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1900-1975

It would be to break with tradition to deny that St. Bede's has no problems in its seventy-fifth year! It would also be in this age of change one of those minor miracles which we should not expect. The problems of changing from a grammar school to a comprehensive school in an age of financial restriction and falling population are bound to be many, but they will be met and, as far as possible, solved. The school's seventy-five years of growth and change have shown it to be a living institution, and it therefore changes to meet the changes in its environment. If it did not change, it would die, and you can be assured that it is very much alive.

IN BRIEF

September brought the beginning of a new school year, the 75th in the lifetime of St. Bede's, and with it an unusually large number of new members of Staff. We welcome the Misses Farquhar, Longden and Winter, Dr. Mather and Messrs. Longwill, Mahoney, Skowronski. Mrs. Holmes and Mr. Ramsay left at Christmas, and the reins of the Chemistry Department were taken up by Mr. Narey. Messrs. Kykot and Petrovic joined us after Christmas to contribute to the smooth running of things scientific.

The Heaton Public Library, the result of collaboration between St. Bede's and the Libraries Department, was in use on our return. After twelve months it can be said that the venture has exceeded all expectations and it is proving an invaluable asset not only to the school but also to the residents of Heaton.

Although St. Bede's opened on the 12th of June, 1900, the commemoration of the Anniversary was brought forward to the Feast of St. Bede, and Fr. Pathe in his homily at the Jubilee Mass brought out with emphasis the principles laid down by the founders of the school. Later the Old Boys' Association commemorated the event on 27th June with Mass in the presence of Bishop Moverley, an excellent buffet supper and a display of photographs and other Baediana in the Library.

Last year the Magazine recorded the death of Mgr. Tindall. This year, unhappily, we have to chronicle the deaths of Jim Branigan and George Forrester. Tribute is paid elsewhere to these two remarkable men, giants in their time, whose influence for good on the School is impossible to measure. May they rest in peace.

At the end of May Dr. Mather left to take up a Research Fellowship in the University of Cambridge. We wish him well. And as term closes the time of valediction approaches. Miss Mulqueen leaves us for pastures new, as do Mr. Stamp (who leaves behind indelible memories of performances in "The Beggar's Opera" and "Zigger Zagger"), Mr. Mahoney, bound for Turkey, and Mr. Carlin who becomes Head of R.E. in Coleraine. Heading into retirement are Mr. Hayes, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Taylor. The heat and burden of the day now passed, they will all, please God, have the time to pursue their favourite avocations undisturbed by the turbulence of school life. Their steadying influence on us all will be greatly missed, and they carry with them the good wishes of us all.

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION 1974

Passes on Special Papers

M. Capel.

Passes at Advanced Level

P. Barrett, T. Baxter, T. Beskorowajny, D. Burnett, J. Cahill, T. Cahill, M. Capel, P. Ciaffarafa, D. Clark, B. Cooper, B. Czenkusz, M. Daly, J. Derrig, A. Dick, A. Duckworth, A. Gallagher, A. Garbutt, T. Garthwaite, D. Heap, W. Iwaniuk, A. Jennings, P. Lapczak, A. Mandziuk, F. Montgomery, A. Morawski, A. Mullaney, K. Mysko, J. Nichols, N. Pankovas, T. Parker, T. Pickford, M. Papiz, H. Piotr, C. Plumb, A. Quick, E. Rowe, A. Rupkus, J. Smith, M. Smith, S. Smorzanluk, M. Levycky, M. Snee, P. Spelis, J. Sroka, J. Szuszkiewicz, J. Trytek, M. Walsh, P. Walsh, A. Warwick, G. Watkins, C. Whelan, M. Wierzbicki, K. Conroy, D. Hopper, E. Lesniak, G. Mangeolles, M. Sobczyk, D. Steward, J. Wasyluk, J. O'Melia, T. Preston, R. Smith, P. Abberton, M. Kipling, R. Le Lohe', P. Taglione.

Passes at Ordinary Level

J. Adams, D. Austwick, R. Bednareck, K. Brown, S. Cannon, M. Cooke, G. Dee, K. Drake, A. Dylak, D. Green, A. Higson, P. Ingham, R. Kordowicz, T. Lawlor, G. O'Connell, A. Sheard, R. Sheard, A. Skorupka, K. Stenson, H. Vaughan, N. Walker, J. Walsh, A. Westman, G. Wilkie, G. Ball,

K. Casey, T. Curran, A. Eatch, P. Feather, E. Hallmann, C. Hitchen, J. Isherwood, R. Jaworskyj, B. McDonald, W. Molloy, C. Nunn, D. Ratchife, R. Reynoldson, P. Rowe, P. Shepherd, M. Starkey, M. Sugden, M. Thornton, A. Tumelty, A. Walker, D. Whelan, M. Zdolyny, B. Barlaba, G. Beecroft, J. Bell, D. Conroy, G. Dunne, J. Erdelyi, P. Greenwood, K. Halligan, E. Hasioszyn, N. Holdsworth, H. Jedrzejak, K. Laban, N. Long, P. Mayor, S. Pyszlak, P. Rayner, S. Silson, B. Stecyk, P. Sullivan, S. Toothill, P. Waddicor, A. Walker, M. Whitaker, P. Barraclough, J. Copley, E. Deeney, M. Durkin, M. Florence, P. Hannon, R. Lyons, J. Melaugh, M. Proctor, D. Robinson, M. Ryan, R. Skelly, P. Smith, A. Stempien, C. Szulc, J. Verity, P. Wiehl, W. Wowczuk, P. Gallagher, P. Kruczkiwicz, D. Nichol, D. Staincliffe, G. Summers, W. Demtschuk, C. Greenwood, R. Obiedzinski, P. Abberton, K. Blaylock, J. Brear, V. Cilenti, S. Clark, M. Conway, G. Cotter, M. Couzens, C. Cragon, Y. Danielczuk, G. Donnison, M. Emsley, B. Haley, M. Hawarn, J. Healy, W. Hibbits, R. Hodgson, M. Howell, S. Johnson, C. Jones, P. Kennedy, M. Kipling, R. Le Lohe', J. Lewis, S. McDermott, R. McGrath, L. Matkowskyj, L. Misiaczek, M. Morrin, K. Mysko, R. Naplocha, D. Narey, C. Obiedzinski, A. Parkinson, M. Paynter, G. Peacock, P. Quinn, A. Redmond, R. Sagan, W. Schofield, A. Slack, P. Taglione, S. Walker, A. Zajackowski, J. Papai, M. Roche, I. Zdolyny, D. Begaj, G. Buttrick, R. Smith, G. Bottomley, J. Kusyj, R. Rayner.

CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION 1974

J. Adams, D. Austick, R. Bednarek, S. Brook, K. Brown, S. Cannon, P. Caton, M. Cooke, G. Dee, K. Drake, A. Dylak, D. Green, A. Higson, C. Hudson, P. Ingham, R. Kordowicz, T. Lawlor, G. McCarthy, G. O'Connell, B. Roszkowski, A. Sheard, R. Sheard, A. Skorupka, K. Stenson, I. Szpitter, H. Vaughan, N. Walker, J. Walsh, A. Westman, G. Wilkie, P. Bailey, G. Ball, A. Butler, K. Casey, M. Chalawka, A. Cope, T. Curran, M. Duffy, A. Eatch, P. Feather, E. Hallmann, C. Hitchen, J. Isherwood, R. Jaworskyj, G. Kudelnitzky, B. McDonald, W. Molloy, C. Nunn, A. Papuga, D. Ratchife, R. Reynoldson, P. Rowe, P. Shepherd, S. Slack, L. Sroka, M. Starkey, M. Sugden, M. Thornton, A. Tumelty, A. Walker, D. Whelan, J. Zaleski, M. Zdolyny, B. Barlaba, D. Baxter, G. Beecroft, J. Bell, P. Butterfield, J. Cockroft, D. Conroy, D. Darlow, G. Dunne, J. Ellison, J. Erdelyi, P. Greenwood, K. Halligan, E. Hasioszyn, N. Holdsworth, H. Jedrzejak, K. Laban, N. Long, P. Mayor, C. Mitchell, G. Petecchia, S. Pyszlak, P. Rayner, S. Silson, M. Stebbings, B. Stecyk, P. Sullivan, S. Toothill, P. Waddicor, M. Whitaker, P. Barraclough, A. Brien, J. Copley, E. Deeney, M. Durkin, B. Fairciough, M. Florence, P. Hannon, K. Haste, C. Keighley, R. Lyons, R. Migowski, M. Proctor, D. Robinson, M. Ryan, S. Scanlon, R. Skelly, P. Smith, A. Stempien, P. Swift, C. Szulc, J. Verity, D. Walker, P. Wiehl, B. Wilkinson, J. Wilkinson, W. Wowczuk, V. Bannon, J. Boyle, P. Cahill, M. Chriwsky, J. Clancy, E. Domanski, P. Gallagher, R. Gallagher,

C. Hammernik, P. Hird, L. Kruczkiewicz, A. Lockwood, D. Nichol, R. Oladajoye, J. Ratcliffe, J. Reynolds, D. Shaw, D. Staincliffe, G. Summers, M. Warren, N. Wigglesworth, P. Biggs, L. Bogustawski, J. Bradley, J. Brennan, M. Burke, J. Cierplol, J. Crowley, W. Demtschuk, S. Dixon, A. Gallagher, C. Greenwood, M. Janciuk, P. Kerwin, S. McCabe, J. Morris, R. Obiedzinski, G. Ratcliffe, S. Repycz, P. Scott, M. Sheerin, J. SIU, D. Stante, A. Wellock.

CERTIFICATE OF EXTENDED EDUCATION 1974

D. Begaj, T. Cahill, J. Dickson, D. O'Hara, T. Parker, M. Roche, B. Foster, M. Klosinska, C. Whelan, S. Smorzaniuk, T. Jarmola, B. Matwiejczyk, T. Nurzynska, C. O'Shea, M. Wierzbiicki, I. Zdolny, M. Conway, H. Ambrose, G. Bottomley, K. Bromley, A. Burgon, V. Cilenti, S. Cockroft, M. Couzens, C. Cragon, Y. Danielczuk, R. Deeney, Di Mascio, A. Egan, C. Ford, G. Groves, B. Haley, K. Harps, W. Hibbits, R. Hodgson, M. Jennings, S. Kusyj, B. Lawrence, M. McKeown, A. O'Callaghan, D. Padgett, M. Parkinson, M. Paynter, C. Jones, P. Kennedy, R. Milczanowski, M. Morrin, R. Rayner, F. Richmond, A. Slack, A. Smith, R. Smith, S. Sucharzewski, M. Tallant, K. Wilkinson.

PRIZE FOR SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

(Presented by the Bradford Catholic Players)

Drama: Anthony Dylak.

Music: Gary Dunne.

SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

1900-1975. Seventy-five years-all of growth, development and change, to such an extent that it is difficult to imagine the humble origins of this school at the house in Drewton Street when 37 boys assembled under the then Dr; Hinsley. Now we can boast a population of 250 boys in the Sixth Form alone, housed in their own block out of 1000 in the whole school. With intake now at 13 years old the school offers a fine academic and physical education based on Christian principles. In my time alone Mgr. Sweeney has guided the school through several different phases successfully.

With the seniority it enjoys, the Sixth Form's greatest contribution to St. Bede's life is not only in giving leadership *and* example in both academic and sporting circles, but also in general behaviour. Hence the Prefects give the lead. Executing their onerous duties, they ensure a necessary level of discipline in the school and its vicinity. I cannot offer them sufficient thanks for the way in which they simplified my task this year; I can only hope they gained some reward from their Prefect's Party and other privileges extended to them.

As the Sixth Form is largely controlled and run by the students therein, with committees elected and elections run by the boys themselves, the first care then is for the Sixth Form block. The House Committee is a representative body of the Sixth Form which ensures the efficient running and cleaning of the Common Room and Study area from day to day. Without their services our community could not function. My thanks to the invaluable House Committee under chairman Terry Parker.

The Entertainments Committee, comprising the Senior Officials, provided a most enjoyable and successful Prefects' Party in the Autumn term. With a disco run by the boys themselves, all present, including members of staff and their wives, enjoyed a magnificent buffet supper in a luxuriously decorated Common Room. Functions such as this can only further their harmonious relations with the staff. Due to a general lack of enthusiasm, however, the Senior Society had a mediocre year. A now annual event-the Staff Forum-"opened the batting" this year, followed by an internal debate and an external debate with Bradford Girls' Grammar School. And so the Senior Society had flirted with life before spluttering ignominiously into oblivion. However, my thanks once more to John Nichols for his valiant efforts as chairman. As usual the Sixth Form participated with telling effect in the annual November Fair. Well-versed in the arts of conning people to dig deep into their pockets, the boys fleeced our visitors in a remarkably good-natured manner. A sum of £54 reflects the effort put into this occasion.

It was refreshing to witness the revival of the Bridge Club. Under Michael Kipling the Club flourished, with an active membership, and enjoyed matches against the staff and other schools. The Sixth Form Library too underwent changes, the lending and cataloguing procedures being revised in the able hands of Gerald Peacock and Ron Naplocha. The Social Services Committee also enjoyed a new lease of life under the jurisdiction of Michael Hutton. With the aid of Mr. Moore charitable collections were organised successfully and the care of the sick and the elderly in the school vicinity was carried out quietly, yet so efficiently. They deserve great credit.

In my predecessor's report, Gary Tallant ensured the reader of our success as officials. That is difficult to measure, but if we have not been spectacular then I hope we have been sound. However, I do know that Gary Donnison and his accomplices will do a fine job in continuing the high standards that the majority of this Sixth Form have set. Finally, I wish to thank Mr. Moore for his support, encouragement and counsel, all of which have been unflagging. I wish to thank Mgr. Sweeney and Mr. H. J. Hayes for the advice and support they are always ready to proffer, and to the latter - a long and happy retirement! My thanks also

to Miss Bottomley and Mrs. McMahon, and last, but not least, to Martin Jennings and Terry Parker, who have been great sources of strength and amusement throughout the year.

GERARD P. WATKINS.

SENIOR SIXTH FORM EXECUTIVE 1974-1975

School Captain: Gerard P. Watkins.

School Vice-Captains: Stuart J. Brown, Mark T. Capel.

House Committee Chairman: Terence Parker.

Treasurer: A. M. Jennings.

Chairman Senior Society: John Nichols.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

This academic year in the Sixth Form has not differed greatly from previous years. The Common Room, rather surprisingly, is in more or less the same condition as it was last September. Unfortunately the same cannot be said of the upholstery. Indeed, Janos Papai gave much of his time to bring back into action several chairs.

Last September when I was elected I had only a handful of Committee members, but by November another eight had joined the force, each of which has given me their undivided help.

The Common Room has been the venue for the now annual Staff Forum, and a few other debates, only two of which were external. This is disappointing as the excellent accommodation we are able to offer should be utilised to a greater extent. The Sixth Form officials repeated the Prefects' Party where some members of staff were present. This once again proved to be a very successful occasion.

During the course of the year we have had some of the carpet replaced, which enhances the Common Room considerably. Unfortunately, the services of the electricians were required to refurbish damaged study cubicles.

I would like to thank Mr. Moore who has helped me greatly and eased my job considerably. My thanks are also extended to Gerard Watkins and Martin Jennings who were always available to offer their services if the need arose. May I also thank the members of the House Committee who offered their services, without whom my job would have been much more difficult. I must also thank, on behalf of the Sixth Form, the squad who came into school last summer holidays and repainted the whole of the Common Room.

The following were members of the House Committee during my term of office:

Chris Naylor, Ged Peacock, Michael Hutton, Mark Tallant, Gary Donnison, Steve Cockroft, Pete Booth, John Brear, John Cockroft, Emmett Deeney, Shaun Brook, Tommy Lawlor. TERENCE PARKER, Chairman.

SOCIAL SERVICES

This year really has been a success in this field. Although it is not an area that we like to publicise too much, some account of our activities should be given if only as a way of thanking all involved, and encouraging future members of the Sixth Form.

As usual we helped to give out parcels at Christmas to the local elderly, and we spent an afternoon shopping with the disabled in Bradford. Other regular activities include our help with St. Cuthbert's Senior Citizens, and visits to many local old folk. This year we met particular success in money raising events. In all during the year we helped eight different charities, and we achieved a known total of £192.43-of which £113.59 was one single effort for the R.N.I.B.-and this was an all time record! Apart from this total there was one door-to-door collection, the amount raised from which we do not know. All this money was raised by great generosity in time and effort on your part, and as Chairman of Social Services for this year I must add my own thanks to everyone who helped-I only hope that next year will prove even more successful !

M.C.H.

JAMES J. BRANIGAN, K.S.G., M.A.

We have come to realise that not only is a person's death a matter in the hands of God, but his life is too. With this in mind we come today to ask God to pardon James Branigan for his sins and receive him into his Kingdom, but also to thank God for James Branigan's life.

He was a Bradford man and attended St. Bede's as a boy. He served in the first world war and trained at St. Mary's College, Strawberry Hill, or rather in its previous home. He spent virtually all his teaching life at St. Bede's, being Senior Geography Master and then Deputy Headmaster. His activities were not wholly centred on the school. He was prominent in the Catholic Teachers' Federation of which he became National President and held local office in both the Knights of St. Columba and the Catenian Association. During the second world war he was Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden. He published Geography textbooks, and also a pioneer work, a guide and bibliography for Religious Education. After he retired he was made a Knight of Saint Gregory.

What I have given is a rapid resume of his external activities which mirror his energy and give some faint clues to the man behind them. Basically he was a sound, thoughtful and convinced Catholic, not demonstrative about it, but nevertheless proud of his faith and keen to see it extended. He wrote a pageant on the occasion of the centenary of Catholicity in Bradford and he had a large share in a pageant concerned with the whole of Bradford some years previously. He was at home with priests-after all he had taught many of them and by no means afraid of putting forward his opinions on the Church. He was an excellent teacher, caring not only for the 'high fliers' but for the ordinary boys, who in many cases have a lot to thank him for. The school has much to thank him for, since the details of its running were largely in his hands. He understood general policy and was both adept and successful in making this a reality in daily administration. He was always up-to-date in both his own teaching and in his realisation of the general trend of education. If the history of St. Bede's ever comes to be written, his part will be seen to have been of major importance.

He was a good disciplinarian, kind yet firm, and as all such men became a father-figure and almost a legend in his own lifetime. Even in retirement he was not idle, but devoted himself to his writing and to the welfare of his own generation, the senior citizens, in this parish of St. Cuthbert's.

We have much, then, to thank God for as we review James Branigan's long and useful life. Those of us who knew him well can thank God for his friendship, guidance and help. To his widow, Dorothy, I voice the opinion of all of you in our sympathy at his loss and the assurance of our prayers both for him and for her. May he rest in peace and may God give him the reward of his labours.

M. V. SWEENEY.

GEORGE FORRESTER, M.A.

George was one of the finest human beings I have met in a lifetime of mixing with all types of humanity. Loyal, dependable, ready to help in a practical way with any problems or difficulties and always modest and unassuming. His ability to mix and contribute to any discussion a slice of common sense with a wisp of Scottish humour made his presence welcome and his advice acted upon.

His great physical strength was a legend among the boys of my era-but it was his strength of character which appealed to most of his colleagues. Calm in a crisis, never rattled, a man who survived three rounds with Hackenschmidt, when world champion-had no need to

get exasperated with normal mortals. A great sportsman in his youth-he ran the quarter mile for Glasgow University-he continued his love of sport after the first world war - by fostering sport at school and in the City of Bradford. He was one of the men who started the annual Soccer matches between Bradford Grammar Schools and Glasgow Grammar Schools and he was one of the founder members of the Northern Counties' Amateur Boxing Association. He started schoolboy boxing in Bradford in 1920 and continued his interest in the sport until he retired. He was a fine companion, a true friend and his loss will be deeply felt. May he go with God.

T. K. DOOLEY.

ATHLETICS CALENDAR 1974-75

SEPTEMBER

John Crowley L VI returns as English Schools' 1500m. Steeplechase champion, having set up a meeting record of 4m. 20.6 secs.
Crowley and Carl Jones had represented the Great Britain Catholic Schools In Malta at Athletics and Swimming respectively.
Fine weather gives a good start to the Rugby and Football season.

OCTOBER

Cross Country team win the Bilborough Cup.
Senior Football team qualify for the 9th successive Schools' Cup Final.
Seven U.15 footballers chosen for Bradford Boys-Challoner, Tattersall, Woollin, Ainsworth, Bleau, McEvoy and Collins.
U.15 team surprisingly lose 5-3 to Carlton in the City Supporters Trophy Final.

NOVEMBER

Cross Country team win the Atherstone Road Relay Cup.
Inter Form Football Championships completed.
Senior Champions-Form U61: Capt., M. Couzens.
Intermediate Champions-Form 4D: Capt., J. Hall.
Junior Champions-Form 3N: Capt., A. Rayner.

DECEMBER

Cross Country team win the St. John's (York) Challenge Cup and the Bradford and District Youth Cup.
Schools' Cross Country Championships held.
Individual
Form III-S. Bannon, 19.04. Form IV-A. O'Hagan, 17.34.
Form V-E. Walsh, 16.20. Form VI-J. Crowley, 15.58.

Team

Form III-3N: Capt., S. Bannon. Form IV – 4J: Capt., J. McEvoy.
 Form V-55: Capt., E. Walsh. Form VI-L 6S: Capt., J. Verity.
 Boys retain Annual Trophy Title by beating the Staff 5 -- 4 at football.

JANUARY

Cross Country team win the Yorkshire Clubs' Youth Championships and the Bingley Handicaps Cup. J. Crowley and S. Walker selected for the Yorkshire County team.

FEBRUARY

Cross Country team win the English Catholic Schools' titles in the Senior and Intermediate age groups-and also the Aggregate Trophy for the best school overall.

O'Hagan, Hardaker, Rogers, Bannon and Kennedy selected for the Bradford Schools' team.

MARCH

O'Hagan and Rogers selected for the West Yorkshire Schools' Intermediate team.

Crowley and S. Walker selected for the West Yorkshire Schools' Senior team.

Crowley and Verity selected to run in the English Catholic Schools' team.

The Inter-Grammar School Swimming Championships are held: St. Bede's win 3rd place behind Bradford G.S. and Cardinal Hinsley.

The School Swimming Championships are held:

Form III Champion: J. Smith. Form IV Champion: L. Swaine.

Form V Champion: I. Swaine. Form VI Champion: G. Donnison.

Winning teams: L 6th; SB; 4E; 3A.

U.14 1st XI and Reserves, and U.15 1st XI and Reserves all become their Football Division Champions.

Roland Gregoire selected for the Great Britain Catholic Schools to play in an International Tournament in France.

Brian Haley and Anthony Walker chosen for the Bradford Senior team v. Glasgow.

Rugby team lose to Bradford G.S. in the Cup Final by 11 pts. to nil.

APRIL

U.14 team win the President's Shield, beating Tong 1 -- 0.

U.15 team win the Walter French Trophy by beating Wyke Manor 2-1.

U.15 Seven-a-Side team retain the Mitre Trophy for St. Bede's at the Ryburn Tournament.

MAY

Senior team lost to Hanson 3-1 in the Senior Cup Final.

Athletics team lose to Bradford G.S. in the annual fixture 154pts. to 136 pts.

Seventeen school athletes selected for the Bradford team to compete in the West Yorkshire Schools' Championships at Cleckheaton on June 14th.

School Sports held at Horsfall-fine but windy day-no new records.

Form III Champion: A. Rayner. Form IV Champion: R. Bleau.

Form V Champion: R. Gregoire. Form VI Champion: R. O'Bledzinski.

Cricket season underway after some cancellations. A. Nicholas awarded school cap for six wickets taken against Fulneck G.S.

COMMENT

The traditional programme of sports activities has been undertaken and generally a satisfactory level of achievement has been attained. The strong events (Football, Cross Country, Athletics and Swimming) have continued to bring honours to the school, although it would be wrong to say that the full Athletic potential has been fulfilled. The growing apathy (particularly in the upper age groups) noted in the last couple of years, has continued; the number of boys with sporting ability, who choose to waste it, is increasing. The high standards set in the past will only be maintained or approached if this apathy can be countered. Nevertheless, the standard of achievement in a number of sports has been pleasing.

The Football strength has continued. The Senior team have not won their customary trophies, although they have come very close. The U.1 5's and U.14's, however, have won all before them-the U.14 team winning the league for a record sixth successive time. The future of soccer looks assured.

In Cross Country, the school's reputation as a national force has been maintained. To list the successes, team and individual, would require virtually half the space we have available for sport in this magazine. It must suffice that no school could have won more trophies or individual honours than St.

Bede's, that no group of boys has trained as regularly or as hard as the cross country runners, and that none deserve more success than these boys.

The Rugby team has become a force to be reckoned with. Its programme of fixtures now includes most of the respected teams in the area and this season the school team has enjoyed its most successful season. Although beaten by Bradford G.S. in the final of the Bradford Schools Cup, it was a tight, hard fought encounter which showed that a great deal of progress has been made in this field.

The Swimming team has again proved the most time consuming for the staff. The nucleus of able, dedicated swimmers has been there, but to turn out a respectable team has taken a lot of cajoling. The Seniors, in particular, have shown a great deal of apathy towards even the minimum amount of training, and in this sport, only hard work brings results. Much individual talent and endeavour is wasted when the supporting swimmers do not help to capitalise on these assets. On the bright side, the younger age groups have shown tremendous enthusiasm and their ability is developing; if they continue in this vein, our swimming prospects for the near future are bright.

Perhaps the greatest advance has been made in Cricket. In the last two seasons we have entered and won the Bradford Schools' Cup and the Five-a-Side Competition. There is developing in the school a depth of talented and keen cricketers, so much so that the annual Staff match has turned into a rather nerve-racking affair for the previous sedate, confident band of old contemptibles.

Overall, the picture emerges of a school, still possessing its traditional depth of Athletic talent, fighting against outside pressures over which we have little control. Continued success will only come from the will, the time and the effort from within. At present we have the staff to ensure a continuation of the standard set in the past. To all the staff who have given up their time and energy in helping in the many tasks involved in running the school's sport go my thanks and appreciation of their efforts.

C.G.

ATHLETICS 1975

The mid point of the athletics season has now been reached. The early trials and practices to select the school team reflected the trend already noted in previous accounts-an acceptable number of willing and talented Junior and Intermediate athletes, but a sparseness of keen, competent Senior performers. This imbalance has been reflected in the Athletics matches, in the school sports, and in the Bradford Schools' Championships, which have been completed. Both the younger age groups have easily held their own, but the Seniors have gone down by a margin for which the other age groups have been unable to compensate. For a multitude of reasons, athletes who have shown interest and ability throughout their early years at Bede's become apathetic and unreliable, and let down the remaining loyal members. Only when we can produce a keen and fully co-operative Senior Athletics team can we regain our status. Arm twisting and harassment can turn out a team, but this is not good enough. Self motivation is the basis of all success.

The school sports were held at Horsfall on a fine but windy day. No new records were established. Victor Ludorum plaques went to A. Rayner, Form III; R. Bleau, Form IV; R. Gregoire, Form V; and R. Obiedzinski, Form VI. A full entry of competitors was made for the Bradford Schools' Championships in the Junior and Intermediate age groups, but a curtailed one at Senior level. Some pleasing results were attained - 10 first places, 13 second places and 4 third places. John Crowley, our English Schools' 1 500m. Intermediate Steeplechase Champion and record holder, set up a new Championship record in the 2000m. Senior Steeplechase of 6m. 30.6 secs. Altogether seventeen school athletes were chosen to represent Bradford in the West Yorkshire Schools' Sports at Cleckheaton on June 14th. We hope that some, at least, will win their way to the English Schools' Championships at Durham in July.

The following athletes were Bradford Champions in their events:
 TRACK. Intermediate I 500m. Steeplechase, C. Walker, 5m. 26.5 secs.
 Intermediate 1 500m., R. Rogers, 4m. 11.7 secs. Senior 2000m. Steeplechase, J. Crowley, 6m. 30.6 secs. (record). Senior 400m., G. Donnison, 53.8 secs. Senior 5000m., S. Walker, 1 6m. 56.8 secs. Junior 200m., R. Joseph, 25.9 secs. Junior 80m. Hurdles, S. Wakefield, 14.1 secs.
 FIELD. Junior Javelin, B. Gallagher, 36.00m. Intermediate Long Jump, R. Gregoire, 5.73m. Senior Discus, Whittaker, 32.75m.

The next important event on the calendar is the Inter-Grammar School Championships on July 1st. Last year in the new style two division Championship and the omission of Seniors, we finished second in the 'A' Division behind Bradford G.S. On the performances of this season it should be possible for us to regain our supremacy.
 C.G.

SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS RESULTS 1975

SUMMARY

100METRES	Seniors	R. Obiedzinski	12.4
	Under 16's	Gregoire	12.5
	Under 15's	Bleau	12.8
	Under 14's	Joseph	13.5
200METRES	Seniors	Donnison	24.8
	Under 16's	Gregoire	25.6
	Under 15's	Bleau	26.2
	Under 14's	Bland	26.2
400METRES	Seniors	Donnison	56.9
	Under 16's	Rogers	55.1
	Under 15's	McEvoy	59.2
	Under 14's	Stasko	64.6

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800 METRES	Seniors	Crowley	2.05.8
	Under 16's	Rogers	2.04.3
	Under 15's	Lancaster	2.13.6
	Under 14's	Bannon	2.26.5
RELAY	Seniors	Upper VI	48.4
	Under 16's	5W	49.4
	Under 15's	4T	52.4
	Under 14's	3A	56.2
LONG JUMP	Seniors	C. Obiedzinski	16' 9+"
	Under 16's	Gregoire	18' 2"
	Under 15's	Marks	15'0+"
	Under 14's	Rayner	13' 5"
HIGH JUMP	Seniors	R. Obiedzinski	1.49m
	Under 16's	Walker	1.52m
	Under 15's	McEvoy	1.60m
	Under 14's	McManus	1.44m
TRIPLE JUMP	Seniors	C. Obiedzinski	10.64m
	Under 16's	Gregoire	11.1m
	Under 15's	Dorival	10.4m
	Under 14's	Rayner	10.64m
SHOT	Seniors	R. Obiedzinski	36' 9"
	Under 16's	Pyecroft	34'0"
	Under 15's	Bleau	36' 2"
	Under 14's	Evans	32' 11"
DISCUS	Seniors	Whittaker	91' 8"
	Under 16's	McMahon	91' 0"
	Under 15's	Spence	78' 0"
	Under 14's	Fanzo	79'0"
JAVELIN	Seniors	Toothill	36.92m
	Under 16's	Rhodes	27.65m
	Under 15's	Bleau	28.63m
	Under 14's	Gallagher	32.23m

INTER FORM RESULTS

Form III 1st, 3A 71pts.; 2nd, 3N 68pts.; 3rd, 3B 61pts.

Form IV 1st, 4T 67pts.; 2nd, 4J 60pts.; 3rd, 4R 40pts.

Form V and VI 1st, 5W 90pts.; 2nd, 5B 55pts.; 3rd, 5A 49pts.

VICTOR LUDORUM PRESENTATIONS

Form III A. Rayner.

Form IV R. Bleau.

Form V R. Gregoire.

Form VI R. O'Obiedzinski.

FOOTBALL

SENIOR FIRST ELEVEN

P.23 W.15 D.2 L.6 Goals for 83 against 35

The season has been only moderately successful in comparison with the outstanding achievements of the last five or six years. It has been a year of rebuilding a Senior side depleted by loss of no fewer than nine of last year's triumphant side. It has been a time for experiment, and for the gaining of experience by the newcomers to the team.

The season opened well with a sequence of six victories which gave hope that we would retain the League Title and the Senior Cup, but a 5-1 defeat at Hanson brought the team down to earth. Victories over Buttershaw and Carlton gave us a place in the Cup Final due to be played at the end of October. The team reached the Quarter Finals of the Yorkshire Schools' Cup with victories over Matthew Murray and Scarborough Sixth Form College, only to lose to West Leeds High School (the eventual winners) at this stage. A defeat at Belle Vue in January cost us our league title. There followed a period of no or little activity in February and March owing to a number of fixture cancellations. The Final of the Senior Cup against Hanson was finally played in May-far too late for us as it was now the Athletics season-and although we had more scoring chances, we were on the wrong end of a 3-1 result.

Nevertheless, despite the bare trophy cupboard, it has been a fruitful season. Eleven of the main squad of thirteen players will be available next year and they have matured considerably since September. Peter Kitching, a quiet but efficient goalkeeper, and Jimmy Brown, a tall, aggressive centre back, will not be with us. But defenders Malcolm Thornton, Michael Couzens, Andrew Slack, Neil Walker-midfield players Dave Ratcliffe, Kevin Casey and Anthony Walker-and forwards Stephen Toothill, Roland Gregoire and Brian Haley-will all be back hopefully to regain the ground we have lost this season.

Individual honours were gained by Roland Gregoire who represented Great Britain in an International Catholic Schools' Tournament in France at Easter, and by Brian Haley and Anthony Walker who were chosen for the Bradford team to play Glasgow Schools in the annual fixture. Players who represented the school: Kitching, Thornton, Slack, Walker N., Brown, Couzens, Cockroft J., Ratcliffe J., Ratcliffe D., Casey, Walker A., Austick, Toothill, Gregoire, Haley.

SENIOR SECOND ELEVEN

P.15 W. 12 L. 3 D. 0 Goals for 60 against 19

The team once again has enjoyed a successful season, despite rarely being able to play the same eleven boys two weeks running. Called upon to

supply players for the 1st XI and Under 16 side, the 2nd XI maintained an admirable degree of team spirit reflected in the way they worked for one another and were never reduced to arguments and the apportioning of blame when things went wrong. As has been the case in recent years, several cancellations of matches by other schools reduced the number of matches played, the basic reason for this being the refusal of boys to represent their schools. Bearing in mind this general trend in Senior schools soccer, I feel that the 2nd XI players are to be congratulated on their keenness and willingness to represent the school.

In a season when the team played well only in patches, Adams, Henry and Iwaniuk made marked improvements as the year progressed.

The following boys played regularly during this season-Laban (Capt.), Adams, O'Connell, Cockroft, Puc, Iwaniuk, Boyle, Watkins, Beecroft, Slack, Austick, Henry and Wellock.

A.C.

U.16 FOOTBALL FIRST ELEVEN

P.18 W.12 L.4 D.2 Goalsfor64 against27

A very disappointing season. The overall results are satisfactory, but the team fell down in the important matches. They were knocked out of the Pepsi-Cola National Competition after one match. They lost the League by losing two important matches against their main opponents, and finally finished third. In the Cup they lost to Hanson whom they had beaten twice in the league, at the semi-final stage, and so they finished with no honours at all.

The reason for this could be put down to a general lack of enthusiasm throughout the team during the year. There are enough good players to have won everything in sight. The training sessions were poorly attended and on many Saturdays the team played below full strength due to absenteeism from school on Friday. On a brighter note, several players always attended and always gave of their best. These included Wosniak, Wilkinson, Madin, Brearley, Pyecroft, Jennings, Gregoire, Dorrival and Serrant. These should form a very good nucleus for the Senior teams.

Players who played during the year were -- Serrant, Dorrival, Gregoire, Wosniak, O'Shea, Jennings, Wilkinson, Brearley (Capt.), Tetley, Pyecroft, Madin, Lewis, Armstead, Nicholas, Maticco, Henry, Lambert, Brown.

UNDER 16 FOOTBALL RESERVES

P.8 W.4 D.1 L.3 Pts.9

A reasonably successful season with the team fighting with St. George and Nab Wood for the Championship, just failing at the final hurdle. With only the League to play for the team showed a lot of enthusiasm and, at times, a fair amount of skill. As the season progressed a

number of players 'bettered' themselves by playing for the Under 16 First XI and the Senior Second XI. These included Henry, Wosniak, Pyecroft, Jennings and Lambert. All the team tried their hardest and gave 100% to every Game, keeping the name of St. Bede's football in good stead. The two most prolific scorers for the team were Pyecroft and Gallagher. The team was made up of the following squad: Wosniak, Ahern, Jennings, Gibson, Henry, Holgate, Sutchife, McAllion, Upton (Capt.), Leniuk, Sorhaindo, Pyecroft, Gallagher, Slack.

UNDER 15 FIRST ELEVEN

Statistics: P.22 W. 20 D. 1 L. 1 Goals for 67 against 19
 Honours: Walter French Trophy winners; League Division "C" winners (100% record); City Supporters' Cup runners-up; Ryburn Seven-a-Side Competition winners.

Bmdferd Beys: Chal Ioner, Tattersall, Collins, McEvoy, Bleau, Woollin, Hainsworth.

Players: 1st Team-Cavaliere; Hainsworth, Tattersa II, Collins, Wool un; Hall, Marks, Challoner (Capt.), McEvoy, Bleau, Bergin; Gallagher, Dunne. Other Players-Wright, Mullarkey, Cronin, Lancaster, Active, Archer, Napoli, Charles, Smith, Larkin, Sorhaindo, Gallagher B., Hawkes.

Top Scorers: Bleau (24); Gallagher (11); Hall (8).

The statistics speak for themselves: this has been an outstanding season for all concerned. It began with the City Supporters' Cup Competition in which each of the competing teams were placed in one of two divisions. The top two teams from each division would go into the semi-finals. The team won their division, dropping only one point, to Belle Vue. They then beat Rhodesway 4-0 in the semi-final, but in the Final, against Carlton, an attack which had lost both McEvoy and Gallagher with broken limbs shortly before the Final, failed to capitalise on early chances. By the time they recovered something resembling true form they were too far behind and went down 5-3 to a team they had beaten soundly only 10 days earlier.

Their sadness at this defeat was soon dispelled and they went on to win League, Cup and a 7's championship, all with a 100% record.

It is with noting that Bradford Boys' games which had previously been played in mid-week and had therefore not affected us, now came to be held on Saturdays. This meant our losing the services of seven players-highly commendable in itself, but what is more commendable is the fact that on these occasions-five in all-we were able to turn out a team equally formidable to the first choice line-up.

Wright, Dunne, Mullarkey and Cronin, took over from the "all star" beck four of Hainsworth, Tattersall, Collins and Woollin, both uncompromising defences with a good balance of skill and strength, and of tigrish tackling

and stealthy attacking. Lancaster took over from Challoner with Hall taking the role of captain, setting the same selfless example as Challoner, with non-stop running and plenty of skill. Gallagher and Active, or Archer, normally replaced Bleau and McEvoy, two of the most powerful and direct strikers one could wish to see. The other first teamers who must be mentioned because between them they missed only a couple of games all season were: Cavaliere -- an agile and courageous keeper (look at the goals against); Marks - non-stop "battler" in midfield; and last, but not least, Bergina really tricky ball-playing winger. My thanks to all players, who in their play and especially their sporting and well behaved attitude, have been a credit to the school. Roll on next season! K. NAREY.

UNDER 15 SECOND ELEVEN

Due to inclement weather there were more postponements than in previous seasons. Despite this, however, the team managed to maintain the high standards which have, over the years, come to be expected of St. Bede's teams. Their record of nine wins, two draws, and only one defeat, is testimony of their dedication and ability.

Six players, Wright, Dunne, Lancaster, Cronin, Mullarkey and Active were on constant first team duty and are obviously worthy of regular first team football. The team was captained by Philip Dunne and the strength in depth of his fifteen man pool of players augurs well for future Senior teams.

A. SPENCE.

UNDER 14 FIRST ELEVEN

P.17 W.14 D.1 L.2 Goalsfor78 against27

The newcomers to the school this year were faced with the daunting task of attempting to keep intact an unbeaten record stretching back six years. The early trials and practices were attended in great numbers and with admirable enthusiasm, but alas, before the team had settled down into an effective formation we were twice beaten.

These early season reverses, and the loss of a record, which will probably never be equalled, did not disturb the side greatly. Gradually a character and flair began to emerge, reminding me somewhat of past successful teams.

This unwillingness to accept second best, took time to develop, but, by the end of the season we were playing a confident, attractive game with more "bite" than when we started. Scoring twenty goals in our last two matches and winning the League and President's Shield is testimony to the progress made.

Whilst re-emphasising how much all this has been a team effort, the individual talents are beginning to show. In goal we have had two very competent rivals for the rôle. Banks played in early season and Stokes the latter part.

At full-back John Glennon and Peter Fanzo (the most improved player) have developed into an effective pair who have learned to add width to the attack and have given nothing away in defence. In the centre of our defence Barry Gallagher, a conversion from centre-forward, stood out. His skill was necessary to stiffen the defence and prevent the concession of "soft" goals. Callaghan and Halliday were also resolute in their defence. Midfield players Andrew Rayner and Jim Reynolds had the speed, stamina and tactical ability to cope with this difficult role. Rayner's enthusiasm has been a very good example to the team.

Leading the attack were "twin" strikers Jonathan Hawkes and Jim Lawler. The goal which won us the Final typified their play—a good back header from Lawler for Hawkes to hit first time. Our wing play always lacked pace and thrust, but Carroll showed excellent ball control and Kalinovski, when required, was ever game.

To consolidate on this must be the objective for next year. If the team show the same spirit of co-operation, preparedness to train and play for one another, there is every possibility of yet another very successful team to do St. Bede's proud for a few more years to come.

Leading goalscorers: Hawkes and Gallagher (28 goals).

The following boys represented the team: S. Banks, G. Stokes, J. Glennon, M. Callaghan, B. Gallagher (Capt.), P. Fanzo, A. Halliday, A. Rayner, J. Reynolds, F. Johnson, A. Piotrowicz, R. Kalinovski, J. Hawkes, J. Lawler, B. Carroll, P. McCreesh, Magee, Bland, Warren, Sorrhaindo.
Bradford Boys: B. Gallagher, A. Rayner, J. Lawler, J. Hawkes.

UNDER 14 SECOND ELEVEN

Bradford League Champions 1974/75

When judging a team's performance over a season, one looks at application to training, team spirit, ability to come from behind and, of course, results. With these headings in mind, I could safely say that this has been the most successful season for the Under 14 2nd team since we have entered this competition. The Under 14 2nd team squad should be proud of their achievement this year.

The season, as always, started with a team that changed drastically from week to week for the first few weeks; helped by the discovery of Davey and Bland, who added strength and decision to the back and forward positions respectively, the team selection was more consistent.

Stokes had a very good season in goal; his deputy Melaugh proved himself a useful asset outfield when called upon. Melaugh's "big kick" was always hoped for up front.

The back line, consisting of Stasko, Davey, Magee, Tallant, Burgon, Dunne, formed a reliable unit: Davey adopted the policy of "no messing in my own half"; Burgon was Mr. Consistency all through the season, covering up gaps that occasionally arose. Eccleshill won't forget Dunne for his blistering performance.

The centre field pair of Slack and Donoghue slowed play down to their own pace with some skill". Donoghue can be proud of the fact that he captained a non-losing side.

The forward line consisting of Marley, Banks, Sorrhaindo, Johnson, Bland, Brown, Beney, Charles, were the main strength of the side; Bland, always prepared to take opposition for a ride, proved very useful when circumstances demanded, in going straight for goal and scoring; Johnson's skill showed on occasions, but the best was yet to come. Who will forget Charles' ten minute performance (substitution) against Buttershaw, combining with Stasko on the right wing to forge a draw?

A notable feature was the courtesy of the captain and team to the referee; this feature combined with the manner in which they played football-hard and skilful-earned the praises of most opposing teams. They added lustre to the name of St. Bede's in the City of Bradford and In the years to come I hope they continue to do so.

Record: Bradford League Champions 1974/75; undefeated in fourteen games 60 goals for, 20 against. HAVEN'T THEY DONE WELLII

J.N.O'C.

FIRST XV RUGBY

The 1st XV had a very successful season and this with the strongest fixture list the 1st XV has ever had. The highlights of the season included the progress of the side to the final of the Bradford and District K.O. Competition in which we lost narrowly to Bradford G.S. in the final, and two trips to Newman College, Birmingham, where among other things, we won the first match and lost the return.

Before Christmas, we lost only two matches, to Colne Valley, a result later to be avenged, and St. Wilfred's, where we played with only 12 men. Amongst the long run without defeat, victories were recorded against Rothwell (the first time ever by a St. Bode's side), Bradford G.S., Lawnswood and Cardinal Hinsley.

After Christmas, due to the loss of Cockroft, Narey, Naylor, Peacock, Booth, Deeney, Brear, O'Callaghan and Summers through injury and other reasons, and the absence in training of Capel, Whithead, Trytek and Thornton, due to them leaving after January exams, it is not surprising that we hit a bad patch. However, recovery of some players from injury and the "rising to stardom" of new players Watkins, Parker, Misiaczek and Howell enabled the side to reach something near the preChristmas form, but I think if the final of K.O. Cup had been played before Christmas, the result would have been different.

Comparisons have been made between the present team and previous 1st XVs and many think the 1974/75 team is the best team yet. The following deserve credit for this: Brear and Deeney, full backs who were safe catchers and sound tacklers; Watkins and Misiaczek, a pair of speedy and elusive wingers; Whithead and Trytek combined their attacking and defensive qualities to form formidable centres; at half-back many chances were created, Capel was leading try scorer with 16 tries, and Donnison was leading points scorer with well over 100 points.

The pack was often the strength of the team, although sadly it was hit by many injuries during the season. Martin Jennings, prop and pack leader, was an example to all both in training and in the matches, in this his fourth season in the 1st XV. Jennings, McMahon, Funnell and Thornton, the front row, provided the side with a fair share of scrum ball. Thornton played in several positions. Howell, at lock, used his 6' 5" frame very well to ensure the side had plenty of line-out ball; Howell, and his partner, Parker, were the most improved players in the side.

The back row of Booth, Naylor and Peacock were big, mobile and aggressive. They proved they were the equal of any opposition they played. Also representing the side were Cockroft, Summers, Narey, O'Callaghan, Paynter, Reveley, Long and Lewis.

Six players were awarded trials and Capel, Donnison, Booth and Cockroft were selected for the Bradford and District team and Yorkshire trials.

Next year will be a year of rebuilding, but if interest is shown amongst the younger players, the team should do quite well.

I should like to thank Mr. Hirst for all his help and also Mr. Gelling and Mr. Newman.

G. DONNISON.

CRICKET 1974

For the first time the school fielded three Cricket teams-Senior XI, Under 15's and Under 14's. Interest in Cricket has been growing and results have been improving.

The Senior team played seven fixtures, winning all but one, including the annual match against the staff. Highlights of the season were the performances of Mark Paynter and Bob Sheard. Mark scored a century against Grange for which he was awarded his school cap: Bob had a good season generally with the ball, and earned his cap by taking seven wickets against the staff.

The Under 15 and Under 14 teams each had a programme of six matches each, and although they did not win any trophies, gave a good account of themselves. An Under 16 team was entered for the Schools' Cup and won the trophy with victories over Wyke, Hanson and Rhodesway. Outstanding performances in these matches came from N. Keighley, A. Nicholas, D. Hardaker, R. Sheard, N. Walker and S. Toothill.

1975

Only two matches have been completed so far owing to the inclement weather. The Senior team has defeated Salts G.S. and Fulneck: in the latter match, Anthony Nicholas took six wickets for 26 runs for which he will receive his school cap. Both the Under 15 and Under 14 teams are in practice and are looking forward to the commencement of their fixtures after Whit.

C.G.

SWIMMING

The season has had its usual crop of highlights and disappointments. The Under 16 and Under 15 age groups have been the mainstay of the team this year, the main points winners in most of our matches. The Senior team has not fared as well mainly because it has been impossible to turn out the same competitors in successive matches, and because boys have shirked the training sessions organized for the whole team. The Junior team, on the other hand, began the season as a raw outfit, but they have shown great enthusiasm and determination and have improved their performances by leaps and bounds. The Juniors are a model for the Seniors, when it should be vice-versa.

The programme of matches included fixtures against Bradford G.S., Belle Vue, Cardinal Hinsley, Leeds Grammar School, Tong, Buttershaw and Woodhouse Grove and in these we more or less held our own. At the Inter-Grammar School Championships Ian Swaine won the U.16 Breast Stroke and Butterfly events, setting up a new record of 22.2 secs. In the first and equalling the record of 19.3 secs. in the latter. Gerard Hunt also won the U.15 Breast Stroke event. We slipped from 2nd to 3rd place in the team ratings, mainly because of the weak contribution of the U.14's and Seniors. Out of the total 64 points gained, 46 points were won by the Intermediates, 18 points by the Seniors and no points by the U.14's.

The outstanding swimmers have been Ian Swaine, Louis Swaine, Gerard Hunt and Edward Sowinski. Other reliable competitors have been all the U.14 squad (McManus, Smith, Davis, Heptonstall, Grice, Otyehel, Lams), all of the U.15 squad (Peat, Farrar, Dunne, plus Swaine, Hunt and Sowlnski), most of the U.16 team (Swaine, McMahon, Mandziuk, Shortern) and a couple of Seniors (Donnison and Jennings).

A bright future lies ahead if the Intermediates remain keen and reliable competitors as Seniors, and if next year's U.1 4 intake can show the same dedication and effort as this year's group.

SCHOOL SWIMMING GALA RESULTS

FREESTYLE	Forms III 33+ yards	1. Smith	19.5
	Forms IV 33+ yards	1. Sowinski	26.5
	Forms V 50 yards	1. McMahon	30.1
	Forms VI 50 yards	1. Whittaker	29.0
BREAST STROKE	Forms III 33+ yards	1. Heptonstall	21.2
	Forms IV 50 yards	1. Hunt	35.0
	Forms V 50 yards	1. Swaine	31.5
	Forms VI 50 yards	1. Donnison	35.9
BACK CRAWL	Forms III 33+ yards	1. Smith	20.1
	Forms IV 50 yards	1. Swaine	34.0
	Forms V 50 yards	1. Mandziuk	33.7
	Forms VI 50 yards	1. O'Connell	37.0
BUTTERFLY	Forms III 33+ yards	1. Davis	21.5
	Forms IV 50 yards	1. Swaine	20.2
	Forms V 50 yards	1. Swaine	18.1
	Forms VI 50 yards	1. Nunn	20.3
INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY	Senior 4 x 33+ yards	1. Swaine	1.30.5
INTER-FORM	Forms III 4 x 33+ yards	1. 3A	1.45.0
MEDLEY TEAM	Forms IV 4 x 33+ yards	1. IVE	1.35.0
	Forms V 4 x 33+ yards	1. VB	1.25.0
	Forms VI 4 x 33+ yards	1. LVI 'B' team	1.25.5
	Forms III 4 x 33+ yards	1. 3A	1.32.0
FREESTYLE TEAM	Forms IV 4 x 33+ yards	1. IVT	1.25.1
	Forms V 4x33+yards	1. VB	1.17.5
	Forms VI 4x33+yards	1. LVI 'B' team	1.17.0

TROPHY WINNERS

Forms III J. Smith; Forms IV L. Swaine;
Forms V I. Swaine; Forms VI G. Donnison.

FORM RESULTS

Forms VI 1st LVI 'B' 20pts.; 2nd LVI 'A' 17pts.; 3rd UVI 16pts.

Forms V 1st VB 33pts.; 2nd VW 31pts.; 3rd VN 25 pts.

Forms IV 1st IVE 34pts.; 2nd IVT 28pts.; 3rd IVP I 7pts.

Forms III 1st IIIA 39pts.; 2nd IIIB 34pts.; 3rd IIIE 28pts.

INTER-GRAMMAR SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

1st B.G.S. 124; 2nd Cardinal Hinsley 81; 3rd St. Bede's 64; 4th Belle Vue 43; 5th Tong 35; 6th Grange 33; 7th Buttershaw 32; 8th Carlton 29; 9th Hanson 21; 10th Eccleshill 18; 11th Rhodesway 8; 12th Thornton 0.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING

Applause, by custom, goes to the winning team. In February last at the meeting of the Northern Cross Clubs in Bumley just rewards and acclaim were rendered to the victorious club -- not St. Bede's, but Gateshead Harriers' Youth team. A silence followed and the second team would be announced. This was St. Bede's. But to the announcement there was a preface. In the 80 odd years, we were told, in which the competition had been held, this was the first occasion that a School team had taken one of the positions of honour from the Clubs. In the Cross Country world that surely ranks as our highest achievement yet.

In a more restricted area of that world, that of the English Catholic Schools, we were equally dominant. The Seniors and the Intermediates won their events outright; the Juniors were well-placed with the result that we returned after the weekend armed with three trophies, the Senior, the Intermediate and the Aggregate Cup. But like the sea, with its crests and troughs, our first chance to achieve the impossible, recognition in the National Cross Country Championships, found us overcome with the awe of the occasion. We managed only to be the second school team home, but well down in the list.

Success for the teams was paralleled by success for individuals. After coping with the hazards of an unmarked course in the qualifying race, Stephen Walker and John Crowley were elected to the Yorkshire County team. The two of them and Jack Verity were also members of the Yorkshire Schools' Senior team in the English Schools' event. Raymond Rogers and Anthony O'Hagan raced as members of the Intermediate team in the same event. Raymond put himself very strongly into a position of dominance this year, becoming, among other honours, the Bradford Schools' Champion.



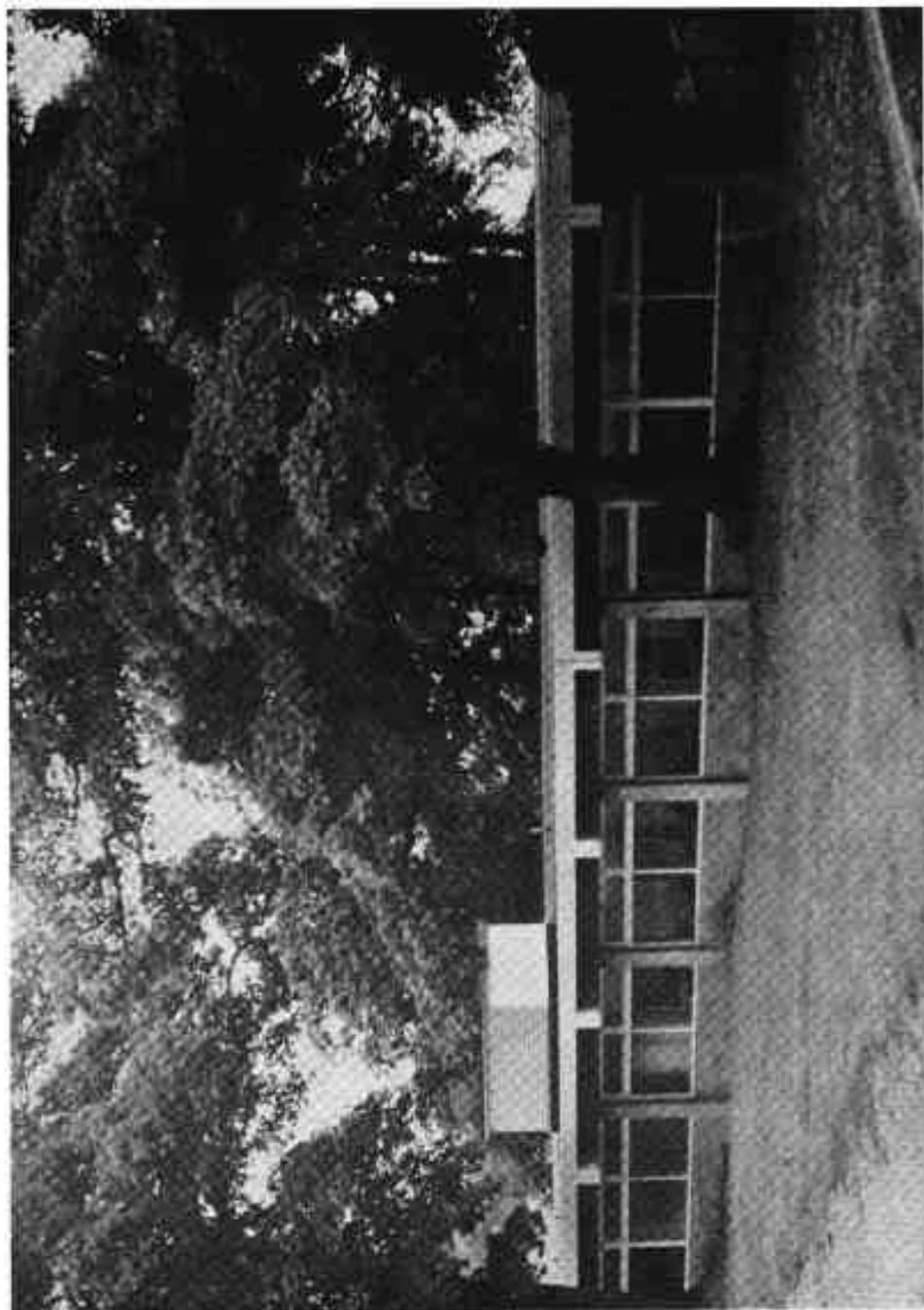
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THE R.D.S.L.A. BLOCK

It has been a good season. Training has been undertaken with great dedication, but with such a degree of camaraderie that it is no less powerful as a bond of friendship as it is a means of obtaining physical fitness. The long journeys in the School-bus have also revealed hidden skills and talents as the competitive spirit is translated from physical contest over the country to that of a pack of cards. But at the end of the season all could be content that the Headmaster was aware of the existence of the Cross Country teams, for it is a work of art negotiating a passage in his office through the rows of trophies, signalling the successes of the year. Long may it reign.

E.W.P.

CHESS

RESULTS 1974-5

BRADFORD SCHOOLS' CHESS ASSOCIATION LEAGUE

Opponents	Open I Team	Open II Team	U.15 Team
Grange		won 5-1	
St. Joseph's		won 4-2	won 6-0
Cardinal Hinsley		won 4+-1 +	
Tong			won 4+-1 +
Eccleshill		won 5+	won
Salt	won 4-2	lost 3+-2+	drew
Woodhouse Grove	won <u>6-0</u>		won 5-1
Buttershaw		lost 3+-2+	won
Rhodesway		lost 4+-1 +	won
Bradford G.S.	drew		lost 5+-+
Belle Vue	lost 4-2		won 3+-2+
Carlton	won		
Thornton		drew	
Bolling Girls'			still to play

"SUNDAY TIMES" TOURNAMENT

- Round 1 Allerton Grange School, Leeds. Conceded.
 Round 2 Crossley and Porter School, Halifax. Won 60.
 Round 3 Colne Valley School, Huddersfield. Won 5+.
 Round 4 Bradford Grammar School. Lost 4-2.

The credit for these generally successful results must go to the following team members:

Open I: Groves, Hardaker C., Lapczak, Le Lohe, Malinowski, Matkowskyj, Smorzaniuk, Taglione (Capt.), Wozniak.

Open II: Abberton, Ciaffarafa, Deeney, Johnson, Kennedy, Kipling, Papal, Schofield (Capt.).

U.15: Bolland M., Cusdin, Dennison, Gebka (Capt.), Gillard, Hardaker P., Honore, Parry, Procyk, Rogan.

With teams in all three sections of the local Schools' Association League, this has been a busy year. The Open I team has had fewer fixtures as more schools are entering teams in the Open 11 section. This results from the very high standard of play achieved by these teams remaining in the Open I section, not least ours. It also means more work for the Open II team, who have turned out faithfully under Schofield's captaincy and generally given a good account of themselves.

The Under 15's have also done well, as the Ladder Competition has helped able players like Honore and Hardaker to work their way to the top.

In the **Sunday Times** competition, we again found ourselves facing Bradford Grammar School, with the same result as last year. The school who knocked them out of the National section of the competition, were Bolton School, who knocked us out two years ago. The fact remains that B.G.S. are our chief rivals in Chess, and we shall have to be up very early in the morning to beat them.

In other external competitions, Taglione, Le Lohe and Gebka have been distinguishing themselves. As well as winning the Bradford Individual Lightning CompeUon, Taglione won the Schools' Association Individual Tournament, with Hardaker in 5th place in the Open Section and Gebka in 5th place in the U.15 Section. Le Lohe' and Taglione played in the Bradford Chess Club "A" team which won the Hepolite Trophy, and they and Gebka have played in the successful Schools' inter-city matches against Doncaster, Sheffield, Wakefield and Huddersfield.

A good number of boys continue to show a lively interest in the Chess Club. Unfortunately, they seem to include an anti-Establishment fringe who behead knights and dis-mitre bishops with a penknife. The major unsolved crime of the year was the theft of the competition ladder. Constructed of nails driven into a board, it would be little use to anyone but an Indian beggar. This was clearly an attack upon the Chess Club by one of a number of boys who, unable to do anything useful themselves, seem determined to prevent others from doing so. But, as Virgil wrote, "fas regna resurgere Troiae", and a new ladder was made and well used last term. This term we hope the main competition will be the McManus Tournament. This year, it is hoped to organise it as a Swiss competition; that is, one where everyone plays in each round, unlike a knockout, with the score being kept by a points system.

Other notable achievements are that we are Yorkshire Champions for the third year running; and that we have won the recent Bradford Schools' Lightning Competition, with 19 points out of a possible 25.

J. C. EASTWOOD, master i/c Chess.

BRIDGE CLUB

President: A. P. Taglione.

Secretary: M. R. Kipling.

Treasurer: L. R. Le Lohe.

Once upon a time, way back in the summer of 1974, there were a group of people in Form VI who had nothing better to do until the end of term than to sit around playing cards. It was no ordinary game they played though, but Bridge, that intellectually stimulating, mathematically precise, supremely formulated way of alleviating boredom. And as they were thrown out by the school caretakers on July 19th their last words were, "Let's form a Bridge Club next year".

THE BRIDGE CLUB YEAR 1974/1975

September

At an impromptu meeting held in a maths. lesson the above officers were elected (by themselves) and began to organise things. The first of many notices was posted and a flood of aspiring Bridge masters converged on the library. Most left when told that Pontoon, Brag, etc., were not included under Bridge, but nearly forty stayed and some even went so far as to pay their 15p subscriptions.

October

A match was arranged with the staff and duly played, the club losing by a fairly small margin; not bad considering the staff team's many years of experience. At lunchtime N4 was available for Bridge with a no smoking, no eating rule that some found hard to keep. A replay with the staff was in order, so with twice as many players as before we armed for victory. Unfortunately, due to a technical hitch that involved a geography master sitting N/S instead of E/W the total result was invalidated, but a victory for the club was gained on the top two boards.

November

An anonymous envelope containing a Bridge magazine and an invitation to take out a subscription arrived at school. Owing to lack of funds we declined the offer, but were left wondering who had informed the outside world of the club's existence. A rubber Bridge tournament commenced and challenges were sent to other schools in the area.

December

The first inter-School match, against Bradford Grammar School. We were badly defeated, but found out afterwards that they had had lessons from Eric Milnes, the Telegraph & Argus Bridge columnist, among other things. Another mysterious letter arrived, this time asking us to compete in the Daily Mail Schools' Cup.

January

Attempts were made to arrange a match with Belle Vue and training for the Cup was disrupted by A level exams.

February

The Daily Mail Schools' Cup. In their first year of existence the club came fourth in a field of twelve teams from Yorkshire. Although not good enough to qualify for the semi-finals we were well satisfied with our performance. The rubber Bridge competition at last finished, Taglione and Le Lohe being the inevitable winners. In a fairly close match against Belle Vue the club was victorious.

March

An attempt to replay Bradford Grammar School at Bradford Bridge Club one evening ended with six of us playing rubber Bridge all evening as two of their team did not turn up. A club duplicate tournament was held and although Taglione and Le Lohe swept to victory in the N/S section; competition in the E/W section was fierce, Kipling and McKeown being the eventual winners.

April, **May**, June, Ji'ly

Lunchtime games continued but with no serious events as exams drew near, passed, and the committee went on to more lucrative employment.

Results:

v Staff	Lost	1100-1490
v Staff (replay)	Won	2440-1990
v Bradford G.S.	Lost	1470-4320
v Belle Vue	Won	4970-4690

Daily Mail Schools' Cup: Position 4th (Bradford G.S. "A" team and Bingley G.S. qualified).

Team Members: Buckley, Cockroft, Donnison, Groves, Kipling, Lawler, Le Lohe, McDonald, McKeown, Stecyk, Sugden and Taglione.

The committee would like to thank Mr. Moore for all his assistance throughout the year, the R.I. staff for the use of N4, and Mr. O'Connor for the use of his maths. lessons.

Mr. H. J. HAYES, B.A.

It is most difficult to reduce Harry Hayes' interests and achievements into a narrow compass, since they reflect his physical appearance, broad and on generous lines. He has been a very good athlete, a war-time navigator in the R.A.F., a life-long enthusiast for railway steam engines, a sound and imaginative historian and an enthralling teller of stories-weird, wonderful and fascinaUng. His teaching has always been fascinating and original, and history in the school owes much to him. As a Deputy-

Head he has been tactful, hard working, cheerful and good tempered, with a marvellous grasp of detail which has never obscured sound principles. We wish him a long and happy retirement.

M.V.S.

Mr. T. TAYLOR, B.Sc., F.S.M.C., F.B.O.A., F.R.C.

Tom Taylor came to teach at St. Bede's in 1946. He had served in the R.A.F. from 1940-46, being from 1941-43 Head of Aircraft Instrument Section at Prestwick. Commissioned as Flight Lieutenant, he served in India as Liaison Officer for S.E.A.A.F. and was responsible for the development of Instruction Centres for Engineering and Mathematics courses.

His versatility was fully appreciated and he taught, at one time or another, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics, in addition to his main subject, Physics, and was frequently called on to repair watches, clocks, radios and microphones. On his return from a spell in Australia to St. Bede's in 1968, as Senior Science Master, he founded the Engineering Science Department, and the School was among the pioneers of the then new 'A' level course in that subject.

He likes things to be done properly and is impatient with slipshod work. The heavy gang at a long past Lincolnshire Farming Camp are still trying to work out why the hole they dug had to be precisely fourteen feet deep.

We shall miss his quiet and serious approach to the fundamental problems which beset us, his quirky humour, his unfailing courtesy and anxiety to help. His retirement will give him the leisure he requires to pursue his arcane studies in Rosicrucianism, which Order he joined in 1965. He is currently among the higher Degrees of the Order and was in 1973 elected Frater of the Rose Croix. We wish him many years of active retirement.

H.J.H.

Mr. W. ROBINSON

Wilfrid Robinson came to St. Bede's eleven years ago, forging a new career for himself after teaching for a number of years at St. Peter's in Leeds Road. His quiet, unassuming attitude and thoroughness in all things have been the hallmarks of his time here. Latterly he has involved himself greatly with the welfare of boys not academically gifted, and his patience and understanding have caused many to be grateful to him. We wish him many years of happy leisure in his retirement.

K.A.D.

THE SCOUT YEAR

JULY

Summer camp last year was held at Silverdale in the grounds of St. John's Hospital where our stay was welcomed by the staff and patients. Since the numbers in the scouts have decreased the camp numbered 24 scouts, but was enjoyed by all present.

SEPTEMBER

This was the month for planning ahead. Since 1975 was Holy Year, it was decided to make a pilgrimage to Rome. The pilgrimage is by way of coach, spending nights in Belgium, Germany, Italy and Switzerland. The future months involved work aiming at the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, and the re-design of our scout room.

In early September a Dinner Dance was held at First Martyrs' local centre in aid of scout funds. It was organised by Mrs. Naylor and Mrs. Muff and the profits greatly swelled the funds.

NOVEMBER

During this month, the junior scouts paid a visit up to Hag Dyke for a few days at half term, together with two new assistant scout leaders, Mr. M. Gaffney and Mr. K. Stamp.

A lecture was given by a member of the 1st Ben Rhydding group on the deaf and dumb in which we became familiar with sign language. Our thanks to him for an enjoyable and invaluable discussion.

DECEMBER/JANUARY

Once more the year had come full circle and the traditional Dinner was held up at Hag Dyke over the New Year, the senior and ex-senior scouts enjoying themselves in the remote farmhouse above Kettlewell.

A scout group from Little Horton had challenged us at football, so the battle was set for one Friday night at 7.30 in the gym. The outcome was a draw, but the bruises were something to talk about over coffee and biscuits.

A new interest for the troop has been brought about by Mr. Gaffney by way of the restoration of a farmhouse situated in the Three Peaks district. It's set in the side of a hill under Pen-y-ghent and about one mile from Horton-in-Ribblesdale. The Venture Scouts would like to thank Mr. M. Gaffney and Mr. K. Stamp for their leadership of the junior troop, Mgr. Sweeney for the use of the school and its facilities, Mr. T. Ward for his help in many fields, and our thanks to Mr. M. Colgan for his help, advice and interest in us.

KELLY'S MACKEREL

(A TRUE STORY)

It was August 1914, and the First World War was but a few days old. On the cliffs between Filey and Hunmanby Gap lay the Scout Camp of St. Bede's Grammar School, Bradford, under the command and beneath the very watchful (if humorous) eyes of its Scoutmaster, the Rev. Charles Tindall, M.A., who contrived miraculously to find time from his scouting duties to be a great Headmaster of the School as well.

His was one of the first Scout Troops formed in Bradford and indeed was the first Catholic Troop to be formed in the world. His camp did not sprawl along the cliffs. It was almost an adornment of them. From the cliff top, side by side, flew the Union Jack and the Papal flag. The tents were kept in spotless order. They had to be, for the Rev. Scoutmaster inspected them each morning as their occupants stood to attention, their blankets, billy cans and all the impedimenta necessary for each boy's activities spread out in a pro-ordained order, all spotless except for the metal cans of the 'old' campaigners which showed here and there the buffetings of previous camps and the honourable scars of many an expedition.

I was one of the 'big boys' of that particular camp, being over fifteen years old and a patrol leader. As an older member of this well-ordered and therefore joyous company, I enjoyed a little more freedom and carried a correspondingly heavier load of responsibility than the younger boys. We older boys naturally tended to cling together in our leisure moments. How well I remember my four companions with whom I spent those happy and often strenuous days in 1914.

One of these was Harry White, who in later years became Leader of the Conservative Group on the Bradford City Council and who, as Lord Mayor of the city, had the privilege of welcoming Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh when they visited Bradford in 1954. Another popular boy was Vincent Mahdjoubian, bubbling with energy and full of unceasing zest for adventure, and for whom no day was long enough to cram in all the exciting things he wanted to do. He was killed in France, just four days before the Armistice was signed.

Then there was Bill Cornthwaite, a tall and very agreeable boy, a relative of whom once visited the camp and gave us a demonstration of how to chop wood so that a piece did not fly up in the air. Something must have gone wrong with the demonstration, for as the expert chopped his piece of wood, surrounded by a ring of interested scouts, a large piece flew in the air as his axe connected with his demonstration sample

and gave the demonstrator a fearful whack just above one eye. The demonstration ended abruptly, partly because the demonstrator needed first-aid and secondly because the smaller boys among the spectators lay back on the grass and howled with laughter.

Another of our group was Tom Kelly, a lithe active boy with sharp penetrating eyes and a glorious sense of humour. Like the rest of the group he joined the Forces and later went to India where he was seconded to the Indian Army, and was for many years busily engaged in the organisation of troop movements, in the administration of which he became an acknowledged expert. For these services he was deservedly awarded the M.B.E. in 1936.

Lastly, there was I, who retired in 1959 as Headmaster of Highfield Secondary School, Bradford, but who in 1914 gave no portent either in appearance or demeanour of ever reaching that dignified position.

Whenever possible we would arrange some little activity, perhaps an expedition along the cliffs, or a swim out to a kind of old raft which protruded from the sand at low tide and consisted of the giant ribs and other timbers of some long forgotten wreck and which, because it lay so far from the shore at low tide, was placed out of bounds to the smaller boys.

If this story were to consist of a mere recital of the holiday activities of a troop of Boy Scouts on the Yorkshire coast in 1914, it would not be worth telling, but it deals with much more serious affairs.

One gloriously hot day we decided to go fishing and, with the help of a local boatman, and equipped with the permission of the Rev. Scoutmaster and a lot of fishing gear and cans of evil-smelling bait we set forth, light of heart, with minds full of visions of filling our boat to the gunwales and returning in triumph with enough fish to feed the camp for days.

We returned in the late afternoon, burnt sore by the sun, reeking of unfamiliar odours, with blistered hands, ravenously hungry, but with (miracle of miracles) just ten mackerel which we bore ashore with some pretence of pride and an inward glow of delight as we contemplated the feast which was to come.

With professional skill we built up the camp fire and with semiprofessional skill we prepared the fish for cooking, dipping the pieces in oatmeal and scrupulously cleaning the large frying pans before apportioning a ration of dripping to each pan.

Now satisfactorily restored to the smartness expected of patrol-leaders, we sat by the fire and watched the sizzling dainties as they slowly browned in their oatmeal jackets and spreading such irresistible odours that the Rev. Scoutmaster himself was seen approaching the very centre of the orgy. But he was not seeking a portion of our mackerel. Even as we

lifted them on to our cracked enamel plates, and buttered the last piece of bread ere pouring out the steaming tea Into our mugs, he reached the circle of sitting gourmands and spoke.

"I want a volunteer to ride into Filey with this letter to the Parish Priest. The matter is urgent and I want the messenger to bring me a reply. Now, who's going?"

Silence, deeper than the Void before Creation began, fell on the troop. All Nature seemed to stand still and listen. Only our eyes moving from one face to another seemed to announce that some living creature still inhabited the Earth. We avoided the gaze of the Watcher and seemed only imperfectly aware that he was waving a white envelope in his hand. "I'm waiting," he said; a remark we all thought unnecessary.

The silence of the Void returned. Each of us gazed in a direction carefully calculated to keep the Rev. Scoutmaster out of range. I remember taking a concentrated interest in an old collier on its way to London and moving slowly like a black smudge on the blue horizon. A kind of chilliness began to permeate the atmosphere, although some inner sense told us that in fact the Rev. Scoutmaster was actually blazing mad.

"Very well," he said, "as no one will volunteer I'll send the boy nearest to me. You, Kelly, get the cycle and take the letter".

Kelly rose to his feet, as if a martyr to arthritis in every joint. He saluted, took the letter and went off to find the cycle, but ere he left us he whispered in a voice laden with a kind of ferocious malevolence, "Keep my mackerel!"

The Rev. Scoutmaster still stood there. His gaze swept the waiting diners. "I'm disgusted with every one of you. Not one volunteer" And he swept away, as the Victorians would say, "in high dudgeon".

Harry White broke the silence. "He doesn't understand," he said simply, and we each had to stifle a guffaw. "He didn't have to catch 'em," added Vincent Mahdjoubian, and Bill Cornthwaite, the quiet one, said, "We're wasting time". So we ate the mackerel with great gusto and never have mackerel tasted like these.

But we left Kelly's mackerel on the plate which we placed among the embers to keep them warm. Slowly the embers turned grey and died. The forced desultory conversation died too. There was a new kind of Silence, fraught with pain and anxiety and frustration.

Kelly had not appeared.

The silence grew too oppressive to be borne any longer. It was away and beyond all human endurance.

"Kelly's mackerel seem to be congealing on the plate". I threw out the remark in an off-hand careless kind of voice, as if I didn't expect an answer. There was a long pause. Nobody got up. Nobody went away. The world consisted of four boys sitting round two mackerel on an old enamel plate.

"I think there's nothing worse than cold mackerel," said Harry White. "Could be very indigestible," pontificated Bill Cornthwaite solemnly.

The minutes ticked away.

"Perhaps he wouldn't mind our sharing them," said Vincent, and all at once the group seemed to come to life again.

"I'm sure he wouldn't want them wasted," said Harry.

"Father Tindall has a real horror of wasting food," I added.

"Shall we?" asked Vincent.

So we did. We ate Kelly's mackerel.

No sooner had the last delicious morsel found its way down our respective gullets than the inevitable happened. Kelly arrived, threw himself off the cycle, delivered his message, and came running to the dead camp fire.

"Where's my mackerel?" he demanded, his eyes clouding with a mixture of horror and disbelief. "Well, it was like this," and we chorussed our explanations of the reasons why we had indeed eaten his mackerel—the loss of freshness in long-cooked fish, the indigestibility of cold mackerel, the possible exposure to insects carrying some virulent microbe which might have infected the fish had they been left much longer. Indeed it all began to sound as if we had saved Kelly's life.

Kelly stepped back. He was livid. "You crowd of pigs," he foamed. "I'll fight the lot of you," he bawled and his eyes blazed with unquenchable fire.

We apologised. We said we hoped he would understand. Kelly said he understood perfectly. We were a crowd of pigs and he would remember each pig as long as he lived.

Gradually he calmed down. A fight, he knew, was out of the question, but though he slowly grew less tense, he never reached the point of smiling forgiveness.

As for us, we all went to bed that night full of mackerel and remorse. Next morning we agreed to let the matter drop. Perhaps some day in the future we would find an opportunity of doing some kind action for Kelly. One never knew how things would turn out. One didn't!

The War engulfed us all eventually and we went our separate ways. We were never more to be together as a group, and some indeed I never saw again.

Many long years passed, my bald head and corpulent figure marking the transformation of a boyish patrol-leader to a middle-aged schoolmaster. One morning I was walking along Wilmer Road, Bradford, when I saw a tall well-dressed figure approaching.

We met, stopped, and looked steadily at each other.

"Wilf. Moverley!" he ejaculated.

"Tom Kelly!" I exclaimed.

"Where's my bloody mackerel?" said Kelly. WILFRID MOVERLEY.

THE JOINT SCHOOLS' CONCERT BAND

At the time of writing, all members of the Joint Schools' Concert Band will be packing their suitcases and making their farewells for the trip to Germany. For during the following twelve days the Band will be staying in Bradford's twin-town, Monchengladbach, where it will give recitals and concerts in the area.

For the band members, the twelve days will not simply be a holiday. A great deal of work will be involved since practices must continue. The resident Band is good, we hear, and we don't want to let the side down. At the same time, though, the twelve days will be a reward for all the work done during the previous year.

Rehearsals apart, a great many concerts have been given, ranging from last year's Garden Parties around the parishes to one-night stands at the "Talk of the Town", the Edwardian Club and other spots.

Many of these occasions have been promoted with the simple intent of raising funds, for taking forty-plus young people on the Continent costs a great deal. Our target was roughly £1000 and the final balance not far short of that figure.

It will not really be a well-deserved rest, but it will underline the fact that the greatest rewards come from the greatest effort. The Band are at least entitled to that!

M.L.M.

ZIGGER ZAGGER

The stage production of ZIGGER ZAGGER in February was a complete contrast to last year's production of THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. The story, which is set against a background of the football stadium, demanded a much larger cast than we had needed before. Altogether over 60 pupils and staff took part and, as usual, girls had to be 'imported' from some of our sister schools in Bradford.

On the financial side the production made a slight loss although, in fact, nearly £110 had been invested in stage equipment for future use. Money, however, is not the main consideration in a venture of this kind. One of the most important reasons for putting on a stage production is the opportunity it gives students to contribute whatever talents they may have to offer. ZIGGER ZAGGER provided opportunities for actors, musicians, electricians, photographers and those interested in other backstage work. Work started back in June with the collection and arrangement of music for the brass band. The first rehearsals took place in October, at which

date the actual performance hovered just above the distant horizon. After Christmas the school at large became more and more aware (as did those involved) of the fast approaching event; there were repeated announcements of rehearsals, the appearance of posters around the school, and finally, what always seems to arouse considerable interest, the gradual building up of scenery on the stage itself. As the date of performance drew inexorably nearer and as the pace quickened, those involved seemed to do nothing but eat and sleep ZIGGER ZAGGER. After these last exhausting weeks the three performances themselves were, in fact, the easiest part of the whole operation. Only those who have taken part in a stage production themselves, however, know the tremendous fun and excitement of being in such a show which more than compensates for all the hard work.

Financially ZIGGER ZAGGER made a loss, but what is more important, all those taking part gained much from the experience of working with others and of actually being involved in the process of creating something new. The question now is "What shall we do next year?"
A.G.S.

FIELDWORK - BIOLOGY

On Wednesday we left Bradford to go to Orierton, the place of gastronomic delights and ice cold dorms. The first day's trip was to Freshwater West to collect samples, after which the phrase *Balanus Balanoides* became one of the better known animals after working until nine o'clock that night. Friday and Saturday produced *Nucella Lapillus* which were to be measured for height and length. The pressure was now showing on the staff who returned in a sad state at night, closely followed by a crawling coach driver. On Sunday we went to Mass at Tenby. Afterwards the starving of us looked around for food shops, but were disappointed to find they were all closed. At last it was meal time again. Monday was project day and we had the pleasure of measuring limpets, being closely watched by Basil. After measuring 150 limpets we returned to the centre, had our food ration, and put our results together. As the time approached 1.00 a.m. the phrase *Balanus Balanoides* was heard frequently. There was a distinct lack of people at breakfast on Tuesday, at about nine o'clock everyone crawled down. Tuesday was uneventful. Everyone disappeared at eight that evening to Pembroke and returned spot on eleven as ordered by Mr. Davey.

On Wednesday our last gastronomic delight-the week's left-overs. Half an hour later we were on our way to civilisation once again.

GEOLOGY FIELD STUDIES - WEYMOUTH - EASTER 1975

At 9.30 a.m. sharp on Wednesday, 2nd April, a band of intrepid geologists left for Costa del Weymouth on the Dorset Riviera and the half completed Beechcroft Hotel.

Swanage and its excellent outcrops of Purbeckian, Wealden and Chalk was studied in detail on Thursday. Hammers, boots and feet were broken on our march along the shingle from Peveril Point to Punfield Cove. After a good dinner Mr. Ward delivered a brief lecture and field notes were copied up in the relaxing atmosphere of the hotel lounge.

The following day an unsuccessful attempt was made to reach the Fossil Forest at Lulworth Cove. Alas, we were beaten by the British Army, for the Forest is located within the controversial and prohibited Lulworth Tank Training Area. We were compensated on our climb to Durdle Door, when we encountered snow. A good time was had by all, making snowballs.

Saturday, Grand National Day, was marked by a visit to Portland Bill. After we had listened to the big race, the Pleistocene raised beach was studied and marine erosion was accelerated by the action of our hammers.

Sunday was a most eventful day. After examining the *Ostrea* beds at the coastguard station at Langon Herring, Mr. Ward had the brilliant idea of walking across the Fleet to our next location. (The Fleet is a stretch of stagnant, brackish water between Chesil Beach and the mainland.) The advance party succeeded without wetting their feet, but alas! the rear-guard had to contend with churned up mud and to their disgust got their feet wet. The day was rounded off with a game of hide and seek with our coach. The coach won, so our Sunday afternoon stroll finished up as a seven mile hike back to Weymouth.

An early start was made on Monday for our visit to Charmouth and Lyme Regis. The weather took a turn for the worse and so we stumbled among the giant ammonites at Lyme Regis in pouring rain. Our final location was Chesil Beach at Chesilton (a spectacular beach of shingle stretching twenty miles from Bridport to Portland). There Michael Couzens took an early bath, being ceremoniously carried over the shingle beach and dumped in the English Channel.

On Tuesday, a band of fitter and more enlightened geologists left for home, on a journey not without incident, for our coach ran out of fuel on the MS.

Despite our little incidents, the trip was unanimously enjoyed and we must thank all those who made it possible. Most important of all, valuable experience was gained in field geology.

R. P. KORDOWICZ (LV13).

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

ROYAL HOLLOWAY COLLEGE (UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)

After spending two terms at Royal Holloway College I can truly say that the only thing which surprises me about it is that I am the only Bedesman here!

The College is situated about twenty miles south-west of London on the edge of Windsor Great Park, so we enjoy all the advantages of being part of London University while living out in the country.

Being a small college, with more than 90% of students living in halls of residence, means that it is far more friendly and personal than many of the larger universities and after only a few weeks you find yourself recognising many of the people you see in the Union building or about the College.

Undoubtedly one of the attractions of the College must be the intense social life which you can't help but get caught up in.

So to anyone who would like a really great time in delightful surroundings (and who is also prepared to do a little work now and then) I can certainly recommend R.H.C. and I hope to see more Bedesmen here in the next couple of years.

A. J. DICK.

WESTFIELD COLLEGE (UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)

With a student population of only a thousand, Westfield ranks as one of the smallest colleges in the university. This factor is in many ways advantageous with regard to staff/student relationships in sorting out personal problems and generally getting to know one's (intellectual) superiors.

As with all London University, the college, in most faculties, operates the course unit system whereby one must pass a certain number of units in order to gain a degree. This allows for the great diversity in many fields of study.

The biology department allows no choice of units in the first year as this is used to give a foundation in most branches of the subject and so at times can be boring when work previously done at 'A' is recovered.

The college is situated in one of the finer areas of London, only a quarter of a mile from the village of Hampstead. It encircles a generous amount of gardens and is therefore secluded from the hustle and bustle of city life, but on the other hand its position allows you to enjoy the best of both worlds.

To anyone wishing to take up sport the college and main union offer everything from mountaineering to sub-aqua.

USHAW COLLEGE, DURHAM

Has anybody ever heard of a seminary going 'Flower Power'? We do not think the Fathers who founded Douai College in 1568, and its successor, Ushaw College, in 1808, would have envisaged such an ingredient in the training of clergy for the North of England. Well, in early June this year the College really does intend to hold a grand Flower Festival, to be publicised at least at county level. The proceeds will be given to a College for the disabled.

At present Diocesan students total just under 100 in number but we cater for a group of 'Sacred Heart' students and we also have a resident community of Carmelites. Next September sees the amalgamation of the college with Upholland Seminary, and this will probably bring the figure nearer the 160 mark. So, as you may imagine, we are smaller than the average college and we are always on first name terms.

To outline the present training would probably fill a book, but let it suffice to say that it is a continual tug-of-war between the demands of a healthy academic, pastoral, and spiritual life. Some would add sport to this list. The facilities are improving all the time, and probably the most exciting one at present is the acquisition of our own TV studio, allowing students to produce films for the purpose of training in communications.

Ushaw sends a small percentage of its students to Durham University, and despite our small numbers our contribution to the University is not insignificant. For example, we have opened up to the University the College's Big Library, which is appropriately named, for it contains roughly 40,000 books. This collection is the accumulation of centuries, and in addition to its abundance of books concerning theology and history, it has quite an extensive law and science collection. If the antiquarians of Bede's are not yet convinced that they would like to spend a few weeks in our library perhaps, the recent addition of 2,000 books from the library of the 300 year old English College at Usbon will persuade them.

Although you may not understand how we could possibly desert sunny Bradford to be trained in the bleak wilds of County Durham, we can only answer you by inviting you to visit our college and witness the peaceful and relaxed atmosphere of our surroundings. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given at Ushaw College, Durham, on the feast of St. George, the 23rd of April, in the year of Our Lord 1975, the first year of John Jackson, the third year of Michael Walsh and Joseph Elliott, and the fifth year of Richard Carter.

J. V. JACKSON.

Anyone wishing to come to any of the London colleges must be prepared to pay out a lot for residence, which is nevertheless very good; also general spending in London takes up a great deal of money and close scrutiny of expenses is necessary to avoid too many confrontations with the little man in the cupboard.

If there is anyone, wishing to come here who has been put off by the p6ccls of college rules which gives a rather glorified public school image, don't worry; they're not as bad as they sound; besides, what are rules for?

Finally, if life becomes too much the M1 is only an 8p bus ride away and from there the "King's" is a mere four to five hour hitch.

J.HONORE.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, CARDIFF

Work is much the same whichever college one goes to, so here are a few points in favour of joining the already sizeable clan of Bradfordians in Cardiff.

Rugby, football, cricket, swimming and all the major sports are catered for at international standard in Cardiff and are well represented within the college, along with minority sports like parachuting and surfing.

Socially, Cardiff has all the advantages of a capital city in both contemporary and traditional areas. The college has a brand new Union building and the Sherman theatre is the best equipped in Britain.

Anyone tempted by this brochure should apply to University Hall for the first year and come prepared to live life to the full.

G. SMITH, C. PLUMB.

YORK UNIVERSITY

The university is almost new-the building is only just finished and landscaping still going on-and is built on a collegiate system which tends to break the 2,000 plus population into smaller units. We are just far enough from town for the locals not to notice us, more especially as life tends to revolve around campus with the colleges, miscellaneous societies and the lecturers providing almost non-stop entertainment in many and varied forms.

Tim G. has now moved his blanket to York and can be seen migrating somewhat bemusedly between the Maths and Education departments, confusing his supervisors on the way and being confused by the multiplicity of strange accents which abound. We desperately need more Bedesmen in York, preferably ones who can speak properly.

S.G.

ENDSLEIGH COLLEGE

Endsleigh College is a voluntary Catholic College with 554 students, situated about two miles outside the centre of Hull, and is in easy reach of shops, libraries, cinemas and such. The University, which is ten minutes' walk away, provides entertainment in the way of disco's, films, and concerts for a small associate membership fee. The college itself has recently acquired a new block containing numerous lecture rooms, a TV studio where much work for Radio Humberside is done. Included in the block is the Oasis Club, which provides free membership for staff and students where they may bring guests to various functions; these range from disco's, folk evenings, bingo sessions, and table football competitions-in fact most people's tastes are catered for.

Tents and sleeping bags are provided for the first year accommodation which improves slightly as the time goes on. If you survive the frost bite in the winter and the malaria in the summer you are eligible for a single or double room in your second year (quite plush I might hasten to add-with your own sink unit and your own bed no less !!) which is within easy access of the college facilities/amenities.

The ratio of male to female students is 10-1, which makes the disco's a roaring success for the Endsleigh fellas-no don't start sending off for application forms straight away for remember, although life at college is 60% fun, 40% is hard graft, but Endsleigh sends out teachers not immature students. Sol if you're prepared to work, the fun takes care of itself!

If you're a budding gymnast or a forward roll beginner Endsleigh can cater for your tastes wholeheartedly. If you fancy yourself a good Samaritan Hull has plenty who need your help, and don't worry about being out there on your own because Endsleigh is out in the front with a handicapped society and a social services society. We go camping, canoeing and sailing. If, on the other hand, you fancy yourself as a Marlon Brando join our drama group and if you fancy yourself as Ralph McTell our folk group will get you recognised.

MARY WIERZBICKI.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

"We carry not a heart with us from hence, that goes not in a fair consent with ours", bawls Henry V in fluent Helen Mirren, as he leaves Southampton. Like Henry V and Helen Mirren, Bedesmen don't abound here.

There are disadvantages: Southampton is 250 miles or so from Bradford; the beer is Paraquat; "The High Street of Southampton . . . a glittering exotic place full of living theatres and sweet shops that looked like palaces of gems, caves of glitter," says Ken Russell who was born here and is another disadvantage; Plummer's no longer sports "the dansant" and the jazz band; the theatres are gone; the steps of the Mayflower

Pilgrims are hidden behind concrete; and Russell squeaks inexorably on "I was trapped in a booth in Maison Pearl's with my mother and Auntie Doris . . ." But enough of him, and of the city.

The 15th largest University in the country also has its disadvantages: My lodgings seem 250 miles or so from it; Prentice says we have 4,997 students but won't buy us a swimming pool; as campus sites go Southampton is small (but, in common with most Universities, would pass for Butlin's); like LSE and Captain Ahab it is obscenely split by the main road.

"Who are the big signings down there in the 'grove de Academe'?" you caw with Kantian exuberance. F. T. Prince has just retired and now reads his poetry down town ("And art thou come to this? . . . eminent critics are either mad or morons-A. J. Smith is not mad; Palmer is a mate of Gilbert Ryle. There is also further Bede's representation in Tony Sweeney who, the last I heard, was going to live in Oxford.

This year, the number of applications from St. Bede's to Southampton is a hundred per cent. less than one. Who the October catastasis of UCCA Clearing deposits at Highfield remains to be seen. He knows who I am.
DAVID HOPPER.

UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD

Students taking a Science Degree at Bradford usually embark on a Sandwich Course, six months at the University, six months working at a firm, and since I have just finished my industrial training period I haven't been at the University long.

If anyone wants to become an electrical or mechanical engineer I can guarantee this course. I worked at the Y.E.B. and the training they gave was first class. We were sent from section to section-industrial and domestic installations, forging and welding shop, mechanical fitting shop, machine shop, appliance department, underground cable jointing, electrical fitting section and, finally, overhead lines, i.e. pole climbing. Three of us were student apprentices, all the rest were technician and craft apprentices, and so we were treated as V.I.P's.

Then came the University. Being in Bradford, I live at home and so I am comparatively well off. I have money saved up from the industrial training period, I have a grant, and the Y.E.B. also sends me a small amount every month.

The University itself is all a University should be, a great social life and an active Union, though amongst the science students at least, the Union is a bit of a joke. I was worried that the six months away from all academic studies would have rotted my brain, but the course of lectures starts off as if we were all idiots and so that was all right.

B. CZENKUSZ.

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EVENTS 1975/76

10th January. Annual Dinner at School. Catering by the Green Top Restaurant. An excellent evening attended by 60 members and guests.

7th June. London Old Boys' Dinner, Cafe Royal, Regent Street. The chief guest Mgr. Sweeney. Mr. Kevin Moore and the Hon. Secretary also attended.

27th June. 75th Anniversary Celebration. High Mass followed by a Buffet Supper arranged by Fr. Pathe.

July. Old Boys v. Staff Cricket match with supper at the King's Arms.

September. Dance-to be arranged.

10th October. Annual Dinner 3rd July. Golf Tournament-Northcliffe Golf Club.

17th and Ladies' Night, Paradise Farm Restaurant,
7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m.

9th November. Memorial Mass for Old Boys' and Past Pupils. School Chapel, 8.00 p.m.

9th January, 1976. Annual Dinner-details to be arranged.

18th February, 1976. A.G.M.-School, 8.00 p.m.

Further details and bookings for all events may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, do the School, or from any member of the Committee. On behalf of the Committee, I would like to extend a cordial welcome to all Old Boys and past pupils to attend our future functions.

I would like to thank my fellow Officers and Committee members for their help and co-operation in organising the functions. In conclusion, I would like to express the Committee's thanks to Mgr. Sweeney for the use of the School for Committee meetings and other events, also to Miss K. Bottomley for her kind assistance and un-tiring help.

KEVIN A. WILCOCK.

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