

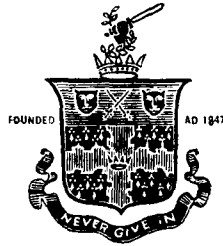
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Basant Usha Katoch

Winner The President's Medal 1960.



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EDITORIAL

Aged a hundred and thirteen and yet about as sprightly as a six year old—the age of our youngest prepper.

It does not appear to make sense but it is true, nevertheless, for although, like the pine and the deodar, which grace our slopes, we add each year to girth — retaining, of course, our shapely form, at the opening of each term we renew ourselves in the budding youth of our children; and through us, a part of our being, runs deep and true the fostering sap of tradition, of love and care, of fellow feeling and a modest pride in ourselves, and in our past. And we look into the future, unafraid, with a confidence born of the heritage of our past.

The Headmaster's Speech

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FOUNDER'S DAY

4th October 1960.

Mr. Chairman, Sir, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Speech Day always presents a problem to the Headmaster. It is never easy to know quite what to say. Be bright? Rather difficult when you aren't really. Be original? In Sanawar—quite impossible. Whatever could be said has already been said over and over again during the last 113 years of the School's existence. Only names have changed and, of course, dates. Little Johnny Smith of 1847 is almost the prototype of little Anup Singh of 1947 and little Birendra Singh of 1960.

And as you study history sheets, spaced over the years: 'playful and inattentive' in the Prep. School—could a child be anything else at that age?—'indifferent to studies' in the Lower School—this could apply to any age group—'could do better' in the Middle School—and who could not at any time?—these might almost duplicate each other.

And finally, one can almost sense the grim satisfaction of Form Masters, separated from each other by a century of time, as they wrote, write and will probably continue to write, concerning the Upper School, and after eleven years of unremitting and apparently hopeless toil,—I quote, 'has made slight progress'.

And yet while these history sheets might almost amount to confessions of failure, the records of old boys and girls make us sure that we are on the right lines. Old Sanawarians are certainly ubiquitous. We find them in the Army, the Navy and the Air Force, in tea, in business, in farming, in fisheries, in the films, in the Universities and in Technical Colleges—they appear to prefer the unusual—Grewal, for example, is taking a course in Naval Architecture and ship building, while Sangram Singh Gaekwad does not intend to let his University studies interfere with Cricket. We find them in Oxford and Loughborough, in the U. S. A. and Australia; the girls either happily married or about to be married, or striking out on their own: nursing in London, or studying foreign languages in Paris; in demand as air hostesses on International Air Lines or as secretaries in Foreign embassies: possessed of that self assurance and ease of manner, that can be acquired, no where better, than in a co-educational School.

To refer only to this year will show something of what I mean. Bunny Malhotra stood second on a list of successful candidates out of over 3000 candidates who sat for admission to the Dufferin. Maun Shergill stood first, though in a different sphere, for admission to the N. D. A. for the course which commenced in July. Ranjit Bhatia, 'Asia's fastest miler,' and probably the first Indian ever to win a Blue at

athletics at Oxford, to which he went on a Rhode's scholarship, represented India in the Olympic Games in Rome. Apropos of this, we have today, in Sanawar, Birinder Singh Bala, who has broken a record set up by Ranjit Bhetia in 1953 in the 1500 metres, and we have great hopes that Birinder will do even better than Ranjit.

Sanawar boys hold, already, a proportionately greater number of cadet appointments in the N. D. A. and the Military College than the boys of any other school, and have been reported as easily the most outstanding cadets in the Academy. To speak only of the present, Nair and Suresh Chand both hold Academy appointments. Nair is also Capt. of the Academy Riding Team, and Suresh Chand the Academy Boxing Captain. Poonia is in the Academy football team and J. P. Singh holds a cross-country Blue. Brijendra is being tried out, in his very first term, for selection to the Academy Cricket XI.

Vishnu Bhagat, by winning a sword of Honour in the Navy, has added a third to the Swords of Honour won by Old Sanawarian—previously one in the Army and one in the Air Force. Where spirit and dash have value you are apt to find an Old Sanawarian in the lead. Whether it is Dileshwar taking a jeep where, if I may coin a phrase, no jeep has set foot before, or Vijay Nair winning the Doongarsee Challenge Trophy, awarded to the champion horseman in the Mounted Sports and Horse Show in Bombay. He is today Captain of the Academy Riding Team. Shergill and Sodhi won their riding Blues in the N. D. A., the former coming second in the Individual Tent Pegging Championship. In the polo tournament during the Army Horse Show at Bombay, the N.D.A. team was composed entirely of Old Sanawarians, while a fifth Sanawarian found a place in another team. Another Sodhi, Harinder, played polo for India against Pakistan and hopes to play in Britain this year. Abhey Yog Raj was appointed a Monitor in Mayo College, Ajmer, Suresh Mullick is steadily forging ahead in journalism. Anjon Mehra was appointed University Boxing Captain and is likely to Captain the Inter-University Boxing team going to Ceylon this year.

So in spite of the dour note of the history sheets, Sanawar does continue to produce the right type of boy and girl—self-confident, self-reliant, decent and above all, balanced, morally, mentally and physically. I do not know how far it is true, but I was told by someone who ought to know, that in the Universities, eve-teasers are not to be found among Sanawarians, and adam-teasers find Sanawarians frustrating and unresponsive prey.

Apropos of these remarks—we were delighted, not so long ago, to welcome in Sanawar, a visiting Cricket XI from probably the most famous school in the country. The team, obviously animated by the kindest of holiday moods, played the perfect guests, which they undoubtedly were, and they so charmed us by their manners as to make us so far forget ours, as hosts, as to beat them by ten wickets. The sequel was a most delightful commentary on their visit to this School published in their School News-letter, in which a comparison of the two schools is made. The writer suggests, and you can visualise a tongue in the cheek, that the difference in

character between the two schools stems from the fact, that while his, situated in the plains, is horizontal, ours, in the hills, is perpendicular, and therefore, that while in his school a boy looks round for a bicycle when asked to cover 100 yards, in Sanawar a boy, by virtue of environment, living, as he does, at an inclination of 40°, is obliged to do it the hard way, or alternately, not to do it at all. He goes on to say that he has invented a motto for both schools, and while the one he has invented for his own, namely 'take it easy', has not yet been officially accepted by their Old Boys' Association, the natural motto for Sanawar, dictated by environment, would be 'to do it the hard way', because there is no easy way. If you don't do it the hard way, you don't do it at all, and in the latter case, the writer presumes you get returned to parents with the remarks: 'unsuited for existence at an inclination of 40°'. On his choice of motto for his school, I will not comment. Our own motto, 'Never Give In', does approximate to what he has selected for Sanawar. I hasten to add that I am adopting the most complimentary interpretation of his remarks, as I am sure he intended me to, even though a different interpretation is always possible.

Now this is not the time or place to present a School Report. I will, therefore, with your permission, confine myself to matters which might interest parents and visitors, particularly the former who are as much part of the School as are their children.

Examinations: We have not done too badly this year—far better in fact than we had hoped, for it is still school policy, unlike that in so many schools, to permit all children who reach the Upper school to take the final examination without a qualifying test. Only two children out of 35 failed to pass the examination. Neither of these children really stood much of a chance of securing, even at the best a third division, but to have held them back, merely to ensure a 100% success would have been wrong. There was always the bare chance that they might pass.

We have stepped up the emphasis on fluency in correct English expression, and we hope that in December, 1960, we shall secure a great many more first divisions than previously. A credit in English is an absolute pre-requisite to a first division.

As some of you may have heard, the Overseas School Leaving Certificate Examination, formerly the Senior Cambridge, has been re-modelled. It will in future be known as the Indian School Certificate Examination, and will approximate, I believe, on a slightly higher level, to the Higher Secondary Examination. The Overseas School Leaving Certificate Examination and the new examination are still the only examinations, of an all India character, available in this country to children whose parents are likely to be transferred all over the country and who, therefore, find it very difficult to cope with learning, each time afresh, a multitude of regional languages. Again, these examinations enjoy world-wide recognition, a factor of conspicuous importance in the career of children likely to go abroad for higher studies.

This new examination will be coming into force shortly, and, though, we have been advised that at least three years' notice will be given to us, the Board of Governors has, most wisely, decided that children must be prepared in accordance with the revised syllabus from this year. The main departure from the old examination lies in the increased emphasis on Maths. and the Sciences and the introduction of craft and a third language as compulsory subjects. We have increased the number of crafts available both for study and enjoyment, and have adopted Sanskrit as a third language to be studied in addition, of course, to English and Hindi, both of which are compulsory.

Sanskrit enjoys many advantages over a regional language. It is essentially an Indian language, having mothered almost all the known languages of the country. It opens the door to scholarship and the vast heritage of cultural and literary India. Above all, being truly national, it serves as a unifying influence, so necessary today when separatism appears to find a dismally increasing number of adherents.

While on the subject of examinations, the system to which I referred last year, namely that of having nothing whatever to do with them, has proved of immense value. The weekly assessments leading to five mark-readings, the average of which measures a child's progress, has provided, instead, a really reliable yardstick, by which a child's progress can be measured accurately, and, at any moment, of his school career, not only by himself or herself, but by the teaching staff. As I said previously, the system could only have worked, given absolute integrity on the part of the Staff. Fortunately, this integrity has been available in abundance, and I feel the Staff merits the highest praise for the co-operation and hardwork which has made of the experiment a real success.

Games: At games we have done well, particularly at cricket, and for this we owe a real debt of gratitude to Peter Lee, our School Leaver, who worked so tirelessly to coach our lads in the finer points of the game. The result has been a truly well knit team, and, judging from the results of inter-schools' matches played, I feel that today we are about the best cricketing school side in North India.

Boxing has come on amazingly well. Considering that inter-school fixtures were re-introduced only in 1957, this year we did very well to share points with our traditional rivals, the B. C. S., and we hope that next year we shall do even better. I am afraid, a great many parents do not appear to understand the value of amateur boxing, as it exists in schools of this nature. Amateur boxing is truly a game. No boy is ever permitted to compete beyond his weight and skill and under no circumstances do judges and referees, in schools, permit a lad to take unnecessary punishment. It has one outstanding virtue: it drives out physical fear, or the terror of being hurt, from a boy's make up, once and for ever. Nothing but manliness could result from this.

An innovation, though I should hardly call it such, for there is little in Sanawar which has not its roots in the past, a stepping up might be a more appropriate term of the emphasis on organized games in the whole school, including the P. D., has raised standards appreciably. The P. D. now plays the Senior School at all games, Hockey, Soccer and Cricket, and these fixtures are played with all the ritual and solemnity which normally attend inter-schools' fixtures. And quite rightly too, for the P. D. take these fixtures desperately seriously. In the middle group, the inter-schools, Colts' fixtures provide competition for those aged 14 and below, and with inter-schools 'Opens' fixtures the circle is complete. Consequently, unlike some schools which exercise a First Eleven or at the most a Second Eleven, in Sanawar, games play a very important part in the life of a child from the Prep. School to the lordly Sixth Form. I feel there is no finer way of raising standards in the country than to 'catch 'em young'.

Health : The health of the children has been good. The R. M. O. has been able to avoid all epidemics of a major kind. A large measure of gratitude is due to parents who this year have co-operated most generously in complying with school requirements with regard to precautionary measures to be adopted during the holidays.

It would be impossible to leave the subject of health without voicing our most heart-felt gratitude to a great many who have most devotedly helped the School: Dr. Chawla, the Eye Specialist, Dr. Ahuja, the Dental Surgeon, Dr. Shrivastava, the Director of the Central Research Institute and his Staff, Col. Mehta and the officers and the Nursing Officers of the Military Hospital at Kasauli, Drs. Joseph and Lyall and Mathews of the two Sanatoria. Most particularly are we grateful to Dr. Thomas whose mere presence in Sanawar spells a guarantee of security. And last, but by no means least, Colonel Bhatia: I could say a great deal about what we owe to Col. Bhatia, none of which could adequately convey our sense of gratitude. Each time he visits Sanawar to see his children, he sees more of patients than he does of them. We are also deeply grateful to Mrs. Bhatia for her quiet suggestions for the general welfare of the children. I am sure all parents, particularly mothers, will be glad that, in Mrs. Bhatia, we have access to the mother's point of view.

We have been able this year to increase the number of eggs per child per week to ten. Vegetarians get eight ounces of cream. All children now get an additional cup of cocoa made in pure milk with alternately buns, cakes and biscuits just before retiring. Supper is now at 5-45 p. m. which means that Prep. is no longer devoted to thoughts of better and larger menus, and with the cocoa, buns, cakes and biscuits, children are given something to prevent 'night starvation' so prominently featured in the advertisements of a certain brand of milk powder.

Over the last year we have tried to make Sanawar a truly co-educational school. Many restrictions which were imposed formerly by the British, on the assumption that the lesser breeds had uncertain morals, have been done away with

In the P. D. boys and girls now feed together with remarkably good effect on the table manners of the boys and on their choice of topics for conversation. And the girls, too, have discovered that little boys are not the horrid monsters of their imagination.

In the Senior School, all cultural activities, other than the essentially masculins ones, such as carpentry and the band, are commonly shared. The result is a general raising of standards, e.g. where formerly Saturday Club Concerts were confined to four shows by the boys, one by the girls, and one by the P. D., today these Concerts are the joint productions of all children, regardless of age or sex. I am sure you will agree that girls make far more charming girls on the stage than do boys dressed for the part, no matter how hard you try to camouflage knobby elbows and incipient moustaches.

Boys are beginning to take an increasing interest in Indian dancing, much to the amusement of the conservative Sixth Form, though even here the barrier is breaking down. It has been whispered that no less a personage than the Head Boy has been seen shaking a foot, more suitable for Soccer, in the delicate nuances of an Indian Folk dance.

I am often asked by visitors, and you can almost sense that the question is framed in block capitals, "Are there no incidents?" as though the lack of them would amount to an unnatural phenomenon. It is rather hard convincing people, that children are basically good, true idealists, and that it is a far more natural state of affairs to be free of incidents whether in block capitals or the lesser case.

We have reorganised our system of registration for admissions. Requests for admission forms average about ten a day. We have children registered as far ahead now as 1972, though very few of these are likely to be admitted, as the only vacancies available will be in the age group 6+—7. There are almost 300 children on the waiting list for admission next year. And I must add that we register only those children who are likely to benefit from admission to this School.

Children are now registered with the aim that they take the final School Certificate examination not earlier than 16½ years of age. Taking the final examination earlier suffers from a number of grave defects not the least of which is that it prevents the normal, balanced development of a child. We have so many parents who want their children to be granted double promotion—always fatal in our experience—or to be admitted to a class higher than their aptitude justifies. This makes of learning a mockery and bears no resemblance to education.

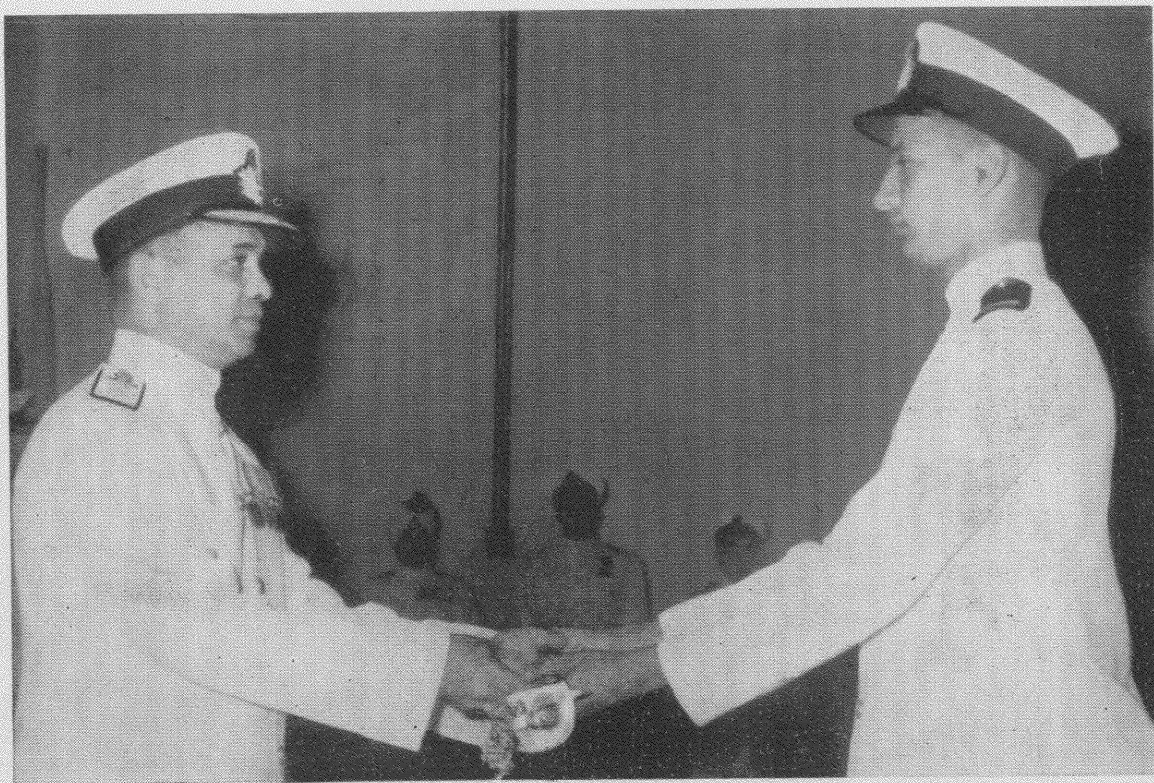
A child who takes his examinations as a normal part of his development is far more likely to get a first division, without which, with the overcrowding of colleges and universities, he might as well not have passed at all.

A year saved at the cost of a first division is a very poor bargain. In any case Universities are unlikely to admit a child before the age of 17, and the price paid is a year or more of idleness, which might profitably have been spent in school, securing a place in the School 1st Eleven, becoming a School or House Prefect; developing cultural talents and qualities which will stand a child in far better stead, in later life, than all the book learning in the world.

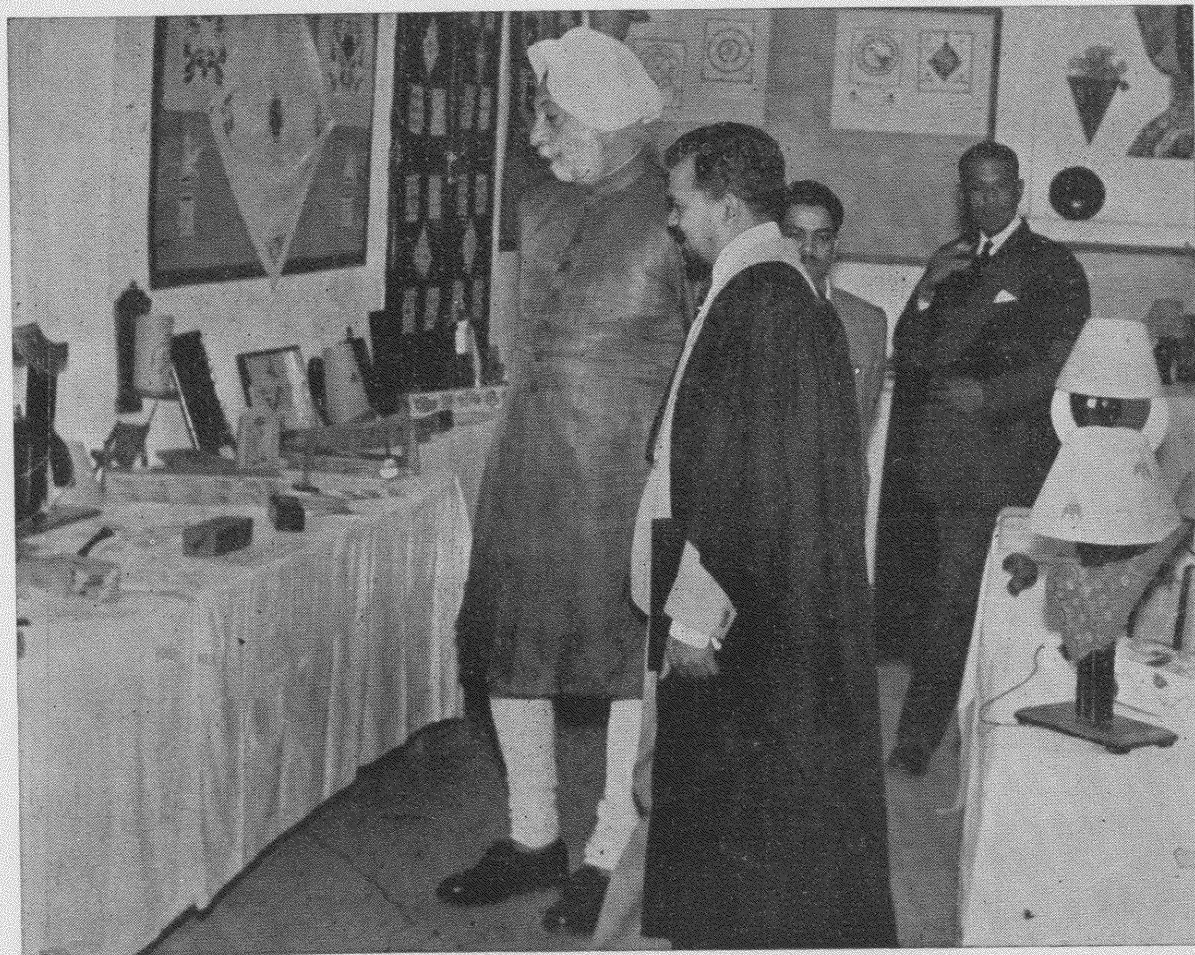
Finally, I would be failing in my duty if I do not express now, on behalf of of the School and myself, our deep sense of gratitude to Mr. Kemp, who has so efficiently combined the functions of Bursar and Senior Master. His knowledge of the School and its needs gained over a period of twenty years' devoted service, has been of enormous benefit to us at a time when we have been without a Bursar. He has been able to bring a fresh mind to bear on familiar administrative problems; he has been able to streamline a great deal of School administration particularly with regard to accounting, and has also been able to liquidate a number of bottle-necks which were sacrificing efficiency and the welfare of children to allegedly correct procedure. By force of personality and experience, he has also been able to bring in an element of real authority to bear on whatever he has done. We owe a very real debit of gratitude to him.

Swords of Honour

(Four Sanawarians have won Swords of Honour, two in the Army and one each in the Navy and the Air Force).



Sub. Lieut. Vishnu Bhagat receiving the Sword of Honour from Vice-Admiral R. D. Katari, Chief of Naval Staff.



The Chief guest in the Crafts' room.

The Speech of Sardar Surjit Singh Majithia, Deputy Defence Minister.

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FOUNDER'S DAY

4TH October 1960.

Sardar Surjit Singh Majithia began by referring to the Honourable, The Defence Minister as a hard task-master, who held that if you travelled by day and slept by night, you were left with no time in which to work. Accordingly, he had risen very early in the morning in Delhi to be present in Sanawar in time for Founder's.

He went on to express his gratitude to have had the opportunity of visiting "your wonderful school". He said he was very impressed by the Trooping of the Colour parade he had witnessed in the morning. To quote his words, "The parade this morning was really good. I congratulate the boys for their steadiness and smartness. It has been one of the smartest Parades that I have seen in any school, that is with the exception of the Indian Military Academy".

In the march past of the whole school, he said, he was particularly happy to see even the very youngest marching past with smiles on their faces, and this must mean that they were happy in the School. He also referred with happiness to the atmosphere which pervaded the School—the children were respectful and well-disciplined, something of which very little was seen in other schools.

He referred to the necessity of having more schools of this type in India, schools which could, profitably, copy the traditions set up by them.

He said that the vast sphere of activities represented by Old Sanawarians spoke well of the grounding they had received here.

As far as studies were concerned, he was equally happy to note that the children had done very well.

He referred to the past links with the Ministry of Defence and said that even though the Ministry no longer administered the School, it still maintained close contact with it though the Joint Secretary to the Ministry of Defence, who was an ex officio member of the Board of Governors. He was also happy to see that Lt. Gen. Kalwant Singh was also a member of the Board.

The Ministry of Defence, naturally, took the keenest interest in the welfare of a school in which 40% of the vacancies were reserved for children from Service families, and he hoped that the boys would follow in the footsteps of their fathers

and join one of the three fighting Services. He was most appreciative of Maun Shergill's success—he is incidentally also a Majithia—in heading the list of those selected for admission to the National Defence Academy, and happy that Maun had kept alive the Service traditions of his family.

He said that other walks of life might be more profitable, but selfishness took you nowhere, and that it was far better to be a member of a team, as it was only thus that you could achieve anything that was creative. However good you were, you would be useless unless you could fit into the pattern of cooperative living. You should think less of yourself and more of your side, your school and inevitably of your country.

He was glad to see that the tradition of thinking not for yourself alone was well grounded at Sanawar, and that, therefore, children leaving it were bound to be good Indians.

He referred with much happiness to the fact that boys of Sanawar had won three Swords of Honour, one in each of the three Services, the Army, the Navy and the Air Force. He said this was symptomatic of the spirit of nationalism that was in the School, because it was evident that Sanawarians were thinking of giving of their best to the finest of the Services, not excluding the I. C. S., of whom there were many in the audience. He might be wrong but he spoke as a soldier.

He referred to the healthy influence of the girls in the School. They added an element of colour, and life without colour was dull. He said that the creative spirit of a School could best be judged in its Arts and Crafts. He referred with pleasure to the wealth of personality expressed by the children in painting, modelling, textile printing, papier-mache work and carpentry, and added that it was obvious that there was a great deal of talent in the School.

He concluded by saying that he would offer the children no advise, on two counts: firstly they must have had a lot of it and secondly he did not see enough of them to give it. He expressed once again his real pleasure to have been able to visit Sanawar to enjoy its climate, its scenery and above all the wonderful atmosphere which was present in the School.



One hundred and thirteen years Completed

M A R C H

- Sunday, 6th The once deserted dormitories ring with the excited cries of children. The usual humdrum routine of hunting for misplaced medical certificates, bags and "baggages" in full force.
- Monday, 7th A day of bracing cold with the faintest suggestion of snow. Wildly excited children, ask to be allowed to 'ski.' "Black Narcissus" screened in Barne Hall.
- Tuesday, 8th New admissions, round-eyed with wonder, hope and despair, begin to trickle in. Fathers stiff-lipped, mothers red-eyed. N.D.A. results out: G. S. Virk, K.S. Suri, K. S. Dhillon, A. S. Poonia and Brijendra Singh defeat the examiner.
- Thursday, 10th Assembly followed by the issue of text books. Cricket; Net practices for Staff and First XI.
- Saturday, 12th Cambridge results announced: 7 First Divisions, 20 Second Divisions, 6 Third Divisions and 2 Failures.
- Sunday, 13th A Festival Match ushers in the Cricket season. The Headmaster's XI registers its first victory in three years.
- Tuesday, 15th Magic show—magician does an unrehearsed "disappearance" when lights blackout.
- Friday, 18th Peter Lee takes the Cricket XI firmly in hand.
- Monday, 21st Days of lazing over. P. T. and Prep. begin.
- Tuesday, 22nd Sharp fall in temperature. Powdering of snow in Sanawar and the surrounding hills.

A P R I L

- Friday, 1st Peter Lee rings the bell at 2 A. M.
- Saturday, 2nd The Senior Hindi Society presents its first Mock Parliament.
- Sunday, 3rd O. P. takes a party of boys to the Thapa Fort. They return a trifle weary.
- Tuesday, 5th The stork visits the Sinhas.
- Friday, 8th The Head Boy, bearded like the pard, introduces the 'crew cut'. Boys look spiky but smart.
- Saturday, 9th Sanawar scores a big victory over the Y. P. S. at cricket. Peter Lee plans further successes.
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- Thursday, 14th First Saturday Club Show. Nilagiri performs to a full house. Rajiv Mehra's (P.D.) flowing beard an immediate success. "Jhagde da Ant"—Punjabi jabber at its most argumentative.
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- Saturday, 16th Foundation Day Picnic at the old stand—Dagroo. H. M. arranges a mock battle, which Navina Sundaram finds over strenuous, after gorging on a tremendous lunch. The P. D. celebrates the Day near Doom's Pond. Rice, chicken, curries, salad, curd, fruit salad and cream fail to damp their zest for tea and 'Charlies'.
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- Friday, 22nd Black Friday.....The First Mark Reading.
- Sunday, 24th Dua scores the first century of the season. G. S. Virk, Brijender Singh, A. S. Poonia, Aneet Sihota are selected for the N. D. A.
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- Wednesday 27th Inter-House Netball matches (G.D.) commence.
- Friday, 29th Vindhya annex the Netball Cup.



M A Y

- Sunday, 1st** Sanawar Cricket Colts beat the B. C. S. by 7 wickets. C. S. Uggal takes 4 wickets for 2 runs.
- Thursday, 5th** The Barne Memorial Match ends in a draw. O. S. Mountford, Kochhar and Dube reinforce the Staff. Himalaya Saturday Club Show a great success.
- Friday, 6th** Mid-term break. O. P. leads a hike to Chaur.
- Saturday, 7th** Peppers go to Lover's Pond. "Rock around the Clock" sets the girls rock-n-roll mad.
- Monday, 9th** Sanawar 1st Eleven beats the B.C.S. by 79 runs. Peter Lee pleased.
- Wednesday 11th** The first dance of the year.
- Saturday, 14th** Navin Bratt shines at the History Society Meet. Manju Sood, Lina Rani Bagchi and Suman Gita win prizes in the Indian Academy of Fine Arts Exhibition of Child Art held at Amritsar. A L-IV child writes that South America was discovered by Lord Lytton who was carried there by the Trade Winds. O. S. Harold Bond (1904—12) reminiscences.
- Tuesday, 24th** Inter-House Cricket Matches—rain stops play.
- Saturday, 28th** Himalaya annex the Cricket Trophy. Vindhya House Saturday Club Show reaches a very high standard.

J U N E

- Friday, 3rd** Siwalik comes first in the Hodson Runs.
- Sunday, 5th** Sanawar beats the Doon School by 10 wickets.
- Wednesday 8th** A sudden increase in the mosquito population.
- Monday, 13th** Shabnam Sahni wins the Scanlon Tennis Cup beating Basant Usha Katoch : 6—1, 6—0.
- Tuesday 14th** The rains came.
- Saturday, 18th** Siwalik House Saturday Club Show. These get better and better.
- Sunday, 19th** A hike to Chail and back in two days—65 miles in all, and in the mountains. We still breed them tough.
- Monday, 20th** The Swimming Finals. Nilagiri (Boys) and Vindhya (girls) float away with the cup.

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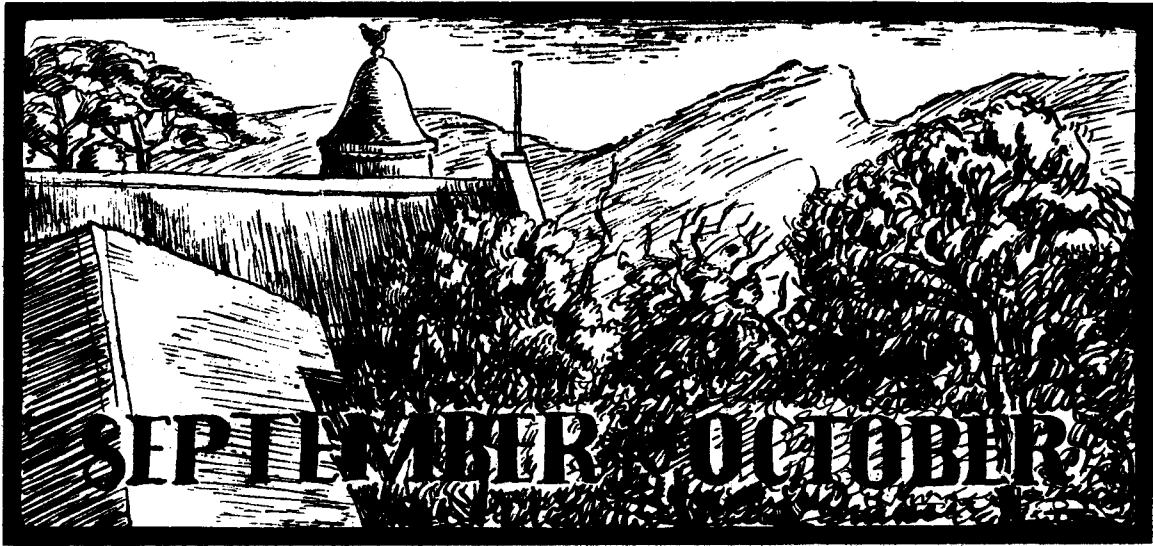


J U L Y

- Saturday, 2nd Vindhya (girls) win the Inter-House Badminton Trophy. Indu Khanna wins the singles.
- Sunday, 3rd Colts lose at Soccer to the B. C. S.
- Tuesday, 5th Boxing against the B. C. S. Points even.
- Wednesday 6th Sanawar 1st XI beats the B. C. S. at Soccer (4—2).
- Saturday, 9th August 6th—A welcome breather. The mid-term break.
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A U G U S T

- Saturday, 6th The monkeys and langoors driven rudely from their favourite haunts by returning children. Mr. S. N. Sharma, Miss Sulakshana Vig, Mrs. Abel, Miss Gupta and David Adshead join the Staff.
- Sunday, 7th Boys reluctantly part with fivers as loving (?) sisters tie 'rakhis' on their wrists.
- Thursday, 11th Early suppers (5-45 p. m.) introduced followed by cocoa after Prep. Prep no longer devoted to thoughts of larger and better menus.
- Monday, 15th Children host to servants and families. A Yogi indulges in a freakish diet—broken glass and a bucket of water. Preppers, with their propensity for following suit, are carefully watched.
- Thursday, 18th Vindhya annex the Inter-House Soccer Trophy.
- Sunday, 21st The girls defy the rain to see 'Vertigo' in the Kasauli Garrison Cinema.
- Monday, 22nd The soccer teams return from Patiala, defeated by the Y. P. S. in what were virtually water-polo fixtures.
- Saturday, 27th The Science Society meets, speaks and disperses learnedly.



S E P T E M B E R

- Saturday, 3rd The Maths. Society. Ditto but with humour.
- Monday, 12th Mr. Mundkur dissects a rabbit while Mrs. Kemp shows admiring
Upper Fifths the four guineapigs slaughtered by the Sixth. Mrs.
Sikund quite revolted.
- Sunday, 25th First Tattoo rehearsal at night.
- Friday, 30th Heat wave strikes Sanawar. Andy Kemp faints into Rajika's arms.

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O C T O B E R

- Saturday, 1st School Plays rehearsed for Founder's.
- Sunday, 2nd Gandhi Jayanti celebrated at a solemn Assembly. Parents and Old
Sanawarians begin to troop in.

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- Monday, 3rd School Concert delights parents and visitors. Rain stops Tattoo.
Display.
- Tuesday, 4th Founder's. Colours are trooped.
- Wednesday 5th The Annual Swindle, the School Fets fleeces all comers.
- Thursday, 6th Old Sanawarians vanish as suddenly as they came.

Monday, 10th The Inter-House School Athletics. Nilagiri (Boys) and Siwalik (Girls) share the Cock-House Cup, while Bala wins the Kalinga Trophy.

Tuesday, 11th Inter-House P. T. won by Himalaya (Girls) and Siwalik (Boys) Vijay Veer adjudged the champion gymnast.

Wednesday 12th Sixth absorbed in studies.

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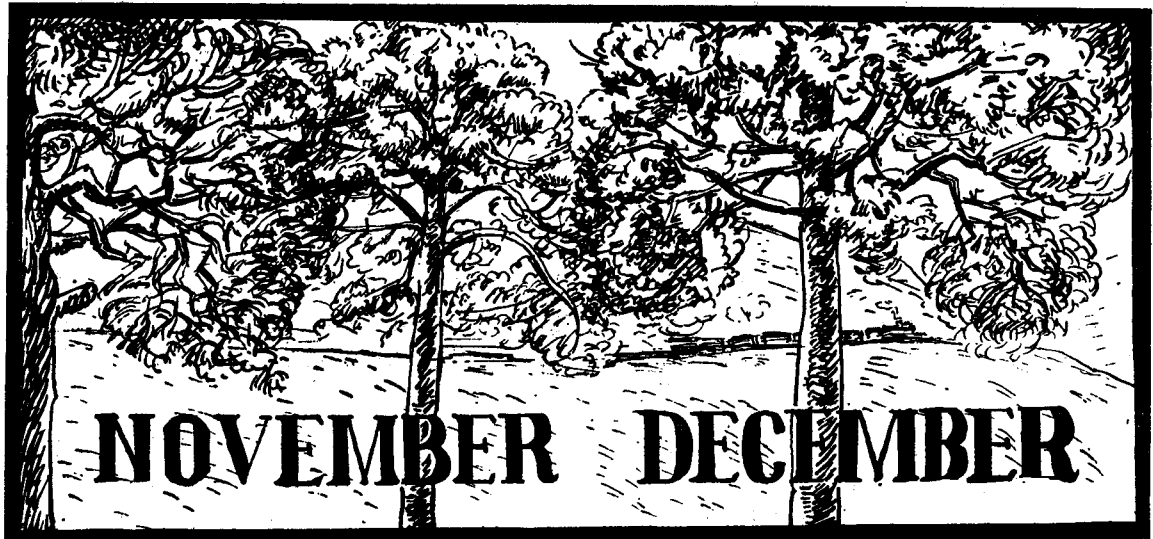
Thursday, 20th Diwali and a buffet dinner. Boys nobly restrain their instincts when the pudding arrives and the old ritual 'women and children first' just about prevails.

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Sat. 22nd }
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Mon. 24th } The Inter-School Quadrangular Meet. Sanawar comes second.

Thursday, 27th Mutiny in the School. The H. M. forced to give a holiday on his birthday.

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N O V E M B E R

Thursday, 3rd Guru Nanak's birthday celebrated. Gurdwara in Gaskell Hall.

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Saturday, 5th Sanawar Colts beat the B. C. S. at Hockey.

Monday, 7th Sanawar 1st XI does the same.

Saturday, 12th Vindhya and Siwalik share points in the Inter-House Hockey (Girls).

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Wednesday 16th Vindhya wins the Inter-House Shooting Cup. 'Horsey' Randhawa
the Best Shot.

Friday, 18th Vindhya does it again by winning the Inter-House Hockey (Boys).

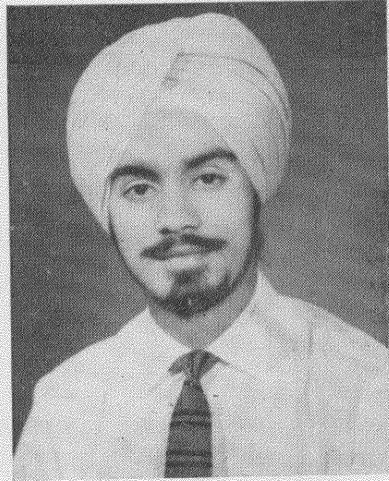
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Sunday, 20th The Sixth Form picnic at the Broken Bridge.

Monday, 21st The Exams. start, 'nough said.

Some Old Sanawarians

T. P. S. Chowdhury



1952—58.

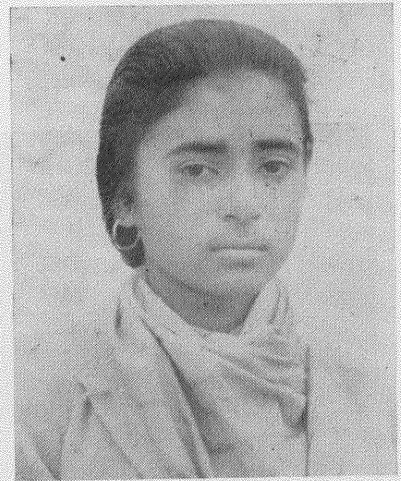
Govt. of India Merit Scholar.
School Colours : Boxing & Hockey
Army Cadet

Kum Kum Batra



1953—58
School Colours : Netball, Prefect's
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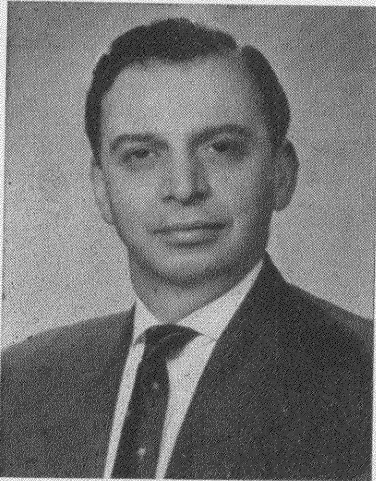
Ranjana Debnath



1953—59.
Govt. of India Merit Scholar.
School Colours : Netball.
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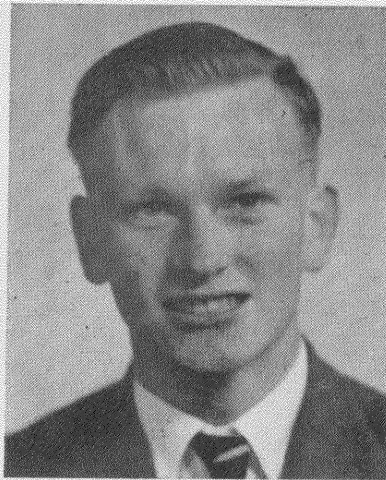
MORE OLD SANAWARIANS

'CHICKY' Browne



1930—'37
School Colours: Cricket, Boxing,
Soccer and Hockey.
Now Sales Director
Immediate problems: fat and
receding hair.

Bevan Hill



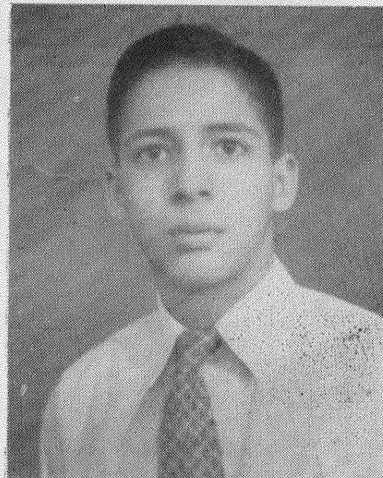
1942—'44
'A' Level '51
RAF 1951—'53
Now in Post Office Supplies.

Derek Hellings

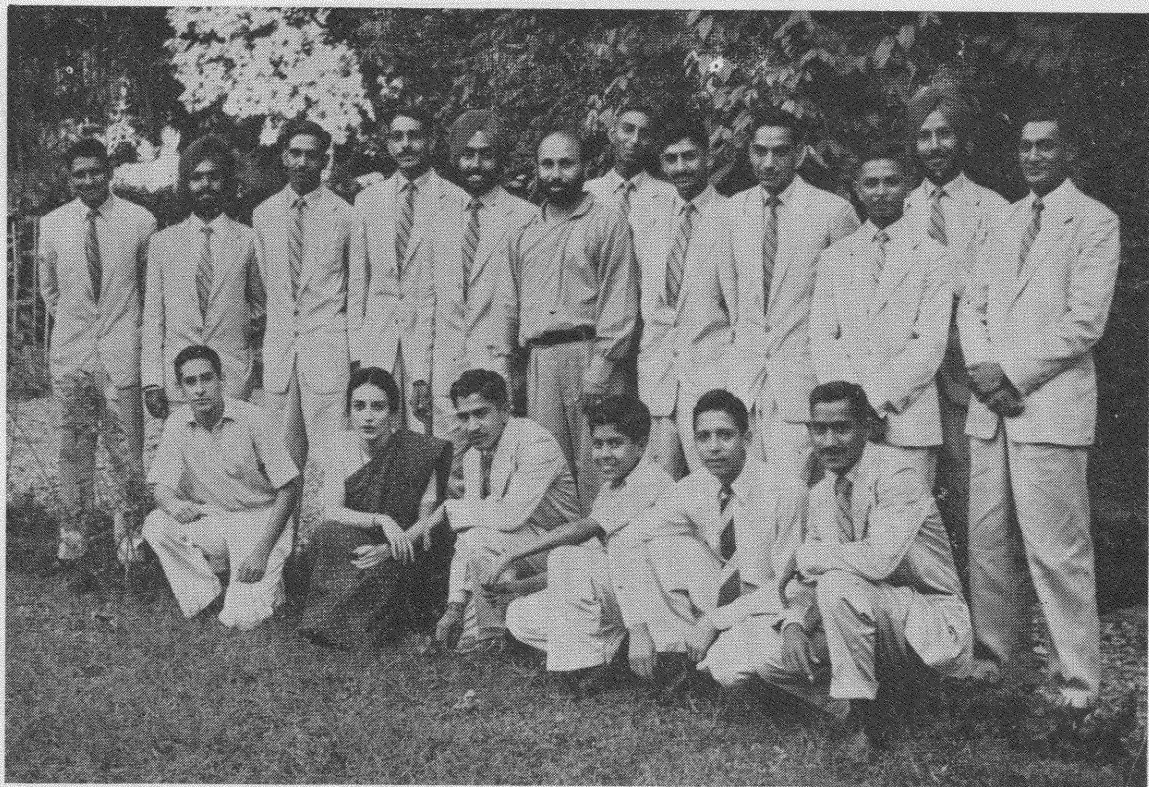


1940—'45
School Colours: Soccer & Hockey
Examiner. Ammo. R.A.O.C.

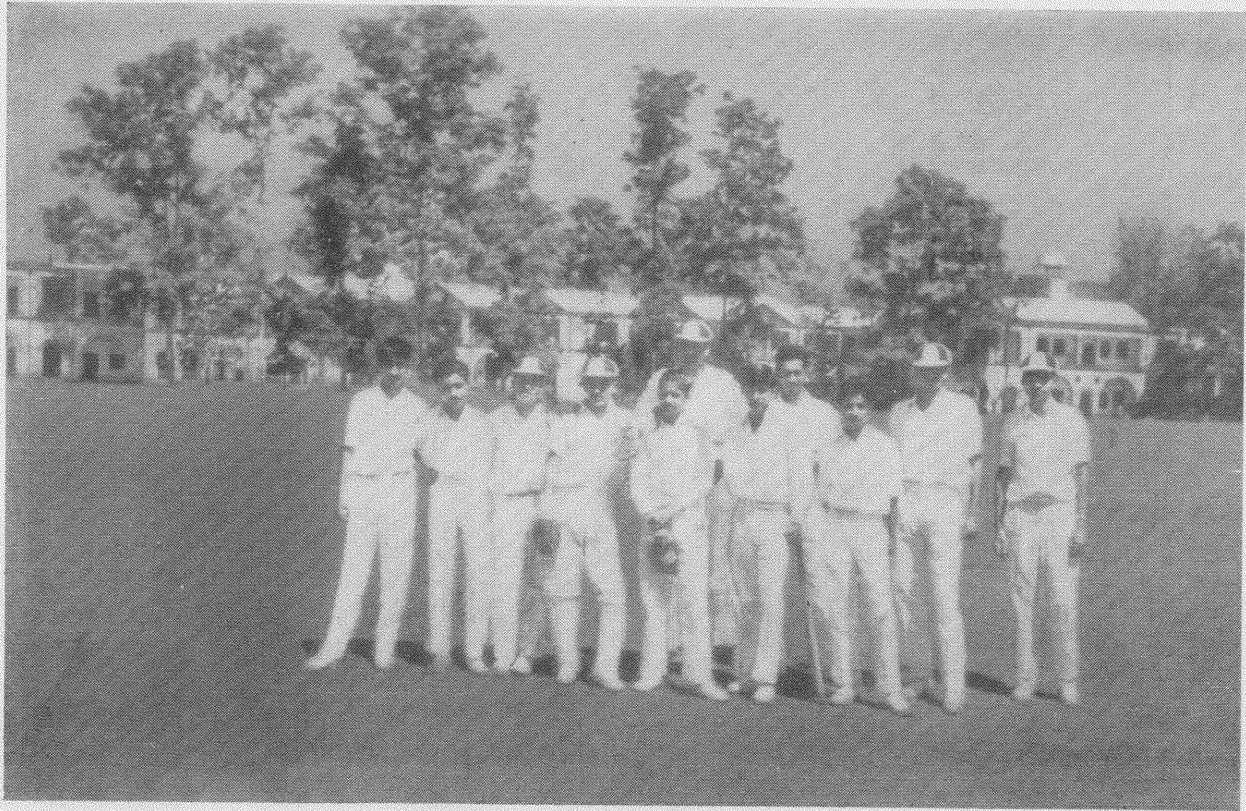
Jai Sheel Oberoi



1954—'59
Nellie Lovell Prize 1959.



Old Sanawarians in the I. M. A. who met on the occasion of the Doon School Match



CRICKET

The Doon School Match

Boys' School, Sanawar.

(1902 — 1927).

A REPRINT

On resigning a mastership in Bishop Cotton School, Simla, I was appointed Headmaster of Sanawar on December 1st, 1902, the Rev. A. H. Hildesley being Principal. In my previous school there was a qualified master for each class. In Sanawar, I found that I had to try to educate 250 boys with the assistance of only three masters—a formidable job! All School inspected or given grants-in-aid by Government were divided into three Departments:— **High** (ex VII, roughly corresponding to Matric.) **Middle** (Stds., VII, VI, V,) **Primary** (Stds. IV, III, II, I,). Promotion from the Primary to the Middle Department and from the Middle to High depended on passing written examinations conducted by the Education Department. Scholarships were granted on the results of these examinations and the names of successful Sanawar candidates were placed on the Honour Boards. I found that there was no High Department in Sanawar in 1902, so I determined to have one as Higher Education was necessary for our boys if they were to compete successfully in civil or military life. I staffed Stds. VII, VI, V, IV with masters and Stds. III, II, I, were taught successfully by Pupil Teachers. I selected six promising boys from Std. VII for this purpose. They received lessons in Teaching and tuition for the High School Examination from me out of School hours, and some studied and passed the qualifying Examination in to the Survey of India Department. These pupil Teachers, who took their responsibilities very seriously, were rewarded for their extra work by concessions of various kinds, Technical Instruction took place during School hours, thus liberating the services of Masters for work in the High Department after it was formed. Military Instructors took Band practice, gymnastics and carpentry. A Telegraph Class was instructed by a Post Office official and Printing and Book-binding by an Indian Master of the Staff in the old Printing Shop near the Stores. This class was a farce and gave a lot of trouble. I was being continually sent for to read the Riot Act. The Instructor did not mind boys going to sleep or getting into a corner to read a novel, but he objected to type being thrown about and other forms of rowdiness. The Band, under Mr. Ricketts, was excellent, and on several occasions the Viceroy's Bandmaster came down to Sanawar to choose boys for his Band. In my early days, our Band attracted the most promising boys, and many of these were lusty fellows. I remember one, who played the Bombardon, telling me that when the Band marched up to Church on Sunday morning, he blew his instrument so forcibly that the weather-cock on the Church tower turned round and round.

Between the years 1903-1906, the High Department grew into a fairly large class. In 1906, a radical improvement was made by the Education Department. Pupil teachers and unqualified Assistants were no longer to be employed in Schools, and all teachers were to be trained. To implement this order, a Training College for teachers was opened in Sanawar in the old Boys' School Building, on the site of the present Birdwood School. Many of our boys after passing the High School Examination proceeded to the Training College, became qualified teachers and joined the School as Masters.

In addition to my School and Pupil Teacher work, Mr. Hildesley asked me to organise games. I asked him to show me the sports gear. He took me to a small room behind the Barracks where I saw a few broken hockey sticks. When I murmured at the inadequacy of material I was then told that the sum of Rs. 200/- a year could be spent on sports gear. This was not liberal for 250 boys, so games were restricted. The first thing necessary was a suitable ground, and coolies were put on to enlarge the present parade ground, and make it a suitable shape. A corrugated iron pavilion to house the sports gear was provided. I formed sets for the senior boys to play Hockey, Football and Cricket in their seasons. As our ability to play these games improved, we were able to challenge teams from the neighbouring Cantonnments, and had many enjoyable matches. After the Rev. G. D. Barne became-Principal, organised games for the whole school became possible.

As Organist, it was my duty to select boys for the Choir. There were few volunteers, mostly conscripts. Their work in Chapel was not arduous as the Principal (Mr. Hildesley) and the Organ provided the music with the Choir rendering a modern obligato. If singing in the Choir was not popular the annual Choir Picnic was. The day was usually spent at Barog travelling there by train in the morning and returning in the evening. A good midday dinner in the Refreshment Room was much appreciated—a change from usual school diet.

“ Home Day ” for the Christmas Holidays was the most popular day in the School year. Before the opening of the Kalka-Simla Railway the wards had to make their way to Kalka to entrain, either by pony, Tonga, Rickshaw or on foot. In the early mornings, a concourse of horses and rickshaws were packed at the Kasauli entrance and senior boys in funds made for the ponies (tats) and in the morning before dinner, exhibitions in horsemanship, both elegant and, otherwise, were given to the not so fortunate on the road below my house. After dinner the exodus to Kalka took place. What a happy crowd ! Riders and pedestrians proceeded via Kasauli, and the tongas along the tonga road.

I often enjoyed the walk to Kalka but always rode back. In those days the holidays only lasted three weeks.

In 1912, Mr. Hildesley resigned his post as Principal. There were not many amenities in the Barracks. Life was hard and discipline strict, but this training made the boys manly, fit to tackle any emergency and as the Americans would put it 'tough guys'.

The Reverend G. D. Barne was appointed Principal to succeed Mr. Hildesley. Improvements were speedily made in every department of the School, a full teaching staff better qualified and better paid, better conditions in the barracks, improved clothing, properly organised games and money for adequate equipment. As now I had a fully qualified Staff, I was able to give more attention to supervision than I had in my early years, but I always reserved to myself the teaching of Scripture in the Upper Classes.

I have dwelt mainly in these notes on my early days in Sanawar, not on the later as these will be better known. The greatest educational development before I left Sanawar was the affiliation of the School to London University up to the Inter B. Sc. examination. Two graduates in science were brought out from England and laboratories were equipped in the old Band Room. I only saw the beginning of this experiment, but I am sure wonderful progress will be made in the new School building where I am told all equipment is first class and up to date. I hope all boys at present in the School will take full advantage of these educational opportunities.

I shall never forget my loving and happy service in Sanawar and the hearty co-operation I received from Staff and boys alike.

W. Gaskell,
Headmaster (1902-1927.)

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School Regimental Colours

A Rare Privilege.

SANAWAR FIRST—(By “Hyderabad”).

[*The following article is reprinted from “The Statesman.” We do not know the author. Ed.*]

In one way or another, the friendly rivalry between public schools, in academic and athletic fields, receive a good deal of publicity. In one respect, however, the claims of the various schools to priority seem not to have been discussed at all; I refer to school Colours.

By this term is not meant Old Boys' ties or blazers, which most of us have sported on occasion, but the flags which are carried by the Cadets' or Officers' Training Corps of more than one school in England and India with full and formal official authority. The subject is one which has been, and to some extent still is, obscure, though some attention was drawn to it last year when H. M. the King presented new Colours, to the Eton College Contingent of the O. T. C.

SHREWSBURY AND ETON

It is believed that the first school to gain the privilege of carrying regimental Colours was Shrewsbury. For this school, indeed, it has been claimed, that the boys banded themselves into a military, body, commanded by one or more general officers, as far back as 1558; but corroborative details are lacking. There is, however, no doubt that in 1803, during one of the invasion scares of the Napoleonic Wars, a school volunteer corps was formed at Shrewsbury, which was duly presented with Colours. Though an account of the ceremony has survived, nothing is now known as to the fate of the Colours themselves. Nor does the Shrewsbury O. T. C. carry any to-day.

By comparison, the story of the Eton Colours is clear. The Eton Rifle Volunteers were raised during the volunteer movement of 1859-60—a period commemorated by Tennyson's worst (at least, so many of us think) poem, “Form Riflemen, Form!”—and the wife of the Provost embroidered their first Colours with her own hands. They were carried at a parade before Queen Victoria at Windsor on November 29, 1861, this being the last public appearance of the prince Consort, who died less than three weeks later. A few years afterwards the Eton cadets became a rifle battalion, and as such ceased to carry the Colours, which were put aside and were thus unknown to many generations of Etonians. In 1908, on the formation of the Territorial Force and with it the O. T. C., the Eton volunteers became a line battalion once more and were consequently granted by His Majesty permission to carry Colours, a privilege of which use has continually been made.

By 1930 the original Colours had become very old, and on June 16 in that year a new stand was presented by H. M. the King at Windsor Castle, the old Colours being deposited in honourable retirement in the antechapel of Eton College.

CHELTENHAM AND SANAWAR

Another school which received Colours at the time of the volunteer movement of 1859-60 is Cheltenham, though details are obscure and it has been doubted whether these original standards were officially recognized. About the Cheltenham College O. T. C. there is however no doubt. They were taken into use on July 23, 1921, being presented on a ceremonial parade of the contingent by Lieutenant-General M. G. Willoughby, an Old Cheltonian and distinguished veteran of the Indian Mutiny, who had entered the College in 1841, no less than eighty years before.

Nearly all these records are eclipsed in point of antiquity by a celebrated school in this country, the Lawrence Royal Military School at Sanawar in the Simla Hills. As is well known, this Institution was founded by Sir Henry Lawrence with the object of providing an adequate education for soldiers' children. Definitely military in character, it received its first Colours in 1853 from the hands of Lord Dalhousie,* and they were carried on all ceremonial parades till 1922. In the latter year a new stand was presented by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales at Dehradun, the old Colours being laid up in the school chapel at Sanawar. The new King's Colour was the gift of the Government of India, and is a plain Union flag. The regimental or "school" Colour was given by Sir Alexander Lawrence, grandson of the Founder, in memory of his late father Sir Henry Waldemar Lawrence. In the centre it bears the arms and crest of Lawrence, surmounted by the title of the school beneath a royal crown; and, below, the school motto "Never give in," being the last words of Sir Henry Lawrence.

Thus we see that Eton's and Cheltenham's Colours are junior in years to those of Sanawar; and the Lawrence Royal Military School may well be proud of being the school which has held for the longest period the privilege of carrying Colours, an honour which it shares with the Royal Military College at Sandhurst and the Duke of York's Royal Military School, formerly of Chelsea and now at Dover.

[* This statement is incorrect. The colours were presented on parade at Sanawar by the Adjutant General (Colonel Mountain C. B.) acting on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief, Major General Sir W. Gomm, G. G. B. The Colours were the gift of the Earl of Dalhousie. The date is correct, 1853. Ed]

CRICKET

An echo from the past.

Played on June 12th, 1929 and won by the XI. As Mr. Ramutar, of Gurkhal, was entertaining certain well known personalities in the cricket world we took opportunity of engaging the visitors at their own game. Undeterred by world famous names, the XI put it across their redoubtable opponents, though we must allow for the different conditions prevailing at Sanawar and Gurkhal, at which latter place the visitors had obtained their practice.

Larwood and Tate opened the bowling for the Wanderers, but though Tate bowled according to plan, Mr. Larwood appeared to have developed a 'Tate' Freeman action overnight, and some of his googlies were most disconcerting. Hobbs, Hendren, and Jardine bowled in their own inimitable styles and shewed how valuable they could be to the other side. White was in form and bowled only four wides in two overs. He is reported to have said that things are always done thoroughly in Somerset.

Jones declared the innings closed at 108, but his confidence in his side was not misplaced for the Wanderers could only get a meagre 90. N. Hammond must have been a proud man at the end of the day, and he did well to get 7 for 33. He was obviously a better man than his namesake of Gloucestershire and England and had no difficulty in bowling him for a duck.

THE SCORE BOARD

The XI v The Gurkhal Wanderers—(12 a side).

The XI.

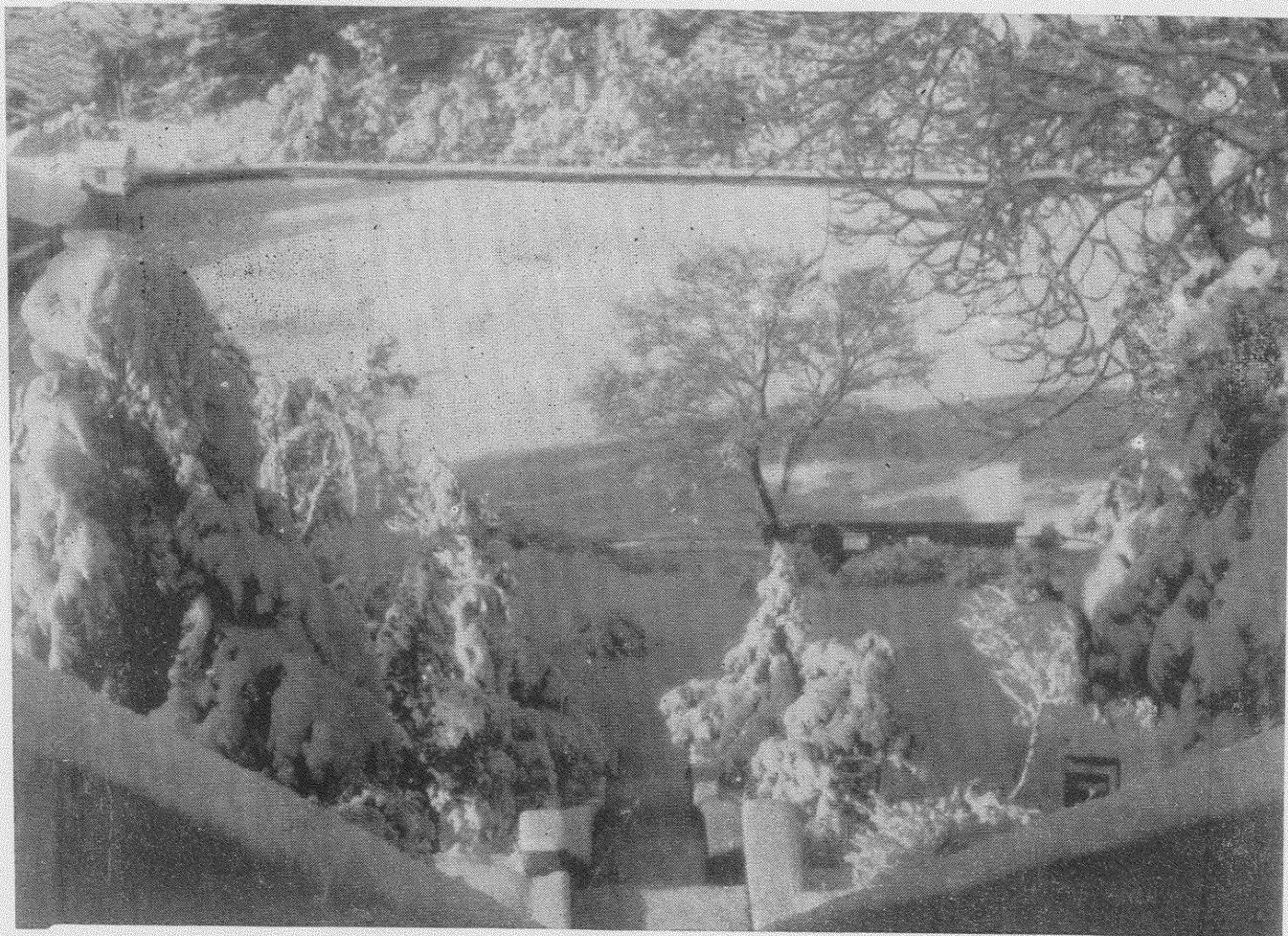
K. Pearson, c Hobbs, b Larwood	4
L. Hudson, run out	10
R. Horsham, c and b Larwood	2
F. Cowper, lbw, b Tate	7
J. Smurthwaite, c Hobbs, b Tate	10
L. Jones, b Hendren	2
C. Brisley, not out	29
N. Hammond, not out	15
Extras	29
Total (6 wkts dec.)	108

Clift, A. Hammond, C. Sumption and Howie did not bat.



What finer setting ?

WINTER



Barnes

The Gurkhal Wanderers.

Hobbs, c Smurthwaite, b N. Hammond	15
Hendren, b N. Hammond	6
D. R. Jardine, b A. Clift	16
Hammond, b N. Hammond	0
Larwood, c Howie, b N. Hammond	8
A. P. F. Chapman, c Jones, b N. Hammond	5
J. C. White, b Clift	8
Tate, c Sumption b N. Hammond	6
Rhodes, run out	7
Strudwick, c Horsham, b N. Hammond	6
Leyland, c and b Smurthwaite	0
Geary, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	90

Bowling Analysis

The XI.

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wats.
Larwood	9	0	36	2
Tate	9	1	23	2
Hobbs	4	0	9	0
Hendren	3	1	5	1
Jardine	3	1	6	0
White	2	2	0	0

Hendren bowled a wide and White 4 wides.

The Gurkhal Wanderers.

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
C. Brisley	4	1	10	0
N. Hammond	13	1	33	7
A. Clift	8	0	34	2
J. Smurthwaite	2	1	0	1

Pen Portraits

AS THE CHILDREN SEE US

Mr. H. Sikund



A lanky, six-footer, (well nearly) looking little older than a college graduate, our pen-portrait is one of the most likeable persons in school.

In the class room

Once a free period is wangled from him a most difficult job, I assure you our pen-portrait (who is fond of reminiscing on his early school life escapades) with a few suggestive and persuasive comments, begins his verbal memoirs which with the help of the exclamations of his absorbed and appreciative audience, never end.

Preferring doing sums to teaching theory, he works one on the black-board with the speed of a race-horse, leaving most of the class still trying to comprehend, after deciphering, of course, his first statement, while he is already underlining, his last (That is, the answer).

(P. S. In spite of all the time wasted he still makes sure d n him of completing the course.)

On the playing field

Cricket; Watch him walk on to the field with that characteristic, easy going assurance.

The bowler, bowls he swings out well done, a 'fourer'.

The bowler bowls again and the bails fly! Our pen-portrait's entrance into the pavilion is as carefree as his exit was.

Football: Charging like an angry bull towards the ball, arms and legs whirling like windmills gone wild, he swings out " Bound to cross the half line," observes a spectator but, ooh la la, he doesn't even connect!

Hockey: Brandishing his hockey stick over his head, our portrait dashes at the ball, intent on scoring. " Come on, come on, score it, score it," yells a delighted audience. Encouraged emboldened and the rest—of—it, beyond description, our portrait whacks there is a loud crack, the ball rises a few feet and then falls depressingly, and our portrait is left standing, pop-eyed at his broken stick!

K. K. Kak

Mr. Bhupinder Singh



The N.C.C. parade is on. The two troops are marching up and down the pavement, manoeuvring this way and that, carrying out intricate orders. Our portrait is striding up and down, his moustache quivering in rage or desperation. "Not that way you nincompoop! Salute with the right! I'll send you galloping upside-down the khud just now. Stop giggling like a hysterical female"—and so on. Parade over our pen-portrait gives a weary sigh of relief and slowly wends his way home.

Our pen-portrait, young as he is (he got married about two months back) has been in the school for a great number of years now. He is possessed of a handle-bar moustache, nicotine stained fingers, a considerable charm of manner and a voluminous vocabulary which he uses to the fullest extent, invoking screams of mirth. His method of teaching in the class room is unique—. He is the first teacher in Sanawar to adopt audio-visual aids. Let us say the battle of Jehlum, between Alexander and Porus is being taught to the class. "This boy here (the victim is hauled out of his seat by the ear and placed in position) is Alexander. This other nit-wit (same procedure as before) is Porus. This table—here drag this table you—is the river Jehlum. Now Alexander's forces were 16 miles upstream (poor Alexander is dragged by the ear 16 miles upstream) and from there.....".

Our portrait is a good sportsman even though handicapped to some extent by a knee injury he received a few years ago. On the cricket field while fielding in the cover regions you can see him, glaring moodily at the bowler, the batsman, or the spectators. When his turn to bat comes he hitches up his shirt sleeves, glares all round and then proceeds to let fly at the ball, swinging, out irrespective of the type of delivery or the fielding positions. Sometime he connects and the ball goes speeding towards the boundary, more often than not, he is out!

On the soccer field he is a good goal-keeper, using his head and fists well. He crouches in the goal like a bull at the gate of an amphitheatre and when the ball comes his way, pounces on it and either kicks or throws it away immediately.

Our portrait plays hockey too, with an equal amount of enthusiasm and skill. A menacing forward, he can be quite dangerous at times.

K. S. Oberoi.

Mr. O. P. Sharma



Stride, stride, stride!

Thump, thump, thump!

You could tell him a mile off!

As he walks past you, with a pace that would leave lightning standing stock-still, our portrait nods a fine morning and smiles benevolently from under his spectacles.

A great walker his greatest joy is to organize and lead hikes in nearby hills. Setting the pace, this doughty mountaineer—he once climbed 21,003 feet with Tenzing—begins the tiring and yet, in a way, interesting, job of not only encouraging laggards but also evoking interest in his companions for the mountains that surround them, and once this is accomplished, of listening patiently to the excited comments on the beauty of so-and-so peak or the curious shape of such-and-such rock.

With bonhomie radiating and wit flashing like a diamond in a heap of coal he paces back and forth among his eager hikers, giving a helping hand here or lending advice there.

But perhaps his versatility is best seen when organizing a dramatic show. Watch him demonstrate to the aspiring actors the correct technique of displaying simulated anger or the right way of lighting a cigar, or further still, the correct way of kissing a lady's hand.

Mathematics is his favourite subject. He is addicted to giving stiff question papers, but his marking is correspondingly lenient.

A great reader, he is fond of fiction and though, at times, he does read the works of eminent authors, it is to the paper-back that he always turns for relaxation.

Due to his multifarious interests and a charming personality, our pen-portrait is one of the most likeable persons in Sanawar.

K. K. Kak

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Mr. Peter Lee



It is Sunday morning. Suddenly a low, almost gruff, voice is heard remonstrating with the sweeper in cultured English, about something or the other—may be he has forgotten to bring the hot water. There ensues an argument that one feels, would rival the babel of the fish-market. The sweeper talks volubly and fluently in Hindi while our pen-portrait does his speaking in English, punctuated by sweeps of the arms and gestures in sign language—

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Our portrait, very young and fresh from England, has picked up a working knowledge of Hindi in his all-too-brief sojourn in India but not enough to carry on a full-fledged conversation. And so these sorts of scenes occur.

Another scene—it is past eleven at night. From our portrait's room ensue a guttural muttering of oaths interspersed with the "whoosh" of the flit-pump. Seems the mosquitoes have declared war on him. Next morning he appears for breakfast haggard and weary and covered with mosquito-bites. This is one of the reasons, I think, why I often see him going about with a flit-gun in his hand and a look of grim determination on his face—even when he goes for supper.

He is still not completely acclimatised to the Indian climate (too many insects and too hot) or to the Indian food (too many chillies). Like a duck he is happiest on rainy days—they remind him of home.

Our portrait is a good all round sportsman. He swims well and is a good athlete. At football he plays at half-back, kicking the ball as hard as he can with his iron toed rigger shoes. (He doesn't always connect with the ball: he may get a member of the opposing team). He plays hockey with zest and vigour, roaming around the field, brandishing his stick like a battle-axe. But of all games his first love is cricket. A medium-pace bowler, steady and useful bat and a brilliant fielder, he was Captain of his school cricket team. His current ambition is to organise a hike to Chail and so "to bowl a ball on the highest cricket ground in the world."

He is fond of hikes and often goes on long treks, during which, arms dangling looseley at his sides, head slouched forward, eyes peering through misty spectacles and taking long strides he leaves every one else far behind.

In the class room our portrait is genial but firm perhaps as a result of the experience he gathered while a prefect in his school. He is patient in his teaching methods, especially with the ladies who are a constant headache to him.

It is with regret that I add that our portrait will soon return to England to resume his studies in law. In the past few months he has endeared himself to all Sanawarians and one can only say that he will be missed very much when he has left.

K. S. Oberoi

Miss R. Chatterji



The staccato clip-clop of heels echoing down the cloisters announces the presence of our (barely) five-foot heroine.

Although her advent into this world took place quite a while ago, Time has found a difficult victim in her, and on beholding her youthful countenance one could easily name her "Miss Young".

Passing her picturesque cottage one hears strains of Bethoven symphonies which, mingling with the sweet scent of the flowers which surround her dwelling, make it seem a very cosy retreat. These blooms are her life's passion and she forms an attractive picture surrounded by their colourful hues.

Her neatly-kept, artistically decorated, two roomed house is one of the prettiest in Sanawar, wherein she displays odd trinkets and ornaments from all over the world.

Talking about ornaments, so great is her love for them that she frequently decorates the cloisters with mischievous characters, the two banes of her life being us.....and our English.....

In the briefest of sport wear, she appears on the tennis court accompanied by a few hulks from her flock, "namely" the girls. She smashes the ball and, "in her vigour", the window panes too. But, no matter, atleast she tried.

Our petite woman moves on to the swimming pool; but, seeing that it is too cold (and she can do naught but cling to the sides for dear life) she decides it's far more peaceful to return to the safer pastimes of gardening, reading and music.

Our portrait is, what is commonly known as, a "hard taskmistress". She is allergic to noise and believes in work in work time. It is due to this, I think, that her results are so good.

She is fond of healthy and lady-like exercises; taking long walks being one of them, with the Girls' School trooping behind her. This is one of the reasons, I believe, why she never gets ill much to the disappointment of her pupils, who keep hoping against hope for a free period.

Our portrait is a permanent feature of the Sanawar landscape and, one of its most prominent features too, due to her multifarious interests and traits of character.

Rajika Palit.

Boys' School, Notes.

HIMALAYA HOUSE

House Master	...	...	Mr. Bhupinder Singh
House Tutors	...	...	Mr. Bhalerao Mr. Sinha Mr. Jagdish Ram Mr. Wad
House Matron	...	...	Mrs. Harbaksh Kaur
School Prefects	...	...	Kuljit Sethi (Head boy) Brijendra Singh S. N. Gupta
House Prefects	...	...	J. S. Mann S. S. Chahal I. S. Gill

This year, again, we have been unlucky at games, yet the year on the whole has been a very successful one. Though we did not have a strong side in cricket, yet we came first. We were not so successful at soccer and hockey, though we did our best. Our teams were weakened by the departure of Brijindra and Mann who left earlier in the year.

We have done well at studies and most probably will get the Cowell Study Cup.

Our house show was a great success. Mr. Bhupinder Singh's English play—"Where every prospect pleases"—was much applauded. Our Hindi play was, as usual, well acted and well conducted. The hilarious Punjabi Skit—a translation of Macbeth—was the hit of the season.

We are very sorry to lose Brijendra who has joined the NDA. He was a great all rounder and consequently invaluable to the house. Mann another valuable member of the house left in the middle of this year.

Last year S. Mukherji, our School prefect, got the President's Medal, the highest award one can get in Sanawar. He is the first Himalayan to have the honour of winning the President's medal. We are indeed very proud of him.

The Preppers who joined us in the beginning of the year, have got used to life in Himalaya. They are enjoying themselves thoroughly. We are very sorry to lose our last years' Sixth Formers with whom we have spent many enjoyable years.

This year we have been a very happy lot and I hope next year the Himalayans will be even happier.

Kuljit Sethi
Sixth A

NILAGIRI HOUSE

House Master	...	...	Mr. U. P. Mukherji
House Tutors	...	...	Mr. V. Thakar Mr. A. R. Sharma Mr. H. Sikund Mr. Pillai
House Matron	...	...	Mrs. U. P. Mukherji
School Prefects	...	...	S. S. Bhasin G. S. Virk S. S. Bhardwaj
House Prefects	...	...	K. S. Dhillon K. S. Oberoi K. C. Katoch

This has been a successful year for Nilagiri, on the whole. Even as this goes to the Press, we can see the coveted Cockhouse Trophy, resplendent in our hands, after the short lapse of a year. And it is no empty victory—this winning of the Cockhouse Cup. In a year like this, with all houses crammed with skill and talent, it is meet that the fittest should be cock o' the walk.

We did not, however, start 1960 too well. Our cricket team battled desperately against heavy odds, but could not carve out for themselves any place higher than the fourth. Hodsons, which followed, were more favourable, giving us second place, behind Siwalik. Our star now seemed in the ascendant, for we made a clean sweep of the swimming events, scoring more than double the points of the house which came second. The last inter-house tournament before the August break was boxing, in which we shared the second place with Vindhya. Our boxers, however, fought hard and well, and the majority of the School team was composed of Nilgarians.

After the break we were sorry to miss Virk, who has gone to the N. D. A. Shanti Bhardwaj and Kamal Katoch were appointed prefects. Before Founders' preparations started in earnest, we finished off with the Inter-House Soccer tournament in which we came second. For the third time in four years we kept the Athletics' Cup in our custody. P. T., held immediately after Founders', found us second once again, but we had our compensation in Vijai Veer Singh being adjudged the best gymnast. Shooting and Hockey which preceded the Cambridge exams. ~~gaw~~ us third in the one and second in the other. We are leading Siwalik by one point for the Study Cup so it seems as though we will be the victors in the Cock house competition.

Nor, have we been idle in cultural activities. Our boys have figured prominently in debates and Societies.

The Common Room has a new look with indoor games provided, and the pasting up of the wall-magazine the "IRIGALIN". The house show was a resounding success.

We congratulate Mr. Atma Ram on his marriage during the holidays. We were sorry to have to bid good-bye to Mr. Peter Lee the young School leaver from England. He endeared himself to us, and was a useful member of the house at all activities. We shall miss him sorely. In his place we welcome Mr. David Adshead, who arrived in August.

And lastly, to end up, we hope the house will always remain what it is now—cock o' the walk and the best house in Sanawar.

Karm Sheel Oberoi
Sixth

SIWALIK HOUSE

House Master	...	...	Mr. M. S. Rawat.
House Tutors	...	...	Mr. U. A. Mundkur, Mr. G. C. Chaturvedi, Dr. B. M. Billon.
School Prefects	...	...	Baldev Dua, Shiv Mehra.
House Prefects	...	...	Billy Kent, S. S. Gill.

Once again, another year has come to an end. Siwalik House which seemed to be losing its past glory, once again reached its zenith. Though we lost the Cock House Cup by a mere half point, we put up a good fight for it. We worked as a "house"—united and strong. Credit for the smooth sunning of the house goes firstly, to the housemaster, and secondly to the prefects: Baldev Dua, Billy Kent, Shiv Mehra, and S. S. Gill who carried out their duties in an exemplary manner.

We were unfortunate to be pushed into second place, at cricket, by Himalaya.

After a lapse of two years, Siwalik House once again won what the Siwalikans have always been renowned for—the Hodson Runs. We bagged all the four medals by getting the first position in each age group. Baldev Dua, Subhas Chopra, Deb Mitra, Ranjit Mehra, Harginder Singh Bhatti, Suresh Dhir and Vivek Mundkur played an important role in our achievements.

At soccer we were less fortunate though we, Siwalikans, played in the right spirit "Never Give In", right till the very end.

We proved to be far superior to other houses at Boxing. The contributions of B. Dua, Billy Kent, R. Mehra, Deb Mitra, Subhash Chopra, S. P. S. Rawat, and S. Tikaram can hardly be over estimated. We have won the Boxing Trophy for the second time in succession. Let us hope we can keep it up!

We have never excelled at swimming. Siwalikans, somehow don't seem to be very fond of water.

At the Athletics meet we won the coveted Defence cup—something to which every member of the house contributed his and her best. The Under 15's relay was won by the Siwalikans, who created a new record. We won the Opens' relay too. We were unfortunate to miss the services of Baldev Dua on the track. He was not well.

The P. T. cup came off as a surprise. Our standard was much higher than that of the other houses. The Hockey Cup added to our collection of cups. We were the weakest team on paper but the strongest in practice.

On the cultural side we excelled at dramatics. The Hindi play "Daka" and the English one "Ici On Parle Francais" were appreciated by all those who saw them. The former was a one act play about "Dakus" asking for ransom but unable to get it, while the latter was set in a hilarious mood.

I hope future Siwalikans will keep up the fair name, which Siwalik House has, gained, though hard work.

Purshottam Dhir

VINDHYA HOUSE

House Master	...	...	Mr. M. V. Gore
House Tutors	...	...	Mr. D. C. Gupta Mr. V. N. Bhava Mr. V. V. Gadre Mr. V. Rajmani Mr. S. N. Sharma
House Matron	...	...	Mrs. Gadre
School Prefects	...	...	B. S. Bala R. S. Randhawa A. N. Dutta
House Prefect	...	...	K. S. Suri

COMPTE RENDU

A very interesting and full year, what with fourteen Sixth Formers creating confusion everywhere ; Horsey and Dutta were appointed School Prefects later in the year ; Mrs. Gadre did an excellent job as Matron.

But life has its pitfalls—cricket is disappointing, boxing much better, swimming miserable. At Hodsons, in spite of the “ josh ”, and P. T., we fared equally badly. Anyway !

Soccer proves magnificent ; we pop up first and celebrate with a party, and though at Athletics we do not do so well, Bala, as expected, walks off with the Kalinga Cup ; poor Zulu goes to hospital at the wrong time with a lacerated Mount of the Moon. A joyous Vindhya “ shoots ” the Shooting Cup and an equally overjoyed Vindhyan—Horsey—“ fires ” the Best shot, thus proving that Vindhyan are, if nothing else, not cross-eyed, for this is the third successive year a Vindhyan has been the Best Shot. Hockey is a flop even though we come Second—we had been favoured to win !

Sodhi and Poonia leave us, the former for, surely, a brilliant boxing career, and the latter for what will undoubtedly be a rapid rise in the army.

The house show is a great-great success ; Shakespeare is presented for the first time with the “ The Taming of the Shrew ” and its star is dubbed “ The Modern Shakespeare ” ; Mr. O. P. Sharma does a herculean job in directing both the English and the Hindi plays, and then leaves a sorrowing house for Bombay ; Mr. S. N. Sharma is welcomed, takes his place, and, some time later, has a little family. Congratulations !

Vindhyan distinguish themselves in the N. C. C. Parade—the Colour Party consists entirely of Vindhyan.

The weakest house on paper, our team surprises everybody by coming tops in the Maths. Society Meeting, though at studies our position is the usual—?—yet Vindhyan bag fourteen individual prizes at the Prize Distribution !

Hobbies, in addition to the “ regula ” ones form an important part of our lives ; Somdutt and Kak begin fish-keeping, Thadani institutes white nice, and who was it who thought of birds ? !

‘ Mens sana in corpore sana ’—Sound Chaps in a sound house.

K. K. Kak
Sixth Form

HODSON RUNS

This year the training began on Tuesday, 3rd May, 1960. Like last year, the runs were held in the morning in place of P. T., a change that has helped the competitors considerably to practise and improve their timings in the cool hours of the morning.

The qualifying heats were held two days before the Finals. The points scored were as follows:—

			H	N	S	V
Under 11	...	...	6	4	8	6
Under 13	...	...	13	11	6	8
Under 15	...	...	11	9	12	9
Open	...	...	—	1	—	1
Total			30	25	26	24

A qualifying heat for the Opens was run. It was optional and the opportunity was availed of by those who had a hope of just about attaining the qualifying standard.

The Finals took place at 4-30 p. m. on Friday, 3rd June, 1960. The results were as follows:—

Cock-House	...	Siwalk House	...	96	points
2nd	...	Nilagiri House	...	87	„
3rd	...	Vindhya House	...	78	„
4th	...	Himalaya House	...	76	„

The winners under various age-groups are:—

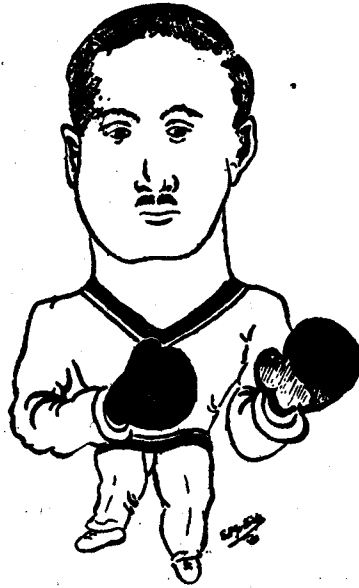
<i>Under 11</i>	1st	Deb Mitra	(S)	4 mt. 12-9 sec.
	2nd	Partha Biswas	(V)	
	3rd	Ranjit Singh Virk	(H)	
<i>Under 13</i>	1st	Subhash Chopra	(S)	5 mt. 24-5 sec.
	2nd	Yoginder Singh Chibh	(N)	
	3rd	Harjit Singh Grewal	(H)	
<i>Under 15</i>	1st	Purshottam Dhir	(S)	9 mt. 27-2 sec.
	2nd	Suresh Dhir	(S)	
	3rd	Kamal Katoch	(N)	
	3rd	Manharjit Singh Hundal	(N)	
<i>Open</i>	1st	Baldev Dua	(S)	11 mt. 56 sec.
	2nd	B. S. Bala	(V)	
	3rd	I. S. Gill	(H)	

The shifting of practice runs from the afternoon to the morning hours has proved very successful, which is clear from the fact that there has been a steady increase in the number of those attaining the qualifying standards. All Houses have done well, but the achievements of Siwalik were of an outstanding order. Not only did Siwalik annex the trophy, but they produced the best long-distance runners this year in all the age-groups, as is clear from the results given above. Baldev Dua got the silver medal for two years in succession, and another Siwalikan, Purshottam Dhir, had to his credit a similar honour. In the previous years, he came first UNDER 11, first UNDER 13 and now first UNDER 15. This has given Siwalik a feeling that the House, which had almost made it a tradition during the past to win the Hodson Runs, is determined to regain its reputation, after a short break of two years in between.

Our very best wishes and congratulations to the House and to all the winners and those who tried.

M. V. G.

BOXING



Considering that boxing was revived only in October, 1956, the standard has gone up amazingly and, given a few years more, we shall be once again the premier boxing School in the Country. Our present 'heavies', with very little experience behind them, will be giving way to the more experienced youngsters coming up, and as is true of all games, it is experience that counts even more than does natural skill.

The Inter-House Boxing provided excellent fare. It was keenly contested, the competitors were fighting fit and there was clean sportsmanship throughout.

Little Raghvan Kapur (Gossamer Weight, under 4 st. 7 lbs) won the Best Boxer of the year prize. He revealed real boxing ability, unusual in one so young. Pradip Verma was adjudged the best loser. He put up a very gallant fight in the semi-finals against Ranjit Mehra, a class boxer, who has never lost a fight.

Siwalik won the Cock House Championship with 35 points followed by Vindhya and Nilagiri each with 32 points and Himalaya with 27 points. Maj. Gen. D. Som Dutt kindly gave away the prizes.

This year's individual boxing champions and runners up are as under :—

<i>Weight</i>	<i>School Champion</i>		<i>Runner Up</i>	
Atom	Naresh Kumar Acharya	(H)	Deepak Subramaniam	(V)
Gossamer	Raghvan Kapur	(N)	D. Jayaram	(V)
Paper	Yoginder Chibh	(N)	Deb. Mitra	(S)
Midget	Guriqbal Singh	(N)	Vipin Dutta	(S)

Mosquito	Harraghbans Singh	(H)	S. Tikka Ram	(S)
Gnat	Ajitpal Singh	(V)	S. P. S. Rawat	(S)
Fly	Ranjit Mehra	(S)	A. K. Bhargava	(H)
Bantam	S. S. Sodhi	(V)	Ravi Khanna	(S)
Feather	K. S. Suri	(V)	Subhash Chopra	(S)
Light	Shambu Dayal	(N)	Himmat Singh	(H)
Welter	Baldev Dua	(S)	Amar Singh Gill	(N)
Middle	Billy Kent	(S)	Anil Kak	(V)
Light Heavy	K. S. Sethi	(H)	Manharjit Singh	(N)
Heavy	Ranjit Randhawa	(V)	Lalit Dhawan	(N)

Sanawar boxed the B. C. S. on 5th July, and shared points, the final score being 19—19. There was little to choose between the teams. In their anxiety to score a win, competitors on both sides threw science overboard and went in for real hard scrapping. The individual fight results are given below :—

Atom Weight—Acharya (Sanawar) lost on points to Ghai (B. C. S.) in what must have been a desperately close affair.

Gossamer Weight—Raghvan Kapur (Sanawar) lost to Ravinder Singh (B.C.S.) in another close fight.

Paper Weight—Guriqbal Singh (Sanawar) outboxed Oberoi (B. C. S.).

Midget Weight—Asit Chowdhry (Sanawar) lost to Suthoo (B. C. S.) in what was a good display of boxing skill.

Mosquito Weight—Harraghbans Singh (Sanawar) beat Krishnapoing (B. C. S.). The latter came up against a vastly more experienced opponent.

Gnat Weight—Ajit Pal Singh (Sanawar) a clever little boxer lost to Khanna (B.C.S.) in another very close affair.

Fly Weight—Ranjit Mehra (Sanawar) a very experienced and clever boxer gained an easy win over Sikand (B. C. S.).

Bantam Weight—S.S. Sodhi (Sanawar) a most determined fighter outfought Hakim (B. C. S.).

Feather Weight—Kamal Katoch (Sanawar) outpointed a better boxer in Williams (B.C.S.). Williams might have won if he had not tried to secure a K.O. victory.

Light Weight—Bhardwaj (Sanawar) lost to Lamba (B.C.S.) in a rather tame affair. Bhardwaj could hit but appeared to fade away at the end of each round.

Welter Weight—Baldev Dua (Sanawar) beat Mahendra Singh (B. C. S.) who was disqualified for hitting low.

Middle Weight—Billy Kent (Sanawar) was no match for Anand (B. C. S.).

Light Heavy Weight—Kanubhai Patel (Sanawar) fighting gallantly, a stone underweight, lost to Maninder Singh (B. C. S.) in a very close affair.

R. S. D.

SOCCER 1960.



L. to R.

STANDING :— M. S. Hundal, K. S. Suri, R. S. Randhawa, G. S. Virk, S. N. Gupta.
SITTING :— S. S. Bhasin, B. S. Bala, K. S. Sethi, Brijendra Singh, K. S. Dhillon.
Baldev Dua

SOCCER 1960
(Colts XI)



L. to R.

SITTING :- Lalit Verma, Subash Chopra, Kamal Katoch (Capt.), A.K. Chowdhury, A.K. Dutta.
STANDING :- S. P. S. Rawat, I. S. Bhusri, Himmat Singh, Anil Kak, Ajit Jayaram, Sanjeiv Verma.

HOCKEY 1960



L. to R.

Sitting :— Baldev Dua, B. S. Bala, K. S. Sethi (Captain), S. S. Bhasin, K. S. Dhillon.
Standing :— R. S. Randhawa, S. S. Gill, Ajitpal Singh, S. N. Gupta, S. S. Chahal, M. S. Hundal.

COLTS HOCKEY 1960



L. to R.

Sitting :— Ajit Jayaram, Suresh Dhir, I. P. S. Bhusri, (Captain) C. S. Uggal, S. P. S. Rawat
Standing :— A. Chaudhary, N. S. Pannu, P. S. Takhar, Jugvirinder Singh, S. Verma, L. W. Bhagat

SOCCER 1960

As usual the season began with the H. M's XI getting a 5—0 trouncing from the School XI. A number of practice matches were played against the C. R. I., Kasauli, the latter winning all the matches. The XI also played a few matches against a team from Dagshai. We are extremely grateful to these teams for giving us valuable practice. The Colts did not have a very successful season this year. They lost all their practice matches against the *Star Club*, often by a wide margin. They played against the B. C. S. at Simla, and lost by the narrowest of margins. The B. C. S. were lucky to score a last minute goal.

A few days later, the Sanawar XI, playing on their home ground, beat the B. C. S. by a convincing margin, the score being 4—1.

A few days after the July break the School and Colts XIs went down to Patiala. Playing under deplorable weather and field conditions, Sanawar lost both the fixtures. The Colts lost by 2 goals to nil while the XI were beaten by 3—1.

The House matches were played at the end of July. Vindhya bagged the trophy while Nilagiri, Himalaya and Siwalik followed in that order. The results were :—

Himalaya	drew with	Nilagiri	1—1
Vindhya	beat	Siwalik	1—0
Nilagiri	beat	Siwalik	4—1
Vindhya	beat	Himalaya	2—1
Himalaya	beat	Siwalik	1—0
Nilagiri	drew with	Vindhya	1—1

The following represented the School XI against the B. C. S :—

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|------------------------|-----|--|
| 1. Baldev Dua | ... | An excellent and dependable goal-keeper showing flashes of brilliance. |
| 2. K. S. Sethi (Capt.) | ... | A reliable stopper, with an uncanny sense of anticipation. |
| 3. S. N. Gupta | ... | A usually dependable back, who tackles "first-time". |
| 4. G. S. Virk | ... | A determined and courageous player. |
| 5. B. Singh | ... | A dashing centre-half; an asset to the side. |
| 6. K. S. Dhillon | ... | A steady half-back with a hard kick. |
| 7. K. S. Suri | ... | A natural 'lefty' and a dashing forward. |
| 8. M. H. S. Hundal | ... | Can play anywhere on the field. Is a calm and collected player. |
| 9. S. S. Bhasin | ... | Uses his head well and can charge in at the right time. |
| 10. R. S. Randhawa | ... | A good forward ; combines well with the winger. |
| 11. B. S. Bala | ... | An excellent winger with the ability to shoot at the goal from the wing. |

Surjit Singh Bhasin
Sixth

HOCKEY XI

This year we started our hockey season on 10th October with a Festival match. The boys made a promising start by beating the Staff by 7 goals to 2.

Once again the hockey season was to be a short one and as the Y. P. S. and the B. C. S. matches were not far off, our 1st XI played several matches against the C. R. I., the Military, Hospital, The Dogra XI (Dagshai), St. Luke School, Solan, and the results were very encouraging.

On the 4th November the School 1st XI left for Simla for the triangular Meet.

In the very first match the Sanawar 1st XI defeated the B. C. S. by a solitary goal in a thrill packed match. The winners were a well-knit combination and were superior in all the departments of the game.

The second match was played between Sanawar and the Y. P. S. In the third minute before our players could settle down, their inside left scooped in the ball in a manner that gave Ajitpal no chance.

Sanawar was on the offensive in the first half and should have scored at least three goals.

After the interval, it was an entirely different Y. P. S. team. Playing with understanding and opening out the game, they put Sanawar on the defensive.

There was nothing to choose between the two teams and both sides wasted a number of chances. Ajitpal made some excellent saves. A few minutes before the final whistle, Y. P. S. scored another two goals and the final score was 0—3.

The following have been awarded hockey colours for the year 1960 :—

K. S. Sethi	Baldev Dua	B. S. Bala
S. S. Bhasin	K. S. Dhillon	R. S. Randhawa
S. S. Chahal	S. N. Gupta	

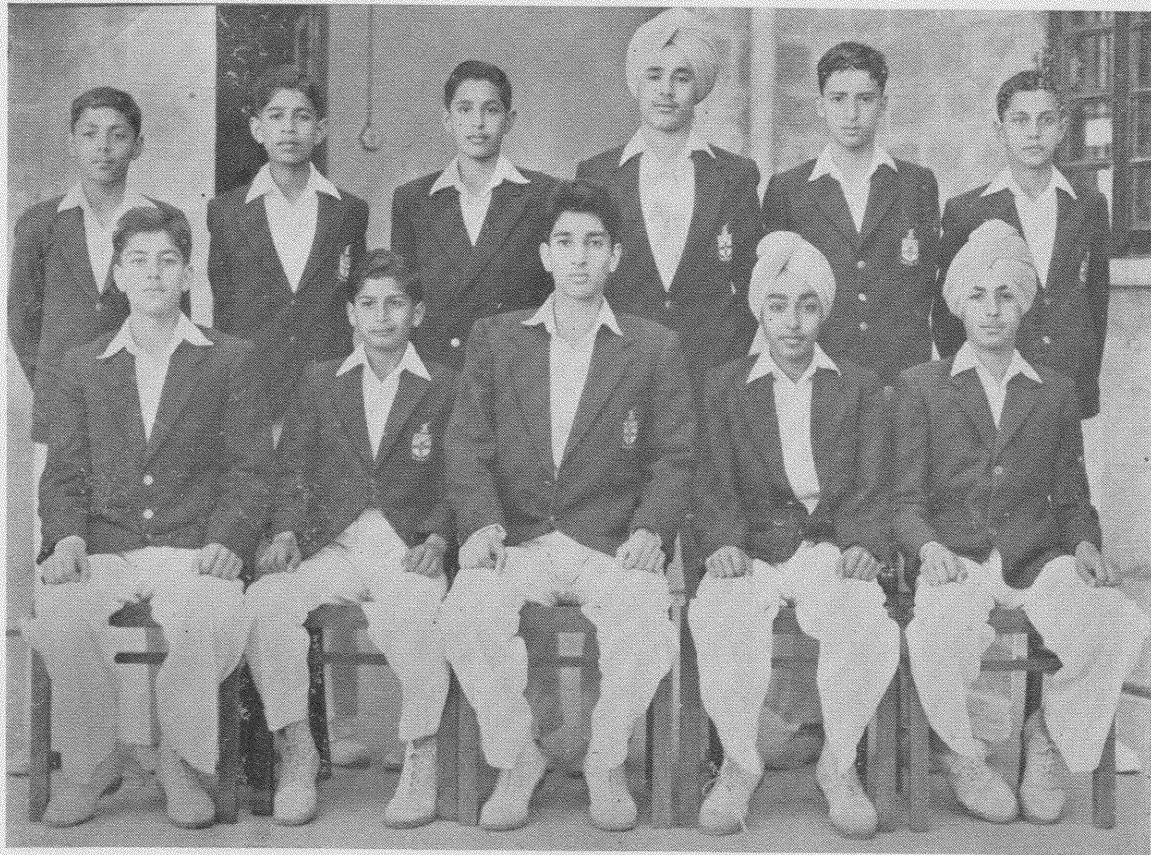
D. C. G.

CRICKET 1960

Sanawar, once again, has proved to be one of the best cricketing schools in Northern India. The Standard of cricket this year was unusually high. The credit must be given firstly to Messers Lee and Chaturvedi, who devoted much time towards coaching the cricket team, and secondly to the members of the team themselves who put in hours of practice.

Sanawar won all the inter-school fixtures this year. B. C. S. was beaten by 79 runs thus levelling the previous year's defeat. The redoubtable Doon School was beaten by 10 wickets and 2 runs Y. P. S. as usual lost to Sanawar.

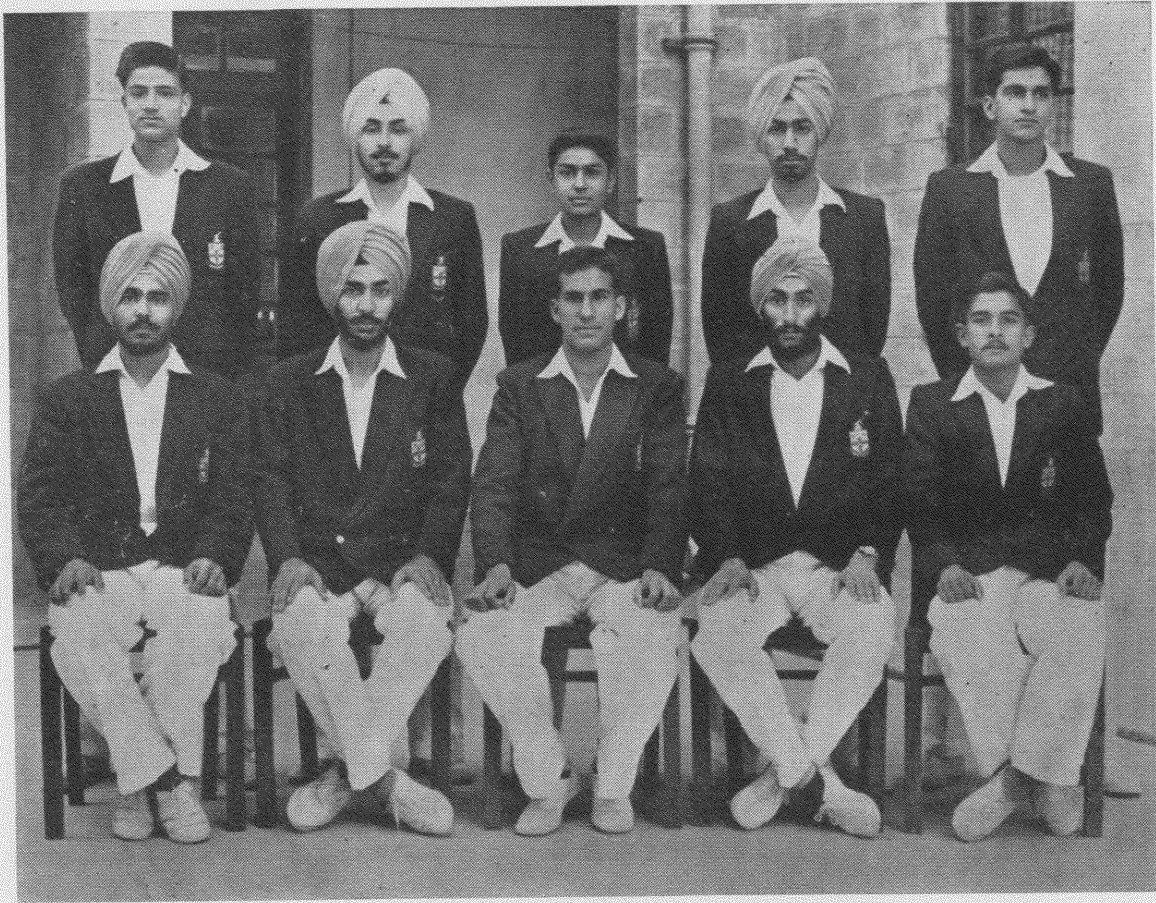
CRICKET COLTS
1960



L. to R.

Sitting :— Avinash Bahadur, Anil Bhatia, K. C. Katoch (Captain), N. S. Punnu, C. S. Uggal.
Standing :— Asit Chaudhary, A. Jayaram, Arun Surya, H. Singh, A. K. Dutta, L. S. Verma.

THE XI



L. to R.

Sitting :— S. S. Bhasin, Kuljit Sethi, Baldev Dua (Captain), B. S. Bala, Ajit Bhargava.
Standing :— Arun Pandya, S. S. Gill, Ranjit Mehra, S. S. Chahil, Ranjit Randhava.

PERSONALITIES

1. Baldev Dua captained the School XI this year. He has been a member of the team since 1957 and since then has shown remarkable progress. An excellent all-rounder and an attractive stylish batsman, he likes to hit the ball hard. A good bowler, he also keeps wicket exceedingly well.
2. Sethi, also an old member of the team, is a right-handed opening batsman. He has the will to remain at the crease and does so.
3. Bala, Sanawar's opening bowler, who caused much havoc during the recent fixtures, strikes a good length and is dead accurate.
4. Brijender Singh, tall and well built and a fast right-hand bowler, made full use of his physique this year by bowling at a tremendous speed.
5. Bhasin, who keeps wicket, is a useful batsman at times, and—so he tells me—can bowl too.
6. Bhargava, another all-rounder, is a good batsman and an excellent spin-bowler. He has had a very successful season.
7. Gill, a stylish, aggressive left-hand, class batsman—is undoubtedly one of the best in the school team. He is patient and hits hard. We hope to hear more of Surinder next year.
8. Chahal, the other right-handed opener, is a good batsman, though he has a tendency to score slowly at times. He gets right on top of the ball and plays the 'forward' stroke well.
9. Pandya, though not outstanding in any particular field, can prove useful anywhere, whether as a bowler or a batsman. He has shown considerable improvement in his batting.
10. Ranjit, a right-handed batsman, does not believe in scoring much. He gives support in emergencies and can keep the bowlers from causing the wickets to fall.
11. Randhwa, a right-handed bowler, has shown up excellency in his timing. He can also correctly be termed a courageous batsman.

Baldev Dua
SIXTH

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INTER—SCHOOL ATHLETICS

“ We swear to take part in these games loyally and in keeping with the true sportman’s spirit.....” These words rolled sonorously over the vast stadium filled with hushed and expectant spectators, as the Y. P. S. Captain, covered by the flags of the four schools taking part, read out the solemn oath. His Highness, The Maharaja of Patiala then stepped forward and, in a short sentence, declared the 2nd Inter-Public Schools’ Quadrangular Meet open. To the accompaniment of the lingering notes of a bugle, the meet flag and the flags of the participants, were raised to the mast-head. But a story must start from the beginning and, paradoxically, this story does not begin with the opening ceremony; nor, in fact, do the athletics start with this opening ceremony.

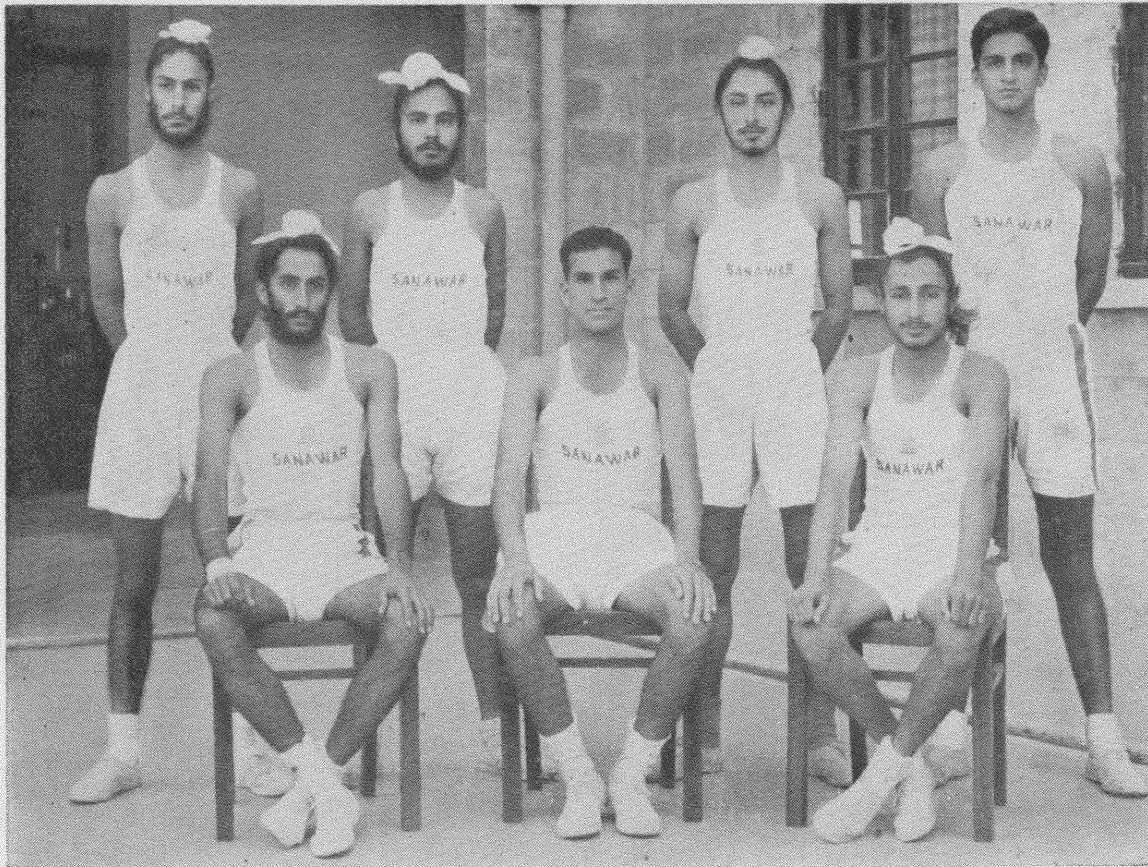
The story begins in Sanawar. on the 20th of October, at 9-30 in the morning. The School lines up to cheer the athletes off, the truck-load of happy school boys moves down to the plains and streaks for Patiala. A bit of practice for the boys in the evening and then they move off to savour the attractions of Patiala. Next morning, after the rehearsal of the march-past, is the 1500 meters. A strange silence falls over the stadium as the competitors line up, chaffing and straining like a blood hounds on a leash. They are off! —with Dua in the lead and Bala close behind. After a round Bala takes the lead and Dua drops to third position. Bala maintains his lead in the next two rounds with Trilochanpriti Singh of Y. P. S. close at his heels. And now the last round. Bala and Trilochan have broken away from the rest of the field and are carrying out a grim duel of their own. Dua, who has dropped to 7th place, makes a tremendous sprint. Trilochanpriti has slowly been gaining on Bala and, in the last 10 yards, edges him into second place by just a step. Time taken—a record smashing 4 minutes 34.1 seconds : truly wonderful indeed ! Dua’s late sprint brings him upto 4th place, giving Sanawar a total of 12 points against Y. P. S’s 14.

And now we come back to our story, where we left it.....

The march-past finishing by 3-30 p. m. , the 800 meters, first on the day’s programme, started its gruelling course. Rather unexpectedly, Gajbir of the Doon School, took the lead right in the beginning and contrary to all predictions, maintained it right to the end. Bala, who underestimated his opponent and so timed his sprint rather late, finished a close second.

The next item was the 100 metres. It was in this, I think, that a glaring shortcoming was pointed out in the Sanawar team. I don’t think that Daljit Singh (B. C. S.) who won the event, was a much faster runner than I. S. Gill who came second. It was just the difference in coaching techniques and training that made all the difference. This was found mostly in all the events; the other schools were better coached, and coached by coaches who must have had past athletic experience

Inter-Schools' Athletics



L. to R.

Standing :— K. S. Suri, S. S. Bhasin, S. S. Gill, R. S. Randhawa.

Sitting :— B. S. Bala, Baldev Dua, I. S. Gill.

themselves. I suggest that it is about time that Sanawar acquired a really good athletic's coach, if the standard of athletics is to go up any further. Bhasin came 5th so that, at this stage, we were coming first with 34 points, 3 ahead of Y. P. S. But had we anything to congratulate ourselves about? In three events yet we had got only three seconds—all of which could easily have been converted into firsts.

The next event, hop step and jump, had better be passed over. It couldn't have been Suri's or S. S. Gill's fault, I suppose two week's practice to compete with schools who have it as a regular event, is just to short. The other three schools each got one of their representatives on the victory stand while we had to be content with the last two places. The high jump, which followed, was won by Harjit Singh of Y. P. S. with a record height of 5' 4". Dua ended a creditable fourth but Bala had to drop out after the first three jumps due to a pain in the leg.

The last event of the day was the 4x100 relay. S. S. Gill ran well and was abreast with the others when he handed the baton to Suri. Faulty changeovers at all three points, especially between Bhasin and I. S. Gill, lost us quite a lot of ground, and we finished third, behind the B. C. S. and the Y. P. S.

This finished the programme for the day and, after seeing the picture "Give a girl a break", the teams drifted off to sleep early. It had not been a good day for us. We were trailing 8 points behind the B. C. S. and 19 behind the Y.P.S.

Next morning the 400 metres was run. I. S. Gill who had the eighth and outermost track took the lead right from the beginning and, with long, smooth strides maintained it till the end. It was not a very well-judged run—he was faltering at the end—but it was sheer guts, stamina and brute force that carried him to first place. Bhasin finished 5th and by now we were only one point behind the B. C. S. In the hurdles' semi-finals, which were held because the 110 metre track would not accommodate 8 hurdles, both Sanawarians made the grade for the first four. Daljit Singh (B. C. S.) was unlucky as he tripped over the last hurdle, just as he seemed set for the first place. In the finals held that afternoon, Bala finished first with a record-breaking time of 17.1 seconds. Dua was third and, in the second heat, Daljit Singh (B.C.S.), who didn't make the grade that morning, came first with 16.7 seconds, better than Bala's effort. He made it up in the next event however, by coming first in the 200 metres, with a record time of 23.3 seconds, thus winning both the sprints. I. S. Gill finished second.

The Long Jump followed and I. S. Gill came a close first with a colossal jump of 18' 11½", half an inch in front of his Y. P. S. rival. Suri unexpectedly, finished third, so for the second time that day two Sanawarians mounted the victory stand. The Shot-put was clearly not our event: we finished 6th and 8th. Amardaljit Singh (Y. P. S.) did extremely well to shatter his own Junior National record with a heave of 42 feet 4 inches. Fellow Yadavindrian, Harcharan Singh, was second.

The medley relay, the last event, was perhaps the most exciting. In the first 200 metres S. S. Gill kept up with the others but when I. S. Gill took the baton for his 400 metres, he was way behind the others. He made this up with a grand sprint and gave Bala a lead of twenty yards for his 800 metres. Bala maintained this lead in the first round but had to surrender it to Trilochanpriti (Y. P. S.) in the second. The rest was a foregone conclusion. Y.P.S. homed over the remaining 200 metres as victors while Suri galloped into second place with Doon School and B. C. S. quite far behind.

So ended the Meet. Sanawar had come second with 114 points while Y. P. S. had bagged 144 points B. C. S. occupied the third position (105 points) while Doon School brought up the rear (69 points). The position were the same as last year, but the gap between Y. P. S. and us had narrowed considerably. Perhaps, next year we may oust Y. P. S. from the coveted first place.

A quick tea, a sumptuous dinner in Chandigarh and then up to Sanawar, with Hansraj driving at 45 mph over the curves, we arrived at 11-45 to find Mrs. Sehgal waiting for us with hot tea—what a relief!

Karm Sheel Oberoi
Sixth

THE ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITION

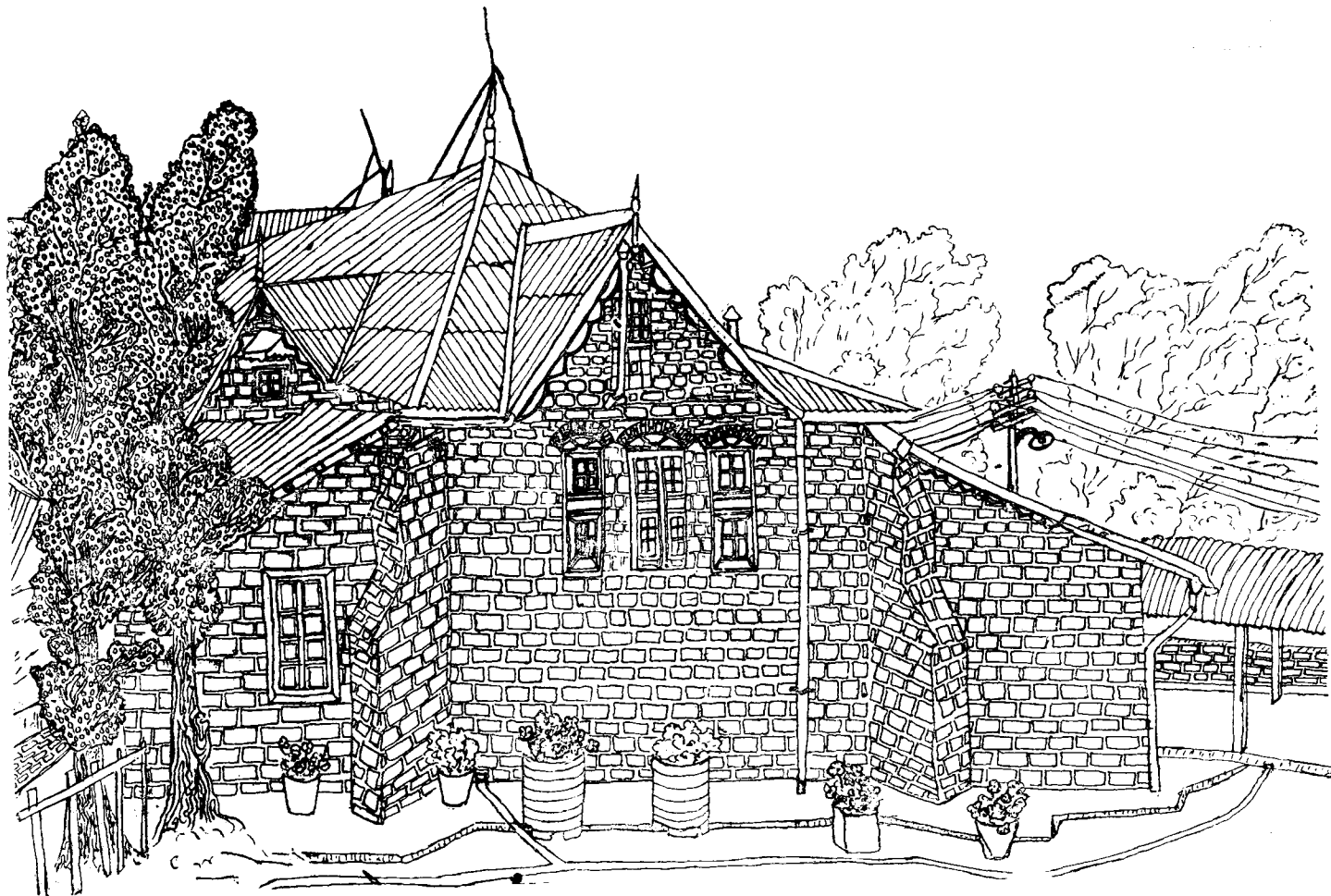
The Art and Craft exhibition was inaugurated by our guest of honour, Sardar Surjit Singh Majithia, on the 4th of October this year. Art and Craft form a part of every school's routine.

As one entered the at-first dimly lit Handicraft Room, one's eyes were at once captivated by a magnificent papier mache Buddha, holding in his hand a lamp—a symbol of peace and good will. Work on this captivating representation, which measured 9½' by 5½' had begun on the 18th of March this year. During the monsoon season, however, it had to be suspended. J.S. Thakur must be thanked, in particular, for the excellent results.

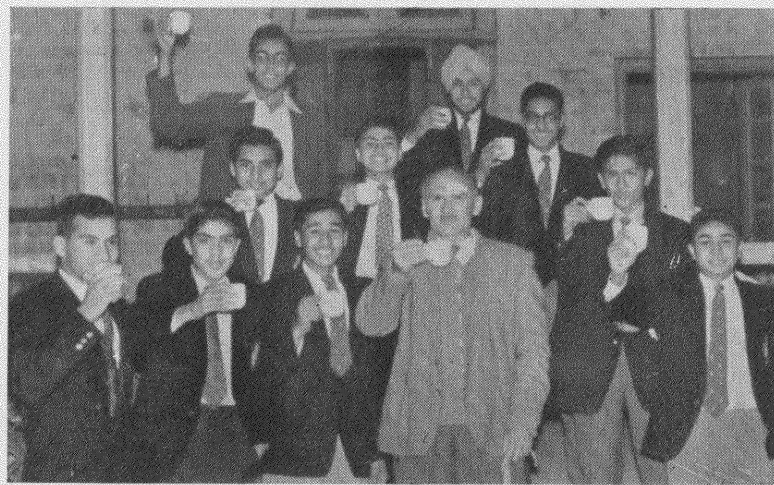
Suddenly the lights came on again. One noticed and admired numerous colourful pots of varying design, bright plates, lamp shades and finely carved chalk.

The lights went off once more and this time our attention was diverted towards two perforated works in plywood, fixed on the windows adjoining the Art Room. Behind these were lights and when these were switched on one gazed, enchanted at depictions of Hindu temples: A simple and charming idea. Kuljit Sethi and Jatinder Pandit were wholly responsible for these.

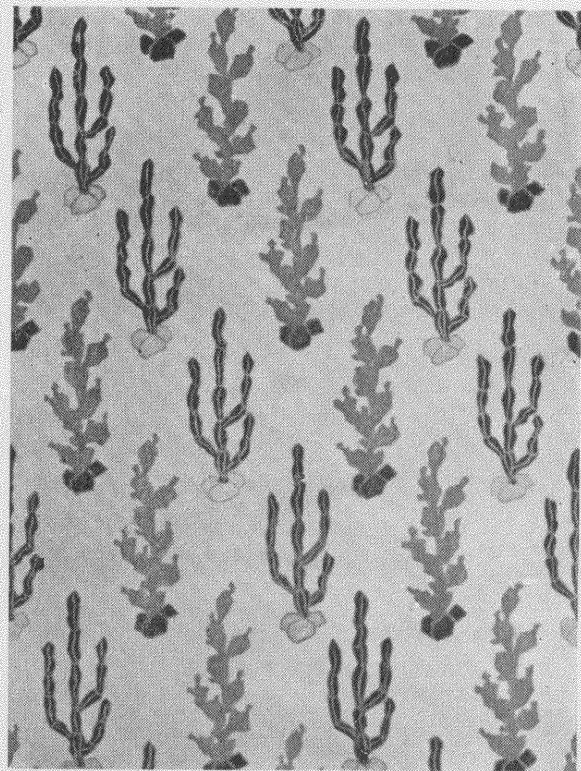
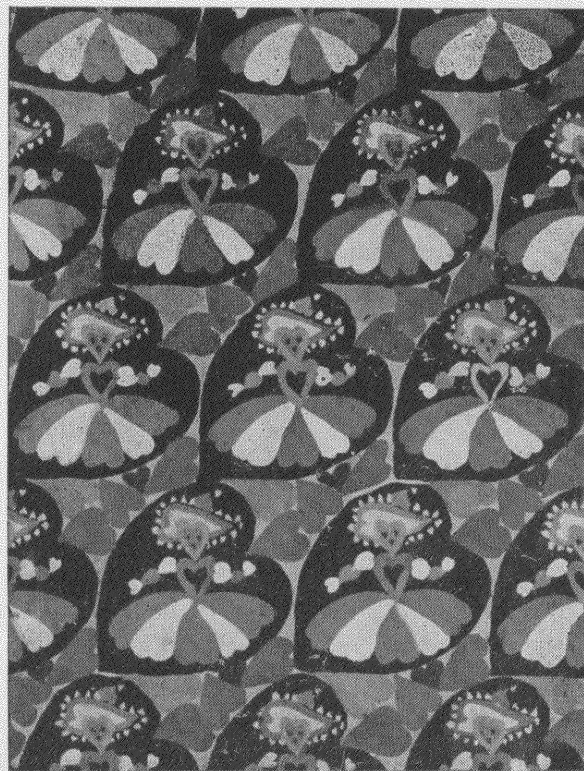
This year we started Textile Printing. At first the designs were simple but later we tried three-in-ones. "Chief" Arvind Sikand and "Subedars" R. Rattan and R. Gupta fully merit all praise.



Parker Hall : an unusual view.



CHAR



INTERESTING

On the wall, opposite the entrance, on either side of the Buddha were two circular designs—in the style of the paintings in the Ajanta and Ellora caves. Biresh Bahadur and J. S. Thakur took over 52 hours to complete them.....an excellently finished job.

Suit-cases for ladies and gentlemen adorned a cupboard, though this year less stress had been laid on this type of craft than had been last year. Munir Cheryan's "bang—bang" (with that wretched hammer) proved him outstanding in this field.

But the person to be really thanked for this superb section is Mr. Wad, our able Handicraft's Master, for he allowed complete freedom of work—thus the pre-eminent results.

One then moved to the adjoining Carpentry section, where many colourful wooden objects were on display. But I must add that the charm of a wooden object shown when it is nearest natural varnishing would have certainly proved better than painting. Though the trays, plywood cuttings and other toys were greatly admired, I personally..... A small cabinet presently caught my eyes. Had it been of a more modern design or for that matter a very old one it would.... ! However my tastes are often considered atrocious. Mr. Jagat Ram is to be thanked for this section.

One then moved to the Art Studio. A person who had never been there before would at once be attracted by a wall of glass facing the picturesque Himalayas. The standard of Art this year had shot up considerably. There was a tremendous variety of paintings. Scenery, Festivals, Naga Dances, Railway Stations, Aerodromes and Restaurants were among the many paintings which adorned the walls. Kalpana Sahni's oil painting (entitled "Imagination") was excellent (not because I helped her with a few strokes which she hastily removed, of course). Shiv Mehra's Naga Dance, a colourful (that striking green) oil painting was equally good. Basant Usha's "Toilet" was as usual well finished. Everything had a design. Paintings by our budding artists Shashi Singh, Arun Surya, S. Tika Ram and A. D. Chhetri were of the same size and equally good.

What I did not approve of were some oil paintings exhibited which were done by (now) O. S. I do not mean they were not good. On the contrary Samaresh Mukherji and Y. S. Rautela's paintings were very impressive. But if these continued to occupy places on the walls, only a few present Sanawarians would get a chance to do an oil painting, in the next ten years. By the way, when is the pond, near the basins, being constructed ??

Arts and Crafts are of the utmost importance today. If every person above the age of five devoted one hour every day to handicrafts, India to day would be a

much more prosperous country. Public Schools encourage crafts, and teach a child to use his hands doing something useful, so that learning to stand on his own he might one day become a pillar supporting our country.

Sanawar, by what I (hup!! excuse me!) overheard from visiting staff, had proved herself the best School in Arts and Crafts in India. Well done Sanawar!

Vijay Neil Kumar.

Navin Bratt.

THE SENIOR HINDI SOCIETY

The Senior Hindi Society comprises all the students from U-IV to VI Form. It aims at inculcating in the students an interest in Hindi—a subject which occupies a place of primary importance in most of the Indian Public Schools. Amidst the multifarious activities in the School throughout the year, this Society is able to meet only once or twice a year but at its rare meetings it provides an interesting programme in the form of debates, speeches, poem-recitation, play-reading, etc. This year, for the first time, an attempt was made at a 'Mock Parliament' in Hindi. This was a great success.

A. R. S.

THE MATHEMATICS SOCIETY

A 'delightfully' boring meeting of the Mathematics Society was held in Barne Hall on the 10th September, 1960.

Three boys and a girl from each of the four Houses formed the teams. The rest of the School formed the audience. In this way Inter-House rivalry stimulated interest in the proceedings of the Society.

The questions, were put to each House in turn by Mr. Kemp and a limited amount of time, usually fifteen seconds or half a minute was given to the contestants from that House to work out and answer the problem. It sometimes happened that a person solved his problem a second or two after his time was up, and threw his pencil down with vexation.

The questions, which were framed by Mr. Rawat, were more "common-sensical" than mathematical. Frequently the "catch" in the problem was an absolutely non-mathematical one, and it was amazing to discover that many of the boys, who are supposed to be clever, were strangely lacking in common sense.

The fact that the spectators were also interested in the proceeding of the Society, was shown by their excited whispers like "I know this one!" etc. heard during the course of the Society. Sometimes a member of the audience would be so carried away by his excitement that he would blurt out the answer (although this was completely against the rules).

The interest in the Society reached its pitch when it was announced, near the end, that three Houses were running neck to neck for first place. But soon afterwards the Nilagirians and the Siwalikans were heard sighing and groaning when the students representing their Houses got the last answers wrong.

The final results were: Vindhya first, Himalaya second, Siwalk third and Nilagiri fourth.

On the whole the evening was a very enjoyable one, and at the end of it one felt that the Mathematics Society was playing its part in making a dry unpopular subject interesting.

Ravi Khanna

VI

Girls' School, Notes.

HIMALAYA HOUSE

House Mistress	...	...	Miss V. Chak
House Matron	...	...	Mrs. R. Dhawan
School Prefect	...	...	Rajika Palit
House Prefect	...	...	Sunita N. Nath
Games' Prefect	...	...	Andy Kemp

Last year we lost most of the senior members of the House—all the sixth formers, our Housemistress, Miss Thadani, and our House Matron Mrs. Nanda. Though sorry to part with them, we were pleased to welcome in their places several new girls, in addition to Miss V. Chak, our Housemistress and Mrs. Dhawan our Matron, whom we must thank for having looked after us so ably during the year. The young additions were Ranjit Kaur, Sunita Oberoi, Suneel Goel, Harpal Kaur, Vidya Palsokhar, Kiran Tandon, Anita Sobti and Deepali Sharma (the latter three having come up from Prep. School, of whom the last two were especially bright in the scholastic field.

On the games' field, as Andy was our only able sportswoman, we did not fare as well as last year. We fought for the last place in Netball and Badminton—what is more we won it too. We managed, however, to attain second place in Tennis and Swimming. In the Athletics meet we won the wooden spoon, though we managed to tie for the second place with Siwalik in Table-tennis. We broke one of our traditions by, surprisingly enough, winning the P. T. Cup—our only acknowledged achievement of the year. In Hockey, however, we came third, which was all the same unexpected as we were considered the weakest House on paper. Our achievement was helped by Andy's magnificent play.

Our Annual House Show was said to be quite a success, though our ideas, which were unique, might have been executed better. However, the enjoyment of preparing for it made up for any boredom in the audience. The preppers performed a short ballet with which they stole the show.

Having won the Study Cup last year, I'm afraid to say this year our standard dropped shamefully, despite which we secured second place.

Badminton. The School Team



L. to R.
STANDING :— Andrea Kemp, Shabnam Sahani, Malti Verma.
KNEELING :— Indu Khanna, Navina Sundaram.

Netball: The School Team



L. to R.

Standing :— Andrea Kemp, Paron Grewal, Subhadra Patel.
Kneeling :— Shabnam Sahani, Malti Verma, Sheena Grewal, Tilothama Jaya Ram.

So we ended a very happy term, and having had the satisfaction of trying our utmost we did not regret the failures. All I can say is I hope we score many successes in the coming year.

Rajika Palit.

NILAGIRI HOUSE

House Mistress	...	...	Mrs. Lyall
Senior Prefect	...	...	Basant Usha Katoch
House Prefect	...	...	Subhadra Patel

We were sorry to say good-bye to Roop Narang and Sunita Gadi at the end of the term last year.

1960 saw our total strength reaching 26, the most we have ever had. The new faces are: Romala Patel and Shashi Sakhuja from the Prep. School. Rumu Israni who left after the one-month vacations last year, and joined us again this year, and lastly Pushplata who joined us in April.

We began quite successfully this year by coming second in Netball, but after that we seemed to step down the ladder.

We had a bit of bad luck in the Athletics Meet, because one of our best athletes sprained her ankle and we lost the Defence Cup by a hair's breadth.

Nilagiri has decided not to display its studious disposition as yet, so has generously resigned itself to stay at the bottom, so making way for the three other Houses. However, we do not lack artistic talent and have arranged to set up an attractive and cosy common room, much credit for which goes to the Patel sisters.

The House shows saw a start with Nilagiri House. Mention must be made of the opening item "The Pangi Dance"—a combined dance by boys and girls depicting the happy lives of the Kulu people. So successful was it that it was honoured by being put up at Founder's. The Hindi Play was a hilarious one and was put on for the visiting Doon School when they came to Sanawar.

I'll end now by thanking my House for their generous co-operation and continued help in making it a very successful year for me. Fare thee well Nilagirians and all the best always.

Basant Usha.

SIWALIK HOUSE

House Mistress	...	...	Mrs. A. Kemp
House Matron	...	...	Mrs. Abel
School Prefect	...	...	Meenakshi Khanna
House Prefect	...	...	Meenakshi Biswas

We returned this year to find two new girls, Chandni Singh and Kusum Das (Santosh's youngest sister) in our House. There were three little ones from the Prep. School—Geeta Varma, Ambika Devi, K. Kiran Samal, who settled down very happily.

Although we did not distinguish ourselves on the Netball field, we shared the 1st position in the Inter-House Hockey Tournament with Vindhya, and were second in Badminton and Table Tennis. We won the Defence Cup and were very proud of Anjana Mehra, Vijay Chopra and Meenakshi Biswas who won the Championship medals in their respective age-groups and were responsible for our winning the Inter-House Athletics Trophy.

We also won the Study Cup and the Cariappa Shield—an award which is given to the best House in all three departments.

Our House show was put on in June and it needed a deal of effort and thought to make it a success.

Throughout this year we have been an exceptionally contented House. This is mainly due to the supervision of the House by the two Meenakshis' and our House Mistress Mrs. Kemp.

Meenakshi Khanna.

VINDHYA HOUSE

House Mistress	...	...	Mrs. Sikund
Head Girl	...	...	Malti Varma
Senior Prefect	...	...	Navina Sundaram
House Prefect	...	...	Manju Sood
M. I. Prefect	...	...	Shabnam Sahni

We were sorry indeed to bid farewell to Madhu Mehra and Romola Krishan, our last year's Sixth Formers, and to Anjula Gandhi who left us in L-V.

We welcomed this year four new additions to our Vindhyan clan: Madhu Badhwar and Sudipta who came up from P. D., Sachdev Kaur Bala and Kalpana Sahni who increased our total strength to twenty seven. Kalpana left us in '56, to

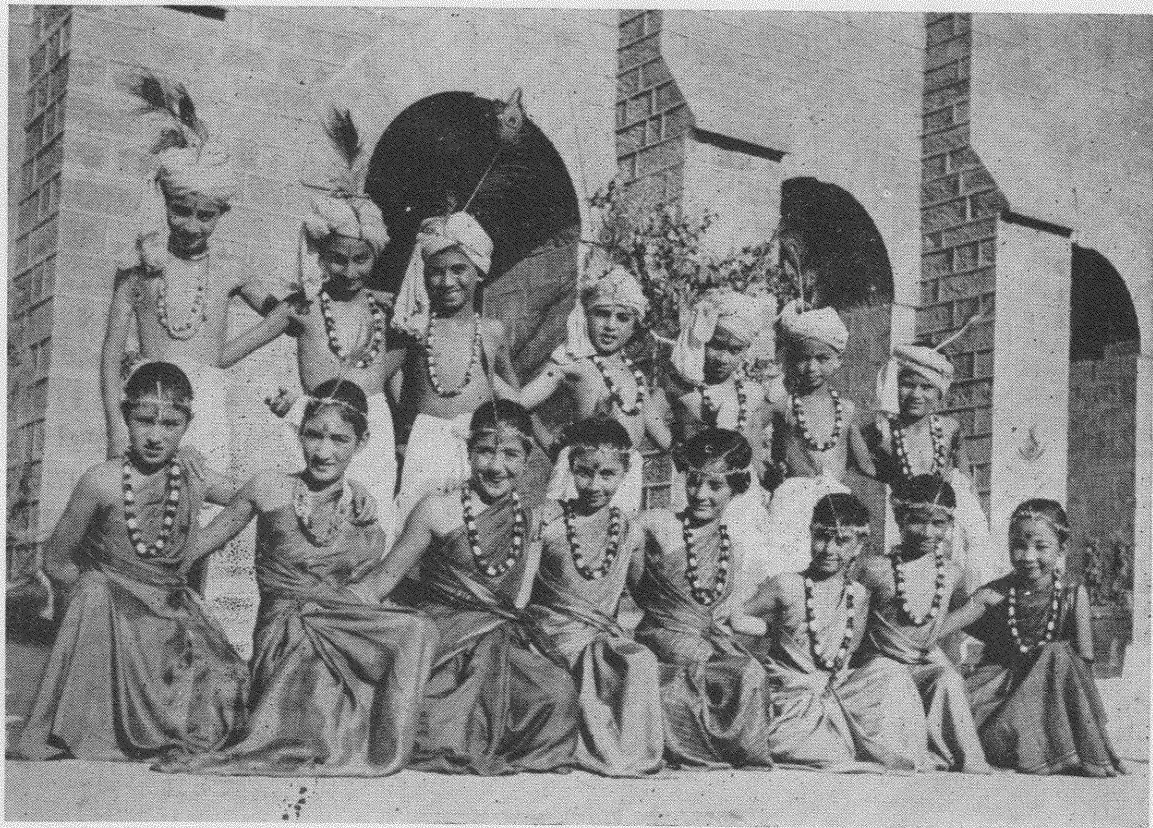


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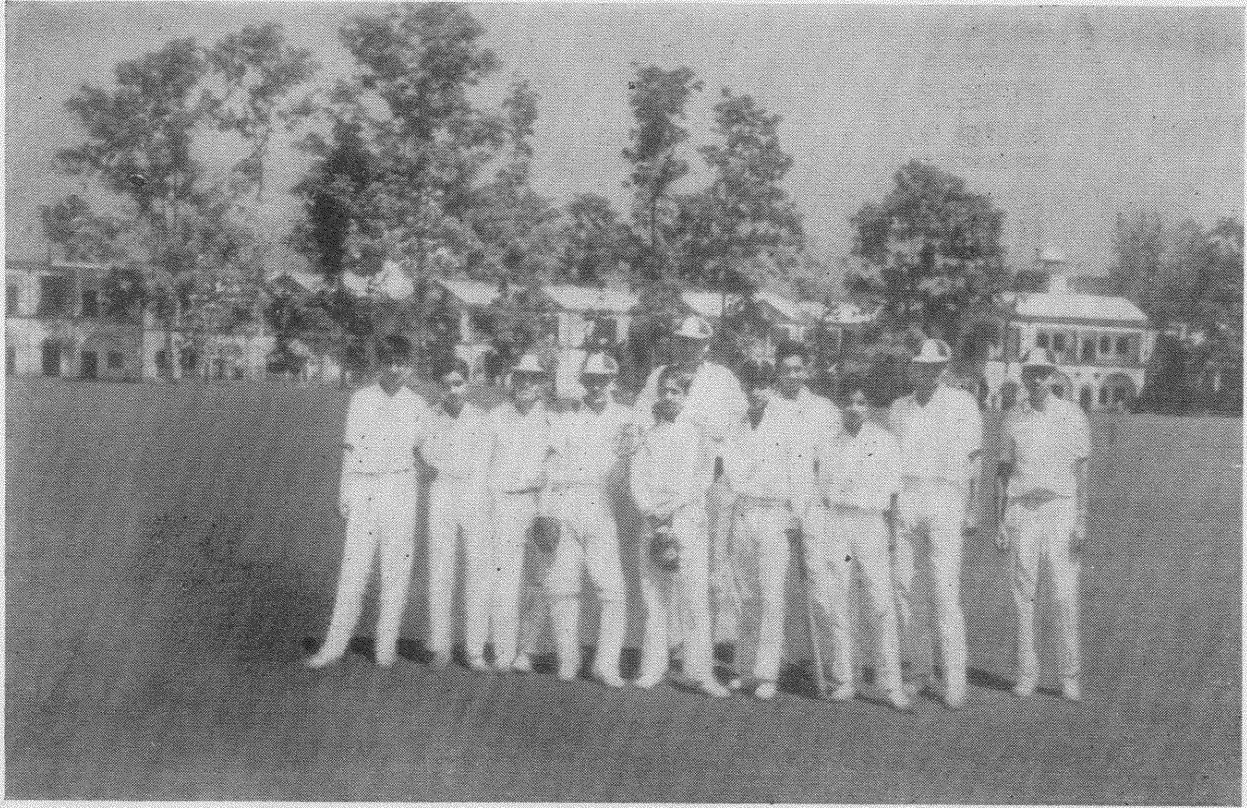
Dancing : The Senior School



Poses



A cheerful troupe



CRICKET

The Doon School Match

join her parents in Russia. After a four year's stay there, she has come back to finish her education in India, a very different girl to what she was previously, greatly influenced in her outlook.

We had an amazing streak of luck in the sports line this year ; and the end of 1960 saw our Common Room adorned with practically all the cups with the exception of P. T., Athletics and Studies, the latter never has been a very strong point with us. I take this opportunity to congratulate Shabnam on having succeeded to the little of the Tennis Champion for the second time. While on the subject of Sports, I might as well say that in both the school teams, Badminton and Netball, Vindhians again topped the list, by comprising the majority.

We tied for the Hockey Cup with Siwalik, and in P. T. and Athletics we managed to secure the second position. The Cock House was ours, and the difference between us and the next House was tremendous : 16 points.

In May, we presented our annual House Show. Thanks to the hard work and help of our House Staff, viz : Mr. Gore, Mr. O. P. Sharma and Mrs. Sikund, combined with the co-operation of the children we put up a rather commendable performance on the whole.

And finally to approach the delicate subject of studies, a matter I think of which the less is spoken the better. However, I must hasten to add that there has been a very slight improvement this year.

On the whole, we had a very successful year, and I on behalf of the 1960 Sixth Formers, viz : Shabnam, Sheena and Malti, wish Vindhya all the very best for the future, and we sincerely hope that it will always remain what is, the Best House of all.

Nivina Sundaram

THE SENIOR ENGLISH SOCIETY

The Senior English Society, held on October 15th, took the form of an individual declamatory contest. There were ten speakers, including the President, Krishen Kak. Each contestant chose his or her own passage for declamation, and most of the selections were from Shakespeare.

Ravi Khanna first recited " Once more into the breach, dear friends, once more " from Henry V. But for occasional lapses of monotony, he was quite good.

Rajika Palit then declaimed " The Listeners " by Walter de la Mare. Her tone was well-modulated. In fact, she was very good but, at times, inaudible.

The first part of " Friends, Romans and countrymen " (Mark Antony's speech in 'Julius Caesar') was 'acted' by Billy Kent. His declamation was spoiled by the frequent slurring of the end-words. Otherwise, he was good.

The fourth contestant, Meenakshi Khanna, continued the same speech from "If you have tears, prepare to shed them now". Her enunciation was commendable!

Parveen Sharma with his "Is that a dagger which I see before me" (Macbeth) was good.

A nervous Paran Grewal recited Tennyson's "The Charge of the Light Brigade". If she had not been so "shivery" she would have done much better.

Navin Bratt then declaimed "The mercy that was quick in me but late" (Henry V) quite stole the show. He spoke excellently clearly, and with action.

Kalpana Sahni's "English and French" an amusing poem, by Thomas Hood, evoked much laughter from the audience.

"To be, or not to be: that is the question" (Hamlet) was declaimed by Navina Sundaram. She spoke well and with complete confidence.

Krishen Kak then burst into "O for a Muse of Fire" (Henry V). Needless to say, he was excellent, as Shakespeare is his forte.

After this, while the judges were assessing the marks, various recordings from Shakespeare, Wordsworth, Keats and de la Mare were played and enjoyed.

The winner of the contest was Navin Bratt. Closely following were Krishen Kak, second, and Navina Sundaram, third.

On the whole the Society was one of the best held this year. The general comment was "very interesting" and we hope that more societies of this type will be held in future.

Sheena Grewal
SIXTH

THE HISTORY SOCIETY 1960

This year there was only one History Society Meeting which was held in the middle of May.

The choice of topics was varied—as it had been left to the speakers to choose them.

Andrea Kemp, the honourable President, opened the session by a short speech in which she pointed out that such meetings should not be made compulsory.

After the opening address, Parmod Pathak took the floor and criticised Mahmud Ghazni who, he said, besides being selfish, had no feelings for religion. Ravi Khanna on the other hand praised Ghazni as a religious man and described him as a real promoter of Islam. Karm Sheel spoke next on "If Cleopatra had a longer nose", and he enlightened the audience on the effect this would have had on history. Krishen Kak, recited a poem "An, 'if' for historians" adapted from "If" by Rudyard Kipling.

Navin Bratt compared a saintly murder in the East with one in the West. He described the killing of Sidi M. in India and that of Thomas Becket in England. He captivated the audience with his power of oratory. Meenakshi Khanna next praised one of the greatest monarchs of India History—Ashok,

Parveen Sharma followed, speaking on Mohammad Bin-Tughlak who is said to have been "a genius before his time."

According to Parveen he committed only one error during his reign—that of being born in the wrong age.

Jyoti Dhawan spoke on Akbar, who she said occupied a great place of importance not only in the history of India but also in that of the world. S. N. Gupta spoke about the "Father of the Nation" Mahatma Gandhi, and claimed that he brought freedom to India.

Paran Grewal, the tenth and last speaker, rounded up the meeting by claiming that greatness could not be classified under any one heading and that therefore comparisons could only be relative.

After this last speech Andy Kemp closed the meeting.

Paran Grewal
U-V A

Prep. School Notes

HIMALAYA HOUSE

Housemistress	...	...	Miss S. T. Kavary
Boys' Prefect	...	...	Harpreet Singh Sidhu
Girls' Prefect	...	...	Suneeta Bhan

The year commenced with many new boys joining our House. Our warmest welcome to them. We are sorry to lose some of the boys and girls who will leave us to join senior school. Our good wishes go with them.

Miss Sinclair left us in the second term to take over the charge of the kitchen and girls, dormitory. We thank her for looking after us very efficiently. Although we missed her very much, we were glad that she took over the kitchen, since she fed our hungry stomachs very well. We welcome Miss Vig who took over from Miss Sinclair and we hope she will be happy in our midst.

We contributed a ballet to the music "The Silvery Moon" for the Himalaya House Saturday Club. Children's day was celebrated on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's birthday with great enthusiasm.

Unfortunately for us, we did not fare very well both on the academic side and in the field of games. We stood first in the Inter-House Hockey matches, and we stuck to our second position throughout the other matches and athletics; but to our bad luck we stood last in studies. We only hope good luck will be on our side in the year 1961.

NILAGIRI HOUSE

Housemistress	...	...	Mrs. Cherian
House Matron	...	...	Miss Chopra
House Prefect	...	...	Vunglalian

Mrs. G.E. Cherian had to leave us in August to go to England for further studies. Mrs. L. Thomas took over our House after her departure.

We scored the second highest points for the Study Cup in Prep. School. We fared equally well at Cricket but we were far from being successful at Hockey, Soccer and Athletics. We tried our best and we feel that is all that matters.

This year for our Saturday Club Show we put up a short play named "Pixie Gardeners". It went off very well and we thank Mrs. Cherian for teaching us to act so well. On the 14th of November, for Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's birthday, we put up a variety entertainment entirely by ourselves. It was a great experience and we enjoyed every bit of it.

Best of luck Nilagarians and remember our School motto "Never Give In."

SIWALIK HOUSE

Housemistress	...	...	Mrs. D. Gidwani
Girls' Prefect	...	...	Sukhjinder Kaur
Boys' Prefect	...	...	Sanjiv Stokes

In the annual exodus from Form II to Senior School, we were sorry to lose some of our all rounders, but we wish them all the best in their future careers. Our warmest welcome to all the new recruits to our ranks.

We welcome Miss Chopra who took over the Boys' Dormitory from Mrs. Sehgal, and long may she remain with us. Of course, we didn't have to say 'good-bye' to Mrs. Sehgal till the second term, as she only moved to the new building to look after the girls (including Siwalik) and the kitchen, where many a delicious meal was provided by her. It was just as well, as School children are eternally hungry.

We managed to carry the Cricket Trophy by the skin of our teeth, as Nilagiri was hard on our heels. Soccer, sports and studies augured well for us, as in all these we were head and shoulders above the other Houses, the girls and the boys sharing the laurels equally. We were rather sorry to lose the Hockey Shield to Himalaya, as we were second in that game. Better luck next time. On the whole Siwalik House fared very well, being Cock House on the field as well as in the class. Our contribution to the combined Siwalik House Show, 'The Pirate's Birthday', nearly missed being staged, as at first Pirate Ravi went down with rheumatic fever; not to be out done, the Pirate Queen, Sudha Rani went down with flu in his wake. But she soon rallied round, and with a little shuffling of characters, the show went off with a bang. We hope the audience enjoyed watching our country dancing as much as we enjoyed jiggling it.

We were all excited about the Show we were going to put up on Bal Div, Chacha Nehru's Birthday After all it was to be strictly our own effort. Sanjiv's Glove Puppet Show created a sensation and the dance item directed by Sukhjinder Kaur was a real hit.

VINDHYA HOUSE

Housemistress	...	...	Mrs. Kate
Girls' Prefect	...	...	Usha Rani
Boys' Prefect	...	...	Ashok Saxena

We started School by welcoming the new boys and girls who joined our House. Before long we found ourselves in the full swing of School routine and practising hard for the House cricket matches. We missed our expert players of the last year. We could not fare very well in sports this year but some of the participants in our annual sports showed promise for better luck for the next year. Unfortunately we did not fare well in studies also.

For our Saturday Club Show we put up 'Kabutri Ka Vivah', a very colourful tableau in Hindi. On Pandit Nehru's birthday our House performed some good dances in a variety show produced by the children without any assistance from the Staff.

Miss Sinclair left our dormitory in the second term to see to our food. We thank her for looking after us so well both in the dormitory during the first term and in the dining room during the second term. We welcomed Miss Vij as our new matron and hope she enjoys working amidst us.

We send our best wishes to all those who left us to join the Senior School.





PREFECTS ALL.

PRIZE GIVING

The President's Medal



Boys: Baldev Dua



Girls: Basant Usha Katoch

Annual Prizegiving.

Mr. H. P. Croom-Johnson  Presided.

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FORM PRIZES

Senior School

SIXTH A	{ 1st S. N. Gupta 2nd Ravi Khanna
SIXTH B	{ 1st Amar Nath Dutta 2nd Inderjit Singh Gill
UPPER V A	...	...	{ 1st S. K. Gupta 2nd M. Rajika Palit
UPPER V B	...	...	{ 1st Dinesh K. Srivastava 2nd Jai Singh Gill
LOWER V A	...	...	{ 1st Deepa Bhattacharya 2nd Arvind Sikand
LOWER V B	...	...	{ 1st A. K. Gupta 2nd Anil Thadani
UPPER IV A	...	...	{ 1st Ajit Jaya Ram 2nd Asit Chaudhury
UPPER IV B	...	...	{ 1st Subhash Chandra Kalia 2nd Aruna Gulab
LOWER IV A	...	...	{ 1st Deb Mitra 2nd P. S. Takhar
LOWER IV B	...	...	{ 1st Harbans Nagpal 2nd Ajai Singh
UPPER III A	...	...	{ 1st Gyan Prakash 2nd Manmohan Sinha
UPPER III B	...	...	{ 1st Sheila Kar 2nd Suman Geeta Taneja
LOWER III A	...	...	{ 1st Ved Prakash 2nd Amrit Pal Singh
LOWER III B	...	...	{ 1st Anita Sobti 2nd Deepali Sharma

Prep. School

FORM II A	...	...	...	{ 1st Tapan Prova Bains 2nd T. Vunglalian
FORM II B	...	...	...	{ 1st Sunita Bhan 2nd Sanjiv Stokes
FORM I A	...	...	...	{ 1st Daljit Singh 2nd Ramakanth Raizada
FORM I B	...	...	...	{ 1st Chitra Johary 2nd Leela Kar
K. G. A	...	...	...	{ 1st T. Naizaching 2nd Nirmaljit Singh Aluk
K. G. B	...	...	...	{ 1st Sundeep K. Ahuja 2nd Francis Vidya Sagar

Special Prizes

THE DURRANT PRIZE FOR ENGLISH	...	...	...	Krishen Kumar Kak
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR ENGLISH	...	...	...	{ Rajika Palit Deb Mitra
THE HODSON HORSE PRIZES FOR HISTORY	...	...	...	{ Ravi Khanna P. S. Thakar
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR HINDI	...	...	...	{ Shambu Dayal S. C. Kalia Narendrajit Singh
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR SCIENCE	...	...	...	{ Ravi Khanna (Chem) I. S. Gill (Physics) K. K. Kak (Biology)
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR GEOGRAPHY	...	...	...	{ Shabnam Sahni S. C. Poonia
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR ART	...	...	...	{ Basant Usha Katoch A. D. Chhetri Sheila Kar
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR MATHEMATICS	...	...	...	{ S. N. Gupta Asit Chaudhury
SPECIAL PRIZE FOR HEALTH SCIENCE	...	...	...	K. K. Kak
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR MUSIC	...	...	...	{ Meenakshi Khanna A. N. Dutta Rajika Palit (Piano)
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR BAND	...	...	...	{ Ashok Mehta Anil Kak Anil Thadani

SPECIAL PRIZE FOR WOODWORK	...	Jayant Verma
SPECIAL PRIZE FOR CRAFT	...	S. S. Punia
SPECIAL PRIZE FOR NEEDLEWORK	...	Basant Usha Katoch
SPECIAL PRIZE FOR INDIAN DANCING	...	Basant Usha Katoch
GEN. THIMAYYA PRIZE FOR ORGANIZING ABILITY	} ...	Basant Usha Katoch

Awards

THE HENRY LAWRENCE PRIZE	...	Kuljit S. Sethi
THE HONORIA LAWRENCE PRIZE	...	Malti Verma
PREFECTS' PRIZES, Boys	...	{ B. S. Bala Baldev Dua S. S. Bhasin
PREFECTS' PRIZES, Girls	...	{ Basant Usha Katoch M. Khanna N. Sundaram Rajika Palit

Trophies

THE CARLILL CUP	...	Asha Bery
STUDY CUP, Prep.	...	Siwalik
STUDY CUP, Girls	...	Siwalik
STUDY CUP, Boys	...	Himalaya
COCK HOUSE, Prep.	...	Siwalik
COCK HOUSE, Girls	...	Vindhya
COCK HOUSE, Boys (The "R. & N." Trophy)		Nilagiri
THE CARIAPPA SHIELD	...	Siwalik

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