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A NEW ERA

THIS issue of "*Castellum*" marks a considerable milestone in the progress of our Society. Under new rules proposed by the J.C.R., which are detailed in the Master's Letter and Reunion reports, "*Castellum*" will go to every current member of the College as well as to subscribing Old Castlemen. All members of the J.C.R. are now paying members of the Society and after six terms' subscriptions will become Life Members.

This changes many aspects of the Society's future, and these changes will also have a considerable impact on "*Castellum*". Current J.C.R. news and personalities will have a larger immediate public than previously, and with the same readers in mind it is probably desirable that we should put more emphasis on topicality. To this last end it will be necessary to speed up the processes on getting in contributions, editing and printing so that publication comes as soon as possible in the first term of the academic year. In this way the Society can make its liveliest impact upon its newest members and perhaps make a useful contribution to College spirit. On the other hand Castlemen who have gone down will, especially as time goes on, greatly outnumber J.C.R. members and we shall hope to increase also the news we give of Old Castlemen.

The Master's Letter and the College Reports will certainly remain our main sources of College news that interests everyone, but perhaps J.C.R. members who read this issue will offer any views they have on other ways in which the Magazine might reflect the passing scene of College life, especially at a really informal level. New and old members alike will be pleased with any such contributions.

The Editor.

THE MASTER'S LETTER

ONE of the important events of the past year is connected with the Castlemen's Society itself, namely the virtually unanimous resolution from a J.C.R. meeting that membership of the Society should be an obligation on all members of the College. After discussion in our last Annual General Meeting, it was felt that the principle could hardly be rejected particularly as the notion originated in J.C.R. itself and not from outside. A later J.C.R. meeting has confirmed their acceptance of the proposal, thus ensuring that all members of University College will become permanent members of the Castlemen's Society from 1957-58 onwards (unless they specifically contract out of the obligation) after payment of six terms subscriptions of 10/- each — a total of £3. The Executive Committee now needs only to ratify the actual amount, which compares with 5 guineas previously paid for life membership. The Executive Committee will also need to consider both the circumstances under which members of the College will be allowed to contract out of the Society, and the terms on which existing members of the Society, who have gone down but still pay annual subscriptions, can become permanent members. Although the new system will permit permanent or life membership for a lower subscription than before, it will, even with the College no bigger than at present, ensure an annual *addition* of about 75 new members, each of whom will contribute £3. Apart altogether from those already paying annual subscriptions therefore, the Society on this basis would have an assured income of about £220 per year, which is considerably more than we have hitherto had. Members will realise that a new basis for membership is involved, the former purely voluntary principle being abandoned, and the numbers in the Society are bound to grow rapidly. One of the foreseeable results will be the necessity for printing the list of members separately and issuing revised lists not annually but at some longer interval. If too large a number out of an ever-increasing total of members wish to attend our Annual Reunion, it will certainly present an embarrassing problem of accommodation for the College. But the experience of College Societies elsewhere, run on similar lines, suggests that this is not very likely. The Executive Committee will also need to consider whether, with annual subscriptions no longer continuing after members have

gone down, there should not automatically be a charge levied on all those attending the Annual Reunions to cover the bare cost to the College. If this were done, not only would the Society have a calculable income but the main charges on our funds would also be foreseeable, viz. the cost of printing *Castellum* and a Members List, plus relatively small administrative and office expenses. In other words, the Society might deliberately plan its expenditure, define its objectives, and decide what projects it wished to pay for. Hitherto we have achieved, almost adventitiously, a precarious balance between income and expenditure and not always that: it has not been practicable to have a financial policy or objectives. Of course it may be that, in future, we shall decide to reduce the payments qualifying for permanent membership in order merely to achieve the same sort of balance between income and expenditure, but this too could be a matter of deliberate financial policy. Alternatively, if it were decided that accumulation of funds was a good thing, those same funds could be invested or devoted to some purpose at the will and decision of our Society. There can be no doubt that the new membership conditions are a major event in the history and development of the Durham Castlemen's Society.

The past year has been a very successful one for the College, both academically and in the realm of sport and other activities outside the curriculum. The June Examination results show that six of our members gained First Class Honours Degrees, four in Arts and two in Science, and one was placed in the First Division in the B.A. in General Studies. In addition there were no less than twenty "II(i)'s" in the College in Degree examinations, and I believe that the combined total of Firsts and II(i)'s is a new record for the Castle. Elsewhere in *Castellum* will be found our admirable record on the river, the playing fields, and the athletic grounds, and there is no doubt Castle has upheld many of its traditions for sporting successes. Many of our members have played leading parts in Divisional activities connected with various Societies, particularly in the Union and in serving on the Student Representative Council and its various Sub-Committees. Our members remain very much the same as before, and indeed without major re-organisation involving alterations and additions to our buildings, it is difficult to see how our numbers can

grow. But the pressure of demand for places in University College has certainly grown, and for 1957/58 I have had to decline to admit roughly nine men for every one to whom I was able to offer a place! I should like to suggest that Castlemen wishing to send their sons to the College, should note the keenness of competition implied by these figures and ensure that applications are at any rate submitted in good time — not less than a year in advance of entry if possible.

Not many building alterations have been carried out in the College during the past twelve months. The bathrooms at ground level in the Keep have been completed and a start has been made on re-designing and re-equipping the Castle Kitchen. This last project, delayed for several years for lack of funds, will, in my view, fulfil a long felt need. It has been very difficult for caterers and cooks to produce good food, at a price we could afford, in a kitchen as out-worn as ours had become. No Castleman needs to be told how important it is for our morale and spirit that meals should be worthy of the setting in our Dining Hall. To this end I am convinced that the rebuilding of our Kitchen will be a vital contribution. At Lumley Castle the furnishing of the newly designed rooms and of the new Common Room has been proceeding during the session, thanks particularly to the University Grants Committee making a special non-recurrent grant towards the cost. Another building project which has now got as far as submission to Council, so that it might qualify for a grant from the Minor Works allocation, is the re-partitioning of a great many of the rooms in the Keep. If the project goes through it will mean that everyone in the Keep will have single quarters, most of them bed-sittingrooms. The existing larger rooms, necessarily shared under the pressure of demand for accommodation, will be divided up in such a manner that each student will have his own room, and for the Keep as a whole the plan will make additional places for three students. Lack of single rooms is one of the most pressing difficulties facing me when each year I try to devise a room list to leave as many members as possible reasonably satisfied. The Keep scheme will make a big contribution to solving this problem and should certainly ensure not only that all third year men in Durham will have a single room, but that quite a number of second year men can also enjoy this advantage. It will balance the accommodation in Durham with the new accommodation in Lumley much

better, and ease the administrative problems of dividing men between the two parts of our College as fairly as possible.

The possibility I mentioned in my last letter, of rebuilding on a longer term basis on sites in the Owengate-Palace Green-Bailey region, seems to have receded very much. In part this is due to unexpectedly strong opposition from local bodies and societies concerning themselves with the preservation of old buildings supposedly of historical or architectural interest. In considerations of this kind, particularly in a place like Durham, opinions are not unnaturally very much divided, but it does begin to seem improbable that any major rebuilding on this part of the peninsula will take place in the next few years. For my part, from the point of view of the development of the College and indeed of the whole Division, I regard this as regrettable. I still hope that difficulties may be solved, including the major one of obtaining sanction and money from the U.G.C. for some of the projects. There is little then on which I can make either a report or a forecast in the way of new major building projects affecting University College directly within the next year or two. Members may however be interested to read about new buildings in being or in prospect elsewhere in the Division. The extension of the University Library to incorporate our old Fives Courts has been completed, fortunately without any significant damage by the builders to the Fellows' Garden; they were able to utilise another mode of access to the site via Windy Gap and Bishops Walk. One is bound to say that the operation has positively improved the appearance of the Fellows' Garden much as we shall miss, as a College, having our own Fives Courts on the spot. However two brand new Fives Courts have just been completed down on the racecourse playing fields and a Squash Court has been incorporated in the same block of buildings. All the courts had an official opening, with exhibition games, in October. A start has actually been made on the building of the new College in Fountain Field adjoining Little High Wood. Its name has been a subject of much discussion, but as I write it is still undecided, although a decision seems probable in the relatively near future. A new Science building, essentially for Chemistry and Geology, will be started before the end of 1958 on a site adjoining the other Science buildings and facing Stockton Road. St. Cuthbert's

Society's extension to 13 South Bailey, housing a dozen students, has been completed and the Society is now planning to have a new dining hall built behind 12 South Bailey wherein they can give a meal to most of their members, at any rate several times a week. The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation has given a grant of £60,000 to build the first wing of a Museum of Oriental Art and Architecture to be known as the Gulbenkian Museum. It will probably be built on a site adjoining the Oriental Studies Department at Elvet Hill. The National Press will already have conveyed to members news of the Durham Colleges Appeal which was launched in June 1957. The Appeal is for £250,000 to help in a general programme of expansion wherein the total number of students in the Durham Division will be increased from 1,300 to 2,000 and the number of Science students from 400 to 1,000! The programme not only involves the building of more laboratories and lecture rooms, but must provide 500 residential places for students in addition to the 200 in the new College, already building. Associated development to improve existing facilities in the Union and for other student activities will be an essential part of the programme. Castle men will realise that after such major expansion our own College is bound to pay a proportionately smaller part in so greatly expanded a whole, but I think none of us here will face the future with any qualms lest we fail to hold our proper place in the larger Division and University.

Almost every year inevitably brings loss as well as gain and this last year we suffered the personal loss of the former Chairman of Council, Dr. M. P. Applebey, who died after a long illness in January 1957. He was a good friend to University College while Chairman of Council and we often enjoyed the pleasure of his company in our midst at High Table. His son, Mr. John Applebey has, in memory of his father, graciously presented to the College a fine silver fruit basket, formerly given to Dr. Applebey by his College in Oxford. It is our intention to have it suitably inscribed so that, gracing our High Table on Guest Nights and other special occasions, it will recall Dr. Applebey as we meet together. Those who knew High Table in Castle before the war will probably remember Mr. Ronald L. Wilson, Lecturer in French, when he lived and dined amongst us, although in later years he was more closely associated

with Hatfield College. It is with regret that I record his death in April after a very long and painful illness.

In an entirely different sense we have lost our Chaplain, the Reverend John Charles Wallis, who, after nine years devoted service to both University and Hatfield College, decided to accept a living in Dorset and has returned there this summer. I should like to express my sincere appreciation of the service Mr. Wallis has rendered to the College: I say goodbye to him with real regret and many thanks for his devotion over the years. In wishing him every success, happiness, and satisfaction in the task he has taken up, I hope that he will never cease to regard himself as "one of us", nor lose an opportunity of returning to our Reunions in the Castle. Mr. W. S. Robertson, our Bursar for the past two years, did not offer himself for re-appointment as Bursar after the end of the 1956/57 session and will be leaving the College in the Long Vacation. He has contributed to the organisation and running of the College during the past two years in many ways which have been greatly appreciated and for which I and others thank him very much. The Reverend R. J. Messenger is returning to India to his missionary work, having earned our gratitude for the help he has given to the Chaplain and as Assistant Tutor. We welcomed back to Senior Common Room and a Tutorship Dr. G. L. Harriss, formerly Research Fellow in Arts who has been appointed to a lectureship in History.

I should also like to say how much I welcome as a member of Senior Common Room our new Lord Bishop of Durham, Dr. M. H. Harland. In December the University conferred on him the Honorary Degree of D.D. and he is of course the Visitor of the University. His association with University College is much appreciated by its members and we hope it may long continue. I should like to congratulate one of our tutors, Dr. D. Bargrave-Weaver, who has just been awarded the degree of Ph.D. by the University. Two members of the College, recently graduated, have been appointed to temporary lectureships in Durham, Dr. D. G. Osborne in Physics and Mr. D. J. Silvester in Chemistry. It is always a pleasure to record the "translation" of Castlemen to the University Staff. Dr. Osborne who obtained his Ph.D. during 1957 has been living in St. John's College

and carrying out some tutorial duties for them, while Mr. Silvester will, from September 1957, join our High Table in the Castle and live on Hall Stairs for a year. Another former member of J.C.R., Mr. P. K. Mitchell, has been appointed a Research Fellow in Arts and is carrying out research work in Malta as part of a considerable programme of work undertaken by various members of our Department of Geography.

Castlemen may be interested to learn of the decision of the Durham Division to aid the Hungarian Appeal Fund by sponsoring and entirely supporting two refugee students from Hungary during their undergraduate career here. One of the students, Mr. S. Lerant, will be coming into residence in University College in October this year to study for a degree in Philosophy and Psychology. While the Council of the Durham Colleges has agreed to remit the cost of his Tuition Fees, he will be maintained essentially by contributions made or promised by members of the Durham Colleges, both Staff and Students. It seems an entirely appropriate way for us to help in mitigating some of the effects of the tragic events in Hungary last year.

If, in this year's letter I seem not to stress physical and financial difficulties of the College, it is not because they no longer exist. Perhaps readers have grown somewhat tired of my airing such problems, and in any case I am glad to say that their reality has been recognised where it matters most, namely by the Council of the Durham Colleges. The nature and extent of their financial support for the College has been altered in such a way as materially to assist us in balancing our accounts. While we have still not managed to show a surplus, our deficit has been reduced to small proportions. Moreover Council has made a special grant to be spent during the next two years on furniture over and above the amount in our annual budgets devoted to normal repairs and renewals. Our intention clearly is to raise the standard of furnishings in the College to a more reasonable level than has been possible in recent years. With such improvements and, as I hope, consequent increases in the booking of the Castle for functions and residential courses, with all that would mean in terms of increased revenue — I am by no means despondent.

Perhaps sometime we may even make a profit, although if that ever happens, it will be ploughed back into the College so quickly it will scarcely see the light of day—or the eyes of an auditor!

I leave to those better qualified than I graphically to chronicle the stirring deeds of the sportsmen of the College and their many successes. Both in sporting and in academic achievements it doesn't seem unfair to sum it up as "a very good year". There has been a marked liveliness in the College in comparison with what, in my experience, I should describe as a typical year, particularly among the Freshmen. Most of the liveliness has been healthy and the activities not ill-directed, although this has not always been true, especially of behaviour in the Dining Hall. I suppose changed customs come with changed circumstances and attitudes, but I think old Castlemen would probably deplore some of the new attitudes, for example towards the traditional College grace and towards late arrivals for dinner. However there has been a fine *esprit de corps*, some positive thinking and action, and there is no doubt that, as an impartial observer put it to me, "Castle certainly gets results".

I and the rest of the College are greatly indebted to the Senior Man of the year, Mr. Michael Bates, and his indefatigable henchman as Secretary of J.C.R., Mr. Douglas Cook. Mr. Bates without any doubt played a vital part in evoking the new attitude of J.C.R. towards membership of the Society. The vital change in terms of membership associated with his year as Senior Man will long stand as a tribute to his energy and his ability to bring his colleagues to the point of making up their minds on so important a matter. Not only for this but for the help in many other ways which Mr. Bates and Mr. Cook have given to me during the year, I should like here to express my genuine thanks to them.

We shall have a number of changes in Senior Common Room during next session; a new Chaplain; a new Bursar; and no Dr. Whitworth who has a Research Fellowship in Birmingham for a year but will return to us. Of course we shall have the usual new generation of Freshmen instead of the graduates who have just left us to continue their careers elsewhere. I expect the pattern of our life together will

be different only in detail however. I am confident it will remain vigorous and healthy and in due course will be looked back upon as "the best year of our lives" by quite a number of Castlemen. It is inspiring to think that this is probably true every year, for some at least.

L. SLATER.

REUNION DINNER

SEVENTY-ONE members attended the Reunion on Saturday, April 27th. The Rev. Canon D. H. S. Mould proposed the Toast, saying that the beauty of Durham, and its tradition and history, were the strongest memories of his time in Castle. He mentioned also, as Reunion guests often do, some of the amenities that the Castle then lacked, making those of us from later years, even the years of immediate post-war "austerity", feel indulged indeed.

Mr. R. Thomson, Senior Tutor replied. He said that there were now 260 people in College and mentioned many current developments in Castle and the University. All Lumley's cubicles, he said, would be gone by the end of the year.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The outstanding item before this year's meeting was the proposal by the J.C.R. that members of the J.C.R. should in future automatically become members of the Castlemen's Society, paying 10/- per term subscription for six terms. The payment of these six subscriptions would entitle them to Life Membership.

This proposal, which had the full support of the Society's Committee, was unanimously accepted by the meeting and referred back to the J.C.R. for final confirmation.

The meeting also supported a proposal that in these new circumstances Life Membership should become available to the present ordinary or Banker's Order members, on application, after the payment of six years' subscriptions or an equal total sum. The Committee was given power to implement this proposal when the J.C.R. proposal was finally confirmed.

A proposal that £25 be donated as usual to the Committee of Captains this year was warmly approved.

Elections

Mr. Spedding was re-elected Hon. Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. Corden was re-elected as the Society's representative on the Governing Body of University College.

Mr. D. W. Bell and Mr. G. T. Halstead were re-elected to the Committee in place of the two members due for retirement, the Rev. W. Purdon and Mr. R. M. Glendinning.

The date of the 1958 Annual Reunion was agreed as Friday, 25th April, 1958.

BOATS FOR THE BOAT CLUB

That Castlemen and their Society take an active and practical interest in the corporate life and sporting pursuits of the College J.C.R. is evident enough from their generous annual gifts to the J.C.R.'s athletic funds. Those who are interested above all in rowing and the river will be glad to know that Castle will soon take delivery of a new clinker-built four — the third new-built boat since 1951. The calls on the J.C.R.'s money are, however, so varied and manifold that some sporting luxuries must inevitably be foregone unless special help is given. Thus, that pair-oar rowing will soon be a much more regular feature of the College Boat Club, is entirely owing to a most timely and generous gift of £100 from Colonel A. A. Macfarlane-Grieve which has made it possible to order a new coxless pair at the same time as the new four. None the less the cost of building and the cost of transport will together leave the J.C.R. some £45 to find towards the pair: if any old Castleman who is devoted to rowing and the luxuries of rowing feels he can make some donation towards filling in this gap, his help will be greatly appreciated and enthusiastically employed.

TWO CATHEDRALS

THE Very Reverend The Dean of Worcester, Canon W. E. Beck, distinguished graduate of Durham University, was buried on May 27th in the precincts of the Cathedral which in recent years had become spiritually his own. Many there must be in the North of England, as in other parts of the country, who remember him as the Principal of St. Paul's Training College in Cheltenham where in the afternoon of Whit Monday a Service of Tribute and Praise marked the truth that his influence is alive and breathing within the studious walls and in the Chapel most of all by virtue of the quality of his preaching.

Two Cathedrals dwelt in his affections. One stands in Durham by the Wear and the other in Worcester by the Severn; one stood in the morning of his life and the other in the eventide. We were undergraduates together, he and I, at University College. Our rooms on the Norman Gallery were next door. First as neighbours and then as friends our hearts began to be intertwined with tendrils as gentle as the light and as firm as fetters in the sense that we were slaves to each other, never to be separated, slaves by choice and if I may use the word by consecration, a gladsome servitude in a Norman castle which though we left it, he for the West and I for the South East, never ceased to hold and contain, delight and nourish us. He was one of the brilliant students in my generation, his name lustrous in the annals of Durham. Most of us by contrast with his achievements and the ease of attaining were scarcely more than apprentices and journeymen. But we had in common an adoration for the Venerable Bede who seemed to be close to us at morning prayers in the Galilee Chapel and I surmised that Beck had vowed within himself to be a disciple of Bede in bringing forth light and grace from the Scriptures. The years succeeding our wonderings and strivings on the Norman Gallery bore witness to the truth of the prescience. First in Birkenhead, then at Cheltenham and afterwards at Worcester Cathedral he was a lamp through which the Old and New Testaments, the pioneers, prophets and psalmists and the abiding Gospels shone with rare beauty of exposition. As with the Venerable Bede and as with Lightfoot and Wescott, Scholar-Bishops of Durham, the Bible was my friend's bread of life and living.

He an Anglican, I a Methodist, and a "Primitive" at that, Beck and I on the Norman Gallery were without barriers and inhibitions, and in unity rejoiced together in the inheritance Durham bestowed bounteously on us with generous unconcern whether one would be ordained priest and the other remain a layman. Beck abides in my recollection as one of the best preachers I have ever heard. At St. Paul's College, Cheltenham, at St. Paul's Cathedral in the City of London, in the Cathedral at Worcester I listened to him with rapture because of the loveliness of the language with which the learned insights were unfolded, cherished and expounded and the dayspring from on high acclaimed.

In Durham we met and intellectually were married, if I may put it so. But in Worcester we were not apart. It came to pass that I was elected to be a director of Droitwich Spa and Droitwich is but six miles from the Cathedral of Worcester, a Sabbath day's journey so to say. Edward Winslow, statesman-pilgrim on the first "Mayflower", was born at Droitwich. But at the King's School at Worcester, the School set in the Cathedral Close, he was educated. Of that School Canon Beck as Dean of Worcester became Chairman of the Governors. As in Durham the Venerable Bede was an adoration we shared together so in Worcester the greatness of Edward Winslow wove and wound about our thoughts an inspiring wealth of historical associations. The Dean invited my co-operation in the planning of a service in his Cathedral to commemorate the Winslow Tercentenary.

I am enrolled as a Friend of Durham Cathedral and as a Friend of Worcester Cathedral but long before these official registrations Beck and I belonged as guild brothers to the two Cathedrals and walked in their cloisters wistfully. There came a day when my friend in his study and I in mine opened Martin Buber's marvellous book, "I and Thou", in which the philosophy of personal relationship is explained as enriching each participant, a true heart to the other given so that both may be enlarged, the very skies made more widely gracious. At once we knew that two undergraduates meeting as "Freshers" on the Norman Gallery in Durham Castle had not been without significance. In the end the Wear and the Severn interflowed to ensure a wave-music deeper than ensues from single

streams. The Severn; Tennyson in "In Memoriam" comments that when the tide is up the Severn the Wye is silent. A hush fell on Worcester as the tidings came that the Dean, brave and beloved, was about to cross the last of life's rivers at the summons of the King of the City.

SYDNEY WALTON.

(*The above notice was first published in the "Durham County Advertiser"*).

Colleges Appeal for £250,000

Most of the pictures in this issue of *Castellum* are taken from "The Durham College Appeal", a brochure published earlier this year to launch an appeal for £250,000 needed for developments in the Colleges during the next few years. The appeal was given publicity in many national papers and on the B.B.C.

The extract from the appeal brochure given below will no doubt interest members — and perhaps it will assure them that some of the things they most valued at Durham are not being neglected even in the large-scale plans of to-day.

"Our proposed expansion to 2,000 students presents particular difficulties, for the increase in numbers since the war has meant that we have already outgrown the available buildings.

There are in Durham today three times as many students as there were in 1939. Science students are six times as numerous as they were before the war, and research workers have increased ten-fold.

Our building programme, for teaching and research in all Departments, and for student-residence, has lagged far behind this rate of expansion. Especially in our Science Departments, lack of space and shortage of equipment is acute, and is compelling us to restrict numbers.

The building and equipping of new and larger laboratories will greatly help us but will not of itself solve our problems. Durham is a small city; our students have overflowed the colleges and are occupying all possible — and some im-

possible — lodgings. We can only increase our numbers by building for student-residence. The erection of a new college for 200 men will begin this year, but this will still leave 500 residential places to be provided.

Our central buildings — library, lecture-rooms, students' union — are quite inadequate for existing numbers. To cope with expansion they must be in some cases enlarged, in other cases re-sited.

Residence in college, we believe, has an importance which transcends considerations of convenience. We believe that for a student to live in college, where he meets and makes friends with fellow-students of all Departments, and where senior and junior members can make less formal contacts than in the lecture-room, is an essential part of university education at its best".

Early in November donations to the Fund totalled £150,634.

We were able to use pictures from the booklet, including in some cases the actual blocks, by the kind permission of the Warden, Sir James Duff, and also with the kind co-operation of Messrs. Turners, Newcastle, and T. Mason, Durham, photographers.

Donations to the Appeal Fund can be sent to: —

**The Treasurer of the Durham Colleges,
38 North Bailey,
Durham.**

SPACEMEN AT CASTLE DAY

CASTLE Days, like Castlemen, come and go but the memories linger on for ever. Our last Castle Day always seems to be the best; such things as cloud bursts, that desperate attempt to evade the work gangs, the frantic rush for seats in the Hall, all these are forgotten when time takes control. Only the highlights are remembered and recalled, but this year everything was successful; tomorrow's nostalgia does not need to hide today's failures; nothing marred the festivities.

As always, the opening to Castle Day was brilliant and original. Thanks to the generosity of I.C.I., M.G.M., B.B.C. and a host of other initials, a monster flying saucer descended from the Keep to open the Day. Spacemen appeared to appear from it; their plastic apparel proved a terrifying appearance and caused some slight consternation amongst the spectators, apparently frightening quite a few of the children who had not already been frightened by the College Curse.

The diversions which followed were expertly produced. Lumley's contribution was an all-in wrestling match in which various onlookers were forced to take part. The Morris Dancing organised by Dick Moss and his high kicking Morris's received much applause—or perhaps it was the commentary explaining the ancient fertility rites? Mr. Springford's and Miss Cook's wedding went off as arranged, an utter shambles; we wish them many more. Mr. McPherson delighted the crowd with his death defying descent of the Castle Walls and his sparkling repartee, especially his sparkling repartee.

Perhaps the most exciting of the diversions was by the intrepid Geoffrey Burns. The crowd was moved out of the danger area as he prepared to ride his bicycle through a burning hoop. Such initiative and daring is rarely seen on Castle Day; unfortunately the hoop fell over before he reached it, but we can assure all Old Castlemen that this modern Houdini will attempt the impossible again next year, and probably the year after as well.

Tea in the Fellows' Garden was as always an impressive sight. The rain held off until Castle had shown itself in all its splendour, then we adjourned to the Hall to be entertained. Magnificent performances were given by John Baldry (compere), Eric Anthony (a new Lancastrian comedian), Vic Crowther on piano, Bill Gowland on violin, Doug. Cook and Malcolm Tate on tables. The final item was an operetta in which the lyrics, libretto, and general plagiarism were excellent.

The Day ended with a Flannel Dance in the Great Hall. Refreshments were served in the two bars where the numbers of marooned Castlemen caused one of the barmen (Mr. Ian Matthew) to remark that it would be better to hold the dance in Room 4 next year and the bar in the Great Hall.

HUNTER DAVIES.

1957 REUNION GROUP

(LEFT TO RIGHT)

Front Row:

Rev. R. French, H. C. H. Francis, Lieut.-Col. A. Macfarlane-Grieve, The Master, G. T. Halstead, K. Orrell, R. B. Jackson.

Second Row:

J. W. Milner, E. Jones, R. D. McKenzie, P. L. Kirby, A. Marsland, E. H. Jackson, D. W. Bell, P. Hansen, D. G. Osborne.

Third Row:

B. W. Pace, J. M. Rutter, J. Hollier, P. T. Jeffreys, M. K. Pulling, B. K. Welch, W. A. Smith, D. J. Silvester, A. Browne.

Fourth Row:

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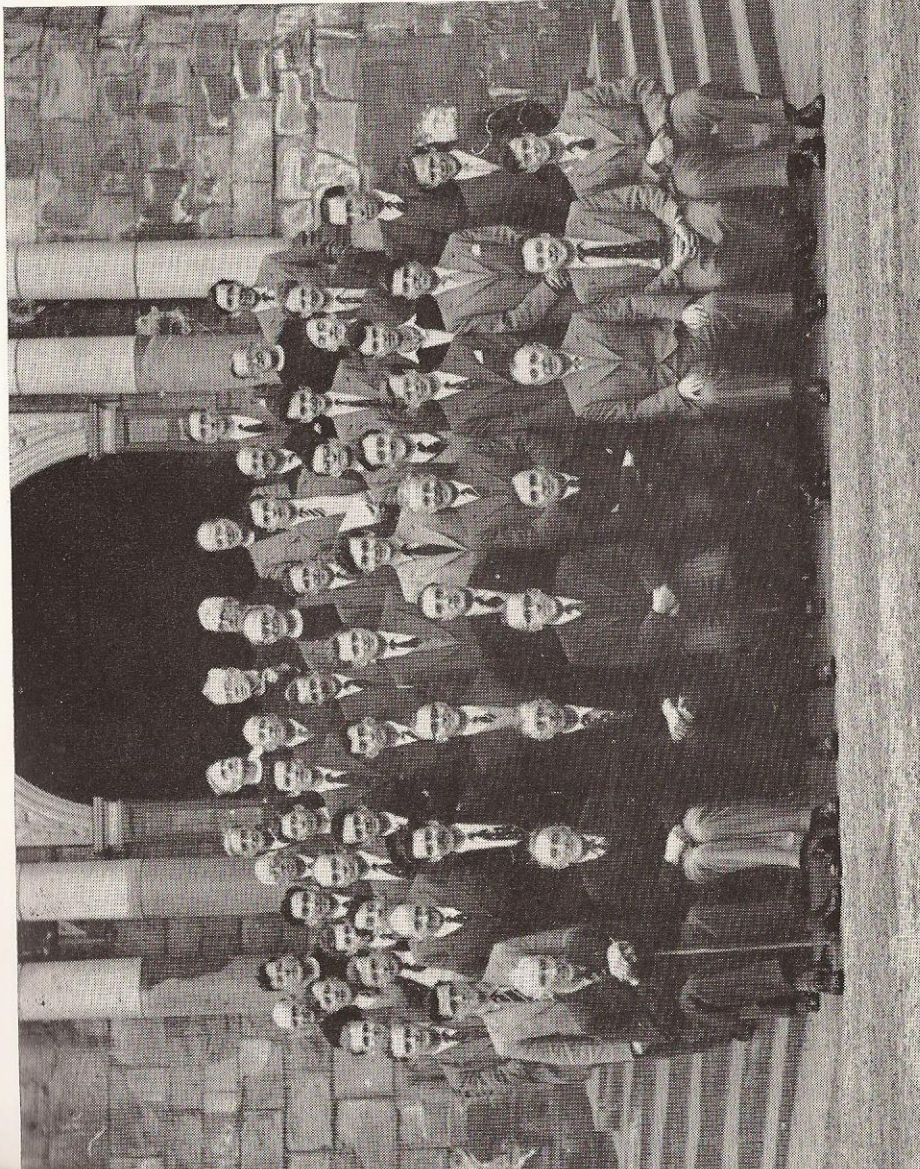
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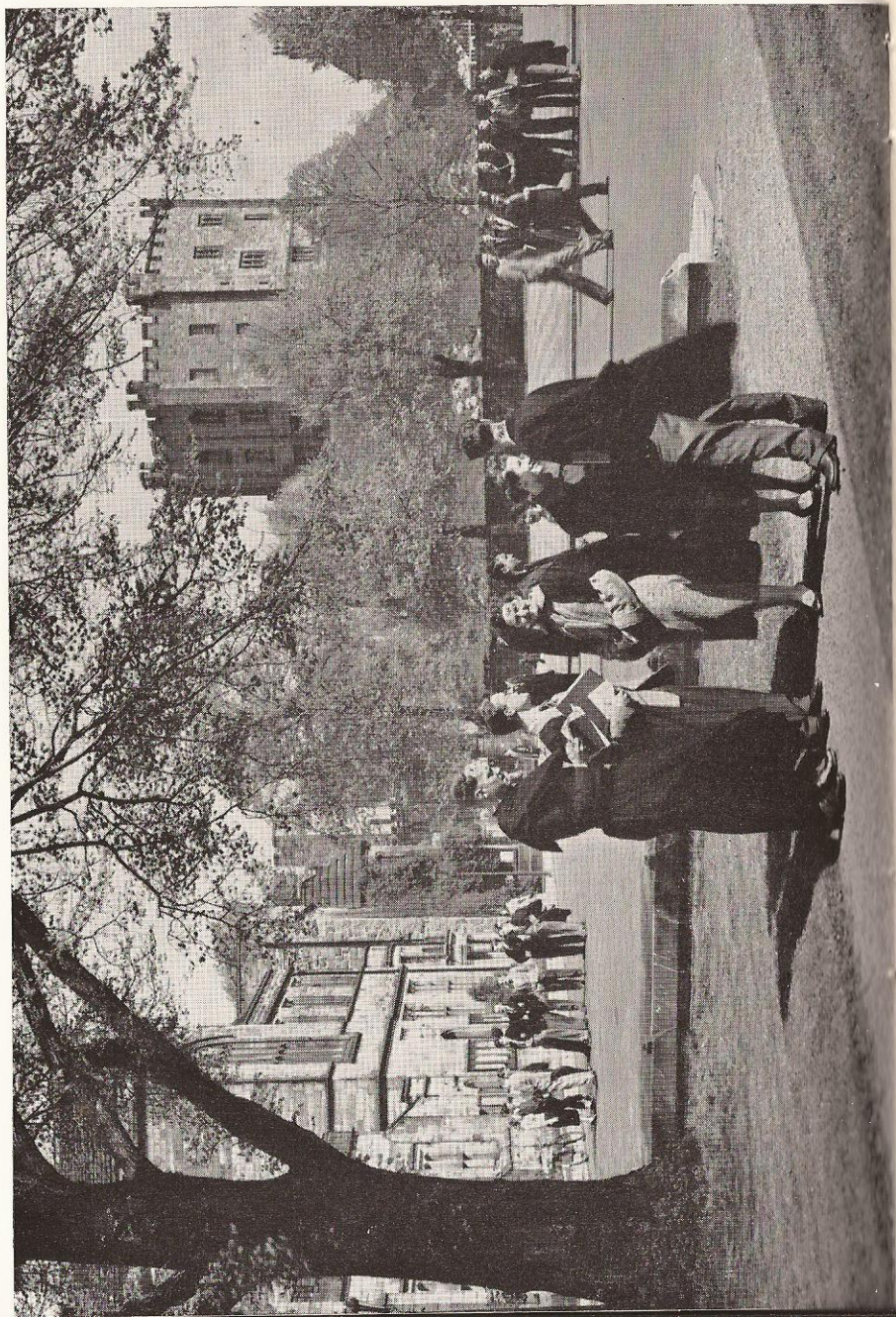
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The following members attended the Reunion but were not present at the time of the photograph:

Rev. W. Purdon, R. A. Peel, R. I. McPherson, Rev. F. S. M. Chase, R. E. H. Healy, G. A. Cole, H. D. Riley, E. R. Birse, M. M. Leask, N. M. K. P. Noons, J. M. Thew, P. S. Dixon, Dr. Brown, J. E. Maund, N. T. Mitchell, E. Y. Moorhead, J. E. Pottinger, The Senior Tutor.



PALACE
GREEN



News about People

PROBABLY few things are more surprising to most Old Castle men than to hear Queen Street called by its right and proper name of Owengate. More and more however as one returns to Durham, Queen Street seems to be fading from use. "Queen Street" was undoubtedly the one and only name for the Castle house there in 1948-49, when its inhabitants formed a particularly powerful and cohesive force in College. I have had some news of them this year from Harry Riley, who also lived there during that year.

MALCOLM BROWN is still at Oxford University on the staff of the Geology School. GORDON RAWSON, who has been married for some years now, is in the Gold Coast still. JOHN CLEARY is with a timber firm at Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, and DOUGLAS BALE is in process of becoming an accountant.

I am not sure whether PETER ROE, now a surveyor in Malaya, and CLIVE FOLLAND, teaching at Newquay Grammar School, actually lived in Queen Street, but their news comes appropriately here. One trusts that water is no longer thrown on passers-by (collegiate) from the upper Queen Street window with the same deadly accuracy as in that generation.

THE VERY REVEREND FRANCIS EVERED LUNT, formerly Dean of Bristol, was consecrated Bishop Suffragan of Stepney on July 25th, 1957. He was in College in 1934 and had rooms on Hall Stairs. The Bishop of Southwark, who is also an Old Castleman, was the Epistoler at the consecration service.

ROGER JACKSON (1949-54) has been serving in the Navy since he was at Castle and will return to it as a Chaplain. RONALD HORNER has been serving in the West Indies as an Instrument Lieutenant in the Royal Navy electrical branch. JOHN PECK also is in the Navy.

It will be seen in the list of examination results at the back that four Old Castle men were awarded the degree of Master of Arts this year. They were:—

J. L. FREER (1946-51).

P. D. HOLLINGWORTH (1945-49)

THE REV. R. J. MESSENGER (1938-39).

U. W. WINTER (1951-54).

A number of Old Castlemen who more recently ended residence were awarded Ph.D's. Their names appear also in the list on page .

"PIP" HARRISON (1950-55) is teaching in Normanton.

JOHN HOLLIER (1949-52) has moved from Ferodo Brake Linings at Buxton to the firm of Unilever. He is working in London.

R. D. MCKENZIE, J.C.R. Secretary in 1950-51, is doing research work for Rolls Royce Limited at Derby.

E. STANLEY RAGG (1919-22) after a course at Wells Theological College was made Deacon in 1954 and ordained Priest the following year by the Lord Bishop of Winchester. His present address is The Parsonage, South Warnborough, Basingstoke, Hants.

THE REVEREND FRANK LESLIE BEARDALL (B.A. 1929) who has served in the Episcopal Church of Scotland for most of his time, was in January 1957 instituted to the combined benefice of St. Cuthbert, All Saints in the City of Newcastle upon Tyne. His address is St. Cuthbert's Vicarage, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1.

THE REVEREND G. WINDER (1925-28) Vicar of Netherton, became Vicar of Wigton, Cumberland, 1956.

ALAN COLEN (1948-49) was married on September 22, 1956, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Carol Beyer.

E. H. JACKSON (1927-31) who was at this year's reunion, is Head of the Mathematics Department at Buxton College.

We regret to report that A. P. ROSSITER, a former lecturer in the Durham English Department and a Castle don in the thirties, died after a road accident. Before his death he was a lecturer at Cambridge.

CANON ALFRED THOMAS

The following note on Canon Alfred Thomas (B.A. 1903, M.A. 1906), who died on January 5, 1957, at the age of 86, has been kindly sent by the Rev. T. H. Corden.

“He was ordained in the St. Alban’s Diocese in 1900 and 1901 but came north to Bearpark in 1902 and to Newcastle (Jesmond) in 1903. He became Curate in Charge of St. Barnabas, Jesmond, in 1904 and the first Vicar in 1909. This last office he held until his death.

He will have the possibly unique distinction of being the first and last incumbent of a parish as under re-organisation the Parish of St. Barnabas is to be absorbed by its neighbours.

He had a habit of making polished and well prepared speeches which some criticised adversely because they lacked any reference to what they, themselves, had said previously.

He is said to have guided at least 20 young men into Holy Orders.

He was so well known in the City of Newcastle upon Tyne that on one occasion a Bishop of Newcastle said to his chauffeur “St. Thomas’s as quickly as possible”, wishing to be at the Church of St. Thomas, Barrass Bridge, but a short time later found himself at St. Barnabas Vicarage, Jesmond. R.I.P.”

THE REV. THOMAS MONCKTON TUNNARD died in December, 1956, at the age of 64. The following note was sent by Captain Richard Oakley.

“THOMAS MONCKTON TUNNARD was educated at Bedford School, where he first became interested in rowing. On leaving school he went to Salisbury Theological College whence he gained a classical scholarship to University College, Durham. Here he became a first class oar, stroking many Senate crews to victory and finally became stroke to the University crew and President of the D.U.B.C. On one occasion he and Dr. Lowe, with whom he was very friendly took a coxless pair on the Thames and after pacing a Thames Rowing Club crew were made honorary members of the Thames Club.

After his ordination he went as Curate to Alderley Edge and there joined the Chester Rowing Club, stroking the eight on several occasions. He was Vicar of Birtles, Chelford, Cheshire (1908 to 1915). Then Rector of East and West Lexham (1916 to 1940) and Rural Dean of Elmham, Norfolk (1936 to 1940). In 1940 he was presented to his Family Living at Frampton, Lincolnshire and became Canon and Prebendary of Clifton, in Lincoln Cathedral.

He retired in 1952 and went to live in Hampshire. Tom Tunnard was a great gentleman and sportsman. His recreations were music and the classics: natural history: fishing and shooting. He was, in fact, a true Country Parson. He was buried in the family vault at Frampton, where the family had lived for generations, on the 21st December, 1956 — Saint Thomas' Day. He leaves two sons and a daughter”.

COLLEGE REPORTS

THE J.C.R.

Once more this year the value of the Fresher's Conference was apparent. It gave the Freshmen a five day breather in which to find their feet, and first year men slipped quickly into College life. Very little “they're not what they used to be” talk was heard, which is compliment enough.

The Fresher's Debate was held in the unfamiliar surroundings of Castle Hall (c.f. *Castellum* 1956 for reason). The value of this event is still a disputed issue in College and it is enough to say that this year's performance proved to be quite harmless.

Pleasure

The poor support given to the Fresher's Coffee ought to be mentioned because it reflects a general trend over a number of years. With general student activity in Durham rapidly increasing the balance between unconditional college loyalty and a demand for a high standard is not easy to strike. The answer seems to be more

active support for the College Musician. The overall decline in entertainment standards cannot be charged to him. Castle Wine also suffered from a poor attendance and this led to remarks at the next meeting of the J.C.R. A thunderous "aye" was given to a resolution pledging a new deal for the College Musician.

The Visitors' Night Debate was arranged for the later less crowded Epiphany term and although held once more in the Union Debating Hall the evening proved a great success and Geoffrey Curtis the President of the U.C. Literary & Debating Society is to be congratulated on his major part in rebuilding the society's prestige. That debate was by no means the end of the Society's programme as another article in this *Castellum* shows.

Now to Castle Day. The weather was not good but it was kind. It rained in the morning before lunch and again as the last people were making their way into the Great Hall for the evening's entertainment. Between lunch and five-o'clock it was fair with sunny intervals, for which everyone was thankful, and by midnight many people would have declared it as good a Castle Day as the best. The Castle Day Committee deserve many thanks, along with the great host of helpers who made and ran the stunts, sideshows, bars, decorations and the like. The catering was good, the afternoon's sideshows ingenious and profitable, even at a penny a go. The opening, performed by Marsmen and their glistening "melinex" covered flying saucer (by kind gift of I.C.I.) which descended from high above the quad, was both impressive and original. Stunts with fast cars, boxing booths or slow wedding marches proved laughable. But a special word of praise can be given to the College Musician, Victor Crowther. The support so far lacking in his work was clearly present now and many people, including sixth year and Old Castlemen voted the hour's entertainment as the most polished show in all their years and by any standard it was good indeed. Everyone enjoyed the dance in the Great Hall and the bar never lacked customers. Mr. Harley's cating, done economically, was yet first class and, with his staff and ever cheerful chef, he earned our full gratitude.

Peter Johncock, the Castle Day treasurer, thoroughly deserved the applause he received as he announced a cheaper Castle Day for

gentlemen's battels than in the three previous years—a commendable feat in days of rising prices.

Castle Informal dance, held as usual on the third Friday in November, proved thoroughly enjoyable with most couples pleased by the lively playing of Reg Bushby and his Band. Seventy or so gentlemen helped in the organisation of the evening and "Eddie" declared he'd not seen the Hall cleared and ready for breakfast before 11.30 p.m. on any previous occasion!

J.C.R. Business

The J.C.R. meetings this year have been a balanced combination of sound business and quick humour. In fact no meeting passed without some house-raising "pearl" from the floor.

The major items of business have been far-reaching and worth mention here. By an overwhelming majority the J.C.R. decided to change its tailors to Messrs. Rawcliffes of Leeds. In future all ties, scarves, squares, etc., can be bought through the J.C.R., orders being placed with the Senior Man and paid by cheque or postal order endorsed "University College Rawcliffe's Account".

With only one vote against the J.C.R. passed a resolution to ask the Castlemen's Society to amend its constitution so that every member of College, on payment of six termly subscriptions of ten shillings should become a life member of the Society. The J.C.R. opposed an amendment to allow opting out on the grounds that the obligation is accepted on entry into College. The resolution was later reaffirmed after its acceptance by the Castlemen's Society. The Common Room hopes confidently that the Society will now gradually expand to its own benefit and as an asset to each successive J.C.R.

After the gentlest of pressure the Master agreed to regard the old Room Six, Hall stairs (new Room 4) as a J.C.R. possession which now permanently houses the T.V. set. This is generally accepted as a great improvement on the Undercroft.

For a further year the College has been represented completely and with authority at National Union of Student conferences by

Murray Leask, whose detailed reports at J.C.R. meetings have been proof of hard work done, particularly in his efforts to remove the grant anomalies which exist with undergraduates at Durham—"They treat us like King's you know and it's just not good enough"!

Finally the J.C.R. expressed concern at the growing inclination in Student Representative Council circles, of dictating to Junior Common Rooms. While acknowledging the useful work done by S.R.C. as an organising committee, the Senior Man exhorted the J.C.R. to watch developments carefully as Durham risks becoming the sort of student body which is ideal in the one college University, but completely out of place at Durham. The J.C.R. enthusiastically endorsed these remarks.

General News and Comment.

Castle retained the winter trophy and won the Athletics Cup despite the eclipse of our usually victorious Tug o' War team. Both the football and cricket cups have been won, the former for the second consecutive year and the cricket cup for the first time in some years. With next year's Varsity captain, R. Peel, in College, the hopes of a Rugby victory soon are brightening somewhat.

The Rag in February topped £2,000 for the first time. Congratulations go to C. F. Y. Moore, Rag President, and third Castleman to hold that post in four years.

The one tragic blow this year was the death of Phil Oliver while studying for a year in France. The whole of the J.C.R. was saddened by his loss.

Those who had heard of Douglas Eaton's serious illness will be glad to know that he is recovering well. With the exception of Springford's appendix, which nearly stopped him collecting a first in Physics, we have been remarkably free from illness in College and I would like to record our thanks to Mrs. Harley, the caterer's wife and housekeeper, who as a State Registered Nurse has always been on the spot to help. I think her skill has contributed to the College's good health very considerably. She enjoyed the confidence of every patient and nothing seemed too much trouble for her.

Altogether the year has been extremely happy and the notable absence of any examination tension coupled with as successful an academic year as any since the war has helped to make the year remarkable.

I would like to thank Doug. Cook, the Secretary, for all his good work this year. Also may I thank last year's officers, Jack Bureau and Dereck Crompton, whose detailed records of all last year have saved hours of our time on the routine tasks and given the J.C.R. the opportunity to spend more time on seeking improvements.

MICHAEL BATES,
Senior Man.

LUMLEY

The long vacation of 1956 saw some radical changes in the living conditions at Lumley Castle. The old communal studies and cubicle bedrooms were removed and new single and double rooms took their place. The advantages of this re-organisation were appreciated by all, and not least by those men who found themselves the occupants of single rooms in their first year.

Thus considerable progress was made even before the academic year began. Several more innovations became apparent during the Michaelmas term. The spacious new J.C.R., in spite of its less central position, forms a more worthy headquarters than the old, which is now used for billiards, table-tennis and darts. A new radio set was purchased and a start was made towards a worthwhile collection of gramophone records.

The principal events of the Michaelmas term were the first dance of the year, the Guy Fawkes celebrations and Lumley Dinner.

We were not proud of our dance. We had gathered from others details of previous Lumley Dances, but we were all new to Lumley and had no man on the spot who could give us first-hand advice. We used the Garter Ballroom, Lord Scarbrough having readily and generously granted his permission, but we were not experienced

enough to realise that a band, rather than gramophone records, was needed for so large a hall.

On November 5th many guests attended for the traditional Lumley celebrations. Parkin was served round an excellent fire, and the buttery bar was open.

Our Christmas Dinner was a distinct success, mainly because of Mr. Mitchell's first-class catering.

In the Epiphany term the Rag occupied much of our time. We were honoured in having the Rag President, Mr. Charles Moore, living at Lumley and our determination not to fail him produced an all-time record for the amount collected per head in street collections. It also produced us the firkin of beer for the third year in succession.

Our second dance was an illustration of how lessons can be learnt from failure. This was a splendid evening. Some were heard to remark that this was as good as the first dance was bad—praise indeed!

The climax of each year at Lumley is Lumley Day, whose success or failure depends upon the efforts of all and not merely those of the Committee. This year we were blessed with good weather, and the afternoon's events were a fitting prelude to the dance in the evening. The entertainment in the Baron's Hall was particularly popular and no praise can be too high for those who took part and for the producers, Brian Mangham and Graham Priestley.

At the final Castle J.C.R. meeting of the year, Mr. Tony Everett was elected Senior Man's Representative at Lumley for 1957-8. I wish him success and hope he enjoys his year as much as I have mine; for there is no doubt that a year spent at Lumley is one of the greatest privileges of being a Castleman.

P. J. SAVILLE,

(Senior Man's Rep. 1956-7).

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LUMLEY SPORTING ACTIVITIES

Despite the extremely mild winter and very pleasant summer, Lumley did not take full advantage of the sporting opportunities. The year started fairly successfully, with the Lumley Lay-about soccer team winning three out of five matches, with one drawn and a defeat at the hands of a strong St. Cuthbert's team. The members of the team are indebted to the captain, Mr. K. Noons, for his valiant efforts to arrange football fixtures. The Rugby unfortunately was non-existent, as demands from Colleges teams were very heavy.

The Easter term sport has been confined almost solely to "mass" football matches on the front lawn, which proved an excellent excuse for dodging inevitable pre-examination work.

Mr. G. Preston was elected tennis captain at the beginning of the year, but as he had never played the game before the J.C.R. elected Mr. J. Fox as Vice-captain. The tennis fixtures appear to have been sadly neglected, and tennis games have been restricted to the ever enthusiastic Mr. C. Wortley versus the rest of the college.

The persistence of the cricket captain, Mr. P. Smith, eventually produced a fixture for the last Wednesday of term. The College defeated Chester-le-Street by four runs, the final scores being 111 and 107, Mr. R. Taylor being top scorer with 30.

Perhaps the most popular of the sports at Lumley has been the billiards and snooker. The board was completely re-felted during the Christmas Vacation and an electric light meter has been installed to defray the cost. The captain, Mr. (Prof.) Wainwright spent so much of his time re-tipping cues that the long promised snooker tournament failed to materialise. Undoubtedly the two most prominent players were the Senior Man's Rep., Mr. P. J. Saville and Mr. S. Ross who were both "ever-presents".

THE READ AND WEED CLUB

The Club this year has had an extremely varied programme. At times it has been somewhat unusual, and always interesting. At the beginning of the Michaelmas term there were three members remain-

ing from the previous year—M. Bates, C. D. Smith and D. J. Silvester. They were joined by one new member, Michael Springford. Four further members were elected which brought the Club up to its maximum complement of eight. The members were D. F. Cook, P. Johncock, P. J. Saville and C. F. Y. Moore.

The Visitors' Night was held on 6th December, 1956 and Prof. Hutchings gave a paper on "French Cathedrals" illustrated with slides. The guests were Messrs. Pace, R. Ashling, A. Ferguson and I. Jackson. Prof. Hutchings was also a guest at the Annual Dinner held in the Senate Rooms on the 1st March, to which Mr. N. McLeod, a Housemaster at Durham School, was also welcomed. It was a most enjoyable occasion.

Papers given by various members throughout the year included "The Durham University Exploration Society's Expedition to Yugoslavia 1956" by C. D. Smith; "The History of Tobacco" by D. J. Silvester; "The History of the R. and A." by M. Springford; "The Development of Scientific Thought" by P. Johncock; and "Winchester College" by D. F. Cook.

The final meeting of the academic year was held in punts on the river Wear on 20th June. M. Springford was having appendix trouble and so could not attend. The remaining seven were dressed immaculately in white shirts and trousers and Castle blazers with Club ties in breast pockets. A guitar played a prominent part and the weather was as glorious as one could have dared to hope. No paper was read on this occasion but instead much good salad and delicious fruit with cream was provided as a substitute. During the course of the evening one new member, E. Hunter Davies was elected for next year. Thus another interesting year in the Read and Weed Club was brought to an end.

Finally the Club would like to make this appeal: that if any old Castleman knows of the whereabouts of the Club's previous Minute Books will he be kind enough to write to next year's Senior Man, with whatever help he may be able to give in the matter. Thank you.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

The function of this College society in a University where there is already a Union Society and several other literary organisations, is somewhat difficult to define. However, a poetry reading from the work of Dylan Thomas, held in the Michaelmas term, showed that there is an audience for such events in Castle, and also from other colleges. The Society has this year also posted on the notice boards in the Porter's Lodge particulars of cultural activities in Durham and Newcastle.

The Fresher's Debate was held in the Great Hall in Durham and not as previously at Lumley and the Visitors' Night Debate also broke tradition by being held in the Epiphany instead of in the Michaelmas Term. The motion that "In view of the clouds on the horizon this house does not wish to see the dawn" was proposed by Professor Morris Jones, and opposed by the Rev. J. P. Hickenbotham. The seconders were the Rev. W. S. Robertson and Mr. C. R. Hudleston, bursars of University and Hatfield Colleges respectively. There was an encouraging increase on the members attending this function, although the debating hall was not full. It is hoped that gentlemen will assist Mr. Clissold, next year's President, by remembering that the Society has a more serious role to perform than sponsoring the Fresher's Debate.

GEOFFREY CURTIS,
President U.C. Lit. & Deb. Society.

BOAT CLUB

This was an eventful year for Castle. The high standard of rowing resulted in our holding more pots than any other college, and it can be said that Castle crews are still a force to be reckoned with on any river. In the first term, with three old Senate colours and four junior oars available, selection was a difficult task, but the Senate crew was finally: G. A. Bunn (bow), D. M. Moore, B. K. Welch, K. Orrell (stroke), D. F. Cook (cox).

Unfortunately, although they were obviously the best crew on the Wear, the luck of the draw was against them, and they had to

meet the much improved King's boat in the first round. King's however, were hard pressed, and their win against Castle was by their smallest margin. The novices, too, after early promise, showed that they had not knitted well together, and did nothing spectacular. Castle's sculler, J. E. Whitley, however, put up a magnificent performance to win the President's easily, against much fancied opposition. His sculling was of a very high standard, and he continued his successes in the best boat the following term, when he beat Richman of Hatfield—the strong favourite—by three feet. In this regatta also, Castle's powerful "A" Graduates' crew won all their races easily, and defeated King's in the final by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. The crew was: N. Slater (bow), D. N. Aspin, G. A. Bunn, B. L. Hodge (stroke), H. K. Gordon (cox). The other crew performed well, and were only beaten by feet in an exciting race against Bede. Castle thus hold three Inter-Collegiate pots.

In the summer term, we had three main crews; one junior, and two maiden. Their first open event was in the Wear Head, when the junior boat lost their first place in the clinker division to a crew of senior oars from Tynemouth, coming second. At Chester-le-Street regatta, the junior crew, after some hard racing were rewarded by victory in the Joseph Brown trophy, and richly deserved their award. The crew, now junior-seniors, was: J. M. Thew, J. E. Whitley, G. A. Bunn, B. L. Hodge, H. K. Gordon. The first maiden boat was defeated in the semi-final, after rowing impressively. Their efforts were rewarded at York Festival, when in one division of the John E. Gibbs, they won all their races easily, and defeated Hatfield in the final by two lengths. The crew was: J. I. Hamilton, N. Johnson, N. Slater, D. N. Aspin, A. Lewis. The second maiden boat reached the final of the other division, but were easily beaten by Hatfield. The junior boat rowed in the final of the Lady Anne Lambton at Durham, but were narrowly beaten by St. Peter's, York.

At the close of the year, an order was given for strengthening the racks in the boathouse, and this has now been done. More important, thanks to the generosity of Colonel MacFarlane-Grieve, the College, and the Committee of Captains, an order was placed for a new clinker four, and a shell pair, with Sims of Putney. For the latter we owe special thanks to our recent Master.

There should be placed on record, too, our appreciation of the work done by two members of the club in helping to coach crews. J. E. Maund coached the Novices in the first term, and helped them a long way towards a high standard of oarsmanship. He is to be thanked sincerely for giving up so much of his time, and achieving such promising results. In the summer term, K. Orrell took over the coaching of the maiden boats, and his new ideas and fresh approach, his enthusiasm and vitality will long be remembered and appreciated. We must also thank the Master for his constant sympathy and understanding, and the Bursar, who helped the interests of the Boat Club in many fields considerably. It was a year of success and progress which will, we hope, be continued this coming year. Strong foundations have been laid.

ATHLETICS CLUB

The Athletics team had another successful season, winning the Inter-Collegiate Trophy for the second year in succession, with a majority of 20 points over Bede. Three of the four team events were won by Castle; the tug of war heavyweights losing to an even heavier team from John's and so reducing the number of points they have made towards the trophy for the past few years. The 3-mile team race and both relays, however, were won in convincing style, a new record being established in the 4 x 220 relay.

In the individual events Castlemen obtained first place in five events, the most outstanding performance being given by T. Maddern, a Freshman, who took first place in both the triple jump and the pole vault, in which he beat the previous record by 1' 3". Another Freshman, P. Robinson, gave a display of very powerful running and came through to win the 440 yards in 53.8 secs. The other two winners were R. W. Moss in the high jump and N. Moore in the 120-yard hurdles.

As has been the custom in the past, the winners of the Colleges sports participated in the Varsity Sports. Maddern, Moss and Moore took first place in the pole vault, high jump and 120 yards hurdles, thus obtaining places in the Varsity team.

Maddern was the only Castleman in the Athletics team the Varsity sent to Reading for the U.A.U. Championships and his performance merited him a place in the U.A.U. team. It is indeed just that the only Durham man in the U.A.U. team should be a Castleman.

N. M.

BADMINTON CLUB

During the past two seasons the club has continued to flourish in an atmosphere of growing interest. Indeed, this year it has been possible to turn out two full teams for what is certainly the first time during the life of the present club.

Further extensions to the fixture list have been made possible as Saturday has been the club afternoon at St. Hild's. Matches with some of the Durham City clubs, St. Hild's, St. Giles', and St. Margaret's, proved most enjoyable and well worth while, Castle holding its own by winning three of the six, with one unfinished. Such opposition should do much to improve the standard of play in the club if these fixtures can be retained.

Matches were also played against Bede and St. Cuthbert's, who had formed a club towards the end of last season. St. John's were a much weaker side this year and even a second team proved too strong for them.

On account of the loss of Monday afternoon at St. Hild's, a period of two hours a week was obtained at St. Margaret's Hall. However, as the use made of this by members proved somewhat disappointing, an invitation to share the afternoon was extended to members of the newly formed St. Mary's Club. Some pleasant mixed doubles matches were played both with St. Mary's and St. Hild's.

The season has, on the whole, been quite successful; colours were awarded to Mike Thompson. He and our captain, Tim Howarth, who as a pair played extremely well together all season, were awarded a Varsity trial at the end of Epiphany Term. The club is probably as strong now as it ever has been, and prospects for next season are good. We shall be losing Geoff. Bell who has done much for the club

in his five years here, but Mike Richardson will be with us again after two years absence in Malta.

The outlook for Badminton now in Durham seems altogether brighter and once more the possibility of a Colleges club arises. Whether or not anything comes of this venture, it is to be hoped that the game will continue to flourish in Castle.

J. E. ALLEN,
Secretary.

CRICKET CLUB

This has been in many ways Castle's most successful season for some time. Castle has been well represented in both Colleges and Varsity sides and D. J. Day and A. R. Taylor, as Durham Colleges Captain and Secretary, deserve particular mention.

In the first round of the trophy we defeated St. John's College by 112 runs. C. D. Smith and A. R. Taylor both scored fifties while Everett, and Smith again, were the successful bowlers.

The second round against St. Cuthbert's provided an exciting finish. We batted first and scored 123 (A. R. Taylor 33, D. Speight 23 and J. O. Baldry 18 n.o.). St. Cuthbert's replied with 113 and in this innings Smith bowled exceptionally well to take 5 wickets for 33. He was well supported by Everett with 3 for 40.

In the final we had a fine victory over Bede. Scores were:— Bede College 95 (A. Everett 7 for 21); Castle 97 for 6 (B. Mason 19, Taylor 16, Dunkley 16, Smith 24 n.o., Flint 16 n.o.). The Trophy thus returned to Castle after six years in the wilderness.

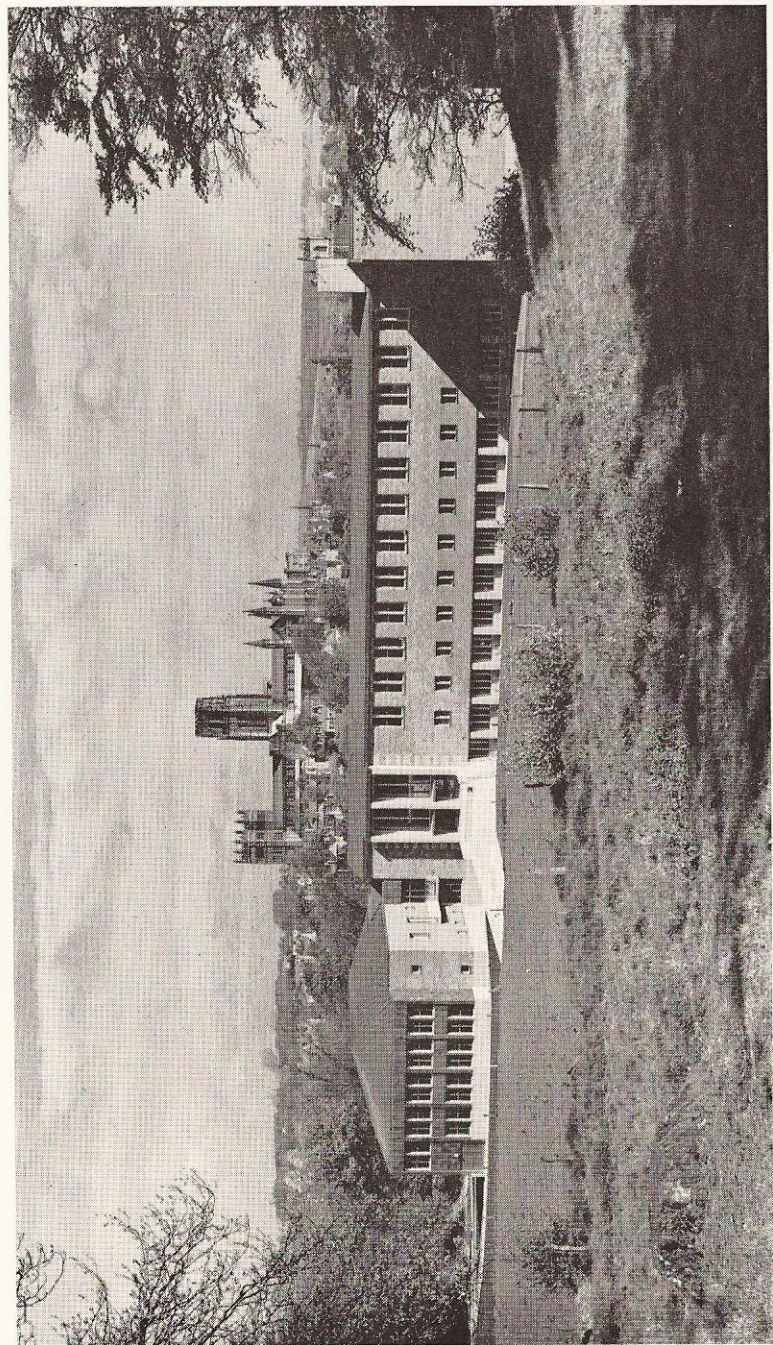
Our season's record was somewhat smudged by a six wicket defeat at the hands of Altrincham Grammar schoolboys, brought up by former J.C.R. secretary, Keith Nodding. The less said about that the better.

I should like to thank all the team for their support and especially to mention Tony Everett, who has been the outstanding Freshman, and John Baldry for his excellent all-round performances.

D. SPEIGHT,
Capt. U.C.C.C.



DINNER IN CASTLE HALL



THE PAST AND THE FUTURE

With the Cathedral in the background, this picture shows the laboratories built for the Colleges in 1951 and land in the foreground which will be used in the building programmes of the immediate future.

CROSS COUNTRY CLUB

Too modest to boast of our successes in recent years, the club has avoided mention in *Castellum*. Trophy results had become almost a foregone conclusion! However, this time it is a case of having to put forward our excuses. The 1955-56 unbeatable team was largely broken up by retirement from (or in some cases to) academic life. This catastrophe was somewhat offset by the return from France of Peter Ross, the Club's captain. One fresher, G. Priestley, was able to gain fairly high positions in Inter-Collegiates, but we never approached the previous year's regular feature of five in the first ten. P. L. Goggin and A. C. Griffith were always in high positions in the Inter-Collegiates, and both represented the University at some stage during the season, the former also being awarded his Colleges colours.

Castle came third in both the Inter-Collegiates trophy and the Championship and the way volunteers came forward when we seemed in danger of fielding an incomplete team was most encouraging.

The one bright spot for the Cross Country team came in the Athletic sports, where we won the three mile team race, beating Bede by one point. Our team was P. L. Goggin (3), A. C. Griffith (8), G. Priestley (12), and A. Wharton (15).

Officials for 1957-58 will be: —

Captain: G. Priestley.

Hon. Sec.: A. Wharton.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The season began quietly enough, with most of the matches against the women's colleges coming in the first term. Happy occasions as always. Towards the end of the first term, hopes of a league victory ran high when Castle beat Hatfield, holders of the trophy for several consecutive years past, and beat them comfortably at that.

During the Epiphany term, a win by a narrow margin over St. John's who had till then been second favourites, gave Castle a so far

completely successful record, with one match to play—against St. Cuthbert's, also undefeated. The final was a fine match with both sides playing well but St. Cuthbert's had the edge throughout and won by 7 sets to 3, so taking the Trophy.

Castle was well represented on all three of Durham Colleges' teams, holding all three captaincies—R. P. Hughes, E. Anthony and A. J. Lines in the A, B and C teams respectively. E. Anthony was also Secretary of D.C.T.T.C. and is Castle's captain next season. I offer him my best wishes for a completely successful season next year.

ROBERT HUGHES,
Capt. U.C.T.T.C.

LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Castle were beaten in the semi-final of the trophy by a strong Hatfield side containing four of the Colleges first six. The score was 5 sets to 3 to Hatfield. Our team was rather short of match practice with four members taking finals papers in the Summer term.

An encouraging sign was the performance of the new third couple, Fox and Aldridge, who defeated the Hatfield second pair, which had appeared in all Colleges matches this season. Of the four matches the club has played two were won, one was lost and the other halved.

Neil Davis was the only Castleman to represent Colleges. He was awarded his full colours by that club.

Ted Batley and Peter Dixon won the Durham Colleges' Open Doubles Championship, beating a Bede pair in the final.

P. S. DIXON,
Capt. U.C.L.T.

HOCKEY CLUB

Although Castle lost the trophy for the first time in many years, the season has been a successful one, and the contributions of the freshers, C. E. Doughty and H. Temple, augur well for the future.

The defence has dominated the play generally and the side's greatest weakness has been the forwards' inability to snap up the many chances offered. This fault was especially evident at the start of the season, when Bede were beaten 1-0, St. Chad's 3-1, and St. John's 1-0. All these margins should have been much more decisive. Hatfield were beaten 4-1 and then Castle met St. Cuthbert's in the final, both teams having reached this stage of the competition undefeated. Castle fielded a much-depleted team, but managed to draw 3-3 and force a replay after a very fast, hard-fought game. In the replay Castle fielded a full team and were perhaps rather overconfident. The team played as eleven individuals, whereas St. Cuthbert's blended together very well and deserved their narrow 3-2 win.

The Castle team's individual talents were considerable, and an impressive list of representative honours was gained. C. E. Doughty played for U.A.U. and along with P. H. Dunkley and H. Temple played for the County. Also D. J. Day, P. J. Saville and R. T. Evans joined these three in being selected for the Varsity.

At the end of the season colours were awarded to: C. E. Doughty, R. T. Evans, H. Temple and F. Dowson. Mention must also be made of the play of I. Thompson and D. J. Crump, both old colours, and also M. R. C. Coulson and P. Bunyan.

R. T. EVANS,

Hon. Sec. U.C.H.C.

FENCING CLUB

This year, the club has again been handicapped by the shortage of experienced fencers. However, coaching was given throughout the Michaelmas term by the captain to a keen group of beginners.

Very little fencing was done in the Easter term, when the captain was out of Durham on teaching practice but some members of Castle did take part in a new coaching scheme run by the Durham Colleges club and thus kept in practice.

In the Colbeck Cup, Castle were again placed third behind Hatfield and St. John's, with Bede College coming fourth. Both the members of the Castle team, K. Bamford and P. J. Coleman, also fenced for Durham Colleges Fencing Club. In the final sabre pool of the Colbeck Cup, K. Bamford was placed second.

Our secretary, J. D. Smith, who will be captain next year, was unable to take much part this season because of an injury, a legacy of Rugby football.

If those members present this year maintain their interest throughout the coming year then it is very likely that in a year or two's time Castle could regain the Colbeck Cup.

K. BAMFORD,

Capt. U.C.Fe.C.

SWIMMING CLUB

The principal fixture of this club is the Inter-Collegiate Gala, which takes place during June Week. At an earlier Gala, held in the Durham City baths on June 5th, University College was placed third in the overall position. The Castle team was:—E. A. Murgatroyd, N. K. Davis, B. Hodge, K. Wardhaugh, P. Bolton, P. Scull and S. Green.

The Club would like to congratulate Neil Davis, who has this year been captain of Durham Colleges Swimming Club, on being awarded a Palatinate. He has been the mainstay of the Castle team for the past three years.

E. A. MURGATROYD,

Capt. U.C.S.C.

FIVES CLUB

This sad year has seen the end of our fives courts, disfigured now beyond recognition into a dark library stock room! With the loss of the courts has gone, for the present time, a great deal of the old enthusiasm which characterised the club because the promise of new courts on the racecourse did not materialise. Despite the good efforts of the Master and Dr. Holgate the new courts were not ready at the end of the year.

However, we have hopes of play at the start of the 1957-58 season and that year's captain, Mr. G. Willison, should be able to start the club on a fresh climb to the top to recall the vintage days of 1951-55 when the Castle four and Varsity four were one and the same in many matches.

We wish the captain and secretary every success in building the club up once more.

MICHAEL BATES,

for Capt. U.C.F.o.C.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

The club had another successful season winning the trophy for the third year in succession and beating Bede for the first time in several years. The defence was very strong with George Morton, a Freshman, playing outstandingly well at centre half. The attack was not so good as in previous years although we have a valuable newcomer in Ellis Metcalfe at outside right.

After gaining full points from the matches with Bede, St. Chad's and St. John's, and drawing with Hatfield, Castle found themselves without three regular team members in the final against St. Cuthbert's. The injury-hit team played magnificently however to win a tough match and the trophy.

David Smith was selected to play for U.A.U. on several occasions during the season. He was also elected captain of the Varsity side but had to relinquish the post because of pressure of work.

He, together with Stan Hughes and Louis Jackson, were our Varsity representatives and no fewer than eleven Castlemen played for the Colleges' first team at some time or other during the season. This well illustrates the strength of Castle soccer at the moment.

PETER DIXON,

Capt. U.C.A.F.C.

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RUGBY CLUB

The Rugby Club has obtained similar results this past season as in the previous two years: we beat the fifteens from the smaller colleges, but lost to Bede and Hatfield.

Enthusiasm for the game remains, as always, very high in the college, and this has shown itself in the willingness of the side to train and in teamwork on the field. Injuries, and the most unfortunate illness of R. D. Eaton, detracted from the performance of the team, but the spirit of the individual players has been of a very high order.

The stand-off, and captain for 1957-58, Mr. A. R. Taylor, proved himself the mainstay of the back division. It is to be regretted that this player's considerable abilities have not been recognised by the Varsity team selectors. The experience gained by several promising younger members of the side should help him in his task next season.

Congratulations are extended to N. K. Davis and to D. R. Leighton on the award of their colours.

R. A. PEEL,
Capt. U.C.R.F.C.

SQUASH CLUB

Squash has until recently been rather dormant in Durham and, as yet, there is not an Inter-Collegiate trophy for the game. However, activity is now rapidly increasing and some twenty members of Castle have played squash this year. We have played four matches, but won only one of them, that against St. John's College.

The increase in activity and the fact that a new court will be opened on the racecourse in October have together shown the necessity for an Inter-Collegiate trophy. We confidently expect that this would find its way into Castle, particularly in view of the return of two experienced players, M. Richardson and W. Charlton, after a two year stay in Malta. They join two other regular Colleges players, P. Goggin and B. Mason.

We wish to congratulate W. Charlton on being elected captain of Durham Colleges squash and B. Mason has been elected secretary of Colleges.

P. L. GOGGIN,
Capt. U.C. Sq. C.

DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st March, 1957

RECEIPTS

| | £ | s. | d. | | £ | s. | d. |
|--|----|----|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| To Cash at Bank 1st April, 1956 | | | | | 203 | 5 | 4 |
| „ Subscriptions during the year:— | | | | | | | |
| 9 Life Members at £5/5/0 | 47 | 5 | 0 | | | | |
| 1 Life Member at £5/6/0 | 5 | 6 | 0 | | | | |
| 2 for 1954-55 at 10/- | 1 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| 5 for 1955/56 at 10/- | 2 | 10 | 0 | | | | |
| 60 for 1955/56 at 5/- | 15 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| 150 for 1956/57 at 10/- | 75 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
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| By Printing "Castellum" 1955 | | | | | 68 | 18 | 9 |
| „ Printing "Castellum" 1956 | | | | | 68 | 17 | 6 |
| „ Donation Castle Clubs 1955 and 1956 | | | | | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Reunion Expenses 1956 | | | | | 36 | 18 | 7 |
| „ Cash at Bank 31st March 1957 | | | | | 124 | 11 | 6 |
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26th April, 1957.

J. C. R. FITZGERALD-LOMBARD.

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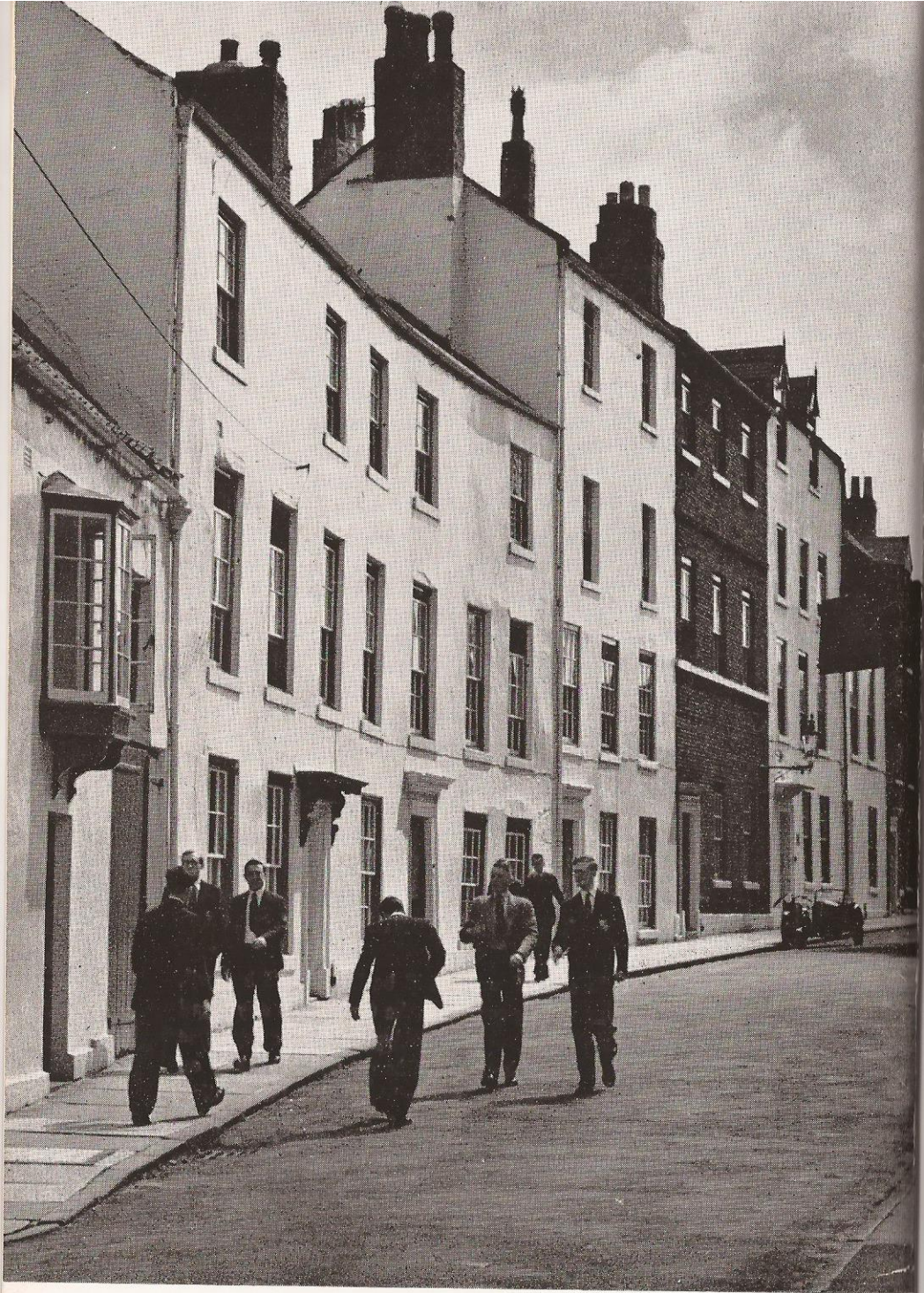
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Mr. M. R. House, B.A., F.G.S.

THE 1958 REUNION

The date of the next Reunion will be Friday, 25th April, 1958. Members are welcomed at the College on any or all of the three nights, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Annual General Meeting and Dinner will be held on Friday evening. Notifications, with forms for replies, will be sent out by the Secretary.



NORTH BAILEY