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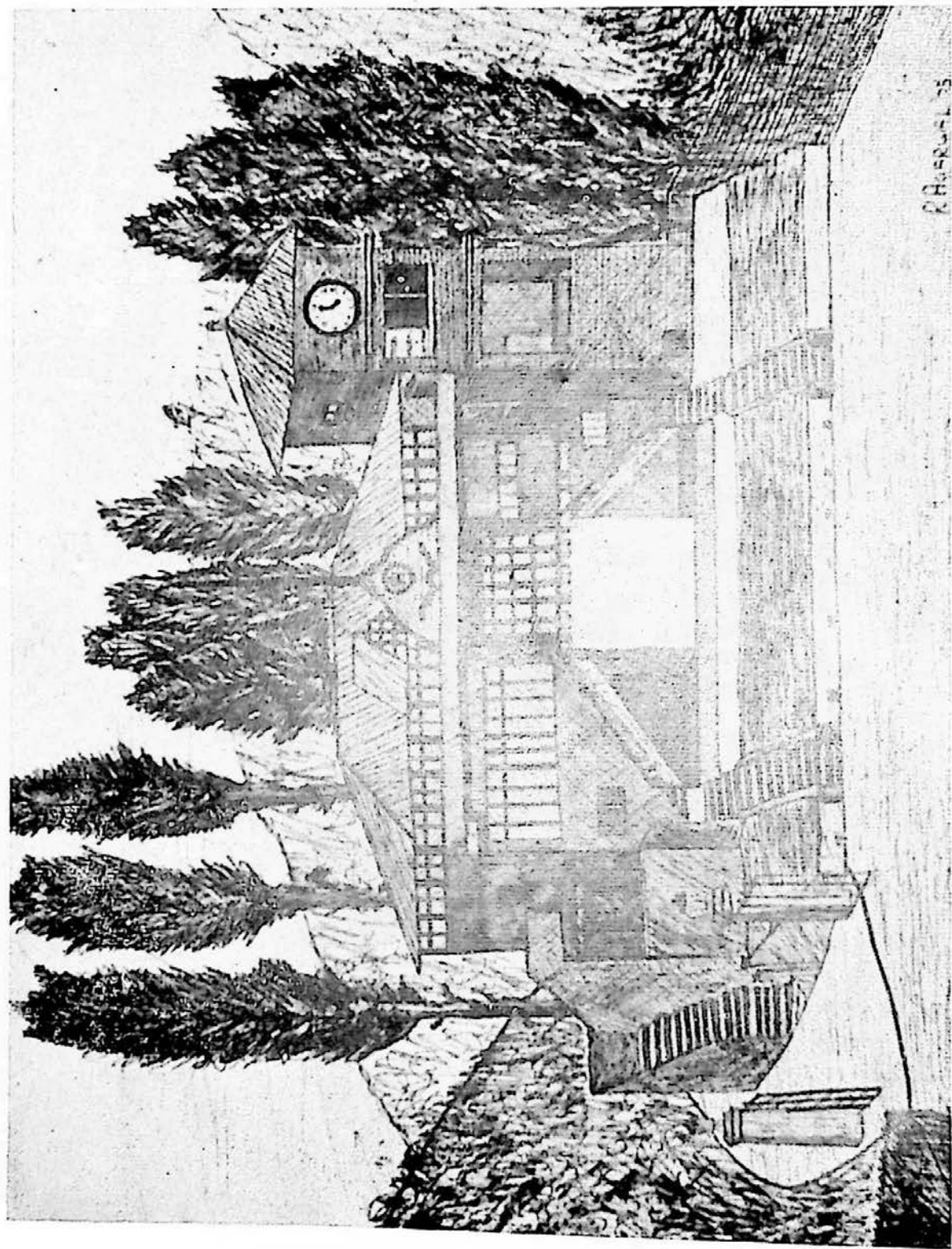


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SCHOOL NOTES

MARCH

Weatherwise the winter in Darjeeling was a pleasant surprise. Those who returned at the end of February to thunder and lightning, heavy hail, rain and biting wind, could hardly believe that the 'unfortunates' who stayed here for most of the winter had enjoyed a warm, dry, sunny February.

Miss E. Frame, who was School Secretary and Matron from 1962 to 1966, died suddenly on Feb. 27th at Karni Estate, while on a holiday here from Britain.

On Christmas Eve the New Rector, Mr. James, arrived from Bhutan where he had been Director of Education. He spent the winter getting acquainted with the geography (physical, human and economic) of St. Paul's.

Towards the end of February work began on the new second storey of Benson's; it is due for completion at the end of May.



Benson's : Then
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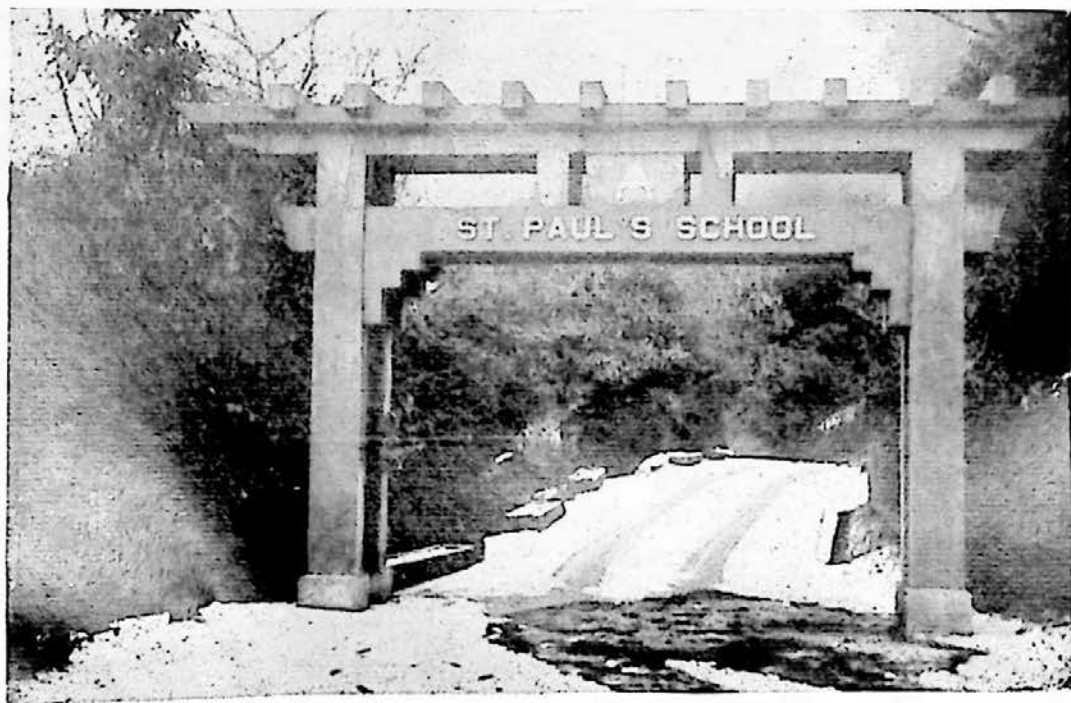
And Now
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During the winter Dawkins was given some badly needed privacy by being fenced off from the adjacent Bustee. The small water tank at Dawkins was raised by four feet. It is hoped that the increased head of water will solve the perennial water problem at Dawkins.

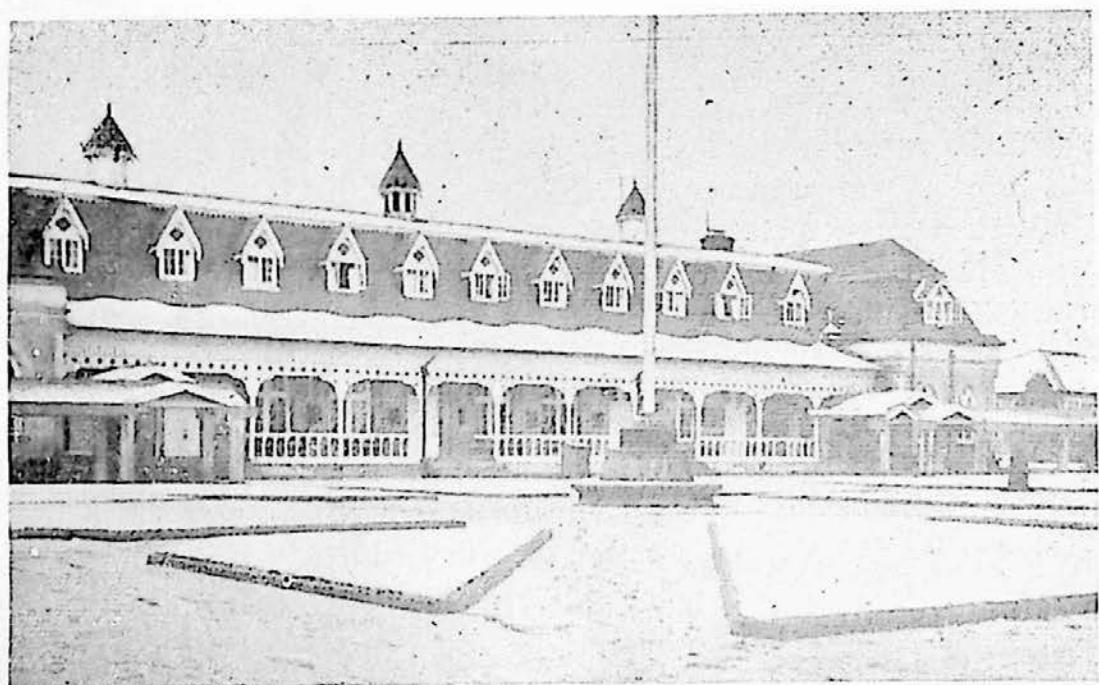
On the fourth at the Service for the beginning of term, the new Rector preached on Christian Behaviour. On the following morning the School witnessed the 'swearing in' of the School Captain and Prefects. As this is an innovation at St. Paul's, it may be in order to record here the formula used 'I, solemnly swear that I will faithfully, diligently and impartially execute and perform the duties required of me as a, without fear or favour, and will well and truly obey all School Rules, and will always uphold the noble traditions and the good name of our school, St. Paul's. So help me God!'

On the 6th a short educational film was shown by the Rector for the benefit of the Staff; it was entitled 'A Happy Adventure'—auspicious for the year ahead!



Snow in St. Paul's
Photo: K. K.

On the night of the 6th an impressive hail and snow storm struck Darjeeling, and on the 7th it snowed heavily, much to the delight of the boys who were quite prepared to suffer the cold (the temperature went down to -4° C) in exchange for the experience—novel to most—of a snowfall.



The Quad under a cover of snow

Photo : K.K.

Mr. and Mrs. Nath arrived on the 15th. Mr. Nath will teach English in the Middle School.

At the Senior Staff Seminar on the 23rd there was a free (for all!) exchange of ideas; the topic under discussion was Student Counselling.

A tragic incident occurred in Darjeeling on the 26th. The Darjeeling Fire Brigade, on its way to Lebong, went over the Tenzing Rock and four men were killed.

The ISC results arrived on the 27th—16 1st divs., 13 2nd divs. 7 3rd divs. and 3 failures.

March has been exceedingly dry and dusty; coughs and sore throats abound.

APRIL

A musical evening on the 1st., which featured piano, violin, cello and horn, was greatly appreciated.

On the night of the 3rd the Rector's son, Dilip, was rushed to the Nursing Home where he underwent a serious operation to have some nails removed from his stomach. He has made good recovery.

A forest fire occurred on the night of the 7th behind the main Bustee where the path joins the Cart Road; someone had set fire to the undergrowth. The Fire Brigade watched—they had no water—while some of the VI Formers extinguished the fire. Damage was relatively light but, due to the drought, it could have been serious had there been a wind.

The standard at the Inter-House Elocution Contest on the 7th was very high, especially in the extempore section. The combined Schools' Bengali Concert was staged at Loreto Convent on the 14th; SPS participated. Lawrence won the Inter-House Hindi Elocution contest on the 15th.

On Good Friday (20th) there was normal working routine after the Chapel Service. On the same day the tennis pavilion had to be demolished; recently it has been showing alarming signs of decay and it was eventually dislodged in a storm.

Havelock staged the first House Concert of the year on the 21st.

A Senior Staff Meeting on the 26th discussed whether Period Order Reports need to be changed. At a later meeting of Heads of Departments a six point grading system was adopted, and this will go into effect on May 19th. The practice of giving Class Positions will be discontinued.

The combined Schools' Hindi Evening—dance, drama and song—was staged at St. Paul's on the 28th and was greatly appreciated.

At the Darjeeling Flower Show on the 28th R. Agarwal got 1st Prize for Flower Arrangement in the Schools' Section. SPS won six other prizes including that for the best garden.

Since the snowfall on March 7th Darjeeling has been in the grip of a drought. Many of the cricket matches have been played in swirling dust and the water situation is becoming critical. At Dawkins water is being hoisted to the tank in buckets—a comical sight !

MAY

There were expeditions to Tiger Hill, Senchal Lake and Ghoom Rock on Pioneer Field Day, and on the 6th Scout Troops went to Rangaroon, Tonglu and Debra Pani. The first real rain (and mist) of the school year arrived in time for the Scout Camp.

On the 6th SPS experienced an unusual influx of gay colour in the persons of fifty Loreto Convent girls who came for the School Social. On the following day Mr. DRA Mountford conducted a History Seminar for the teachers of Darjeeling District.

The Bengali Society Play, 'Abu Hussain', was staged on Tagore's birthday, and on the 9th a meeting of the Board of Governors was held at SPS.

The final matches in the Edinburgh Shield series were played in the middle of the month. SPS retained the shield for the third year in succession, after a very successful cricket season. Mr. Macdonald was in top form this year with three Centuries to his credit.

On the 19th SC Bhutia and S. Sen were promoted to the position of School Prefect and SS Bose to that of House Prefect.

Lawrence won the Inter-House Gymnastics Competition on the 21st. Lawrence has been doing very well in all spheres this year; they will greatly miss their Housemaster, Mr. Mountford, who has been appointed Headmaster of Sherwood College, Naini Tal. The Staff gave a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Mountford on the 23rd

The Gymnastics Display was held at the Gymkhana Club on the 26th. His Excellency, the Governor, Sri AL Dias, kindly presided. On the same evening the Junior School Concert was staged. It was very enjoyable, especially the Hindi play adapted for the purpose by Mrs. K Kanti. A record number of parents attended—the hall was jam-packed—possibly a reflection on the heat of the plains.



S. K. Jalan : Gym Captain talking to H.E. The Governor of W. Bengal

The May holidays began on the 26th and were extended to June 4th. There seemed to be little enthusiasm for expeditions; a proposed expedition to Sandakphu never got off the ground due to lack of volunteers. Maj. Vyse accompanied ten boys to the Kaziranga Game Sanctuary in Assam, and Messrs Mandrelle and Kanti went with a party of boys to Kathmandu.

On the 29th Mr. and Mrs. Mountford left us for Sherwood College. We wish them both and their family god-speed.

JUNE

Mr. and Mrs. Bharadwaj arrived from Mayo College on the 1st. Mr. Bharadwaj has come to teach history for this month as no replacement has yet been found for Mr. Mountford.

Mr. Hardip Singh



The May holidays ended on the 4th after a week of superb weather.

On the 9th the French Society entertained us with an evening of drama and song. "L'Heureux Gagnant" was a very gallant effort; R. Mohamed's vain attempts to read his part surreptitiously behind magazines, hats and newspapers, added a novel dimension to the play.

The combined efforts of Loreto Convent, Mount Hermon and St. Paul's went into the musical concert on the 16th. The performance was recorded by All India Radio.

On the 17th Mr. Dhote gave an interesting talk on careers in different fields in India and, in particular, on printing as a career.

The Rt. Rev. Amritanand, Chairman of the Board of Governors, was in the school from the 23rd to the 26th.

During the month tummy upsets have reached almost epidemic proportions in the school.

JULY

On the 7th Mr. and Mrs. Bharadwaj left to return to Mayo College. A round of farewell teas for them from both Staff and boys marked the previous few days. Our thanks and very good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bharadwaj.

Havelock won the Bengali Elocution Competition held on the 8th.

At the Senior School PT Competition held on the 19th it was generally felt that the standard of PT has improved.

From the 20th there was the usual three day holiday to mark the end of Trinity Term. Expeditions left for Siliguri, Singla Bazar and Rangaroon. The Third Youth Conference for the schools of the Darjeeling District began on the 20th.

On the 22nd Mr. S. Guha (OP '48-'50) arrived from Canada to teach Physics and Mathematics in the Senior School.

At an extraordinary Staff meeting held after breakfast on the 23rd the Staff were informed that the Rector Mr. James,

would be leaving the School on July 31st and that Mr. D. Chatterjee would officiate pro tem.

An interesting entry in the Log Book for the 24th reads—
“Three masters’ gowns were missing from the MCR and they were found in the Lost and Found Box.” Clearly, somebody is being badly affected by monsoon blues!

The Football League matches ended this month. SPS has not done well this year. This is surprising when one considers the individual players who are all quite good.

AUGUST

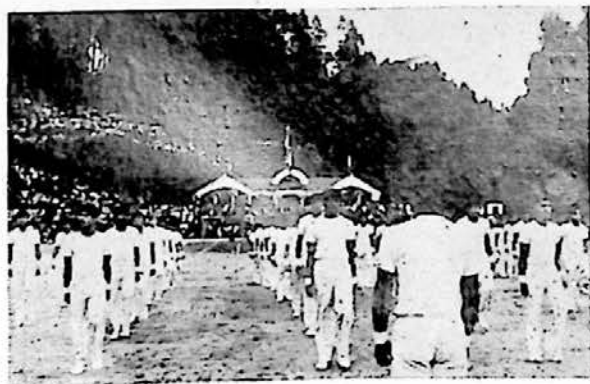
The ‘Gondoliers’ which was to be staged in September as a combined effort by SPS, Mount Hermon, Loreto Convent and St. Joseph’s, has been called off. It seems the practical problems were insurmountable.

Havelock won the finals of the Boxing Competition held on the 1st.

On the 3rd the Junior School Staff attended an English Seminar held at Mount Hermon.

On the 8th the boys were treated to a Judo and Karate demonstration at which several bricks were impressively demolished out of hand.

For the Independence Day Celebrations at St. Joseph’s a contingent of our boys presented a mass PT display. It was generally noted one of the best items and a welcome relief from chair exercises.



St. Paul's Gym Team at
St. Joseph's on 15 Aug., 1973

Hastings House Concert on the 25th treated us to a varied selection of entertaining items.

Advertisers : Anne French !!
(A Hastings House Item)



The Marathon was run on the 30th in warm, dry, pleasant weather. C. Dorje clocked a very good time (see Athletics) for the new course which is somewhat longer than the old course

The usual three day holiday after the marathon began on the 31st and expeditions left for Singla Bazar, Sukna, Bejoynagar and Tiger Hill.

SEPTEMBER

On the 5th Mr. D. Chatterjee, the Acting Senior Master, was taken very ill with what was at first thought to be a heart attack, but was later found to be pleurisy. In Mr. Chatterjee's absence, Mr. Despande is in charge of the school.

The Inter School Elocution Contest on the 7th, held at Loreto Convent, was won by the host school. SPS was second. I. Soni won the prize for Best Speaker and A. A. Jafferjee won the Extempore prize with a highly entertaining speech.

Havelock came first in the Inter-House Competition in Western Music held on the 8th.

On the 12th Mr P Cooper, who was in Darjeeling as the examiner for the Trinity School of Music, gave a very entertaining and much appreciated piano recital at St. Paul's.

On the 13th the Ven. JA Gonsalves, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Governors, presided over a meeting of the Staff in which he appointed Mr. VM Deshpande as the master-in-charge of the school until the new Senior Master arrives. On the 15th Maj. Gen DK Palit, Vr. C., a member of the Board of Governors, arrived to spend a few days in the school.



Mr. Deshpande with
Gen. 'Monty' Palit

On the 21st Mr. and Mrs. NKS Rao left the school. Mr. Rao has been in St. Paul's for sixteen years. We wish him and his family every success in the future.

The School Scouts won the Keelan Shield for First Aid and came fourth in the Jackson Shield Competition.

On the 27th Mr. and Mrs. James left the school for good. Mr. James has been the Rector since March of this year.

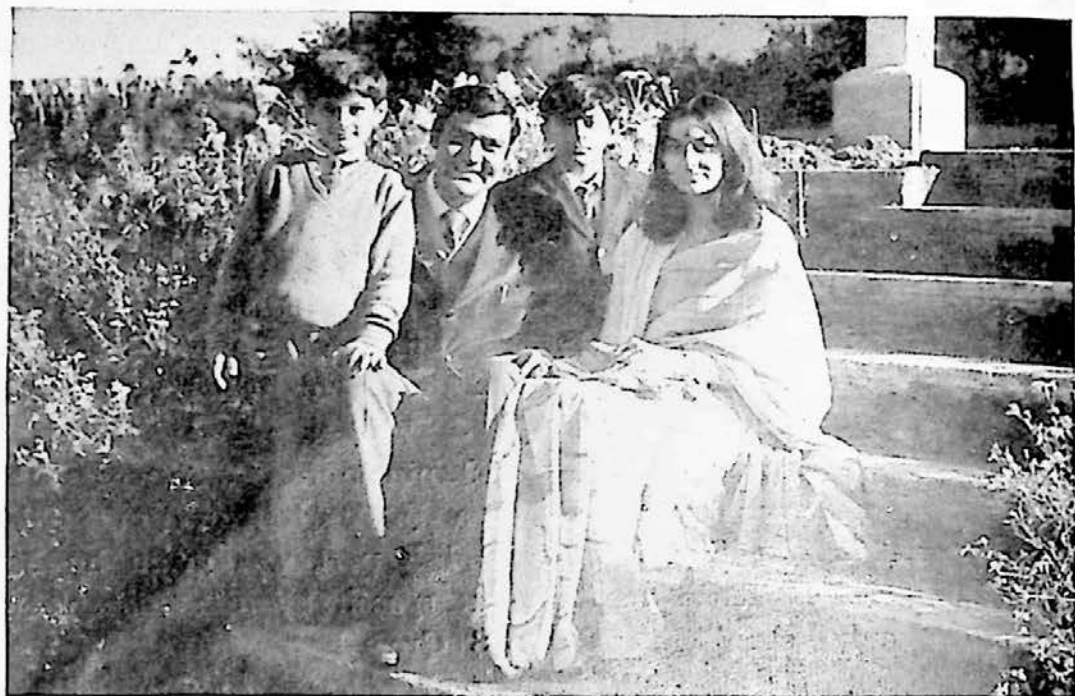
OCTOBER

Sports and Speech Day was held on the 1st. The morning was dull with slight drizzle. As the Sports and Prize-giving ended, the drizzle developed into a downpour which lasted for most of the afternoon. Mrs. AJS Grewal gave away the sports prizes. Many parents attended the Commemoration Service which was presided over by the Rt. Rev. J Amritanand, our Guest of Honour for the day. The School Report was given by Mr. VM Deshpande. There was a short speech by the Bishop and vote of thanks from Wg. Cdr. AJS Grewal.

Due to the fact that 'The Gondoliers' was cancelled at a very late date, it was not possible to have a School Play. Instead there was a variety entertainment which began with a musical composition based on an Indian raga and included the Trial Scene from 'The Merchant of Venice', 'Gabriel Grub', an adaptation from Charles Dickens, and the Murder Scene from 'Macbeth'.

The weather during the Puja Holidays was unkind. Expeditions left for Orissa, Digha and Siliguri.

On the 7th Mr. MN Tankha, the new Senior Master arrived with his family. We extend a very warm welcome to them.



Mr. and Mrs. Tankha with their sons
Photo : K. K.

On the 11th the Chief Minister, Siddhartha Shankar Ray, paid a visit to the School. He again visited us on the 26th and addressed the boys and staff.

A special Service to commemorate the anniversary of Bishop Westcott's death was held on the 19th.



The Staff and Students going to Bishop Westcott's Grave.

Photo: F. Morrison

At the House Speech Contest on the 20th Lawrence was first and the other three Houses tied for second place. Obviously a close run thing!

A talk by four Americans on the 23rd to the Senior boys on 'Counter Culture--the American Experience', did not seem to engender much enthusiasm for the ways of the West.

At the Inter School Sports on the 27th twenty-eight certificates were awarded to SPS.

The ISC examinations began on the 31st.

NOVEMBER

On the 7th the DEAS and Pioneer Awards ceremony took place in brilliant sunshine. Wg. Cdr. AJS Grewal presided and Mrs. Grewal gave away the awards. The ceremony was attended by the Principals and many members of the Staff from St. Joseph's and Mt. Hermon.

On the 8th Mr. Dias, the High Commissioner of Sri Lanka, visited the school.

During the month we received the good news that Mr. NKS Rao has been selected as Headmaster of Welham School, Dehradun. We wish him success in his new post. St. Paul's seems to be a fertile breeding ground for Headmasters. We have produced two this year but we do not, as yet, have one of our own.

On the 14th the Staff gave a farweell for Messrs Galvin and Nath who are leaving St. Paul's at the end of this year.

Mr. Shankar Mitra spent a few days in the school conferring with masters about the publication of the Brochure which is to be brought out to mark the 150th anniversary of the founding of the School.

The end of term Carol Service was not as well attended as in former years. The House decorations at the end of term supper were executed with both taste and artistry—the best most people present could remember.

The lockout of IAC caused not a little upset regarding GHD. In the circumstances it was no mean feat to get all the boys off by train on the 26th and 27th.

JFG

ENKAYES RAO

Born on December 10, 1926 Mr. NKS Rao did his schooling and college in Mysore, graduating in Science from Central College, Mysore. In school and college he showed promise in cricket and played for his college and University in soccer. After one year in medical college he worked as a lecturer and demonstrator in Zoology beginning July, 1946. He was Examiner for the Pre-Medical Examination for two years and for Inter and B.Se. for one year. He also played soccer for the College.

He started teaching in a school in July 1950 when he was the first Indian to join Lawrence School, Sanawar, and in 1951 became the first Indian Housemaster there. In 1955-56 he took his B.Ed. degree from Delhi University, where he was the Joint Secretary of the Students' Union. In 1957 he joined St. Paul's as its juniormost master and became the Housemaster of Clive House in 1960, in which post he remained till 1963. In 1964 he became the first non-Christian Senior Master and remained so till the time when he left the school in 1973. In 1971-72 he secured a Commonwealth Bursary to study School Administration and management at Edinburgh University and successfully completed the course with high credit, as reflected in his Course Report.



Mr. Rao 'Chaired'

Mr. Rao was lucky to have worked under Mr. Carter at Sanawar and Mr. Goddard at St. Paul's, perhaps the two most dedicated of English Public School Masters who have left an indelible mark in the field of Indian Public School education. He was also lucky to have worked under the modernising influence of Mr. DS Gibbs at St. Paul's. A conscientious and hardworking person, he never counted the hours and gave his heart and soul to his job. He had the capacity of going into the minutest of details. A stern disciplinarian, outwardly a hard man, he really was very kind and understanding person. Some people are better appreciated in retrospect; he was one such person. During the last decade he constituted the inner hard core of discipline that obtained in St. Paul's.

It was a privilege to have known NKS and to have been numbered among his friends. He has left his mark on St. Paul's and the boys. NKS and his family left St. Paul's in rather sad circumstances in September, 1973 and we are happy to learn that he has settled down as the Headmaster of Wellham School, Dehra Dun. We are confident that with his dynamic personality he will lead that school towards greater glory.

PR

JERRY F. GALVIN

Jerry Galvin and George Bernard Shaw have one thing in common—their Irish descent; this is not the only similarity between the two; Jerry also has quite a bit of Shaw's wit and sarcasm. It is his wit and sense of subtle humour that made him an outstanding feature in the M. C. R. of St. Paul's.

Jerry came to St. Paul's from England, through the courtesy of British Council, via Libya. His first year in the school could be described, without much exaggeration, as the year of conflict and clashes. In the course of his stay in St. Paul's his love for truth and greater love for speaking the truth (even at the expense of offending others) earned him some friends and a large number of 'enemies'.

Although he had specialised in Geography he taught English with tremendous success. He had a 'feel' for English literature and combined with this was his capacity for preparing boys in examination techniques. It was no wonder then that all his students did so well in the I. S. C. examination.

JFG was a versatile person; a voracious reader, an excellent carpenter, a good tennis player, an indomitable trekker, Jerry also had a good proportion of histrionic talents. This talent came to his aid when in 1972 one of the casts of 'Tons of Money' fell sick the day before the day of performance. Jerry had only a few hours to learn his part. One of the factors that made 'Tons of Money' a roaring success was the able direction and competent acting of Jerry.

Jerry Galvin's departure from St. Paul's, after a period of three years, made many of us feel sad; yet his antagonists were happy that the only person who had the guts to use his lashing tongue, whenever necessary, had left; for how many of us have the courage to face truth—especially if it is an unpleasant one?

An account about JFG will remain incomplete without an 'honourable mention' of his wife. Vivien Galvin, who taught History and English at Loreto Convent was a lady of artistic tastes. She was truly a fitting complement to Jerry Galvin.

We hear they have settled down in Petersborough, an hour's Journey from London. We wish them success.

Chandak Chatterji.

THE MOUNTFORDS

It was with mixed feelings that we bade 'Good bye' to the Mountfords at the end of May. Mr. Mountford left St. Paul's to take over as the Principal of Sherwood College, Nainital—happy, because he is perhaps the first St. Paul's Master to get the Headship of a school in the twelve years I have been associated with St. Paul's and sad because he was leaving a

school where he was as popular with the students as with the staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Mountford joined St. Paul's in 1970 via Lawrence School, Sanawar, where they had served for six years. During the short time they were with us at St. Paul's, they made an indelible mark as very efficient teachers and were liked by the staff and pupils alike. As a good sportsman Mr. Mountford had to bear the brunt of coaching both the hockey and football teams of the school; this he did very successfully. As the Housemaster of Lawrence House he was very meticulous in his approach to the problems of the children under his care. He regained their confidence and his House was full of very happy children.

It may not be out of place to trace a little of Mr. Mountford's own school career, and no one among the staff is as competent to do that as me, having been his Housemaster for nearly six years at the Lawrence School, Sanawar, where he had his early education. The nine year old Mountford joined my House, a cheerful lad, full of mischief. Even at that early age he was very popular among children of his own age.



The Mountfords

As a good athlete and sportsman, Richard won the long distance cross-country run, known as 'Hodson Run' in Sanawar, every year during his stay in Sanawar. He played for the School Cricket XI and captained the hockey, soccer and boxing teams. His achievements in the games field was equally matched by his achievements in other fields. He was an able debator and a good actor; he was the youngest prefect in the school (becoming one at the age of fourteen). His school career ended in glory when in his last year he was appointed the School Captain and also won the coveted 'President's Medal' as the most outstanding student of the school.

Mr. Mountford obtained his B.A. degree with Honours in History from St. Stephen's College in Delhi; he later took his B.Ed. from the Central Institute of Education, Delhi. Though he had been offered many tempting jobs by reputed mercantile firms, he decided to take up teaching. In a short span of ten years he has become, perhaps, the youngest Headmaster (at 32) of a reputed school. It is no surprise; education runs in the family—his grandfather and his brother were two very eminent educationists and retired as Vice-chancellors of two universities.

No account of the Mountfords is complete without a few words about Mrs. Mountford. Pam Mountford was educated at Ootacamund and in St. Mary's Training College, Poona. She started her career as a teacher at Lovedale from where she came to St. Paul's via Sanawar. Though she was not used to teaching children of the 9+ age group, she took the challenge and taught the children for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years and very successfully at that. She was a hard task master and at the same time extremely painstaking and conscientious.

The departure of the Mountfords from the campus is a sad blow for St Paul's and, need I say, a great loss. What is our loss is Sherwood's gain. Our very best wishes to Richard and Pam for a bright future and successful career.

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SPORTS AND SPEECH DAY

1st Oct., 1973

The morning of Sports Day was dull with slight drizzle. When the prizes were being given out by Mrs. AJS Grewal, this drizzle had developed into a downpour. The Commemoration Service was presided over by the Rt. Rev. J Amritanand. The attendance at the Commemoration Service this year was rather thin, probably because of the bad weather. The School Report, given by Mr. VM Deshpande, was followed by a short speech by the Bishop; Wg. Cdr. AJS Grewal then proposed a vote of thanks.

Here follows the School Report and the Bishop's speech.

My Lord Bishop, my dear boys, ladies and gentleman, Bishop Amritanand, our Chief Guest this evening, I extend to you, Sir, most warmly a loyal welcome from the boys, Staff and Parents. Your continued interest, specially this year, has been a great encouragement to us.

We welcome our new Governor Wg. Cdr. Grewal, Principal of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute. I am very grateful to you, Sir, for your advice and guidance in the recent weeks.

Lastly we welcome all our friends, Heads of schools, Old Paulites, specially our oldest Paulite, Mrs. Sam, whose presence on occasions like this has been a great encouragement to us.

We began this year with 375 boys, the highest number so far in the School, Mr. RS James as our new Rector and YS Grewal as the School Captain. 1973 is the year of the 150th year of St. Paul's. Mr. Shankar Mitra, an Old Paulite and the Chief Public Relations Officer of Hindusthan Steel Ltd., has kindly agreed to edit and publish a Brochure in consultation with Mr. S Biswas, one of our Governors, on this occasion. Those parents who are interested and who wish to help may kindly get in touch with Mr. Mitra.

The Cricket season started with Mr. Lahiri, an experienced cricketer, as coach of the 1st XI and Mr. Nath in charge of the 2nd XI. Mr. Lahiri, Sushanta Banerjee and his team stood up to several crises in the Edinburgh Shield matches and convincingly won every match. Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Nath instilled

confidence in the team; St Paul's got the Shield for the third year in succession. Our heartiest congratulations to the team

Our ISC results arrived during the cricket season. The masters expressed the view that the results were much better than what they had expected. Thanks to the OP's of 1972 for a holiday.

Mr. Galvin and his family will be leaving us at the end of this year. When he arrived, he was upset over many things. We are glad that he has been with us for three years. As the Head of our English Department he studied the type of work that was then done from Junior I to Form VI in the Senior School and introduced measures to improve language teaching. He directed and produced School Plays during his stay here. 'Tons of Money' will be remembered by us, and those of you who had watched the play of Speech Day in 1972. He trained himself for nearly six hours to play the role of George Maitland instead of S. Sen, who fell ill one day before the performance. He edited the School Chronicle, got the boys interested in tennis and instilled a new life into the Senior Debating Society. Mr. Galvin and Mrs. Galvin, we will miss you; our good wishes for your happiness in the future, will be with you wherever you are.

Mr. and Mrs. Mountford left us during the May Holidays, Mr. Mountford to take up the Headship of Sherwood College, Naini Tal. He was the Head of History Department; his careful predictions at the ISC examinations never let the boys down. His teaching was highly appreciated by the boys. As a Housemaster he was not only generous but also firm. We hope they benefitted as much as we have done during their stay of four years at St Paul's.

Mrs. Mountford taught in the Junior School. She was an excellent teacher and had plenty of new ideas about classwork and hobbies. The Senior boys also, at times, sought her help.

Mr. Bharadwaj, Senior Housemaster of Mayo College, Ajmer, came to teach History for about five weeks. During his short stay with us his teaching was appreciated by the boys and his scholarship by the Staff. We are very thankful to Mr. and Mrs. Bharadwaj for helping us.



**Mr. & Mrs. Bharadwaj
with Chumki**

Mr. T. Macdonald replaced Mrs. Mountford, temporarily, in the Junior School. During the short period he has been with us he has made his mark as a good teacher. He is leaving us at the end of this month to sit for his BA examination; thank you very much, Timothy, for helping us; we wish you success in the examination.

Mr. Samir Guha, an old Paulite, joined us in July to teach Physics and Mathematics in the Senior School. From St. Paul's he went to a Public School in England at the early age of 12. After completing his first Degree in London University he took up teaching and research and finally moved from England to Canada. He was awarded Master's degree for his research in solar modulation of cosmic rays. He is planning an Astronomical Club at the School. We hope and wish to be benefitted by his long stay here at St. Paul's,

Mr. Basu-Mullick arrived with his wife and their son, at the beginning of August in the midst of heavy rain. He has settled down, as the Hallmaster of Cotton Hall, to teach History throughout the Senior School. He has taught in India, Ethiopia and Zambia and spent a year at Oxford and London studying Anthropology and Education. We hope Mr. Basu-Mullick will stay here long enough for us to learn many things from him.

We continue to depend on the monsoons for our food production. The monsoon failed once again in some parts of the country affecting food production. The prices of essential commodities have gone up unprecedentedly. The poor have been

hit harder. On our campus the Class IV employees have been affected the most. We would like to tell them our Governors are sympathetic about their difficulties.

Col. Roy, Mrs. Roy and Sister Moktan fully deserve our congratulations for the excellent health of our boys.

Mr. RS James and his family left last week and Mr. NKS Rao and his family a week earlier.

Education has been a state subject—rightly or wrongly. The Indian Education Commissioner's report states "in the non-vocational Schools a common curriculum of general education should be provided in the first ten years of school education to be followed by diversification of studies and specialisation—the primary object of the new diversification of studies being to provide two years for the special academic interests of the students". Most of the States in India have introduced a 10+2 year schooling system—general education upto Class X followed by two years of specialisation and then three years for graduation. In West Bengal our first Class X examination will be held in 1975. We have introduced several changes from the beginning of this term in Forms II and III; they will be taking the Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) examination conducted by the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination. This means our present Form V will be taking the last ISC examination in 1975 and Form III boys will take the ICSE examination in the same year. The Council has the blue print for the ISC (12 year) examination. We do not know as yet whether we will be able to prepare our boys for the Class XII examination. However, we shall keep our parents informed on the subject as and when we come to know about it. We may have to change the nomenclature of our Forms—substituting Class VII instead of Form I in order to avoid confusion.

The Core Examinations were held according to schedule. The answer scripts were marked and sent to the Council. Our Form IV boys need not worry about the results; they have reached the required standard.

In our short reports we have substituted grade for position.

We know that no report is perfect. There are two reasons for this change: (i) psychologically a boy coming last in class all the time in a subject, in spite of his efforts gets depressed and eventually gives a 'leg-bye' to the subject; (ii) parents, sometimes, wonder how well their son is doing in the subject. The grade system reflects both ability and achievement in a particular subject. Our grading is based on a six point scale as in the ICSE examination. We hope the parents will welcome this change in our reports.

Mr. Kanti organised a seminar of Hindi Teachers of English medium schools in Darjeeling district. Seminars are fruitful only when the follow-up work is done. The participants at the Hindi Seminar were confident of doing something to improve or at least create an atmosphere to improve the standard of Hindi. Mr. Kanti, we shall give you all the help and cooperation you and your Department needs.



Seminar of Hindi Teachers of English-Medium Schools

Photo: K. K.

The Sixth Formers were busy preparing and doing prelim examinations last week in various subjects. The prelims in the remaining subjects will be held after the Pujah Holidays.

Our soccer team started off with enthusiasm, training themselves in two sessions—morning and evening with a local coach to help them. We felt it was too tiring. However, they did well in some inter-school fixtures. They could have done better.

Our volleyball team lost in the finals, in the District Open Tournament, to a local team, fortunes fluctuating at each point.

Our Gym Display at the Gymkhana Club was, as usual, highly appreciated. The Chief Guest on the occasion was HE AL Dias, the Governor of West Bengal; Mrs. Dias was also kind enough to attend. All the credit for the excellent performance goes to Mr. Hardip Singh. He has found it difficult to get his team for practices, year after year; but as a sailor he has taken the odds in his strides. Well done Hardip!

Our hobbies, Photography, Art and Crafts, Batik, Electronics, Modelling, Woodwork and Horticulture—got momentum during the last few weeks. Many of these photographs, paintings, batik work and models are on exhibition. Please find time to visit these exhibitions. The boys, both in the Junior and Senior School, have taken lots of trouble to make the exhibitions a success.

Two more staff quarters were built this year by raising a floor at Benson's. Mr. Guha and Mrs. Marikar, who occupy the flats, say they are excellent; they enjoy the majestic view of Kanchenjunga, but do complain about water scarcity now and then. Darjeeling is one of the wettest places in India—still the taps remain dry often, at least in the School compound.

I do not think we require any capital expenditure on the buildings for at least another three to four years.

The four House Concerts were well planned and neatly presented. The Junior School Concert was appreciated by the parents and Staff who attended it. Our thanks to every member of the Junior School Staff. The School Projector has been fully used for screening films. House Music Concerts, both Indian and Western, were enjoyable. Mr. Mohamed, who is a well-known figure

in the music circles in Darjeeling and Calcutta, organised an excellent show in which all Darjeeling Schools participated. The performance was recorded by AIR and put on the air. The performance was repeated at Mt Hermon.

Mr. C. Chattarji and a group of boys represented the School at the Youth Conference held at Kalimpong. Mr. Chattarji is full of praise for the performance of our boys

We were hosts for the Inter-School Hindi Concert. Mr. and Mrs. Kanti and Mrs. Banerjee organised it, and we enjoyed the Concert for its variety and good taste.

Mr. Sen produced an excellent item at the Inter-School Bengali Concert at Loreto.

There were two projects on plant kingdom—one by Junior VIA and the other on plants at high altitudes. Form IIA boys went to Tonglu with Mr. Mandrelle, who is our expert on project work. Teaching through projects has found a place in the educational institution—though the methods are debated.

Our Scouts, under the leadership of Mr. Howard, won the Keelan Shield for First Aid and came fourth in the Jackson Shield Competition at the District Scout Rally held last week. Well done, Mr. Howard

The Indian Education Commission's report (1966) forcefully states "the existing system of education is largely unrelated to life and there is a wide gulf between its content and the concerns of national development". Obviously it implies that the individual who has derived benefits from education must, in his turn, benefit the society in which he lives, i.e. forge a closer link between the student community and social work. However, unplanned social work is a waste of time. Ladies and gentlemen, some of you may remember our boys helped to clear landslides in Darjeeling in 1968; we set up a camp at Thakurbari to help refugees from East Bengal in 1971. This year our boys, along with Mr. Howard, helped to put out a fire at Alubari, in the middle of night. The fire could have spread resulting in loss of life and property.

At the beginning of last month the news that Mr. Durga Chatterjee was admitted in the nursing home came as a shock to us. Our prayers and expert medical help rendered by Dr. Pemba, our Medical Officer, and his team, helped him and he is back home and on the stage today. Thank you very much, Dr. Pemba. Thanks to Mr. Guha and Mr. Banerjee for sharing VI Science Mathematics.

If different organs of the body start fighting about superiority, perhaps the eyes will be the runner up. Mr. Kanti had to undergo an eye operation, the prolonged treatment having failed. Mr. Kanti was back in the School last week and has started teaching.

Mr. DS Gibbs and Mrs. Gibbs—affectionately known to us as David and Sally—are at Rugby. Mr. Gibbs is teaching 'A' level Mathematics and Divinity. We were happy with the news, received during the May Holidays, that OBE had been conferred on him for his services at St. Paul's. We have sent him congratulatory messages; more about them elsewhere in the Chronicle.

I must here mention the very staunch support and the robust cooperation given to the School by the present body of Prefects. We are proud of them and we are sure that their parents will be proud that they have been able to weather the storm so calmly and capably. I will not be surprised if, one day, they lead the destiny of the country, as they led the School this year. Grewal, we wish you and the other Prefects and the Sixth Formers who gave full support success in your future life.

We would like to express our grateful thanks to the Class IV employees, the Administrative Staff and to all the Teaching Staff for their cooperation and help during the trying time in the recent weeks.

We wish our parents and boys a very happy and relaxed holiday.

Finally, my wife and I thank you, the Bishop, and all the Governors for the opportunity given to me to shoulder this responsibility. Thank you very much indeed.



SPEECH DELIVERED BY RT. REV. AMRITANAND AT THE PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY ON SPEECH DAY

Dr. William Temple was a great Headmaster before he became a Bishop and later Archbishop of Canterbury. He described education as the 'fitting of persons to their environment so that they may live wisely in relation to it'.

Each one of us is brought up within an environment. The environment or that which surrounds us or that which is around us influences us in several ways, and we, in turn, influence our surroundings. This is because we cannot live in a community on our own terms. No one is an island. What we are, what we think, what we say, what we do and what we desire affect the environment in which we live; our family, our village, our school, our towns. These are shaped and affected by us both knowingly and unknowingly. This being so, we cannot opt out of the society into which we are born.

But this society is changing not only rapidly (the speed with which changes come about) but also radically (how we change out of all recognition or how institutions have changed beyond all recognition); we say *nothing* is the same, but then to have changed is to have *lived*. You and I see great changes around us. Within the same family there is much difference in outlook in grandfather, father, son, or more noticeably, in grandmother, mother and daughter.

Today our schools are part of an environment which has rapidly and radically changed during the past years and will be changing more rapidly. It is true that the India of today is neither the India of yesterday nor is it the India of tomorrow. Everything is caught up in the change and there is no clear vision of the emerging pattern of society in which the youth of today will be living. It is all the more necessary today that in our homes and schools there should be a clear understanding of the radically changing environment in which we live.

We should train our children in homes and schools, not to become part of a governing elite, or a leisured class of people

or an affluent society or a part of those who exploit their fellow men in every way, but to help them to realize that they need to be trained to build up a society where each will produce according to his ability and everyone's needs for a full human existence will be fulfilled.

Our schools particularly should open the hearts and minds of our pupils to the millions who are deprived of the means of bare existence; their wills need to be strengthened so that they may offer to serve all people and learn to live for the benefit and welfare of others, and not look upon others as existing only to provide benefits for them. We need to send out our pupils full of care and concern for the needy, and prepared to give and not to count the cost, to serve and not to ask for rewards, to fight for right and justice and not to heed the wounds, to commit themselves to the cause of a more equitable distribution of the benefits accruing to society.

Our present system of education can serve our country effectively today by helping our pupils to recognise the urgent need of building up of a co-operative society wherein everyone will be a participant in the true welfare of all, and such a society will demand from each one in the school community reverence for others, tolerance of others, and acceptance of others so that each will work for the good of all.

I should like to conclude with a well known Prayer of Dr. Tagore for India:

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high,
Where knowledge is free,

Where the world has not broken up into fragments by
narrow domestic walls,

Where words come out from the depth of truth,

Where tireless striving stretches its arm towards perfection,

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into
the dreary sands of dead habit,

Where the mind is led forward by Thee into ever-widening
thought and action,

Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

HOUSE NOTES

CLIVE HOUSE

House Master: V. M. Deshpande House Captain: D. K. Pawa

This year has been an exceptionally successful one for us. We were not only outstanding on the field but the members of the House had also put in a great deal of hard work in the class.

Our boys made the most of their talents and I am sure if in the years to come the younger members carry on with such enthusiasm, we will attain equally gratifying results.

In the cricket season we met Hastings in the final match, and I still can't figure how it happened, we found ourselves the winner of the Cricket Shield.

In football we again met Hastings in the final, deciding match; unfortunately, we lost this match and came second.

In athletics we were not so sure of ourselves; but we went through our early morning practices regularly. On the Sports Day we managed to put up a good performance in all the events. We secured the Athletics Standard Cup and the Athletics Shield.

In hockey we shared the Shield with Hastings. The determined running of the boys brought us the Marathon Cup, and it was the enthusiasm of the participants that won us the Badminton Cup. We were second to Hastings in the volleyball tournament and shared the Basketball Cup with Lawrence and Hastings.

Our special thanks to all the members of the House, and more specially, to SK Bhutia, CS Dhote, SK Jaipuria and all the Sixth Formers for their keen co-operation in all activities in which the House was involved. Mr. VM Deshpande, as always, has been the backbone of the House.

I would like to wish Clive House all the best in the coming year, hoping that the boys will work harder on the games field and still harder at their studies.

D. K. Pawa

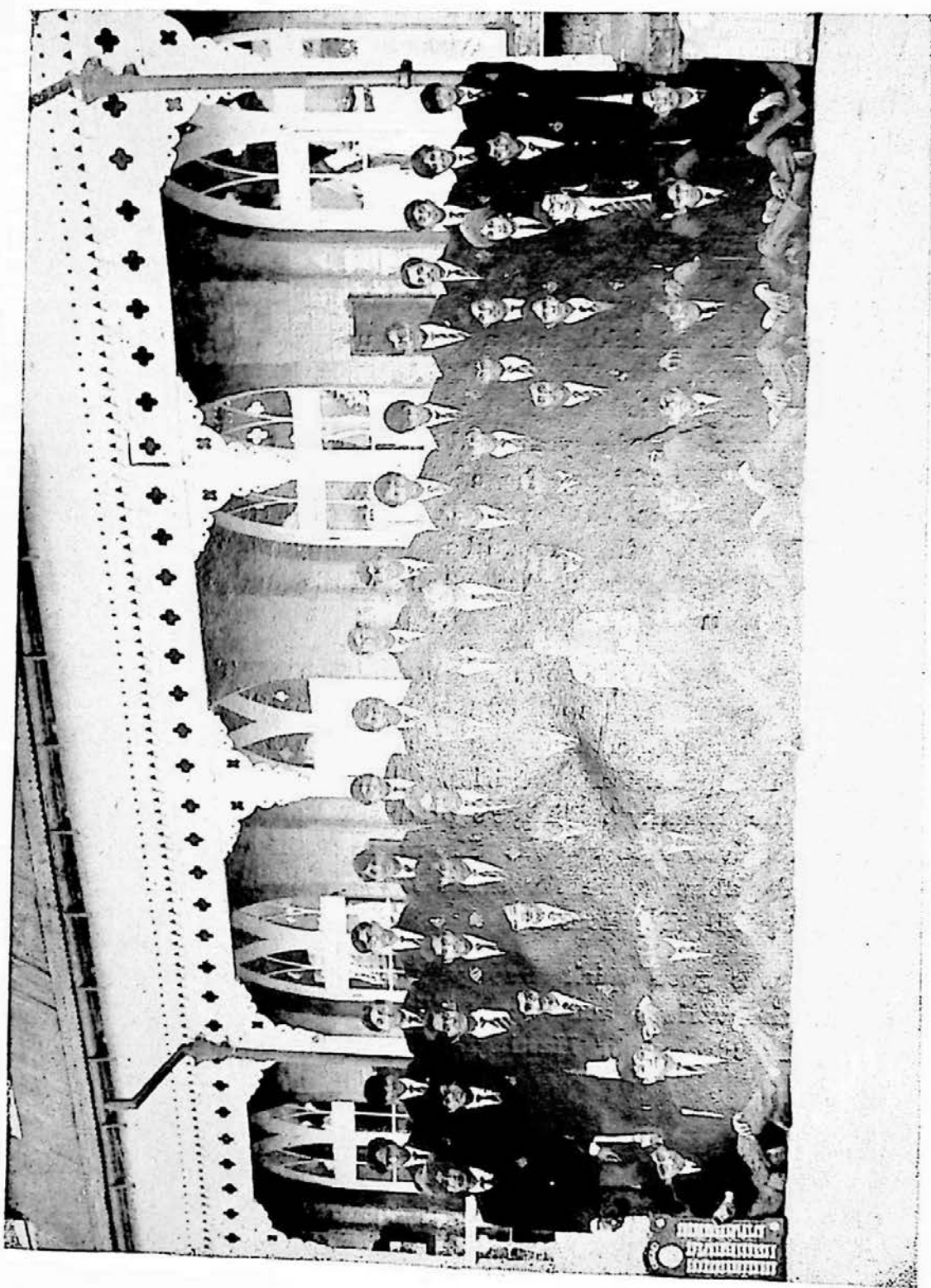


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Clive House

HASTINGS

House Master—Mr. D. A. Howard

House Captain—Y. S. Grewal

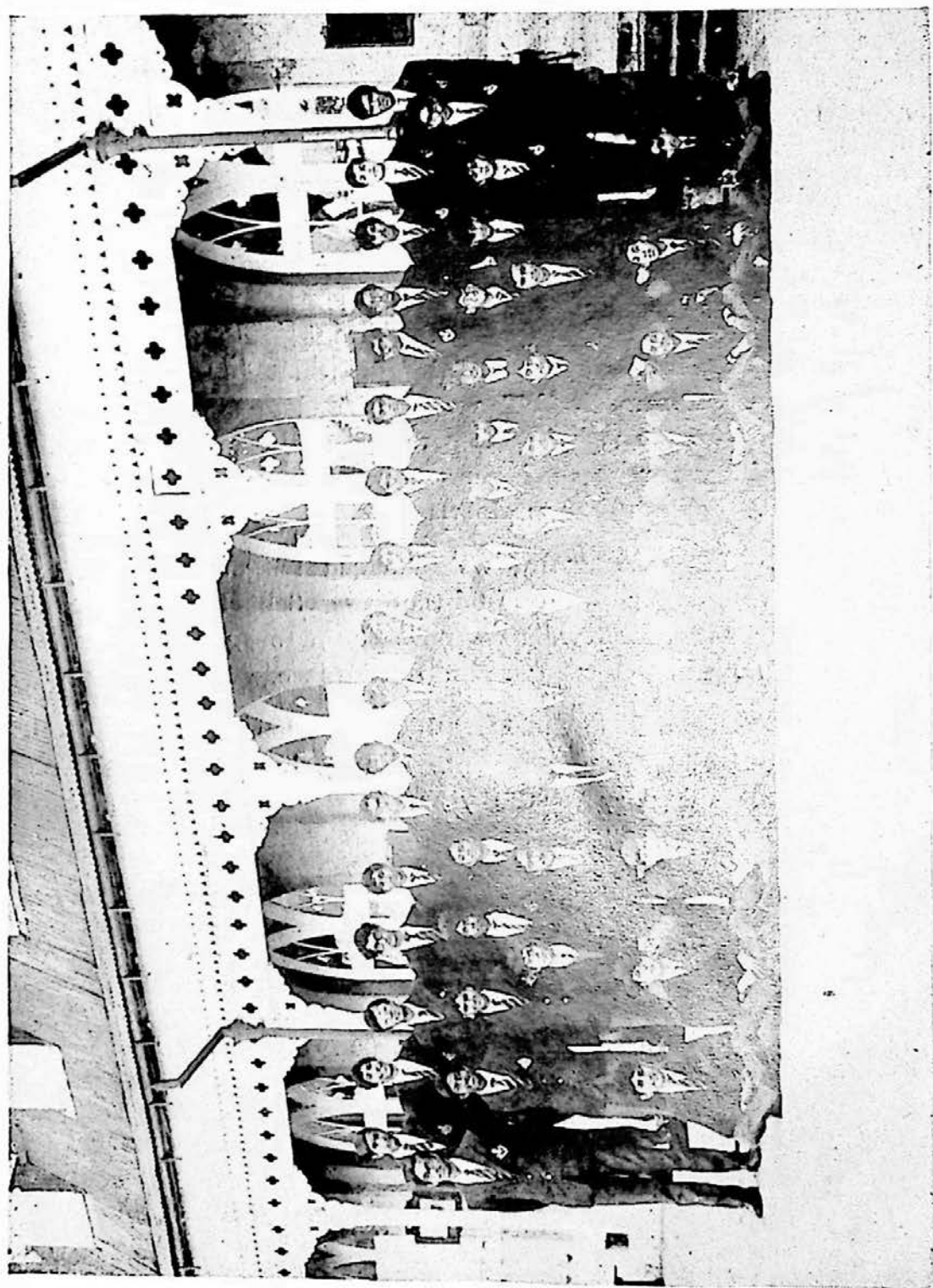
A turbulent year for the school but a controlled and successful one for Hastings. We had a rational and pleasant bunch of prefects in Grewal, Dorji, Banerjee, Khanbhai, and later, Jhunjhunwala, who led and encouraged us.

On the games field we produced strong sides and were much feared by our opponents. We won outright the Football Shield, and shared the Hockey Shield with Clive. We were scheduled to win the Cricket Shield, but a disastrous final game placed us second. We won the Volleyball, Tennis and Fives cups, and most unexpectedly, tied for first place in Basketball. Our P. T. was good throughout the year and we bagged this trophy as well, winning both competitions. An encouraging feature this year was our results in boxing. For years we placed last, but this year we gave Havelock stiff competition to finally place second. In other fields like Classwork, Art, Craft Music and Elocution we were weak, though we did try our best.

We gave a splendid House Concert this year. The most outstanding item was an impromptu ballet "The Sleeping Beauty". Grewal, Dorji and Ferzandi had the hall in splits of laughter with their interpretation of fairies. Jhunjhunwala and Banerjee doubled as the "Beauty". Rikhye's production of "Rory Aforesaid" was well received and so was Khanbhai's Shakespearean play. George and Jabbar were favourites for "mod" music—they were borrowed by all the Houses!

There was good spirit amongst the boys who wholeheartedly joined in the various activities. With such a fine spirit there can be only success for Hastings.

M. T. Khanbhai



Hastings House

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HAVELOCK HOUSE

House Master: Mr. D. Chatterjee House Captain: K. Rangdol

After last year's great success on the games field, this year has proved less fruitful. Although it has not been an exemplary year, we have accomplished something of which we can rightly be proud. In the field of extra-curricular activities we overwhelmed the other Houses by winning the trophies for Music, Art and Club activities.

Our boxing Captain, PK Gurung, led the House to victory thus enabling us to win the Boxing Cup. For the first time in five years, if that's any consolation, Havelock could not retain the Gymnastics Cup; in PT we came a close second to Hastings. In athletics we came third, Lawrence beating us to this position by one point only; one of our star athletes, F Rorrison, was hospitalised the day before Sports Day.

In football, once again, we managed to get only the third position even though the captain of the School Team was in our House; in cricket we have never been too good; so, we were not too disappointed to get the third place.

This year must have been the depression period for Havelock House. But we are sure to rise, strive harder and reach the pinnacle of glory in the years to come.

MK Hirdaramani

F Rorrison

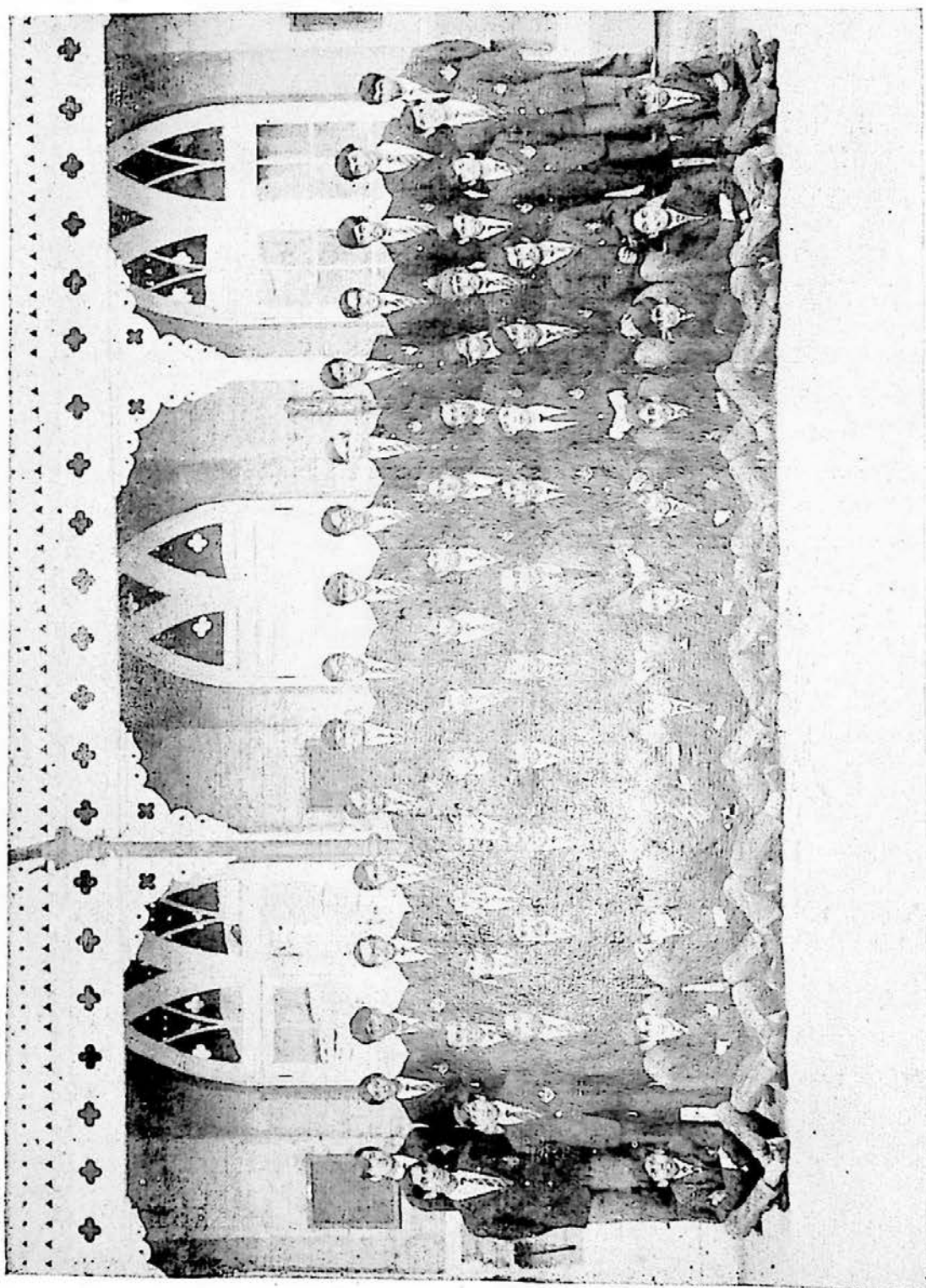


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Havelock House

LAWRENCE HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr. C. Chattarji

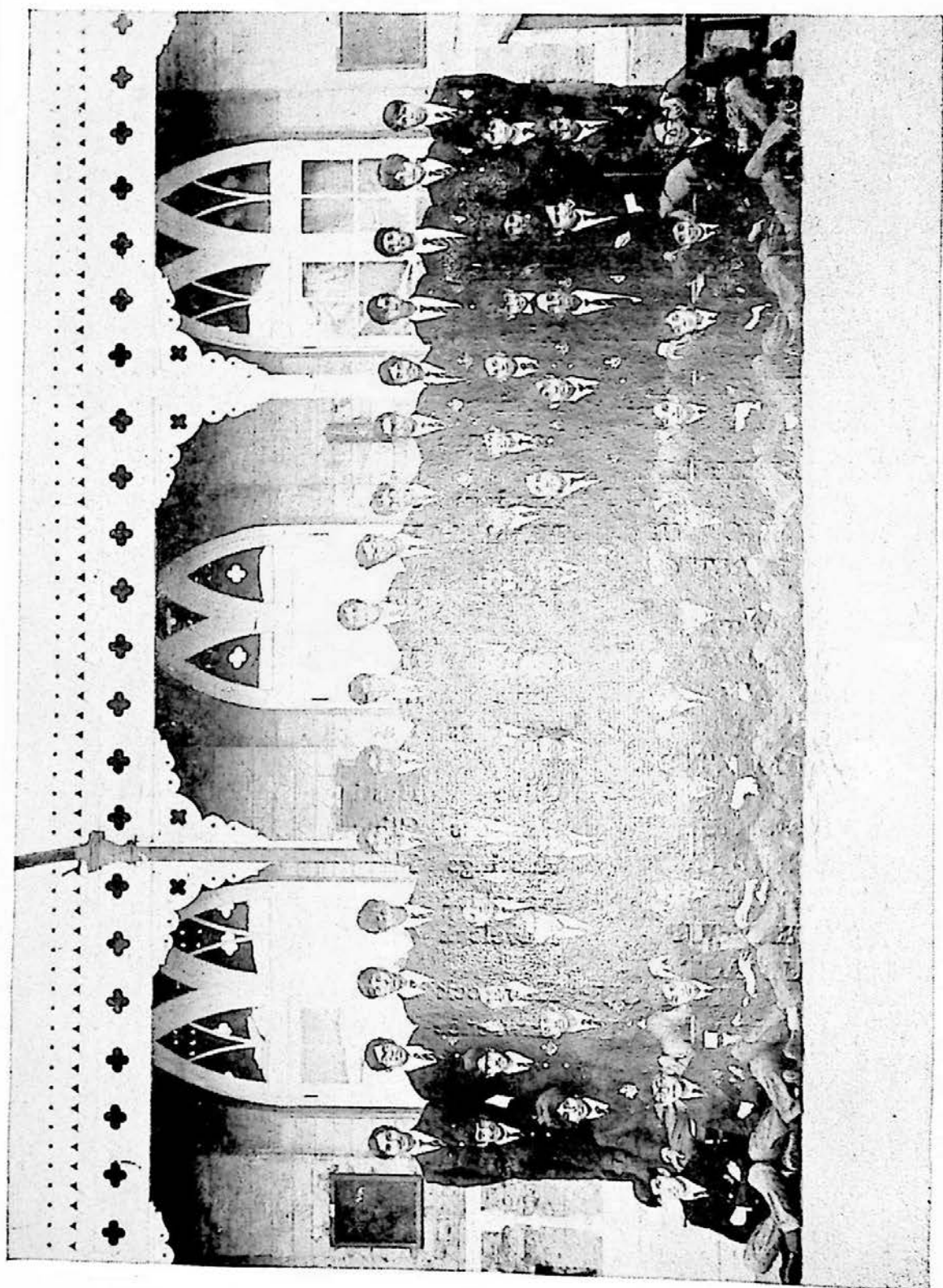
Captain: S.K. Jal

I do not want to list all our triumphs, though they were few, and our failures—quite a few—in different school activities in this report. Lawrence House was at the top in the field of academics and got three other trophies, including the one in Elocution. The number of trophies do not really reflect the spirit in which one goes into the fray. And although it might sound like blowing our own trumpet—which one must agree is necessary in the world of today—I must say that, whatever the game or competition, Lawrencians were living proof that it is not winning or losing the game that matters as much as taking part and the spirit in which one takes part. A typical example: In the School Sports one Lawrencian, taking part in the 100 mts. hurdles, had taken a start and then stopped because he thought someone was calling him from behind; by the time he realized his mistake the other competitors had overtaken him, and there was no chance of his winning the event, which he otherwise would have done. But this boy did not give up; he finished the race and came fourth.

We are sad at the departure of Mr. Mountford, and at the same time happy that he has been appointed the Principal of Sherwood College, Nainital. Our best wishes go with him. We welcome our new Housemaster, Mr. C. Chattarji, and hope that he'll enjoy being the Housemaster of this 'outstanding' (!) House.

May the Lawrecians keep up the spirit of the House and participate in all activities without thinking about the reward.

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Lawrence House

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INTER HOUSE TROPHIES 1973

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| 1. SIKKIM SHIELD | Lawrence | Clive | Havelock | Hastings |
| 2. CRICKET SHIELD | Clive | Hastings | Havelock | Lawrence |
| 3. FOOTBALL SHIELD | Hastings | Clive | Havelock | Lawrence |
| 4. HOCKEY SHIELD | { Clive Hastings | ... | Lawrence | Havelock |
| 5. ATHLETIC SHIELD | Clive | Lawrence | Havelock | Hastings |
| 6. BASKETBALL CUP | { Clive Hastings Lawrence | ... | ... | Havelock |
| 7. VOLLEYBALL CUP | Hastings | Clive | Havelock | Lawrence |
| 8. BOXING CUP | Havelock | Hastings | Clive | Lawrence |
| 9. GYMNASTICS CUP | Lawrence | Clive | Havelock | Hastings |
| 10. ATHLETICS STANDARD CUP | Clive | Havelock | Lawrence | Hastings |
| 11. MARATHON CUP | Clive | Lawrence | Havelock | Hastings |
| 12. P. T. CUP | Hastings | Havelock | Lawrence | Clive |
| 13. BADMINTON CUP | Clive | Hastings | Havelock | Lawrence |
| 14. FIVES CUP | Hastings | Clive | Havelock | Lawrence |
| 15. TENNIS CUP | Hastings | Havelock | Lawrence | Clive |
| 16. ART CUP | Havelock | Lawrence | Clive | Hastings |
| 17. MUSIC CUP | Havelock | Clive | Hastings | Lawrence |
| 18. CLUB ACTIVITIES CUP | Havelock | Clive | Lawrence | Hastings |
| 19. ELOCUTION CUP | Lawrence | Clive | Havelock | Hastings |

FORM PRIZES – 1973

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| FORM IIB | 1st Prize | ... Faiyaz Khan |
| | 2nd Prize | ... Raja Misra |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. R. Bhuyan |
| FORM IIA | 1st Prize | ... R. Mahtani |
| | 2nd Prize | ... Z. Khan |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. R. Gambhir R. Gurtu |
| FORM IIIB | 1st Prize | .. Anand Prasad |
| | 2nd Prize | .. D. Banerjee |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. Imran Chowdhury S.V. Deshpande |
| FORM IIIA | 1st Prize | ... S. Vohra |
| | 2nd Prize | ... Y. Singh |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. I. S. Gill R. Lochan |
| FORM IVB | 1st Prize | ... Ramesh Kr. Jalan |
| | 2nd Prize | ... R.R.K. Chaudhury |
| | Progress & Application Prize | ... I. Shee |
| FORM IVA | 1st Prize | ... A. Raha |
| | 2nd Prize | .. S.P. Murarka |
| | Progress & Application Prize | ... S.N. Khan |
| FORM VSc | 1st Prize | ... M.S. Irani |
| | 2nd Prize | ... Avijit Mukherjee |
| | Progress & Application Prize | ... F. Rorrison |
| FORM VA | 1st Prize | .. U. Chand |
| | 2nd Prize | ... S.C. Sharma |
| | Progress & Application Prize | ... J.S. Tavaría |
| FORM VIA | 1st Prize | ... A. Jafferjee |
| | 2nd Prize | ... R. Jabbar |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. D. Rikhye |
| FORM VISc | 1st Prize | ... B.S. Jayaswal |
| | 2nd Prize | ... R. Puri |
| | Progress & Application Prize | .. A K. Prasad |

SPECIAL PRIZES – 1973

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| 1. Anil Prasad Proficiency Prize (Presented by Sri B.N. Prasad) | ... | M.R. Jethmalani |
| 2. a) Tower History Prize (Endowed by Mr. L. J. Goddard) | } | A.A. Jafferjee |
| b) Nani Bala Dey Memorial Prize for English Literature (Endowed by Sri A.N. Dey) | } | |
| 3. a) The Gal Gregory Mathematics Prize (Endowed by Mrs. W.L. Gregory Mrs. E. Vandyke & Mr. E.N. Gregory) | } | M. Irani |
| b) Clarke Geography Prize | } | |
| 4. The Carter English Essay Prize (Endowed by Mr. M. J. Carter) | ... | I. Ghuznavi |
| 5. Anil Chowdhury Art Prize | ... | Rashad Mohamed, S.K. Jain |
| 6. a) Moore Divinity Prize (Senior) | ... | M.T. Khanbhai A. Jafferjee |
| b) Moore Divinity Prize (Middle School)... | | G. Wadhwa |
| 7. Mazumdar Science Prize (Endowed by Sri A.K. Gupta) | ... | R. Puri M. Irani |
| 8. Usha Rani Bengali Prize (Endowed by Sri Samir Sen) | ... | A. Chakraborty A. Datta |
| 9. Rudra Hindi Prize (Endowed by Mohini Thapar Charitable Trust) | ... | C.S. Dhote R.K. Jhunjhunwala |
| 10. Karun Mazumdar General Knowledge Prize | ... | J. Mukerji |
| 11. N.K. Mitra Memorial Prize for Club Activities (Presented by Sri Shanker Mitra) | ... | H.K. Himatsingka M.T. Khanbhai |

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| 12. | Das Studio Prize for Photography | ... | A.K. Mittal |
| 13. | Adams Music Prize | ... | Z. Khan |
| 14. | Rahoul Music Prize (Presented by Mrs. Moncesha Chowdhury) | ... | S.K. Liu |
| 15. | Nilima Gupta Prize for Indian Music (Endowed by Sri Arun Gupta) | ... | H.S. Johar Subharthee Dey |
| 16. | Bible Reading Prize | | D. Rikhye |
| 17. | a) O.P.A. Prize for the Best All Round Games Player (Presented by the O.P.A.) b) Pioneer Prize (Endowed by Mr. D.S. Gibbs) | | C. Dorje |
| 18. | The Best all-Round Games Player (Awarded by the School) | ... | S. Banerjee |
| 19. | School Prize for the Most Promising Boy in the Middle School | ... | Y. Singh |
| 20. | a) School Prize to the Most Outstanding Boy in the Senior School (Instead of Rector's Prize) b) The School Silver Medal to the School Captain | | Y.S. Grewal |

The prizes were awarded on the 1st October, 1973 at the Speech Day.

DEY ENGLISH LITERATURE PRIZE EXAM.

By A.A. Jafferjee

A Critical Appreciation of the Works of William Wordsworth.

William Wordsworth was born in 1770, in the English Lake district. These early surroundings of hills and dales, and the natural beauty of the landscape had a great impact on his writings. He died after 80 years, in 1850.

The situation caused by the French Revolution of 1789, gave his poetry a distinct programme. He cast about for some sympathetic relations in his political ideals. These ideals were affirmations on the common life of man, based on his rights. He, therefore, decided that all his works should flow out of this common life and be its faithful reflection. He had a deep burning for humanity, and so he wrote in 'The Recluse,'

O truth of grandeur, beauty, love and hope
And melancholy fear subdued by faith;
Of blessed consolation in distress;
Of moral strength, and intellectual power
Of joy in widest commonly spread;
Of individual mind that keeps her own
Inviolatè retirement.

Wordsworth's chief originality as a poet ought to be sought in his love for nature. Nature had become an element in his blood. It was the necessity of his being, as a mulberry plant is to a silkworm. In 'The Prelude' and 'Lines Written a Few Miles Above Tintern Abbey', he distinguishes carefully, step by step, the effect of nature on his education and his love of it. In his first stage of boyhood, nature was,

But secondary to my own pursuits
And animal activities and all
Their trivial pleasures.

Then after some time, these pleasures and activities fade away, and nature for its own sake lives on:

The props of my affection were removed
And yet the building stood, as if sustained
By its own spirit! All that I beheld
Was dear, and hence to finer influxes,
The mind lay open to a more exact
And close communion.

After a few years, nature becomes a permanent content of all his works, and he himself admits that this occurrence is inexplicable :

I cannot paint
What then I was. The sounding cataract
Haunted me like a passion; the tall rock
The mountain and the deep and gloomy wood
Their colours and their forms were then to me,
An appetite, a feeling and a love
That had no need of a remoter charm
By thought supplied, or any interest
Unborrowed from the eye.

The delight of nature in his works is portrayed by the minute and loving study of it. His objects are always close to his descriptions, and never stray away from them. His detailed descriptions of the natural surroundings display an intrinsic love for nature. Wordsworth's works have always held the elements of the earth in their delicate grasp, and they have tried to show the hidden value of the earth to the people. This is brought out quite clearly in his poem 'Green Linnet', (which even Coleridge commented on):

And you, tuft of hazel trees,
That tinkle to the gusty breeze
Behold him perched in ecstasies
Yet seeming still to hover
There! Where the flutter of his wing
Upon his back and body flings
Shadows and sunny glimmerings
That cover him all over.

Wordsworth's undisputed sovereignty lies in his great faculty of utterance of the common, yet obscure, sensations of man, which form the natural phenomena. His works are the first to portray poetical psychology. His works were the turning point of English literature, when he began to penetrate the common sensations of man. He writes in "There Was A Boy," thus he received "a mild and gentle surprise" When the owl did not respond to his imitation hoots. Suddenly the landscape attracts his attention as he is awed to see "the uncertain heaven received into the bosom of the steady lake". No poet before him had ever made any reference, or even the slightest mention of these natural tendencies of man. Hence, in this novel field his works surpassed all those works of the poets of preceeding generations. He could have been said to have hammered this type of poetry so firmly into the ground, that others used it as an anchor, or tripped over it. In his poem "Nutting", he explains how "the intruding sky" fills the little nut gatherer with remorse, for having torn down a virgin bower. Similarly, in "Skating Scene", the Skater speeds down very fast and suddenly skids to a halt. He begins to survey the hilly enclosure and feels that "earth has made visible its diurnal round."

Dealing with nature, Wordsworth places great emphasis on Pantheism. In his time, deer was referred to as venison, and many of his contemporaries ignored the beauties of birds and beasts alike. In his poem "Heart-leap Well", he displays the wonder of all beasts, and explains the needlessness and cruelty of the deeds committed by people, concerning animals.

Wordsworth also began to connect children with nature. His works reflects that the effect of nature on children is an enduring one, and that all children must be associated with nature. This was a great asset to mankind, as he revealed the glory of the essentials of a child—the association with nature. Thus we see, that his works not only proved corrective but also revealing. He writes in "Child Love".

Dear child, dear girl that walkest with me here
If thou appear untouch'd by solemn thought
Thy nature is therefore not less divine;
Thou liest in Abraham's bosom all the year

And worship at the temple's inner shrine
God being with thee when we know it not.

After the French Revolution, Wordsworth became a sad and humiliated poet. But on recovering from this 'common poetic' stage, he returned to nature; but he now combined man in all his works. Man became the centre of all his poetic scenes. He combined human beings with nature, so harmoniously that a reader would get the impression that man was a part of nature contrary to the age old belief that nature was a part of man.

Wordsworth's poetry can be termed artistic. To begin with, the very subjects on which he wrote were of beautiful value. He observed the value of decorum in poetry. His metres and stanzas were of a limited and practical length, while other poets paid no heed to the limitations of their works. The artistic value of the work lies in the style in which it is written.

In the "Recluse", he writes with Miltonic majesty, as opposed to the low familiar form of "The Idiot Boy". In the former he writes:

Above the fierce confederate storm,
Of sorrow, barricaded ever more
Between the walls of our cities.

In so short a line he conveys many implications. His mottoes are simple, and hence accessible to all readers:

A slumber did my spirits steal;
I had no human fears,
She seemed a thing that could not feel
The touch of earthly years
He reveals the simple truth, in simple words,
And she has smiles to earth unknown,
Smiles that with motions of their own
Do spread, and sink and rise:
That come and go with endless play
And ever as they pass away
Are hidden in her eyes.

His poetry can be considered to be sublime. In spite of the fact that he wrote of common life, and the like, he also invoked

sublimity with his poetry. Though many times he felt depressed his works still portrayed grandeur, austerity and the sublime; and he never released his sway over these abstract yet material forms. His works associate us with "the real language of the people in a vivid state of sensation". He succeeded in creating this helpful image by discarding the gaudiness and the inane phraseology of the 18th century. We are told that

To the very going out of youth
He too exclusively esteemed that love,
And sought the beauty, which as Milton says,
Hath terror in it.

The beauty of the sublime is quite clearly revealed in his "Extempore Effusion Upon the Death of James Hogg"

Like clouds that rake the mountain's summit
Or waves that own no curling hand,
How fast has brother followed brother
From sunshine to the sunless land.

At times his works reveal the story content of mysticism. He appears to have had all moral thoughts halted temporarily, and to have viewed the world in the form of visions. Even though he never claims to have been aided by the supernatural, his works have a mysterious, eerie, weird, and still enlightened atmosphere. In his poem, "To a Highland Girl", the child, the stones, the trees, the lake and the road by the side of the house, all seemed to be 'fashioned in a dream'. In "Solitary Reaper" he mystically asks, "will no one tell me what she sings?" Evidence of mysticism can be found in his "Immortality Ode."

But for those obstinate questionings
Of sense and outward things,
Failing from us, vanishings,
Blank misgivings of a creature
Moving about in woods not realised
High instincts before which our mortal Nature
Did tremble like a quality thing surprised.

In "Tintern Abbey", where his work is proof that he had been suspended from all mortal thoughts, and gained a 'visionary sight', he writes:

That serene and blessed mood ..
In which the affection gently leads us on
Until, the breath of this corporal frame
And even the motion of our human blood
Almost suspended, we are laid asleep
In body and become a living soul;
While with an eye made quietly by the power
Of harmony, and the deep power of joy
We see into the life of things.

In the "Prelude", while crossing the Alps, his imagination is mystically affected :

Lifting up itself
Before the eye and progress of my song,
Like an unlather'd vapour,
I was lost in a cloud
Halted without a struggle to break through
And now recovering, to my soul I say
I recognise the glory.

Wordsworth's poetry signifies a great deal of solitude; for instances in "The Solitary Reaper," the key word to the whole poem is "solitude". After writing "The Prelude" and "Recluse" he appears to have gone into some sort of isolation, in order to understand the sensate and mute things of life. He wrote in "The Female Vagrant" it appears 'to ease the pain of life'. The leech gatherer he meets in walking alone; he himself "wandered lonely as a cloud"; he also "seeks the soul of lonely places". He listens in awe to

One voice, the solitary raven,
An iron knell which reaches from afar.

He also writes of a lonely shepherd

A solitary object and sublime
Above all heights like an aerial cross
Stationed alone upon a spiry rock
Of the chartreuse, for worship.

The turning point of Wordsworth's was in the conviction that the life of the towns became so degenerate, that the people

had forgotten to appreciate beauty. He thus tried to imply in his writings, that people were being punished:

The world is too much with us; late and soon
Getting and spending we lay waste our powers,
Little we see in nature that is ours;
We have given our hearts away a sordid boon.

Wordsworth studied the surface beauty of life to such an extent that he could see what was hidden beneath. His works show us his keenness on this aspect as he used to listen to conversations of children, beggars, rustics, and catch eventually the ultimate truth which in turn he revealed in his poems.

The sparkling height of his life was from 1798 to 1808. In this period, along with various other poems, he wrote "The Prelude", "Lyrical Ballads", "Goody Blake", "The Idiot Boy", and "The Thorn". He also wrote "The Recluse", and "Lines Written a Few Miles Above Tintern Abbey". These may not have been his choicest works; yet they reveal to the reader, the delicate procedure of his mind and the various dismal and joyful stages he passed. It will suffice to say that his works have proved to the world that he wrote with the purpose of creating, revealing and reasoning, and not merely to give pleasure to himself or to others.



RESULTS OF THE INDIAN SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1973

First Division

Distinctions (Grades 1 and 2)

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|-------------------|---|
| R. PURI | English Language, English Literature, Physics, Geography |
| R. JABBAR | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Human Biology |
| B.S. JAYSWAL | English Language, English Literature, Hindi (B), Physics |
| A.A. JAFFERJEE | English Language, English Literature, Geography, Human Biology |
| H.S. NARANG | English Language, Geography |
| R.K. JHUNJHUNWALA | English Language, Hindi (B) |
| C.S. DHOTE | English Literature |
| K.K. JAIN | English Literature, Hindi (B) |
| K. RANGDOL | English Literature, Art |
| A.K. PRASAD | |
| H. HIMATSINGKA | Hindi (B) |
| D.C. SINGH DEO | Art |
| N. CHANCHANI | English Literature |
| S. TALUKDAR | English Literature, Geography |
| N.K. MITTAL | |
| S.K. BHUTIA | English Literature |
| S. SINHA | English Literature |
| A. MASTER | English Language, English Literature |
| C. DORJI | |
| D.K. PAWA | English Literature |
| M.T. KHANBHAI | English Literature |

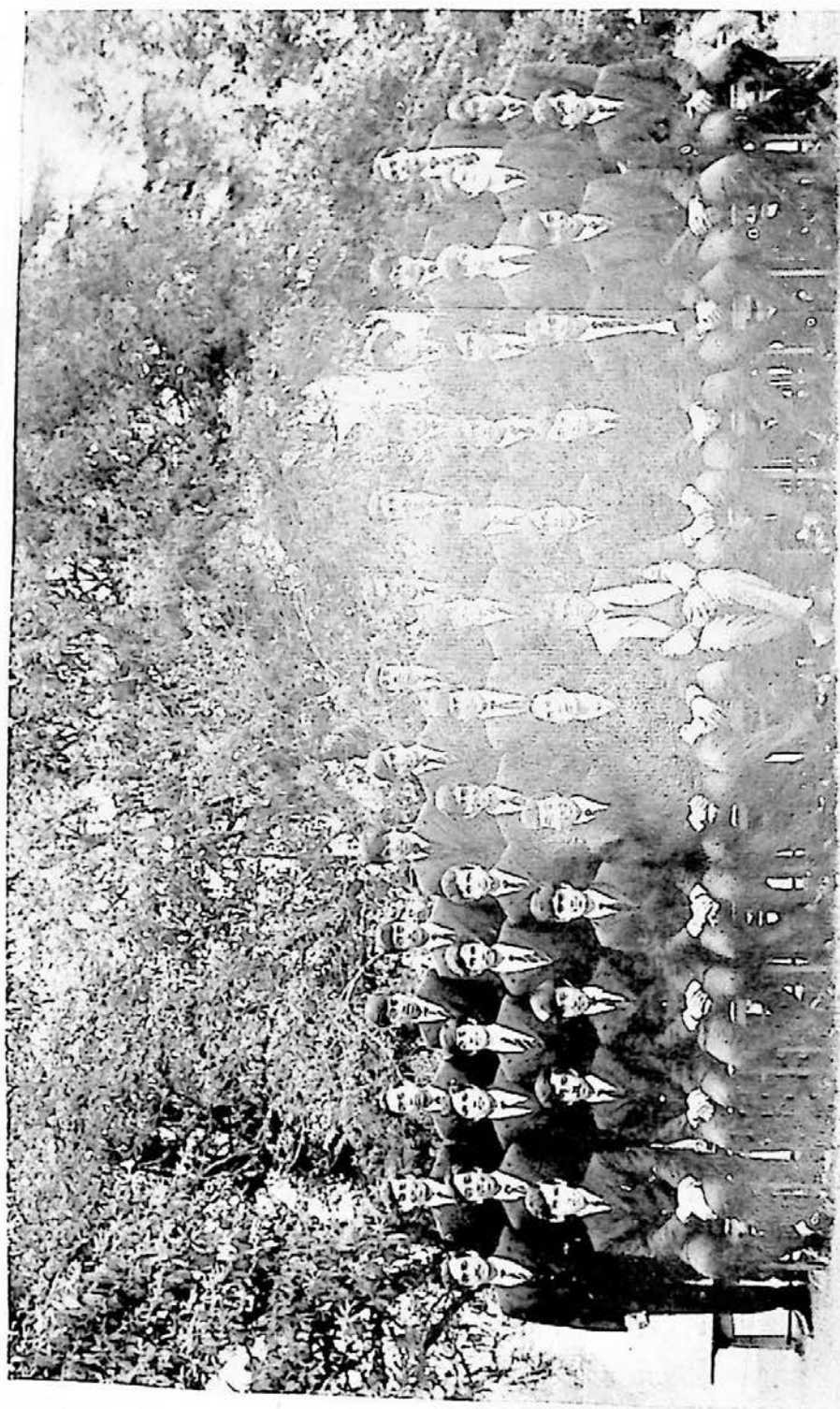
Second Division

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| D. BOSE | English Literature |
| G. MONDAL | English Literature |
| S.S. BOSE | English Literature |
| Y S. GREWAL | English Literature |
| P.K. GURUNG | Art |
| O.P. CHOUDHARY | |
| S BANERJEE | English Literature |
| V. GEORGE | |
| D. RIKHYE | |
| S.K. AIPURIA | |

Third Division**Distinctions (Grades 1 and 2)**

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| R. PARIKH | English Language, English Literature |
| R. MOHAMMED | English Language, English Literature, Art |
| J. RORRISON | Geography |
| M. HIRDARAMANI | English Literature |
| S. SEN | |
| S.K. JALAN | |

37 out of 39 candidates were successful
(Names in order of total aggregate in 5 subjects)



The Sixth Form

Photo: Das Studio

CHAPEL NOTES : 1973

From the very early days of St. Paul's the Chapel has undoubtedly played a major role in the lives of all the students passing through this School. So in 1973, the services—long and short, major and minor—have been greatly appreciated by one and all. We are pleased to say that all the services went off smoothly.



Boys Going to the Chapel for the Morning Service

Photo: K. K.

Mrs. F Marikar joined us this year as organist and with the help of Mr. Mohamed the daily hymns and psalms were well-rendered. The Choir, though fewer in number than in previous years, put up a good show during the annual Easter and Commemoration services. Under the professional guidance of Mr. Mohamed two anthems were excellently rendered, one of which was 'Praise the Lord, O my scul'.

Bishop Amritanand presided over the Commemoration Service. This was attended by quite a few parents despite the heavy downpour. He also pronounced the Blessing and celebrated Holy

Communion the previous day. The voluntary services on Tuesdays and Thursdays were really well attended, the lower Forms vying with each other to have 'a go' at the reading of the Lessons. We are pretty thin on the ground for communicant members. However, their offertories were most welcome and helped to swell the Chapel Fund.

October 19th was, is and ever shall be a red-letter day in the annals of St. Paul's. We had a special Memorial Service in honour of Bishop Foss Westcott, who passed into the Fuller Life twenty-four years ago on this day. Towards the end of the Service the Staff, Prefects and Sixth Formers went down to his grave on the north-east knoll, where the School Captain placed a wreath. After a short prayer, members of the procession returned to the Chapel to complete the Service.

We sincerely thank, in general, all speakers at the Sunday Services; and, in particular, the Rt. Rev. Eric Benjamin, Catholic Bishop of Darjeeling.

Our grateful thanks go to Mr. David Howard and Rev. Canon KO Leblond for making our Services very worthwhile this year.

R. Noble

CHAPEL ACCOUNT – 1973

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31.12.1973.

Receipts.

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| To Opening Balance. | Rs 1,199-06 |
| „ School Chapel Collections. | Rs 2,250-86 |
| „ Proceeds from Gymnastic Display—including the contribution made by H.E. The Governor of West Bengal Rs. 500/-) | Rs 1,342-90 |
| „ Donations from well wishers | Rs 116-34 |
| Total | Rs <u>4,909-16</u> |

Payments.

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| By Calcutta Diocesan Council. | Rs 450-00 |
| „ Oxford Mission Premananda Leprosy Dispensaries | Rs 400-00 |
| „ St. Andrew's Church, Darjeeling. | Rs 250-00 |
| „ Mary Scott Home for the Blind, Kalimong. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Leprosy Society, Purulia. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Missionary of Charity, Darjeeling. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Gurkha Dukha Niwarak, Darjeeling. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Oxford Mission School, Behala. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Church Auxiliary for Social Action, New Delhi for Drought Relief Fund. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Calcutta Diocesan fund 'B' A/c No. 2 for Flood Relief. | Rs 200-00 |
| „ Charitable Individual Relief. | Rs 327-00 |
| „ Bustee Children Winter Comforts. | Rs 1250-00 |
| „ Calcutta Blind School, Calcutta. | Rs 150-00 |
| „ Calcutta Deaf & Dumb School, Calcutta. | Rs 150-00 |
| „ Society for the Protection of Child in India. | Rs 150-00 |
| „ Dr. Graham's Home, Kalimpong. | Rs 100-00 |
| „ District Soldiers, Sailors & Air men's Board, Darjeeling. | Rs 100-00 |
| „ Indian Sunday School Union, Nilgiris. | Rs 50-00 |
| „ Mitra Sudha Sangh, Darjeeling. | Rs 50-00 |
| „ Union Christian Church, Banapani. | Rs 50-00 |
| „ Red Cross Society, Darjeeling District Branch. | Rs 50-00 |
| „ Bank Charges. | Rs 2-45 |
| | Rs <u>4,879 99</u> |
| „ Balance in hand. | Rs 29-17 |
| Total | Rs <u>4,909-16</u> |

OUR SOCIALS

There must have been something very special about the 6th of May, 1973. Or else how could one account for the hectic activities, in and around the School Hall, the strange smell—mixture of shaving creams, talcum powders, after-shave lotions and pomades and brilliantine—wafting over the quad? Yes, it was a momentous day for us, here in St. Paul's, the day when the L.C. (Loreto Convent) girls were our guests at the first socials.

Our interior decorators took great pains to turn the Hall into a "Superbly groovy place"; the Hall as it was that afternoon, would put to shame many of the discotheques that infest the big cities.

Our fair guests were here at 3.30 p.m.—hard to believe they could be here on time; but they *were* (for once the School transport didn't let us down!). In an hour's time (for it took us, as well as the girls, an hour to get over our shyness, believe it or not!) the atmosphere was set, and we were swinging to the tune of blaring rock music.



Socials : Two cenes



'Limy' (D.C. Singhdeo of Mayurbhanj), our philosopher—M.C. started off very well; he was keeping up to his motto 'Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we get married!' In fact, the excitement was a little too much for him; so after some time each of us took turns as M.C. It was a beautiful sight to see—under the 'grooved up' lighting of the lanterns danced the colourfully clad Loreto girls and the chivalrous, smart-as-ever Paulites.

This blissful condition was interrupted when we had to go for our dinner (Incidentally, the time was 8.15 p.m.). Once we were at the table we realised that all that jiving and shaking and "monkeying" had made us ravenously hungry. The food, thanks to Mrs Roy, was as good as ever, and the girls were full of praise for the excellent meal.

After dinner we were joined by a few members of the staff who, it seems to me, had not come to join us in our dance, but to see what the "boys were up to". We missed our star dancer, Mr. Howard (favourites - foxtrot, waltzes) who was off to a scout camp; at another scout camp was the grooviest teacher with the side - burns - Zondac : we missed him too; of course, the most active couple on the floor were the Galvins.

The dances came to an end, much to our dismay, at 9.45 p.m. It was raining hard. So some of the gallant VIth Formers (including the School Captain) escorted the girls, in the school jeep of course, to their abode at L.C.

The girls told us that they had thoroughly enjoyed the dance-dinner-dance evening and expressed the hope that we would enjoy the return socials as well on the 7th of July.

It was as enjoyable as the L.C. girls had hoped it would be. Their traditional "tipsy pudding" was a little tipsier than other years and so were we.

Thus ended the two enjoyable 'social' sessions of the year.

P.S. The social in our school owes its success to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Roy (dinner and other necessities), Major Vyse (music and lights) R.K. Jhunjhunwala and S.K. Jaipuria (interior decoration) and all the boys and girls who participated.

To all of them—a big THANK YOU.

Sunando Sen.

LIBRARY NOTES

The library this year had a fairly smooth start, with ten librarians. It was only later on in the year when we realized that a few more librarians would have to be appointed. As a consequence, IZK Ghuznavi, VK Sharma and S Keshava joined us; they picked up the mode of general running of the library in a remarkably short while, and they deserve full credit for their hard, good work. It was only after cataloguing the non-fiction section and tidying up of the fiction section that the library was declared open. This took about three weeks, and due credit must be given to S Dey, A Patel, RRK Choudhuri, R Casyab, A Raha, T Cooper, H Sookias and R Jaitly who sacrificed a lot of their free time in order to catalogue such a large number of books.

I introduced a new system concerning the magazines: two librarians were exclusively in charge of this section. They were responsible not only for keeping them tidy but also for keeping an up-to-date record of all the new magazines we received. As magazines and newspapers are equally important in a library, it was felt that more attention should be paid to these. I hope S Dey and all the future librarians will continue this system.

About seventy books have been added to the library this year. Formerly authors like James Michener, Irving Wallace etc. were considered unsuitable for the library. However Mr. C. Chattarji—Master-in-charge, School Library—rightly maintains that unless there are books catering to a variety of tastes, a boy will never be able to distinguish good literature from bad. It is with this in mind that a few such books have been bought for the Library.

Although the Reference Library has a large number of books, not all of them are suitable for boys preparing for the Indian School Certificate Examination. Mr. AN Dey has, very kindly, presented a series of books on Geography and History; these include a very nice set of books by Gohcheng Leong. I am sure that all the boys taking humanities will find these books an invaluable and constant help. I extend my warmest thanks to Mr. AN Dey. A set of twelve books, dealing with different ISC Examination subjects, have been added to the Reference Library.

All the books in the Hindi Section have been recatalogued and numbered. The Bengali Section has a separate set of Librarians.

Before I conclude, I would like to thank Mr. C Chattarji for his constant cooperation. His kind help and valuable suggestions have greatly improved the functioning of the Library. My special thanks go to all the librarians mentioned without whose sincere efforts the smooth running of the library would never have been made possible. S Dey needs to be thanked specially for his good work.

—*Deepak Rikhye,*
Student Librarian (Head)



MUSIC REPORT-1973

The first musical evening of the year was held on April 1st. This was an evening of musical appreciation with a difference, combining the elements of a concert and those of a lecture and featuring all the school's music pupils. The audience was shown each successive stage of the student's development, from the method of holding the instruments to the performance, observing these with interest and the diminutive stature of some of the youngest pupils with amusement. Solo and group performance were given on various instruments, including—piano, violin and trumpet, each performance by progressively senior pupils. The evening's finale was given by Mr. Mohamed on the violin and Mrs. Marikar at the piano, playing such fiery gems as the famous "Czardas" by Monti.

The undoubted musical highlight of 1973 was the combined schools concert given by students from Loreto Convent, St. Paul's, Mt. Hermon School, Government College and members of the Calcutta Youth Orchestra with Mr. Mohamed as co-ordinator and conductor.

The concert was held on June 16th in the School hall with Mr & Mrs D.F. Little as guests of honour. A repeat performance was held at Mt. Hermon the following Monday. The concert featured fifteen items including the rhapsody by Mr. Mohamed "Kanchendzonga Kutsering"; its effect was further enhanced by the voices and appearance of the Loreto and Mt. Hermon girls. The orchestra sounded superb with its greatly increased ranks. The solo voice was that of Saleema Mohamed, representing the "spirit of the mountains", with Mrs. Marikar and Bronwyn Murray (Mt. Hermon) at the two pianos.

This gala night of music was an unprecedented effort of cooperation between the participating institutions, giving great

enjoyment to audience and participants and anticipation of more such occasions in the future.

The last musical evening of the year on November 10th well illustrated the capabilities of our students when producing an informal evening's entertainment on their own. The numerous items included performance on violin, piano and clarinet. The evening, greatly enjoyed by most of the boys, was rounded off with a few words from Mr. Tankha on his impressions of his first concert in St. Paul's.

Rashad Mohamed



CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

INDIAN MUSIC

Master in charge : Mr. SN Sen

Secretary : RL Kakati

This was a very successful year for the Indian Music Section. The standard, as shown in different concerts and competitions, was appreciably higher than that of previous years.

On the 11th of August we presented a full-fledged concert. Quite a few boys proved their mettle in playing different musical instruments (Sitar, Flute, Tabla, etc.) and singing semi-classical, Tagore and folk songs. Special mention must be made of HS Johar (Sitar), RL Kakati (Tabla), S Dey (Sitar), V Vora and T Ghosh (Flute) and R Swaika (Sitar). Some Junior School Boys (Sourav Chatterjee, Somnath Datta and Priyotom Sen) also participated in the concert. Their songs drew hearty applause from the audience. S Uttam's (JV) Tabla Solo was greatly appreciated.

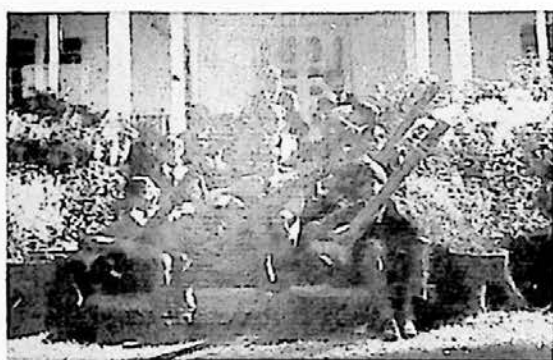


Photo: Das Studio

The Nilima Gupta Indian Music Prize was shared by HS Johar and S Dey this year.

The House Indian Music Competition was held on 22nd September. Sri T Tuladhar (Audition-judge, AIR Kurseong) and Sri A Ghosh (Kala Mandir), who acted as judges, opined that they were pleasantly surprised at the reasonably high standard shown by the competitors. R Mukherjee's folk song became a hit.

For the first time in the history of St. Paul's an Indian Instrumental Music item (composed by Mr. Sen) was presented before the plays on Speech Day. Parents and other guests spoke highly of it.

We express our grateful thanks to Mr. SN Sen for his sincere training and whole-hearted guidance, and to Mr. AK Mandrelle and Mr. SK Banerjee for their untiring help and kind co-operation.

Debashis Bose

SCIENCE SOCIETY

At the first meeting of the Society, held on 25th March, the attendance was much less than what it was in previous years, despite a very interesting lecture by CS Dhote on the art of printing; Dhote's talk was followed by that of Joy Mukherjee, who spoke on computers.

At the next meeting the Physics laboratory was crowded. Mr. VM Deshpande gave a fascinating demonstration; the subject—properties of phosphorous. A glowing skeleton was the highlight of the evening.

The third meeting featured Mr. Dhote, CS's elder brother, who spoke to us about careers with special reference to careers in printing.

Mr. Pinaki Chatterjee also gave us a talk on 'Science in Sports'; Siddhartha Sinha proved an excellent subject for his demonstration of the powers of the 'unconscious' mind.

The last meeting took the form of a Brains Trust. The three main trustees—Major Vyse, Mr. Deshpande and Mr. Mandrelle—answered all the questions raised by the members. They were ably supported by their assistants—BS Jayswal, CS Dhote and Joy Mukherjee; the questions raised were very interesting. It is heartening to see that more attention is being paid to the activities of this Society; I sincerely hope that this trend continues.

R Puri

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Three meetings of the Society were held during the year. At the first Mr. Howard gave a talk, illustrated by colour slides, on an expedition taken to Khang La in October, 1972. The boys found this interesting and stimulating since all the members of the party (except Mr. Gibbs) were present to answer questions raised by those attending the meeting. The second meeting took the form of a Geographical Quiz; Vth and VIth formers participating in the Quiz showed a very keen sense of competition; Vth Formers won by a narrow margin. At the third meeting Mr. Guha, who joined the Staff in July this year, showed us some slides on Canada, and talked about Calgary from where he hails.

MS Irani

SENIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Society meetings this year were marked by their gentlemanly spirit. Of the five debates held the most successful dealt with the topic "Communism is the Solution for India's Problems". The teams were from Havelock and Clive; members of both teams spoke with such conviction as to result in a draw. Other subjects for discussion were "Fashion is a Means For Cheating the Masses" and "Knowledge Without Character and Worship Without Sacrifice are Major Reasons for Conflict". The latter was followed up by enlightenment from Mr. Galvin on the true nature and scope of the topic, which had somehow eluded the debaters. The last meeting of the year, held on the 28th of October, was most unfortunate in its relative lack of ideas—possibly due to insufficient preparation—and attendance of little more than a handful of members in the audience. The scapegoat in this case must have been the DEAS which depleted ranks and necessitated changing speakers at short notice. Again a most illuminating and thought provoking sequel was provided by Mr. Galvin on the evening's topic—"Ghosts are a Figment of Man's Imagination". The members retired from the assembly with questions in mind —Who is the White Lady of Dawkins?

or Did the chowkidar really meet Bishop Foss Westcott the other night?

In anticipation of next year's meetings questions on the form of debating arise. Have we imbibed sufficiently of the incense of civilization to discard the current rigid 'stand up, speak up and shut up' policy? Does previous performances merit an increased number of meetings throughout the year? And should not more audience participation following a debate be encouraged?

A loss next year will be the departure of the master-in-charge under whose guidance the Society has attained its present level of proficiency. We wish Mr. Galvin and his family all the best for the future. It is hoped that next year membership will expand, enthusiasm increase and fresh topics provide material on which potential Ciceros may cut their teeth.

Rashad Mohamed

JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

The Junior Debating Society functioned smoothly this year with 33 enthusiastic members. The first two meetings took the form of practice debates. The third meeting took the form of an Inter-House Quiz Competition; Hastings emerged at the top of the list. The last three meetings were used for Inter-House Debating Competitions. At the first of these the topic was: 'Debating Societies, in Schools, Should be Scrapped'. The two Houses that participated were Havelock and Lawrence; Havelock won; the Lawrence House team did extremely well considering the fact that they were all 2nd Formers fighting against the 3rd. Then, the fight was between Clive and Hastings, the topic: 'The Younger Generation of Today is Leading India to its Doom'. Clive won rather unexpectedly. The finals of the Competition was held at the last meeting. Now the tussle was between Havelock and Clive who had reached the finals; the topic this time was 'All Work and No Play Makes Jack a Dull Boy'; Havelock won. The overall House positions were as follows—

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| Havelock | — | 1st |
| Clive | — | 2nd |
| Lawrence | — | 3rd |
| Hastings | — | 4th |

As the Secretary of the Society I would like to thank all those who made the meetings a success, especially the boys who settled the library for the meetings and the members of the Staff who acted as judges at the different meetings. Finally, I would like to thank Mr. C. Chattarji, our Master-in-charge, who is the backbone of the Society.

Rajiv Jaitly

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

This year the Natural History Society has not been an overwhelming success due to the fact that the members were involved in so many other activities as well. Nevertheless, because of the younger members' keen enthusiasm the several meetings we have had went off well. The boys prepared interesting lectures on various topics. Mr. Mandrelle often gave us knowledgeable accounts of his experiences in Africa and Ceylon. His magnificent shell collection was displayed during the year. The flower arrangement exhibition was also liked by everyone.

The expedition to Glenburn proved very enjoyable; the boys learnt a lot by collecting rare species of plants, insects etc. Likewise the expeditions to Kathmandu and Puri were of great value as the members learnt a lot about the flora and fauna of these areas.

On the whole the members have made most use of the opportunities provided by the meetings and expeditions.

I. Soni

BENGALI SOCIETY

Master-in-charge : Mr. SN Sen

Secretary : SS Bose

This year the Bengali Society successfully upheld the reputation gained during the last few years.

Now this is not a Society which interests only the Bengali boys; The non-Bengali boys have taken a keen interest in the doings of the Society during this year.

On the 18th of March (Dol Jatra) the Society members enjoyed a lively evening. The 2nd and 3rd Formers must be congratulated for the initiative they took to entertain us with a series of five comical skits.

This year, for the first time, a Bengali cultural function was held on the Bengali New Year's Day (14th April) in which all English-medium schools of Darjeeling participated. Loreto Convent must be congratulated for organising this function. Our boys performed very well.



A Scene From 'Abu Hussain'

On the 7th and 8th (on the occasion of Rabindranath's birthday) we presented a hilarious musical drama. 'Abu Hussain'. The actors were polished in their acting for which the Director (Mr. Sen) and the cast alike deserve high praise.

The number of entrants in the Usharani Bengali Prize Examination was few this year, but the standard of the answers was high. The prize was shared by A Chakraborty and A Datta. PK Mullick was highly commended.

The Inter-House Bengali Elocution Contest brought forward some of the best talents in the school. Extempore speaking has improved a lot and there are more boys now who can speak on difficult topics with consummate ease and confidence. The Competition was won by Havelock, with Lawrence, Clive and Hastings following in that order.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank most warmly Mr. D Chatterjee, Mr. S Chatterjee (Bursar), Maj. HD Vyse, Mr. C Chattarji and Mr. SK Banerjee for their kind help and Mr. Sen for his inspiring guidance and active co-operation.

SS Bose

HINDI PARISHAD (Hindi Society)

All the functions held under the auspices of the Parishad proved to be successes because all the members were very enthusiastic this year. The absence of Mr. BN Prasad was more than compensated by the energetic drive of Mr. and Mrs K Kanti.

The standard of this year's elocution proved to be much higher than that of last year. Believe me, the judges did find it rather difficult to allot the individual positions.



Two Scenes from 'Vija Parva'



Once more the Independence Day was joyously celebrated by the staging of a play written by Dr. Ram Kumar Varma. Although the actors were amateurs, 'Vija Parva' was staged with a touch of professionalism. Y Singh and R Mahtani's emotional roles of the ideal Indian mother and child, brimmed many eyes with tears. Under Mrs. SK Banerjee's superb direction the junior School boys also put up a short play, 'Markhana Bael', which

was greatly appreciated by all. Mr. SK Banerjee and his harmonious group began the programme well by singing a patriotic song. PK Gurung's film songs were greeted with encores.



A scene from "Markhana Bael"

I am sure that in the future the standard of Hindi in St. Paul's will be as good as, if not better, than that of the Hindi-medium schools of India.

RK Jhunjunwala
Secretary

HINDI SANSKRITIK SAMAROH (Darjeeling Schools' Hindi Evening)

In order to improve the overall standard of Hindi and to foster good friendly relationship between schools, our School organised this function. The participants were chosen from Loreto Convent, Mount Hermon, St. Joseph's and St. Paul's.

Three one - act plays were successfully staged by St. Joseph's, Mount Hermon and St. Paul's in that order. The girls of Loreto Convent and Mount Hermon performed various folk dances of which Loreto's Panjabi folk dance, Gidda, was liked the most. Between these plays and dances many songs were sung by students of participating schools.

**Bure Phansey Mehman
Bankar: A St. Paul's Item**



**Gidda—Presented by
Loreto Convent**



**Folk Dance : Presented by
Mount Hermon Girls**

After two hours of entertainment the visitors proceeded to the dining hall for a good dinner that the participants deserved so well. I think functions of this kind should be more frequent and, if possible, the programme should be more informal. It not only promotes a bond of friendship between the students but also encourages them to take a more active interest in Hindi.

CS Dhote

LA SOCIETE FRANCAISE (The French Society)

Being a 'minority Society' in the school, the French Society wasn't paid as much attention as it deserved. However, this year the few boys who make up the Society contributed immensely to the progress of the Society.

This year we introduced a 'French Fund' (no kin of 'French Leave'), from which we paid our bills. All our Society meetings proved successful as all the boys participated, with zeal, in its various activities. On one such occasion, Padre ended the evening's activities with a hilarious French folk song, which sent even the visitors (who had very little French) into fits of laughter.

Our second Annual French Concert was held on 9th June. All the schools in the district were invited, and strangely enough we had a packed hall. The entire Concert was produced and directed by Rev. KO Leblond. The programme comprised of a few ditties sung by the Junior School French students. They also staged a short play — La Mort de Socrate (the Death of Socrates). There were other skits including 'In the Twilight' and 'Le Docteur "X" Fera l'operation'; besides the skits there was a French Dance—a Gavotte. The main play was "L'Heureux Gagnant" (The Lucky Winner). AA Jafferjee as Monsieur Poulottier and R Parikh in the role of De Percy, a business man stood out as the two best performers of the evening. The others also acted quite well. For a majority of the audience who understood no French Rashad Mohamed provided the entertainment of the evening by reading his part from his cap and then his newspaper!

The general opinion was that the Concert was a success, more so since it was followed by a deliciously delectable dinner!

On behalf of the French students of the VIth Form I would like to wish Padre and the other members of the French Society the very best for another successful year.

JW Rorrison

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Photography is essentially a fine art. Like poetry and music it is capable of giving entire satisfaction. That is what has been the aim of this club—giving satisfaction.

The term began with 50 members—a new record! The snow in March, cricket on the field, the sun playing hide and seek—all these provided subjects for the enthusiastic members of the Club. Nevertheless, I feel the boys should further develop techniques of taking photographs of sports and allied activities. Commendable work in this field has been done by R Parikh, HS Narang, J Rorrison, S Keshava, R Swaika, VK Sharma and R Jabbar. They have not only done well in the competition but can also rightly be called 'Paulite Photographers'.

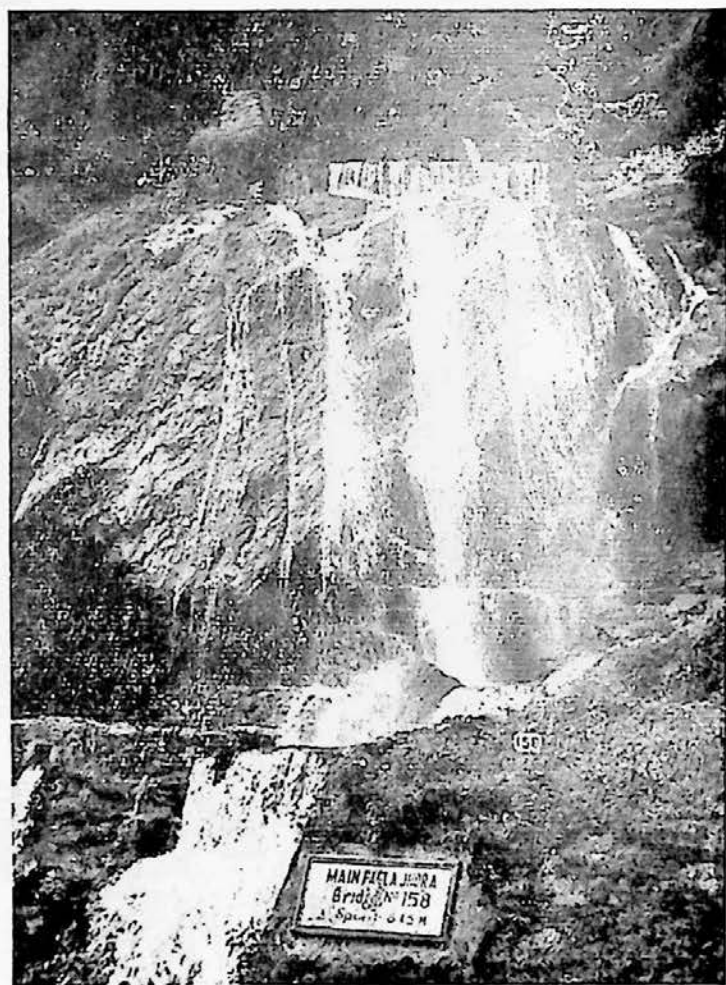
A word of appreciation for the Leavers—quite a few of them have shown keen interest in photography and thus boosted the morale of the other members of the Club.



Prize-winning portrait

Photo: M.T. Khanbhai

The Inter-House Photography Competition was held in July. Clive stood first. The Annual Competition was held on 26 September. Mr. Banerjee and Mr. Pradhan, from Das Studio, were the judges. After three gruelling hours they were able to come to the conclusion that MT Khanbhai's entry in the 'Portraits' section and AK Mittal's in the 'Landscape' section (for Juniors) were the two best photographs. Mittal's picture was judged the best entry and won the Das Prize.



Prize-winning Landscape

Photo: A.K. Mittal

On the Speech Day more than 400 photographs were exhibited in two rooms. The exhibition was greatly appreciated by the large number of visitors who went round. Bishop



Photo: R. Jabbar



Photo:
H.S. Narang

Amritanand, who opened the exhibition had this to say : 'This is the third year of photographic exhibition in the School. Every year, with Mr. Kanti's initiative and the students' zeal, there has been a marked improvement in the standard and display of the work done during the year. I greatly appreciate this side of the school activities'.



Photo: R. Jabbar

Developing and printing, for many boys, has been great fun this year. Some boys have learnt how to produce high and low key effects. Printing, exposing, colouring and toning have been done by the boys themselves. Some people, people who really know, have commented that printing done by the boys is 'professional'.

Mr. Kanti has been a firm, patient and inspiring teacher. His tips on techniques, guidance in the dark room have borne fruit. It is because of him that efficiency in the working of the Club has been maintained. The quality of photographs taken by him has been a source of inspiration for the members of this Club. My sincere thanks to Mr. Kanti for his dedication to the Club.

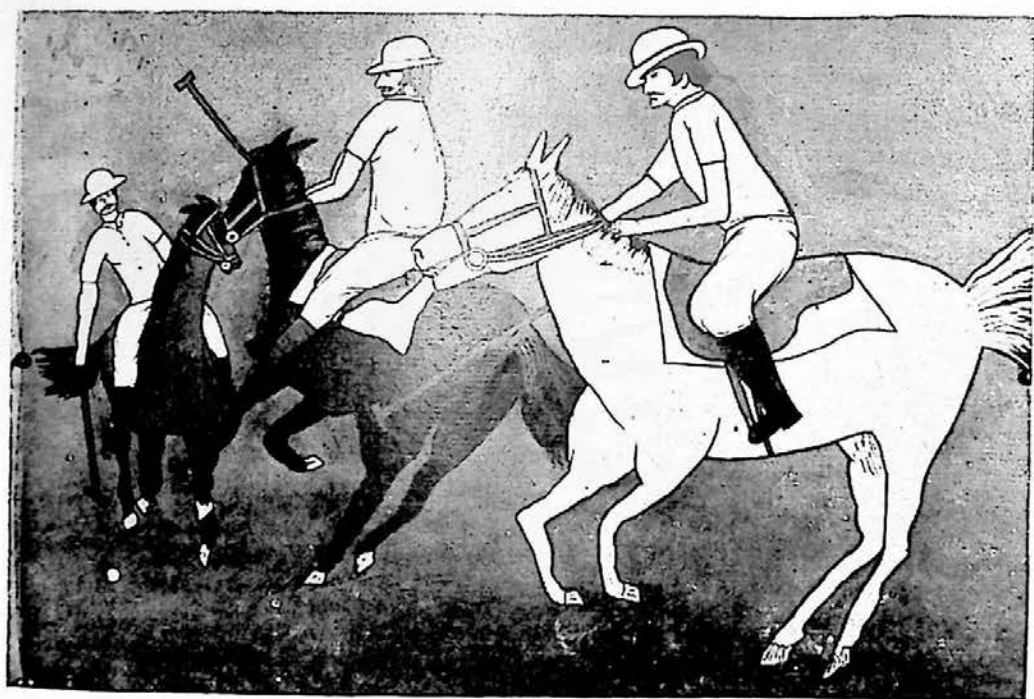
It has been said, 'Photographers are born, not made'. In St. Paul's they are manufactured.

MT Khanbhai

THE ART CLUB

The standard of activities and achievements in the field of art in St. Paul's has always been high. There has never been a dearth of artists, as whenever a good set has left, some others have successfully taken their place. The credit goes to Mr. Munshi, who with his eager and watchful eyes, has successfully directed the young artists to make use of their talents.

Owing to the shortage of good quality leather 'leather work' sessions were put at abeyance till July; nevertheless, the exhibits at the School Exhibition on Speech Day were of a very high standard. The skilful compositions, colour combination and accuracy in design of R Casyab and Debnath were greatly appreciated.



"Golf" by I. S. Gill.

In the painting section (water and oil), a new trend was set by Rashad Mohamed (who, incidentally, shared the Art Prize with SK Jain). His paintings were highly impressionistic. The water colours of Jain were very good and impressive.

The ISC boys also did their bit. Their still life and sketches and paintings of flowers were of high order. Only silk was used this year for batik; designs were outstanding and the 'hard work' put in by the boys, commendable. In the absence of Mr. D Chatterjee, owing to his illness, Mr. Munshi helped us with our batik work. Outstanding work in batik were done by SC Sharma, A Palchowdhury and Muzibar Rahman.

The Speech Day exhibits were very impressive. Among the many visitors were Bishop Amritanand, Wg. Cdr. and Mrs. Grewal and many Old Paulites; all of them spoke very highly of the exhibits.

Before I conclude I would like to thank Mr. Munshi and Mr. D Chatterjee on behalf of the ISC Art boys of 1973 for their untiring efforts. We sincerely wish our Art Club 'all the best' in the years to come.

RK Jhunjhunwala,
Secretary

HORTICULTURE CLUB

The Horticulture Club this year was not as successful as it had been in the last few years because of reasons beyond our control. One of these reasons was the loss of the original gardens at Benson's which had to be abandoned because of water shortage. Even the monsoons seemed to have conspired against the activities of this Club. Anyway the members were able to prepare new plots in the new garden which is situated on a slope above the Lower Field.

The boys had a difficult job trying to terrace the slope for suitable plots; AK Saini and RM Pradhan did commendable work in this connection. Although it was rather late, after we had prepared the new plots, we still planted chrysanthemum, zinnia, marigold, dahlia and some rose cuttings. Mr. Mandrelle beautified the area with a varied collection of orchids.

There were many new members who took keen interest in the hobby; the presence of the senior members was missed by most members.

Our proudest moment came when, for the first time, some members participated in the Flower Arrangement section in the Darjeeling Flower Show, and Rajnish Agarwal won the cup for the best Flower Arrangement.

My sincere thanks to Mr. Mandrelle and the boys for trying so hard to keep up the name of the Club.

HK Himatsingka
Secretary

RADIO AND MODEL MAKING

This year the Club had more members than in previous years. In the radio section the members worked on the construction of three-band transistorised 'superhets' and the School Exhibition witnessed a fine variety of electronic gadgets which included radios, an electric motor, a burglar alarm, a public address system and a battery eliminator.

In the modelling section most of the members were from the Junior Forms. Various models—Skybee, Canberra, Sailaway, Mig, Magpie, Robin, Grebe, Tinytots—were made.

The models ranged from 'chuck gliders' to 'tow line'. Some Junior members also assembled plastic models and one member made a 'powered boat'. Their work added variety to the School Exhibition.

The Secretaries, SK Jaipuria (Radio) and V George (Modelling) rendered much assistance and encouragement to the members. The former has also assisted in the School Projector Room.

This year some of the members qualified for the 'Bronze' and 'Silver' awards in connection with the DEAS Scheme.

HDV

ELOCUTION

The Inter-School Elocution for the Master Memorial Shield remains the highlight of the year's Speech activities. Once again we lost to Loreto Convent, tying for second place with Mount Hermon. Our team comprised of N Doowa, R Mehtani, RRK Chaudhuri, I Soni, and AA Jafferjee. Whilst the boys performed well, it was evident again that the Junior sections were not of 'Competition' standard. AA Jafferjee won in the Extempore section, and I Soni, though placed third in his group, was adjudged the Best Speaker of the evening.

In School the various Speech Contests were held according to schedule with varying degrees of competence shown by the boys. The Hindi Contest, shorter this year, showed an improvement. The Bengali Contest was also good. Mr. Sen comments, "The boys now appear to be *thinking* in their mother-tongues and not merely translating from English!" The impromptu Speech Contest was fairly successful and provided an entertaining evening; but once again the Junior Sections were of an indifferent standard both in content and style. The English Elocution Contest was of a higher standard. The higher grades were interesting and polished. The Speech Trophy was won by Lawrence, with Clive, Havelock and Hastings following in that order.

The general standard of Speech in the School has become noticeably careless and incorrect. One possible solution is a greater emphasis on recitation and speaking techniques in the classroom.

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D.E.A.S.

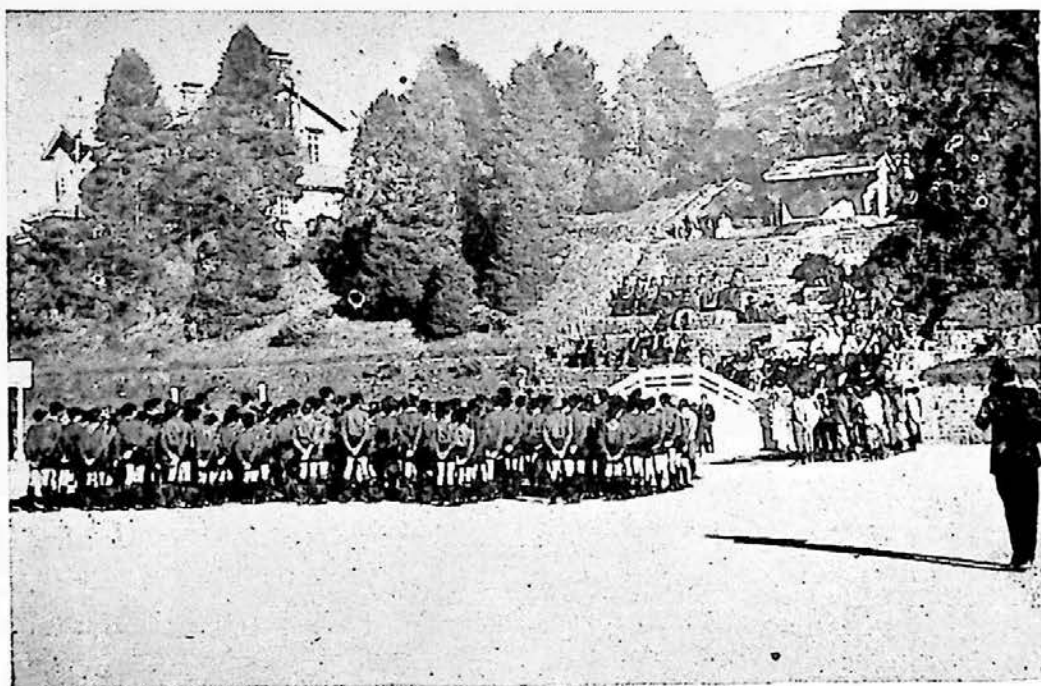
THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME started functioning once again from the very first Wednesday after the re-opening of the school, in March. The usual practice of falling in along with the Pioneers for a short parade was followed every Wednesday. Mr. S.K. Banerjee had very willingly joined me in conducting the activities of the D.E.A.S. group. To start with we had 7 Gold Award, 12 Silver Award and 25 Bronze Award participants. C. Dorjee and K. Rangdol, both Gold Award participants were Platoon Commanders during the weekly parades for Platoon I (Gold & Silver Award group) and Platoon II (Bronze Award group) respectively. Preliminary practical instructions were given to the participants for a couple of weeks on various activities like pitching a tent, packing a rucksack, climbing rocks, using map and compasses, cooking a meal and learning the essentials of country code and first-aid. Then the first practice expedition was taken upto the Ghoom Rock. The entire D.E.A.S. group accompanied by Mr. Banerjee and me camped there on the top of the hill for two and a half days at the beginning of May. This worked as a sort of a crash course for their expedition programme. The participants had shown great enthusiasm in all activities there. Abseiling down that huge terrifying Ghoom Rock by all the members of Gold and Silver award group, a night scheme in pitch darkness on that unfamiliar hilltop and going on a night march through the jungle remembering en route a narrow tunnel had been an experience to many and will be in the years to come. The second practice expedition was organised in small groups of 3 or 4 boys during the months of May and June.

All these camps had been assessed by various members of the Staff and shortcomings were pointed out to the boys. The Final Expeditions were of very high standard. One group of boys, accompanied by Mr. Banerjee, went on a 120 miles cycling trip in the Dooars plains during May holidays. Mr. Banerjee had also taken a group in the Puja holidays on an arduous trekking expedition in the Gangotri-Gomukh area in U.P. Mr. P. Nath had accompanied a group upto Tandong hilltop in

Sikkim. Mr. A.K. Mandrelle had often to go on long treks in order to assess the boys' Expeditions. My sincerest thanks to all of them and to Mr. C. Chattarji, Mr. D. A. Howard, Mr. S.N. Munshi. Maj. H.D. Vyse and all those who had helped in assessing various groups in either Expeditions or Interests. Mr. Hardip Singh had ungrudgingly trained and examined the boys for their Physical Efficiency. My sincerest thanks to him also.

In the Service Section some boys continued teaching in weekly rotation in the Orphanage. But unlike previous years the work was not entirely upto my satisfaction. Moreover, my long absence on account of illness caused a slight disruption in this sphere. So the boys in that group had to compensate doing laborious social work like roof-painting, developing roads, clearing landslides and digging a ditch in order to qualify themselves for the Award.

Dr. Sagreiya had trained a large group of 21 boys this year for their St. John Ambulance Certificate in First-Aid. Dr. Pemba had kindly taken tests and declared 19 boys successful. My heartiest thanks to Dr. Pemba and Dr. Sagreiya



DEAS: Distribution of Awards

Photo: K. Kanti

We had our Award giving ceremony on our school ground on the 7th. of November '73. Wing Commander Grewal, Principal of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute was the chief guest while Mrs. Grewal gave away the Award certificates and medals to 12 successful Silver Award participants and 16 Bronze Award participants. None could qualify for the Gold Award as most of them were from the VIth Form and could not devote time to D.E.A.S. during the second half of the year. I do hope some boys like S. Palchoudhury and Ashis Sanyal who are already well up in their achievement for Gold standard will be successful next year.

Thanks to the members of the Darjeeling Award Authority who were present during the Award giving ceremony in our school this year. The Darjeeling Award Authority had a meeting here after the ceremony on 7.11.73. to discuss the future course of action. We hope to continue to function in similar manner in future and try to bring in more boys under this scheme in order to promote among boys a sense of self-reliance, courage, leadership and a sense of duty.

D. Chatterjee



PIONEERS

The absence of Mr. Gibbs was very strongly felt at the beginning of the Pioneer season this year. All the same, Mr. Hardip Singh took over and made it a successful activity with the help of C Dorji (Head Instructor), PK Gurung, BS Jaiswal RK Jhunjhunwala and AA Jafferjee. The masters who contributed to the successful running of the Pioneers were Maj. Vyse for rifle firing and maintenance, Mr. K Kanti, who taught fire-fighting, Mr. Deshpande, who taught map and compass reading, and Mr. Nath who taught rock climbing.

As usual, many expeditions went this year to different places. 'A' Company went to Tiger Hill in May with the Rector and Maj. Vyse. An exceptionally large number of Pathfinder expeditions were undertaken this year. All the boys who went on

these expeditions were declared successful and were awarded Pathfinder badges.

Pioneer Tests were taken at the end of the term and seven boys were found eligible for certificates. First Class Certificates went to RL Kakati, A Mukherjee and Jasper Tavaría; M Dodani, PK Mallik and D Roy were awarded Second Class Certificates.

In the second term the Sixth Formers were excused from Pioneers so that they could devote some more time to their studies; new instructors, therefore, had to be appointed from among the Fifth Formers; the new instructors were M Rahman, RL Kakati, A Mukherjee and Jasper Tavaría, who was appointed Head Instructor for 1974.

An expedition that went to Bhutan under the leadership of Mr. HP Singh was helped a great deal by Mr. and Mrs. S Jabbar, parents of Rahil. It was for the first time that the boys from St. Paul's School went to Pare and from there trekked to the Tiger Dzong Monastery, where Buddhist monks come for their retreat of 3 years, 3 months and 3 days. It is a very difficult trek indeed. Let us hope that in future more parents will take a more active interest in our expeditions.

On the whole the credit for the success of Pioneer activities go mainly to Mr. Hardip Singh's untiring personal efforts. I hope the boys under Jasper Tavaría will co-operate actively and make next year another great 'Pioneer year'.

Rajen Parikh

SCOUTING

This has been a successful year for the Scouts, thanks largely to a cheerful and reliable IIIrd Form, who organised the patrols well. We were delighted to have Mr. C. Chattarji join the Movement to take charge of Troop 3. He was assisted, in the first Term, by that stalwart Scout, R. Puri.

The First Term saw the IInd Formers being trained for their Tenderfoot Badges. About 50 of them were invested, along with 7 boys who were awarded their Second Class badges. The IIIrd Formers spent most Wednesday afternoons down the 'khud-side' learning to cook rice and dal—pine needles sufficed for firewood! The result of all this cooking practice was a decent lunch cooked by the boys for the Rally, held on 2nd May. The day-long Rally ended with the Lion, Squirrel and Horse Patrols being the best.

The Local Association persuaded us to join the Jackson Shield Competition held at the Shrubbery Grounds of Raj Bhavan in September. We last joined this competition 12 years ago, and so were rather hesitant to enter a competition of which we had no experience. However, the boys gave a good account of themselves, and we placed 4th amongst 8 teams. Rather surprisingly we won the Chariot Race, beating the more mature Scouts from the Tea Gardens. We were delighted to win the Keelan Shield for First Aid—last won by us in 1959. The credit for this goes largely to Mr. Mandrelle who taught the boys their First Aid. The highlight of the Competition, however, was an unforgettable night spent under canvas. It poured cats and dogs all night, and we awoke at about midnight to find the groundsheet well nigh floating! It seemed that the place we were allotted was the general run-off channel for the whole field! It was some consolation to find that splendid Scouter, Fr. German, in the same boat as ourselves. It was a little difficult turning up for Inspection the next morning—but we managed!

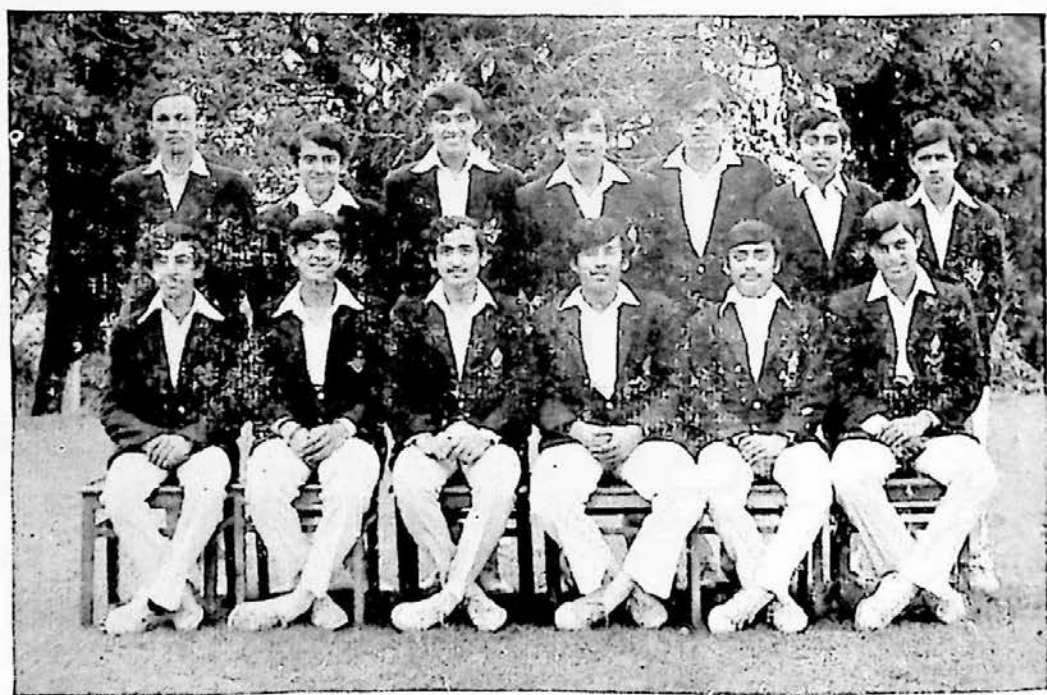
In the Second Term we were less well organised, and, what with one thing and another, a lot of Wednesday afternoon meetings did not take place. The year's activities closed with an enjoyable Campfire held early in November.

D.A.H. (GLS)



CRICKET

The 1973 St. Paul's 1st XI was an unbeaten school team which strove to retain the Edinburgh Shield for the third consecutive year. The number of matches played this year exceeded those of the past few years; the team played with great enthusiasm and showed sportsman spirit. Captained by Sushanta Banerjee and coached by Mr. AK Lahiri, the team's allround performance was really praiseworthy. In fielding SK Jaipuria, S Banerjee, HK Sharda and D Ray Choudhuri ('the little slip') were outstanding. Mr. Macdonald scored three grand centuries; the others who excelled in batting were S Banerjee, MT Khanbhai, SK Jaipuria, D Ray Choudhuri, RL Kakati and Mr. Lahiri. Mr. Nath, after toiling continually at the nets, saved the team at crucial moments. YS Grewal, the 1st XI Wicket Keeper did extremely well behind the stumps. In bowling the pace attack did not prove effective at times, though OP Chowdhury had some good spells; the wicket takers in most of these matches proved to be the spinners—S Banerjee, Mr. Lahiri and ML Hirdaramani.



Cricket XI : 1973

Photo : Das Studio

The first cricket fixture was with the most outstanding School Team in Calcutta—La Martiniere. With a constant flow of reports on the standard of this team, our 1st XI entered the field, rather diffident about the outcome. However, because of Banerjee's incorrigible optimism, the team held its heads high. Having lost the toss, we were sent to bat. After the first wicket fell at 7, Banerjee stunned the spectators with a magnificent 57, which acted as a booster to the flagging morale of the team. All out for 197, we went in to field expecting the worst. Sushanta Banerjee, once again, came to our rescue by taking 7 wickets for 33 runs. La Martiniere was all out for 89. We had defeated the strongest Calcutta School Team! The cricket season seemed to have begun well.

Our second match was against St. Joseph's College. We declared our innings closed when the score was 220 for 7. Mr. Macdonald lived up to his reputation by withering the new ball by scoring 110 runs. St. Joseph's College, in their turn, scored 217 for 7; then the ball was sent beyond the boundary line and their score exceeded ours by one run. In the return match, the College team, batting first, scored 118 runs; Mr. Lahiri captured 5 wickets for a meagre 27 runs. In reply, we scored 125 runs for 6 wickets and declared the innings closed; of this total Mr. Macdonald's share was 42.

The victory against St. Joseph's brought in its wake many more victories. On 7th April we played Mount Hermon School. They scored a total of 98 runs; the wicket takers were Banerjee: 24 for 4 and ML Hirdaramani: 4 for 29. Our total went up to 102 with the loss of only 2 wickets. The return match, played on the 9th of April, saw the Mount Hermon team bundled out for 63 runs; once again Banerjee proved his mettle by capturing 8 wickets for 24 runs. We piled up this score very fast and won the match with 65 for 3 declared.

On the 8th of April we played the Mount Hermon Training College team. Although they played very hard, their score didn't go beyond 131 runs; Mr. Lahiri captured 8 wickets for 32. Once more our openers batted very well and we scored 142 runs after having lost 5 wickets only; RL Kakati had scored a very fast 51.

The match against Victoria School, on the 10th, was a little too one-sided (the side towards which the match leaned was, need we say, ours !); the match gave over by lunch time. Their team was out for a paltry 54; OP Chowdhury, with some new magic in his bowling, took 5 wickets for an unbelievable 9 runs. We, in our turn, sent the ball to all possible corners of the field and scored the required runs and three more for the loss of two wickets. The team that played the return match had only two 1st XI players; we were all out for 120 runs; Victoria, in reply, scored 62 for 4 when the stumps were drawn; thus, this match ended in a draw.

On the 15th of April we met our traditional rivals—St. Joseph's School. They played an extremely slow and defensive game and their final score was 184 for 9; we were left with only an hour to bat. However we scored a highly respectable 64 for 1 in that hour; the match, thus, ended in a draw. In the return match they, St. Joseph's, played moderately well and scored 145 runs; wicket takers at this match: OP Chowdhury—4 for 39 and Banerjee—4 for 42. We then piled up a score of 147 for 4 and declared the innings closed; the top scorers were D Ray Chowdhury (54) and A Mitra (49).

On the 15th of May a 'rare' match was played with Planters' Club; rare, because the Planters had a 12 member team. In spite of the advantage of one extra player they were all out for 102. The game started rather badly for us; our openers, for once, failed us. Our score, at one stage, read 18 for 6. Then came the 'Odd Couple'—Mr. Lahiri and SK Jaipuria; they put up a 73 run partnership (Mr. Lahiri—51). Thus, with this unexpected boost, our final total was 109 for 7 declared; we were triumphant once again.

On the 21st we played Goethals Memorial School, Kurseong. Batting first, we scored 236 runs having lost only 6 wickets. Banerjee excelled in this game, scoring a 116 not out. Goethals were all out for 72. Banerjee seemed to play according to his motto—"Captain's innings or bust"; he captured 4 wickets for 31.



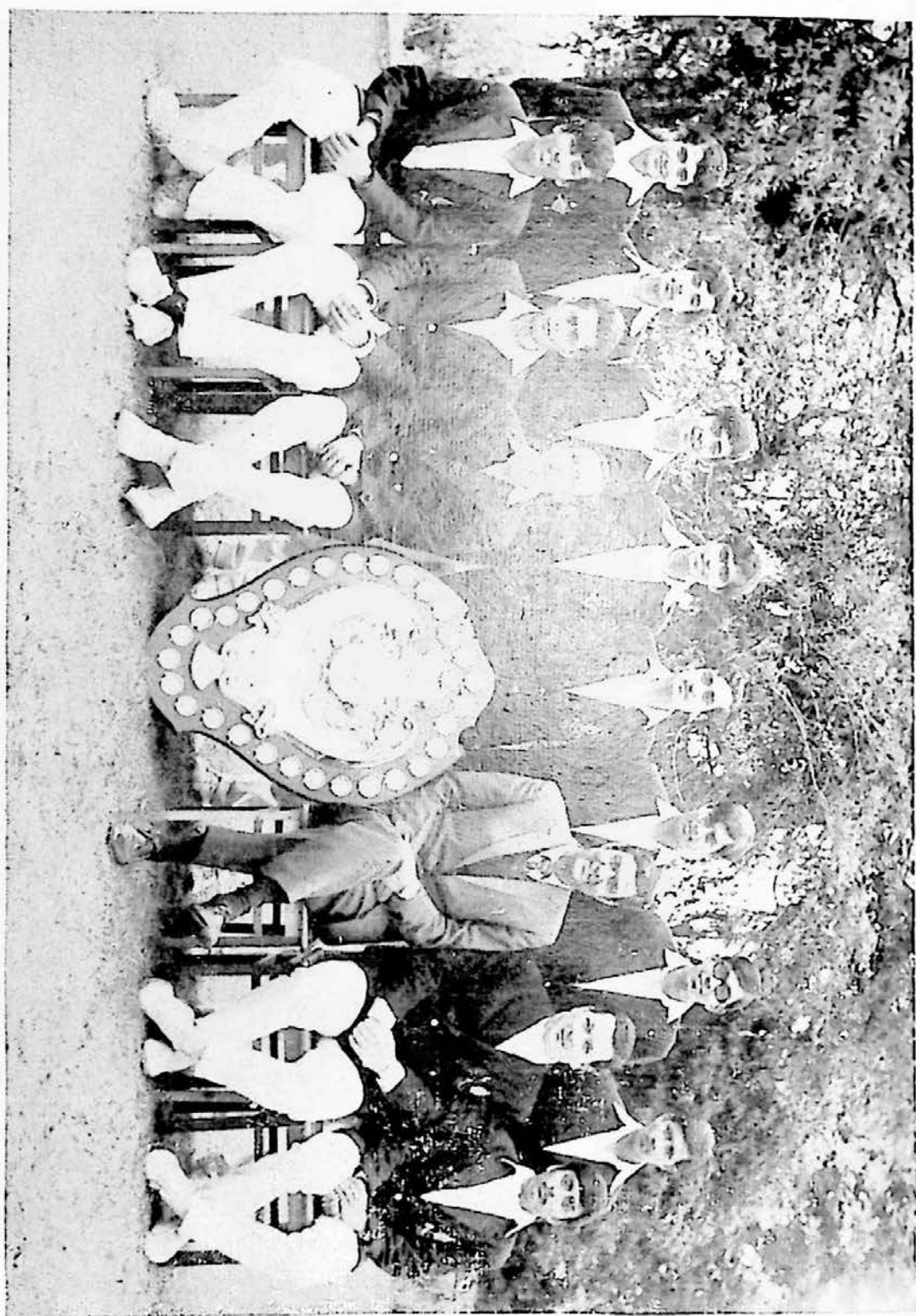
EDINBURGH SHIELD MATCH

The Edinburgh Shield is the most coveted cricket trophy in Darjeeling. At the Edinburgh Shield Matches one expects the best from all the teams—each striving to outscore the other. Our first match was against the Mount Hermon Training College. Batting first, they scored 140 runs. Mr. P Nath with his medium pace bowling captured 3 wickets for 7 runs. In reply we put up a giant score—302 for 7; Mr. Macdonald scored 108, MT Khanbhai 47 and Banerjee a forceful 70. Although we played a second innings, in which they scored 118 for 5, we could not force an innings defeat on them; nevertheless, we won the match by virtue of our performance in the first innings.

The second Edinburgh fixture was against the Planters' Club. They piled a comparatively high score of 180 all out; Mr. Nath bagged 4 wickets for 38 and OP 2 for 19. A determined Paulite 1st XI countered this score with 192 runs for the loss of only 5 wickets; the scorers this time: Kakati—52 and Mr. Lahiri and Mr. Nath—35 runs each

Then came the climax of the Edinburgh matches—the match against the St. Joseph's Combined team—the strongest team: 'on paper'. After St. Joseph's had lost their first wicket for only 9 runs, the score went up to 62 when the second one fell. Then after a score of 68 for 5 they were all out for 135; Mr. Lahiri captured 6 wickets for 30. When our first wicket fell, the score was 0; a few minutes later the score was 24 for 2 and 24 for 3; then again 33 for 4 and 33 for 5. When everyone was burdened under heavy hearts Mr. Lahiri entered the field. He and Mr. Nath took the score up to 114 for 6. After the loss of Mr. Lahiri, Jaipuria proved a fine substitute and an invaluable partner to Mr. Nath. They took the score up to a well-applauded 214 at which score Mr. Nath was caught for 95. The final score was 237 runs. Once again we tried to inflict an innings defeat on them but our efforts were foiled, and we emerged victors on the basis of first innings score.

The final match was against Mount Hermon School. On realising that an innings victory was essential to retain the Shield (otherwise we would have to share it with St. Joseph's),



The 'Edinburgh Team' with Mr. Tankha

Photo: Das Studio

heart, skill and brain combined to work hopefully and desperately for the shield. Mount Hermon team was bundled out for a meagre 59; Mr. Lahiri captured 4 wickets for 8 runs. Then St. Paul's battered all their balls to reach the score of 266 for 3 declared. We then sent them in to bat once again. After lunch things looked rather dull, but our spinner Hirdiramani, with his puzzling off-spins, captured 6 wickets for 46. Their second innings score 142. St. Paul's had triumphed by an innings and 65 runs.

Due credit must be given to the sensible and able captaincy of Sushanta Banerjee, under whom the team was bound by a strong sense of unity and concord. Mr. Lahiri not only coached the team very competently but also captained the Edinburgh matches profitably. He, along with Banerjee, proved worthy leaders of the team and provided a solid foundation.

The Middle School won most of the matches. It was coached by Mr. SK Banerjee and captained by R Casyab. The 2nd XI, trained by Mr. P Nath and captained by SK Debnath, was also a triumphant team.

Major colours were awarded to S Banerjee SK Jaipuria, MT Khanbhai and RL Kakati; more than well-earned minor colours were awarded to ML Hirdaramani and OP Chowdhury.

GAMES PLAYED

27th March... vs. La Martiniere, Calcutta (Home)

School — 197 all out (Banerjee 57; Khanbhai 45)

La Martiniere — 89 all out (Banerjee 7 for 33)

School won

31st March vs. St. Joseph's College (Home)

School — 220 for 7 declared (Mr. Macdonald 110;

Mr. Lahiri 38)

St. Joseph's College — 221 for 7 declared

School lost

5th April..... vs. St. Joseph's College (Away)

St. Joseph's College — 118 all out (Mr. Lahiri 5 for 27)
School — 125 for 6 declared (Mr. Macdonald 42 Khanbhai 32)
School won

7th April..... vs. Mt. Hermon School (Home)

Mt. Hermon — 98 all out (Banerjee 4 for 29 Hirdiramani
4 for 24)
School — 102 for 2 declared (Kakati 33*; Khanbhai 39*)
School won

8th April... . vs. Mt. Hermon Training College (Home)

Mt. Hermon T. C. — 131 all out (Mr. Lahiri 8 for 32)
School — 142 for 5 declared (Mr. Macdonald 31; Kakati 51)
School won

10th April..... vs. Victoria School, Kurseong (Home)

Victoria — 54 all out (OP Choudhury 5 for 9)
School — 57 for 2 declared
School won

14th April..... vs. St. Joseph's School (Away)

St. Joseph's — 184 for 9 declared (OP Choudhury 3 for 45)
School — 64 for 1 (Kakati 36*)
Drawn

15th April..... vs. Planters (Home)

Planters — 102 all out (Khanbhai 3 for 45; Banerjee 2 for 6)
School — 109 for 7 declared (Mr. Lahiri 51*; Jaipuria 32)
School won

17th April..... vs. Victoria School (Away)

School — 120 all out (PKM Roy 34)
Victoria — 62 for 4
Drawn

21st April . . . vs. Goethals (Away)

School — 236 for 6 declared (Banerjee 116* Kakati 30)
Goethals — 82 all out (Banerjee 4 for 31 Khanbhai 3 for 20)
School won

16th April .. vs. Mount Hermon Training College (Edinburgh Shield Match) (Away)

1st Innings : Mount Hermon T. College—140 all out (Mr. Nath 3 for 7)

School—302 for 7 declared (Mr. Macdonald 108; Banerjee 70; Khanbhai 47)

2nd Innings : Mount Hermon College—118 for 6 (Time up)
School won

28th April ... vs. St. Joseph's School (Home)

St. Joseph's School — 145 all out (OP Choudhury 4 for 39)

School — 192 for 5 declared (Kakati 52; Mr. Nath 35)

School won

9th May... vs. Mt. Hermon School (Home)

Mt. Hermon School — all out (Banerjee 8 for 24)

School — 65 for 3

School won

13th May... vs. St. Joseph's (Edinburgh Shield Match) (Away)

1st Innings : St. Joseph's — 133 all out (Mr. Lahiri 6 for 50)

School 237 all out (Mr. Nath 95; Mr. Lahiri 37 Jaipuria 72)

2nd Innings : St. Joseph's — 133 for 6 (Time up)

School won

13th May.....vs. Mt. Hermon School (Edinburgh Shield Match) (Away)

1st Innings : Mt. Hermon — 59 all out (Mr. Lahiri 4 for 8)

School — 266 for 3 declared (Mr. Macdonald 100 D Ray Choudhury 61)

2nd Innings : Mt. Hermon — 142 all out (Mr. Nath 2 for 7; Hirdaramani 6 for 46)

School won

BATTING AVERAGE

| Batsman | Innings | N.O. | Runs | Highest Score | Average | Position |
|-----------------|---------|------|------|---------------|---------|----------|
| Mr. Macdonald | 8 | — | 412 | 110 | 51.50 | 1 |
| S. Banerjee | 13 | 5 | 385 | 116 | 47.88 | 2 |
| Mr. Lahiri | 7 | 3 | 177 | 51* | 44.25 | 3 |
| MT Khanbhai | 11 | 3 | 321 | 62 | 40.13 | 4 |
| Mr. P Nath | 7 | 2 | 156 | 95 | 31.20 | 5 |
| SK Jaipuria | 9 | — | 223 | 72 | 24.78 | 6 |
| RL Kakati | 14 | 2 | 255 | 52 | 21.25 | 7 |
| D Ray Choudhury | 15 | — | 241 | 61 | 16.06 | 8 |

BOWLING AVERAGE

| Bowlers | Over | Maidens | Runs | Wickets | Average | Position |
|----------------|-------|---------|------|---------|---------|----------|
| Mr. Lahiri | 82.5 | 17 | 324 | 31 | 10.45 | 1 |
| ML Hirdiramani | 116.2 | 17 | 330 | 25 | 13.2 | 2 |
| OP Choudhury | 155 | 53 | 348 | 25 | 13.52 | 3 |
| S Banerjee | 159.3 | 15 | 617 | 46 | 14.5 | 4 |
| Mr. Nath | 58.1 | 18 | 191 | 11 | 17.36 | 5 |
| RL Kakati | 61 | 17 | 187 | 6 | 31.16 | 6 |

(*not out)



FOOTBALL

The season was marked by frequent practices under the guidance of the coach from town, Mr. Prem. Though exhausting, these were approached with great enthusiasm and vigour. Our participation in the local League matches did not prove very successful, though we played some very strong teams, including the Town Police. In the school matches, however, our team did extremely well, winning or drawing all games but one. These successes were aided by some fine individual performance—for instance, that of the School Captain, YS Grewal.



The Football XI

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Against Mount Hermon we drew 1—1, and beat Kalimpong Homes 4—0. After nearly eight years of defeat when playing against St. Joseph's we managed a draw, with neither side scoring a goal. Our team lost 6—0 to Goethals on their grounds, but beat them 1—0 at home. A highlight of the season was our victory against TNA of Sikkim, where they are the League Champions; we beat them 2—1 on their grounds.

In retrospect we can say that the season was successful on the whole. However, we can do better and we await the next year in anticipation of greater triumphs.

K Rangdol
Captain

HOCKEY

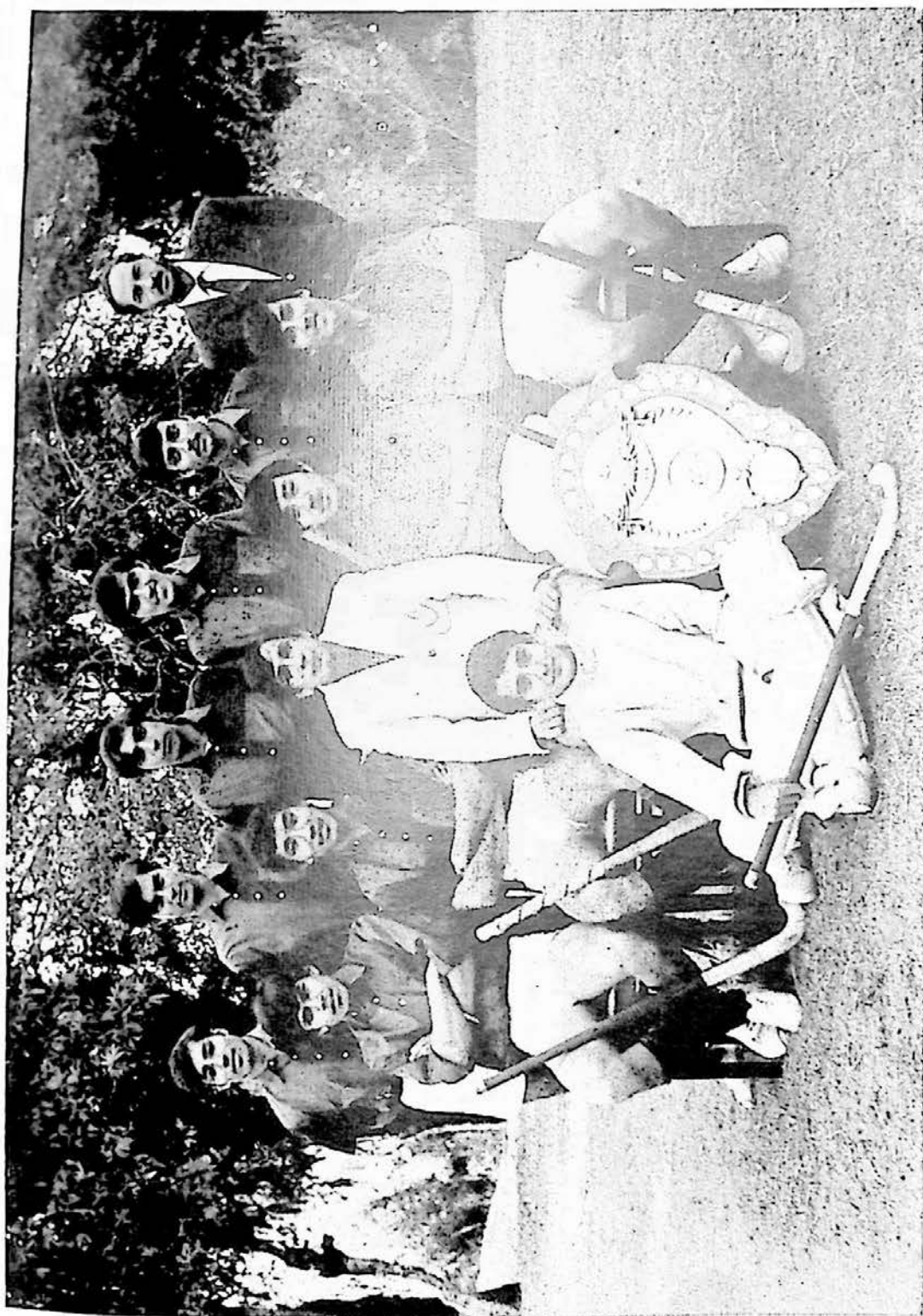
Once again, for the second consecutive year, we kept the Pliva Shield. At the beginning of the season our team secured an exceptionally large number of good players, who had been taken into the team as 'recruits'. We also had Mr Allen Wood, a dashing centre forward.

We started the season with an amazing victory over Mount Hermon Teachers Training College. We won many other matches; unfortunately, we did not manage to continue our non-stop winning spree when we only managed to draw with St. Joseph's.

The 2nd XI did not have a very successful season. It is a matter of regret that no colours were awarded; this was so because the number of matches played were very small and the boys, thus, did not find an opportunity to show their skill.

Our Junior teams were more successful, and the unbeaten players are a happy guarantee of good battles ahead.

YS Grewal



BASKETBALL

Sportsmen are fond of quoting that, at games, it is the endeavour that matters—but it helps if you can occasionally win. The year started with plenty of enthusiasm and endeavour, but, as the season progressed, it was quite obvious that there would be no wins. The nearest we came to success was the first School match against Mt. Hermon, where we lost by a solitary basket. For the rest of the games our scores were paltry. St. Joseph's were easily our superiors. Though we lost consistently to both the School and the College, we enjoyed playing against them. The team played hard and with good spirit—and much credit for this goes to the Captain, DC Singh-Deo—but we were just not skilful enough. The defence was strong and this kept the opponents' scores low, but our defects at shooting were obvious. The ball went up the field but seldom into the basket!



The Basketball Team

Photo: Das Studio

This year we were entered (rather rashly !) for the District Basketball Tournament. One result of this was some extra coaching by the Army P. T. Instructors of Lebong. Our grateful thanks to them. They certainly helped improve our game. At the Inter-School Tournament, held at Kalimpong, we came 4th out of the 6 participating schools. We beat St. Augustine's in a straight game (our only victory), and Mt. Hermon theoretically—they came last in the parallel set.

The Inter-House games were played with great enthusiasm but little skill. Lawrence, Hastings and Clive all tied for the 1st place. The end of the season saw DC Singh-Deo and R Noble get their Minor Colours in this game.

DAH



VOLLEYBALL

The volleyball team this year achieved praiseworthy success. The eight boys comprising the School team, headed by the valiant SK Bhutia, displayed their calibre in the field. The standard of the game had improved immensely. The team, as a whole, was more coordinated; they worked consistently and put in hard practice under the able guidance of Mr. Prem Lepcha, who was appointed volleyball coach.

The school matches were played well and showed what our boys were capable of achieving with a little more of concerted effort. In the Murray Cup matches the team showed courage, enthusiasm and involvement in the game.

The matches that were played in the Super League and for the Pasang Dukpa Memorial Shield brought out the best in our boys. For the first time in the history of the School our team had made its way into the finals. Unluckily, in spite of our efforts, we went down to Turnbull School, who lifted the Shield.



The Volleyball Team

Photo : Das Studio

The team remains indebted to Mr. D Chatterjee, our Master in charge, for the keen interest he took in each member and for his useful last moment hints and encouragement. The good game played by PK Gurung, C Dorji and SK Bhutia found them places in the district School Volleyball Team. Major Colours were awarded to PK Gurung and C Dorji and Minor Colours to G Mondal and S Barman.

Abhijit Mukherjee

GYMNASTICS

The popularity of Gymnastics has greatly increased. This spectacular recreation has attracted more youngsters in recent years. Gone are the days when we wondered who would take part the following year. Our problem now is how to train so many. We inherited a small Gymnasium meant to train about 20 boys. Also, our apparatus is out-dated. Despite these shortcomings our progress is quite steady and satisfactory.

The Inter-House Gym Competition was held in May. Gym Captain SK Jalan and the Mukherjee brothers contributed largely to the victory of Lawrence House; Havelock came second after having retained the Gym Trophy for 5 years; Hastings followed Clive, who were placed third.

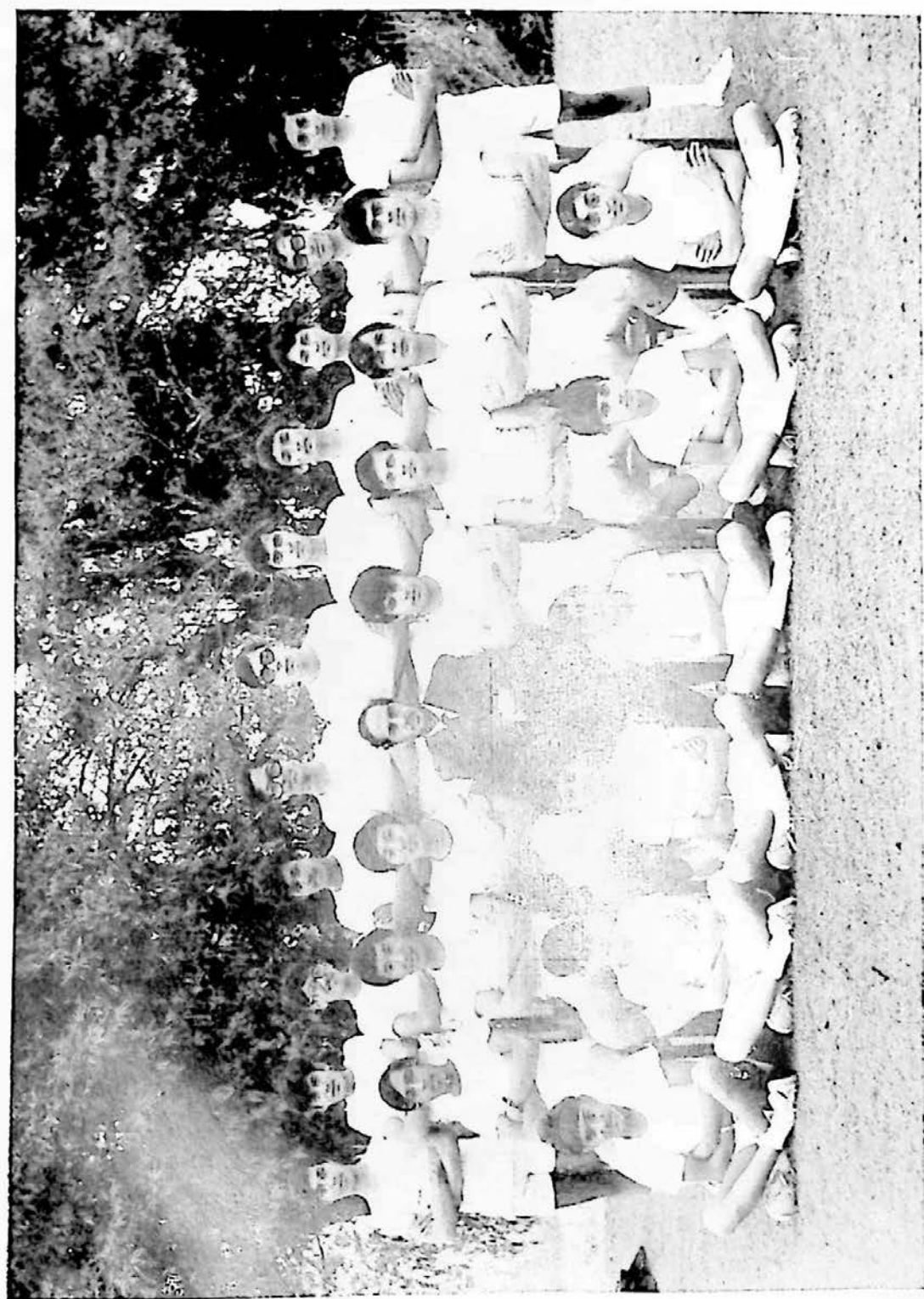


**Annual Gym Display :
The Grand Finale**

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On 26th May our Annual Gym Display was held as usual at the Gymkhana Club, presided over by His Excellency the Governor of West Bengal. Mrs. Dias was also present. In a letter, Mr. Dias and Mr. Little, a School Governor congratulated SK Jalan and his team for the excellent display. After the display boxes were passed round for collections; most of the parents and spectators donated very generously; the money thus collected, went, as in other years, to various charities.

Hardip Singh



Gymnastic Team

Photo : Das Studio

BADMINTON

Badminton has always remained one of the most favourite pastimes of the boys. Many boys joined the Badminton Club. They were given adequate coaching and thoughtful inspiration by Mr. Lahiri. This system has not only brought about a considerable rise in the general standard in badminton but has also encouraged more boys to play the game. SK Jaipuria, S Banerjee, D Raychowdhury, P Vora and Dilip Saraf have shown considerable promise. Clive House carried away the Badminton Cup for the second year in succession.

RL Kakati, S Banerjee and SK Jaipuria have been awarded Colours.

RL Kakati



TENNIS

Interest in tennis this year has risen along with the standard, mainly among the boys in the middle school. The difficulty in the Senior Section is that those who are keen on tennis are hard pressed for time to play it. Although there is no scope for inter-school comparison, I firmly believe that our standards are fairly high.

This year Hastings had superior players and they, quite easily, took the Inter-House Tennis Trophy. In the tournament held at the end of the year, M Hirdiramani and YS Grewal won the Senior Doubles and G Wadhwa the Junior Singles. Due to various other end of term activities there was no time to reach a decision in the Junior Doubles and Senior Singles.

Unfortunately, our Master in charge, Mr. Galvin, is leaving us at the end of this year. He has been largely responsible for the tremendous increase in enthusiasm for tennis during the past three years. We wish him every success wherever he goes.

JW Morrison

BOXING

The Boxing Season this year was perhaps the shortest we have ever had at St. Paul's. Despite this, nearly 125 boys participated. There were only seven days of training and practice sessions for the boys also numbered seven and all the participants fought with remarkable courage, if not skill.



Photo : R. Parikh

The Inter-House Finals produced some very good bouts, the general standard being quite high. Special mention must be made of Dipu Pal Chowdhury, A Shahi, JS Dhillon, Rohan Ghosh (Best Boxer) and R Pradhan (Best Loser). All these youngsters show great promise. My thanks to all the Sixth Formers who participated.

I would also like to thank the judges—Mr. JF Galvin, Mr. DA Howard, Mr. SK Guha and Maj. HD Vyse. One who must be given all the credit due to him is Mr. Hardip Singh who not only trained the boys but also referred all the bouts.

A good struggle between the Houses was evident. The Boxing Cup went to Havelock House, who were closely followed by Hastings.

FINALISTS

| Class | Winner | Loser |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Special Fly (5st. & below) | S Vohra (Hs) | F Khan (Hv) |
| 2. Midget (5—5½) | D Paulchowdhury (Hv) | A Shahi (Lw) |

| Class | Winner | Loser |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 3. Mosquito ($5\frac{1}{2}$ —6) | Imran Chowdhury (Hv) | R Gurtu (Hv) |
| 4. Gnat (6— $6\frac{1}{2}$) | JS Dhillon (Hv) | I Jabbar (Hs) |
| 5. Fly ($6\frac{1}{2}$ —7) | M Chhetri (Lw) | I Shee (Lw) |
| 6. Bantam (7— $7\frac{1}{2}$) | R Ghosh (Hs) | P Deva (Hv) |
| 7. Feather ($7\frac{1}{2}$ —8) | PK Debnath (Cl) | R Pradhan (Hs) |
| 8. Light (8— $8\frac{1}{2}$) | S Palchowdhury (Hv) | I Soni (Cl) |
| 9. Welter ($8\frac{1}{2}$ —9) | SK Bhutia (Cl) | AK Prasad (Lw) |
| 10. Middle (9— $9\frac{1}{2}$) | SK Jalan (Lw) | A Mitra (Hv) |
| 11. Light Heavy ($9\frac{1}{2}$ —10) | PK Gurung (Hv) | C Dorji (Hs) |
| 12. Heavy (10 & over) | YS Grewal (Hs) | KM Khan (Hv) |

House Points upto the Finals

Havelock : 52 Hastings : 52 Clive : 47 Lawrence : 42

House Points after the Finals

Havelock : 71 Hastings : 64 Clive : 55 Lawrence : 51

PK Gurung

MARATHON

Marathon is a race that involves endurance, will power and training. This year we had a new system of training. All the boys were taken in groups on the same course, running and walking simultaneously. We practised thus for two weeks. The boys enjoyed these practice runs which helped them to prepare for the final day—27th August. The old Senior course was damaged due to consistent landslips. The course was therefore altered. The new course is about the same distance but a little steeper than the old one. The race was finished in good time by all competitors. Keventers provided refreshing lemonade.



**C. Dorji: winner,
Senior Marathon**

In the Senior race C Dorji stood first with a timing of 30 mins. 40 secs. which is the established record for the new course. TS Gill and A Chaudhuri stood 2nd and 3rd respectively. In the Middle School Marathon J Dhillon stood first, missing the record by a couple of seconds. He was followed by A Casyab and DP Chaudhri. The Junior School Marathon was won by P Sharma who was given a stiff competition by G Dorji. Clive House won the Senior School Marathon Trophy.

C Dorji



ETON FIVES REPORT

The standard of fives in St. Paul's seems to have declined since Mr. Gibbs left. Very few boys have a good knowledge of the game and this, combined with the lack of new equipment, leaves the Fives Court deserted, at most times. This year's 'Fives activities' comprised of the Fives Tournament and House Matches. Colours were awarded to DK Pawa, D Raychoudhury and MT Khanbhai. I sincerely hope that in 1974 boys will take a renewed interest in this most lively sport.

S Talukdar

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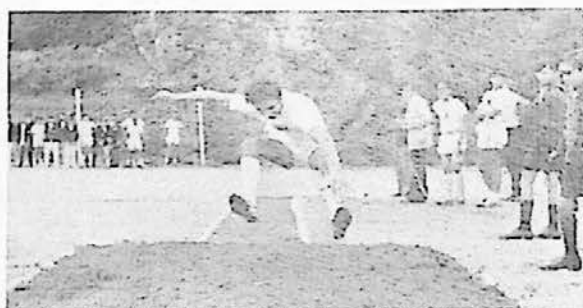
SENIOR SCHOOL RESULTS

OPEN CLASS

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|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. PK Gurung | 2nd. SK Debnath | Time—11.9 secs. |
| 200 metres (PN Dey Memorial Medal) | 1st. PK Gurung | 2nd. SK Jalan | Time—25.1 secs. |
| 400 metres | 1st. C Dorje | 2nd. AK Prasad | Time—55.5 secs. |
| 800 metres | 1st. C Dorje | 2nd. AK Prasad | Time—2 min. 12.53 secs. |
| 1500 metres | 1st. I Soni | 2nd. C Dorje | Time—5 min. 4 secs. |
| 110 metres High Hurdles | 1st. C Dorje | 2nd. SK Jalan | Time—17.0 secs. |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. AK Prasad | 2nd. S Banerjee & R Kakati | Distance—12.21 |

The Winning Leap

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|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Triple Jump | 1st. A Prasad | 2nd. S Banerjee | Distance—12.21 m |
| Running High Jump | 1st. AK Prasad | 2nd. C Dorje | Height—1.62 m |
| Pole Vault | 1st. K Rangdol | 2nd. C Dorje | Height—2.87 m |
| Discus Throw | 1st. K Rangdol | 2nd. S Tamang | Distance—27.42 m |
| Javelin Throw | 1st. PK Gurung | 2nd. YS Grewal | Distance—38.27 m |
| Shot Put | 1st. R Noble | 2nd. K Rangdol | Distance—10.25 m |

CLASS II

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. S Punwani | 2nd. SK Jaipuria | Time—12.2 secs. |
| 200 metres | 1st. SK Jaipuria | 2nd. S Punwani | Time—25.9 secs. |
| 400 metres | 1st. SK Debnath | 2nd. SK Jaipuria | Time—59.3 secs. |
| 800 metres | 1st. SK Debnath | 2nd. TS Gill | Time—2 mins. 24 secs |
| 110 m Low Hurdles | 1st. SK Jaipuria | 2nd. N Rahman | Time—17.6 secs. |
| Running High Jump | 1st. IZ Ghuznavi | 2nd. A Chakraborty | Height—1.45 m |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. SK Debnath | 2nd. SK Jaipuria | Distance—5.65 m |
| Triple Jump | 1st. SK Debnath | 2nd. HS Johar | Distance—10.81 m |

CLASS III

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. K Das | 2nd. SN Khan | Time—12.6 secs. |
| 200 metres | 1st. SN Khan | 2nd K Das | Time—27.2 secs. |
| 400 metres | 1st. A Chaudhuri | 2nd. S Mathews | Time—63 secs. |
| 800 metres | 1st. A Chaudhuri | 2nd. S Mathews | Time—2 mins. 31 7 secs. |
| 110 m Low Hurdles | 1st. K Das | 2nd. P Deva | Time—20.6 secs. |
| Running High Jump | 1st. SN Khan | 2nd. R Mukherjee | Height—1.40 m |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. SN Khan | 2nd. K Das | Distance—4.80 m |
| Triple Jump | 1st. SN Khan | 2nd. R Swaika | Distance—10.10 m |

CLASS IV

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 100 metres (Rahoul Trophy) | 1st. I Choudhury | 2nd. D Palchoudhuri | Time—14.0 secs. |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|



I Chowdhury:
Winner, Rahoul Trophy

Photo: Das Studio

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|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 200 metres | 1st. I Choudhury | 2nd. D Palchoudhuri | Time—29.6 secs. |
| 400 metres | 1st. A Mithaiwala | 2nd. S Kanjilal | Time—67.8 secs. |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. I Chowdhury | 2nd. A Shahi | Distance—4.50 m |
| Running High Jump | 1st. A Shahi | 2nd. A Bhattacharya | Height—1.30 m |
| Triple Jump | 1st. S Kanjilal | 2nd. J Dhillon | Distance—9.97 m |

MARATHON

| | | | |
|--|-----------------|---------------|---|
| Junior School (about 2½ miles) | 1st. P Sharma | 2nd. G Dorji | 3rd. T. Pemba Time—13 mins. 10 secs. |
| Middle School (about 3½ miles) | 1st. JS Dhillon | 2nd. A Casyab | 3rd. D Palchowdhury Time—21 m 28 secs. |
| Senior School (about 5½ miles) | 1st. C Dorje | 2nd. A Casyab | 3rd. D Pawa Time—30 m 42 secs. |
| Inter House Athletics Trophy (Jr. School) — Betten House | | | |
| Inter House Athletic Trophy (Sr. School) — Clive House. | | | |

INTER SCHOOL SPORTS

This year, the Inter-School Sports were held at St. Joseph's, North Point on 26th and 27th of October.

The heats started straight after the March Past at 2 30 p.m. and as usual our school stood out from the rest. All our boys qualified in the heats and we returned to school feeling confident about our performance on the following day.

The finals started with the hurdles, in which C Dorji, SK Jalan and SK Jaipuria all did well. Our A Division sprinters stole the show but our B Division boys did not manage to keep up with the St. Joseph's boys.

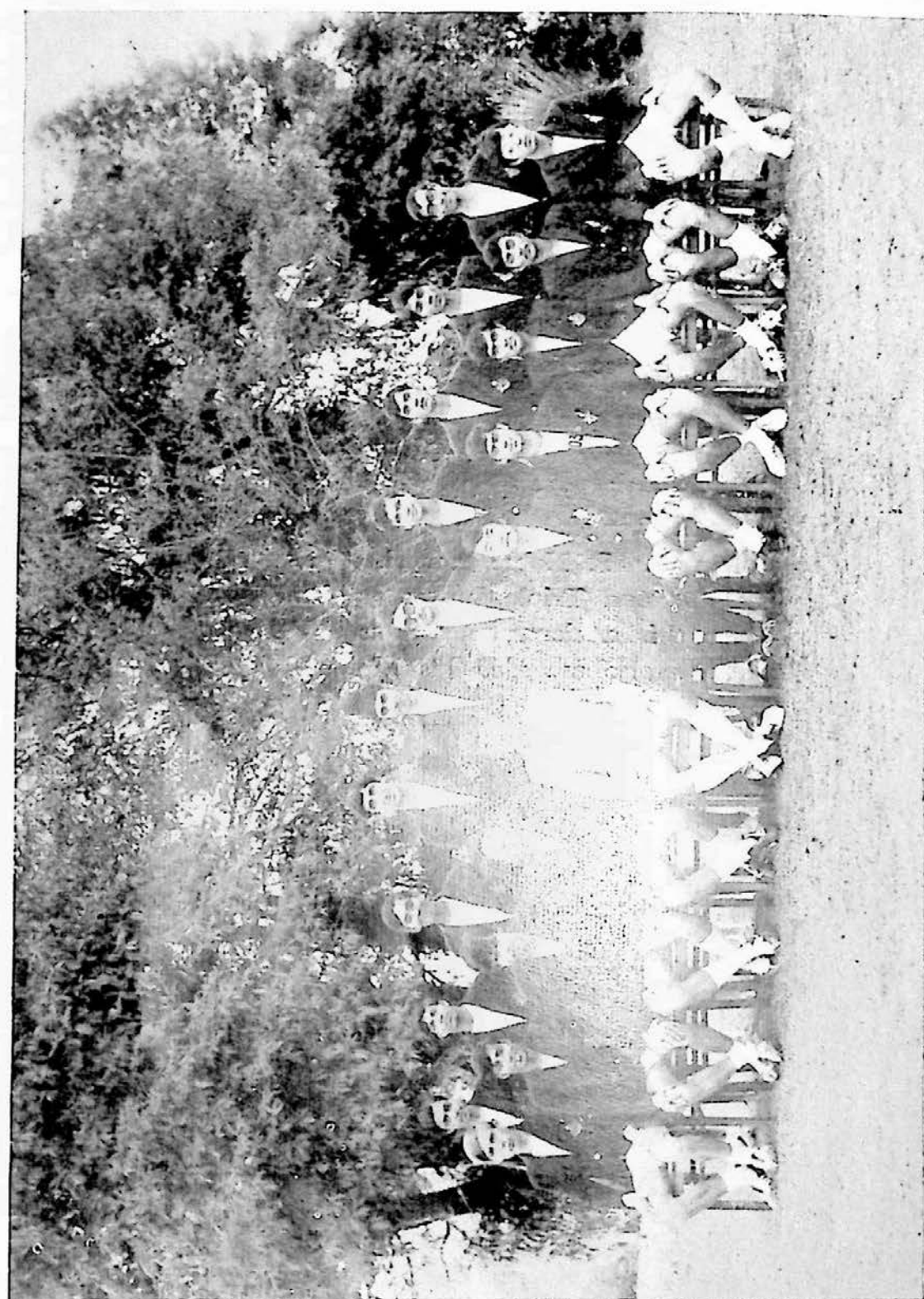
The Loreto Convent girls won all the sprinting events and lost the field events only to Dr. Graham's Homes girls. The Athletics Captain won his event, the 400 metres, for the third consecutive year. K Rangdol, once again won the Pole Vault and the Discus throw. R Noble surprised everyone by dominating the Shot Put and Triple Jump, and he was awarded his Major Colours for this achievement of his. PK Gurung won the 200 metres and was also awarded his Major Colours.



Inter School Sports :
Pole Vault — winner :
K. Rangdol.

Photo : R Parikh

The sports were to end with three exciting events, the A & B Division Relays and the Mile Race. We came second in the B Division Relay. The A Division Relay was the one which caused the most excitement of the day. St. Joseph's had got the lead from the first round and we had lost hope of ever catching up. C Dorji was the one who was to end, and in the



St. Paul's "Inter-School Athletics Contingent"

Photo: Das Studio

last 80 metres he 'overtook the St. Joseph's winner and so gave us the first position. The Captain really excelled himself and proved worthy of his position.

We returned home with our flag and the maximum number of certificates—28. St. Paul's still dominates the Inter-School Sports.

Rajen Parikh

OUR RESULTS AT THE INTER SCHOOL SPORTS—1973

OPEN CLASS

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| Pole Vault | ... 1st K Rangdol | |
| Discus Throw | ... 1st K Rangdol | |
| Shot Put | ... 1st R Noble | 2nd S Tamang |
| 1500 metres | ... | 3rd TS Gill |

A DIVISION

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| 100 metres | ... | 3rd P Gurung |
| 200 metres | ... 1st P Gurung | |
| 400 metres | ... 1st C Dorji | 3rd SK Jalan |
| 800 metres | ... 2nd C Dorji | 3rd AK Prasad |
| Triple Jump | ... 1st R Noble | |
| Long Jump | | 2nd AK Prasad |
| 110 metres High Hurdles | ... 2nd C Dorji | 3rd SK Jalan |
| 4x200 metres Relay | ... 1st C Dorji, PK Gurung, | A Sanyal, S Bhutia |

B DIVISION

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| 400 metres | ... 2nd SK Debnath | |
| 800 metres | ... 2nd I Soni | 3rd TS Gill |
| 110 metres Low Hurdles | ... | 3rd SK Jaipuria |
| Triple Jump | ... 2nd S Barman | |
| 4x200 metres Relay | ... 2nd SK Debnath, SK Jaipuria, | PK Debnath, S Punwani |

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PROJECTS AND EXPEDITIONS

KATHMANDU EXPEDITION

It was a group of excited boys who woke early in the morning of the 27th. of May. The group, headed by Mr. AK Mandrelle, Mr. K Kanti and S Sharma were off to Kathmandu, Nepal. On the 27th we crossed over Indo-Nepal border at Panitanki and arrived at Dharan where we spent the first night. On the 28th we arrived at Janakpur where we visited our first temple. We arrived at Kathmandu on the next day after a tiresome 12 hour journey and a collision with an 'ambassador'.

Janakpur Temple :
On the way to Kathmandu



Photo : K Kanti

At Kathmandu Mr. Vaidya very kindly helped in finding us a hotel and a mini-bus for sight-seeing. On the first day, with a bit of a dazzle, we visited the Krishna temple near Kathmandu and two other less important ones. On the next day we visited the Bodnath Stupa—a very famous Buddhist Stupa with a gold steeple on top. We then went to the Balaju Water Garden, Swayambu Stupa, Kathmandu University and the Royal Game Reserve. On the next day we set off for the Nepal-China border. On the way we had a blow-out and by the time we reached the border, after passing a Chinese built barrage and power plant, we were all covered with dust. It was a wonderful sight and since it was clear we could see a Chinese sentry on the opposite side. The next day was spent in buying things and bicycle rides. It was with sorrow that we left Kathmandu and its sights to make our way to school via Janakpur.



A. Bodhi-nath Temple, Kathmandu
Photo : K Kanti



Royal Natural Park, Kathmandu
Photo : K Kanti

Our sincere thanks to Mr. V Vaidya without whose help the expedition would not have been such a success.

Hail Sookias

THE CYCLING EXPEDITION

An expedition on cycles is arranged every year in St. Paul's. Under the supervision of Mr. D Chatterjee and Mr. SK Banerjee we went from Siliguri to Rangamutti Tea Estate on cycles—the distance : 50 km. The expedition was rendered more arduous because it was undertaken in the month of July.

The team consisted of Mr. SK Banerjee, S Broachwala, SN Khan, R Mehra, S Saraf, P Goswami, T Mittal, S Paulchowdhury and P Vohra. Except for a few punctures and a few other odd difficulties beyond our control, the expedition went off pretty smoothy. On this expedition the sun was our arch enemy; we felt the heat all the more because of the sudden descent

from the hill to the plains. In the fierce, humid heat we had a sweat-bath in no time. Along the road we received no sympathy from anybody with the exception of a few shade-giving trees.



Sweating and panting we did reach our destination. The day that followed the first night—a sleepless one—saw us on our return journey. We were supposed to go to Moinaguri from where we were to take a bus. But ill luck dogged us and we could not catch the bus.

We made it to Siliguri and immediately dropped into our beds. We did not dream of doing the journey from Siliguri to Darjeeling on cycles. So the last lap of the journey, after the gruelling, though enjoyable, experience, was one of 'sheer comfort'.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank GK Roy's parents, Mr. Bhattacharjee, Mr. Khanna and Mr. Mittal for the help they had rendered. Our every grateful thanks to Mr. SK Banerjee who accompanied us and helped in making the expedition a success.

S Broachwala

EXPEDITION TO KAZIRANGA

The party consisted of Maj. Vyse and ten boys; we planned to go on the trip during the May Holidays. Everyone was enthusiastic and looked forward to seeing the many animals in their natural habitat. Our journey to Gauhati was not entirely uneventful. At Siliguri we learnt that due to the heavy rains that evening there was a landslide ahead and so the train we travelled by would be delayed a few hours.

At Gauhati we stayed in Mr. Das's (parent of one of the members of the party) residence. Mr. and Mrs. Das were extremely hospitable and helpful and made our stay at Gauhati very pleasant indeed... We visited the Gauhati Memorial and did some sight-seeing.

Our next stop was at Mr. Ahmed's, another parent, residence at a place about 130 miles from Gauhati; this journey was done by bus and car. Mr. and Mrs. Ahmed were also very kind and made our stay very comfortable and enjoyable.



In a happy mood

Photo : H.D.V.

Early next morning we left by car for Kaziranga. We were unfortunate in not being able to ride as part of the 'elephant party' which normally goes out quite early in the morning and also because the bookings for the elephants are given to the residents of the tourist lodge there. Anyway we went quite deep into the sanctuary by car and saw the 'elephant party' and many other interesting animals: rhinos, deer, beautiful birds. On learning that we had not been on the elephants, Mr. Ahmed arranged an elephant ride at his residence; this ride was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Later in the evening, we visited the

Sekoni Oil Pumping Station and the Jute Mill near Mr. Ahmed's Tea Estate. Next day Mr. Ahmed arranged a steamer ride across the Bramhaputra to Tezpur, where we had our lunch; we returned later the same afternoon. We were all very sorry when the time came for our departure from Koliabur Tea Estate.

On our way back we stayed, once again, at Mr. Das's residence and later that evening left for Siliguri en route to Darjeeling.

The expedition was very enjoyable and we are grateful and indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Ahmed and other members of his staff, for their very kind cooperation, delicious food and very comfortable arrangements. We will always remember the trip. Our sincere thanks also go to Maj. Vyse who made the trip possible.

To him and our kind hosts we say : 'Thank you very much'.



EXPEDITION TO ORISSA

We set out on our long-awaited expedition the day after the Speech Day. The bus trip from the School to New Jalpaiguri was exciting. The train to Calcutta left in the evening; we had a lot of time at our disposal and were bored stiff waiting on the platform. Our train arrived eight hours late and when we came to Calcutta the Puri Express had already left. With the help of parents we managed to board another train. Before we boarded the train, Mr. Khuller provided, for us, delicious tandoori chicken from Amber. The next day we arrived at Bhubaneswar. We spent our time there sight-seeing. We visited Udaigiri, Khandagiri and Shanti Stupa; this Stupa is situated on the battlefield of the Kalinga War.

The following morning we set out for Puri, visiting Konarak on our way. The famous Sun Temple of Konarak kept us spell-bound for quite some time.

At Puri we stayed in a hotel facing the sea. Naturally, most of our time was spent collecting shells and bathing in the sea. We also visited the Jagannath Temple and other interesting places in and around Puri. Three days seemed to be a little too short for an interesting place like Puri.

When we returned to Calcutta, we found that we had no reservation on any of the trains to Darjeeling, and so, were forced to spend a day there. Many parents, especially Mr. and Mrs. Khuller of Amber, were of great help to us. They gave us a grand time in Calcutta and we were rather reluctant to return to Darjeeling.

As we look back, we think we had the grandest time so far during this expedition. Thank you, Mr. Mandrelle !

Raja Misra and KT Rashid



EXPEDITION TO KALIMPONG

With elated spirit we set out at 8.30 a.m., on Friday the 20th July, packed into three jeeps, for Kalimpong. The twenty three of us, with Mr. Mandrelle, were glad to get away from the pouring rain and monotony of the school.

The drive down was beautiful and we reached sunny Kalimpong around noon. The 'Shangri La' lodge was very comfortable. After we had had our packed lunch, we set out to see the town—a nice little town with a lot of life for its size ! We took jeeps and went to the Swiss dairy and the Sericulture Research Centre. Both places were interesting, especially the former where we saw how cheese was made and ate to our fill swiss lollypops and tall glasses of fresh cold yogurt. In the evening we went to a movie.

The next morning we visited 'Kalimpong Arts and Crafts Centre' where we saw the making of beautiful table mats, cloth-pictures etc. From there we went up to Dr. Graham's Homes

for a swim. Even though the pool was half filled, that did not deter us from entering into the pool and having a good swim. In the evening we saw a movie, and after a hectic day, soon went off to sleep.

The last day, after breakfast, we went out for a long walk outside the town. On return, we had our lunch, packed our stuff and left Kalimpong with heavy hearts. Thanks to Mr. Mandrelle for this enjoyable expedition.

—Z. Khan

EXPEDITIONAL PROJECT TO TONGLU

We got up very excited and happy one sunny morning. It was April 1974. We had a quick breakfast and with rucksacks on our backs started off on our long trek to Tonglu.

First we walked up to Ghoom, from where we took jeeps to Manebhanjang. There we opened our packet lunches, consisting of boiled potatoes, cutlets, sliced bread and bananas, to fuel our engines before that steep climb to Tonglu.

The first mile of climb was the most arduous part of the trek. We were all panting and gasping, hoping to see our destination at every bend. Thus we walked for five hours with occasional halts to recuperate and refill ourselves. Before long we arrived at Tonglu; no sooner had we arrived than we were served with tea and given the programme for our work. That night after a quick supper and a short story we went off to bed.

The next morning after breakfast Mr. Mandrelle took us to the valley. We were given test tubes and litmus paper. We tested the types of soil, and collected many specimens, some rare mosses and ferns. We came up to the bungalow for lunch, kept our specimens securely and then walked off to Jaubari, about 6 km. from Tonglu in Nepal, collecting on our way different specimens of plants and stones. We met some foreigners who were

returning from Sandakphu, and who were quite pleased to see us. On return we had tea, and then a class on general observation. Later that evening we had supper, and then after a short story dozed off to sleep.

Next day after breakfast, we went to Meghma to gather facts about their customs, religion, means of living etc. We came back for lunch, and again went out for soil testing and collection of specimens. In the evening we had a test, then supper and after a short story went to bed.

The following morning we were reluctant to get up as we had to go back to school. After breakfast, with heavy heart and heavy rucksacks, we started our trek back to Manebhanjang. Though the expeditior part of the project was over, we had to work even harder to put up an excellent exhibition of our project on the Plant Kingdom. We are thankful to Mr. Mandrelle for taking us on this project where we worked hard, cheerfully, saw and learnt things which will never be forgotten.

Raj Mahtani



SINGLA BAZAR EXPEDITION

On the day after the Marathon, members of the Natural History Society, led by Mr. Mandrelle, left early in the morning for Singla Bazar. Though we were excited, there was a patch of doubt about our stay in the forest bungalow, as we were told that it was under repair and could not be given to us.

After an hour's drive through the scenic, meandering hilly track, with bumps and lumps, we eventually arrived at this beautiful place, on the confluence of two rivers. The good reputation of our school helped us a lot in assuring the Forest Ranger and the Chowkidar that we were the finest boys and would give them no trouble or cause to regret if they allowed us to stay in the bungalow.



"...We plunged into the water."

Photo : R. Jaitly

It was very hot there, and without delay we plunged into the water. In the evening, we crossed over to Sikkim, across a beautiful bridge, and went to Nayabazar and Jorethang. On return, weary and hungry, we had a quick supper and soon went to bed.

Next morning, after a sumptuous breakfast, we again splashed about in the river till lunch time. In the evening, we again trekked up to Naya Bazar and Jorethong in search of Cokes and sweets. After the supper, a spine-chiller by Mr. Mandrelle, and we were soon snoring.

When the jeeps arrived in the morning, we were sad to pack up and return to the school. After the lunch in the school as a special treat we all went to see a film in the town. Thus ended one of the most enjoyable expeditions. Thanks to Mr. Mandrelle.

Rajiv Jaitly



BIRD WATCHING AT GLENBURN

On the 31st of March, after the classes, the members of the Natural History Society set off towards Glenburn Tea Estate for a bird watching session.

Situated on the banks of the river Rangit, and surrounded by thick woods, the bungalow is the picture of a naturalist's paradise. The cool, crystal clear water of the river was very inviting, and the boys could not restrain themselves from plunging into it. All tired and hungry, we rushed for the supper.



Some rare birds at Glenburn!

Photo: HS Narang

The next morning, some enthusiastic naturalists made their way to the forest for the collection of specimens. We were excited to see some monkeys and lots of birds, rock thrush, wild geese, blue-jay, king-fisher etc. As we walked, beautiful butterflies flitted past us. After breakfast we all lazed in water until lunch time; after that we packed our luggage onto the waiting jeeps.

On our way back, we stopped at Mr. Rikhye's bungalow where a great spread was awaiting us. After the high tea, we collected our animals who had come to the garden for the winter. Thus ended a most enjoyable and happy expedition to Glenburn. Thanks to Mr. Rikhye and, of course, to Mr. Mandrelle who made it so.

Rajiv Jaitly

JUNIOR SCHOOL

PREFECTS

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| Anderson House | Suraj Vaidya and Soumendu Sen |
| Betten House | S Kongchroon and R Pemba |
| Cable House | N Baruah and P Sharma |
| Westcott House | S Tribedi and S Puri |

SCHOOL NOTES

Rolls : Every year, just before term starts, a few parents seem to have second thoughts about sending their children to a school so far away from home. As a result, the number of boys we cater for, especially in Junior I diminishes. Inevitably, however, we end up having more than the previous year. In 1973 there were about 165 boys. I say 'about' because one or two joined during the term while the Mills brothers left for England.

Staff : There was no replacement for Mr. Lobo though Mr. Mandrelle, Mr. Nath and Mr. Howard taught Maths, English and Geography respectively in the Junior School. Due to this arrangement we missed a man for games, hobbies, cubs and duties; so in 1974 we hope to revert to the usual form i.e. having a Junior School Form master in J.VIB. The position for Hindi, however, improved as we had Mrs. SK Banerjee all to ourselves without Senior School commitments. Mrs Kanti helped with Regional Language periods during the second term. We were happy for Mr. Mountford when he left for Naini Tal to become Principal of Sherwood College; but with him we also lost Mrs Mountford and this was a great loss to the Junior School and especially Junior IV. I'm certain she spent most of her time away from here answering the many letters sent to her from her former pupils. Mr. T Macdonald very kindly, and rather ably, took over Junior IV and eventually he too handed the Class over to Mrs. P Banerjee. Mrs. F Marikar took charge of singing and piano lessons from Mrs. Lobo along with her chapel duties. With the opening of the Teachers Training College at Mt. Hermon we often have visits from the pupils

there and one of them, Mr. A Wood, is now on the Staff having taken over JVA from Mr. J Kundu who left at the end of 1972.

Games and Sports : Cricket : With three or four players from the 1972 team still available the cricket team was a fairly formidable one. N Dey was still effective with his leg breaks though he played better last year. R Pemba's fast bowling has improved in speed but it still lacks consistent accuracy. D Banerjee was definitely the most consistent batsman and he has an almost impeccable defence. We were very successful against other schools—winning three matches and drawing one.

Soccer : We have certainly come a long way from the defeats of a few years ago when we invariably lost by about 5 or 6 goals. This year the E Team recorded two wins, a draw and one loss. The standard has certainly improved. R Pemba and P Vanasilpa gave a good account of themselves but we still lack a forward who can take full advantage of goalmouth opportunities. Both S Kongchroon and S Vaidya did well in the Senior teams while A Das's goalkeeping in the G Team showed excellent timing and anticipation.



The Football 'E' Team

Photo : Dao Studio.

Hockey : Games were keenly contested between the Houses, with Betten coming out the eventual winners. All the School matches were cancelled due to lack of time on the part of the other schools but the E Team had a great deal of coaching from Mr. Wood and they looked very impressive when they practised.



**Training Session—
Hockey**

The Marathon and Sports : P Sharma won the Marathon quite comfortably from G Dorji and T Pemba. Sharma's timing however was better in 1972. There should be keen competition next year when Dorji and Pemba will be pitted against each other again. The standard of athletics was very high and S Kongchroon won the Class A Victor Ludorum Cup. The Athletics

season is a bit too short for any effective coaching, but with proper handling, J Gokhale, T Pemba and R Pemba should do very well.



**Marathon Practice—
The Start**

P.T. this year was supervised by Mrs. Tshering and Westcott House was consistently smart. They were rather easy winners of the P.T. Cup. S Tribedi and S Puri are to be complimented on the smart turn out of their House.

General : Mr. C Macdonald organised his first expedition (minor/comfortable) and took a group to Melli for an enjoyable, if uncomfortably hot, stay. JD Ferzandi's experience was invaluable and all the Juniors (especially S Vaidya and P Sharma) proved extremely helpful. Another group went up to Tiger Hill with Mr. Wood and a later expedition to Gangtok didn't materialise due to the usual uncertainty of boys' holiday plans. Skating at the Gymkhana Club rink proved a very popular pastime again and the Juniors won several prizes at the Skating Carnival.

A regular feature on the School Calendar now is the visit of trainees from the Teacher's Training College at Mt. Hermon. Several groups visited or stayed in the School. They helped the Staff readily; the boys found them very friendly and they

provided a refreshing outlook for any one who had lapsed into stereotyped teaching. We trust they benefitted equally. The College has also instituted In - service Course and several of the Junior School teachers attended the fruitful course conducted by Miss Isobel Batchelor of the Moray House College of Education, Edinburgh.

For entertainment, films still provide the main core along with musical evenings and concerts. After the Farewell Supper Junior School boys organised a musical 'session' to celebrate the loan of a drum from the music department, or so it seemed, for no singer could be heard over the 'Thump, thump, thump. It was a raucous, though enjoyable, evening.

The boys kept excellent health and good weather during the end of term was again a blessing. The Farewell supper on the 17th of November was well attended and Mr. Shanker Mitra presented the trophies.

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| Cricket | Betten |
| Soccer | Betten |
| P. T. | Westcott |
| Marathon | Betten |
| Athletics | Betten |
| Hockey | Betten |
| Commendations | Betten |
| Classwork | Anderson |
| The Solomon Cup | Betten |

JUNIOR SCHOOL LIBRARY

"Look before you leap." That is exactly what I did as the new in-charge of the Bryan Library. The organisation and the working out of the time-tables stayed as they were, as children used the library during their rest hours, thanks to Mr. M. Lobo, my predecessor.

Each class had a day allotted for the taking and returning of books. The Library stayed open after tea for the newspaper enthusiasts but its ultimate aim was not fulfilled. So it was stopped.

A special mention must be made of the librarians—Suraj Vaidya, Subhomay Sen, Pushparaj Sharma, Dip Kapoor and Jain. They did their work very efficiently and, I must say, sounded convincing about the rules and regulations which they made me enforce.

Somehow, I felt that our reference section lacked a great deal and thus decided to invest a considerable amount of funds this year in this particular section.

The Bengali Society, J I, II, and III have also added a varied collection of books to their class libraries.

The brightly lit and knowledgeable atmosphere in the library instilled teachers to use their class hours as reading periods for the boys.

The 'Sportsweek' magazine helped a great deal during the exciting World Cup which touched the peak of enthusiasm in the Junior School.

The number of books lost was negligible. These were made up by boys contributing books to the library.

Bryan Library has a great future with more tools to be added to the knowledge workshop and mechanics ever ready to use them constructively with a little guidance.

A. W.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DARJEELING

CLASS PRIZES—1973

JUNIOR SCHOOL

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| Junior I | 1st. Prize | —J Macdonald |
| | 2nd. Prize | —A Kanti |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —P Sen |
| | English Language Progress Prize | —A Chakarborjy |
| | Art Prize | —SS Roy |

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| Junior II | 1st Prize | —A Karan |
| | 2nd Prize | —V Arora |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —RB Agarwal |
| Junior III | 1st Prize | —B Chaudhury |
| | 2nd Prize | —P Basu |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —M Pradhan |
| Junior IV | 1st Prize | —S Mahansaria |
| | 2nd Prize | —A Bonnerjee |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —A Das |
| Junior VA | 1st Prize | —S Chatterjee |
| | 2nd Prize | —Dip Kapoor |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —RK Singh |
| Junior VB | 1st Prize | —P Lakhmani |
| | 2nd Prize | —S Dutta |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —P Pachal |
| Junior VIA | 1st Prize | —S Puri |
| | 2nd Prize | —Amit Dutta |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —S Sen |
| Junior VIB | 1st Prize | —J Rahman |
| | 2nd Prize | —S Sen |
| | Progress & Application Prize | —S Khaitan |

Special Prizes :

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| Moore Divinity Prize | — | M Moitra |
| Music | — | D Kapoor, Subarno Chatterjee |
| Art | — | R Pemba. |



ANDERSON HOUSE

The spirit which Mr. Kundu spoke of last year remains ! Much to our surprise we won the Classwork Cup. No wonder we didn't do so well on the games field . . . 'Muggers' we've become and as this is the most prestigious of Cups let us hasten to record our Einstiens, our Egg heads, and our candle burners: Subhamoy Sen and P Lakhmani.....both prize winners. Arup Banerjee, R Chawla, D Khullar, A Palchoudhuri, J Chatterjee, R Agarwal and N Borisuth—all collectors of numerous commendations. It was indeed a pleasant surprise.

We did have sportsmen too though a dearth was noticeable. S Vaidya lamenting "But Sir ! I can't make a 1st XI; how can we possibly have a 2nd XI ?" Inspiration finally dawning, "Sir, let's put all the good players in the 2nd XI. That way we'll get a few points" We did have our moments though—beating the eventual winners Betten in Hockey and drawing with them in Soccer. Our stalwarts in this department were Suraj 'Bajay' Vaidya, Soumendu 'Tutu' Sen and P Vanasilpa. Despite losing all our 2nd XI matches the House is extremely grateful to TK Shome of Cable House for shooting his own goal and almost providing us with our first draw ! Suraj Vaidya, Soumendu 'Tutu' Sen were very able and effective Prefects. We trust that Anderson House boys who go next year into the Senior School will have a fruitful stay there and among those who remain may the existing spirit continue.

BETTEN HOUSE

Cricket—Betten, Soccer—Betten, Hockey—Betten, Athletics—Betten, Commendations—Betten, and so it went on. The night of the farewell dinner was especially pleasing to Betten as the House elders went up to receive their trophies. To crown it all the Solomon Cup, too, was borne away by R Pemba and S Kongchroon, the House Prefects. These two had, in fact, played a major role in boosting the morale of the House with their own efforts and example.

D Banerjee was one of the mainstays of the Junior School Cricket XI; he was both a shrewd Captain and a dependable opening bat for the House. With R Pemba providing some good fast bowling the side was a well balanced one. As S Kongchroon belonged to the School C team he was not allowed to represent Betten House for football. However, he proved to be a source of inspiration from the sidelines, and with the help of R Pemba, J Rahman, D Dadul, S Saraf and some of the Junior Fivers we won the Soccer Cup quite easily. Hockey was anybody's cup, but with several goals from S Kongchroon and some good clearances by Rahman we escaped home. Despite some stiff competition we did well in the marathon to lift the Cup, and TT Pemba was our stalwart here. In Athletics the other Houses didn't have a chance, for among our athletes were S Kongchroon, R Pemba, T Pema, D Kapoor, G Singh, J Gokhale and S Mukherjee. Needless to say they took most of the honours.

Our achievements did not stop there, nor does it seem that Betten is a House with Athletes and Sportsmen only, for we came second in classwork and were awarded the Commendations Prize for good work in class. In this department the following need special mention : J Rahman, M Saraf, D Kapoor, A Mukherjee, B Chaudhuri, V Vora, A Kanti and J Macdonald.

The tone of the House was good generally and we enjoyed our games against the other Houses, for they were played in an enjoyable spirit.

J.M.M

CABLE HOUSE

1973 has been a year of keen striving for Cable House, which unfortunately has paid no dividends. In other words, the common denominator for almost all activities for us was "loss". But I must say that the boys have put in a great deal of hard work right through the year. Our House Prefects, P Sharma and N. Baruah, did their work well and always walked into the games field with minds made up to turn out an overall victory but were always disappointed. Betten House was too great a barrier

to overcome. The boys did have a sense of elation when our stalwart, P Sharma, came first in the Marathon. Cricket was our weak point. TK Shome did prove a remarkable bowler. In soccer and hockey we came third after many a hard-fought battle. Our Athletics depended a great deal on A Das and P Sharma who proved their worth. Classwork has been of a highly commendable standard in JIII and JIV.

Anyway Cable, don't lose heart! Your hard work and determination is definitely going to revive old standards which we have always maintained.

A.W.



WESTCOTT HOUSE

There were 41 boys in the House this year, with J Mills, S Tribedi and S Puri as Prefects. In April the Mills brothers left for Scotland. We wish them every success.

This year we managed to secure the P.T. Cup, coming first in both Competitions. Our thanks to Tribedi, the commander of the squad. We came second in cricket and athletics. We had the best shuttle-relay team, but we came second due to poor baton-changing. We came third in marathon, hockey and soccer. Boys like A Dutta, S Puri, A Jain, N Tenzing, A Sahu and V Dutta did very well in Classwork and contributed many points to the House.

We have had a successful year, placing 2nd. for the Solomon Cup. S Tribedi is to be congratulated on being a very efficient Prefect. He inspired us to perform better than we had expected.

Adios, and all the best for 1974.

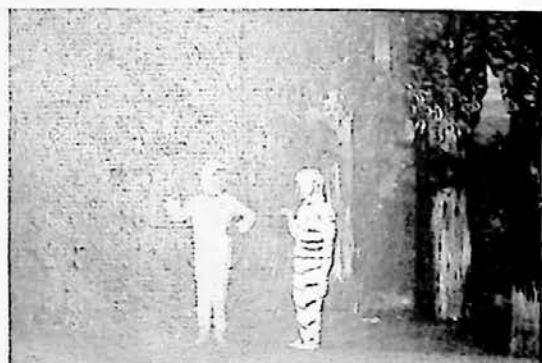
S Puri

THE JUNIOR SCHOOL CNOCERT

With Miss Sakhuja's production of 'Nanha Sher' the Junior School launched its first Hindi play... It was a simple, though effective play with Junior III boys acting out their animal parts against a realistic jungle backdrop. J Gokhale as Baby Tiger had the longest role and B Chaudhuri the least enviable as Man. The play contained rabbits, monkeys and other animals and a particularly well costumed Rajiv Modi as the snake. The play required a good deal of preparation as narration and actions had to be synchronised and voices had to be taped; but the overall effect was very good.



Two Scenes from
Junior School Concert
Photos : Das Studio



Junior V and VI staged The 'Three Straws' in which wise old Ghanim (G Philip) wrings out a confession of guilt from Kalim (Manosh Moitra); Shivraj Rana was regal as Shah Zaman while Navnant Doowa played the cunning and evil Vizier. Their diction and intonation were good but they probably moved around the stage a bit too much. Moitra and Doowa have a

very natural stage presence while R Rana will probably play 'King' roles for the rest of his school life !

The Junior School had staged Play Day in Happy Holland about nine years ago but the production brought out by Mrs. Marikar, Miss Morton and Mrs Macdonald was as delightful as the first. The stage looked like Holland—enough to make Mrs. Nath homesick !—with a windmill as a backdrop and huge paper tulips in front. The singing was good and creditable performances were given by Rahul Mohindar as Klaas. Vikram Dutta as the Cheeseman and and M Sihavong as a somewhat self-conscious Burgemaster Grumpygrowl.

CUBS

| Packs | Cubmaster or Lady Cubmaster | Headsixer |
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| Bagheera | Mr. Macdonald | S Kongchroon |
| Bhaloo | Mrs. Thapa | S Tribedi |
| Chil | Miss Morton | S Puri |
| Kaa | Mr. Wood | S Vaidya |
| Mowgli | Miss Sakhuja | J Rahman |
| Sher Khan | Mrs. Macdonald | S Ali |

S Puri of Chil Pack was the head Pack Sixer and he initiated the Grand Howl every Wednesday afternoon. Our packs still lack qualified Cub Masters...due mainly to a lack of time, as with other activities it is not easy to attend training camps. The Wednesday afternoon meetings however were fairly enjoyable with boys attempting to pass tests and playing various cub games. We intend to establish a weekly routine for Cubs which will, I hope. give the movement greater impetus in the school.



ATHLETICS-1973

JUNIOR SCHOOL—RESULTS

CLASS 'A'

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. P Sharma | 2nd. S Kongchroon | Time—13.4 Secs (NR) |
| 200 metres | 1st. P Sharma | 2nd. S Kongchroon | Time—28.7 Secs (NR) |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. S Kongchroon | 2nd. S Vaidya | Distance—4.87 m (NR) |
| Running High Jump | 1st. S Vaidya | 2nd. S Kongchroon | Height—1.39 m (NR) |
| Three Legged Race (50m) | 1st. S Tribedi & G Dorji | 2nd. S Kongchroon & J Rahman | Time—9.1 secs. |

CLASS 'B'

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. T Pemba | 2nd. M Chakraborty | Time—15.9 secs. |
| 200 metres | 1st. T Pemba | 2nd. A Jain | Time—33 Secs |
| Running High Jump | 1st. T Pemba | 2nd. D Kapoor | Height—1.12 m |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. S Tandon | 2nd. Ashis Jain | Distance—3.52 m |
| Three Legged Race (50 m) | 1st. A Jain & D Guha Sircar | 2nd. A Banerjee & N Sikand | |

CLASS 'C'

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 100 metres | 1st. S Puri | 2nd. A Das | Time—16.2 secs. |
| 200 metres | 1st. S Puri | 2nd. A Das | Time—35.0 secs. |
| Sack Race (50m) | 1st. S Puri | 2nd. N Pemba | |
| Running High Jump | 1st. A Das | 2nd. Promode Sen | Height—1.08 m |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. A Das | 2nd. S Dutta | Distance—3.37 m |

CLASS 'D'

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 75 metres | 1st. J Gokhale | 2nd. S Mukherjee | Time—12.6 secs. |
| 120 metres | 1st. S Mukherjee | 2nd. J Gokhale | Time—21.0 secs. |
| Sack Race (50m) | 1st. S Mukherjee | 2nd. V Sharda | |
| Running High Jump | 1st. J Gokhale | 2nd. Rajib Modi | Height—0.95 m |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. J Gokhale | 2nd. I Mukherjee | Distance—2.94 m |

CLASS 'E'

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 50 metres | 1st. S Bose | 2nd. P Sen | Time—9.1 sec. |
| 100 metres | 1st. S Bose | 2nd. P Sen | Time—19.0 secs. |
| Sack Race (50 m) | 1st. S Bose | 2nd. S Purswani | Time—16.05 secs. |
| Potato & Spoon Race (50) | 1st. J Tenzing | 2nd. P Sen | |
| Running Broad Jump | 1st. S Bose | 2nd. S Roy | Distance—2.84 m |

SALVETE

FORM V: —

Datta, Ananda

FORM IV :—

Mitter, D

Thomas, RC

FORM III :—

Ghosh, R

Jabbar, I

Khan, Riaz

Lochan, R

S Suresh

Tankha, S

FORM II :—

Bharwani, SN

Bindal, S

Biswas, J

Chatterjee, Prodyot

Das, SK

Deva, S

Jalan, NK

Khan, F

Khan, Z

Malhotra, S

Manek, HD

Misra, Raja

Rashid, KT

FORM JUNIOR VI :—

Chakraborty, Amit

Chakraborty, D

Chenai, Darius

Datta, Amit K

Datta, Aninda R

Dutta, Amit

Misra, Ranjan

Phillip, PG

Tanna, P

Tshering, SW

FORM JUNIOR V :—

Banerjee, R

Bhawnani, K

Bose, Jayanta

Dorji, G

Dorji, N

Gray, G

Khaitan, Sudhir

Matta, V

Mitter, K

Mohanka, D

Mookerjee, S

Pachal, P

Samtani, KG

S Naresh

Saraf, M

Sharma, RB

Singh, RP

Shome, TK

Uttam, SN

FORM JUNIOR IV :—

Dutta, Arijit

Mahajan, RK

Mahbubani, D

FORM JUNIOR III :—

Deva, Praveen

Marikar, B

Mehta, MM

Pradhan, KC

Sutodiya, S

FORM JUNIOR II :—

Agarwal, RB
 Bose, R
 Dorji, T
 Dutta, Vikram
 Ray Chaudhuri, S
 Saraf, Sanjay
 Sethia, MK
 Tenzing Norgay, J

FORM JUNIOR I :—

Banerjee, Shantonu
 Bose, B
 Chakraborty, Anindya

Dadel, VS
 Dorji, KL
 Gupta, SK
 Jain, Alok
 Kanti, A
 Kar, S
 Khaitan, NK
 Lahiri, J
 Macdonald, J
 Roy, Anjan
 Roy, SS
 Suri, RS
 Tankha, R

VALETE
FORM VI Arts :—

Bhutia, SK
 Bose, Siddhartha S
 Chanchani, N
 Choudhary, OP
 Debnath, SK
 Dorji, C
 George, V
 Gurung, PK
 Himatsingka, HK
 Jabbar, R
 Jafferjee, AA
 Parikh, R
 Pawa, DK
 Rangdol, K
 Rikhye, D
 Rorrison, JW
 Sen, Sunando
 Singh Deo, DC
 Talukdar, Sanjoy.

FORM VI Sc :—

Banerjee, Sushanta
 Bose, D
 Dhote, CS
 Grewal, YS
 Hirdaramani, ML
 Jain, KK
 Jaipuria, SK
 Jalan, SK
 Jayaswal, BS
 Jhunjhunwala, RK
 Khanbhai, MT
 Master, AM
 Mittal, NK
 Mohamad, R
 Mondal, G
 Narang, HS
 Prasad, AK
 Puri, R
 Sinha, SS

FORM IV :—

Choudhuri, RRK
Cooper, TK
Ghuznavi, IZK
Shce, I J
Tharani, MT

FORM III :—

Rao, S
Sicka, NR
Talukdar, Shivaji

FORM JUNIOR VI :—

Hirdaramani, VC
Khaitan, Sushil K
Kongchroon, S
Mills, JA
Mills, M
Sharma, P
Singh, K
Tibrewal, RK

FORM JUNIOR V :—

Gray, JG
Khaitan, Sudhir K
Mukerji, Arjun
Palchoudhuri, A

FORM JUNIOR IV :—

Loo, R
Mahansaria, SK

FORM JUNIOR III :—

Bose, Surajit

FORM JUNIOR II :—

Mills, A
Rao, Krishna
Singh, G

FORM JUNIOR I :—

Gupta, SK