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EDITORIAL

This is not the first time that we have been obliged to begin a Newsletter with an apology. The promise made in the last issue (September, 1956) has not been kept. No Newsletter was issued in 1957. The lapse can be explained; excuses can be offered. Ed Verdier's move to Natal University had a lot to do with it. The greatest blame attaches to the writer but he would have much to plead in extenuation. Editorial responsibility for the present number has been assumed by a sub-committee of the Union and it is hoped that satisfactory arrangements will be able to be made for regular issues in future. You have no doubt heard that before.

Since our last number there have been important developments. Of some of these you will have been made aware by the Vice-Chancellor's report to Convocation. You will be pleased to hear that Rhodes continues to grow. The following figures will give you a good idea of the increase in numbers in recent years:

Number of Full-time Entrants					
1955	....	....	....	....	222
1956	....	....	....	....	251
1957	....	....	....	....	333
1958	....	....	....	....	435

At the beginning of this year Milner House came back into use as a men's residence and Olive Schreiner as a women's residence. It was necessary to ask more than thirty would-be resident students to find their own accommodation in the town. The total enrolment reached the highest figure in Rhodes history with the exception of one of the immediate post-war years. Next year a further increase is expected, and to meet the demand for accommodation Grainger's has been bought and will be used as a men's Hall, Milner (as it has before) will become a women's residence, and two new houses for men are being rushed up. These are officially described as "semi-permanent" and because time does not permit of the building of houses of the traditional style they are tucked away on unobtrusive sites—one on the vegetable patch behind Jan Smuts House and the other behind 5 Prince Alfred Street. We are proud to be able to give you this news and do not think it is too optimistic a forecast that within three or four years the University will have 1,500 students. Consequential extensions and additions are being

and will have to be made—new laboratories, lecture-rooms, etc., more and better sports facilities, and the beginnings of a new Students' Union. A new Library will be in use in 1960 on the site of the tennis courts near the old Kaif. Space does not permit of a full account of developments in hand and in prospect, but you may be sure that big things are happening.

We would like to thank contributors of articles and information—some of them are present students (Bruce Murray, a second-year student from Johannesburg, has become unofficial Sports Editor) and some are O.R.s distant from Grahamstown who have sent us news of others. We would ask you to remember that this is YOUR Newsletter and that to a large extent you will inevitably get the Newsletter you deserve. Please, therefore, send us news from time to time both of yourself and of those with whom you are in contact or correspondence.

H. J. C.

PETER HAWORTH — 1891–1956

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Prof. Haworth in Cape Town on 1st November, 1956.

Peter Haworth was born in Manchester, where he obtained his B.A. (with first class honours in English) and his M.A. in 1914. The outbreak of the first Great War found him in Austria, from which country he escaped with considerable spirit and dash. He enrolled with the Yorkshire Light Infantry and served on the Western Front. Among other army qualifications, we find him listed as "Military Interpreter for German and French, First Class".

After the War he was appointed Lecturer in English at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, where he obtained his Ph.D., with a dissertation on the Jacobean dramatist, John Webster.

Returning to England, he went to University College, Oxford, as a Heath Harrison Scholar, and obtained the Chancellor's Prize for an essay on "Hymn Writing as a Form of Literature". In 1928 the University of Oxford awarded him the degree of B.Litt.

He then moved to the University of Bristol as Senior Lecturer in English, where he remained until his appointment to the Chair at Rhodes in 1932. During this period he published highly entertaining anthologies: *Rumours and Hoaxes* (Blackwell, 1928) and *An Elizabethan Story Book* (Longmans, 1929). *Humorous Readings from Charles Dickens* (Macmillan) followed in 1939.

Rhodians will remember Prof. Haworth as an exceptionally inspiring and entertaining lecturer, with a wonderful gift for bringing his author or his text to life. His classes on Shakespeare were particularly vivid. Those who worked with him as colleagues will recall his unfailing good humour and tolerance.

It is perhaps some indication of his success as a teacher that three of his Rhodes pupils have become Professors of English and at least six others are teaching English at University level.

The final paragraphs of his own Inaugural Lecture give a clear glimpse of his approach to the subject he professed:

When all is said and done, literature is not merely a mode of teaching by examples. Literature in its finest essence is the spiritual autobiography of all mankind. Rightly and devotedly to study literature means therefore an unceasing endeavour to enter into spiritual communion with the noblest of our race. Literature is not a subject but rather a religion.

In the light of this belief, the experimental side of literary study is, I take it, imperishably defined in the noble words of John Milton:

"He who would not be frustrated of his hope to write well hereafter in laudable things ought himself to be a true poem . . . not presuming to sing high praises of heroic men or famous cities, unless he have in himself the experience and practice of all that which is praise-worthy."

NEWS OF OLD RHODIANS

Harold Aitcheson is Art Editor to the Natal Witness in Pietermaritzburg.

John Axe is at Oxford.

John Adams is at Onderstepoort studying to be a vet.

Dr. Laurence Alberts is Senior Lecturer in Physics at the University of the Orange Free State.

Dot Allnut is teaching at Wynberg Girls' High School.

Graham Brooks is doing his M.Sc. thesis in Chemistry at Pietermaritzburg.

Bill Burnett is the first O.R. Bishop. He is Bishop of Bloemfontein. We believe that he is the first South African born Bishop of the Province.

Pauline Bond (Mrs. Fairall) is in Pietermaritzburg, where her husband is Curator of Parks.

A. J. Barnard is on the staff of the Physics Dept., Natal Univ., Pietermaritzburg.

Rupert Bromley is at Oxford reading for an honours degree.

Trevor Bell is with the Ford Company in Port Elizabeth.

Duncan Buchanan, who has been teaching at Springvale School, Marandellas, has gone to Oxford.

Eddie Baart is doing research in nuclear physics at Liverpool University. He is due to join the staff of the University of Rhodesia and Nyasaland next year.

Eleanor Barker is in England.

Eric Baker is with the United Tobacco Company in Salisbury.

Phyllida Brooke (Mrs. von Hoesslin) is teaching at St. Cyprian's Diocesan School in Cape Town.

Dr. R. Berelowitz is practising in Parow, Cape.

Aileen Brown is Secretary to the B.B.C. News Editor in Cape Town and has recently been overseas.

Leon Burman is Secretary to the Keurbooms Sports Club, Cape Town, and Hon. Secretary of the Western Province Old Rhodian Branch.

V. C. H. R. Brereton, one of the first O.R.s to register (1904), is President of the Western Province Branch of the Old Rhodian Union.

Giesla Bekker is visiting Germany.

Elby Barratt (Mrs. Barker) is now living in East London, where her husband is a pathologist.

Gavin Blackburn has been studying for his medical degree at the University of Cape Town. He has also represented Western Province at hockey.

R. Baxter-Brown sends word that he "is a luckless geologist labouring in the sweltering deserts of the Fish River Canyon, S.W.A."

Stella Blakeway, former Headmistress of the Girls' High School, Salisbury, has been awarded the O.B.E.

Dick Brown, who has married **Marlene Glatthaar**, is making his home in Pretoria.

Tony Cameron has married **Rosemary Drummond**. He will join the staff of the Shell Co. in Cape Town.

L. Collett is still head of the Y.W.C.A. in Johannesburg.

Dennis Clur is with the I.C.I. at Billingham in England, and has a son.

Neil and **Monica Cullinan** (née **Osborn**) have a son. They are living in Pretoria, where Neil is running a brick plant.

Donald Cragg, now married, is writing a thesis for his Ph.D. at Oxford. His subject is the influence of the missionaries in S.A.

Bill Chalmers is at Oxford.

Poll Campbell is teaching at Plumtree.

Peter Cartwright is in Umtali.

Maureen Chase has been teaching Latin at the Crofton Grange School for Girls, near Cambridge.

Mike Clarence is doing his U.E.D. in Salisbury and is in the First Fifteen.

Barbara Chase (Mrs. Wanklyn) worked at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell. She has two children, a boy and a girl.

J. L. Cross is medical detailist of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Weithethical Pty., Ltd.

Dr. B. Chorn is practising at Wynberg, Cape.

Dr. Sidney Crown is practising as a psychiatrist in London.

W. A. Clarke is Headmaster of Rondebosch Boys' H. School, Cape Town.

Professor Cornell is Head of the Agricultural Faculty at Natal University. He is also Chairman of the Natal University Finance Committee.

Peter Croft is now working for the Old Mutual at Pietermaritzburg.

Len Dry has resigned from the Chemistry Department at Natal University and is now Head of the Organic Research Group at SASOL.

Denise Downing, who was teaching at the Girls' High School, Umtali, has been selected for a study grant at the Indiana Univ., Bloomington, U.S.A.

Ron Davies and **Hamish Dickie-Clark** are on the staff of Natal University.

Mark Dry has been awarded a post-doctorate fellowship at Amherst College in the U.S.A.

Rodney Davenport is a lecturer in History at the University of Cape Town.

Nora d'A Dowsley is teaching at St. Cyprian's, Cape Town.

Pamela Deal is programme organiser with the S.A.B.C., Rocklands, Cape Town.

Peter During is with the Shell Co., Cape Town and still plays cricket for Western Province.

Margaret de Villiers (Mrs. Naylor) is living in Leeds, England.

V. E. Dixie is with the Cape Explosives Works at Somerset West.

Hubert du Plessis is a Lecturer in Music at the University of Cape Town and is a well-known S. African composer.

Jill Gordon Davies is Teaching at Wynberg Girls' High, Cape Town.

J. H. O. Day is Professor of Zoology at the University of Cape Town.

Pat Donaldson (Mrs. Eve) is teaching in Salisbury.

A. J. Eve is a Lecturer in Chemistry at the Rhodesia University College.

Jock Ellis is now stationed at Voortrekkerhoogte, where he is Senior Chaplain.

Clive Edwards is Secretary to a firm in Aliwal North.

Peggy Emery is teaching at Wynberg Girls' High School, Cape Town.

C. Mary Elder is now on the staff of the National Institute of Personnel Research, Pretoria.

W. T. Ferguson has taken up the appointment of Senior Lecturer in Education at the University of Cape Town.

Christie Feros is a Lecturer in Music at the University of Cape Town.

Dr. P. K. Faure has a Post-doctoral Fellowship in Chemistry with the Canadian National Research Council. He returns to Rhodes in 1959 as Senior Lecturer in Chemistry.

Patrick Bissett Fletcher, C.M.G., M.P., Minister of Native Affairs and Minister of Lands, Southern Rhodesia, has been knighted.

Tich and **Eily Gledhill** (née Archibald) have a daughter.

Mike Garrett is an Accountant in a Salisbury Travel Agency.

Pat Goldschmidt (Mrs. Melk) and her husband have the farm Rondeberg at Philadelphia in the Cape.

J. J. Gerber has been to the U.S.A. on a Carnegie Fellowship.

Harry Hall was granted a Fellowship from the Natal Education Department and went to Britain, other countries in Europe and the U.S.A. He is now Government Psychologist in Southern Rhodesia.

Beth Hullett is doing secretarial work in London.

Albert Hansworth won the Eastern Province Bowling Association's Singles Championship.

Dave and **Sandra** (née Tooley) **Hilton-Barber** are at Ndola, where Dave is on the staff of the Northern News.

Evelyn Hone is the Chief Secretary in Northern Rhodesia.

Dave Hansen is now Head of the Aptitude Testing Unit of the Anglo-American Corporation. He is collecting material for a doctorate thesis on racial differences.

Mike Hardy is Chief Chemist at Caltex, Durban.

Errol Harris is Professor of Philosophy in the Connecticut College of Arts and Science, New London, U.S.A.

Flash Hunt is teaching at Guineafowl, Gwelo.

Evelyn Hall is in the Transvaal and has become engaged.

Mr. Justice J. Herbststein is Life President of the Keurbooms Sports Club, Cape Town.

J. H. Ingham has been appointed Secretary for African Affairs, Nyasaland.

Elizabeth Joubert is with the Southern Life at Rondebosch, Cape Town.

H. C. Kock has been elected President of the Transvaal and O.F.S. Chamber of Mines.

D. G. Kingwill was seconded to the Federal Government of Rhodesia and Nyasaland for six months to advise on the co-ordination and development of research services there.

Mike Klugman is now a Canadian citizen and is a Professor in the Colorado School of Mines, U.S.A.

Michael King, who married **Ann Skillicorn** (daughter of Barbara and Skilly) in England, has returned to South Africa with his wife and has a son.

'Young Joe' King and **Ann (Ramsbottom)** have a son, J. W. King (Quintus).

Bob Kay is Public Relations Officer of the Vacuum Oil Co. after a period as Motor Editor for the Cape Times. He is still a very keen photographer.

Susie Keyser (Mrs. Windsor) is living in Belgium.

Jacko Lloyd is in the Personnel and Public Relations Office of ISCOR.

Basil le Cordeur is on the staff of the Division of External Studies of the University of South Africa.

Louis Leclur is in the Federal Civil Service in Salisbury.

Jimmy Lord has left Cape Town on promotion to the post of Deputy State Attorney, Johannesburg.

Margaret Lister has been at Stellenbosch University studying for her U.E.D.

Geoff Lumsden, who has been working on the Border Regional Survey since 1955, has left S.A. for France.

J. W. Mann has left to take up a lecturing and research post at Oxford. He has obtained the degree of Ph.D. after doing research work in the field of Psychology under Prof. Gordon Allport of Harvard University. While at Oxford he will complete a thesis for the degree of D.Litt.

Tim Mildenhall is at Oriel College, Oxford, where he is reading for a B.Litt.

George Martin is at Oxford, reading Theology.

Fiona Macquarrie is teaching in London.

Mike McElhinny has been appointed Lecturer in Physics at the University College of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

Roy Makepeace, having returned from Canada, is studying Medicine at the University of Cape Town.

Bill McCallum is Teaching at Milton School, Bulawayo.

Tony McChlery is in the Civil Service of the Federation and is stationed at Inyanga. He writes: "My official titles are quite imposing. I am Poundmaster, Clerk of the Court, Pass Officer, Portuguese Representative, Tax Collector and, of course, junior clerk (made cadet)."

Malcolm McChlery and his wife (**Rose Brown**) have been transferred to Lilongwe.

Pat McCabe is in the Lab. of Mossop's Tannery at Rondebosch, Cape.

Dr. Deirdre Moore is married and is practising in Newlands, Cape.

Copper le May is Professor of Local Government at Wits.

W. McRobert is teaching in Pretoria.

Dr. Arthur Mears has married **Jill Storey** and they are now living in Pretoria. He won a squash Blue at Cambridge.

Desiree Middleton has been taking her U.E.D. at Cape Town.

Ann and Joan Myburg are living in Cape Town. Ann is Latin Mistress at Herschel Girls' School.

Pat Minnaar is Teaching at Wynberg School for Girls.

A. L. Michau has been appointed Vice-Principal at Merchiston School.

T. Niemeyer is now farming at Tzaneen. He had formerly been in business in Pretoria.

O. A. Oeser is Professor of Psychology in the University of Melbourne.

D. O'Sullivan is working at I.C.I., Billingham, England, and is married.

John Peter, who is Professor of English in the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, was elected Hulse Fellow for 1957/58. He came to Grahamstown with his wife (**Barbara Girdwood**) and three children.

Aline Palmer (Mrs. Victor Clarke) has a son, Gareth.

Geoff Phillips is at Oxford.

Ken Polack has been awarded the Chancellor's Medal of the University of Cambridge. He is the third South African to achieve this award, the other two having been Field Marshal Smuts and **J. C. MacIntosh**, also an Old Rhodian.

Red Pennington is a Housemaster at Bishops, Rondebosch.

Pats Patterson is at the Bar in Pretoria.

C. J. W. Pitt is working in Brazil. He wrote: "At present I am on a United Nations assignment, my particular job being to try to introduce national methods of silviculture to the forests of the Amazon. A mighty big job in a very large parish (Brazil is larger than the U.S.A. and the Amazon valley is almost half of Brazil). It is

a tough life when in the forest but is very interesting".

Gerald Raftesath is at Oxford.

R. M. Rosseinsky has retired from Queen's College, Queenstown. His son, **Bud Rosseinsky**, is doing research at Manchester University.

Michael Roberts, who is Professor of History at the Queen's University, Belfast, visited Rhodes with his wife and daughter.

Donnie Reynolds is in the Federal Civil Service and is stationed at Shamva.

Dr. Patricia Roos has joined the Blood Transfusion Services after being on the staff of Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town.

Dr. D. E. A. Rivett is Senior Research Officer in the National Chemical Research Laboratory in Pretoria. He has a son.

Dr. Gerald Rosendorff is practising at Stellenbosch.

Antoinette Rymer (Mrs. Titford) has a dentist husband and a family in Limpfield, Surrey, England.

Dr. Jol Rymer is married and is on the staff of Edenvale Hospital, J'burg.

Ellis Rhodes-Harrison has married **Pamela Trinder-Smith**. He is an executive at Invincible Industries, Cape Town.

Florence A. Richardson (Mrs. Gardner) is a Librarian at the West Bank Library, East London.

Graham Stewart of the South African Diplomatic Corps has been in the Union on leave with his wife and family. He has been appointed to the South African Embassy in Washington.

Walter Schaffer, who was Associate Professor in the Physics Dept., University of Cape Town, has been appointed Professor and Head of that Department.

B. Stuckenberg is working at the Museum in Pietermaritzburg.

Bob Stumbles is at Oxford, reading jurisprudence.

Michael Sadler and his wife (**E. Smith**) are at Kitwe.

Donald Sole, who recently visited Grahamstown with his wife and three children, has been appointed South African Minister Plenipotentiary in Vienna.

Brian Sibson is teaching at Guineafowl, Gwelo.

Alastair Stephen is a Lecturer in Organic Chemistry at the University of Cape Town and has recently been in the U.K. as the holder of a Nuffield Research Fellowship.

Rosemary Sampson (Mrs. D. Ovenstone) has been in Spain.

Charles Stokes is an Instructor in the General Botha Training Ship in Gordon Bay.

Terence Stevens is now married and teaching at Rondebosch Boys' High School, Cape Town.

Malcolm Spence is now working in the East London branch of his father's business. He seems to be back in form after his motor accident. He represented S.A. at Empire Games.

Basil Schonland, Chancellor of Rhodes, visited the Union and received an honorary degree at Wits. University. He also visited Rhodes and was entertained to tea by the Vice-Chancellor. He is now the Director of the Atomic Research Establishment at Harwell.

Mike Silk is in charge of Biochemical Research at the Liesbeek Cancer Research Clinic in Cape Town and is a Senior Research Fellow of the National Cancer Association of S. Africa. He is a Vice-President of the Western Province Branch of the O.R.U.

Herby Selfe is a Master at Bishop's Prep. School, Rondebosch. He is a Past-President of the Western Province Branch of the O.R.U. He and his wife (**Joan Rogers**) have given much assistance in arranging O.R. functions in Cape Town.

Noel Parkin Sellick, M.C., Federal Director of Meteorological Services, has been awarded the O.B.E.

Miss P. J. Thompson has been appointed Junior Lecturer in Botany at Natal University.

Allan Thornton is at Oxford.

Neil Todd is teaching at Plumtree, Southern Rhodesia.

John Thorpe, who is doing his U.E.D. in Salisbury, is a member of the S.R.C.

Marie Vellema is teaching at the Rhenish Girls' High School, Stellenbosch.

Len Verster is articled to a firm of accountants in Johannesburg.

Barry van Blummestein is doing his U.E.D. at the Rhodesia University College. He plays for the 1st XV.

G. E. von Hoesslin is buyer for the Marine Oil Refinery of Africa, Ltd., Simonstown, and is a Vice-President of the Western Province Branch of the O.R.U.

Gordon Wiles is a Professor of Theology in the Connecticut College of Arts and Science, New London, U.S.A.

Dr. Sherwood Watson is Lecturing at the Department of Physics, Wits.

Heather Wilson (Mrs. J. Emary) is a Committee Member of the Western Province branch of the O.R.U.

Joan Woolfe (Mrs. Basil Canty) is living in Newlands, Cape Town.

Dr. Geoffrey Wiles is Senior Lecturer in Physics at Cape Town.

Frankie Yates is Chief Magistrate in Salisbury.

MARRIAGES OF WHICH WE HAVE HEARD

Dennis Clur to Denise Barker.	Copper le May to Margaret Watson.
Frank Gast to M. Turnbull.	Michael King to Ann Skillicorn.
P. K. Faure to Peggy Siebritz.	Shorty Eve to Pat Donaldson.
Robert Moore to Colleen Fennell.	Dick Brown to Marlene Glatthaar.
Bruce Trehaeven to Rosemary Richards.	Dr. C. J. Meyer to Phebe Hendrikz.
Tony Viljoen to Elizabeth Fletcher.	Matt Rettinger to Pat Farrell.
Peter Stoker to Joy Joubert.	Alwyn Hoernle to Marge Widdicombe.
Barry Hawthorne to Margie Farrer.	T. Cameron to Rosemary Drummond.
Alastair Todd to Peggy Huddleston.	Michael Moore to Myra Brooks.
J. D. C. Anderson to Ann Nash.	Dr. Jeffreys to Kay Christie.
Desmond Gilbert to Paddy Workman.	Dr. John Hanson to Joy Wheeldon.
Lyle Daniels to Eleanor ^{Elaine} Barker.	

DEATHS

John Bond.	Graham Barbour.
K. Brown (Mrs. H. Birkes).	Elizabeth Almon (Mrs. Mundell).
Hermann Malcomess.	W. Hops.
Chris Chase.	J. C. Hops.
Graham Leslie.	Cyril Newton Thompson.
J. Woolff.	L. M. Goldsmith.
Prof. Peter Haworth.	Bill Rangeley.
Natalie Birrell (Mrs. Scarborough).	

THE NEXT GENERATION

Daughters of O.R.s in Oriel Hall, 1957:

Elaine FitzSimons, daughter of Vivian and Gwen FitzSimons (née Symonds), of Pretoria.

Sarah Greathead, daughter of Harold Merriman Greathead, Grahams-town.

Rosalind Hopley, daughter of the late Robert (Bobs) Hopley, of Salisbury.

Shirley Levy, daughter of Ethel Levy (née Solomons) of Uitenhage.

Felicity Tock, daughter of Hugh Vernon Tock and Geraldine Tock (née De Graaff), of Bulawayo.

Frances Powell, daughter of William Henry Powell, of Bulawayo.

Margaret Sansom, daughter of T. K. Sansom and Marjorie Sansom (née Scott-Russell), of Salisbury.

Sons of Old Rhodians, 1957:

J. Blignaut (son of J. J. Blignaut.)

I. M. Brown (son of E. N. Brown).

R. Carter (son of Leslie and Mervyn Carter (née Mathews)).

A. Davidson (son of Alan Davidson).

D. Gluckman (grandson of Henry Lewis).

J. S. Greaves (son of Margaret Ross-Spencer).

M. Jacobson (son of Barney Jacobson).

W. Smith (son of "Doc" and Mary Smith (née Macdonald)).

H. Stephens (son of M. L. Stephens (née Mayne)).

NEWS OF PAST MASTERS

Prof. Bowles is once again staying with Nancy in Walmer. He was guest of honour at the P.E. Old Rhodian party on Founder's Day, 1957. He celebrated his 80th birthday on 15th May last year and received many telegrams from Old Rhodians everywhere.

Dr. J. Smeath Thomas has left Grahamstown and is staying with his son in Johannesburg.

Honorary degrees were conferred on Viscount Malvern and the Hon. Albert van de Sandt Centlivres at the 1957 Graduation ceremony, and an Honorary D.Sc. was conferred on Dr. P. J. du Toit this year.

STAFF CHANGES

Professor C. D. Herrison has taken up an appointment as Professor of French at the University of New Brunswick; his successor is **Professor J. L. Cattaneo**, who was promoted from the post of Senior Lecturer at Rhodes.

Professor W. E. G. Louw has left to join the staff of Die Burger, and his successor, **Professor R. J. K. E. Antonissen**, has also been promoted from a Senior Lectureship.

Professor K. D. White has been appointed to the Chair of Classics at Pietermaritzburg.

Professor R. G. McKerron leaves at the end of 1958 to take up an appointment as Professor of Roman Law at St. Andrew's University, Scotland.

Professor A. J. Barratt has retired from the Chair of Philosophy and has been succeeded by **Professor D. G. S. Oosthuizen**.

Dr. E. T. Verdier, who left Rhodes to become Professor of Physical Chemistry at Pietermaritzburg, has been appointed Secretary to the Council for Scientific Co-operation in Africa South of the Sahara.

Mr. D. G. Bettison has joined the staff of the Rhodes-Livingstone Institute in Lusaka.

Dr. N. du Plessis and **Mr. J. G. Paterson** have also left the University.

Miss Joy Wheeldon left to get married and has been succeeded by **Miss Anna Snyman**.

Mr. Hugh Eales joined the staff, originally as substitute for **Mr. A. Ruddock** during his leave, but was later appointed Lecturer in Geology when a new post had been created.

Miss N. Fowler has been acting as Warden of Oriel Hall since **Phyllis Marsden's** marriage to **Dr. W. Cosser**.

ACTIVITIES OF BRANCHES OF O.R. UNION.

GRAHAMSTOWN

The Annual General Meeting of the O.R.U. was held on the 29th March, 1958, in the General Lecture Theatre immediately after the meeting of Convocation.

A hardy annual at Committee Meetings has been almost laid at last. Miss M. Brown, with assistance from the President, Mr. J. Slater, and criticism from the Committee, has almost finished the detailed design for an Old Rhodian tie. We really do believe that O.R. ties will be obtainable some time next year. The design includes a number of small silver statues of "physical energy" on a dark blue background and looks very smart.

One of the other main preoccupations of the O.R. Committee has been the awarding of Bursaries and Grants. The Union's income from investments is now over £170 annually so that it has been possible to help quite a number of students.

In 1957 the Silver Jubilee Bursary was awarded to Miss C. M. Shaw, daughter of **Beryl Gilfillan**. Miss Shaw later declined the award when she was given a scholarship in the U.S.A. The Golden Jubilee Bursary was awarded to Mr. I. M. Brown, son of **E. N. Brown**, and special grants were made to C. A. R. Phillpotts and Miss H. E. Fourie.

In 1958 the Golden Jubilee Bursary was awarded to N. J. McGill, son of **L. W. McGill**, and the Silver Jubilee Bursary to P. A. Brinkman, whose mother is an Old Rhodian.

The Silver Jubilee Bursary, deferred from 1957, was awarded to T. D. Moodie, son of **G. D. Moodie**, and a special grant was made to Miss C. Shaw, also a daughter of **Beryl Gilfillan**.

Both the Silver and the Golden Jubilee Bursaries are now worth £50.

CAPE TOWN

The President of this Branch is Mr. V. C. H. R. Brereton, who is one of the first Old Rhodians to have registered at Rhodes (1904). There are over three hundred members of this branch of the Union and Annual Re-unions and General Meetings have been held at the Hotel Cecil, Newlands, on the 12th September each year.

The 1957 Committee, which is the latest one of which we have details, consisted of:

President: V. C. H. R. Brereton.

Hon. Vice-Presidents:

Hon. Justice C. Newton Thompson, Mr. Justice J. E. de Villiers.

Vice-Presidents: Mr. G. E. B. von Hoesslin, Dr. M. H. Silk.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. Leon Burman.

Committee Members:

Mr. J. A. Lord, Mr. Terry Stevens, Mrs. J. Emary (née Heather Wilson), Miss Allnutt and Mrs. Ruck.

EAST LONDON

An informal meeting was held on Founder's Day, 1957, at the residence of Mr. Eric Kohler. Unfortunately the weather was bad and the attendance was not as great as expected.

Among those present were Miss P. Chubb, Mr. K. B. Dickenson, Miss M. Moorshead, Mr. V. C. Soneman, Miss J. Welsh.

LUSAKA

An Old Rhodian Re-union was held in Lusaka on the 12th September, 1957, and the following members were present:

Mr. E. D. Hone (Chief Secretary of Northern Rhodesia), Mrs. Joan Halse (née Houghton), Mrs. Kitty Wilson (née Rangeley), Mrs. June Bates (née Chapman), Mrs. Betty Lewis (née Robertson), Oliver Harrison, David Shaw, Alastair Todd, Miss Phillippa Dechow, Mrs. Sheila Goulding (née Williamson), Mr. A. E. Joubert, Dr. D. A. MacLean, Mrs. Sheila Beaumont (née Michie), Miss Sybil Gersteling (née Molteno), Reg Gersteling, David Bates, Pierre de Kock and Mike Briederhann.

PORT ELIZABETH

Old Rhodians crowded the Grill Room of the King Edward Hotel on September 12th, 1957. Most of the crowd wore tickets bearing their "vital statistics"—name (and maiden name in the case of married women) and the years during which they had attended Rhodes.

Members were welcomed by Mr. Rolf Lippstreu, the Chairman of the Port Elizabeth branch.

The guest-of-honour at this meeting was Prof. C. W. Bowles. Among the other guests were Mr. Ronald Graham, Miss Alison Miller, Miss K. Elliott, Miss Audrey Sprenger, Mr. E. Myers, Mr. B. Myers, Mr. "Tubby" Zartz and Mr. I. Gutstein.

DURBAN

The main office-bearers of this branch are:

President: Professor I. J. Rousseau.

Chairman: Mr. Bob Sheard.

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Alan Davidson.

Secretary: Miss Judy Anderson.

Mr. Percy F. Green tells us that this branch has a most enthusiastic committee which was planning a very pleasant year for the great number of Old Rhodians in Durban. He ended his letter with this lovely story: "Has that beautiful incident about the Rhodesian Pioneer filtered through to you yet? We had notices in the paper about the annual general meeting of the Durban Branch of the Old Rhodian Union. There pitched up a very old gentleman, almost completely deaf. We asked him when he was at Rhodes and he said that it was in 1890 and that he was present at the hoisting of the flag at Fort Salisbury. He had been a personal friend of Colonel Pennefather, who had led Mr. Rhodes' forces through the dangerous Matabele country. We tried to explain to him that this was the OLD RHODIAN SOCIETY and not the OLD RHODESIAN SOCIETY. After having a brace of whiskies with us and telling us about how they beat Lobengula in '93, he told us we were a lot of damned frauds and were not Pioneers at all. He left with considerable dignity!

HIGHLIGHTS OF RHODES SPORT — 1957-1958

Rhodes women have rather dominated the University sporting scene over the past two years, winning a total of five Inter-Varsity tournaments. The University's sportsmen, on the other hand, have not fared particularly well and only the Squash Club has met with any measure of success. The achievements of the women can be attributed to all-round keenness and fitness, while the men have tended to be far too apathetic in their general approach to sport.

SQUASH

Squash has become the one really popular sport at Rhodes and the University's players are at present enjoying a place of prominence in Eastern Province squash circles. The two men's teams entered in the E.P. League proved far too strong for their opponents and finished the season with an equal amount of points to share first position. In addition to captaining the S.A. Universities' side against Transvaal, Chris Andersen, the Rhodes No. 1 player, won the E.P. Squash Championships. After causing a major upset in the semi-finals when he beat Prosser, the top seed and holder of the title for the last three years, Andersen went on to defeat Brotherton in an all-Rhodes final. At the 1958 Inter-Varsity the men's team was placed second behind Wits., while the women gained an undisputed victory in their section to win the President's Cup for the second successive year.

HOCKEY

Hockey is another sport well to the fore at Rhodes, and the women in particular have done a lot to enhance the University's prestige. They went through the 1957 Inter-Varsity with an unbeaten record and had seven of their numbers selected for the Protea tour of the United Kingdom and Europe. At the 1958 Inter-Varsity, however, the

Rhodes women had to content themselves with sharing first place with Natal University. The men's team performed reasonably well at the last two Inter-Varsities, and both Hart and Robertson were included in the Protea touring side.

RUGBY

On the rugby field the Rhodes' First Fifteen has not come up to expectations. With players of the calibre of Pete Searle and Bernie Meyers, both of whom gained E.P. representation, the 1957 side failed to live up to its potential promise. The 1958 season began on an extremely low note and overwhelming defeats were suffered in games against Albany and U.C.T. Towards the end of the season, however, there was a slight revival and Rhodes even managed to beat Natal University by nine points to eight in Pietermaritzburg. The final league game against Albany produced some good rugby and Rhodes were a trifle unlucky to lose 12—6, after leading 6—0 for a good part of the game. The Under 19s have enjoyed two excellent seasons, winning the E.P. League in 1957 and occupying second place in 1958.

CRICKET

An amazing amount of potential exists in the Cricket Club but this has not been used to the fullest advantage. Nevertheless, Rhodes gave a fairly good account of themselves at the 1957 Inter-Varsity and gained one of their most notable victories when they beat Wits. by nine wickets. Batting first, Wits. were bundled out for 29 runs, Ashley-Cooper claiming eight wickets for only 20 runs. Rhodes knocked off the required runs for the loss of one wicket. In the other games Rhodes beat Potchefstroom and lost to both Natal and Pretoria. Ashley-Cooper, Bland and Varnals were all selected to play for S.A. Universities. 1957 and 1958 proved particularly successful for Varnals, who not only played for S.A. Universities, but also captained Eastern Province and acted as twelfth man during the fifth Test against the M.C.C.

ATHLETICS

Comparatively speaking, Rhodes athletes have not had the best of years. While they have been an undoubted force in Eastern Province athletics, they have not quite managed to rival the standard of the other Universities. The 1958 Inter-Varsity proved to be a rather doleful affair, and the women's 4 x 100 yards relay team gained the University's solitary first place during the meeting. The University's long-distance experts, Bob Kelly and John Anderson, both gained selection for the S.A. Universities' team to run against Natal. In that race Kelly came home first and Anderson was placed second.

SWIMMING

Swimming has occupied a very low rung in the University's sporting activities over the last two years. The baths are frequently crowded out with sun-bathers, but there are very few students who are prepared to put their whole heart into training. At the 1957 Inter-Varsity the University's swimmers were completely outclassed.

BOXING

One of the smaller clubs to make its mark on the University has been the Boxing Club. Through sheer hard work and determination this club has managed to rise in prominence and was placed third at the 1958 Inter-Varsity. Two Rhodes boxers, Iggulden and Knox are included in the Protea side to tour the United Kingdom and France.

SOCCER

After an excellent start to the 1958 season the Soccer Club slipped from grace towards the end of the year. Nevertheless, 1958 has proved one of the most successful seasons on record and the 1st XI was placed fifth in the Port Elizabeth second division.

SHOOTING

A new club to emerge during 1958 was the Shooting Club. Its formation was due mainly to the hard work of Mike Darlison and the club is already one of the foremost in the Eastern Province.

One of the chief reasons for the apparent drop in standard of Rhodes sport is the lack of sporting facilities. The Great Field is no longer adequate to cater for all field sports at Rhodes and steps will have to be taken in the near future to rectify the position.

"THE RHODIAN"

There are some copies of this year's "Rhodian" available for sale to members at 3s. each post free from the Treasurer.

THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY

For some years past, there has been a strong movement amongst pharmacists to establish a degree in Pharmacy, with the object of making South Africa self-sufficient in providing technical staff for the Pharmaceutical Industry.

In the past, pharmacists have been able to qualify in their profession through the Technical Colleges, pursuing a two-year course and writing the examinations of the South African Pharmacy Board. This course has now been increased to three years, and, as for the degree, an apprenticeship of two years must be served.

The degree in Pharmacy, for which there are now sixty-five students registered in the first year, twenty-three in the second, and three in the third, runs parallel with other science degrees. In the first year the subjects are Chemistry, Physics, Botany and Zoology, Chemistry being pursued in the second and third years.

In the second year the subjects also include Forensic Pharmacy, Physiology with Pharmacology, Pharmacy and Pharmacognosy. Pharmacy deals with the basic principles involved in the manufacture of medicines, and includes a study of bacteriology, and the principles of sterilization, as well as surveying vitamins, hormones, and the synthetic medicaments which play so great a part in modern medicine. Pharmacognosy treats of medicinal plants, their cultivation, collection and chemistry, as well as their microscopical identification, and the detection of adulteration. Pharmacology, the study of the action of medicaments upon the body, is included since a competent pharmacist should be able to evaluate the claims made for these synthetic substances used in the treatment of disease.

In the third year of study, in addition to Chemistry III, Pharmacy students will study advanced Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Chemistry. The latter subject deals largely with the manufacture of medicaments, their standards of purity and their assay.

All in all, the pharmacy graduate will be able to take his place in any of the fields of pharmaceutical endeavour, retail, manufacturing, hospital, or he can act as a control chemist, analytical chemist, or enter any of the avenues open to the ordinary graduate in chemistry.

It is hoped in the near future to establish an Honours degree in Pharmacy, and thus open the way to M.Sc., and Ph.D. This will greatly extend the present fields of research in the University, but it is expected that the new Department will concentrate on the Chemistry of plant principles, physico-chemical problems and problems in sterilization.

The Pharmacy Department is, for the time being, housed in the old Honours Organic Laboratory, but will move next year to the buildings presently occupied by the Department of Entomology.

ANALYSIS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

(For the period 21st February, 1957, to 20th February, 1958)

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance, 20th February, 1957:						
Barclays Bank Savings Account	373	0	8			
Barclays Bank Current Account, Dr.				255	11	1
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				117	9	7
Less Expenditure:						
Printing and Stationery	6	18	1			
Postages, Telephones, etc.	3	16	4			
Bank Charges	1	8	1			
Graduation Tea Party	11	13	5			
Adverts. for Bursaries, etc.	6	11	0			
Wreath	1	1	0			
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Subscriptions	41	14	0			
Interest, Barclays Savings Account	10	9	4			
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Balance 20th February, 1958:						
Barclays Bank Savings Account	133	10	0			
Barclays Bank Current Account	4	15	0			
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GOLDEN JUBILEE BURSARY FUND

There were several errors in the list of donations as printed in the last Newsletter: an amount of £2 2s. 6d. given by Mr. and Mrs. Terence Stevens was omitted; the total received up to 30/6/56 from the late Dr. Goldschmidt should have read £1 0s. 0d.; the donations by Rev. W. E. Deeble and R. S. Moys were each overstated by 6d. The overall total of £540 4s. 9d. should have read £540 3s. 9d.

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Total at 30/9/58

£695 10 9

The fund is still open and it is our ambition to reach the £1,000 mark as soon as possible, making the bursary worth £55 a year. Please do your best to swell the total. All donations should be sent to :

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