonder that we think back to the long winter, which began unexpectedly early and lasted until well into the fourth term.

And so too with the school year—we have ended with a triumph and a peace; and we have had times which have been clouded with disappointment and doubts at which we can now look dispassionately . . .

The year has been a full one, but one which has been very happy. Of our many activities there are those which assume an important place in our thoughts. We have seen a very successful production of Shaw's "Saint Joan," we have held a morning market, we have watched one of our tennis couples win a Provincial shield, and have triumphantly ended our year with a Nativity Play and a Carol Service. We have shared disappointment when scarlet fever in the school prevented us from being at the Junior Inter-School's Netball Competition and at the Schools' Orchestral Concert, and cancelled our own Gymnastics competition and VI Form dance. But we have shared fulfilment in the realisation of a hope of many years in the acquisition of The Hill. We must think of this as an expansion, not only of buildings and land, but chiefly of learning and wider understanding. And in this way we shall become "bigger people," in wisdom and tolerance.

## WELCOME TO NEW STAFF

We want to extend a very cordial welcome to new members of the Staff who have joined us since the last issue of the Magazine:

Mrs. Allday, who joined us in April to help with games.

Mrs. Dodd, who is teaching part of the Mathematics previously taught by Mrs. Prout.

Mrs. Muller, who replaced Mrs. de Beer in responsibility for the Art.

Miss Urquhart, who replaced Miss Walker as House Matron.

## AVE ATQUE VALE

### NEW GIRLS

#### FIRST TERM:

*Kindergarten:* S. Bayman, A. Boyes, C. Demetriadi, E. Dowie Dunn, K. Henstra, D. Hodgson, V. Marais, M. Maratos, P. Smith, G. Stuttaford.

*Transition:* D. Cattell, S. Elletson, M. Grant, M. Jesse, D. Pegram, V. Storch Neilsen, S. Tresfon.

*Lower I:* J. Bladen, T. Croxton, G. Hope Ryan, J. Stephens.

*Upper I:* E. Bryant, C. Dicey.

*Lower II:* B. Dicey, J. Meiring, S. Orpen.

*Upper II:* H. Dempers, C. de Villiers, B. Lee, D. Matthews.

*Lower III:* J. Dicey, J. Morrell, J. Norton.

*Upper III:* S. Elliott, J. Finch, E. Lewis, N. Murray, E. Roberts, P. Scrivenor, P. Waring.

*Lower IV:* E. Hund.

*V:* A. Paed.

## THIRD TERM:

*Transition:* A. Waring.  
*Upper III:* J. Hammond.  
*Lower IV:* A. Edleston, R. Robb.  
*V:* M. Simons.

## FOURTH TERM:

*Upper I:* A. Boulton.

## LEFT

*From Form VI:* N. Babbie, G. Buss, A. Cronwright, D. Dicey, G. Downing, G. Garvin, W. Hartford, R. Jenkins, P. Jones, V. Langham-Carter, A. Lockwood, J. McCall, G. Murray, S. Penn-Hughes, R. Reilly, B. Rudland, H. Sgoutas, E. Skea, S. Sly, J. Thornton-White, D. Townsend, D. Versfeld, H. Whiting.

*Other Forms in*

*Senior School:* J. Atkins, M. Borden, P. Bowie, P. Gill, G. Garlick, J. Lombardi, V. Lord, P. Macan, G. Meglaughlin, V. Syken.

*Junior School:* J. Betts, V. Dwyer, M. Elliott, M. Galbraith, A. Lewis, B. Nel, A. Porter, L. Rust.

*Kindergarten:* I. Atkins, J. Blades, J. Butters.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Feb. 1—First Quarter began.

1—Second-hand Shop open.

6—St. Saviour's Fete.

12—Founders Day: The Hon. Mr. Justice J. E. de Villiers presented the prizes.

13—Party to Tennis Exhibition: Drohny.

17—Talk on U.N.E.S.C.O. in Iraq: Dr. Rousseau.

24—Natural History Club: Films.

26—Party of Boarders to Puppets.

27—Inter-Schools Junior Tennis.

Mar. 3—Sociological Club: Dr. Sheila van der Horst.

4—Party to Symphony Concert.

6—Inter-Schools Tennis.

6—Buxton Fete.

9—Party to Constantia Winery.

10—Party to Chinese Art Exhibition.

11—Party to Symphony Concert.

15—Audition for "St. Joan."

17—Music Club: Hans Kramer.

18—Party to Symphony Concert.

20—Inter-Schools Swimming Gala.

22—Old Girls Meeting.

23—Inter-House Tennis.

24—Debating Society.

25—Party to Symphony Concert.

26—Inter-House Swimming Gala.

26—Party to Arte Viva Trio.

27—Boarders to "Hans Christian Anderson."

30—Inter-House Tennis.

31—Half holiday for Goodwood Show.

April 1—Inter-House Tennis.

2—Cricket v. Western Province Preparatory School.

5—Second-hand Shop open.

5—Tennis Championships.

6—E-text.

8—Holy Communion in the School Chapel.

8—End of Quarter.

21—Second Quarter began.

24—Church Choir to "Messiah."

26—Second-hand Shop open.

- May 7—Parents Meeting: The Hill.  
 8—Choirs to "Yeoman of the Guard."  
 12—Party to the Observatory.  
 15—Forms VI, V and Up. IV to "Tale of Two Cities."  
 20—Old Girls Meeting.  
 21—French V to French Club Play-Reading.  
 23—Orchestras here.  
 26—Traffic Films.  
 26—Debating Society.  
 27—Long week-end leave.
- June 3—Provincial Hockey Trials.  
 3—Orchestras here.  
 7—Inter-House Netball.  
 8—Examinations.  
 8—Inter-House Netball.  
 10—Natural Movement Dancing Display.  
 12—Orchestras here.  
 14—Fund-Raising Committee Meeting.  
 16—Music Club: Quiz.  
 17—Party of Juniors to the Hobbies Fair.  
 17—Light Music Club Meeting.  
 18—Inter-House Netball.  
 19—Party to Bishops: "The Ghost Train."  
 20—Party to Recital: Elsie Hall.  
 21—Second-hand Shop open.  
 22—Rhodesians leave.  
 23—Holy Communion in School Chapel.  
 23—Mark Reading.  
 23—End of Quarter.  
 24—Choir sang at Miss Newman's wedding.
- July 21—Third Quarter began.  
 24—Orchestras here.
- Aug. 1—Film: Royal Tour.  
 4—Sociological Club Committee.  
 5—Games Committee.  
 6—Dance Committee.  
 6—Patronal Festival: Evensong with Choir.  
 7—Orchestras here.  
 11—Debating Society.  
 14—Orchestras here.  
 16—Fund-Raising Committee.  
 20—Choir sang at Priscilla Waterson's wedding.  
 20—Debate with Wynberg Boys: here.  
 21—Orchestras here.  
 23—Charities Committee.  
 25—Sociological Club: to Nyanga.  
 25—Party to Printing Press.  
 28—Inter-Schools Netball.  
 28—Joint Schools Orchestra in City Hall.
- Sep. 1—Party to Athlone School for Blind.  
 3—Long week-end.  
 8—Music Club.  
 8—Rolt to Princess Alice Home.  
 11—Inter-Schools Hockey.  
 11—Party to "She Stoops to Conquer."  
 11—Party to "St. Joan" Film.  
 13—Inter-House Hockey.  
 13—Fund-Raising Committee.  
 14—Inter-House Hockey.

- 15—School closes early.
- 29—Citizenship Course at Herschel.
- 30—Citizenship Course at Bishops.

- Oct. 1—Citizenship Course at Wynberg.  
 5—Fourth Quarter began.  
 6—Sociological Club: Mr. G. Sargeant.  
 7—Netball Shooting Competition.  
 8—Games Committee.  
 8—Bishops Dance.  
 9—Janet Bourhill Fête: Jagger helpers.  
 11—Exam.  
 13—Sociological Club: Mrs. W. F. Grant.  
 18—Second-hand Shop open.  
 20—Talk by Mr. W. Ranby on Poetry.  
 26—Afrikaans Public Speaking.  
 27—Afrikaans Oral.  
 27—"Saint Joan" Matinee.  
 27—Mission Service at St. Saviour's: Choir.  
 28—"Saint Joan."  
 29—"Saint Joan."  
 29—Our Children's Day Fête: Helpers.
- Nov. 1—Chapel Committee.  
 1—Confirmation Service at St. Saviour's: Choir.  
 3—VI, V and Up. IV to Hofmeyr: Emlyn Williams.  
 5—Natural History Club to Observatory.  
 6—Morning Market.  
 6—Boarders and Light Music Club to "Let's Make an Opera."  
 8—Charities Committee.  
 10—Music Club: Recital by Diana Brooke.  
 16—Inter-House Rounders and Cricket.  
 18—Inter-House Rounders and Cricket.  
 19—School Photographs.  
 19—Voting for School Officers for 1955.  
 19—Inter-House Rounders and Cricket.  
 20—Old Girls Day.  
 22—VI Boarders to lunch at Kirstenbosch.  
 24—School Examinations.  
 26—Matriculation Examinations.  
 28—Heads of Houses to Bishops Carol Service.
- Dec. 3—Chapel Committee.  
 3—Cricket and Tennis v. Western Province Preparatory School.  
 3—Light Music Club Meeting.  
 3—Up. IV Boarders to "Romeo and Juliet."  
 4—V Boarders to "Rob Roy."  
 6—Music Club: General Meeting.  
 6—Second-hand Shop open.  
 6—Tennis v. Micklefield.  
 6—Carols and Nativity Play by Junior School.  
 7—Film: Henry V.  
 8—General Knowledge.  
 8—House Meetings.  
 8—Carol Service at St. Saviour's Church.  
 9—Holy Communion in School Chapel.  
 9—Election of Games Captains.  
 9—Mark Reading.

#### End of Year

- 10—Jagger Representatives at Janet Bourhill Party.
- 11—Sociological Club Party at Protea.

## FOUNDERS DAY, 1954

Founders Day this year was held on Friday, February 12th. The Service, held in St. Saviour's Church during the morning was conducted by the Rev. John Aubrey. Revel Reilly read the lesson and the choir sang the anthem "O Lovely Peace."

The Address was delivered by His Grace the Archbishop of Cape Town.

"What mean ye by this service?" (Exodus xii, v. 26.) In answer to this question His Grace pointed out that in the first place this is a Service of Thanksgiving, of thanking God for all He gives us through our school. Of those things which make up a school—the buildings, the pupils and the teachers—it is the people, both past and present, who form the standards and create the traditions for those of tomorrow. So we thank God for the traditions of honesty, friendship and goodwill which prevail in our school.

And secondly it is a Service of Dedication, of offering our school to God to use as He thinks fit. This dedication cannot be accomplished unless we dedicate ourselves to God and His service. By offering our thanks and by offering ourselves we will become more richly blessed.

During the afternoon the Prize-giving was held in the Hall where His Grace welcomed the guests, Miss McLean, who had recently returned from a trip to Britain, and the Hon. Mr. Justice de Villiers. Miss McLean in her report said:

Your Grace, Mr. Judge President, Ladies and Gentlemen, I welcome you here today on the 32nd anniversary of our Foundation. Especially I welcome the Judge President, who, among his manifold engagements and duties, has found time to be our guest speaker and to present the prizes. We thank him for the honour he has conferred on the School and hope he will enjoy being with us this afternoon. It is really a case of welcoming him back, for he has a long association with the school as a parent; his older daughter entered the school in 1938 and his younger left us, as Head Girl, in 1951, then too we had him with us and enjoyed his words of thanks to the Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Judge President, for your presence here again today.

I would like to welcome by name two members of the School Council who have joined us since last February—Mrs. Small and Mr. Justice van Winsen; both have daughters in the School, and so are already well acquainted with one side of our life. We look forward with confidence to their help and guidance as members of the Council and to the Council I would express my appreciation for their continued help and guidance on all occasions; with them my work is made light.

This has been a year of steady progress and I would begin by thanking the Staff for their loyal and unswerving support which has made this such a pleasant and profitable period. And as I do so I stress the fact that in the word "Staff" I include all those who work with me. The various departments which form the intricate structure of school life are many and varied; the happiness of the school depends on them all, and with sincerity, I thank them.

The tangible results of the year are shown in various ways including public examinations and inter-school events and I would first mention the successes of two Old Girls for they are very much a part of our life; Mary de Villiers, the Head Girl of 1951, now in her Third Year at Grahamstown is Senior Woman Student there; (some of you may remember my remarks then on training for Citizenship); Jean Pollard who in her Third Year at Cape Town University obtained her B.Sc. with Distinction in Geography and Pure Mathematics, the Course Medal for Geography, Pure Mathematics and Social Anthropology and was awarded the Roderick Noble Scholarship for B.Sc. Honours; of those achievements we are justly proud.

Of the 34 who entered for the School Leaving Certificate last year 29 passed, 8 in the First Class, 13 in the Second Class, 8 in the Third Class, 23 received exemption from the Matriculation of the South African Universities and there were two Distinctions in Latin and one in English; 17 entered for the examination of the Royal Schools of Music, all passed with Merit. These show that good work is being done in all subjects, that a satisfactory academic standard has been maintained and that music continues to play its part in the school and to receive recognition.

Among the achievements on the games side, we are able to include three members in the Provincial Schools Hockey; in Netball, reaching the finals in the Senior Section and winning the Under 15 Section; in Tennis, reaching the Finals in the Junior Section and in Swimming gaining a further 99 Bronze Medallions for Life Saving, with four Instructress Certificates for training some of these teams and two Silver Awards for

endurance as well as life saving work. These Life Saving Awards have no competitive value, neither do they create records for speed or success but they do fit the recipient, through self-discipline and training, first to look after herself and secondly to give help to others when needed.

Of other school activities I would give a brief resumé of what is more fully reported in the magazine published today; there are our financial contributions to Charity and although I mention it first, I know that the actual money is of the least value, for it is the effort we exert which really matters. However, money is necessary, and for these contributions we ask a donation from each child of 2/6 each quarter from her pocket money, so that continual requests and collections need not be made; exceptions to this are only made for major calls; this Fund is administered through the Houses and during the year we have contributed some £270 to Charity. But of the effort which is made, I would say briefly, that Jagger House collects, works and visits CAFDA and is now taking a personal interest in the Janet Bourhill Institute; Merriman contributes in cash and kind to the Seaman's Institute, and has a personal contact with that part of St. Michael's Orphanage now housed at the House of Bethany; Rolt contributes in cash to the Athlone School for the Blind and has a personal link with the Princess Alice Home, visiting the children there on their birthdays; the Chapel Committee, from Sunday Collections, contributes to various funds in the Parish and at Christmas makes a special effort for some Institutions, as well as packing and giving hampers to certain families; the Sociological Club makes its main effort in an endeavour to broaden the outlook of its members by visits in the Peninsula and through Speakers coming to the Club, whose gifts of time and information are so valuable; as well they provide a Christmas Party each year, often at Protea; the Debating Society, too, makes its effort to broaden the mind by developing the ability to discuss freely and disagree amicably—most valuable in these days of disagreement and bitter dissension; the Musical and Dramatic activities make their effort through rehearsal and we hope give pleasure through performance and through their collections of money and toys. We have one material result of spontaneous effort by all and that is in the Library—new shelves and the completion of the electrical fittings; these in turn will provide for a wider and more knowledgeable outlook on life. All these activities are an integral part of school life and of the greatest value but they are the outcome of time freely given both by staff and girls.

But the real value of education which we strive to give is not shown easily and cannot be measured by marks, certificates or competitive results, for it lies in the training of character and in the satisfaction of achievement. The great test is not what the girls can take away on paper; not what they can take out of the School but what they can put into their school life.

In a recent article in the Sunday Times the High Master of the Manchester Grammar School describes education as "one of the means by which the community attempts to meet the demands of the present, while transmitting some of the values of the past." To meet demands is to give, and it is very true that for education to be of value much must be given by all. Life becomes increasingly exacting as we grow older and as our country grows to face its problems. Only by learning to give at school can the rising generation hope to develop the South Africa of which we dream.

We can offer a great deal as teachers. We cannot succeed alone. The measure of our success is the effort which is put forth by those whom we seek to teach.

We are apt to give too much; I often think when I visit schools with superb equipment lavish playing fields, luxurious common-rooms, and halls like theatres, that we are in danger of losing the personal effort of imagination and improvisation in a plethora of luxury. Education must be real and not buried in gadgets. How many small girls who are given elaborate dolls, with exotic wardrobes, return quickly to the battered old favourite whose beauty can only be imagined, whose clothing is their own improvisation? The parties which we remember most vividly are not those which were arranged at an hotel, but the ones for which we made the refreshments and polished the floor. We earned the party and created the success; we put so much of ourselves into it that we gave vitality to the fun.

This may sound a contradiction to the aims and ambitions for extension which I have set before you in previous years, but there is one need which we cannot improvise or imagine and that is the need for space. And this I still put before you for I think our need for larger playing fields is only too evident.

There is an old proverb declaring that you can take a horse to the water, but you cannot make it drink. This is so true of education. We offer so much; we coax the recipient, we strive to make the drink attractive. We can do no more; as the proverb implies, the horse must do the drinking.

Nothing is valued which is acquired without effort. So may I suggest to parents that when a daughter complains that a subject is difficult or requires hard learning, that they should not ease the way by asking for coaching, or that the subject may be dropped; but that they should stimulate her to put forth a greater effort.

A prayer which is attributed to St. Francis of Assisi asks "Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive." How true is that of education. Your Grace, Mr. Justice President, Ladies and Gentlemen, I thank you.

The Prize-giving followed Miss McLean's report; the prizes were distributed by the Hon. Mr. Justice J. E. de Villiers who then addressed the school. He said that today education was a systematised instruction, a knowledge based on moral, intellectual and religious training, which is a preparation for the future. Every child should aim at getting the best out of the training and the opportunities offered to her, and there were several ways in which this could be done. One should never be ornamental, but on the other hand not be afraid of asking questions or of being critical; one should never become self-important, but rather aim at being a good all-rounder instead of a specialist. And finally he urged that in a country like our own we should all become completely bilingual in order to understand more fully the problems and difficulties in our midst.

Mrs. Lane-Porsyth warmly thanked the Judge-President for his interesting address.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. Hartford, B. Rudland, D. Dicey, H. Sgoutas,  
R. Reilly, Miss McLean, J. McCall.

## SCHOOL OFFICERS

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

*Head of School:* Revel Reilly.*Vice Head of School:* Jean McCall.*Heads of Houses:**Jagger:* Betty Rudland.*Merriman:* Wendy Hartford.*Rolt:* Diana Dicey.*Member:* Helen Sgoutas.

## GAMES CAPTAINS:

*Cricket:* W. Hartford.*Hockey:* H. Sgoutas.*Lacrosse:* D. Dicey.*Netball:* W. Hartford.*Swimming:* D. Dicey.*Tennis:* J. McCall.

## JUNIOR HOUSE LEADERS:

*Jagger:* E. Robb, vice V. v. d. Bijl.*Merriman:* A. Stewart, vice J. Baker.*Rolt:* A. Porter, vice B. Tyers.

## MORNING MARKET

|                             | E.   | s. | d. |   |
|-----------------------------|------|----|----|---|
| Vth Form: Produce           | 31   | 16 | 6  |   |
| Upper IV: Cakes             | 10   | 0  | 0  |   |
| Lower IV: Cool Drinks       | 17   | 3  |    |   |
| Upper III: Sweets           | 15   | 1  | 2  |   |
| Junior Staff: General       | 24   | 7  | 7  |   |
| Kindergarten Stall: General | 35   | 14 | 11 |   |
| Apron                       | 2    | 14 | 9  |   |
| Art Room                    | 1    | 17 | 4  |   |
| Books (Mrs. Dean)           | 9    | 4  | 3  |   |
| Cinema                      | 2    | 3  | 6  |   |
| Lemon Curd                  | 1    | 11 | 6  |   |
| Swimming Bath               | 3    | 4  | 3  |   |
| Domestic Science: Tea       | 8    | 1  | 0  |   |
|                             | 162  | 19 | 11 |   |
| Less Expenses               |      |    |    |   |
| Hiring Tables               | £1   | 1  | 0  |   |
| Hiring Film                 | 1    | 1  | 0  |   |
|                             |      | 2  | 2  | 0 |
|                             | £160 | 17 | 11 |   |

## GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL

We should like to extend our gratitude to the following for their very generous gifts to the School:

To *Abe Bailey Trust*: £5 Prize for Afrikaans Speaking.

To *Anonymous*: 5 Door mats.

To *Anonymous*: Part carpeting for the Chapel.

To *Diane Marshall*: Dining-room Chair and Music Stand.

To *Revel Reilly*: Dining-room Chair.

To *Elaine Shea*: Dining-room Chair and Music Stand.

To *Mr. Steens*: 12 Garden benches.



### THE HILL, CLAREMONT

For a number of years the Council has been considering the question of extending the School, mainly for the reason that it is desirable to have separate Junior and Senior Schools. Leading educationalists have stressed the advantages of having separate Junior and Senior Schools and when the property known as "The Hill," which is next door to the present School, was vacated some time ago, it presented an opportunity to acquire a building and grounds which would be suitable for the purpose. The grounds of "The Hill" were approximately 13 acres, but the problem was how to finance a scheme which would involve an outlay of probably not less than £60/70,000. The matter was considered very thoroughly and it was felt that by taking on too large a commitment the whole future of the school might be jeopardised if—

- (1) sufficient funds could not be raised, and
- (2) in difficult times it might be impossible to cover the overhead expenses which would have to be met.

Some time ago the owner of "The Hill" had plans prepared and submitted to the Town Planning Board for a subdivision of the property. These plans have been provisionally approved and as a result of this it became possible for the Council to buy the house and approximately four and a quarter acres of ground at a price which would be financed without taking undue risks.

The house is eminently suitable for conversion to a Junior School, and the Council's Architect has stated that it would not be possible to provide similar accommodation at

a price less than that paid for the property including the grounds. By moving the Junior School of about 140 pupils to "The Hill" enough space would be left in the existing School buildings to take an additional 80 day girls in the Senior School and provide a lecture room, a projector room and other facilities which are needed.

The ground will give additional playing facilities which the School so urgently requires, and also provide space for future needs such as a Junior Boarding House. There is a swimming bath at "The Hill" and also a squash court.

A Meeting of Parents was held on the 7th of May, and unanimous support was given to the Council in going ahead with the purchase.

The purchase price of the house and grounds was £38,500, but the transfer costs, the estimated expenses for levelling the ground, altering and renovating the house and providing the necessary furniture, etc., will bring the total cost to at least £40,000, and the Council is now making an appeal for donations. The Funds which are at present available amount to approximately £7,500 and it will be necessary to raise £32,500 as soon as possible. Already promises of substantial donations have been received, but an appeal to give donations is being made to everyone, past, present or future, who has the interest of the School at heart. It does not matter if these gifts are small as everything will be welcomed and if it is easier to pay over a period of two, three or even four years this can be done.

Transfer has not been obtained at the time of going to print but should be received by the end of the year.

A Fund Raising Committee has been formed and we would thank the following donors from whom we have received £7272 5s. towards the Fund since the meeting in May.

|                          |                              |                            |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mr. H. Alers Hankey      | Mr. T. A. Gordon-Hogg        | Mrs. P. Packer             |
| Anonymous                | Colonel N. B. Groves         | Mr. L. Plumbly             |
| Miss E. Appleyard        | Miss V. Herud                | Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pollard |
| Mrs. A. J. Ballantine    | Mrs. B. Hill                 | and Jean                   |
| Mr. David Baxter         | Mrs. J. P. Hollingdale       | Mr. E. Pyott               |
| Mr. E. A. Behnson        | Mr. C. Home                  | Mr. E. J. Ratcliffe        |
| Mrs. D. S. Blades        | Mr. R. Hope-Ryan             | Mr. A. N. Rhodes           |
| Mrs. R. O. Boyes         | Mrs. A. Howie                | Mr. R. H. Roberts          |
| Mr. D. P. Brimble        | Dr. R. L. Impey              | Mrs. R. G. Robertson       |
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| Miss D. Brooke           | Mrs. K. M. Jesse             | Mrs. G. W. Rudland         |
| Mr. W. R. Buchanan Lee   | Mrs. G. D. Jooste            | Mrs. W. F. Sandford        |
| Mr. L. E. Carter         | Mr. G. D. Jooste             | Mr. and Mrs. G. Sargeant   |
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| Professor M. R. Drenen   | Mrs. G. M. McLennan          | Mr. R. B. Stuttaford       |
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| Miss P. Dukes            | Mrs. I. J. Mair              | pany                       |
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| Mr. C. Elletson          | Mr. G. E. Minty              | Mr. W. G. van Kalker       |
| Mrs. S. L. Elliott       | Mr. G. M. Morrell            | Mr. Justice L. van Winsen  |
| Mr. S. Ethelston         | Mrs. A. J. Murray            | Mr. J. D. Wares            |
| Mrs. A. W. Falconer      | Miss P. M. Murray            | Mr. H. S. Waring           |
| Mrs. M. E. Piddian-Green | Old Herschelians Association | Mrs. I. J. Williams        |
| Mr. D. M. Galloway       | Old Herschelians: Circles    | Miss A. Winham             |
| Mrs. L. T. Gardner       | R and S                      | Mr. E. Windham             |
| Mr. R. Garlick           | Mrs. C. Payne                | Sir William Windham        |
| Mrs. A. Gordon-Brown     |                              |                            |

And the following, from whom we have received promises:

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|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Mrs. J. Douglas    | Mrs. E. M. Grant        | Mr. H. L. Kennedy |
| Miss F. Douglas    | Mrs. A. R. L. Henderson | Mr. E. L. Reilly  |
| Mrs. D. Dowle Dunn | Mrs. C. E. W. Henderson | Mr. P. C. Robb    |

## EXAMINATION RESULTS

## SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATES

(M) by the name denotes Matriculation.  
Subjects in brackets denote Distinction.

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| Class I   | - - - - | (M) H. D'Ewes<br>(M) J. Forsyth<br>(M) E. Grant<br>(M) M. Kneen (English, Latin)<br>(M) B. Liefeldt (Latin)<br>(M) M. Lord<br>(M) D. Murray<br>(M) V. Thompson                                                                                  |
| Class II  | - - - - | (M) S. Broughton<br>(M) G. Glennie<br>(M) M. Gordon-Bagnall<br>(M) V. Guicherit<br>(M) J. Gurney<br>(M) J. Hofmeyr<br>(M) L. Holmes<br>(M) L. Hyde-Jones<br>(M) P. McCarthy<br>(M) R. Roberts<br>(M) S. Sandell<br>(M) C. Stobie<br>(M) A. Warr |
| Class III | - - - - | (M) C. Arbuthnot<br>C. Baumann<br>(M) J. Burton<br>C. Crafoord<br>D. Edmonds<br>C. Faure<br>D. Marshall<br>M. Woolford<br>L. Sumner                                                                                                             |

## CONFIRMATIONS

On November 1st, at St. Saviour's Church, Claremont, the following were Confirmed by His Grace, the Archbishop of Cape Town:

Pamela Bowie, Joan Breisford, Colleen Fowles, Barbara Grenfell, Rosemary Hollingdale, Angela Jordan, Valerie Lord, Jean Mary Maar, Belinda Maister, Birte Mueller, Jane Nelson, Carol Papworth, Jennifer Robertson, Janet Simpson, Linda Thornton-White, Audrey Williams, Sylvia Wilson.

## CHAPEL NOTES

**Committee:** Miss McLean, Miss Matthews, D. Versfeld, W. Hartford, D. Dacey, S. Warburton (Hon. Treasurer), L. Barron (Hon. Secretary).

There have been two Chapel meetings this year, and we were very sorry to lose the support of Miss Mitchell, formerly on the Chapel Committee.

Regular services have been held in the Chapel throughout the year, while Holy Communion has been celebrated at the end of each term. The Chapel choir has sung at Youth Services at St. Saviour's Church, at the Confirmation service on November 1st, at the Patronal Festival on August 6th and at the Mission service on October 27th.

We would like to thank W. Hartford for all her hard work and help with the Chapel music, there being a noticeable improvement in the singing during Chapel services.

Flowers in the Chapel have also been particularly nice this year. In addition we are very pleased to have the new blue carpet which makes a very great difference to the appearance of the Chapel.

L. BARRON.

## CHAPEL TREASURY, 1954

## JANUARY

|             | £   | s. | d. |                   | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------|-----|----|----|-------------------|-----|----|----|
| In hand     | 3   | 10 | 3  | Tuning Harmonium  | 3   | 10 | 0  |
|             |     |    |    | Hire of Harmonium | 2   | 2  | 0  |
| Collections | 2   | 11 | 3  | Candles           | 1   | 6  |    |
|             |     |    |    | Balance           | 6   | 13 | 9  |
|             | £11 | 7  | 3  |                   |     |    |    |
|             |     |    |    |                   | £11 | 7  | 3  |

## APRIL

|             | £   | s. | d. |               | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------|-----|----|----|---------------|-----|----|----|
| In hand     | 6   | 13 | 9  | Prayer Book   | 1   | 11 | 6  |
| Collections | 6   | 11 | 6  | Diocesan Pête | 2   | 2  | 0  |
| Donation    | 3   | 3  | 0  | Candles       | 1   | 6  |    |
|             |     |    |    | Balance       | 12  | 13 | 3  |
|             | £16 | 8  | 3  |               |     |    |    |
|             |     |    |    |               | £16 | 8  | 3  |

## JULY

|             | £   | s. | d. |                   | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------|-----|----|----|-------------------|-----|----|----|
| In hand     | 12  | 13 | 3  | Tuning Harmonium  | 2   | 10 | 0  |
| Collections | 6   | 9  | 3  | Patronal Festival | 3   | 3  | 0  |
|             |     |    |    | Balance           | 13  | 9  | 6  |
|             | £19 | 2  | 6  |                   |     |    |    |
|             |     |    |    |                   | £19 | 2  | 6  |

## OCTOBER

|             | £   | s. | d. |                             | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------|-----|----|----|-----------------------------|-----|----|----|
| In hand     | 13  | 9  | 6  | St. Saviour's Building Fund | 2   | 0  | 0  |
| Collections | 5   | 11 | 0  | Nyanga Mission              | 5   | 11 | 0  |
| Collections | 2   | 5  | 3  | Protea: Buns                | 1   | 0  | 0  |
| Interest    | 3   | 7  | 6  | Christmas Hampers           | 9   | 0  | 0  |
|             |     |    |    | St. George's Sweets         | 1   | 0  | 0  |
|             |     |    |    | Candles                     | 1   | 6  |    |
|             |     |    |    | Balance                     | 6   | 0  | 9  |
|             | £24 | 13 | 3  |                             |     |    |    |
|             |     |    |    |                             | £24 | 13 | 3  |

## LIBRARY NOTES

*Library Committee:* Miss Mulliner, Miss Matthews, D. Dicey, B. Rudland, J. Rhodes, M. Reilly, J. Atkins, R. Hollingdale, S. Macgregor, C. Syfret.

This Committee was increased to cope with the large amount of work necessary for the maintenance of the Library, which goes to show that the school as a whole has acquired a larger interest in the Library.

We found that we needed to raise the subscription to 2/6 per term. Members of the school were most co-operative about this and it has enabled us to have a wider selection of books.

From the money obtained at last year's Morning Market it has been possible to install new library shelves. These have been a great asset and have helped us to carry out the classification of the books more systematically. Besides the new shelves we have had the armchairs recovered which has been a great success and enhances the beauty of the library.

Members of the Committee decided that a Picture Cabinet would be of great value to preserve pictures and photographs from the magazines. These have been collected and classified and are ready for the cabinet.

Members also decided to keep the magazines to which we subscribe and catalogue them for future use. This will help the reference section of the library.

The Afrikaans Section has continued to grow. A keen interest has developed and many more are reading from this section. It has been suggested that "Die Burger" should be bought twice a week and placed with the other daily papers.

Book reviews have been held. This is an excellent thing as it has helped to direct readers in their choice of reading matter—a very necessary thing.

All members of the Committee are to be thanked for their hard work and continual interest throughout the year. Their regular supply of fresh flowers certainly makes the library appear attractive. Special thanks are given to Miss Mulliner and Miss Matthews for all their help and valuable time they have so willingly spent on cataloguing and classifying.

We hope that all members of the school will continue to appreciate and benefit from the library.

D. DICEY.  
B. RUSLAND.

## ACCESSIONS

## DRAMA:

|               |   |   |   |                         |
|---------------|---|---|---|-------------------------|
| Ellot, T. S.  | — | — | — | Murder in the Cathedral |
| Shaw, G. B.   | — | — | — | St. Joan                |
| Shaw, G. B.   | — | — | — | The Apple Cart          |
| Fry, C.       | — | — | — | The First Born          |
| Standford, D. | — | — | — | Volume of C. Fry        |

## BIOGRAPHY:

|                |   |   |   |                        |
|----------------|---|---|---|------------------------|
| Gheerbrant, A. | — | — | — | Impossible Adventure   |
| Grimble, A.    | — | — | — | A Pattern of Islands   |
| Hartup, A.     | — | — | — | Angelica               |
| Joyce, E.      | — | — | — | Prelude                |
| Hilary, R.     | — | — | — | The Last Enemy         |
| Martin, M.     | — | — | — | O, Land of Rugged Gold |
|                | — | — | — | In the Bear's Domain   |
| Marshall, C.   | — | — | — | The Man called Peter   |
| Spence, B.     | — | — | — | Desert Hospital        |

## WORLD WAR II STORIES:

|                 |   |   |   |                       |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----------------------|
| Brickill, P.    | — | — | — | Reach for the Sky     |
| Campbell, A. B. | — | — | — | Salute the Red Duster |
| Churchill, P.   | — | — | — | Of their own Choice   |
| Mackersey, T.   | — | — | — | Rescue below Zero     |

## HISTORY:

|                         |   |   |   |                            |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------|
| Bryant, A.              | — | — | — | The Story of England       |
| Du Plessis and Luckhoff | — | — | — | Malay Quarter in Cape Town |
| Marck Smith             | — | — | — | Cavour and Garibaldi       |
| Hale, E. E. Y.          | — | — | — | Pio Nono                   |
| Trease, G.              | — | — | — | Seven Queens of England    |
| Young, G. M.            | — | — | — | The Government of Britain  |
| The Legacy of Greece    | — | — | — |                            |
| The Legacy of Rome      | — | — | — |                            |
| Stobart                 | — | — | — | The Grandeur that was Rome |

## TRAVEL:

|                  |   |   |   |                            |
|------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------|
| Bombard, A.      | — | — | — | The Bombard Story          |
| Denman, Earl     | — | — | — | Alone to Everest           |
| Durrell, G.      | — | — | — | Three Singles to Adventure |
| Kantor, C.       | — | — | — | Lunch with Livingstone     |
| Patterson, G. N. | — | — | — | Tibetan Journey            |
| The Twin Series  | — | — | — | French Twins               |
|                  | — | — | — | South African Twins        |
|                  | — | — | — | Dutch Twins                |
|                  | — | — | — | Spartan Twins              |
|                  | — | — | — | Spanish Twins              |
|                  | — | — | — | Irish Twins                |

## TRAVEL:

|                            |                                                                                                       |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The Young Traveller Series | India and Pakistan<br>U.S.A.<br>Australia<br>Norway<br>Switzerland<br>China<br>South Africa<br>Canada |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

## ENCYCLOPEDIAS:

|                                 |                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Oxford Junior Encyclopedia      | Vols 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 |
| Oxford Companion to the Theatre |                                     |

## FICTION—SHORT STORIES:

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| Kipling, R. | Dog Stories |
| O. Henry    |             |

## CLASSICAL FICTION:

Oxford Editions of

|                 |                                                                                             |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Austin, J.      | Emma<br>Northanger Abbey<br>Persuasion<br>Pride and Prejudice<br>Sense and Sensibility      |
| Bronte, C.      | Jane Eyre<br>Shirley<br>Villette                                                            |
| Alcott, L.      | Little Men<br>Jo's Boys                                                                     |
| Allingham, M.   | Tiger in the Smoke                                                                          |
| Ashton, H.      | Footman in Powder                                                                           |
| Brown, P.       | The Blue Door                                                                               |
| Charteris, L.   | The Saint in Europe                                                                         |
| Christie, A.    | Murder in the Orient Express<br>Pocket full of Rye<br>Whiteoak Brothers<br>Selected Stories |
| De la Roche, M. | Punchbowl Midnight                                                                          |
| Doyle, C.       | A Month in Paris                                                                            |
| Edwards, M.     | The Toll Gate                                                                               |
| Henrey, R.      | The Man Who Shot Birds                                                                      |
| Heyer, G.       | Young Bess                                                                                  |
| Pitt, M.        | The Tortoise and the Hare                                                                   |
| Irwin, M.       | Tea Pots and Quails                                                                         |
| Jenkins, E.     | Spinsters in Distress                                                                       |
| Lear, E.        | Passage East                                                                                |
| Marsh, N.       | The Cruel Sea (Cadet Edition)                                                               |
| Mitchell        | The Avenue                                                                                  |
| Montsarrret, N. | Remarkable Young Man                                                                        |
| Needham, V.     | Saint, Sinner and Jester                                                                    |
| Roberts, C.     | Murder Must Advertise                                                                       |
| Sabatini, R.    | Huckleberry Finn                                                                            |
| Sayers, D.      | Tom Sawyer                                                                                  |
| Twain, M.       | Sands of Karakorum                                                                          |
| Ullman, J. R.   |                                                                                             |

## GIFT:

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| Asch, Sholem | A Passage in the Night       |
| Gann, E.     | The High and Mighty          |
| Manua, M.    | Under Water Saboteur         |
| Mielche, H.  | Round the World with Galatea |
| Shute, N.    | Town like Alice              |
| Yan, V.      | Jenghis Khan                 |

## EXTENSION FUND

|                                   |        |    |    |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----|----|
| Invested                          | £4027  | 5  | 10 |
| Old Girls' Rummage Sale           | 1      | 0  | 0  |
| Donation of Tennis Dress Material | 9      | 9  | 0  |
| Second-hand Shop                  | 77     | 3  | 7  |
| St. Joan                          | 150    | 0  | 0  |
| Morning Market                    | 160    | 0  | 0  |
| Nativity Play                     | 23     | 4  | 0  |
| Sale of Strawberries              | 2      | 17 | 9  |
| Interest                          | 146    | 7  | 10 |
|                                   | £4,507 | 8  | 0  |

## HERSCHEL SCHOOL CHARITY FUND, 1954

## JANUARY

|            | £   | s. | d. |                                    | £   | s. | d. |
|------------|-----|----|----|------------------------------------|-----|----|----|
| In hand    | 21  | 2  | 6  | Bank Charges                       | 1   | 1  | 0  |
| Collection | 31  | 12 | 6  | The National Council for the Blind | 3   | 3  | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Animal Welfare                     | 2   | 2  | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Cripple Care                       | 3   | 3  | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Lehombo Mission                    | 3   | 3  | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Soup Kitchen                       | 3   | 10 | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Cancer Research                    | 2   | 2  | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | St. Michael's Home                 | 1   | 10 | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Save the Children                  | 10  | 10 | 0  |
|            |     |    |    | Balance                            | 22  | 11 | 0  |
|            | £52 | 15 | 0  |                                    | £52 | 15 | 0  |

## APRIL

|            |     |    |   |                              |     |    |   |
|------------|-----|----|---|------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| In hand    | 22  | 11 | 0 | St. Saviour's Building Fund  | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Collection | 30  | 13 | 6 | S.A.N.T.A.                   | 3   | 13 | 6 |
| Refund     | 4   | 12 | 0 | Maitland Cottage Home        | 3   | 3  | 0 |
|            |     |    |   | Cape Town Civilian Blind     | 3   | 3  | 0 |
|            |     |    |   | S.P.C.A.                     | 2   | 12 | 6 |
|            |     |    |   | Service Dining Rooms         | 3   | 13 | 6 |
|            |     |    |   | C.A.P.D.A.                   | 2   | 5  | 0 |
|            |     |    |   | Brownie Uniform (E. Savoury) | 2   | 0  | 0 |
|            |     |    |   | Athlone School for Blind     | 3   | 0  | 0 |
|            |     |    |   | Ledger Fee and Cheque Book   | 16  | 3  |   |
|            |     |    |   | Balance                      | 13  | 9  | 0 |
|            | £57 | 16 | 6 |                              | £57 | 16 | 6 |

## JULY

|             |     |    |   |                                |     |    |   |
|-------------|-----|----|---|--------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| In hand     | 13  | 9  | 9 | National Council for the Blind | 4   | 4  | 0 |
| Collections | 30  | 11 | 6 | Cape Plata Flood Relief        | 7   | 0  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | Patronal Festival              | 3   | 3  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | Non-European Night School      | 4   | 0  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | Non-European Student Fund      | 2   | 12 | 6 |
|             |     |    |   | Grey Ladies                    | 4   | 4  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | St. John Ambulance             | 2   | 2  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | St. Dunstan's                  | 2   | 2  | 0 |
|             |     |    |   | Balance                        | 14  | 13 | 9 |
|             | £44 | 1  | 3 |                                | £44 | 1  | 3 |

## OCTOBER

|                              |         |                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|
| In hand                      | 14 13 9 | St. Mark's                   | 2 2 0   |
| Collection                   | 30 2 6  | Polio Bath                   | 2 10 0  |
| St. Saviour's Building Fund— |         | Coloured Children's Holiday  |         |
| Chapel                       | 2 0 0   | Camp                         | 4 0 0   |
| Donation                     | 4 0 0   | Cape Times Fresh Air Fund    | 2 2 0   |
| Carol Service                | 20 7 4  | Kensington Clinic            | 3 0 0   |
|                              |         | Poppy Day                    | 1 1 0   |
|                              |         | Our Children's Day           | 5 0 0   |
|                              |         | Christmas Stamps             | 1 1 0   |
|                              |         | Western Province Charity     |         |
|                              |         | Bioscope                     | 1 1 0   |
|                              |         | National Association for the |         |
|                              |         | Deaf                         | 2 0 0   |
|                              |         | Cathedral Fund               | 1 15 6  |
|                              |         | <b>Christmas Cheer—</b>      |         |
|                              |         | Non-European Christmas       |         |
|                              |         | Dinner                       | 4 0 0   |
|                              |         | St. Saviour's                | 10 3 8  |
|                              |         | Mission to Seamen            | 2 0 0   |
|                              |         | St. Michael's Home           | 3 0 0   |
|                              |         | Princess Alice Home          | 2 0 0   |
|                              |         | Janet Bourhill               | 10 3 8  |
|                              |         | Balance                      | 14 4 9  |
|                              | <hr/>   |                              | <hr/>   |
|                              | £71 3 9 |                              | £71 3 9 |

## A COURSE IN CITIZENSHIP

This year the Citizenship Course was held on 29th and 30th September and 1st October at Herschel, The Diocesan College and Wynberg Girls' High School respectively.

The general theme was "The Responsibility of the Citizen through some careers."

On Wednesday three most interesting talks were given centred round Medicine. Dr. Zac de Beer spoke on the life and work of a General Practitioner and also threw some light on Medical Aid Societies and on the value of a Doctor-Patient relationship. Dr. Skalf followed with a talk on Research. He elaborated some remarks which he had made in his introductory speech earlier that morning. He told us of the great possibilities for a scientist in this Atomic Age and warned us of the grave responsibility of being a Scientist. Dr. de Villiers told us about the Public Health Services which he divided into five branches, namely—The Head Organisation, Hospitals, Local Authorities such as Clinics, Charitable Organisations and Individual Doctors. He elaborated on the T.B. Campaign.

On Thursday the theme was Housing and Town-planning. Professor Thornton White drilled into us the need for well-planned housing schemes which would be more convenient, much safer and much less expensive. Mr. Cantey then spoke on Servitas, its aims, work and need for public support. In the afternoon Mr. Nell Munroe showed us over the housing scheme already in progress on Prince George Drive near Princess Vlei under the support of Servitas.

On Friday Lt. Col. Webb in his speech on Commerce stressed the need for more experts in this field. He said that since apprenticeship died out, experts were dying out too. The Managing Director of Woolworths then spoke on a branch of commerce—The Employer in Modern Retailing. He stressed the need for integrity which he placed before a good education. Miss Lucy Bean spoke on the Press. She told us of the work of each member of the newspaper, for example the editor and sub-editors, the reporters and the press photographers. She also stressed the need for an open-minded press; the usual custom, however, was for the newspaper to be the mouthpiece of one section of the population.

Law was the subject of the last speech given by the Professor of Comparative Law at the University. He told us the life of a few famous lawyers and gave us examples of

the law of South Africa which he said was both Roman-Dutch Law and Statute Law or law passed by parliament.

Altogether the course was most instructive and interesting. It showed us clearly how great a part the layman has to play in each mentioned career.

Those attending the course from Herschel were: Rosemary Jenkins, Pam Jones, Anita Lockwood, Revel Reilly, Janet Thornton White, Diana Versfeld.

J. THORNTON WHITE.

## ABE BAILEY MONDELINGE KOMPETISIE

Gedurende die vierde kwartaal het ses meisies van die Matriekklas aan die Abe Bailey Mondelinge Kompetisie deelgeneem. Dit is net die tweede maal wat ons al die kompetisie gehou het, en weer was Mevrou McCaul gaaf genoeg om haar baie kosbare tyd aan ons te gee om ons kompetisie te beoordeel. Mevrou Steyn het haar gehelp en Mejuffrou McLesan en Mejuffrou Herbat was ook teenwoordig, saam met die ander Afrikaans leerlinge van die Matriek-klas.

Soos verlede jaar is elke meisie 'n keuse van drie onderwerpe gegee, en vyf minute waarin sy dit kan voorberei en daaroor dink—maar sonder 'n woordeboek!

Natuurlik was al die deelnemers baie senuweegtig en na hulle die punte opgetel het, moes drie meisies, A. Cronwright, V. Hughes en W. Hartford weer oor 'n ander onvoorbereide onderwerp praat, maar hierdie keer moeilike as tevore.

Eindelik is die eerste prys aan W. Hartford toegeken en die tweede prys aan A. Cronwright en V. Hughes saam.

Daarna het Mevrou McCaul ons 'n baie boeiende praatjie gegee waarin sy gewis het hoe nodig dit was dat elke persoon wat in Suid-Afrika gaan woon, heeltemaal tweetalig moes wees: ook dat as jy ooit 'n toespraak moet lewer, jy nooit moet voorgee dat jy senuweegtig is, alhoewel jy baie bang voel.

Laastens wil ek net Mevrou McCaul baie hartelik bedank dat sy gekom het om ons kompetisie te beoordeel, en ook die pryswennerse gelukwens.

W. HARTFORD.

## "SAINT JOAN"

On the nights of October 27th and 28th G. B. Shaw's "St. Joan" was produced by Mrs. Allen and Miss Kelley-Paterson. One of the reasons for the choice of this play was because it is a matriculation setbook for 1955, and it is hoped that it will have helped the Herschel girls and members of other schools who attended the performances.

The part of St. Joan was played by Gail Meglaughlin who gave a very sincere and pleasing performance. Shaw's wit was brought to light well by M. Borden as Robert de Baudricourt, R. Spence as Bluebeard, and M. Simons as Captain La Hire. Those in the Clerical Order, especially P. Minty, P. Wollaston, L. Barron and H. Steens held their audience with a convincing performance. The weakness of the performance lay in the crowd scenes in which the positioning was often poor and the members of the cast gave the impression of being ill at ease.

The scenery on the whole was good, but we felt that in some scenes there should have been more of it. The props were suitable, and the flag device showing a change of wind was ingeniously arranged. The music was very effective and helped to set an atmosphere. The costumes throughout were of a very high standard and true to period. A great deal of hard work was put into them by the parents, girls and Mrs. Sachs, to whom our grateful thanks are extended. The make-up was impressive especially that of P. Wollaston and C. Fowles.

The play was performed on both nights to a very enthusiastic and packed house. It was produced in aid of the extension fund. A tremendous amount of hard work was put into the play, and our sincere thanks go to Mrs. Allen and Miss Kelley-Paterson for this excellent production of a play requiring much patience and understanding. We cannot express sufficient gratitude to them and to other members of the staff and girls who so willingly helped back-stage. And last but not least, our congratulations to the cast for their exhilarating and confident performance which was so much enjoyed by all.

D. Dicoy, V. Hughes, B. Rudland.  
Form VI.

## JUNIOR CAROLS AND NATIVITY PLAY

On the evening of December 6th parents and friends once more met in the School Hall to join with the Junior School in their Carol singing and to watch their Nativity play.

This year, as an innovation, the Carols were introduced by means of a film strip which threw slides of the story of Christ's Nativity on the screen. The visitors joined in the singing of some of the Carols, others being sung by children. The story was told by narrators as the slides came on to the screen.

The play, "The Little Shepherd," was charmingly acted by the pupils of Lower III. In this the birth of Christ was seen through the eyes of the Shepherds in the fields and the Wise Men who had followed the star.

Miss Porter and Mrs. Popham-Smith are to be thanked for this creditable performance, which realised £29, 5s, 6d, in aid of the Extension Fund.

## SCHOOL MUSIC

This year there has been no change in our Music Staff and we would like to thank Miss Montgomery, Miss Murray, Mrs. Popham-Smith and Miss Sweet for all the hard work they have put into the School music in many ways.

The playing of the hymns in both Prayers and Chapel has improved considerably, especially in the marches played at the end of Prayers. More life is being put into them now and the general standard is very good. The singing in Prayers, however, is rather apathetic. It could be much better than it is at the moment. More concentration should be paid to correct pronunciation and phrasing.

We have been very fortunate in being able to acquire a long-playing attachment to the radiogram.

The Light Music Society, Senior and Junior Music Clubs and the School all contributed to the amount required. This is a great asset to the school music and we would like to thank Miss Montgomery, Jean McCall and Gail Meglaughlin who gave us two Mozart Piano Concertos, Beethoven's Emperor Concerto, and two Beethoven Sonatas and Schubert's Symphony respectively to start our collection of long-playing records. We are also grateful to Mr. Duncan Baxter for the extensive collection of records he gave to the record library.

Mrs. Popham-Smith has continued to supervise the weekly record recitals. The attendances have been smaller this year, but those who do attend are genuinely interested and are very appreciative of the records played.

This year it was impossible to hold the House Music Competition as there were so many other activities on during the third term. We also express our sympathy to the Orchestra who, after so much hard work, were not able to play at the City Hall in the Combined Schools' Orchestra on account of the scarlet fever. Nevertheless the members of the Orchestra have increased considerably, and together with the School Choir it now plays a most important part in the musical side of the school.

Twenty-nine girls entered for the Associated Board practical music examinations during the third term; of these three took 'cello examinations and two violin. All are to be congratulated on passing—four with distinction and seven with merit.

From this report it can be seen what an integral part of school life the music section plays. It is to be hoped that the high standard and interest in music will be maintained in the coming years.

W. HARTFORD.

## THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

At the beginning of this year we were pleased to entertain the Rustenburg Orchestra one Wednesday evening. We also had visits from E. Grant and C. Stobie, and from two 'cellists from Wynberg Boys' High.

W. Hartford, who has been our able accompanist for the past three years, had to relinquish this post due to pressure of work. We were pleased to welcome S. Norgarb who has taken Wendy's place, giving up her position among the recorders.

Early in the third term we began rehearsing for the Combined Schools' Orchestra which was conducted by Mr. Geoffrey Millar. Herschel was well represented. On the programme was

|                                                                                                                                |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| March from Carmen                                                                                                              | Bizet     |
| Folk Tune                                                                                                                      | Fletcher  |
| Savai's Dance                                                                                                                  | Purcell   |
| Minuet                                                                                                                         | Mozart    |
| 5th Symphony (Finale)                                                                                                          | Beethoven |
| which were played by Seniors. Our main difficulty seemed to maintain the speed set by the conductor. The Sub-Senior items were |           |
| Minuet from Samson                                                                                                             | Handel    |
| Frolie                                                                                                                         | Woodhouse |
| and the Junior items were                                                                                                      |           |
| Rosebud Waltz                                                                                                                  | Woodhouse |
| Men of Harlech                                                                                                                 |           |

Unfortunately, due to quarantine, we were unable to play in the final performance in the City Hall or at Durbanville. L. Barron was to have played a Concertante by Telman with three members from other schools.

Special mention should be made of the four 'cellists who have worked hard and provided the very necessary foundation to our orchestra.

The prospects of the orchestra are rising as we have six violinists—J. Windham, G. Garlick, E. Robb, C. de Villiers and R. de Villiers—and two 'cellists—E. Lewis and P. Fryer—whom we hope will be joining us next year. Attendance and punctuality have been good this year, and we hope this will continue to be the case.

Mrs. Dawes has worked extremely hard and with unfailing interest again this year; we would all like to thank her very much.

Best of luck to the orchestra in the forthcoming year.

*Violinists:* E. Skea (leader), L. Barron, A. Williams, J. Corder, A. Jordan.

*'Cellists:* V. Lord, T. Corder, M. Barron, M. Galloway.

*Recorders:* S. Norgarb (Jan.-June), J. Ratcliffe, H. Steens, E. Thurnburn, J. Nelson.

*Planist:* W. Hartford (Jan.-June), S. Norgarb.

E. M. SKEA

## SENIOR CHOIR

*Members:* W. Hartford (Leader), J. McCall (Vice-leader), G. Buss, D. Dicey, G. Downing, P. Jones, G. Murray, V. Owen-Smith, E. Skea, R. Reilly, L. Barron, B. Knight, G. McGlaughlin, P. Minty, Y. Murray, S. Norgarb, J. Ratcliffe, H. Steens, E. Thurnburn, S. Warburton, P. Wollaston.

*New Members:* S. Sly, D. Townsend, D. Russell, M. Simons, J. Atkins, M. Borden, J. Brelford, M. Diemont, B. Grenfell, R. Hollingdale, J. Lombardi, V. Lord, J. Nelson, J. Robertson, J. Windham.

*Accompanist:* Miss M. P. Murray.

This year has been a successful one for the School Choir and the standard of singing achieved has been high. We hope that this will be maintained not only for the Carol Service but throughout the coming year.

At the end of last year, on Mr. Aubrey's very kind invitation, we held our Carol Service at St. Saviour's Church. This was most successful, being the first time that we have had the opportunity of holding it in the Church. Again this year we are able to hold our Carol Service at St. Saviour's, and at the moment all our efforts are being concentrated on learning the Carols and preparing for the Service. The number of Carols to be sung has been increased and there are to be more solos from the Senior as well as the Junior Choir. Among the Carols are two Recitatives and Chorales from Bach's "Christmas Oratorio." This is a completely new type of item to the programme and we hope that it will be well received.

At our annual Founders Day Service during the first term the choir sang "O Lovely Peace" by Mendelssohn, as an anthem. Unfortunately we did not have very much time to practise it beforehand, and though we acquitted ourselves very well, I felt that we could have put more feeling into it.

On two occasions during the year we have been asked to sing at the weddings of Miss Newman and Priscilla Waterson, who is an Old Girl. At both services we sang the

anthem "The Lord is my Shepherd" by Schubert. Particularly I would like to thank Mrs. Jennings who so kindly helped us out at the last moment by playing the organ in Miss Sweet's absence. In both instances the choir sang very well and has acquired a lovely tone which is, however, inclined to be marred at times by bad diction. This is a very serious fault which must be corrected and can only be done by continual practice and careful forming of the vowel sounds in particular.

Hard work and interest is expected from the Choir members at all times. However, some members are inclined to slack occasionally and these people must see to it that they improve, if the high standard of singing is to be maintained next year. Our thanks go to Miss Sweet for all she has done for the Choir this year in helping and teaching us. I can only say that we are very grateful to her in every way.

W. HARTFORD.

## JUNIOR CHOIR

During the year under review the choir worked very well indeed, and made a special effort regarding diction, which is, unfortunately, still a weak point.

Miss Sweet has been most encouraging and we have enjoyed our work.

We were very pleased to be able to assist the Senior Choir in singing at Miss Newman's wedding. At various times during the year we have sung descants to some of the hymns at morning prayers. During the third term we started work on Schubert's "Lieder," but we have not as yet finished them. We shall have to persevere with them during the early part of next year.

We are now concentrating on perfecting our singing of the carols, and hope to do our very best at the Carol Service which is to be held at St. Saviour's Church at the end of this term.

J. JEFFREY, Lower IV.

## BOARDER CHOIR

*Members:* W. Hartford (leader), J. McCall (vice-leader), D. Dicey, G. Downing, G. Murray, E. Skea, D. Townsend, L. Barron, G. Meglaughlin, P. Minty, Y. Murray, J. Ratcliffe, D. Russell, M. Simons, E. Thurburn, S. Warburton, J. Brelsford, J. Nelson, J. Windham, M. Barron, C. Behnsen, J. Corder, T. Kramer, S. Macgregor, C. Penn-Hughes, A. Williams.

We feel that special mention should be made of the boarder choir which up till this year had only taken part every third Sunday of the month in the Youth Service held at St. Saviour's Church. This year we have been called upon on several occasions to form the choir in St. Saviour's—for the Patronal Festival at which we sang "The Lord is my Shepherd" to the setting of the Brother James' Air, the Confirmation Service and a special Mission Service in aid of the Nyanga Church Building Fund. At the latter we sang the anthem "I will lift up mine eyes" by G. W. Martin. This is an unaccompanied anthem in three parts and one which showed off to great advantage our tone which has reached a high standard. Unfortunately the major fault seems to be that we are unable to sustain notes at the ends of phrases. However, the choir is to be congratulated on a very creditable effort.

The Senior members of the Boarder Choir form the Chapel Choir and the half year sang the anthem "As pants the hart" by Spöhr. This was a difficult anthem which they tackled well. We are hoping to sing Crimond's "The Lord is my Shepherd" on the last Sunday of the term.

I hope that the interest in the Boarder Choir will be maintained next year and that they will continue to take an active part in singing at St. Saviour's.

W. HARTFORD.

## HOUSE NOTES

### JAGGER HOUSE

*House Mistresses:* Miss Mulliner, Mrs. Sacha, Miss Matthews, Mrs. van Oudishoorn, Miss Sweet, Miss Montgomery, Miss Frylinck, Miss Urquart.

Congratulations to our former house prefects who did so much for us last year, and as well to all the Vith Form on their Matriculation results.

We missed Miss Mulliner very much during the four months that she was away, but Mrs. Sachs very kindly took on the responsibility to look after the house, and we thank her for her constant interest and helpfulness.

It was with regret that we said good-bye to Mrs. Proux and Miss Walker who helped us enormously with our contributions to C.A.P.D.A. With them go our good wishes for the future.

At the end of last year we adopted the Janet Bourhill Institute as another of our charities. Miss Wood gave a talk to the house about the Institute, and a party of the seniors went over the school. A great deal of hard work has gone into the pictures painted for their classrooms, and the garments made for their fête. To those who helped at the fête and those who made the clothes our thanks are given, especially to Mrs. Sachs and Miss Matthews.

Congratulations to all who helped us to win the Efficiency Shield, the Swimming Cup and the Diving Shield. This was a marvellous achievement and we hope it will be continued next year. The work on the other hand has declined considerably, and in most cases there is a need for improvement. However, there are those who deserve special mention for their continual hard work and good marks: L. Barron, D. Russell, H. Steens, G. Jeffrey, N. Groves, E. Robb and P. Murray.

The Junior house leaders are to be thanked for their hard work throughout the year. Congratulations to Revel Reilly for being the first head girl from Jagger House for many years.

With this report go our best wishes for a most successful year in 1955. We feel sure that you all will help to keep up the good standard which has been set in the past.

B. RUBLAND, FORM VI.

### ROLY HOUSE

*House Mistresses:* Miss Porter, Miss Harsant, Miss Craik, Mrs. Pierce-Jones, Mrs. Marais, Mrs. Popham-Smith, Miss Joubert.

Our thanks go to our former House Captain, P. Dukes, and our Vice-Head of the School, V. Thompson, for all their hard work last year, and our congratulations to the members of the VIth Form on their Matriculation results.

The House spirit among the Juniors has been good, but many of the middle school and some of the Seniors need to show more enthusiasm and willingness to co-operate.

There are still far too many "late books" and "refused works" which are holding back further improvement in work, and harder work from the middle school is required. More enthusiasm from the House with regard to work is needed to keep up with the high standard of sport which has been set throughout the year. But special mention must be made of the consistent good marks brought in by H. Sgoutas, J. Thornton White, E. Thurburn, J. van Winsen, J. Meiring, T. Henstra and R. de Villiers.

This year has been a most successful one in the sporting line, as we have won the cups for the Netball, Netball Shooting, Hockey and Tennis. Our congratulations go to H. Sgoutas and J. van Winsen on winning the Senior and Junior tennis singles championships respectively. It is to be hoped that this high standard will be maintained in the future.

This year we have continued with the Princess Alice Home as our special charity, and each girl in the House has taken presents to her special child on his birthday. The day on which the children are visited is looked forward to by the whole Home from month to month, and brings great pleasure to all the children. We extend our thanks to the Staff who make these visits possible by supplying transport.

Our thanks go to B. Tyers for her work as Junior Leader of the House, and to G. Beresford for her support in her position as Vice-Leader.

We would like to thank Miss Porter very much for the great deal of work she does for the house and her never-failing interest.

Helen and I both wish you the best of luck for the coming years. Do your best and improve your standard all round and Roly will flourish.

D. DICKY, FORM VI.

## MERRIMAN HOUSE

*House Mistresses:* Miss Taylor, Mrs. Steyn, Mrs. Muller, Miss Murray, Mrs. Jordan, Miss Herbst, Mrs. Johnson.

This year we are very pleased to have the Vice-Head of the School, Jean McCall, in Merriman. We would also like to thank the Merriman prefects last year for all the work they did in raising the House spirit to a much higher standard, and for achieving such wonderful results on the sportsfield. We also congratulate them on their most successful Matriculation results.

Unfortunately our prowess at sport has not yet reached such a high standard as it did last year, and we have not retained the diving shield, netball, shooting, tennis or hockey cups. Nevertheless the House Cricket matches are still to be played and we hope to see that cup on our shelf.

However, we are very pleased to note a marked difference in the standard of work which is considerably higher this year, and only once have we come second in the three-weekly tests. This is a good sign and shows that more members of the House, in both the Junior and Senior schools, are pulling their weight in lessening the number of late books and refused lessons. There are still a few though who are content to sit back and receive an unnecessary amount of refused lessons while others do the hard work. This must be corrected, but the general standard is much better. Those who should be mentioned as having worked well for the House throughout the year are J. Ratcliffe, S. Elliott, B. Brock, and P. Barrett, also R. Burton who has shown much improvement.

We sent a large pile of magazines to the Missions to Seamen in June and collected another even larger pile to send to them later in the term. The job of collecting magazines is usually left to a few people and I feel that much more effort should be made by everyone in bringing of books and magazines. We have also continued to support the St. Michael's Home for orphans, and at Easter we sent them a lovely box of Easter Eggs. We have also collected a number of clothes and knitted garments which we will be sending to them at Christmas time together with Christmas presents for the children, supplied by each member of the House.

The Juniors have worked well for the House this year, especially as far as marks go, and we must thank A. Stewart and J. Baker for their support as Junior House Leader and Vice-Leader respectively.

I would like to thank Miss Taylor, as House Mistress, for the interest and hard work she has put into the House, both in the members and in the charities we support. We have been pleased with Merriman's results this year and the members have co-operated well as a House. Jean and I wish you the best of luck for the future and hope that you will not only maintain the high standard of work achieved, but also add some more cups to our credit.

W. HARTFORD, Form VI.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

## MUSIC CLUB

*President:* Miss McLean. *Chairman:* Miss Montgomery.  
*Committee:* J. McCall (Hon. Sec.), D. Dicey (Hon. Treas.).  
*Ex Officio:* Miss Murray, Mrs. Popham-Smith, Miss Sweet,  
 Mrs. Reddick, Miss Matthews, Mrs. Dawes, Mrs. Hutchinson.

This year the Music Club has not been as active as in previous years owing to the fact that our funds were very low at the beginning of the first term. This has, unfortunately, curtailed many of our proposed entertainments.

During the first term Mr. Hans Kramer gave as a record recital which consisted of all long-playing records. Each of these was preceded by a short explanation. We had hoped to have another record recital, but unfortunately there was no available time.

During the second term the committee compiled a musical competition for the members. Questions were given, the first being an essay on Mozart for which musical clues had to be supplied for the missing words. The second was in the form of a quiz. Prizes were awarded.

An afternoon was set aside in the third term for a 'cello recital by Miss Rhoda Anderson and her accompanist Miss Judd. Unfortunately it had to be postponed to a

later date. We were able to let the members listen to Mozart's "Piano Concerto in C Minor"—soloist Clifford Curzon—on the new long-playing attachment which had just been installed. Besides this there was a competition in which thirty well-known advertisements were pinned up and members given ten minutes in which to write down as many of them as they knew. Small prizes were again awarded.

Once again we invited Miss Rhoda Anderson to visit us during the fourth term—but she was unable to do so. Diana Brooke, an old Herschelian, together with Naomi Sagor (soprano) and Norma Nash-Webber (mezzo-soprano) organised a meeting for us. The "Three centuries of Keyboard and Song" included "One Fine Day" from *Madame Butterfly*, "Softly awakes my heart" and "Where the bee sucks." Diana Brooke's piano works included "Fantasia in D Minor" by Mozart, two Chopin Preludes and "Capriccio in F Minor" by Brahms. Miss Brooke, who accompanied the singers, conveyed the mood of each song by her sensitive accompaniment.

The Music Club contributed towards the buying of the long-playing attachment, which has already proved a great asset. With the funds in hand we are going to buy some records to increase the very small library of long-playing records.

The members of the society should realise that their subscriptions do not go towards entertainment alone, but are used to add to our collection of records and books, thus proving a source of interest to everyone. They should try to contribute something towards the Club instead of being interested only in getting as much out of it as they possibly can.

We should like to thank the Music Staff for their unfailing interest and help throughout this whole year.

J. McCall.

#### THE JUNIOR MUSIC CLUB

In the first term we began work on A. A. Milne's songs and the play "The King's Breakfast." Lower III acted it and were helped by Miss Sweet and Miss Matthews.

Upper II acted two of the songs—"Vespers" and "Buckingham Palace," while Lower II also gave us two songs—"Halfway Down the Stairs" and "Christopher Robin." The play and songs took place on the last Monday of the second term. The Senior school was invited. It started at 1.50 and went on until 2.30.

Each form acted extremely well and Miss McLean expressed thanks on behalf of all present.

A musical film was shown during this term.

No meeting was held during the third term, but we decided to spend some of the money of our club on new books for our library. A short quiz was held and won by two of the members.

During the fourth term we hope to hold a treasure hunt and most of the clues will be musical ones.

P. Hawson, Lower III.

#### LIGHT MUSIC SOCIETY

Committee: Chairman, R. Reilly; Secretary, J. McCall; Treasurer, W. Hartford; Vth Form Representative, E. Thurnburn.

As there are so many who are interested in this society we decided to extend the membership from 25 to 30 this year.

At the end of last year the committee of 1954 organised a meeting in the evening at which a selection of records was played lasting about an hour. Among those played were Richardson's "London Fantasia" and Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" and on the lighter side "Jazz Pizzicato—Jazz Legato" and Mario Lanza singing "Because."

We intended taking the members to "Lilac Domino" at the City Hall during the first term, but we were unfortunately unable to do so, owing to lack of funds.

During the second term we had another evening of records which was again very much enjoyed, being more on the lighter side than on the previous occasion. A selection from Cole Porter's "Kiss Me Kate" was played and also a selection by Winifred Atwell.

A meeting had been arranged for the third term, but had to be cancelled owing to the fact that the school closed a week early. This term a party of the Light Music Society, together with the boarders went to see Benjamin Britten's "Let's make an opera" at the Labia Theatre. It was a most unusual opera in that the audience took the place of the chorus. It was very much enjoyed by all.

We are planning to have another evening of records later in the term when we hope to be able to use the new long-playing attachment.

This society was only started last year, and has made great strides owing to the interest and support of its members. We hope that this enthusiasm will be maintained throughout the coming year.

J. McCall.

#### DEBATING SOCIETY

*Committee:* President, Mrs. Pierce-Jones; Chairman, G. Murray, Secretary, N. Babbie.

At the annual general meeting held on March 8th the above committee members were elected. This year has been an active one for the society with five School Debates, two of which were hat debates, and one an inter-School Debate.

On May 26th we held our most successful debate of the year, the motion being "The Education of the Modern Child does not equip him to live the fullest life." S. Norgarb proposed the motion in an interesting and amusing speech and the debating from the floor, although slow, was of a high standard.

In August the Wynberg Boys' High School joined us in debating the subject that "World Problems of Today are the Result of Over-Population." The motion was proposed by S. Norgarb and opposed by N. Ross who won over the house in an excellent and witty speech. The debating was spontaneous but inclined to stray from the point. The evening was brought to a close with tea in the school dining-room.

The prepared speeches have been good throughout the year, but the debating from the floor has been of a much lower standard than last year. More thought and reference work should be given to the subjects before the debate and the speakers must learn to be more emphatic, clarifying their points with the aid of examples. The debating society will miss the excellent support of G. Gavin, B. Rudland and J. Thornton-White, but we hope that promising speakers such as M. Diemont, S. Norgarb and D. Russell will maintain the standard.

We should like to thank Mrs. Pierce-Jones for all the assistance and advice which she has so kindly given to us throughout the year.

N. BABBIE.

#### SOCIOLOGICAL CLUB

*President:* Miss McLean.

*Committee:* Miss Mulliner, D. Versfeld, R. Spence, C. Fowles, B. Rudland (Secretary).

The first meeting of the year was held on March 3rd when Dr. Shiela van der Horst, an old Herschelian, addressed us on money, exchange rates and the gold-standard. She explained the dollar and sterling areas to us, and how the Sterling Area Dollar Pool originated; in addition she gave us the reason for the edge of coins being serrated. It was a very interesting talk, and Dr. van der Horst kindly answered our many questions.

On August 25th eight members of the club were taken over the African townships of Langa and Nyanga. Here they were shown the eight blocks of bachelor flats. These consist of one room for each occupant and a community kitchen. There is a nursery school run by a qualified African Matron. The hospital and clinic are run by Africans. Nyanga they found more desolate and isolated, making transport expensive. Here, unfortunately, they have no school as it has just been burnt down. Although the housing is adequate, living conditions are not pleasant due to the sand and wind.

Mr. Geoff Sargeant very kindly addressed the club on "Public Opinion and Propaganda." This was a most exhilarating and amusing talk besides being most informative.

As so many of the club members are interested in Race Relations, Mrs. Grant of the Race Relations Committee talked to us about African Housing. She explained first the reasons why the Africans had migrated to the Cape, and where they had lived, how conditions had changed and the problems now facing them. The greatest difficulty before them was how to house the many thousands of Africans now living in the Cape, and the problem of raising funds for this purpose. Here they depended mainly on public support.

The annual Christmas Party given by the members of the Club this year will be to the 50 girls of the sewing class (from the age of 6 years) of Protea, Bishopscourt on December 11th.

Owing to so many other engagements on Wednesday afternoons we have unfortunately not held as many meetings as we hoped. However, the members have all been very enthusiastic and I hope this enthusiasm will continue. We have realised there is scope

for much social work to be done when we have left school. We would like to thank Miss Mulliner very much for her hard work and the continual interest she has taken in the club throughout the year.

B. RUDLAND.

#### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

*Committee:* President, Mrs. Marais; Chairman, S. Norgarb; Secretary, H. Steens; Treasurer, J. Ratcliffe.

At the beginning of the year a General Meeting of the Society was held and the new officers for 1954 were elected. Membership was increased by seven, which was a happy sign of more interest.

During the first term we were shown two films both being extremely interesting and informative. The first was about wild birds on various islands in the Pacific, pointing out their different habits; the second was about tropical fish among the coral reefs. Both of these were thoroughly enjoyed.

Our second activity of the year was a visit to Lever Brothers' factory where the making of soap was explained to us, and we were shown the factory. Unfortunately it did not manufacture anything else, but we thank Mrs. Marais, Mrs. Pierce-Jones and Mrs. Norgarb for a most enjoyable afternoon.

On November 5th a party was taken to the Royal Observatory where we not only saw the moon, stars and planets, but rockets as well. Dr. Stoy kindly showed us the clockroom where the noonday "pips" are sent over the wireless; but we spent most of our evening at the telescope where not only the roof of the building came off, but also the floor moved up and down.

We hope that the Club will continue to do its active work and keep up the same enthusiasm it has shown.

H. STEENS.

#### BARNARDO HELPERS' LEAGUE

Our league at Herschel continues its good work very keenly. In March we sent £122 10s. from our box collections; this was an increase of £11 on the 1953 amount. £70 of our donation is for Pamela Nicholls' keep and the rest goes to general funds.

The Barnardo Secretary always writes most appreciative and friendly letters to us. Miss A. Walden-Smith visited the Keloeden Home while she was in England. She took some presents to Pamela and spent the day there. She was most impressed with the Home and with the way it was run. In the afternoon Pamela took her for a walk.

This year we have 120 members including 27 new ones.

Service awards were obtained by the following girls:

*Short Service* (3 years): L. Barron, J. Brelsford, R. Burton, M. Diemont, E. Holmes, B. Knight, I. Mathias, H. Macleod, K. Norria, S. Pyott, R. Reilly, M. Reilly, J. Regnier, J. Robertson, J. Simpson, R. Spence, E. Thurnburn, D. Townsend, C. Voe, E. Welsh, J. van Winsen.

*Founder's Award* (6 years): W. Hartford, P. Minty, L. Nicolls, J. Ratcliffe, R. Rifkill, S. Sly, H. Steens, R. Ward.

R. PORTER.

#### ART CLUB

We have had a busy and prosperous year, with a high standard of work being maintained.

We would like to welcome Mrs. Muller who has replaced Mrs. Allan, and we hope she will be very happy with us. We are already deeply indebted to her for all her work in completing the scenery for "Saint Joan," besides helping with the costumes.

Junior work has been good, and of special interest was their mask-making for the children of the Janet Bourhill Institute. Senior members lately have been busy with posters, scenery and costumes for "Saint Joan," and consequently have not had time to do much out-of-door sketching or drawing. Attendance on the whole has been good.

Unpredictable weather last term cancelled several sketching expeditions to the Park, but we hope that next term will prove more profitable.

Mrs. Muller is planning to give, in the near future, an exhibition of all the work done by Art Club members, and we hope visitors will enjoy our efforts as much as we have enjoyed creating them.

Good luck to everyone!

A. PAED.

## GAMES NOTES

## THE GAMES COMMITTEE, 1954.

*Summer Season:* Miss McLean (in the chair), Miss Briggs, Miss Mitchell, J. McCall, D. Dicey, W. Hartford, R. Reilly, V. O-Smith, G. Downing, H. Sgoutas, P. Jones, S. Warburton, P. Wollaston, N. Babbie.

*Junior Representatives:* N. Groves, E. Welsh, V. de Klerk.

*Winter Season:* Miss McLean (in the chair), Miss Briggs, Mrs. Allday, W. Hartford, H. Sgoutas, D. Dicey, R. Spence, J. McCall, G. Murray, R. Reilly, P. Wollaston, P. Jones, S. Warburton, N. Babbie.

*Junior Representatives:* N. Groves, E. Welsh, C. Behnson.

Nicolette Babbie has been an efficient games secretary this year.

Diana Russell and Rosalind Spence have worked extremely hard as games mistresses.

## DEPORTMENT AND TIDINESS BADGES

The following were Re-awarded during the year:

|                |             |              |              |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| P. Barrett     | T. Pirth    | P. Minty     | J. Simpson   |
| C. Behnson     | W. Hartford | B. Mueller   | H. Sleena    |
| J. Brimble     | G. Jeffrey  | S. Norgarb   | J. T. White  |
| A. Crownwright | B. Knight   | J. Ratcliffe | B. Tyers     |
| D. Dicey       | J. Lombardi | H. Sgoutas   | I. v. Winsen |
| J. D. Dunn     | J. McCall   |              |              |

*New Badges* were awarded to:

|               |            |             |           |
|---------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| I. Demetriadi | E. Holmes  | F. Noble    | L. Wares  |
| H. Dempers    | L. Kershaw | D. Russell  | P. Waring |
| B. Grenfell   | J. Marr    | D. Townsend |           |

*The Deportment Cup* was won by: Roit.

*Form Neatness Pictures:*

*Senior:* 1st Term: Upper III.  
2nd Term: Upper IV  
Form V  
3rd Term: Lower IV  
4th Term: Upper IV

*Junior:* 1st Term: Upper I.  
2nd Term: Upper I  
3rd Term: Upper I  
Lower II  
4th Term: Upper I  
Lower II

## GYMNASTIC COMPETITION

This was to have been held at the end of the third term, but as the school closed a week early because of Scarlet Fever, the competition was cancelled.

*Gymnastic Badges* were re-awarded to the following, during the year:

*Seniors:* W. Hartford, R. Reilly, D. Russell.

*Juniors:* V. de Klerk, T. Frith, R. Lees, S. Pyott, F. Small, B. Wiltshire.

*Awards during the year:*

*Senior:* P. Minty, P. Wollaston, B. Knight, S. Wilson.

*Junior:* J. Corder, E. Welsh, F. Waring, G. Garlick, N. Groves.

## HOCKEY

Owing to the bad weather our team practices were restricted, and it was noticed that lack of combination was one of the weaknesses. The House matches were keenly contested and Roit managed to win the cup. In the Inter-Schools Tournament we only came fourth in our section, a very disappointing result.

Among the Under 15s there are some enthusiastic and hard working players, but their stickwork needs more control. The second team had three matches this season and won two of them. They combined well towards the end of the season, but lacked determination and speed. There are some promising players in the 2nd XI who should move into the 1st XI next year.

The 1st XI did not shape very well this year. They must realise that a good standard will only be reached through real concentration and hard work, and they must be prepared to have extra practices on their own. The team won three out of five matches which was not as good as last year. They have an understanding of the game but are too slow on the ball and their combination with each other needs practice.

The backs were reliable and worked hard, and the halves marked well, but the forwards were rather disappointing and must try and combine with each other and improve their stickwork.

Most of us were fortunate to see the English team and I hope it will inspire the teams to improve their stickwork and positional play.

The present hockey field is rather small but the Hockey enthusiasts are hoping, that with the increase of land, next year they will have a full size pitch and with much practice on it, I hope and am sure they will do well.

H. SGOUTAS.

#### PENINSULAR GIRLS' HOCKEY XI

We must congratulate H. Sgoutas for being chosen to play for the third year running in the Schoolgirls XI, and also P. Wollaston and S. Wilson for being chosen to play this year. Our congratulations also go to W. Hartford who was chosen for the 2nd Peninsula Schoolgirls XI.

| 1st XI |                | 2nd XI         | Under 15 XI  |
|--------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| G.K.   | R. Hollingdale | G. Downing     | E. Hennessy  |
| L.B.   | P. Jones       | M. Reilly      | J. Regnier   |
| R.B.   | E. Thurburn    | T. Corder      | L. T. White  |
| L.H.   | D. Dicey       | G. Murray      | B. Mueller   |
| C.H.   | *H. Sgoutas    | J. T. White    | M. Galloway  |
| R.H.   | Y. Murray      | H. Steens      | B. Grenfell  |
| L.W.   | S. Wilson      | P. Wadman      | V. de Klerk  |
| L.I.   | P. Wollaston   | P. Minty       | P. Bowie     |
| C.     | J. McCall      | R. Reilly      | M. Diemont   |
| R.I.   | *W. Hartford   | G. Meglaughlin | A. Williams  |
| R.W.   | G. Garvin      | B. Rudland     | J. v. Winsen |

\*1st Team Colours

#### MATCH RESULTS

|                                  |                                 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1st XI v. Springfield. Lost 1-2. | 2nd XI v. Springfield. Won 2-1. |
| v. Wynberg. Lost 1-2.            | v. Rustenburg. Lost 0-2.        |
| v. Rustenburg. Won 2-1.          | v. St. Cyprian's. Won 4-1.      |
| v. St. Cyprian's. Won 5-2.       | v. Rustenburg. Won 2-1.         |
| v. Rustenburg. Won 2-1.          |                                 |

Under 15 XI v. Rustenburg. Lost 1-2.  
v. Rustenburg. Lost 0-1.

House Cup won by Rolt.

#### NETBALL

This year the 1st Senior VII were not as successful in the Inter-Schools Tournament as they have been in previous years, but nevertheless have worked well as a team throughout the season and maintained a steady standard. They won all their matches played during the season but in the Inter-Schools Tournament were unlucky to lose by one goal to St. Mary's Convent, thus missing their chance of getting into the semi-finals. I think that more determination to play hard from the beginning of a match is needed, as too many of the team are inclined to sit back at first and then realise too late that harder play is needed to win.

The Under 15 VII did not start off the season very well, but settled down towards the middle, and in the Inter-Schools Tournament played very well to reach the semi-finals in which they drew with Observatory and were then beaten by one goal in the replay. The centre players combined well and the whole team showed enthusiasm and determination at all times.

The Under 13 VII played extremely well throughout the season, winning all their matches. It was most unfortunate that owing to the Scarlet Fever they were not able to play in the Junior Inter-Schools Tournament as I am sure they would have acquitted themselves very well.

The shooting in the Senior teams has been of a high standard and it was a difficult task to decide who should represent the school as there were a good many of equal standard. The Juniors need to practise their shooting much more and a good deal of concentration on marking and dodging is needed to maintain the standard of Netball achieved during the past few years.

Congratulations to R. Reilly and J. van Winsen on being awarded their colours in the 1st Senior VII and Under 15 VII respectively, and to R. Lees and S. Pyott in the Under 13 VII.

W. HARTFORD.

| 1st VII         | 2nd VII        | Under 15 VII | Under 13 VII |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| G.D. S. Wilson  | N. Babbie      | C. Behnzen   | N. Murray    |
| D. H. Sgoutas   | Y. Murray      | V. de Klerk  | R. Lees      |
| C.D. G. Downing | A. Cronwright  | J. Robertson | C. Wisdom    |
| C. W. Hartford  | P. Wollaston   | J. v. Winsen | F. Small     |
| C.A. R. Reilly  | B. Rudland     | M. Diemont   | S. Pyott     |
| A. D. Russell   | R. Burton      | N. Groves    | G. Garlick   |
| S. G. Buss      | G. Meglaughlin | L. T-White   | A. Stewart   |

\*Senior Colours.

†Under 15 and Under 13 Colours.

#### MATCH RESULTS

1st VII: v. Star of Sea. Won 23-7.  
v. Springfield. Won 12-8.  
v. Rustenburg. Won 15-14.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 10-6.  
v. Observatory. Won 6-5.

2nd VII: v. Springfield. Won 16-5.  
v. Observatory. Lost 2-7.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 4-3.

Under 15 VII: v. Star of Sea. Won 5-4.  
v. Springfield. Won 7-5.  
v. St. Cyprian's. Lost 10-14.  
v. Rustenburg. Won 11-8.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 13-4.  
v. Observatory. Lost 7-9.

Under 13 VII: v. Star of Sea. Won 7-2.  
v. Springfield. Won 7-6.  
v. Bergvlei. Won 14-4.  
v. Micklefield. Won 6-4.  
v. St. Cyprian's. Won 14-3.  
v. Rustenburg. Won 11-1.  
v. Observatory. Won 4-0.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 11-1.  
v. Micklefield. Won 7-0.

The House Netball won by Rolt.

The House Shooting won by Rolt.

#### TENNIS

This year we have been successful in our matches against other schools. The results of the Junior Inter-Schools Tournament were very disappointing. But we proved more successful in the Senior Inter-Schools, and the Under 16 couple reached the finals and beat Springfield to win the cup.

Services have improved tremendously throughout the school, but more power must be put into both services.

Not enough emphasis can be placed upon net play. People seem afraid of standing at the net but it is here that a good many points can be gained. More concentration is needed in the placing of these shots.

The teams have been keen throughout, but further improvement can only be achieved by more concentrated practice.

J. McCall.

| 1st VI        | Under 16 VI  | Under 14 VI |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1. S. Wilson  | T. Corder    | R. Lees     |
| R. Reilly     | J. v. Winsen | S. Pyott    |
| 2. B. Rudland | M. Diemont   | J. Corder   |
| V. Hughes     | R. Burton    | E. Welsh    |
| 3. H. Sgoutas | D. Russell   | F. Waring   |
| E. Thurburn   | B. Mueller   | A. Kenny    |

†Under 16 Colours

#### MATCH RESULTS

1st VI: v. Rustenburg. Won 9-0.  
v. Staff. Won 9-0.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 3-1.  
v. St. Mary's. Won 4-1.  
v. Ellerslie. Won 8-1.  
v. St. Cyprian's. Lost 4-5.  
v. Old Girls. Lost 3-5.  
v. Good Hope. Draw 2-2.

Under 16: v. Rustenburg. Draw 2-2.  
v. Star of Sea. Won 4-0.  
v. St. Mary's. Won 4-0.  
v. Ellerslie. Won 5-4.  
v. St. Cyprian's. Won 5-4.  
v. Observatory. Lost 4-5.  
v. Good Hope. Won 6-3.

Under 14: v. Rustenburg. Draw 2-2.  
 v. Star of Sea. Won 2-0.  
 v. St. Mary's. Won 4-0.  
 v. Ellerslie. Won 4-0.  
 v. St. Cyprian's. Won 4-0.  
 v. Observatory. Scratched.  
 v. Good Hope. Won 7-2.  
 v. W.P.P.S. Lost 4-5.

L. III: v. Micklefield. Won 3-0.

*The Inter House Tennis won by Roll.*

#### 1954 CHAMPIONSHIPS

*Senior Singles: H. Sgoutas. Runner-up: G. Meglaughlin.*

*Junior Singles: J. v. Winsen. Runner-up: J. Corder.*

*Doubles: T. Corder, M. Diemont. Runners-up: J. Ratcliffe, Y. Murray.*

#### CRICKET

This year we have been very pleased to see a marked enthusiasm for cricket in the senior forms and this is largely due to the interest and help given by Mrs. Alalay. An all-round improvement has been shown in both bowling and fielding.

The bowling especially is considerably better and we even have some, what might be termed, fast bowlers who show much promise. The fielding on the whole is much better, but there is still room for improvement and the fielders must learn to be alert all the time. The batting though considerably improved is one weak point as everyone still swings the ball round to leg instead of stepping across to hit it through the covers.

The result of our match against W.P.P.S. during the first term was a win to them, as usual, but we managed to put on a much better score than on previous occasions and to take more wickets. We are looking forward to another match against them later in the term and hope to do even better.

The standard of play in the House matches was much improved this year and in the match against the Old Girls they scored 37 runs for 8 wickets which we beat by 44 runs. This was largely due to good batting by S. Warburton and S. Wilson who made 50 runs between them. D. Dicey and S. Wilson are also to be congratulated on taking three and four wickets respectively.

We would like to thank Mr. Owen Smith for so kindly coming to give us some most useful hints on batting and I hope that the interest in cricket will be maintained next year with just as much enthusiasm as has been shown this year.

1st XI: \*W. Hartford, G. Downing, D. Dicey, R. Reilly, G. Buss, V. O. Smith, M. Reilly, R. Burton, Y. Murray, S. Warburton, S. Wilson, V. Lord.

\*Colours.

W. HARTFORD.

#### MATCH RESULTS

1st XI: v. W.P.P.S. Lost 50 all out. W.P.P.S. 88 for 4.  
 v. Old Girls. Won, 81 for 8. Old Girls 37 for 8.  
 v. W.P.P.S. Lost 76 for 12. W.P.P.S. 87 for 8.

*House Cricket won by Merriman.*

#### SWIMMING

We have had a most successful year at swimming, and in the Inter-Schools Gala won the Junior Cup for the third time in four years. We also came second in the Middle Section and third in the Senior Section. I hope we will be able to maintain the present standard which is the result of real hard work and constant practising.

There has been an all round improvement in racing, but turns still require more practice as so much time is lost by a bad turn. Racing dives have improved but swimmers must be much quicker off the mark. The diving too is improving slowly but still requires care and hard practice. I think more enthusiasm from the seniors would be a good thing, as most of the keenness lies in the Middle and Junior Schools.

Congratulations to those who were successful in passing Instructor's Certificate for

Life Saving and the Bronze Medallion. I hope that many lifesavers will gain the Award of Merit next year.

We are very grateful to Mrs. Drummond for giving up so much of her time to help coach the team, and also for judging our House and School Galas.

I would like to thank Miss Briggs for her constant help and interest, and I know that without her encouragement we would not have been so successful. I hope the improvement will continue next year and wish the future teams every success.

D. DICEY.

The School Team that swam in the Inter-Schools Gala in March, 1954:

| Senior         | Intermediate | Junior        |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| D. Dacey       | N. Groves    | G. Garlick    |
| P. Wollaston   | J. Corrier   | R. Lees       |
| D. Russell     | J. Robertson | A. Kipps      |
| V. O. Smith    | M. Diemont   | P. Small      |
| G. Meglaughlin | C. Behnson   | W. Sutherland |
| S. Norgarb     |              | N. Murray     |
| T. Corder      |              |               |
| B. Grenfell    |              |               |

\*Senior Colours

†14 and under and 12 and under Colours

#### MATCH RESULTS

|                 | Open                |                    | 14 under              |  | 12 under |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|----------|
| v. Ellerslie    | 1. Ellerslie — 26½  | 1. Herschel — 15   | 1. Good Hope — 14     |  |          |
| Observatory     | 2. Herschel — 19½   | 2. Ellerslie — 14  | 2. Herschel — 10      |  |          |
| Good Hope       | 3. Good Hope — 7    | 3. Good Hope — 4   | 3. Ellerslie — 7      |  |          |
| Star of Sea     | 4. Star of Sea — 4  | 4. Star of Sea — 2 | 4. Star of Sea — 5    |  |          |
|                 | 5. Observatory — 1  | 5. Observatory — 1 | 5. Observatory — 0    |  |          |
| v. Ellerslie    | 1. Rustenburg — 22  | 1. Ellerslie — 14  | 1. Herschel — 15      |  |          |
| Wynberg         | 2. Ellerslie — 20   | 2. Herschel — 10   | 2. Wynberg — 7        |  |          |
| Rustenburg      | 3. Herschel — 11½   | 3. Rustenburg — 6  | 3. Observatory — 3    |  |          |
| Observatory     | 4. Wynberg — 6½     | 3. Wynberg — 6     | 4. Ellerslie — 2      |  |          |
|                 | 5. Observatory — 0  | 5. Observatory — 0 | 5. Rustenburg — 0     |  |          |
| v. Rustenburg I | 1. Herschel — 24    | 1. Herschel — 17   | 1. Herschel — 15      |  |          |
| Springfield     | 2. Springfield — 12 | 2. Observatory — 8 | 2. Good Hope — 9½     |  |          |
| St. Mary's      | 3. St. Mary's — 11  | 3. St. Mary's — 6  | 3. St. Mary's — 4½    |  |          |
| Good Hope       | 4. Good Hope — 8    | 4. Good Hope — 3   | 4. Rustenburg Ju. — 4 |  |          |
| Observatory     | 5. Observatory — 5  | 5. Springfield — 2 | 5. Springfield — 2    |  |          |
|                 |                     |                    | 5. Observatory — 1    |  |          |
| v. Wynberg      | 1. Herschel — 23    | 1. Herschel — 17   | 1. Herschel — 12      |  |          |
| Observatory     | 2. Wynberg — 15     | 2. Wynberg — 12    | 2. Observatory — 6    |  |          |
|                 | 3. Observatory — 10 | 3. Observatory — 7 | 2. Wynberg — 6        |  |          |

House Swimming. Won by Jagger.

House Diving. Won by Jagger.

#### LIFE SAVING

The following girls trained classes for the Bronze Examinations and they and their classes were successful.

|              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| S. Warburton | G. Murray      |
| M. Diemont   | S. Norgarb     |
| A. Williams  | B. Grenfell    |
| T. Firth     | A. Jordan      |
| C. Behnson   | A. Hollingdale |
|              | J. Robertson   |
|              | C. Papworth    |

It is hoped that quite a number of next year's VI Form will take the Award of Merit examination.

## ORIGINAL WORK

## TREES

Thou trees of beauty hush'd with sound  
 Round which so much revolves,  
 Only by thee a spell is bound,  
 For elsewhere it dissolves.  
 For ever upward soar thy trunks,  
 With bark so grey and old;  
 The birds, the bees, the stoats, the skunks,  
 To thee their tales have told.  
 Thou listen'd ever with faith and love  
 To many a tale of woe,  
 And helped by a guiding hand above,  
 Told what they ought to know—  
 That God is someone always near  
 To cherish, shield and guide;  
 There's never a need to fret or fear  
 When He is by your side—  
 Through trees doth God His message send  
 To all who wish to hear;  
 Many a bough from the weight doth bend  
 For the burden of life to bear.  
 So venture forth with a bold, brave face  
 Into a world of doubt,  
 Where pardon is a word of grace,  
 And of His praises shout.

D. Dicey, Form VI.

## POURQUOI J'AIME LA LANGUE FRANCAISE

Au cours de mes voyages j'ai entendu parler plusieurs langues. Chacune a son charme et ses traditions. Mais il y en a une qui m'a particulièrement impressionnée, c'est la langue française.

Avant de vous expliquer les qualités particulières du français, je voudrais vous faire un aperçu de l'histoire de cette langue. En effet le français a été formé graduellement par la combinaison du latin avec les divers dialectes parlés en Gaule. Il a été perfectionné peu à peu par l'influence des écrivains et des poètes, jusqu'au dix-septième siècle, à l'époque de Louis XIV où il a atteint sa perfection.

C'est alors que les grands auteurs classiques, comme Corneille et Racine, ont donné au français cette clarté et cette concision qui ont par la suite rendu cette langue célèbre. Non seulement dans la littérature, mais aussi dans les sciences il y a peu de langues qui parviennent à exprimer les idées et les raisonnements avec tant de netteté. C'est le poète Boileau qui a décrit cette qualité fondamentale du français en deux vers célèbres:—

"Ce que l'on conçoit bien, s'énonce clairement,  
 Et les mots pour le dire arrivent aisément."

Mais la clarté du français n'est pas une clarté sèche et aride. Au contraire cette langue est si harmonieuse qu'elle fait autant de plaisir à entendre que la plus belle musique. Les grands poètes romantiques comme Victor Hugo et Lamartine ont fait chanter le français dans des vers inoubliables, dont un exemple caractéristique est cette strophe du "Lac."

"Oh temps, suspends ton vol! et vous, heures propices,  
 Suspendez votre cours!  
 Laissez-nous savourer les rapides délices  
 Des plus beaux de nos jours!"

Une autre qualité de la langue française c'est qu'elle donne carrière à l'expression d'une variété de nuances, la finesse de laquelle ne peut pas facilement être rendu dans d'autres langues. C'est peut-être pour cela que le français est la langue préférée des diplomates de toutes les nations. C'est en français aussi qu'on a d'abord exprimé les idées philosophiques et sociales du dix-huitième siècle qui ont tant contribué à l'organisation et au progrès des peuples des temps modernes.

La langue française a donc prouvé sa valeur au cours des siècles, et tous ceux qui savent l'apprécier ne peuvent s'empêcher de rendre hommage à sa beauté et à sa précision comme moyen d'expression littéraire, scientifique et philosophique.

H. SGOUTAS, FORM VI.

## DICKENS AND EMLYN WILLIAMS

Dickens, one of the most famous of the English novel writers of the eighteenth century, achieved most of his fame in his wit and satire. It was Dickens' laughing fun, in the pages of the "Pickwick Papers" which brought his fame at the early age of twenty-four. The escapades of the Pickwick Club set those who read them roaring with laughter. These gentlemen who, in quest of adventure, had so many misadventures! The seriousness with which they take themselves, and the naive way each genial soul approaches it, are treated so that some of their strange adventures seem quite natural. Nothing is too small and important for Dickens to liven up with a humorous touch which makes the "Pickwick Papers" full of fun and rollicking good nature.

Dickens' satire is as a rule in the humorous vein, hitting deep into the character, with quick shafts of wit that leave no after bitterness. Dickens makes fun with a gentle humour, just bordering on satire, at the ins and outs of human nature. His satire is put to good use, often pointing a well-aimed shaft at some old-fashioned idea.

But besides his wit and satire, Dickens must have been a very deep-thinking man, in his understanding of the characters which he portrays. He was always for improving the lot of the underdog, and for showing up the great differences between the rich and the poor of his day.

Emlyn Williams said that the main aim of his readings of Dickens to the public was to show them how lively and interesting Dickens can be; for, strange though it may seem, only too often do people announce the fact that Dickens is boring and long-winded, and that they would really rather read some novel by the recognised humorists of their day. Emlyn Williams was out to prove this theory wrong, and prove it he did. Very few of us, before we went to hear Emlyn Williams last Wednesday afternoon, had realised that there was so much diversity of character in Dickens' stories. Emlyn Williams, who must be the finest exponent of Dickens at the present time, personifies the different characters so very well that even his various laughs are typical of the particular gentleman or lady portrayed. A good example of this is found in the Tea Party of the "Pickwick Papers"—the young medical students' conversation at dinner, the characters of the young servant and the old landlady—these contrasts are shown up so clearly that one can readily create their life images.

But besides bringing out the humour of Dickens, Emlyn Williams also emphasises the pathos. This is done so well that one can easily picture the small boy, Paul, of "Dombey and Son," and the old woman who loved his father so very dearly; or again the tragedy of the poor child who was run over by the Marquis' coach in the "Tale of Two Cities." Who can equal the excitement and feeling of the supernatural in the Ghost Story from the "Christmas Stories"?

But this could go on for a very long time. Clearly it may be seen that we are all very much indebted to Emlyn Williams for re-introducing Dickens to us; and I am sure that I am not the only one who, on arriving home, immediately went to the bookshelf and took down one of Dickens' works.

S. NORGATE AND R. SPENCE, FORM V.

## ALONE BY THE SEA

The water, like crystal reflecting the sun,  
 Sparkled and glistened, before eve had spun  
 The full glory that comes when the fiery ball  
 Sinks from the world, leaving darkness to fall.

I looked into a pool where I saw my face,  
 Then my eyes pierced through the shining surface,  
 And there I could see, in its full majesty,  
 The life of the watery realms under the sea.

There were pebbles, so smooth, blinking up at my face;  
 There was seaweed, that floated around with a grace  
 More even than dancers, and without such a pace,  
 Where the life of the pool found hiding place.

There were starfish, which clung to the jagged rocks  
 Surrounding the pool, in coloured frocks,  
 Which, like the seaweed of red and brown,  
 Made the pool bright in her green-blue gown.

Then a giant-like wave came thundering in,  
 And burst on the rocks with a threatening din,  
 Throwing spray high above me, and then crashing down,  
 Thus cracking the glass and making it frown.

So the pool, disturbed by the foamy spray,  
 Frightened the fish, which darted away,  
 And the starfish and crab, and the snail and the prawn  
 Moved creeping and crawling to hide from the storm.

I looked up from the pool, and saw that the sun  
 Had left me in darkness; he'd finished his fun,  
 And the sombre black shadows, which Night had untied,  
 Crept stealthily round and did everything hide.

So I left the pool, which quiet and serene  
 Had held my heart like a mystic queen,  
 And sea-music and scents faded slowly away,  
 As I walked from my dreamland, to go on life's way.

D. RUSSELL, Form V.

## PIED GLORY

The scene was Signal Hill, shrouded in the glory of Spring; the setting was late evening.

All was silent except for the soft whispering of the trees. The sun was gone, but the sky was still a burning gold; a gold which, in touching the flecked hillsides, resembled splashes of tinted dew. Below, beyond the docks, the sea was swelling gently, reflecting in its watery depth the shrinking rays of sunset. A picturesque yacht glided over the Bay, creaming the ripples in its wake.

A perfect setting for a perfect evening; a setting showing the Cape in all its majestic glory, enhanced by the millions of pied daisies. Daisies everywhere, growing in great masses on the slopes, amongst the rocks, between the trees, in the ditches; covering every available piece of ground with their luxuriant growth. Daisies so thick that one was afraid to tread lest some be crushed; daisies tinting the air with their soft scent, lifting up speckled heads to Heaven.

In wonder I gazed upon all this beauty and wild extravagance of Nature: here lay the key to the mystical beauty of the Cape; here was all its illusive charm, captured in one master stroke by the Creator.

Darkness fell, the spell was broken. The daisies were closing up their fragile beauty . . . but the memory remained.

A. PAED, Vth Form.

### ROOI ELS

Rooi Els is beyond Gordon's Bay, just before Cape Hangklip. The approach is an excellent road made by Italian Prisoners of War; it winds around the foot of the stark mountains, sandwiched between them and the thunderous roar of the surf below which crashes against the rocky coast.

Near Rooi Els one lone fisherman is silhouetted against the calm surges of the sea. Nearby stands a monument, a simple cross set in concrete, to the memory of a group of Italian fishermen who lost their lives there one winter.

From the top of the pass, looking downwards, the slow-moving Rooi Els passes across a silver strand to the breakers pounding the beach, staining them with its brown, pure mountain water.

There is a cave in the hillside above the pass where, in the days before the motor road was made, fishermen used to sleep during the weekend. Now only baboons and daisies visit it.

Rooi Els by moonlight, with the silver sea below, the darkened sky above with stars pricking through, the full moon riding on high—then indeed all is enchantment and mystery.

I love this fair Cape, and although so soon to leave it, I shall not forget. It is indeed the "Fairest Cape . . ."

V. SYKES, Form V.

### THE BEGINNING OF DAY

As the first streaks of silver line the sky,  
The twinkling stars fade away,  
And night so black and dark  
Merges into day.

The sun comes up in the East,  
After its long night's rest,  
And shines on the clouds  
Making them bright  
And forming a carpet of pink.

Birds sing praises to Heaven above,  
The cuckoo, the sparrow, the lark and the dove.  
Butterflies settle on petals soft  
Holding their wings high aloft.  
Bees in the flowers busily hum.

Yes—day has begun.

S. ELLIOTT, Upper III.

### EASTERN EVENING

The dusk was just falling, and the busy traffic of the day was tailing off to a few ricksha boys softly padding up the road; the bats were slowly wakening, and were rustling their wings in the trees. Slowly up the road came the soft chant of oriental music, and a long procession of Indians wended their way up to the temple at the top of the road.

The gay colours of the women's saris blended brightly with the white robes of the men, and the shadows were made blacker than ever by the ever-swinging lanterns and rush torches. Over the heads of the people flags gently fluttered and wove ever-changing patterns of colour. From the small band of chosen men at the head of the procession came the weird strains of Eastern music which accompanied the singing of the dark-eyed, heavily-veiled women, and the deeper, richer tones of the men who shuffled along in their sandalled feet after them.

At last the procession reached the temple, and with grave respect all sandals were removed from the feet of the people before they entered the sacred door. Then, still softly chanting, the music, veiled women and white-clad men disappeared into the temple, and the doors closed to the dark night and stillness. The evening service was held in sacred peace for the people of the East.

A. ERLSTON, Lower IV.

### A CHRISTMAS STORY

Once upon a time there was in a wood a very big fir tree. Now he was very sad. I shan't live much longer he sighed. Soon the men will come and cut me down. He was quite right. The next week some wood-cutters came marching into the wood, with great axes. Bang, bang, bang. How the axes dug into the wood. Clash bang down it came with a blow that shook the earth. They put it on a sled and pulled it up the snow. They brought it to a house. A little girl came out and she hung blue and red and gold balls, and silver snips, silver balls, then she put presents on him.

He was the happiest tree in the world.

The End.

MARION JESSE. Age 7 years. Transition.



Linocut by C. Papworth.

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 Circle P: J. L. Gardner (Gie), Hunter's Lodge, Alexandria, C.P.  
 Circle Q: M. de Villiers, Charente, Eyton Road, Claremont, C.P.  
 Circle R: I. Schumer, Bon Ami, Stirling Road, Claremont, Cape.  
 Circle S: J. Hofmeyr, Francenhof, Rowan Avenue, Kenilworth Cape.  
 Circle T: (Those leaving during 1954): R. Reilly, Pleasant Acre, Milner Road, Rondebosch.

## MINUTES OF THE 28th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the 28th Annual General Meeting held at Herschel in the Library on Saturday, 18th November, 1954, at 2 p.m.

Among those present were: Miss McLean (in the Chair), Mrs. Steyn, Miss Craik, Miss Harasant, Mrs. Withers, P. Dicey, F. Douglas, R. Liebermann, E. Bryant, L. Hyde Jones, C. Crafoord, A. J. Hofmeyr, C. Arbuthnot, C. Russell, C. Baumann, L. Sumner, N. Bettison, I. Schumer, M. Sgoutas, R. Withiel, A. Barry, G. Packer, T. Bergh, C. Faure, D. Brooke, V. Brock, M. Impey, P. Aubrey, J. Stoddart, A. Hall, A. Hollebhone, P. Lindsay (secretary).

Apologies: H. D'Ewes, P. Raath, B. Sandell, J. de Wet, Miss Murray, J. Lawrence, J. Carolin, W. Melck, L. Croudace, S. Henderson, B. Fry, D. Cronwright, F. Thorne, J. Watson, C. Watson, J. Trengove Jones, Joyce Lewis, R. Brown, D. Thomas, A. Simpson, J. Dix Hart, M. Kneen, D. Austin, G. Syfret, B. Collings, M. Lith A. Mertens, H. Vincent, P. Hogsett, L. Garlick, S. Knight, M. Regnier, Miss Mulliner, M. de Villiers, V. Herud, M. Cloete, E. Steens, D. O'Connell, P. McCarthy, Jane and Susan Ethelston, E. Appleyard.

Minutes: Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting held in the Library on 21st November, 1953, and Minutes of an Extraordinary General Meeting held in the Library on 20th May, 1954, were read and confirmed.

Arising from the Minutes: With regard to appointing an honorary auditor, it was reported that no one had actually been appointed, but Virginia Brock said that she would ask a Mr. Hill of Stuttards if he would undertake to do this.

Finance and "The Hill": The Treasurer reported that she had paid an amount of £500 to Herschel Extension Fund on behalf of O.H.A.

"The Hill": Miss McLean said that the appeal for funds for the purchase, alteration and equipping of the Hill was progressing satisfactorily, although there was still a long way to go. Anything which the Old Girls could raise towards this fund would be much appreciated.

### Election of Committee:

Secretary: P. Lindsay agreed to continue her duties as secretary for another year.

Treasurer: P. Dicey agreed to carry on her work as Acting Treasurer until Adele Jooste returned in February.

Magazine Editor: Thelma Bergh was proposed by P. Lindsay; seconded by F. Douglas. Glendyr Packer was proposed by T. Bergh; seconded by R. Withiel. G. Stobie was proposed by I. Schumer; seconded by Rosamund Goddard.

R. Withiel was proposed by M. Impey; seconded by T. Bergh.

Thelma Bergh was elected.

R. Reilly (Present Head Girl) was welcomed on to the committee in Janette Hofmeyer's place.

*Secretary's Report:* The Secretary reported that the Old Girls had been doing their best to raise money for the Extension Fund. Several members had collected together and sent out brochures signed by the Archbishop, and it was hoped that these would bring good results.

The Secretary had been to several meetings of the parents and Council held at the School for the purpose of discussing "The Hill" and ways and means of raising money.

Ingrid Schumer and Circle "R" had organised a most successful dance in Rondebosch Parish Hall, and had managed to raise £80 towards the Extension Fund. We congratulate them on this very good effort.

*Honorary Member:* It was proposed by Fenella Douglas that Miss Lansdale should be made an honorary member of the O.H.A. in consideration of the interest she had always taken in the Old Girls and the work she had done for the Association. This was seconded by Glendyr Packer (Orr) and unanimously passed.

*Match Officer:* In order to stimulate interest in matches against the School, it was decided to appoint a match officer, and Pat Dukes was proposed by Ingrid Schumer, seconded by Norma Bettison, and unanimously elected.

Miss McLean passed a vote of thanks to the Secretary, and E. Bryant (Pargiter) thanked Miss McLean for entertaining the Old Girls to lunch and for tea.

The Meeting then closed.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1954

##### BANK ACCOUNT

|              |                                           | Debit     | Credit    |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Jan. 1954  | Balance in Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank |           | 451 6 10  |
|              | Balance in Cape Trust Funds               |           | 156 5 0   |
| 7 Jan. 1954  | Banked (Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank)   |           | 110 12 8  |
| 12 Nov. 1954 | Banked (Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank)   |           | 16 10 0   |
| 30 Dec. 1954 | Banked (Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank)   |           | 9 4 0     |
| 4 Jan. 1955  | Banked (Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank)   |           | 8 10 3    |
|              | Interest to 31.12.1953                    |           | 14 19 10  |
| 12 Nov. 1954 | Paid Herschel Extension Fund              | 500 0 0   |           |
|              | Paid School Magazines                     | 50 5 0    |           |
|              |                                           | 550 5 0   |           |
|              | Balance in Bank                           | 208 3 7   |           |
|              |                                           | £1767 8 7 | £1767 8 7 |

##### CASH ACCOUNT

|              |                                        | Debit     | Credit    |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Jan. 1954  | Cash in Hand                           |           | 6 0 11    |
|              | Received in Annual Subscriptions       |           | 15 7 6    |
|              | Received in Life Members Subscriptions |           | 131 5 0   |
|              | Sale of Badges                         |           | 16 6      |
|              | General Expenses                       | 5 7 8     |           |
| 1 Mar. 1954  | Van Riebeeck Society Subscription      | 15 0      |           |
| 10 Mar. 1954 | Honours Board Lettering                | 1 1 0     |           |
|              | Banked as per Bank Account             | 144 16 11 |           |
| 31 Dec. 1954 | Cash Balance in Hand                   | 1 9 4     |           |
|              |                                        | £153 9 11 | £153 9 11 |

#### Total Assets of Old Herschellians Association, 31.12.1954

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance in Bank as per Bank Account | 208 3 7    |
| Cash Balance in Hand                | 1 9 4      |
|                                     | £209 12 11 |

## NEWS OF OLD HERSCHELIANS

## ENGAGEMENTS

*Du Toit-Watson.* In February, John Paul, son of Mr. R. P. du Toit of Sea Point and Mrs. Jeanne du Toit of Kenilworth to Priscilla Anne, daughter of the Hon. S. F. Watson, M.P., and Mrs. Watson of Kenilworth, C.P.

*Austin-Douglas Hamilton.* Ian Emslie Austin, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Austin of Johannesburg to Diana Douglas Hamilton, only daughter of Mrs. B. Arbuthnot and the late Mr. P. S. Douglas Hamilton of Wynberg.

*Morris-Howie.* In April, Oliver Miles, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. James Morris of Wynberg and Nancy Jean Margaret, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. M. N. Howie of Plumstead and the late Mr. Adrian M. Howie, O.B.E.

*Woods-Rudd.* In July, in London, Mr. C. M. Woods, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Woods and Gillian, only daughter of Mr. Jack Rudd of Johannesburg and the Hon. Mrs. W. H. Robertson Aikman of Lanarkshire, Scotland.

*Pare-Thomas.* In August, Timothy, youngest son of Mrs. A. N. Pare and the late Mr. Maurice Pare of Somerset West, to Diani, youngest daughter of Commander G. V. Thomas and the late Mrs. Thomas of Rondebosch.

*Sillars-Sellar.* Angus Crawford McWilliam of Stuckenduff, Shandon, Dumbartonshire, the youngest son of Lt.-Col. and Mrs. R. G. Sillars of Altnabuaie, Garelochhead, Dumbartonshire, to Caroline Rose, only daughter of Commander and Mrs. K. M. Sellar (Molly Thorne) of Byways, Hartford, Sussex.

*De Kock-Dacey.* On 29th October, Pieter, son of Mrs. S. E. de Kock and the late Mr. J. S. de Kock of Stellenbosch, to Patricia, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Dacey of Wolseley.

## MARRIAGES

*Breakell-Maskell.* On 22nd January, 1954, at Wynberg Presbyterian Church, Kenilworth, Serena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Maskell of Newlands, to Paul Fitzroy Breakell, son of Mrs. Breakell of Kenilworth, Cape, and the late Mr. B. F. Breakell.

*Vine-Rhodes.* On 22nd January at the Dockyard Church, Simonstown, Instructor, Lieut. Leslie D. Vine, R.N., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Vine of Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, to Sylvia, elder daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rhodes of Elsenburg and Simonstown.

*Austin-Douglas Hamilton.* At St. John's Church, Wynberg, on 15th May, Ian Emslie Austin to Diana Douglas Hamilton.

*Morris-Howie.* At Wynberg Presbyterian Church on 12th June, Oliver Morris to Nancy Howie.

*Lith-O'Connell.* On 19th June at St. Saviour's, Claremont, Anthonie Theodorus, son of Mrs. and Mrs. C. Lith of Rotterdam, Holland, to Maureen Joan, daughter of Mrs. F. M. O'Connell and the late Mr. M. O'Connell.

*Hartford-Corder.* At Diocesan College Chapel on 20th June, Peter Hartford to Margot Corder.

*Du Toit-Watson.* At St. Saviour's Church, Claremont, on 20th August, Paul du Toit to Priscilla Watson.

*Mawer-Mann.* At St. Simon Zelotes, Lennox Gardens, London, S.W.3., on 9th October, Mr. John Mawer to Sheila, only daughter of Commander and Mrs. W. S. Mann (Heather Close).

*Couch-Starck.* At St. John's Church, Wynberg, on 4th December, Dr. Leslie Glen Couch, son of Mr. J. T. Couch of Durban and the late Mrs. Couch, to Felicity Anne, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Starck of Lidcot, Kenilworth.

*Horner-Silberbauer.* On 4th December at the Diocesan College Chapel, Rondebosch, Second-Lieut. Kenneth Horner, S.A.E.C. (A.C.F.), son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. V. Horner of Newlands, to Laura Elizabeth, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Silberbauer of Newlands.

*Jooste-Norgarb.* On 17th November at St. Saviour's Church, Claremont, Celia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norgarb, to Douglas, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Jooste of Kenilworth.

*Jennings-Viney.* On November 2nd at Christ Church, Kenilworth, Anthony Jennings, younger son of Mrs. V. Jennings of Muizenberg and of Mr. C. K. Jennings of East London, to Miranda, daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Viney of Newlands and the late Major M. B. Viney.

## BIRTHS

*Hands.* To Blanche (Milla) and Colin on 14th August a son.

*Packer.* To Glendyr (Orr) and Peter on 10th September a son.

*Cloete.* To Marjorie (Harbottle) and Nigel on 22nd September a daughter.

*Thom.* On 31st August to Duncan and Annette (Foot) a daughter.

*Knight*. On 6th November to David and Nicolette (de Villiers) a son.

*Sergeant*. To Gillian (Wilks) and Patrick in 25th November in London a daughter, *Edwards*. To Diana (Rimer) and Paul Edwards on 26th November in London, a son.

*Foster*. On 18th January to Pamela (Mueller) wife of Dr. Patrick Foster, a son, at Cambridge, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

*Henderson*. On 28th January to Sandy and Sheila (Baxter) a daughter.

*Lindbergh*. In Johannesburg on 2nd February to Michael and Rosamund (Kirk) a daughter.

*Abhoff*. To Moira (Black) and Ronald on 14th February a daughter.

*Browne*. To Anne (Denniston) wife of Lieut.-Commander A. K. M. Browne, Royal Navy, on 2nd March, a son.

*Blanch*. On 4th April at Kitchener, Ontario, to Judy (Makin) wife of J. Rayner Blanch, a son.

*Versfeld*. To Martin and Barbara (Barr) on 7th April, a daughter.

*Gardner*. To Lois (Gie) and Douglas at Alexandria, Cape, on 14th May, a daughter.

*Seed*. On 20th June at Hythe, Kent, to Belinda (Nunnerley) and Anthony, a son.

*Gallie*. To Angela (Struben) wife of Captain Brian Gallie, Royal Navy, on 24th June, a son.

*Guiness*. To Jackie (Brink) and Michael on 23rd July a daughter.

*Quinn*. To Honor (Hall) and David on 15th August in Nairobi, Kenya, a son.

*Brookes*. To Marygold (Page-Wood) and Michael, in November, a son.

*Pollock*. To Elizabeth Ann (Keeling) and Michael a son.

#### DEATH

*Friel*. In Johannesburg on 31st December, 1954, Betty (Paterson) wife of G. S. Friel and twin sister of Molly Robinson.

Of particular interest to the older Old Herschelians will be the news of the wedding of Commander and Mrs. W. S. Mann's (*Heather Close's*) daughter, Sheila, to Mr. John Mawer, which took place in London on 9th October. Sheila is the first child of an Old Girl to be married and she and her husband have settled in a flat in Kensington. Two other engagements of "grandchildren" of the School are those of Carolyn Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hill (*Kathleen Buchanan*) and Caroline Sellar, daughter of Commander and Mrs. K. A. Sellar (*Molly Thorne*). Caroline was at Herschel during the war, and plans to be married in April when she and her future husband (Angus Sillars) will make their home in Scotland.

*Yvonne Hill (de Villiers)* and her husband flew to Britain from Australia for a three and a half months' visit this year, travelling over the Pacific with stops at New Zealand, Honolulu, San Francisco and New York, and returning via Switzerland, Beirut and Singapore. They spent some time on the Continent, in Holland and Austria and did some climbing in the Alps, where the flowers in the summer were unbelievably beautiful. All of Yvonne's four children are now at School and as she has more free time now she has taken up painting again.

*Eleanor Wadlow (Vaughan-Jones)* and her husband, Commander Peter Wadlow, are now stationed at Portland and the *Peter Hallileys* (Joan Wadlow) are living in their house at Chobham, in Surrey, as Commander Halliley is working at the Admiralty. Eleanor had seen something of *Angela Gallie (Struben)*, whose husband has recently been promoted to a Captain in the Navy. The Gallies live quite near Portland in an attractive old house set in a lovely walled garden, with a stream running through it. Angela has two children—a daughter called Lavinia, and a six-month-old son, of whom she is very proud. Her father, Captain Charles Struben, had been over on a visit to see her this year. The Wadlow's elder daughter has left school and is doing a secretarial course at Mrs. Hoster's, in London, and their younger girl is still at school at Wycombe Abbey.

*Cecily Wood (Arderne)* has changed her name by deed poll to Cameron-Wood and is still living at Bexhill. Her elder son, Michael, won a County Scholarship and is studying for his B.Sc. at London University. Her younger son, James, has done his National Service and goes up to Cambridge next year.

*Beatrice Elliott (McLachlan)* came out on a visit to the Cape with her husband and young daughter Jean, and returned to England just before Christmas. Beatrice had seen something of *Joan Rylands (Payne)* when Joan was in England before leaving for Hong Kong with her husband and two daughters. Her husband is acting Captain of the Dockyard there. Another Old Girl living in Hong Kong at present is Pam Walker (*Hawley*). The Rylands were stationed in Gibraltar during the Royal Visit and Joan and her daughter Tessa, now aged 18, were both presented to the Queen.

*Rona Upcher (McIntyre)* and her husband are now living in France, near Versailles, where Colonel Upcher is the O.C. of Headquarters of the British Troops in France. They are enjoying the change after being out in the Sudan for several years. Rona's two elder daughters, Victoria and Janet Anderson, are both at boarding school in England, and Victoria is coming out on a visit to South Africa at the end of January in order to see her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McIntyre, and her father's relations.

*Joan Fraser-Harris (Smithers)* arrived from Ottawa at the beginning of December on a visit to her mother. Others in Cape Town for Christmas were *Iris Hughes (Michaelis)*, *Sheila Greenwood (Duncan)* and *Valerie Gasson (Kinghorn)* who came out from England with her husband and two small daughters. Dr. John Gasson recently passed his final examination for the F.R.C.S. degree and they will be returning to London, where he has an appointment. *Suzanne Wiltshire (Drennan)* and her husband were also on holiday in Cape Town before Christmas and were reluctant to return to Rhodesia where they live.

*Hope Beaumont's (Wood's)* husband, Trevor Beaumont took part in the coelacanth expedition earlier this year along with Mr. Ivor Sandell, *Barbara Szedell's* father, so Old Herschelians were represented in the Field of Research as well! Hope's daughter has gone over to England this year, and she is now studying at Ashridge House.

*Molly Small (Murphy)* has recently returned after a year's visit to England with her husband, and *Belinda Seed (Nunnerley)*, who has been living in the South of England, brought her small son to the Cape and left him with her mother for the 18 months during which she will be staying with her husband, who is serving in Malta. Another Naval wife is *Felicity Hervey-Maclean (Cloete)* who married in England this year. Felicity "camp followed" her husband round Scotland when his ship was on a cruise there, and took a job in Edinburgh for two months. For the last 18 months *Diana McNery (Compton)* and her husband, Lieut. McNery have been staying at Simonstown where her husband was stationed, and when he returns to England in January she and her small son Christopher will visit her parents in Kimberley.

*Dulcie Houes (Mrs. Guy Crowder)* who has done so much for ballet in South Africa was awarded a Certificate of Merit and a Monetary Grant for her long and outstanding service to Ballet by the Cape Tercentary Foundation. The aim of the Foundation is to create a tradition in which the Certificate of Merit would be recognised in cultural circles as the hallmark of excellence. Awards are made in different subjects each year, and we send our heartiest congratulations to Dulcie for receiving recognition in this way.

*Orcillia Lasch (Martin)* and her husband took part in the world Gliding Contests which were held at Great Hucklow, Derbyshire, this year. Orcillia's three daughters are at school in Johannesburg at Kingsmead, and she sees something of *Mary Fiddian-Green (Barter)* whose son is at school at the Ridge, which *Vivienne Southern's (van der Byl)* son also attends. Vivienne's sister, *Betty Spilhaus*, is another Old Girl living in Johannesburg, and Betty's younger boy, *Alastair*, at the age of 15, matriculated brilliantly and is now at the Witwatersrand University. *Pam Smuts* is in her final year of the nursing diploma at St. Bartholomew's, London. She loves her work and in her leisure likes especially to enjoy the rich musical life of London.

*Mary van der Byl* is still with Pan American Airways and after being over in Washington is now living at Windsor where she is Secretary at the P.A.A. Training School for Airways personnel. Her sister *Nicolette McPherson* is living in London. *Elizabeth Webster* is also in London and has a job as secretary at an Ealing film studio. *Jane Dix-Hart* who has started work with a firm of architects hopes to go over to England to visit her next year.

*Moir Abbott (Black)* and her husband recently sold their main farm and lovely old house *Die Oude Drostdy*, Tulbagh, and will be living at Cupar, Main Road, Glencairn, for the next four months. They have kept on one farm at Tulbagh where they will live until they make further plans. *Edith Bryant (Pargiter)* and her husband have also sold their house at Rondebosch and are building on the Southern Cross Estate. Edith's daughter is now at Herschel.

*Enerley Panekes (Apsey)* is very happily settled at Whangarie on the North Island of New Zealand where her husband is now farming. Her niece, *Miranda Viney*, married Mr. Anthony Jennings a few months ago and has gone to live in Pretoria where he is doing architectural research.

*Pat Sanguinetti (Craig Martin)* has come out to visit her sister Mollie at Addo.

*Patricia Lindsay* and *Patricia Dicey*, who plans to be married in April, were bridesmaids at *Priscilla Waterson's* wedding in August. The reception was held at Fernwood, Newlands—the Club for Members of Parliament. *Priscilla* and her husband, who is an attorney, are now happily settled in their home at Cathcart, although they managed to come to Cape Town for a week's holiday over Christmas.

Miss Harsant was overseas this year on six months' leave and saw something of Miss Lansdale, who is now teaching at Ashford School in Kent, and also Miss Stevenson and Mrs. Mossop who is furthering her studies in music. Other news of ex-staff is that Mrs. Hyde (Miss Hebditch) had twin daughters in November. Mrs. Prout is living near Oxford as her husband is doing atomic research, and Mrs. Turner (Miss Botha-Reid) who is living in London has just been out on a visit to her mother. Mrs. Wood (Miss Godby) is now working in Maskew Millers, Cape Town. Miss Robinson and Miss Willis have now settled permanently at 97, Ridge Road, Scottsville, Pietermaritzburg, where they will be pleased to see any Old Herschellians who may be passing through. Miss Robinson has been acting headmistress at Maritzburg Collegiate this year. She was asked to present the prizes on their Founders' Day at Durban Girls College, of which she is a past principal.

Jennifer Radland has announced her engagement to Colin Bickle who is a farmer in Rhodesia and they plan to be married in April this year. Jennifer Barry has returned home after doing a course at Constance Spry's, and she helped with the floral decorations for the Coronation. Janet King has nearly completed her training as a nurse at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London. Virginia Ogilvie-Thompson who is taking a B.A. degree at Rhodes University will be leaving for England shortly in order to do a trip to the Continent with her brother Julien, who is a Rhodes scholar. Elizabeth Windham has a secretarial job at Livingstone. Rowena Pearce is studying Art in England, and Rosemary Roberts is in Geneva learning French. Gillian Glennie is studying physiotherapy at Guy's Hospital.

Judy Blanch (Makin) is back in England and is living in Blackheath after several years in Canada. She has two small sons. Her sister Virginia, with her mother and brother, has gone to join them in London.

Rosemary Liebermann (Godbold) does a great deal of work for various charities, her special interest being the Athlone Nursery School for Non-European children. News of Irene Holland (Gardiner) is that she is living in Jersey and now has plenty of time to keep up her great interest in music.

Diana Brooke returned in April from a four-month holiday in Europe. In London she saw oil paintings by her sister Alice Elahi in the Young Contemporaries' Exhibition, and the International Womens Art Club. Diana teaches at the College of Music in Cape Town and has lately been giving concert performances. Lynette Phillips (Erikson) who was also on holiday in Europe and England this year has returned to her home in Durban. Ruth Bradburn (Gurney) now lives in Johannesburg, where her husband Stanley is branch manager of an Insurance Company. In November she motored down to Somerset West with her husband and two children Garath and Glynis to spend a short holiday with her father Mr. Gurney. Peggy Furlong (Hill) whose husband has transferred from the Royal Marines to Signals is now living in Southbourne, England; and Yvonne Gull (Hestlop) was 1953 Western Province Womens Golf Champion, but was too busy to enter this year because she was looking after Rupert, her baby son. Yvonne's husband, Michael Gull, is farming at Somerset West.

Kathleen Kreft (Walker) comes into Cape Town from her home in Durbanville once a week to go out on sketching classes with Mrs. Morris (Mrs. Morris who used to teach Art at Herschel).

Angela Barry and Pat Lindsay are both working at the Chamber of Commerce in Cape Town, and Jennifer Johnstone has obtained her Bachelor of Architecture degree and is working for a firm of architects in Johannesburg where she is living with her family. Adele Jooste, Gill Paver and Barbara Bolus have been sharing a flat in London, and when Adele and Gill come home in February, after spending Christmas in Austria, Barbara will probably continue to work in London for some time.

Maureen McLennan (Bourke) and her husband plan to visit Britain, the Continent and America this year. They are farming at present near Nelspruit in the E. Transvaal.

Celia Jooste (Norrbj) has given up her job with the Social Welfare Department and she and her husband are living in Fish Hoek where they have taken a flat for the summer months. Diana Austin (Douglas-Hamilton) recently returned from a three months' honeymoon, motoring round Britain and the Continent. They are planning to buy a farm as soon as possible.

Anne Phillips is teaching ballet in Cape Town. Viridiane Fehr is teaching elocution in Cape Town. Roma Resnekov (Ashton) and her husband are pleased to be back in Cape Town with their daughter Michele after spending three months overseas combining business and pleasure. Yvonne Roux is studying at the Royal College of Music in London. She spent her summer vacation touring the Continent with her mother.

Ruth Fuller (McLeod) writes from London to say that she is finding herself busy looking after her husband and baby daughter, Anne Margaret. Anne Hall is keeping house for her father and two younger sisters in Fish Hoek. They are all sailing for England in January and plan to stay there for a year at least. Rita Easton (Levefan)

and her husband and child have recently returned to Cape Town. Rita has been excelling at golf again and won the Western Province Women's Golf Championships in November. Lois Gardner (Gie) was down here over Christmas visiting her parents with her husband and baby daughter Gillian. They have a pineapple farm near Alexandria in the Eastern Cape. Anne Stansbury finished a secretarial course at St. James College, London, and started work with an accountant's firm in London in November. During the September vacation she met her mother in Venice and they toured Italy and other parts of the Continent.

Owynne Buchanan is still secretary to an officer in the Rhine Army in Germany and loving it there. She plans to meet her mother in England in July.

Helen Vincent is working for a legal firm after a wonderful holiday overseas which included six weeks on the Continent. She went punting with Susan Wilson at Cambridge where Sue was working for a doctor. Mollie Bennett is working for the Brian Brooke Company and has had important parts in several successful productions this year. Margaret Impey is on the personnel management staff in a large Cape Town factory. She is looking forward to seeing her brother and sister-in-law Anne Impey (Palmer) when they come out to be stationed in Simonstown later this year.

Mary Jones has unfortunately had to give up nursing for health reasons and is with Syfrets now. Shirley Hooce came back to Cape Town from England in July and is acting as secretary to Evelyn Fisher, who is a child psychologist and is becoming very well known in this sphere.

Shirley Himing is working for a firm in Cape Town and will be getting married to Ken Duncan in March and going over to England for her honeymoon.

Elizabeth Appleford is working as a librarian at U.C.T. She and her mother are now living in Cape Town.

Jane Marshall is engaged to Denis Norman and plans to be married early this year. She has been working in Salisbury, after qualifying as a primary school teacher and art specialist at Grahamstown and Cape Town.

Barbara Baker is studying at London University after doing her B.A. at Rhodes and is staying at the Sister Trust. Diane Marshall is doing a secretarial course in London, and Mary Gibbs will be going to England to join her family in March when she finishes her B.Sc. course at U.C.T.

Val Topham is at Seafare House and spent her July leave in the Drakensberg with the Natal Mountain Club. Mary de Villiers is having a holiday with friends near Lusaka after qualifying at Rhodes where she was head woman student this year.

At U.C.T. graduation Stephanie Shub got her B.A. Anne Robertson got a B.A. with distinction in History and has been awarded an overseas scholarship for two years. She hopes to start Part II of the History tripos at Cambridge in October. Jean Pollard, who did B.Sc. (Hons) this year has also been offered a scholarship and has applied to do further geographical study at Cambridge. She will be teaching temporarily at St. Cyprian's next year.

Of those who left Herschel at the end of 1953 a large number have gone to U.C.T. They include Susan Broughton, Helen D'Ewes, Margaret Gordon Bagnall, Jill Gurney, Lynette Holmes, Marian Kreen (who got firsts in all subjects), Barbara Liefieldt, Pat McCarthy and Lynette Sumner who are all taking B.A. degrees. Janette Hofmeyr is studying librarianship and Christine Stobie is also at U.C.T. doing B.Mus.

Jennifer Forsyth is at the Training College in Grahamstown doing primary school teaching, and Pat Dukes is doing nursery school teaching at Berkeley House. Norma Bettison is in her final year at the Training College. Rosemary Robertson is studying languages at Geneva for a year, after which she intends going to London to do a secretarial course. Others doing secretarial courses are Jean Burton, Christine Faure, also Caroline Craford, Nanette Elliot, Linda Hyde-Jones and Barbara Sandell who all intend going overseas next year.

Elspeth Grant was in London doing a secretarial course for most of this year and she is spending a winter holiday in Switzerland and then coming back to Cape Town in February where she will do social science at U.C.T. With her at the same college is Anne Mair, and Diana Murray is at the House of Citizenship, Ashridge. Claire Russell is running a flower shop with her sister in Rondebosch, and is enjoying it very much. Anne Warr is sailing round the world in a yacht for three years.

Patricia Thresher left for England in March, 1954, and stayed in Oxford for some months. She now has a job in the advertising Department of Clarnico, Ltd. Lindsay Williams is doing modelling work in London and Erica Breilsford has just returned from England where she was studying at a secretarial college. She is up in Rhodesia where she plans to work. Also back from England is Fiona Janish who is now working in Cape Town.

Wendy Francis sailed for England last month and Jill Russell will follow her shortly. They will both study dramatic art.

Virginia McKenna who recently had a leading role in the West End production of "The River Line" is married to Denham Elliott. She is emphatic that they have no intention of being a co-starring stage and film team, however!

Gillian Boyd (Parker) is establishing herself as a talented designer for the theatre. She designed the stately costumes for Jasmine Honore's medieval ballet "Margaret of Cortona" and most recently those for the University Ballet production of "Coppelia."

Jasmine Honore's Spanish ballet "Amor Eterno" was given a welcome revival in the recent Little Theatre ballet season.

Elizabeth Topping (Kay) besides looking after her family has a full-time teaching position, teaches ballet once a week and keeps up her music.

Nada te Water (Waterman) is a busy housewife, but has found time to take the part of "Mary" in the recent Cape Town production of Carols by Candlelight, while her husband took the part of "Joseph."

Destree Picton-Seymour gave a successful exhibition of her work at the Association of Arts Gallery in September. At the moment she is completing her new book "Transvaal Republican," an anthology of interesting Transvaal buildings.

Jessica de Wet and Sally Simson are both in Johannesburg. Audrey Payne (Taylor) is now living in East London, and so are Nancy Morris (Howie) and Sheila Sharp (Langford). Sonia Hollebone has been in England for 18 months and is returning in June. Margaret Mitchell has written part of her final exam. in medicine and will finish in June. Marianna Grobbelaar (Metje) whose husband is in the Consular Service was stationed in Rio de Janeiro for two years until May of this year, but has now been transferred to Pretoria. Barbara Braufl was married in January to Michael Moir and they are now living in Limbe, Nyasaland. Her husband is in the Colonial Service.

Jean Bramford (Gordon Brown) is now living in Durban where her husband is a lecturer in English at Natal University. Eve Durrant (Gibson) was married early this year and has been living in a caravan in Rhodesia. She was down in Cape Town on holiday with her baby daughter Judy and came to Old Girls Day.

Elizabeth Anne Daughlish has now finished her nursing course at St Bartholomews and will be doing maternity nursing in Redruth, Cornwall.

Penelope Anne Southam was married in May to David Colins and is living in England.

Robin Knight who is working for the Shell Company in Cape Town plans to be married in March to John Robins.

Val King returned from England some months ago and is now living with her parents in Bulawayo where she has a job.

Honor Quinn (Hall) whose husband is a surgeon in the R.A.M.C. is living in Nanyuki, Kenya.

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