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FROM THE HEADMASTER'S DESK

"Children today love luxury too much. They have abominable manners, flaunt authority, have no respect for their elders. What kind of awful creatures will they be when they grow up?"

SURPRISINGLY enough this statement was not made about our modern youth, but by the famous Greek philosopher, Socrates, more than 2,000 years ago. It is obvious therefore that the "problem" of youth is no recent one, but has bedevilled the human race throughout the generations.

Our problem today has, however, been aggravated by the fantastic technological discoveries and advances, which have outstripped progress in the social sphere and have made obsolete some of our hitherto accepted patterns of behaviour and beliefs. In our modern undisciplined permissive society, the lunatic-fringe iconoclasts and false prophets have unfortunately been given so much publicity, that many of the world's youth tend to accept their false values as genuine and worthy of emulation. This sick teenage world is placing the emphasis on wrong values and far too many of the youth in the world today adopt the line of least resistance and follow the herd.

"In a society where there are no men, strive to be a man!" was the advice of a sage of old to his pupils. This advice is even more relevant and essential for our youth of today. Our pupils here in Bryanston have the inherent decency and should demonstrate strength of character and take pride in showing individuality. They must be prepared to swim against the stream even at the risk of temporary unpopularity. They should not follow slavishly the dictates of cranks and misfits and exhibitionists. And if, as they grow up, they expect respect and consideration, they must first show respect and consideration to others.

It is no excuse for the youth of the world to try to justify irresponsible behaviour and attitudes by blaming the older generation for having built a bad world. Admittedly, a glance at any newspaper on any day will prove that our world is no utopia, but nevertheless there is much in it that is good and wholesome. It is the duty and responsibility of our youth not to break down everything, but to take from the past and present that which is good and build on it a better world for the future. In the long run, more is achieved by evolution than by revolution.

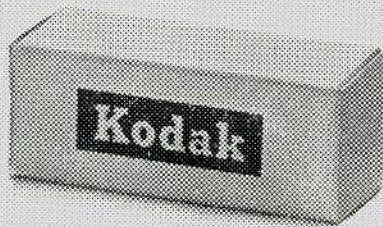
At Bryanston High, 1970 has been a comparatively uneventful year. The enrolment has increased to almost 800 (Forms I to III only), additional classrooms have been constructed; our sports fields have at last been handed over to us; some progress has been made towards acquiring a swimming bath; the Mothers' Committee has started a tuck shop (much appreciated by the pupils); and matches in various sports have been played against other schools with encouraging results.

By comparison with many other high schools on the Witwatersrand we have been most fortunate with staff. Although there is a distressing continued loss of teachers to commerce and industry, we have been fortunate in finding good replacements and no classes or subjects have been without teachers. We sincerely hope that we will remain this fortunate next year when our enrolment will be well over 1,000 pupils.

To my Vice-Principal, Mr. van Rensburg, and to all members of the staff I would like to express my appreciation for their assistance and co-operation and to our committees and parents generally, my thanks for all they have done for the school during the year.

J. ALSWANG,
Headmaster.

What's Life Without Pictures?



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Staff

Mr. J. Alswang — Headmaster.
Mr. A. G. J. van Rensburg — Vice-Principal.

Senior Assistants:	Mrs. V. J. Andrews	Mr. M. C. Cox
Mr. G. W. Kapp	Mr. R. L. Pohorille	Mrs. M. U. Tangen
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Mrs. C. F. Scheltema.	Mrs. W. B. Steenkamp.	Miss P. C. Tatz.
Mrs. M. M. Theron.	Mrs. A. B. van Rooyen.	Miss R. C. van Wyk.

Secretaries: Mrs. V. A. Wilson, Mrs. C. B. McCall-Peat, Mrs. M. M. Calder.
Caretaker: Mr. W. S. Williams.

Governing Body

Mr. W. R. Hedding — Chairman.
Dr. J. F. Davidson — Vice-Chairman.
Mr. J. Alswang — Headmaster.

Mr. N. M. Anderson.	Mr. E. A. Buy.	Mr. H. Cohen.
Mr. S. B. J. Page.	Mr. P. W. Seddon.	Mrs. V. A. Wilson (Sec.)

Parents' Association Committee

Mr. D. A. Collins — Chairman. Mr. D. F. Findlay — Vice-Chairman.
Mrs. M. Young — Honorary Secretary. Mr. R. L. McCall-Peat — Honorary Treasurer.

Mr. E. Brackley.	Mrs. S. I. Brackley.	Mrs. P. S. Deacon.
Mr. H. E. Kratz.	Mr. C. Krook.	Mr. I. McCardle.
Miss G. M. Musgrove.	Mrs. C. H. E. Wagner.	

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Mrs. S. I. Brackley — Chairlady. Mrs. M. Nathan — Vice-Chairlady.
Mrs. S. McCardle — Honorary Secretary. Mrs. M. McCarthy — Honorary Treasurer.

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Mrs. F. E. Evans.	Mrs. S. D. Gold.	Mrs. H. L. Johnston.
Mrs. M. E. Krook.	Mrs. B. C. J. Levendis.	Mrs. I. A. Page.
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Mrs. O. M. Swart.	Mrs. B. K. van Til.	

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Mr. J. Alswang.	Mrs. S. I. Brackley.	Mr. E. A. Buy.
Mr. D. A. Collins.	Mr. W. R. Hedding.	Mr. R. L. McCall-Peat.

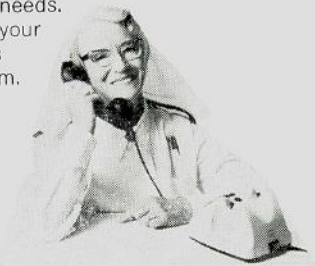
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REPORT BY CHAIRMAN, GOVERNING BODY

THE YEAR 1970 was declared Water Year by the Government and much emphasis was placed on the economic use of water. However, the year 1970 should have been described as Teacher Year. Much attention has been focused on the unsatisfactory staffing position in the teaching profession, not only in the Transvaal, but throughout the country. The loss of trained teachers, particularly men, is fast approaching a crisis.

Various individuals and bodies have advanced their own theories as to why the Department is losing so many experienced persons. Inadequate salary is of course one of the big problems. It is difficult for the Provincial Council, dealing with public money to go on increasing teachers' salaries indefinitely, yet at the same time there is no doubt that the "private sector" appears to be doing just that.

There is no simple solution to the problem, but the time has arrived for the Department to stop treating teachers as grown up children. Much of the red tape which leads to so much frustration could be eliminated and thus create a happier atmosphere within the profession. The status of teachers at all levels, must be raised. The inflow of new blood is not unsatisfactory. The problem is to retain efficient and keen teachers. The Department must speed up promotion: the arbitrary time barriers to promotion are out of date and should be drastically revised or better still, abolished altogether. Unless something is done along these lines in the near future in the Republic, we will continue to lose good teachers.

During the year our School took over the grounds from the contractors and while many items had not been completed to our satisfaction, it was felt that to delay longer would only frustrate us further. We are now able to proceed with our own development schemes.

The Governing Body had hoped that we would be able to keep our enrolment from increasing too fast, but due to various delays, the proposed Blairgowrie High School is behind schedule, with the result that we will again take a number of scholars from the area to be served by that school. Additional classroom accommodation is presently under construction and should be completed before the end of 1970, but it seems inevitable that prefabs will be making their appearance at our school. In spite of our increased numbers next year, the Headmaster is hopeful that he will be able to fill all the necessary teaching posts. We will have a Deputy Headmaster and a Vice-Head in 1971. This will relieve Mr. Alswang and Mr. van Rensburg of some of the heavy burden of administration.

The Sandton Municipality has promised to tar the roads surrounding the school during 1971. The pedestrian bridge across the Highway P79/1 should be fully operational early in 1971. When this bridge is completed it will relieve a large number of parents of the necessity for crossing P79/1 to drop their children at the school. This will greatly relieve the traffic congestion at the intersection with Ballyclare Drive. It is also hoped to continue the service road on the west side of P79/1 so that it will intersect with Peter Place, thus enabling scholars to avoid making use of the Highway.

Parents' contributions to the funds of the Parents Association have been encouraging during the year and their generosity in this respect will enable the school to proceed with the early construction of a swimming bath and other very much needed amenities at the school.

In conclusion, may I, on behalf of the parents of the school, express our thanks to Mr. Alswang and all the members of his staff for the hard work that they have done during the year and to wish them a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. May they come back from the Christmas vacation strengthened in mind, body and spirit.

W. R. HEDDING,
Chairman, Governing Body.

MESSAGE FROM THE INSPECTOR OF EDUCATION

Education in the family or the school has as its goal the preparation of young people for Maturity and for Life. It is a preparation in the art of living one's life fully, and not simply in the method of earning a wage to live it. Home and school must help the young people to develop their



entire being, and to exercise the talents entrusted to them. All gifts must be cultivated: those of the mind, of the heart and of the body.

Although stress is to be laid on academic studies and satisfactory examination results, school is not all classwork. An integral part of school life is the voluntary group activity which assures the success of so many school affairs, and which fosters in the pupils a spirit of courtesy, generosity, loyalty and a personal concern for others.

Modern Education aims not so much at the putting in of information but rather the bringing out of the pupil's thoughts and ideas. It stresses not the act of learning but the ability to learn. It stimulates pupils to think and to draw their own conclusions. It

guides the pupil towards the discovery of his true identity and individuality so that he may fulfil his purpose in Life.

Bryanston High School has, during the three years of its existence, purposefully applied the modern techniques of education, by emphasising the practical aspect of the work, and by encouraging the pupils to do the necessary research. Having started on such a solid foundation, the pupils are well equipped to continue their studies in the senior classes.

The Principal, Vice-Principal and members of the Staff are congratulated on their achievement, and the members of Parent Bodies are sincerely thanked for their contribution towards the progress of the School.

Continued success to staff, pupils and parents, and prosperity in the years ahead!

J. J. A. DE VILLIERS,

Inspector of Education.

BRYANSTON "WALKATHON" — AUGUST, 1970

Big Walks have been a feature for some years now, and when Bryanston's "Walkathon" was staged in August this year, it was with a certain amount of trepidation that we dared to undertake the organisation of one, or even estimate its overall success.

Saturday morning, 29th August, dawned fair and cool and at 9.30 a.m. several hundred young children, teenagers and older folk set off round the one kilometre track on the top sports field, at a cracking pace set by Mr. J. Alswang and Mr. I. McCardle.

The Walk continued to the pleasant chatter and musical recordings of the announcer. Refreshments were served en route by the Ladies' Committee, and many weary feet were treated by volunteers of the Bryanston Red Cross.

At 2 p.m. an excited but weary band of walkers came to a halt and the first part of the "Walkathon" had proved by its support to be a great success.

At the time of going to Press we have collected almost R10,000, which exceeds all our expectations. This is an outstanding effort and a most welcome addition towards improving the School's amenities (in particular the construction of a proper Tuck Shop). To all those who helped to make the "Walkathon" such a great success, our most grateful thanks.

The following is the list of the prize-winners:

STAFF:

Men: Mr. A. van Rensburg 37 Km.
 Women: Mrs. Deacon 28 Km.

OPEN — SENIORS:

Men: Mr. I. Middleton 39 Km.
 Women: Miss W. McCall-Peat 22 Km.

BOYS — 12 AND OVER:

Philip Solomon and Stephen Ellis 55 Km.
 Christopher Damstra 52 Km.
 Rory Field 51 Km.

GIRLS — 12 AND OVER:

Marion Wagner and Crista McClements 46 Km.
 Michele Moser 45 Km.
 Annemarie Fitzhenry 44 Km.

BOYS — 11 AND UNDER:

David Barnard (Bryanston Primary) 39 Km.
 Franz Kratz (Bryanston Primary) 38 Km.
 Peter Thomas (Bryneven Primary) 35 Km.
 Martin Thomas (Bryneven Primary) 34 Km.
 Peter Gronn (Bryanston Primary) 34 Km.

GIRLS — 11 AND UNDER:

Barbara McCall-Peat (Bryanston Primary) 34 Km.
 Aletta Brune (Bryneven Primary) 30 Km.
 Diane Findlay (Bryneven Primary) 29 Km.

Special Effort: Stelios Pouyoukas 20 Km.



Stelios Pouyoukas receiving his prize from Mr. D. A. Collins and Mr. D. F. Findlay, Chairman and Vice-chairman of the Parents' Association.



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SCHOOL CALENDAR : 1971

FIRST TERM

11th January (Staff) } to 26th March
 13th January (Pupils) }

SECOND TERM

13th April to 25th June

THIRD TERM

20th July to 24th September

FOURTH TERM

5th October to } 3rd December (Pupils)
 } 10th December (Staff)

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REPORT BY CHAIRMAN, PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

1970 has been another year of great progress in our School. With the School only three years old we can certainly be proud of our achievements in this period. A great deal of this success we owe to the parents who have submitted their contributions to the Parents' Association.

The outstanding event of this year was, of course, the "Walkathon", its financial success (R10,000 plus) has ensured the building in the near future of the Tuck Shop. (Sighs of relief from the Mothers' Committee and cheers from the pupils!)

Under the leadership of Mrs. Brackley the Mothers' Committee has had an outstanding year. They have been most active. At the outset they set a target for a Tuck Shop and in a short space of time they have not only catered for the students, at times under difficult circumstances, but they have also acquired a refrigerator, pie warmer, stove and other equipment for the Tuck Shop. Parents will be pleased to know that once the plans have been passed, tenders will be called for, for the erection of the building. In addition to raising these funds your P.A. has also financed the building of the tennis shelter and the car ports.

On our projects list we have the building of a Grand Stand, a Pavilion, Swimming Bath and Change Rooms and a Caretaker's flat.

Thanks to the organising ability of our Headmaster, Mr. Alswang, we have not been faced with as many difficulties regarding teachers as other High Schools have. We trust that with the pressure being brought to bear from Organisations, Parents and Political Parties, the teacher shortage problem will be solved in the not too distant future.

We welcome and congratulate our new representative on his election to the Witwatersrand Central School Board and trust that he will continue the close co-operation and harmony we enjoyed with his predecessor.

My thanks to Mr. J. Alswang and his teaching staff for another co-operative year. To the Secretaries my sincere thanks for their cheerful and willing assistance.

My thanks too to the Chairman of the Governing Body and his committee for their guidance.

To my committee, sincere thanks for their unstinting efforts throughout the year.

Finally, to all the Parents who have been so co-operative and generous in their help — thank you!

We are reaching our objectives and with your cheerful "Shoulder-to-the-Wheel" efforts we will have a lot more to show in 1971.

D. A. COLLINS,
Chairman, Parents' Association.



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

Standing: Mr. C. M. Krook, Mrs. P. S. Deacon, Miss G. M. Musgrove, Mr. H. E. Kratz, Mr. E. Brackley, Mrs. C. H. E. Wagner, Mrs. S. I. Brackley, Mr. I. McCardle.
Sitting: Mrs. M. Young (Hon. Sec.), Mr. D. F. Findlay (Vice-Chairman), Mr. D. A. Collins (Chairman), Mr. J. Alswang (Headmaster), Mr. R. L. McCall-Peat (Hon. Treasurer).

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Sitting: Mrs. H. L. Johnson, Mrs. S. McCardle (Hon. Sec.), Mrs. M. McCarthy (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. S. I. Brackley (Chairlady), Mrs. M. Nathan (Vice-Chairlady), Mrs. P. M. Setterberg, Mrs. E. T. Steenekamp, Mrs. S. D. Gold.

MOTHER'S COMMITTEE

RAISING funds is not an easy task, but without money our School cannot progress, nor can we provide for the needs of our children.

The Mothers Committee this year has done a tremendous amount of hard work and has also had a lot of fun at our Tuck Shop. Perhaps, for the moment, we could refer to this project as the "Stage Door Canteen", as the Tuck Shop building is not yet a reality. However, this dream is soon to become a reality thanks to the Parents' Association who organised the Walkathon, to the participants and to the sponsors.

Our teenagers too have contributed by multiplying rands, which I feel shows great school spirit. Believe it or not the most gratifying aspect of working for our school is the human contact one has with the girls and boys. They really are a grand bunch!

Other activities of this Committee during the year have been to maintain the Lost Property Office for the scholars; a School uniform exchange; Cake sales and Jumble sales.

My most sincere thanks to these wonderful ladies of the 1970 Mothers' Committee and to the parents who always give so generously.

A special thank you to our Headmaster, Mr. Alswang, for his valued assistance throughout the year.

Last, but by no means least, many thanks too, to the School Secretaries, Mesdames McCall-Peat, Wilson and Calder who are always so willing to help.

(Mrs.) S. I. BRACKLEY,
Chair-Mothers' Committee.

OUR SUNNYBRAE HOLIDAY CAMPS

at Margate, Natal, in April;

at Magaliesburg, Transvaal, in Sept./Oct.

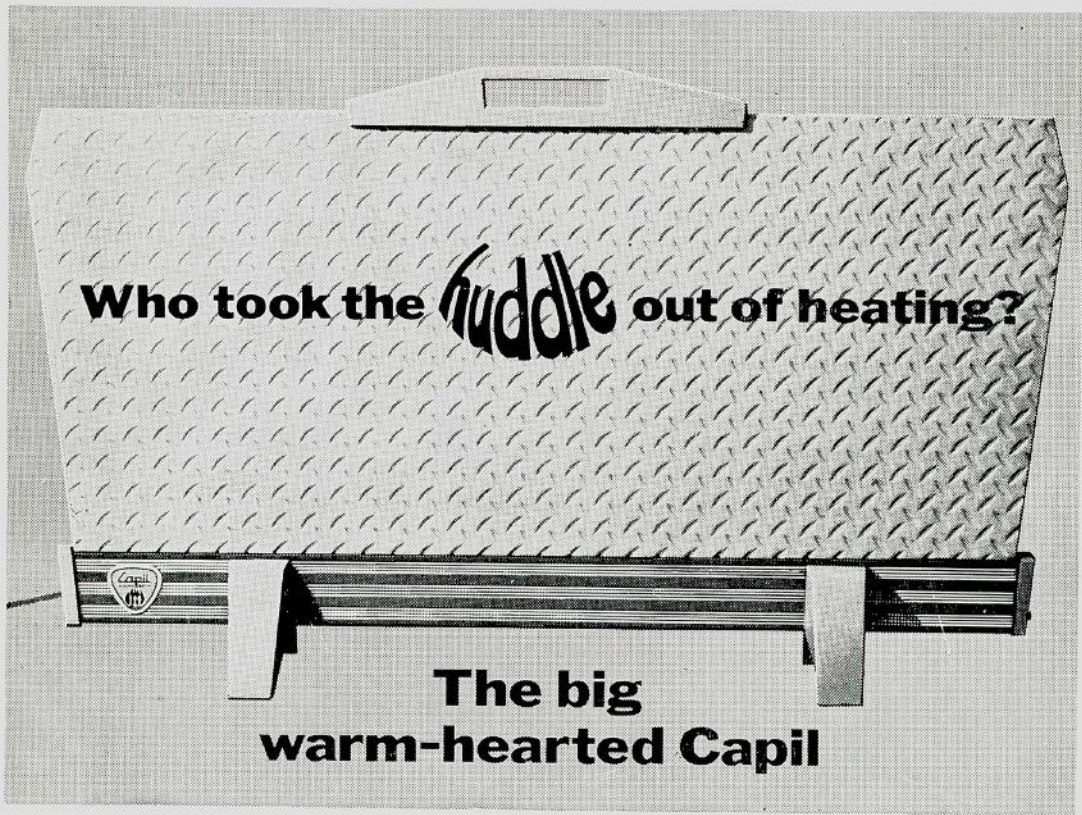
These holidays have become an attraction enjoyed by the pupils of the Bryanston schools (Bryanston High, Bryanston Primary, Bryneven Primary). In addition a considerable number of guest children are also taken along and a wonderful time is had by all.

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	DRAMATICS	Inter-House Play Festival	—
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	Boys	Mr. R. L. Wood	Martin Cowper
	Girls	—	—
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	Under 16	—	—
	Under 14	—	—
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	Girls	Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McCall-Peat	—
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	Girls Singgles	Mr. R. B. Caw	Caren Findlay
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	Girls Doubles	Mr. and Mrs. C. Hatherley	
	Boys Doubles	Mr. and Mrs. N. Silver	—



Once upon a time, Oog (a primitive man) lived upon the earth. Every day was his birthday, for he had no other suit. Winds and weather smote him day after day and he yearned for some protection against the elements.



So with great reluctance he debagged his erstwhile companion. Dino (who was understandably sore about it) and sewed himself a dining outfit. So far, so good.



But the weather still presented something of a problem, so Oog retreated to a cave. Alas, the sun could not reach Oog sitting muttering "Insulation . . . insulation" . . . in a dark corner.



Whipping out his Boy Scout tinder sticks, Oog soon had a roaring fire in his cave which was very welcome, and a lot of smoke, which was not. Oog made a strategic retreat to think the matter over.



Oog thought he had his problem licked. A grass hut was a lot lighter than a cave and could be moved around with less effort.



Came winter however, and his hip-bone was frozen to his backbone. Out came his trusty tinder sticks again, but the fire soon spread to the grass hut. Oog fiddled in the distance while home burned.



"What I really need" said Oog to himself, "is a house with thick walls that won't burn, that will retain summer's warmth and let it out gradually in winter." He built a little castle with walls seven feet thick, but found the house very large and the insides very small.



A few centuries later, Oog has installed himself in a modern home. But summer comes and the house becomes hot and humid as the heat pours through the roof.



In winter, things are worse, for no matter how many heaters Oog has working, the heat escapes through the roof.



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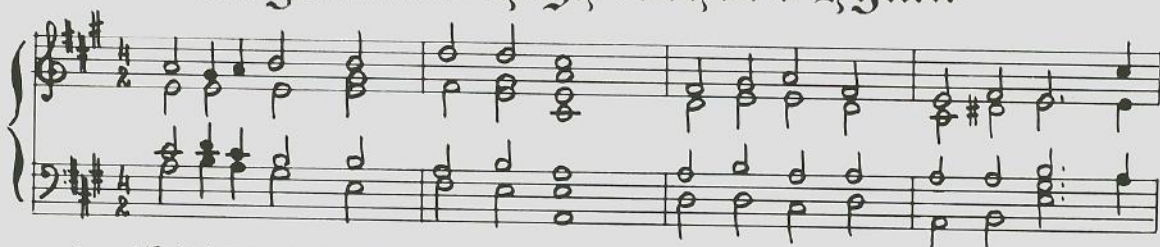
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SCHOOL CAPTAINS

The School Captains, appointed every term, have had to shoulder greater responsibilities as they progress towards seniority.

Accompanying the status of being a Captain are a number of duties and it is pleasing to note that the Captains have discharged their duties well.

In the Fourth term, for the first time, a Head Boy and Head Girl were chosen from the Captains, and this honour went to Colin Pilliner and Marion Wagner.

Captains who served for three terms this year:

Enrico Beltramo, John Hemmens, Colin Pilliner, Colin Pallas, Eugene Mendoza, Leslie Ashby, Linda Brackley, Wendy Wolter.

Captains for two terms:

Ian McKellar, Richard Tenderini, Anthony

Rayner, James Smith, Segnes Schonken, Jane Rose, Susan Catto, Robyn Cohen, Lynne Michael, Kathy Owens, Beverley Crane, Valerie Sclanders, Priscilla Hansel, Marion Wagner.

Captains appointed for one term:

David Klein, Stelios Pouyoukas, Ken Taylor, Anthony Bignaut, Ronald Weir, Andrew Blackwell, Robin Muir, Richard Hulme, Glen Bristow, Chris Nunns, Michael Brown, Edmund Prizeman, Brian Tomlinson, Geoffrey Askham, William Cronje, Penny Sergiades, Jos Kiesouw, Jane Weston, Sally Noble, Beverley Larsen, Denise Boaden, Geraldine Smith, Penny Barnes, Jennifer Malcomson, Elizabeth Roberts, Yvette Amman, Heather Webbstock, Renee Oosterberg.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

This society consists of some thirty members who meet on an average once a week. The membership fee covers sundry expenses for developing and printing. The Darkroom is busy most breaks and several afternoons a week.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY

This society was recently inaugurated and will meet to exchange stamps and serve as a forum for discussion about matters relating to this absorbing hobby.

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Below: Mr. de Villiers and pupils in the Metalwork class.



STUDENTS' FELLOWSHIP

DURING the first term of this year it was decided, at the suggestion of a number of pupils, to start a Students' Fellowship Association.

This is an Association which aims essentially at fostering an interest in religious and moral issues. Pupils of all denominations were invited to join and take an active part.

Activities so far pursued have been:

A visit to the Forest Farm (for the cerebral palsied) and the showing of a number of Fact and Faith films — including "The City of the Bees".

We have also been following the Mission '70 school's programme, which included a talk by Peter Church entitled "Bridge over Troubled Water", and a mini — light — show which suggested the Christian answer to modern man's troubled existence.

In addition, we have studied a selection of Biblical passages and discussed their relevance to ourselves.

Unfortunately the response to the Association has not been as keen as was anticipated and disappointingly few pupils have regularly attended meetings. However, it is hoped that the future will see a steady increase in the number of enthusiastic members.



AT THE "STAGEDOOR CANTEEN"

Some of the Mothers' Committee serving pupils at the "Tuckshop" behind the stage.

OUR CHOIR

THE School choir meets every Tuesday before School. The introduction of hymn books has been of great assistance. It is pleasing to note that some young boys are participating in the singing.

Beverley Crane is the competent accompanist.

THANK YOU

At the Ideal Homes Exhibition this year a number of our pupils assisted the Lions Club of Bryanston with the catering. As a token of appreciation the Lions Club donated R170 to our School for the purchase of audio-visual educational equipment.



Mr. Dick Browne is pictured handing over the cheque to Mrs. V. Chiappini (who supervised our pupils) and Mr. J. Alswang, the Headmaster.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A headmaster wound up the first teachers' meeting of the year with this advice: "Do be patient with the parents. Remember, they are each sending you their very best efforts".



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PRE-TOUR BRIEFING

July, 1970: A band of 15 happy Bryanstonians on their tour of a lifetime — a summer holiday in five countries: Greece, Italy, Germany, Holland and England.

Mrs. Tangen originated the idea to make her Latin lessons more interesting and meaningful. Mr. Pohorille felt, too, that "geography-on-the-spot" would mean more to children than mere words in a classroom.

The proposal, mentioned to our Latin and geography pupils, was received with great enthusiasm. Mr. E. Gennrich and Mr. F. Littauer, parents, offered their professional assistance, and the tour was planned.

At the airport, among parents, brothers and sisters, cousins and aunts, were twelve uncontrollably excited children: Ann Vermey, Janet Lees, Deidre Todd, Margaret Gillespie, Russell Crystal, Vaughan Smuts, Willie Pieterse, Ernest Davidson, Ricky Beltramo, Michael Green, Chris Kassianides and Richard Tenderini. With them, equally excited, were Mr. Pohorille, Mrs. Chiappini and Mr. Manolios (overjoyed that his passport had arrived just in time).

Good health was with our tourists throughout the trip, and fine weather followed them until they reached Amsterdam and London.

GREECE

At the airport in Athens a bus driver was waiting to take them to their hotel. What luxury! But of greater appeal to our greenhorns was the TV lounge. The Acropolis, the Plaka, Mussaka, Greek dancing and pavement cafés whetted their appetites for more. The visit to Greece was further highlighted by a visit to Delphi's famous oracle, and by a cruise to the offshore Island of Aegina.

ITALY

The excitement and charm of Rome, the Eternal City, enveloped all. The Colosseum, the Imperial Forum, St. Peters, Vatican City and the Pantheon are but a few of the "places to see when in Rome".

The most used word in their vocabulary was now "spaghetti"!

Naples, Herculaneum and Capri; Venice with its canals, shops and glassblowers all defy verbal description.

GERMANY

Marnau, Garmisch-Partenkirchen and the Zugspitze above the Eibsee were voted as scenically the best of the tour. The private accommodation was an added attraction. Also high on the priority list were the Passion Plays at Oberammergau, Neuschwanstein Castle, Vienna Schnitzel and the Hofbrähaus.

HOLLAND

Schipol is surely one of the most modern airports in the world. The stay in Holland was short but exciting, as the language was a little easier to understand. Our "children", of course, made a beeline for the TV set whenever we stopped.

They visited the Rijks Museum, Vollandam and Marken, smelling the herrings on the way.

ENGLAND

Does the sun ever shine in London? Truly, such a metropolis requires more than the three days they had left.

Of constant amusement was the reaction of passers-by to twelve children of similar age, two young men and a woman, none of whom had yet reached middle age, as they strolled along the street.



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DRAMATIC SOCIETY

THE activities of the Dramatic Society started off slowly this year and as a result not much was achieved before we started the auditions for this year's production, "The Queen's Comedy" by James Bridie. This more sophisticated comedy was accepted with mixed feelings by the members, some of whom were put off by the fact that the action takes place during the Trojan War. However, once serious rehearsals started, much enthusiasm was shown, especially by the Form III's.

On behalf of the Dramatic Society we wish to thank Mrs. Hilda Hedges who generously

gave up so much of her time to help with our production, and thanks also to Miss R. de Villiers. We also thank the backstage workers for their willingness and co-operation.

We thank the cast for their co-operation and enthusiasm and last, but not least, Miss Tatz for her dedication and perseverance.

Next year we would like to see many more boys joining the society, as at present they are greatly outnumbered by the girls and we shall need them to fill male roles in future productions.



The cast and backstage helpers of "The Queen's Comedy" with producers, Miss P. Tatz and Mrs. H. Hedges.

DEBATING SOCIETY

ALTHOUGH it was a quiet year for the Debating Society as far as outside competition was concerned, internally it was a busy and profitable season. Next year, when we move on to Form Four, we should be less over-awed by the physical prowess of other schools. Moreover, much promising talent has come to light and there should be keen competition in filling the places in the school team.

The second term had hardly begun when preliminary notice of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Debating Competition arrived. It was decided to hold an inter-class competition among the Form III's to search for new speakers and to give practice to old ones. This proved an exciting and worthwhile venture. Most classes prepared their topics very well and there were never more than a few points in the difference when the points came to be totalled. Eventually, Form 3C — Beverley

Harding and Michael Eltringham — much to the surprise of many, won the title after an exciting final debate against 3B — Priscilla Hansel and Wendy Wolter. Stephanie Britz, William Cronje, and Corrie Louw were less well-known speakers to shine in this competition.

On the 18th May, Wendy Wolter and Beverley Harding represented the school in the first round of the Inter-High Debating Competition. Our opponents were Hyde Park and the Chinese High School. Hyde Park were rather too mature for us and neither Wendy nor Beverley was able to withstand their withering sarcasm. At their best, they could have done better but we did at least come second. I hope that next year our speakers will acquit themselves better especially in Afrikaans.

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In the third term, the inter-House competition took place. For the first time, there was a beautiful trophy for this competition presented by the McCardle family. This proved an excellent competition and provided the best debating of the year. In the final, Neptune and Apollo debated the topic: Religion is

dead in 1970. In spite of a gallant fight by Priscilla Hansel's team, Neptune — Wendy Wolter, Stephanie Britz, Michael Eltringham, and Chris Nunns — won the day.

The only disappointing feature of the year was that no talent was unearthed in Form II.

THE PUPILS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

This council has now completed its second year of existence. It holds no competitions, wins no trophies, earns no kudos for any one individual. What it achieves in esprit de corps between pupil and staff is reward enough.

The body is made up of a Representative from each class with the Dean of the girls, Mrs. Tangen, and of the boys, Mr. Lichtigfeld, representing the staff. It has served as an excellent forum, where matters touching on school policy, varying from "Why can't the boys wear long hair?" through "Buzz-bikes

would ease the transport problem" to opinions on uniforms, are aired.

It is an apt vehicle for the interchange of opinions and attitudes between pupils and staff.

This council has been an experiment which appears to have justified itself. It is still in its infancy but, with gentle nurture, should do much in laying the foundation of tradition, while incidentally serving as an introduction to procedure at meetings and public address.

FILMSOC.

FILMSOC has had a successful year. Our membership has risen from 60 to 75, many of whom have been regular patrons at our Wednesday matinees.

Among the 30 odd films screened this year we recall: "Spirit of St. Louis"; "North from Zanzibar"; "Summer Holiday"; "The Man in the Iron Mask"; "Where no Vultures Fly"; "The Mouse that Roared"; "Rivers of Fire and Ice", and "The Cruel Sea".

The two films chosen for our fund raising evening performance during the year were "Northern Safari" and "Reach for the Sky". We were happy in the latter to have assisted Mrs. Deacon in raising funds for her Girls' Hockey Tour.

The small profits realised at our weekly showings have now almost reached the R100 mark. Filmsoc is at present contemplating buying two speakers for the School Hall, or perhaps we'll choose an amplifier instead.



Back row: D. Sacher, C. Kassianides, A. Short, J. Smith, D. Klein.
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Our library is growing in a number of ways. We are particularly pleased with the increased turn-over as the number of books borrowed each week is double what it was last year. Perhaps our pupils are progressing towards an appreciation of Richard de Bury's words: "Books are the masters who instruct us without rods and ferrules, without hard words and anger. If you approach them, they are not asleep; if investigating, you interrogate them, they conceal nothing; if you mistake them, they never grumble; if you are ignorant, they cannot laugh at you. The library, therefore, of wisdom is more precious than all riches and nothing that can be wished for is worthy to be compared with it".

We have added another 400 books to our shelves with 200 more awaiting approval. Apart from a variety of novels and reference works we have recently acquired an excellent selection of books relevant to South Africa, which includes such interesting volumes as: The Gold Mines — A. P. Cartwright; Tribal Peoples

of South Africa — B. Tyrrell; Johannesburg — A. A. Telford; Light Horse Cavalcade — H. Klein; Birds of Southern Africa — S. Calburn; An Introduction to South African Orchids — E. A. Schelpe.

Our Parents' Association continues to supplement the Education Department's funds for our library and their major purchase this year has been a movable stand with a set of seven large, relief maps which are constantly in use. They have also bought a magnificent set of World History colour transparencies for the overhead projector. Our grateful thanks to all the parents whose contributions have made this possible.

We also thank the Librarians Geraldine Price, Andrew Short, Christine Wadman, Susan Rendall, Russell Crystal, Nigel Davies and Clive Natrass for their constant and cheerful help, and Ernest Davidson and Gregory Upton for continuing their duties as newspaper monitors.



Mrs. I. L. Inman-Bamber, our Teacher-Librarian, and her Library Monitors: A. Short, C. Wadman, N. Davies, S. Rendall, R. Crystal, G. Price, C. Natrass.

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OUR once flourishing Club suffered a sad set-back this year. With the completion of our new playing fields, Rugby and Athletics held out a beckoning finger and the temptation proved too great for a number of our former enthusiasts. The fact that we received our league fixtures from the Central Committee so late in the year did nothing to help us in this contest between brain and brawn.

However, those who resisted the call of other pleasures spent many pleasant afternoons over the chess boards.

The lovely trophy — a big white knight — so kindly presented by Mr. Bill Dowding, was carried off in triumph by Apollo at the conclusion of the Inter-House competitions. Well done Apollo!

Northcliff High challenged — and beat us — but honour was redeemed in a return match when we got our revenge, 28-18.

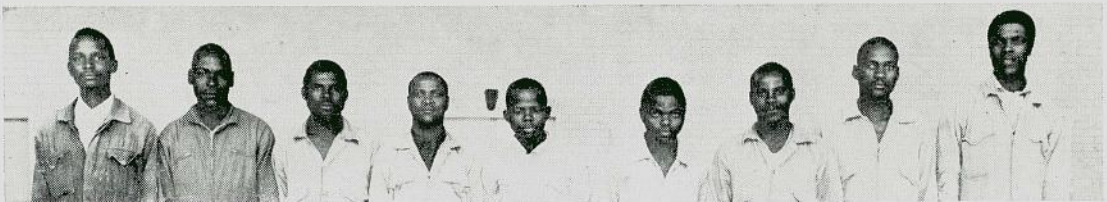
A thorough beating by de la Salle has done much to reduce the size we take in hats — and to put us on our mettle. We are deter-

mined to show them, in a return match, that they can't "do that there here!"

The last few weeks of the year will decide who is to be the fortunate winner of Mr. Selwyn Crystal's generous presentation of "The Thinker" to the Chess Club. This trophy is open only to recognised members of the Chess Club and will be awarded on individual merit.

To judge from the recent return of former members to the Club and the joining up of new members, it would seem that we need not give up hope for the future of our Club. It is a healthy sign that other sweets have been tasted but ours have proved the sweeter!

Once again we have to thank Stelios Pouyoukas for captaining our teams and Anton Hunink for valuable help in organisation. Thanks too to the loyal core of members without whom the Club would have laid down and died. Let us not forget to be grateful, too, to kind mothers who, when called on, gave assistance with transport and refreshments.



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House Captains: Douglas Usher, Beverly Jones.

House Colour: Yellow.

Although Apollo has not had all the victories we expected this year, we have had

well-deserved success in many of the school's activities and we are all delighted with the marked increase in house-spirit.

Inter-house Competitions.

Our chess team, G. Kiggan, N. Kiggan and D. Sacher, are to be particularly congratulated for gaining first place this year.

Apollo gained second place in the Cricket (under E. Davidson as captain) and another second place in the Cross Country, thanks to a few really good runners and the sheer weight of numbers of "good sports" who all gained points for our house. Congratulations, all of you runners, on the excellent turnout.

P. Hansel, C. Owens, S. Monat and B. Mortimer did very well as the Apollo Debating team and came a close second to Neptune.

G. Baartman (captain) took our team to second place in the inter-house rugby, and six Apollo boys were chosen for the tour to Bloemfontein — all of which shows an enthusiastic rugby following in the house.

A stop press report as this goes to the publishers — Apollo has won the inter-house Tennis. Hoorah!

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hard work. Come on, Apollo, let's brighten those results next year!

We would all like to congratulate our fellow house members who served the school in the following activities:

Twelve boys and girls represented the school in Athletics against The Hill High School:

M. Pimblett, G. Baartman, T. Nieuwveld, G. Kiggan, A. Maddock, M. Siebrits, B. Jones, V. Sclanders, J. Kiesouw, I. Johnson, M. Jamieson, M. Randal-Smith.

Several took part in the Southern Transvaal Schools Gymnastic Competition, and Mark Ward, Reon Marais and Beverley Austin were chosen to compete in the National Cham-

pionships. Congratulations to Beverley Austin, who gained third place in vaulting.

Four Apollo girls went on a Hockey tour to Cape Town (with Mrs. Deacon). We are very proud of our house captain Beverly Jones for being chosen to take part in the Southern Transvaal Hockey trials.

And what of those who distinguished themselves outside school?

Nicole Verch gained numerous awards in Ballet, Annette Kampinga was chosen for the Southern Transvaal Women's Cricket "B" team, and in horse riding Joy Davidson and John Eschenburg had outstanding success.

Apollo is named after the Sun-god: we in this House must endeavour to let our light shine more brightly.



JUPITER

House Master: R. L. Pohorille.

House Teachers: G. Manolios, Mrs. V. Andrews, Mrs. P. Deacon, Miss G. Musgrove, Miss P. Tatz, Mrs. M. Theron.

House Captains: Jane Sergiades and John Hemmens.

Vice-Captains: Susan Catto and Colin Pilliner.

House Colour: Red.

Chess. Jupiter lost the inter-house tournament. Nonetheless, our team under Nigel Forbes did not disgrace the House.

Cricket. Jupiter did not win the knock-out tournament.

Cross-country. Our boys came second and our girls came second: overall position was third.

Debate. Susan Catto, Lynne Michael, Andrew Short and Colin van Til ably repre-

sented Jupiter in the inter-house competition.

Hockey. Jupiter came third in the inter-house tournament.

Rugby. Jupiter lost in the first round of the knock-out tournament.

Netball. Congratulations to our girls who, under Susan Catto, won the inter-house competition.

Swimming. Jupiter came second. Our swimmers did very well indeed.

Tennis. Our team consisted of three couples: John Liackman and Maureen Paine, Kenneth Irving and Mary-Anne Roux, and Alan Windram and Gail Fauché.

These three couples played extremely well against superior opposition, and gained third place.

In conclusion, we'd like to mention a few individual members of Jupiter House.

Susan Catto and Brian Tomlinson were elected as members of the Johannesburg Junior Council.

Susan Hogg won the "Rand Daily Mail" under 14 Big Walk.

Brian Tomlinson excelled himself in two further ways: He participated in the Indoor Horse Jumping Show recently held at Milner Park; secondly, he made his mark as Jupiter (aptly!) on the stage in our recent school production.

Here, too, we offer congratulations to Miss Pam Tatz, producer of "The Queen's Comedy".

Jupiter congratulates Kevin Page, member of the Witwatersrand Ambulance Cadet Team, which won the individual trophies in the Inter-District First-Aid Competition held in Cape Town in July.



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House Captains: Eugene Mendoza, Marion Wagner, Enrico Beltramo, Robyn Cohen.

House Colour: Green.

Mercury has really shown its capabilities during 1970. We attribute much of our success to the improved house-spirit which was partly due to the addition of another form, and valuable leadership by some of our Form III's.

Sports and Activities.

Chess: an honourable third place.

Cricket: a very fine first place, with Enrico Beltramo 72 runs, Bruce Vermeulen 54 runs, and Eugene Mendoza 4 wickets in the final game.

Cross Country:

Girls (open): Vicki Woods (13 min. 33.1 sec.) first, Denise Wimbury, fourth.

Girls (Under 15): Margaret Shipman (12 min. 12.2 sec.) first, Marion Wagner, second, Theresa Grobbelaar, third, Marjorie Holder, fourth.

Girls (Under 14): Ingrid Hoffmann (11 min. 8 sec.) first, Valerie Perkins, fourth.

Grand total 1,062.

Boys (open): Enrico Beltramo, third.

Boys (Under 15): Graeme Elliott, fourth.

Boys (Under 14): Johan van Tonder (9

min. 5 sec.) first, Gary Heueur, third.

Grand total 937.

Really nice going, Mercury!

Hockey: Mercury girls a memorable **first!**

Rugby: Mercury a very tough **first!**

Netball: Mercury girls a very good **second!**

Swimming: Mercury, do we remember a splashing **first!**

We are also proud to report on members who distinguished themselves in activities outside House and School:

Gymnastics:

Eugene Mendoza: Southern Transvaal meeting, second place; National Championships, 7th place; silver medal for apparatus work.

Glen Shelton: Southern Transvaal fourth grade, fourth place; first place pommel horse; third place free standing; Southern Transvaal (Welkom) team, fifth position free standing, 25th overall.

Monique Warns: Southern Transvaal comp., second place; Nationals fifth place (second grade).

Horse riding: Marion Wehrt; 5th place Dressage at Rand Easter Show.

Boxing: Johan van Tonder fought well to reach finals S.Tvl. Schools Boxing Championships. Narrowly beaten in final.

Thank you very much, Mercury. Very well done. We would also like to thank house teachers, captains and parents who have made a contribution towards a very successful year.



NEPTUNE

House Master: Mr. M. C. Cox.

House Teachers: Mrs. V. Chiappini, Mrs. F. A. S. Douglas, Mrs. H. Duigan, Mrs. P. A. Grobler, Mrs. M. C. Leigh, Mrs. W. Steenkamp, Mrs. M. U. Tangen.

House Captains: Chris Nunns, Wendy Wolter.
House Vice-Captains: Roy Spurdle, Lynn Lawrie.

House Colour: Blue.

It was hardly a very successful year for Neptune. We promised to do well in various activities but invariably failed, except in the Debating Competition where numbers were of no importance. Our pathetic performance in the Inter-House Cross-Country Competition taught us that there is little use in appealing merely to House spirit without at the same time insisting on compulsory attendance. This is a pity.

The first Inter-House Competition of the year was the swimming gala. We had four practices for this event but never once had a full team. In spite of this we would have won the gala, except that in almost the final event of the afternoon, one of our swimmers who had won his race was disqualified for leaving the bath early. Among those to do well were Janet Porter, Susan Georgeson, Beverley Forster and Gerald Zadikoff.

In the cricket competition we were soundly beaten by Mercury in the first round.

Our rugby team should have been very strong, containing as it did so many who played for school teams, but wrong tactics proved our undoing against Apollo, who won 9-6.

In the third term, our chess team, led by Hans Hunink, did very well and was only

beaten very narrowly by Apollo.

The cross-country was disastrous for Neptune, as already mentioned. Too few people turned up, even on the day of the race, and it was humiliating to hear the headmaster read out the final points of the houses.

Our debating team — Wendy Wolter, Chris Nunns, Stephanie Britz and Michael Eltringham — showing a will to win sadly lacking in our other teams, scored our only success in inter-house competition. In the final they defeated Jupiter after a very exciting debate.

The girls' hockey team did very well, too. Wendy Wolter ensured that we always had a full team and we ended up only one point behind the log leaders. Odette Jacquet reached the semi-finals of the Southern Transvaal hockey trials and she, Lynn Lawrie and Wendy Wolter went on tour with the school team.

INTER HOUSE RESULTS

	Apollo points	Jupiter points	Mercury points	Neptune points
Chess	4	1	2	3
Cricket	3	1	4	2
Cross Country	3	2	4	1
Debating	3	1½	1½	4
Gymnastics	3	2	4	1
Hockey	1	2	4	3
Rugby	3	1	4	2
Netball	1	4	3	2
Swimming	1	3	4	2
Tennis	4	2	1	3
TOTAL	26	19½	31½	23

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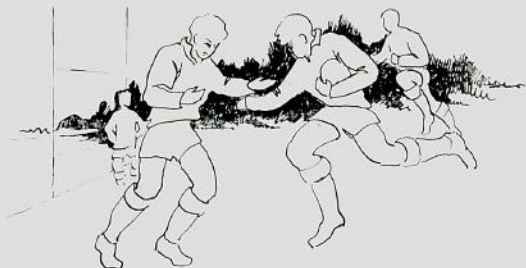


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RUGBY

THE good work done during the 1969 season bore fruit this year as the various teams produced some excellent results, while at the same time providing some really entertaining rugby.

Although in many of their matches the U. 15 boys were completely outplayed, the manner in which they accepted their defeat (in some cases a very heavy defeat) brought great credit to the School and can only ensure that victory, when it is gained, will taste so much sweeter.

For the first time an open team was formed and this will provide the nucleus of future teams in the higher age groups.

The U. 14 team showed that they had benefited from their "baptism of fire" of last season, by winning a number of their fixtures, the handsomest and by far the most praiseworthy win being in their match against St. Andrews, Bloemfontein. Against all expectations our team beat their counterparts in Bloemfontein by 8 points to 6 in a tense, thrilling game, which could have gone either way were it not for the quality of anticipation revealed by Gary Heuer who intercepted passes and scored both tries, the latter being converted by Johan van Tonder.

The U. 13 team also had a successful season and although they began the season with little knowledge of rugby they soon developed into a cohesive unit.

Finally, a special mention of the splendid team spirit that prevails in the rugby section. This has played an important part in the successes gained by our teams and if they continue to play rugby in this spirit, they cannot but bring credit to Bryanston High School.

Practices were attended regularly during the second term, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Lots of practice is still required in future seasons but the enthusiasm amongst the pupils is there, and we are not dismayed by our adversity, often brought on ourselves by seeking strong opposition.

Our rugby report would not be complete without thanking the teachers who coached:— Mr. Leigh, Mr. Manolios, Mr. de Villiers and Mr. Lichtigfeld. Their interest is warmly appreciated.

RESULTS

Under 13 A:

vs Greenside	.....	won	6-3
vs Northcliff	.....	won	22-0
vs De la Salle	.....	lost	0-3
vs Northview	.....	lost	3-6
vs King David	.....	won	6-3
vs. St. Stithians	.....	lost	3-6

Under 13 B:

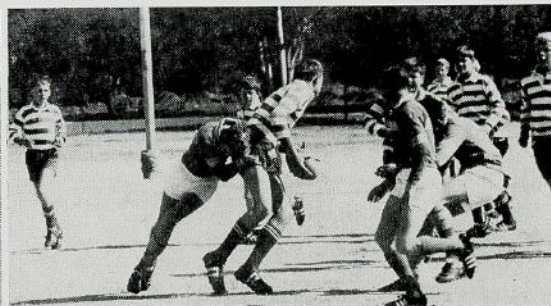
vs Northcliff	.....	drew	0-0
vs Northview	.....	lost	0-3
vs King David	.....	won	12-3

Under 14 A:

vs Greenside	.....	won	9-3
vs Northcliff	.....	lost	3-5
vs De la Salle	.....	lost	3-6
vs Northview	.....	drew	8-8
vs King David	.....	won	9-3
vs St. Stithians	lost	5-8
vs St. Andrews (Blmft.)	won	8-6

Under 14 B:

vs Northcliff	lost	0-9
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BRYANSTON vs. ST. ANDREWS, BLOEMFONTEIN



RUGBY — OPEN

Back row: J. Couto, G. Bristow, E. Beltramo (Capt.), G. Joseph, C. Pilliner, J. Hemmens, R. Maarschalkeweerd, T. Nieuwveld, M. Gird, T. Dowding, A. Hunnink, J. McCall-Peat.

Front row: R. Tenderini, R. Weir, A. Makin, Mr. D. Lichtigfeld, R. Spurdle, P. Panaretos, C. Wheelwright.



RUGBY — UNDER 15

Back row: R. Muir, J. Anderson, A. Rayner, J. Liackman, I. McKellar, J. Sheard, S. Schonken, L. McCall, H. von Moltke, M. Lupini.

Middle row: G. Elliott, J. Smith, D. Vally, Mr. D. Lichtigfeld, M. Brown, M. Pimblett, D. Hunter.

Front row: C. Pallas, G. Baartman (Captain), G. Kiggan.



RUGBY — UNDER 14 A

Back row: D. van Rensburg, D. Bristow, M. Green, D. Transell, T. Dunkley, P. Cloete, A. Maddock, E. Setterberg, N. Hulme, G. Heuer, T. Oosterbroek.

Front row: K. Bigham, B. Woods, M. Siebrits (Captain), Mr. G. Manolios, G. Marshbank, P. Tout, J. van Tonder.



RUGBY — UNDER 14 B

Back row: C. Damstra, G. Hoffman, R. Nancarrow, J. Oettle, R. Morgan, G. Fisher, T. Hine, P. Mens.
 Front row: G. Kearney, G. Patterson, A. Dobeson (Captain), Mr. G. Kapp, B. Vermeulen, M. Nyenes, F. Hirst.



RUGBY — UNDER 13 A

Back row: M. Evans, R. Nalland, S. Sheppard, I. Hoffman, A. Catto, G. McKenna, M. Flemming, M. Boekhout, J. Pratt, D. Barnard, S. Andreasen.
 Front row: M. Bouden, B. Jennings, D. Brown (Captain), Mr. P. de Villiers, C. Dobeson, A. McConnochie, G. Zadikoff.



RUGBY — UNDER 13 B

Back row: T. Gilpin, M. Welsh, P. Lombard, D. Mills, A. Markwell, R. Schonken, M. Smorthit, L. Riemer, J. Komen, N. Smythe.
 Middle row: J. Marshall, I. Pearce, A. Walker, I. van Kraayenburg, Mr. P. de Villiers, D. Bradley, R. Baker, M. Todd.
 Front row: M. Ashby, A. Spurdle, S. Ellis, B. Fordyce, D. Ernstzen.

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Under 15 and Open:

	Under 15	Open
vs Greenside	—	lost
vs Northview	—	lost
vs King David	lost	lost
vs Sandringham	—	lost
vs St. Stithians	lost	won
vs De la Salle	—	lost



HOCKEY

WHAT a very successful hockey season 1970 turned out to be, culminating with promotion to the B Section. As the School has played hockey for only three years, this is a fine achievement.

At the start of the season we were fortunate to acquire some very promising players. These players plus the old stalwarts moulded very successfully into two extremely happy teams.

Early in May a tournament for First teams was held at Wanderers. As one school was unable to play, our 2nd team filled in. At the end of a hectic morning our first team was placed 3rd and our 2nd team 4th. Till the very last game of the morning, our 1st team was in the running for the top position, making the hockey very exciting. From this tournament Beverley Jones was chosen for the A side; Marion Wagner for the B side and Linda Brackley, Odette Jaquet and Christine Hansen were named as reserves. Our congratulations go to all of them.

The season progressed with the second team not losing a single match and the first team only going down to Edenvale High. This put Bryanston in the top position and they had to play Sir John Adamson in a play-off. The seconds drew but the firsts lost. Nevertheless they had a second chance for promotion and so now proudly enter the B section with plenty of hard hockey ahead of them.

To single out players who have played well would be extremely difficult. All have improved and played consistently well. At all

times the keenness and good spirit in which they played has been a revelation.

Our thanks go to Mrs. Deacon, Mrs. Shelton, Miss Wanrooi and Miss Musgrove and to all other staff, parents and friends who helped with coaching and transporting of the various groups.

Results	1st Team	2nd Team
vs. Sandringham	Won 2—0	Won 3—0
vs. Brescia House	Won 2—0	Won 4—0
vs. King David	Won 4—0	Won 6—1
vs. Edenvale	Lost 0—5	Won 1—0
vs. Parktown Conv.	Won 4—0	Won 4—0
vs. Greenside	Won 2—1	Won 3—1

HOCKEY TOUR

AN inspiration acquired in Cape Town resulted in this exciting venture! When the idea was presented to the girls, the enthusiasm was tremendous. Only one team was intended but the 2nds disappointment was too much to bear, so letters flew between Cape Town and Bryanston and the result was that Mrs. Deacon, 23 girls and the mascot, Didimus, set off on Saturday, 19th September to do their best on and off the field in the Cape.

Before this date, fund-raising took up plenty of time and effort, and pupils with knitting could be seen in the playground. These were the smart scarves worn as part of our touring 'uniform'.

The train trip was new to many girls but all took to it like ducks to water. A slightly quietened group arrived in Cape Town as all were to stay in private homes in Pinelands and they weren't sure what to expect. The group was taken in a bus to Pinelands and there met their hostesses and were taken "home". On Monday morning, a latish short practice on thick, damp grass was held. All felt a bit depressed as they found Cape fields unbelievably difficult to play on, but set off happily afterwards to visit the Castle.

After a lunch the girls returned to Pinelands for their first battle. Although the field was a handicap, the girls acquitted themselves well and the 2nd side held Pinelands to a draw while the First lost by a narrow margin.

On Tuesday morning our group did some paddling in the cold water at Sea Point. After a lunch the girls were determined to show that they could beat Westerford, the co-ed league leaders. In a remarkable game the 1st



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team held them to a goalless draw. The defence was fantastic and staved off many determined attacks. Lynette Crane in the goal deserves special recommendation. She seemed to be everywhere and must have saved nearly a hundred shots. The Second side lost 1-0 to Westerford's second.

Wednesday morning was a free morning in town with some girls shopping, others going to the Docks or the Gardens. After lunch they played San Souci Girls' High at Newlands. After the previous day's excitement this was an anti-climax. The Second team held them to a draw but the First team went down.

On Thursday it was hoped to go up Table Mountain but unfortunately it was covered by the Table Cloth, so instead the girls took a bus to Kirstenbosch to see the beautiful Cape flowers. In the last match against Groote Schuur the grass, uncut for a month, hid the ball from view. On top of this it started

raining and this gave the girls their first experience of trying to cope with the Cape weather. They couldn't get going at all. The opponents plus elements caused Bryanston a narrow defeat.

Although Friday was showery the group set off for a day at Fish Hoek. A few girls even braved the sea. Many girls attended a discotheque held in Pinelands that evening. On Saturday they went out with their hostesses but all met in the evening at a party arranged for them by one of the hostesses. This turned out to be great fun and all "enjoyed" themselves!

Sunday arrived and our tourists were once again on the train, back to dry, dusty Johannesburg, after the beauty of the Cape!

The tour did much to weld the girls not only into good teams but into steady friendships. Everyone got on with everyone else and many came out of their shells.



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OUR HOCKEY TOURISTS



HOCKEY — FIRST TEAM

Back row: C. Hansen, I. Hoffman, R. Oosterberg, M. Wagner, B. Jones, L. Brackley, O. Jacquet.
Front row: B. Crane, M. Holder (Captain), Mrs. P. Deacon, L. Crane, S. Bradley.

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HOCKEY — SECOND TEAM

Back row: L. la Reservee, M. Seddon, J. Weston, C. Davies, B. Nelson, D. Hudspeth, B. Austen.
 Front row: A. la Reservee, V. Sclanders (Captain), Mrs. P. Deacon, W. Wolter, A. Fitzhenry.



TENNIS

BOYS

IT has been a pleasure watching how each player has progressed.

We entered two teams of six, in Sections 5 and 6 respectively. The results as seen against the other schools were as follows:

SECTION FIVE — our "A" Team		
1st	King David	— 8 points
2nd	Hyde Park	— 7 points
3rd	Bryanston	— 5 points
	St. Stithians	
	Linden	
6th	Sandringham	— 3 points
7th	Jepp	— 1 point

SECTION Six — our "B" Team		
1st	St. Johns and Hill	— 10 points

3rd	Bryanston	— 8 points
4th	Marist Bros.	— 6 points
	St. Benedict	
6th	Sir John Adam	— 2 points
7th	Forest	— 0 points

"Thank you" to the two team Captains, Ricky Beltramo and Ian Georgeson, for your able assistance at each match.

Bryanston High School can be proud of its high standard of tennis, both boys and girls. The results are most praiseworthy as our pupils had to play against opponents in Matric.

"Thank you" also to the mothers who provided transport and who showed an interest.

GIRLS

OUR six Tennis courts have been put to good use this year and the enthusiasm of our players and staff has seen the Girls "A" team winning all their league matches, losing only 58 out of the 486 games played. The Girls "B" team won 5 out of their 6 matches and the Girls "C" team, which was able to play in the league as Forest withdrew, won 3 out of the 4 matches they played.

Recently we acquired a tennis shelter — this will prove most useful during our waits in the hot summer sun. A tennis machine has also been acquired. The tennis players themselves raised the money for the machine.

TOURNAMENTS

The 4th Term has been an exciting one competitively. Besides house matches 3 tournaments were held, which a total of nearly 100 players entered.

Girls Singles: Competition was tough



TENNIS — BOYS — FIRST TEAM

Back row: S. Gray, C. Kassianides, E. Prizeman, B. Vermeulen.
 Front row: G. Derry, E. Beltramo, (Captain), Mr. R. Pohorille, J. Liackman.



TENNIS — BOYS — SECOND TEAM

Back row: G. Williams, D. van Rensburg, K. Irving, S. Gennrich, A. Windram, F. Hirst.
 Front row: R. Muir, I. Georgeson (Captain), Mr. R. Pohorille, M. Fleming.



TENNIS — GIRLS — FIRST TEAM

Back row: C. Findlay, K. Woest, F. Woest.
 Front row: C. Wells, M. Roux (Captain), Miss G. Musgrove, M. Paine.



TENNIS — GIRLS — SECOND TEAM

Back row: B. Austen, S. Catto, B. Nelson, D. Hudspeth.
 Front row: C. Hopkins, Miss G. Musgrove, B. Crane (Captain), C. Hatherley.



TENNIS — GIRLS — THIRD TEAM

Back row: J. Reid, D. Harten, L. Brackley, L. Mackin.
 Front row: L. Woest, Miss G. Musgrove, C. Fauché (Captain), M. Wagner.

throughout. Caren Findlay and Maureen Paine met in the finals. Congratulations to Caren Findlay for winning after a very exciting match.

Boys Singles: Gabor Dery and Bruce Vermeulen met in the finals. Congratulations to Bruce Vermeulen for winning very narrowly a hard-fought match.

Mixed Doubles: Sixteen couples entered. Spectators enjoyed some excellent matches and were in for many surprises.

Caren Findlay and Ricky Beltramo met Maureen Paine and Bruce Vermeulen in the finals. What an exciting match! The title was narrowly won by Caren and Ricky.

Congratulations not only to the winners of our trophies, but also to all entrants. Your tennis has certainly benefited! Thanks to all interested parents for your regular support and a gastronomical thanks to Marion Wagner and her team of caterers!

GYMNASTICS



CONGRATULATIONS must go to the gymnasts on their very successful results in the Southern Transvaal School Gymnastic competition.

Although most of the boys gained a place on one or other of the individual apparatus, special mention must be made of the following:

Martin Cowper, who gained six 1st places on the six apparatus; Reon Marais, who gained five 2nd places on the individual apparatus, and Philip Knutson, who gained four 1st places on the individual apparatus.

The overall placings were:

2nd Grade Competition: Martin Cowper 1st; Reon Marais 2nd.

3rd Grade Competition: Philip Knutson 1st; Mark Ward 2nd.

4th Grade Competition: Eugene Mendoza 2nd.

The "Boys Team Cup" for the highest total marks was won by Bryanston High School.

In the girls competition, Margaret Spicer gained 3rd place in the beam exercise and

Beverly Austin gained 3rd place in the floor exercise and vaulting and was placed 3rd in the overall 2nd Grade Competition.

The following of our pupils were selected to represent Southern Transvaal in the S.A. Schools National Gymnastic Championships:

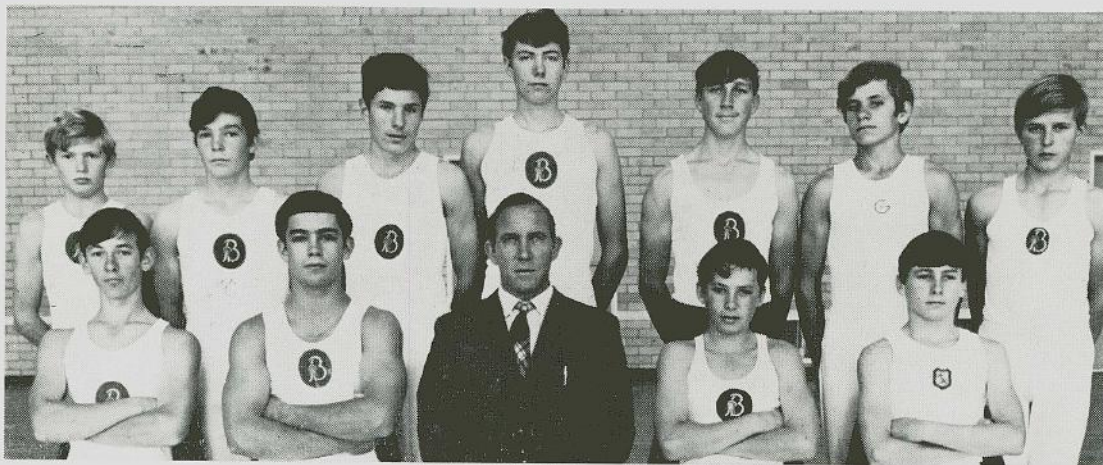
Boys

Martin Cowper
Reon Marais
Philip Knutson
Robin Wood
Don Hunter
Eugene Mendoza
Glen Shelton
Mark Ward

Girls

Beverly Austin
Wendy Wolters
Ingrid Regenass
Odette Jaquet
Monique Warns

To those competing in the National Championships we say "Good Luck" and may they be favourably rewarded for their year of hard training.



GYMNASTICS — BOYS

Back row: A. Taylor, J. Chancellor-Maddison, D. Hunter, P. Knutson, R. Garnett, R. Wood, M. Ward.
Front row: G. Shelton, E. Mendoza, Mr. J. N. Wells, R. Marais, M. Cowper.



GYMNASTICS — GIRLS

Front row: I. Hoffmann, M. Jamieson, V. Harth, S. Kuhner, A. Utting, M. Spicer, D. Clynick
Front row: G. Asch, C. Hatherley, B. Austen, Mrs. P. Deacon, P. Tonathy, C. Butler.



CRICKET

CRICKET took second place to swimming in the first term of 1970 and it was only after the gala that any matches took place. We were handicapped by the fact that the nets had not yet been completed and also by the shortage of pitches, our only pitch being the matting on the hockey field, which doesn't offer a difficult enough test for the better cricketers, the ball coming off at easy heights all the time. The nets are now almost completed and, given a satisfactory rainy season, we should have the use of a turf wicket next year, just in time for the first senior side which, we hope, will be playing the 2nd XI's of longer established schools.

Apollo won the inter-house competition on a replay, when there was some contention as to the scores of their first game. Jupiter declared at 118 for 8 but Apollo knocked off these runs with a few wickets to spare.

In an under-15 game, the school side drew

with de la Salle in a high-scoring match, which bore out the contention about the hockey pitch in the opening paragraph. Bryanston scored 139 for 3 dec., of which Warns scored 50, Vermeulen 44 not out, and Mendoza 23 not out. De la Salle, in reply, scored 115 for 3 before stumps were drawn.

The under-15's beat the under-14's comprehensively in an end of term challenge and the Staff was saved from ignominious defeat at the hands of the boys by a swashbuckling innings from Mr. Kapp and some fine bowling by Mr. Leigh.

The fourth term, just beginning, offers a very full fixture list to our cricketers. In the opening match, our under-13 side beat their opposites from newly established Sandown by 99 runs. Scores: Bryanston 153 — McKenna 66 not out, Bradley 30; Sandown 54.

We hope the remainder of the season will be equally successful.

LATE RESULTS

Bryanston u/13, 61; de la Salle 62 for 5. Lost by 5 wkts.

Bryanston u/13, 97 for 9; Parktown u/13 B, 25 for 3. Drawn.

Bryanston u/14, 95; Parktown u/14 B, 56 for 9. Drawn.

de la Salle u/14, 137 for 7; Bryanston 64. Lost. Northcliff u/14, 96; Bryanston 123 for 3. Won. Bryanston u/15, 85; Parktown B, 92 for 3. Lost. de la Salle 247 for 2 dec.; Bryanston 112 for 2. Drawn.

Parktown B 116; Bryanston 117 for 3. Won.



CRICKET — UNDER 13

Back row: A. McConnochie, D. Riemer, A. Catto, M. Flemming, G. McKenna, S. Shepherd, D. Brown.
Front row: M. Ashby, D. Bradley (Captain), Mr. G. Manolios, S. Andreasen, K. Davidson.



CRICKET — UNDER 14

Back row: G. Williams, K. Irvine, B. Fitzgibbon, E. Setterberg, J. Lambson, I. Caw, M. Rossiter, F. Hirst.
 Front row: D. van Rensburg, H. Young (Captain), Mr. D. Lichtigfeld, K. Brian, A. Macauley.



CRICKET — UNDER 15

Back row: E. Davidson, I. Lewis, R. Todd, R. Beltramo, G. Dery, M. Tessendorf, D. Fletcher, B. Vermeulen.
 Front row: B. du Toit, R. Warns, Mr. M. Cox, J. McCall-Peat, L. van Kraayenberg.

ATHLETICS



Our first ever athletics season got off to a late start as the newly planted track was not ready. Practices were held on the outskirts of the Rugby field on Tuesdays and Thursdays and on the last week of the third term a triangular meeting was arranged with the Hill High and Sandringham High schools. Both these schools have established athletics teams so it was not surprising that we were beaten. In several events our pupils were running in a higher age group due to lack of Under 16 athletes. Individual performances by several Bryanston High athletes augurs well for future seasons.



ATHLETICS — GIRLS

Back row: G. Sherritt, T. Grobbelaar, T. Randall-Smith, S. Noble, M. Holder, J. Kiesouw, L. Brackley, B. Jones (vice-captain).
 Middle row: B. Rayner, V. Perkins, M. Wagner (captain), G. Dustan, M. Jamieson, I. Hoffmann, J. Barratt.
 Front row: J. Marshbank, A. Fitzhenry, L. Ellis, Mr. D. Lichtigfeld, V. Sclanders, I. Johnson, J. Marshbank.



ATHLETICS — BOYS

Back row: D. Barnard, L. McCall, R. Todd, C. Pilliner, I. McKellar, M. Siebrits, F. Cloete, J. Sheard, L. Meier, J. Hemmens (Captain), E. Beltramo, F. Robertson, R. Wood.
 Middle row: J. van Tonder, G. Askham, C. Pallas, D. Transall, M. Pimblett, A. Rayner, A. Maddock, E. Setterberg, G. Elliott, G. Heuer, C. Damstra.
 Front row: R. Field, M. Setterberg, G. Wheelwright, R. Tenderini, Mr. D. Lichtigfeld, P. Mens, S. Wilkinson, C. Dobeson, G. van Schoor.



CROSS COUNTRY

Back row: G. Baartman, G. Elliott, C. Pallas, J. Sheard, M. Pimblett, R. Todd, C. Damstra.
 Front row: C. Busby, J. Hemmens, Mr. L. Meyer, C. Pilliner, C. Wheelwright, R. Field.

CROSS COUNTRY



THE cross country season started in the second term. Every Tuesday a training session with Mr. Meyer and a competition in Southern Transvaal B league every Saturday soon had the boys fit.

The regular runners started running for clubs and some were taken up in club teams. In the Hartebeespoortdam relay race (39 miles) John Hemmens was chosen for the Germiston Callies team, Rory Field (a junior) was chosen for a Wanderers team while Mr. Meyer (the Bryanston coach) ran for Diggers.

RESULTS

Bryanston Senior vs St. Stithians vs Pretoria Boys High (24th March). In the Junior event the School team shared second place, with John Hemmens coming first with a time only 32 seconds outside the record.

Southern Transvaal B league — Hatting Park — Germiston (2nd May)

John Hemmens finished 51st and Mr. L. Meyer (coach) 79th. The rest of the team finished in the nineties. Very creditable in view of the adult competition!

Krugersdorp (16th May)

Juniors: Robert Todd	12th
Rory Field	16th
Michael Pimblett	31st
Seniors: Mr. L. Meyer (coach)	66th
Chris Wheelwright	78th

Hartebeespoort Relay race (17th May)

The School was represented by John Hemmens in the Germiston Callies team, Rory Field in the Wanderers team and Mr. L. Meyer (coach) in the Diggers team.

Zoo Lake — 7 mile Inter club race (23rd May)

John Hemmens	89th
Mr. L. Meyer (coach)	129th

Southern Transvaal Inter schools cross country (13 schools represented) (27th May)

Juniors: John Hemmens	3rd
Colin Pilliner	12th
David Pimblett	34th
Jeremy Sheard	59th
Graham Kiggan	77th
Mark Ward	80th

Seniors: Dudley Gowans 25th
(Our shortage of Seniors meant that we were unplaced overall.)

Inter Schools League: (3rd Term)

	U. 15	Open
vs Hyde Park, Helpmekaar, Linden, Randburg	3rd	4th
vs Fakkell, Roosevelt, Monument, Roodepoort	1st	3rd
vs Vorentoe, Roosevelt, Florida, Kempton Park	—	3rd
vs Langlaagte Tech., Jeppe, Die Burger, Alberton	2nd	2nd

Inter-house:

Large numbers entered for this popular event run this year over a new course.

Results:

Boys	First	Second	Third
U.14	J. van Tonder	R. Field	J. Heuer
U.15	R. Todd	J. Baartman	D. Vally
Open	J. Hemmens	C. Pilliner	R. Beltramo
Girls			
U.14	J. Hoffman	A. Fitzpatrick	
U.15	M. Shipman	M. Wagner	T. Grobbelaar
Open	V. Woods	L. Brackley	L. Ellis

Inter club at Germiston Sports (20th June)

Mr. L. Meyer (coach)	66th
Robert Todd (junior)	77th
Rory Field (junior)	83rd

The Cross Country team and all Cross Country enthusiasts would like to record their appreciation of the efforts made on their behalf by marshalls, orange peelers, interested parents and teachers. Particular mention must be made of Mr. Louis Meyer's enthusiastic coaching; his help has the sincere thanks of all those who had the pleasure of training with him.

NETBALL



WHEN the 1970 league games commenced, Bryanston entered two teams in both the under 14 and under 13 competitions and one

team in each of the under 15 and open competitions. Despite the fact that there are close on 400 girls at our school it was disappointing to find that there were so few who showed any interest in netball. More patronage from the seniors would have been appreciated here.

Our junior teams showed the most enthusiasm and played with grim determination just missing the finals of their section when beaten by the strong Hyde Park team.

Skill and experience of the opposition in the open league proved too much for our team. Valiantly though they tried, they were unable to make any impression on their stronger opponents. Despite this they are to be commended for their willingness and the spirit in which they played the game.

We look forward to the 1971 season and hope that we have greater success.



NETBALL — OPEN

Back row: L. McCarthy, P. Page, D. Drake, C. Louw, M. Stylianides.
Frnt row: F. Wolf, S. Lombard, Mrs. V. Chiappini, A. Bolton.



NETBALL — UNDER 15

Back row: P. Maddison, G. Crake, S. Catto, W. Wolter, M. Roux, B. Jones.
Front row: M. de Groen, V. Sclanders, Mrs. V. Chiappini, M. Wagner.



NETBALL — UNDER 14 A

Back row: B. Dall, V. Harth, S. Kuhner, B. Forster, L. Mackin.
 Front row: B. Rayner, Mrs. B. van Rooyen, A. Acar.



NETBALL — UNDER 14 B

Back row: E. Volkwyn, M. Jamieson, L. Metcalf, C. Jeffery, C. Roos.
 Front row: S. Salmons, B. Kuhnert, Mrs. B. van Rooyen, D. Collins.



NETBALL — UNDER 13 A

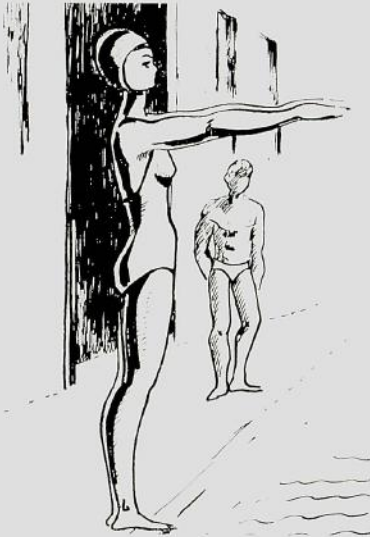
Back row: H-L. Etter, D. Harten, S. Spradbury, I. Johnson.
 Front row: C. Findlay, C. Kratz, Miss P. Tatz, G. Wagner, G. Dustan.



NETBALL — UNDER 13 B

Back row: J. Francoise, A. Wilson, M. Fellingham, W. Sherratt, J. Buck.
 Front row: J. Reid, S. Bassett, Miss P. Tatz, W. Canham, D. Stanley.

SWIMMING



IN last year's magazine mention was made of a large level area in the school grounds. This area is still there, and is unfortunately still marked "Swimming Bath" on the plan of the school grounds, but

The difficulties involved, however, regarding the building of the bath are well known, so don't give up hope Form III's — you will yet swim in Bryanston High School's bath.

Again we must sincerely thank the Primary School for the use of their bath for training purposes.

The inter-House gala was once again an exciting event for the participants as well as spectators.

Results:

1st Mercury	43 pts.
2nd Jupiter	40 pts.
3rd Neptune	39 pts.
4th Apollo	35 pts.

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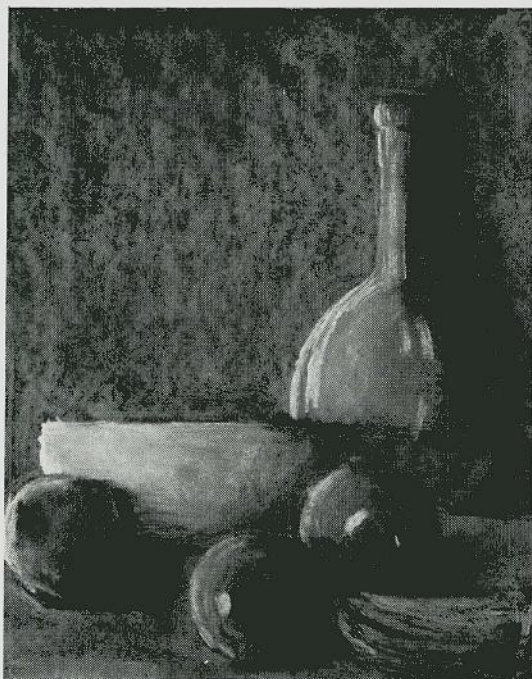
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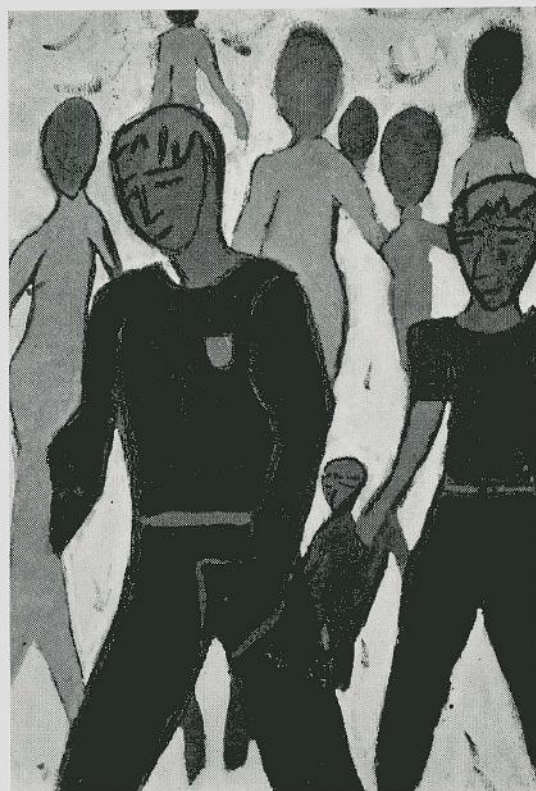
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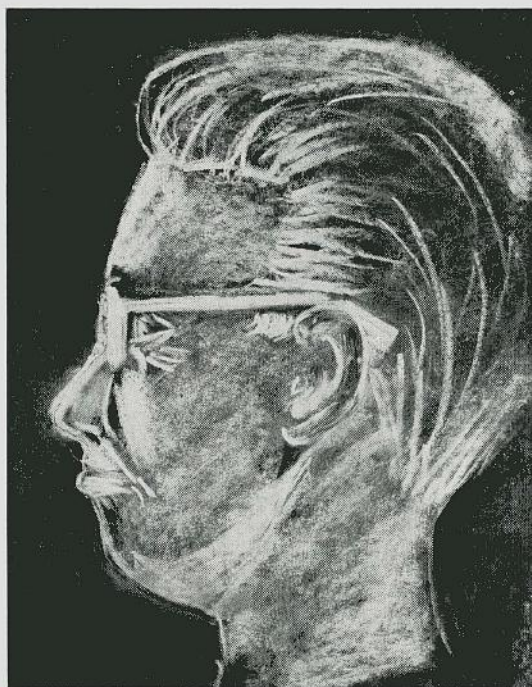
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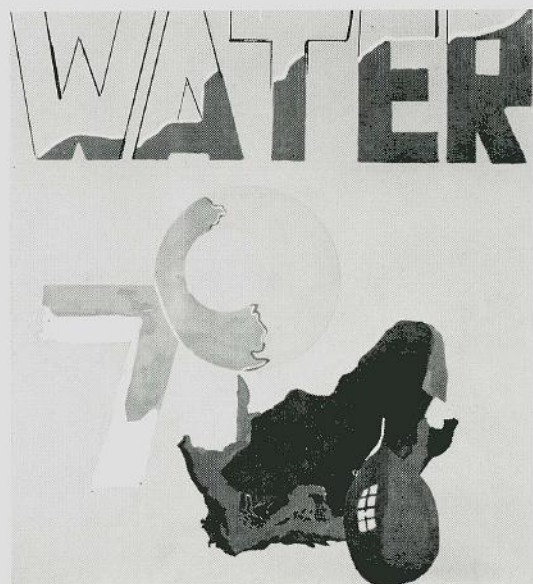
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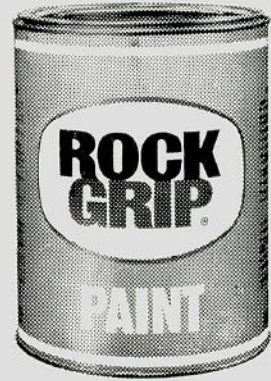
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WEEKENDS TU SWIM IN OUR SWIMING PULL
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BECORS SHE KEEPZ A BOTTEL OF

TANTOL BODDY LOSHUN

IN OUR CHANES ROOM AND THAY
RUB IT ON THER BODDIES ARFTER SWIMMING
BECORS THE KEMICALS IN THE PULL DRIEZ THERE
SKEENS AND THE TANTOL BODY LOSHUN
MAKES THER SKEENS LUVLY AND SOF

ORL THE **KEMISTS** HAV IT

PERDU !

Soudainement le feu s'éteint. Pas un rayon de lune, même pas un scintillement d'étoiles; nous étions perdus. Pierre, cinq ans, Jean, six ans, Martin, huit ans et moi dix ans, tous perdus quelquepart dans la forêt de l'Amazone, en pleine nuit.

Nous avons marché pendant six heures, sans une goutte d'eau et rien à manger. Nous nous étions égarés dans la forêt, en oubliant d'observer des points de repaires, pour pouvoir retourner au camp. Martin et moi, étant les aînés, nous pouvions contrôler notre faim et notre peur, mais les plus petits étaient dans un état de panique et de frustration. Nous marchâmes en nous tenant par la main, espérant marcher dans la bonne direction. Un peu plus tard, nous fûmes sauvés par un clair de lune, et je pus distinguer des objets, ressemblants à des pommes, qui pendaient d'un arbre. A notre grand avantage, c'étaient des pommes, que nous mangeâmes avec appétit.

Pendant le cours de cet événement nous nous endormimes. Pour combien de temps? Je ne sais pas, mais je fus réveillé par un bruit étrange; un bruit que je n'avais jamais entendu. Une sorte de sirène qui brisait le silence nocturne. Je fus terrifié et je réveillai Jean, évitant de déranger les

petits. Le bruit s'approcha en se répétant. Je me tins debout comme paralysé de terreur. J'attendis, faible et immobile; le suspens fut intolérable. Puis, une lumière puissante trancha l'obscurité de la nuit et je reçus un coup qui me rendit inconscient.

Je fus alors réveillé par un battement de tambours, et comme j'ouvrais les yeux, je vis les silhouettes terrifiantes des canibales qui dansaient autour d'un feu. J'étais, pareil à mes amis, fortement attaché à un poteau.

Les mugissements devinrent de plus en plus forts, et les danseurs de plus en plus excités, comme possédés du diable. En face de nous étaient des têtes humaines, rétrécies à la largeur des pommes, et suspendues au bout de ficelles attachées à de longs bâtons. La danse s'arrêta, et quelqu'un portant une masque s'approcha de nous, tripotant nos figures et chantant des chansons diaboliques.

Soudainement une procession de torches apparurent. Nous étions sauvés. Nos amis étaient venus juste à temps, pour nous sauver de ce qui aurait été un sort terrible.

ROBERT DESFONTAINES — Form III.

"179"

Il était minuit; le jour était mardi, l'année, 1941.

Il neigeait et il faisait du vent. Il y avait treize maisons dans la Rue Pierre. Un homme a paru. Rapidement, il a couru à la maison numéro 5. La porte s'est ouverte et l'homme a disparu dedans. La porte s'est fermée. Encore, rien ne bougeait.

Une minute plus tard, trois soldats ont couru dans la rue. Ils sont passés le numéro 5, et eux, ils ont aussi disparu.

Dans la maison, le premier homme est entré dans la cave. Il a frappé sur une caisse de bois. Un homme, assis sur le plancher, a bougé. Il s'est levé.

"Charles?" a-t-il dit.

"Oui, c'est moi."

"Tu l'as?"

"Oui, le voici. Je vais," a-t-il dit, mettant quelque chose sur la table.

"Euh".

L'homme est parti. Le vent soufflait.

Soudainement quelqu'un s'est écrié. Des soldats allemands causaient dans la rue. Ils ont crié, "Attrapez-le! Tuez-le! Tuez-le! Vite! Vite!"

Après deux minutes il ne faisait encore de bruit. L'homme dans la maison a ouvert un peu la porte. Dans la rue il y avait un cadavre. Du sang rouge couvrait le dos. La neige devenait rouge. Il neigeait toujours. Il faisait maintenant du brouillard. Il faisait froid. L'homme a fermé la porte.

Ce cadavre-là était "179".

SEGNES SCHONKEN — Form III.

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THE LION HUNT

(The following "story" was written by a group of pupils who take Zulu lessons at the School extra-murally):

Ngivakashela ipulazi nabazala. Sizozingela ibhubesi futhi sizolibulala. Ibhubesi libulala izimvu, nezimbuzi. Izinkomo ziyesaba zibaleka.

Sigibela amahhashi siya-ke negsinyawo. Ibhubesi liyabodla, ngiyesaba. Sigijima ngejubane sijikejela imikhonto Ibhubesi lilimala futhi lisixosha. Sibaleka futhi amahhashi ayabaleka. Ngibamba ihhashi ngomsila ngilikhulumela, ngifuna ukuligibela. Ibhubesi libodla, likhala, liyagijima, futhi ngikhala ngigijima. Ngikhulumela ihhashi futhi, ngikwela ihhashi ngigibela ngejubane. Ngibona umzala emithi futhi ibhubesi lifuna ukumlima. Ngiya lapho, ngixosha ibhubesi. Kodwa ibhubesi lingixosha, ngijikijela umkhonto ngilihlaba enhliziyo. Ibhubesi alikhali manje, aligijimi alilumi manje. Sithutha ibhubesi ekhaya.

Sigubha umkhosi, siphuza utshwala Manje sizocinga izinkomo nezimvu namahhashi. Sizothola-phi?

I am visiting a farm with my cousins. We are going to hunt a lion and we will kill it. The lion is killing sheep and goats. The cattle are scared and they run away.

We ride horses and then we go on foot. The lion roars and I am frightened. We run fast and throw spears. The lion is hurt and chases us. We run away and the horses also run away. I catch the horse by the tail and I plead with him. I want to ride him. The lion is roaring, crying and running. I am also crying and running. Then I plead with my horse again. I mount and ride fast. I see my cousin in a tree, the lion wants to bite him. I go there and chase the lion, but the lion chases me! I throw my spear and stab him in the heart. He does not run or cry or bite now! I carry the lion home.

We celebrate and drink beer. Now we will search for the cattle, sheep and horses. Where are we going to find them?

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THEUNIS SWART — Form II.



ROBIN MUIR — Form III.

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(1) HAMLET — SOLILOQUY

To be or not to be: that is the question
Whether 'tis nobler in the minds to suffer
The punishment and hard work of out-
rageous school,
Or to take arms against a sea of teachers,
And by retaliation end them? to work, to
play
No more: and by a play, to say we end
The heart-ache and the thousand natural
disillusionments
That schoolgirls are heir to, 'tis an end
Devoutly to be craved. To learn, to gra-
duate;
Perchance more to learn: ay, there's the
rub;
For in a life of freedom what work may
come
When we have cast off this schoolgirl coil,
Must give us pause. There's the thought
That makes school so long a life;
For who would bear the whips and scorns
of time

The junior's wrong, the teacher's sarcasm,
The pang of thwarted love, the superiority
of prefects,
When she herself may settle it all
With a mere school leaver's certificate?
who would exams bear
To sweat and swot under a grudging life,
But that dread of responsibility after
school,
The undiscovered life from whose hold
No scholar may return, puzzles the mind
And makes us take the ills we have here
Than fly to those we know not of?
Thus conscience does make cowards of us
all:
And thus the sworn hue of independence
Is darkened by pale cast of thought
Forget it all
The fair schoolgirl! Paragon, in thy testi-
monial
Be all thy sins remembered.

JANE SERGIADES — Form III.

(2) MACBETH — WITCHES' BREW

"Tyre of Autie that's far gone
Take the moss from a "Rolling Stone"
Autograph of actor Tommy Steele
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Broken strings from 'Cliff's' Geet
Pack it up and make it neat
Underground Blues, ear splitting soul,
Mix it till it melts the bowl
Baubles and Beads from 'Flower Power'
and the casseroles ready in the hour
Sizzle and fry to burn the grate.
Stir it up and serve it late."

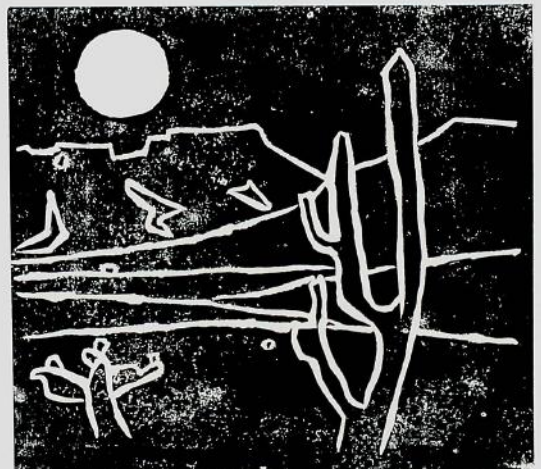
PAT DE KLERK — Form I.

THESE I HAVE LOVED

(After Rupert Brooke)

These I have loved;
Golden teddy bears, cuddly and soft,
Nibbled ears, and stuffed black noses,
Crystal clear waterfalls, a cool breeze on
a summer's day,
White rabbits and the smell after rain,
The radiance of the moon; enveloped in
golden ripples,
Day dreaming; when the time has come
for me to work,
Mushrooms; sizzling in butter,
The feel of kittens; lying by the fire,
The sound of the quail and the rain bird,
And the words of the father I love.

NELIA JOUBERT — Form I.



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THE INTRUDER

A young girl once said, "I'd like to try a black bomb, just once, for fun."

This is so typical of the new world, and of the children who make this new world. For superficially it has that childish aura of fantasy-land about it. Like a child's playhouse, where he can confidently say to his friends, "Mummy and Daddy can't come in here, now we can have some fun!" "Mummy and Daddy" in this new society representing the intrusive outside world of adults. Those beings who stand as pillars of old-time morality, and who instinctively guard their children against the so-called "fun".

In this modern child's "playhouse" is found a fantastic and even horrifying scene for the intruder. What the intruder sees is something which the youth regard as the way of even greater enjoyment of the "fun".

Increasingly loud, weird music issues from a dark corner, where all one sees is the glint of a quick movement on a drum or a guitar, or an unheard-of beat instrument. Faster and faster, louder and louder, building up to a crescendo and then slowly and softly ebbing into rhythm, like the rising and falling of waves upon a shore, a rhythm in which the writhing bodies of the dancers seek to gain relaxation for the next and equally exhausting climax.

Painted upon the walls are esoteric signs and psychedelic posters to increase the air of fantasy. In the corners and around the sides are scattered men and women dressed to suit the atmosphere, depending

on way-outness for recognition. The language that they speak is a primitive dialect of words meaningless to the intruder, significant only to the gathering.

These people, children, seek their consummation — perhaps sublimation — in spheres which bear names meaningful to the initiates, meaningless to intruders.

On closer examination one sees a sea of distorted minds making this gesture against authority and fate.

The intruder with a sense of detachment, is aware of being an unobserved observer. Viewing the assembly from a vantage point above the loudspeakers set in the wall, almost floating against the ceiling, the intruder now spots a young girl lying in limp abandon against a wall, eyes dilated and mouth half open.

The intruder fixes a gaze upon the young girl, and observes clean unspoiled lines in the face and body. This is youth, the intruder thinks, but with decadence incipient. A child so drugged, vulnerable

... Harsh sound bursts from the loudspeakers, with the clash of symbols and an agony of electric strings, and the intruder is suddenly lost in cacophony. The girlchild stirs, and the intruder realises with a shock — it's me lying down there!

A throbbing headache! Nausea! Shame and a feeling of humiliation . . .

Now I know! If only each teenager could have the experience of being the "intruder", there would be no drug problem.

BRYONY MORTIMER — Form I.

UNSUSPECTING VICTIMS

Fully clad in clothes with gun,
The trekkers marched on one by one,
Up to the great king's city gate,
All unaware of their gruesome fate.

In the hut they stayed for days
In the sun they'd sit and laze.
The food was good with beer and meat,
And then the sound of marching feet
Summoned them to Dingaan's seat.

After the treaty had been signed
The men no longer their guns could find.
The warriors around were three thousand
strong,
They then burst out in tumultuous song.

At the shout of Dingaan's call
The warriors on the Boers did fall.
They marched in their masses to the hill,
In Dingaan's presence, to watch the kill.

They crushed the boers with clubs and
stones
While vultures circled, to feed off the
bones.

Those brave men who built our past
Searching the country, O so vast.
This great country we own today
They fought for and tackled come what
may.

INGRID HOFFMANN — Form III.

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MAN'S INHUMANITY

TO MAN

Throughout history man has always been cruel to his fellow man, and we have such instances as man using others in human sacrifices to pagan gods.

During man's existence there have been many wars, and man has abused his enemy captives in many ways, turning them for example into galley slaves.

The story of Man is also the story of his many attempts to destroy other human being. Yet it is also the story of Man's concern about this cruel character of his: and man formulated rules to cope with the inhumanity of his race. He coined the Golden Rule:

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you". And he quotes the Biblical injunction: "Love your neighbour as yourself". In spite of these philosophies men still devise tortures — for instance: during the dictator Hitler's reign there were many sickening examples of inhuman torture and cruelty. And lest we dissociate ourselves from those atrocities, we might consider the occasion of the atomic bombing of two large Japanese cities.

Such beastly actions are not limited to wartime only. Social and racial situations sometimes inflict another kind of cruelty;

Inevitably we must wonder why man behaves in this way. Some arguments tend to excuse this behaviour: It may be said that man is instinctively brutal and cruel, or that it is the law of the jungle where only the fittest survive.

What is wrong with this human behaviour? Well, it is wrong because it denies a human quality: the quality of compassion (which only human beings have) and it denies our conscience.

If we deny these human qualities we also deny our better nature and we falter on our way to a truly civilised state.

ENRICO BELTRAMO — Form III.

TO ANIMALS

Man is fortunate in that he is the master race of our earth. He does not have to undergo many of the cruelties that animals suffer.

Wild birds are caught and hemmed into small aviaries. Others are not even put into aviaries, but into small two-foot-long cages. One may argue that, today, most of these birds have been bred in aviaries, but how much happier would they be in the wild?

In Spain and a few other countries, bulls are used in that cruel and blood-thirsty "sport" Bull-fighting. These animals are teased in a ring and then, when they are exhausted, are killed much to the delight of the crowd. And without sparing a thought for the cruelty of it — they eagerly await the next "contestant".

Different only in technique, Game-hunting is a sport enjoyed by the wealthy who are able to organize safaris. Great is the delight as they proudly display the horns, tail-whips, feet and ears of their victims. How much more exciting would it be to describe how one crept through the bush armed only with a camera. We would be able to show the majestic herds of elephant, the magnificent pride of lions, and the lone bird chanting in a tree instead of a stuffed head.

But, let us not confine our sympathies with those animals on land. Marine life also suffers at the hands of man. So called "Big-time" fishing — to bring back some gigantic, inedible fish, to have its body preserved and to hang it upon a wall is a matter of great pride to many.

I agree that it is necessary to kill some animals in order that we, and certain other species, may survive, but, please, let us not kill animals for the inhuman pleasure of killing.

DAVID KLEIN — Form III.

THE WORLD

In this atomic age how strange it is
That man can circle the moon
Yet has no control of natural things
Such as sun, rain, earthquake or typhoon.
The arctic wastes, the torrid desert sands

Mountain peaks, storms, droughts singly
or together

Defeat man's puny efforts
He's at the mercy of the weather.

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Scholars have concluded that by the time of Christ, the Arabian horse had already become a breed. The Arabian averages 15.2 hands at full growth. His beauty is based on fragile-looking interplay of tendons, muscles and bloodvessels in an animal that is anything but fragile.

The Arabian looks as if it had been executed by a master sculptor, bones are clear and refined and have a delicacy that can't be matched by any other horse. Networks of veins clearly show under the soft, taut skin. The ears curve slightly towards each other, and the velvety muzzle is wide, showing pink, clear nostrils when excited. They have two large discs as cheeks. The enormous eyes of the Arab are expressive and in a single gaze reveal his rare combination of great intelligence, sweetness of temperament, and fiery spirit.

His profile shows a dished nose by a slight protrusion of the forehead; the Arabians thought that the sizable brainpan meant more intelligence. It is true that he has a superior intelligence, and alert responses are a result of many centuries of close association with his human masters.

The delicate lines of his legs lead many men to think that he cannot take much punishment. Although their bones are as

dense and smooth as ivory, they are far more durable than those of thicker legged horses.

Their tail is used as both rudder and brake and assists them in stopping and turning.

Under the saddle the Arab is a fiery little dynamo, yet, left at leisure, he is as docile, and gentle, as an overgrown lamb.

Although Arabian riders have never enjoyed a great reputation, they are undoubtedly the most devoted and kindly owners of horses in the world.

To the breeder the birth of the foal is almost attended with more ceremony than that of a child. The foal will be allowed to be free and sleep in the house next to the family. They are not allowed to be broken-in until they were two years old.

If it is a mare, it is even more treasured, as they treasure it for breeding purposes. It is the prize mare that the sheik rides into battle, not the stallion.

Arabian horses although fragile looking have the strongest bones of all horse breeds. The most wonderful thing is that it is devoted and attached to one person—its master.

INGRID KAMPINGA — Form III.

BATTLE OF BLOOD RIVER

The Boers with friends and loved ones waited,

While their hearts beat fast with fear,
In their laager by the river,
As the Zulu tide surged near.

As the mighty Dingaans impi,
Roared out their battle cry,
The Boers in silence prayed to God,
"Be with us, that we may not die.

Oh, let Thy hand protect us,
Whilst by our foes beset,
And this we surely promise,
WE NEVER WILL FORGET".

And so their prayers were harkened,
As they faced that murd'rous flood,
And when the night sky darkened,
The river flowed with Zulu blood.

And at the closing of each year,
That brings the season of Goodwill,
We gather from both far and near,
Their sacred promise to fulfil.

FRANK BERKELEY — Form II.

NIGHT

What is night?

A time of rest, of relaxation.

A good book on one's lap,
And music in the back.

Cool and pleasant.

Cool and wintry.

Is that night?

What is night?

A time of gaiety and parties;
The heady combination of perfume,
Tobacco smoke, bright lights, loud
Music, gyrating bodies and wine.

Is that night?

What is night?

A time of private thoughts,
Lonely and unhappy thoughts.
A time of wishing one were anywhere,
Anywhere but here.

Is that night? I don't know.

What is night?

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THE NEW ZEALAND RUGBY TOUR OF SOUTH AFRICA

In the middle of June this year the so-called World rugby champions, New Zealand, arrived in South Africa to play against the Springboks. It was the declared aim of the New Zealanders, also known as the All Blacks, to beat the Springboks in a Series in South Africa for the first time in history. What a mighty team these All Blacks were! They had not been beaten in 55 matches including 19 internationals, a fearsome record.

Nobody gave the Springboks much hope but the result of the first international which South Africa won by 17 points to 6 proved that the All Blacks were not unbeatable. South Africa lost the second international by 9 points to 8. Then came the third international in Port Elizabeth, which found the Springboks in terrific form with a convincing win of 14 points to 3. Now everything rested on the result of the fourth international. South Africa was considered the favourites to win the fourth test.

The tension and excitement of the last Test at Ellis Park will never be forgotten. First of all there were those magnificent

kicks by Springbok full-back Ian McCullum. At half-time South Africa was 14 points to 3 and it seemed as if we were home and dry, but, the All Blacks fought back magnificently. In the closing minutes their hopes were dashed when the Springbok back-line sent the Springbok wing, Gert Muller, in for a try. This try was the deciding factor of the series. When the final whistle blew South Africa was leading by 20 points to 17.

The Series had been won. Although they lost the series against South Africa, the All Blacks set up a wonderful record by beating every provincial team; they also scored the most points ever to be scored in South Africa by a touring team. This is a fantastic feat.

We must congratulate them on their magnificent rugby and hope that rugby between our two countries will continue for many years.

JAMES McCALL-PEAT — Form III.

SOME BUBBLING THOUGHTS BY FORM II

The bubbles drifted aimlessly up and down, until they danced upon an object more solid than themselves; whereupon they split asunder, leaving no trace that they had ever been there. But should they make contact with another, they would join and make their travels together until destruction.

STEPHEN KEALY

Up, up and away, twirling, whirling, spinning, twisting, the circular, psychedelic bubbles emerge from the now sticky, gooey blowing stick. Then slowly and gracefully they glide and descend until they pop with a pop . . .

GARY HEUER.

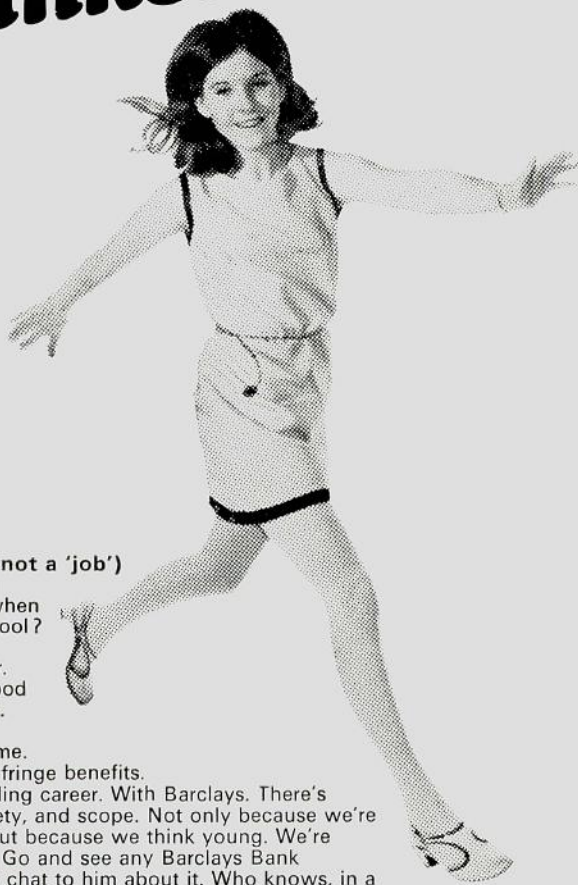
Bubbles are twisting, gleaming creations. Their ephemeral life is a dancing, spinning one. From the moment of their emergence from their heavy, soapy solution, to the time when they pop, they reflect all the colours of the spectrum in their glistening beauty.

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A BORING LESSON

The long, dreary, monotone voice of the teacher drones away in your subconscious while you play helicopters with your compass and ruler. The atmosphere in the classroom is hot, stuffy and lazy. Chalk squeaks on the board. Feet shuffle as someone props himself up with one arm against the wall. Pens begin to scratch on paper as you write. You glance at your watch. "Not long now," you think, ducking behind an open book to hide your wide yawn. A furrow of deep concentration lines your brow as the teacher glances at you. The teacher turns, you fish in your pocket for another sweet and go back into a daze. Crash! Someone drops a maths tin and you are lost to the class again.

The bell clangs through your thoughts bringing you back to the present. In a flurry of movement the classroom is left deserted and bare.

BRUCE FORDYCE — Form I.

GUY FAWKES

The frenzied whizz of the catherine-wheel as it shakes off tiny sparks of crimson, violet, saffron and bronze; a rocket zooms up into the cloudless sky, breaking into thousands of tiny stars; the bonfire, a mass of vermilion, scarlet, russet, sulphur and bronze clear against the black of the sky; these are the sights of Guy Fawkes night!

A sudden blast announces the letting off of a powerful cracker. As it bursts, the air fills with the smell of sulphurous fumes. In the distance are the barks and excited yaps of neighbouring dogs. Ten short, sharp bangs crack the air as the "jumping jacks" fill the ground with a smoky mist.

A pungent smell from the bonfire causes people to turn their heads away. The aroma of hot potatoes, which are being cooked in the embers of the fire, drifts towards the crowd.

And as I watch the bright array I marvel at how this old custom keeps alive the emotion felt by England in 1605 when Guy Fawkes and his fellow conspirators, because of the penal laws against Catholics, tried to blow up King James I and Parliament.

HEIDI-LEE ETTER — Form I.

STORM IN THE DESERT

The sand-dunes lie shimmering in the hot afternoon sun. Dotted amongst the dunes cacti stretch long, parched tongues into the cloudless skies. Some desert creatures dart about in the shade of a few palm trees, surrounding an oasis.

Suddenly, in the distance, comes an ominous rumble. The skies darken. At the oasis the creatures, as if sensing the impending danger, have stopped their games and have disappeared into the ground. A second later a dark cloud blots out the sun. As the cloud draws closer the air is tense.

In the following moments, that seem like an aeon, the harsh silence is torn apart by the stirring fury of the wind — blown sand accompanied by a howling which sounds like a primeval monster giving vent to its anger. This carries on for an eternity. Then as suddenly as it had come, it passes.

As the cloud of dust settles, the sun resumes beating mercilessly upon the weary cacti as they continue to search the skies for signs of rain. The insects have come up from their hiding places and have resumed their games in the scanty shade offered by the battered fronds of palm trees which are reflected in the murky water of the oasis.

CAROLIEN KRATZ — Form I.

SOUNDS OF THE CITY

A screeching metallic-dinned clang, jarred my ears. I swung round to see people swarming together, shouting, a hysterical woman, screaming frantically.

"A crash! A crash!" bellowed out a man, "call an ambulance — quick!" I walked on as everybody rushed to see whatever gore there was to be seen.

I passed a record-bar, a loud discordant, reverberating sound thundered out.

It started to rain after the intense, repelling heat, big drops splattered to the ground. It quickened its pace to a down-pour. I joined the rush into a crowded coffee-bar where the subdued din of conversation mingled with the continuous swish of rain; punctuated by cracks of lightning. Next to me, I could hear the long-winded story of a — crash! Another bolt of lightning, and a clatter of running feet.

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AN AFTERNOON IN THE VELD

So clear the river runs, silver ripples that race each other to be lost in the shadows ahead.

The breeze is slight and pleasant in the heat of the spring afternoon. The reeds crackle as they sway in the breeze.

A well-used deer track lies across the river straight ahead of me; there are no buck now for it is too hot to wander about, they would rather lie contentedly in the shade of tall thorn trees or under the thick green bushes along the river.

A lone lion roars — breaking the silence of the afternoon; defying answers comes simultaneously from all corners of the veld — echoed by birds all around. The birds too, were enjoying the quiet.

A warthog rouses from his sleep and ambles down through the reeds to the river edge to quench his thirst. He looks around — growling — and then proceeds to drink his fill.

Suddenly to the left a terrible scream shatters the air followed by deep throated barks of anger and frustration. Two baboons are fighting, their savage blood-stained fangs ripping at each other; ignoring any sense of pain they hack each other to ribbons.

Branches buckle under their weight as they crash about from tree to tree.

Birds screech in annoyance, while the sky fills with expectant hungry vultures.

The climax comes and goes almost immediately, the fight dies down and the screeching ceases. Once again the riverbanks are quiet, save for the rustling of reeds and the occasional grunt of beasts in the bush.

I've moved away now; further into the dry bush-covered slopes. The sun is beating down with all its might, the trees shimmer on the distant hills, outlined by a beautiful blue sky.

The perspiration is running down my neck and chest — flies buzz around me, being a constant nuisance. Two crows fly over, croaking their displeasure in the hot sun.

The grass is dry under my feet — everything is dry as it has not rained for a few weeks in this area.

It's four o'clock now, everything is peaceful. Its a pity that I have to go, but as circumstances would have it I have to. Seventeen ragged-looking wildebeest approach my position from the right; they are headed for the river to drink.

They have seen me, or at least the leader has because he is stamping his hooves in annoyance. The others seem to be following his example because they're all stamping their hooves.

I'd better leave before they get too angry; anyway its time I was getting back to the farm.

WILLIAM CRONJE — Form III.

TAPE RECORDING WILD LIFE

Close to the woodpile at the back of the house was where it all started. I spent many of my days fascinated by the birds, lizards and other insects that were always busy and cheerful, building homes, collecting food and looking as though they were thoroughly enjoying themselves. Whenever I was sad, down at heart, or troubled, I would go and sit on the logs shaded by huge blue-gums and listen to the noises of wild life.

Soon I could tell which birds were singing, what insects made that noise and where the lizard lived.

Becoming very interested in this I decided to see if I could somehow tape these noises, listen to them and study them so

as to increase my knowledge of wild things. The next day I bought a new cassette and batteries and set off with my tape to the woodpile, taking with me some crumbs and a piece of meat for the big black crow which would come quite close to me.

All the birds were used to my coming and sitting on the logs. The very courageous birds would come and sit very close to me so I found it very easy to record all they were saying.

My new idea worked well and I was able to make good studies of the noises and excitement or fear that the birds had and they trusted me which was what I had hoped for.

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THE HIKING ENTHUSIASTS

We were now on our way for a week's hike; I could feel the urge for adventure bubbling inside me as this was a new experience for me. It was now the time of sun and dew, the confused beginnings of many birds songs spread into the sweetly scented air, and the sky of purest cobalt was flecked sparsely with silver-white wisps of cloud which could only reflect the brilliance of the day.

When we had walked quite a long way into the wild-country, my rucksack was beginning to feel as if I had filled it with rocks, so we stopped to rest at the top of the hill. While getting our breaths back and having something to eat, we looked across the valley to what seemed like thousands of gigantic mountains, but were, when we reached the foot of them, only two or three major ones with many faces.

Now the long trudge up the mountain began, I was about a quarter of the way up, when suddenly my feet gave way underneath me and I found I was in a large underground cave. After my eyes had become accustomed to the dark, I looked around but I felt as if something was there right back in the dark corners, but what?

I felt a cold thing touch my neck and I spun around with a scream only to find a grinning friend beside me, who had made his way quietly down the hole. Together we made our way cautiously down the cave feeling our way. Unexpectedly a bat came swooping down, making us jump with fright. I was sure I could hear my knees knocking together as I clung to Ian.

After leaving the cave we made our way up the mountain puffing and panting like a dog who had been running for a couple of miles. As we were looking over the side of the cliff we saw a few vultures circling, so we decided to see what was there, but only found a dead sheep which had obviously wandered from the flock and had died from hunger and thirst.

At last we arrived at our journey's end for the day and put our sleeping bags out for the night near a little stream. The shadows of twilight sprinkled lightly over the country-side, trees and the water turned lush in the soft vermilion glow of the sunset. We settled down for an "early-to-bed and an early-to-rise", and while enjoying a well-earned braai supper we talked over the events of what had been a very unusual day for me.

LYNN LAWRIE — Form III.

THE VOLCANO OF POMPEII

The mountain shrugged its shoulders
'gainst the sky.

Its rumbling depths gave out a thund'rous
groan.

The power suppressed within its mighty
cone

Gave notice of its evil with a sigh.

A-glitter round the bay did Pompeii lie.

The people lived and laughed, in crowds,
alone.

They sang, they fought, they died, their
skills unknown

All unaware that death and doom were
nigh.

The lava babbled from the mountain's maw
And more deadly still, the gas flowed
down,

Its victims fell asleep without a word
And still the lava came, to bury all.

Engulfing slow but sure the little town.

The bay was quiet; not a sound was heard.

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When the structure of the atom was discovered at the end of the 19th century, Townsend, a famous scientist, decided that there was nothing left for man to discover. But since then, man has found out how to reach the moon, explore space, transmit sound and pictures and develop the aeroplane.

Anyone could easily make a long list of the discoveries of science which help modern man, but it is more difficult to

decide which ones help man most. Many people believe that the greatest gift of science has been through medicine. This is because we could all manage to live somehow without cars, radios, T.V., and other scientific aids — life would be uncomfortable, but we could live. But it would be miserable to live if our health were bad. Science has produced drugs, machinery and vaccinations, without which our lives would be considerably shortened.

Now that science has produced these drugs and vaccines, fewer people die of disease, and people live longer. Because of this, there is now a population explosion, and science will have to devise new ways of increasing food production to feed all these people. That will be one of science's most difficult problems.

HILARY MURTON — Form II.

TWO SIDES OF A WINDOW

The sunlight rolls down
Over fluffy clouds
And bounces on the grass.
 There is no sun.
 The clouds are grey, threatening.
 The grass is a cold hardwood floor
A butterfly,

Free in the outdoors,
Meanders to another bright flower,
 This butterfly,
 Imprisoned by three blankets and four
 walls,
Reaches for a wilting daisy unrevived
in a glass of water.

The butterfly's twin antennae
Wavering in the faint breeze
Detect the tangy scent of pine needles.
 This butterfly's only antenna is
 A thermometer; and the scent
 That of stale medicine.

The butterfly thinks idly of spring,
And I ponder the interminable sick
 week
While cursing the barred window.

VICKI WOODS — Form III.

THE IMPORTANCE OF A SENSE OF HUMOUR

A sense of humour is important because if you are in a large crowd, and somebody cracks a joke, and you don't laugh, you look the prune of the year. Also, many people in our class continually crack jokes and it is an asset to have a sense of humour so that you can appreciate the brilliant wit of our many amateur comedians.

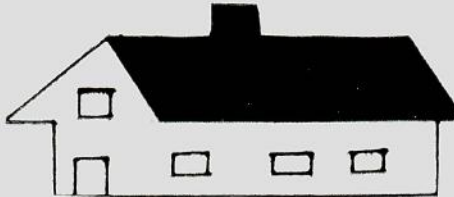
Nobody can go through life easily without a sense of humour. If you have a very subtle sense of humour, then you can enjoy life more fully as there are many peculiar little incidents that occur every day, which, with a little imagination, can be transformed into extremely funny jokes.

Throughout the world there is trouble and sadness; in Biafra, millions of people starving; in the Middle East, continual fighting over the River Jordan; in America, race riots; and in India, an enormous population suffering unsanitary conditions and lack of nourishment. If we did not sometimes laugh, it would not even be worth living in such a troubled world.

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A DISCOTHEQUE

The jerk, and the swirl and the beat of drums,
The stamp and the twist and the clicking of thumbs,
The hotness, the stickiness, the smoke-filled air,
The beads, the tackies, the flying hair.

The strumming and humming and the moody guitar,
The drinking and smoking at the crowded bar,
The closeness, the shuffling, the bleary eyes,
The murmuring, the cuddling, . . . the suppressed sighs.

Then — the emptiness, the stillness and the array of litter,
The last couple kiss, watched by hearts that are bitter,
The darkness, the cold, the tired hacking band,
Then — home, to sleep, to float into another land.

KATHLEEN OWENS — Form III.

AFTER THE . . .

I was playing
in the street
with the other boys
when a dog
came and took
our ball . . .
Are you listening, Dad?
Well, then we ran
after the dog
and eventually he
dropped the ball
and we had a race
back to
Tom's house . . .
Did you hear me Dad?
I am speaking to you!
Anyway we carried
on with
our game . . .
Oh . . . the 'phone;
A business call.
Urgent — always
Urgent.
Dad!
What's the use.

SANDRA BRADLEY — Form III.



KATHLEEN AVENANT — Form III.

THE ORIGIN OF KON-TIKI

1500 years ago there were many people in Peru who knew Kon-Tiki. The sun was the greatest of the gods in those days and Kon-tiki stood between the sun and the people. Indian tradition says that he was white-skinned and had a beard.

Successors of his race built great cities in the wild Andes Mountains. Today they are ruins. Only mountain Indians wander about alone with their llamas.

The Indians are brown and have no beards, so Kon-tiki must have belonged to a white race which has long been extinct in South America. Tradition has it that the city on Lake Titicaca in which Kon-tiki lived was attacked by Indians, but that Kon-tiki managed to escape to the coast with some friends. There they embarked on balsa-wood rafts and disappeared across the Pacific — to go home to the sun, the legend says.

1500 years passed without anyone giving another thought to it, but then Thor Heyerdahl began to think about Kon-tiki and that was no wonder because he was studying the problem of the Polynesians' origin, a problem which has turned many ethnologists' hair grey.

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Grew to flame around the bark.
It crackled and hissed then turned on its way
Towards the trees where the animals stay.
With a flurry of wings and fleeing feet,
The creatures fled from the growing heat.
The fowl of the air rose into the sky,
While terror-stricken beasts went rushing by.
Now the burnt-up forest lies quiet and still,
The animals stand on a faraway hill
Looking for friends and children dear,
But never again shall they of them hear.

JUDY JOHNSTON and
JOAN KOEKEMOER, Std. VI.

PROBLEMS OF A PIONEER

When the 1820 settlers landed at the Eastern Province their hardships and problems were many and started immediately. Here are just a few of them:

They were just put in the open veld on their farms with no kind of shelter at all. The nearest inhabited farms were about 80 miles away at Algoa Bay. Firstly, they had to build huts to live in, then they had to plough the soil so that they could sow their seed and they had no draught animals to help them. Many of them, moreover, had not farmed before and even the climate was strange to them. After great problems, they managed to plant their seed and a promising crop began to spring up, but rust destroyed the grain and the crop was a failure. They also suffered a severe drought in 1823 which set them back. After this they had a heavy flood so their problems went from one extreme to the other.

Another problem for the English settlers was the continuous raiding by the Xhosas. The first victim that they claimed was a little boy who was minding the cattle. This situation grew so bad that the governor had to allow some of the settlers to leave their farms, in spite of the agreement by which the Cape Government had brought them there.

The settlers were also very homesick because they had come from a civilised country to one that was almost wholly veld and here they had to start anew.

Although these problems harassed the settlers, they managed to set up a community which still exists today, and which we all admire.

BEVERLEY PRITCHARD — Form III.

HAZARD

The sedan was travelling down the side street which runs onto the main road. It was going at a nice, reasonable speed and turned onto the main road. Granted it was a stop street, but in a quiet neighbourhood such as ours, he naturally didn't expect traffic.

Then suddenly one of those roaring contraptions which the youth of today call motor cycles came tearing down the main road! The next few moments were moments of horror for me as I knew that the poor man in the car would be helplessly trapped in the path of that terrifying motor cycle! When I opened my eyes it was with relief that I saw the man uninjured. As for that youth he was merely examining his own damaged cycle! As I suspected, he was but another of those lazy, good-for-nothings as one could see from his colourful clothing. I just cannot understand how the government allows them to drive in our quiet streets. They are the ones who cause accidents which involve innocent people of our generation!

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OU JAFTA VERTEL

„Kom ons gaan kyk wat agter die kelderdeur is, Jannie.”

„Aikona!” sê 'n stem agter hulle; dit was ou Jafta.

„En waarom nie?”

„Kom ek vertel julle,” en hulle stap kombuis toe.

„Nou toe, luister mooi, kleintjies”, vermaan hy en kyk na die drie gesiggies voor hom, „Eendag, in die einste opstal, het 'n familie ingetrek. Hulle het van die Kaap af getrek en was moeg toe hulle eindelijk hier aangekom het. Hulle het maar vroeg in die kooi gespring. Skaars was hulle aan die slaap, toe hulle 'n nare geluid hoor. Dit was 'n geluid wat nie beskryf kan word nie. Dit was 'n aaklige, sagte maar duidelike geluid, asof iemand sing terwyl hy huil, en dit het deur die hele huis weerklink.

„Piet, die oudste seun, en sy pa het met hulle gewere saggies met die trappe afgegaan na die kelder, waarvandaan die geluid gekom het. Maar so skielik as wat dit

begin het, het dit opgehou toe hulle maar 'n paar treë van die deur af weg was.

„Die volgende aand het dieselfde gebeur en na 'n week, toe dit nog steeds plaasvind, besluit hul vader om die polisie te skakel, maar die telefoon was buite werking en toe die kar ook nie wou loop nie, het hulle almal bekommerd geraak. Dié aand het hulle baie rusteloos bed toe gegaan. Die volgende môre is die hele familie dood aangetref.

„Die volgende eienaar het dieselfde probleem ondervind, maar het uitgevind dat, as hy die deur van die kelder toe hou, hy nie die geluid hoor nie. Hy het toe die deur met hout en spykers toegemaak en 'n nuwe deur daaroor gesit; dié deur se sleutels is weggegooi!”

Ou Jafta, wat al die tyd nog na sy hande kyk, kyk op na die vreesbevange oë.

„Nou weet ons. Dankie Jafta!” en die kinders staan op en loop stadig, een vir een, die kamer uit. Toe hulle uit is, begin ou Jafta saggies te lag!

ANNEMARIE FITZHENRY — St. VII.

MY DROOM

In my toestand van beswyming en in 'n ander wêreld van fantasie het allerlei wonderlike kleure die eentonigheid van alledaagse dinge vervang. Vir 'n kunstenaar in droomland kon dit geweldig geïnspireer het, maar vir my was dit 'n skokkende ondervinding.

In die agtergrond kon ek kreungeluide hoor asof iemand groot pyn verduur en in my hulpelose toestand het ek my hand probeer uitstrek in dié rigting om hulp te verleen.

Tevergeefs het ek met elke spier in my liggaam probeer orient kom, maar telkens het ek net weer neergesak op my bed. Die wêreld was net soos 'n speeltoneel en die volgende oomblik het ek soos 'n veertjie deur die lug geseef.

Teenstellende gewaarwordinge het my van tyd tot tyd oorval. In een van hierdie neerdrukkende toestande het ek uiteindelik die klaende persoon aan die keel beetgekry. My hande het stywer om sy nek gedruk en uiteindelik was hy stil, stil vir altyd.

In die verte het die sirene van 'n polisie-motor die nagstille verbreek. Ek het iemand vermoor! Ek moet wegkom, maar waarheen? Koue sweetdruppels het van my voorkop afgerol en 'n onbeskryflike angsk het my beetgepak.



MELODY WATERMAN — Form II.

Die enigste uitweg was om deur die venster van my kamer, op die sesde verdieping, te spring.

Die volgende oomblik het ek, papnat van die sweet, wakker geskrik. Was dit net 'n droom?

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'n Plesierige plek is die Dieretuinmeer. Jy kan op die meer roei en in die nabygeleë swembad swem. Natuurlik is daar ook die dieretuin met 'n groot verskeidenheid van Suid-Afrikaanse en ingevoerde diere.

'n Ander plek om te besoek is die Planetarium. Al die betowering en wondere van die uitspansel kan binne 'n uur ervaar en verduidelik word aan 'n gehoor in die lugverkoelde saal van ons Sterretheater. Vir die eerste keer kry u nou feite oor sterrekunde op 'n aanskoulike manier.

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LINDA EERDMANS — St. VII.

'N GRAPPIGE VOORVAL

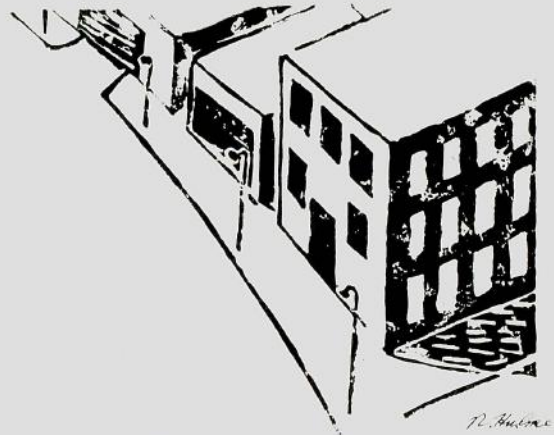
Eendag was my ma en ek besig om die swembad skoon te maak. My ma het die swembad gevee en ek was besig om al die blare uit te haal. Ek het helfte van die swembad met die suigtoestel skoongemaak en toe was dit my ma se beurt om die ander helfte skoon te maak.

Ek het in die huis ingegaan om tee te maak. Die telefoon het gelui en ek het my ma gaan roep. My ma was ingedagte en toe ek skree, het sy haar boeglam geskrik. Sy het die suigtoestel gelos en in die water geval. Haar sandale het in die rotstuiw beland en toe sy inval, het haar rok opgevlieg. Dit het baie snaaks gelyk. Ek het gelag en gelag.

Die water was yskoud en skaars het my ma dit water geraak of sy was weer uit.

My ma was kwaad, maar op die ou end het sy ook gelag.

ELAINE VENTER — St. VI.



NEIL HULME — Form II.

DIE HAELOSTORM

Dreigend en donker hoog gepak;
Grys en swart die wolkedak.
Dan 'n doodse stilte voor die knal.
As 'n enkele haelkorrel val.

Hier nog een en daar val twee,
Dan 'n gedruis van vlugtende vee:
Reën wat spat en spoel alom
Donder wat harder dreun en brom.

Dan kom die wind uit die weste gesnel,
Jaag die haelkorrels nog so fel.
Ruite spat en dakke kraak
Onder die vreeslike storm se wraak.

DIANA HUDSPETH — St. VII.

DIE VUUR

Op die koppie staan 'n rooibok met haar kleintjie. Ver in die weste kan sy die vuur sien. Die rooi vlamme vlieg hoog die lug in. Die lug is met grys rook gevul en bokant die twee vlieg 'n paar aasvoëls.

Die bos verdwyn nou vinnig en die bok begin hardloop, maar sy staan skielik stil en wag vir haar kleintjie, want sy bene is nog swak.

Skielik is daar die gedreun van 'n vliegtuig se enjin en 'n swart stippel verskyn op die horison. Wit vlekke ontvou tot wit valskerms. Valskermsoldate wat die vuur kom bestry! Die vuur versprei nie meer nie, maar môre sal daar niks behalwe 'n swart woestyn oor wees nie.

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Liefste Engel (Marie),

Ek verlang baie na jou. Ek het jou die hele oggend nog nie gesien nie. Dit is verskriklik vir my. Ek het jou tog so lief . . . woorde kan dit nie uitdruk nie. Ek hoop met my hele hart dat jy ook so oor my voel.

Liefde en soentjies,

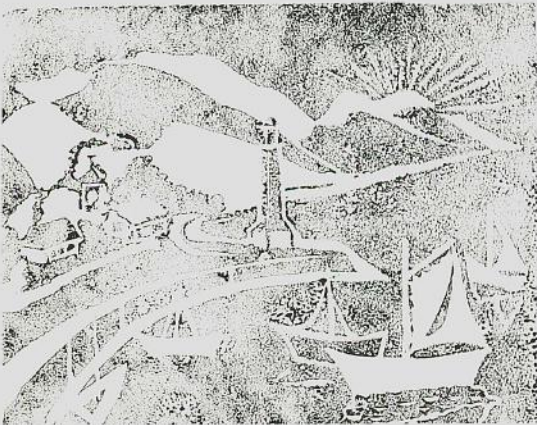
Piet.

Ek kon dit amper nie glo nie. 'n Liefdesbrief van my pa aan my ma! Ek het gretig verder gelees. Hoe meer ek gelees het, hoe meer het ek gelag. Die resultaat van sinnetjies soos „My liefde vir jou is soos 'n oneindige vlam hier in my hart”, was dat ek op die grond gerol het van die lag.

Teen die tyd dat my ma ingekom het om te kyk wat aan die gang was, was my sye al so seer dat ek te bang was om nog te lag. Ma was baie verleë toe sy die oorsaak van die geraas hoor. Sy het my beveel om die briewe te oorhandig. Ek het geweier. Dit was net die kans om haar 'n bietjie af te pers. Ek het gesê dat, voordat sy die beloofde langspeel-plaat vir my koop, sy nie die briewe terug sou kry nie.

Nou het ek my plaat maar ek het nooit gedink dat ek dit deur my ouers se liefdesbriewe sou kry nie.

FRIEDERIKE WOLF — St. VII.



ALLAN LAUBSCHER — Form II.

MY SPORTHELDIN

MY Sportheldin is Chantal Fouché, omdat ek dink dat sy baie moed het en omdat sy so baie vir Suid-Afrikaanse sport gedoen het.

Chantal Fouché was Suid-Afrika se trampolien-kampioene tot omtrent drie jaar gelede, toe sy geval het en haar hele liggaam verlam het. Sy het in Linden gewoon, waar ek haar dikwels sien oefen het.

Ek dink dat sy baie dapper is omdat sy nie so ongelukkig is nie. Sy is ook baie dapper omdat sy die moed het om weer te leer om te skrywe. Die hospitale help haar om te leer en sy sê dat sy sal leer omdat die Here by haar staan.

Chantal Fouché sal vir die res van haar lewe verlam wees. Ek dink dat Suid-Afrika 'n goeie en 'n belowende springmat-kampioen verloor het. Ek hoop ook net dat Suid-Afrika haar nie so gou gaan vergeet nie.

SYLVIA VAN WEELY — St. VIII.

MY BROER SE NOOI

Daar word gesê dat die liefde 'n snaakse ding is — dit is waar! Toe my ouer broer skielik sy eetlus verloor het en met skaapoë begin rondwaal het, het ons onraad bemerk.

Ons herhaalde vrae het geen verduideliking meegebring nie. Maar ons verwagtinge was nie ongegrond nie. Saterdag is die geheim verklap.

„Ek bring Edna môre vir middagete huis toe.”

„Edna?” vra almal onskuldig saam (ons het al die geheimsinnige naam op stukkies papier in sy kamer gesien).

„Ja. Sy — sy is my — e — nooi!”

Sondag het almal piekfyn in hul kisklere gelyk. Ma het 'n spesiale ete voorberei en die kinders is streng gewaarsku om „nie te giggel of te staar nie, hoor!”

Half-een het Edna opgedaag. Sy was taamlik mooi en het die nuttste mode gedra. Sy het ons sitkamerstoele, my ma se onmodiese rok en my klein boetie se uithangende hemp krities beskou.

Gedurende middagete het sy haar dubbelverdiepinghuis, haar pa se nuwe Jaguar, hulle swembad en tennisbaan beskryf.

Toe sy huis toe is, het almal weer ontspan. En my broer? Sy hartstogtelike liefde het skielik afgekoel.

„Ag nee wat, die nooiens is nie vir my nie!” het hy besluit.

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HIER sit ek. Ek, Wendy Wolter, leer vir die grootste eksamen in my skoollewe. Ek wonder watter punte ek gaan behaal. Hoeveel onderskeidings?

Ek sit met my kop oor die boeke gebuig. Blad sy na blad sy na blad sy. Ag, maar matriek is nie so moeilik nie. Ek het amper die helfte van hierdie boek reeds geleer.

'n Mossie sit op die vensterbank en lag. Hy lag vir my. Ek was voor 'n bank sit en leer, ek wat nie deur die hemel kan vlieg nie, en nie sien hoe die bome swaai nie en die wind sterk teen my voel druk as ek hoog bo die geboue sweef nie.

Skielik maak ek die venster oop en die voël vlieg lag-lag na sy maats toe. Hulle sit in die bome en skinder: „Sy gaan druipe, sy is lui!” Dan vlieg hulle op, net soos 'n fontein en vlieg in die donker weg. Ja! Dis reeds donker. Haai! Ek moet weer gaan studeer! Hier sit ek weer en droom.

Nou is ek te moeg. Daar is net . . . vyftig . . . tagtig . . . tagtig bladsye oor. As ek 'n bladsy per minuut leer moet ek omtrent halfvyf opstaan. Halfvyf!

Ek lê in my bed. Tik-tik . . . tik-tik . . . tik-tik . . . sing die horlosie. So gaan die tyd om totdat ek môre my eerste vak moet skryf.

WENDY WOLTER — St. VIII.

MY EERSTE HONDJIE

SEDERT ek baie klein was, het ek 'n troeteldier begeer. Ek het aan Mammie se ore geneul tot satwordens toe. Sy het botweg geweier. Dit was te gevaarlik vir 'n klein japsnoet soos ek, omdat ek hom sou afknou en hy sou my byt. Ek kon eers op sewejarige ouderdom een kry. Ek het gretig uitgesien na my sewende verjaarsdag.

Uiteindelik het die groot dag aangebreek. Ek het douvoordag wakker geword en 'n snaakse geluid gehoor. Ek het omgedraai. Op die voetent van my bed het 'n klein mandjie gestaan.

Daar het hy geslaap, 'n klein swart bolletjie wol. Ek het ge-oe en ge-aa van pure geluk.

Toe het ek my klere halsoorkop aangetrek en ek het Shep, my hondjie, brood en melk gegee. Hy het dit gulsig opgeëet.

Ons het buite gaan speel en hy het voor my gehardloop en hy het my gepootjie. Ek het holderstebolder oor die grond getuimel. Ek het duiselig gevoel, my knieë was nerf-af. Ek

'N ATLETIEKBYEENKOMS

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Watter wonderlike gevoel wel in jou op as jy tussen jou vriende sit en die onder vyftien atlete word uitgeroep oor die luidspreker. Dan verander jou geesdrif in 'n nare bang gevoel. As jy dan op die afsitter wag, kry jy so 'n nare hol gevoel op jou maag en jou hart spring 'n paar wilde bokspronge. Na wat soos etlike minute voel, klap die skoot. Ons skiet soos pyle daar weg. Ek is dan in my eie klein wêreld, waar ek van niks en niemand bewus is nie, net die strewe om die lint eerste te kan breek. As ek deur die lint breek, is ek weer van die res van die wêreld bewus.

Die eerste gedagte wat tot my deurdring is dat ek gewen het. Terwyl ek terug loop na my maats, kom 'n helder stem deur die luidspreker, wat my naam aankondig en dan nog 'n verrassing wat ek nie ver wag het nie, naamlik, dat ek die rekord met 1.1 sekondes verbeter het.

Atletiek of enige ander sportsoort speel 'n groot rol in my lewe, selfs om daarna te kyk. Om nou maar een te noem, min dinge is mooier as die draaibeweging in die lug as iemand paalspring.

Ek raai dus almal aan om, as dit enigsins moontlik is, aan sport deel te neem.

KAREN GERICKE — St. VIII.

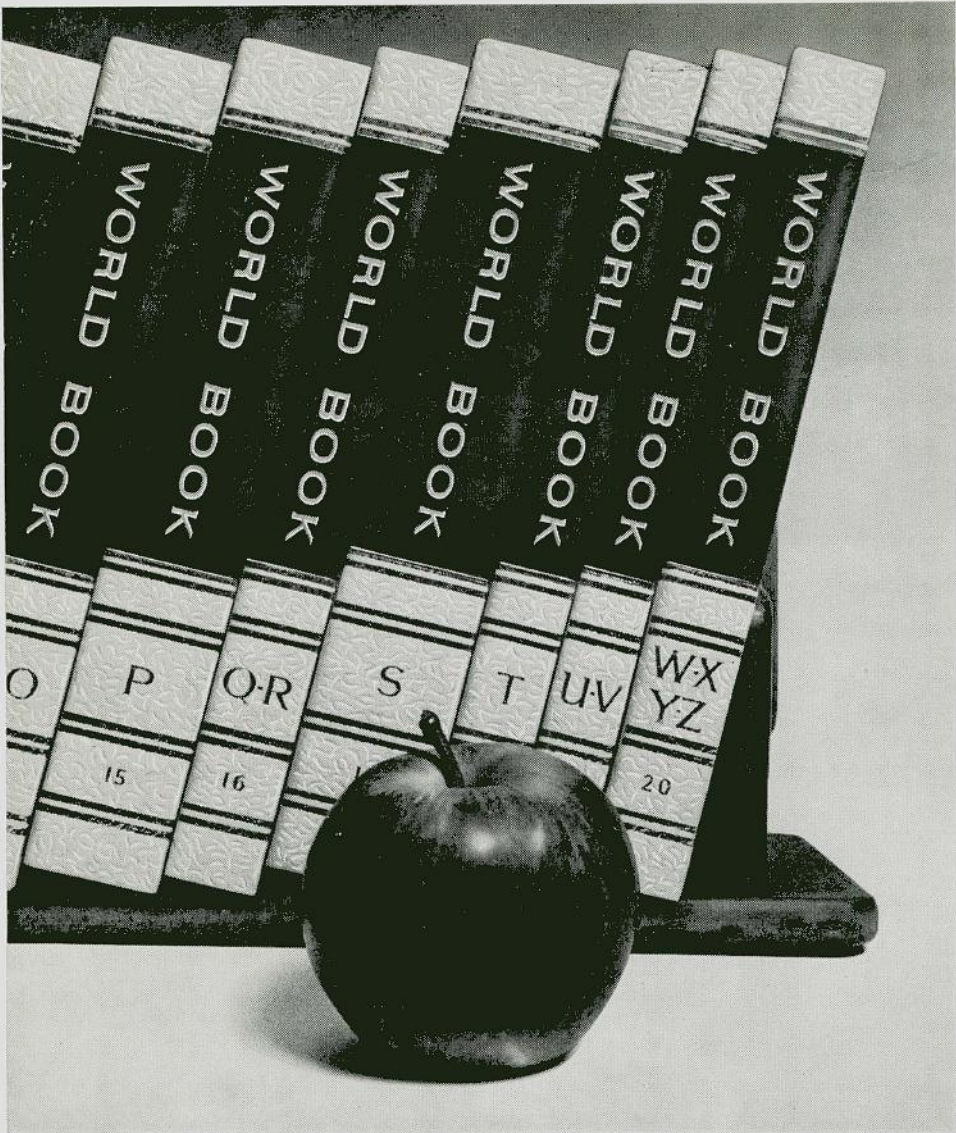


CERENA BALETA — Form II.

wou in trans uitbars. Toe sien ek Boetie; hy het geskaterlag. Ek moes ook maar lag.

Ek en Shep het baie goeie maats geword. Hy het by die dag gegroei en elke dag het hy sy kos gulsig opgeëet.

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