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We wish our readers a very Happy and Bright New Year.

—Ed.

With this issue the Chronicle, which reflects the academic, co-curricular, social and cultural activities of the College to date, is entering the eleventh year of its publication. A modest attempt at acquainting its readers with life at the College, its aspirations and achievements, the Chronicle serves equally as a medium of Cadets' self-expression.

English being the medium of instruction at the College, Cadets have had to confine themselves to writing English only so far, but now, in partial fulfilment of our long-felt desire to promote the healthy growth of Hindi at the College as the lingua franca of our country, we are glad to incorporate a few columns of Hindi with this number. In course of time we propose to introduce more and more Hindi in our publication so that a separate College Bulletin is brought out in our national language. We hope to cater to the growing love of Hindi in our worthy readers and take this opportunity to crave their continued indulgence.

## College News

We welcome our Cadets back to the College and wish them all health and happiness. We hope, they will dedicate themselves to their studies with renewed vigour and achieve success both in their academics and career prospects.

We welcome our New Cadets also and hope they will soon acclimatize themselves to the 'Community of the Campus' and derive utmost benefit from their stay here.

Mr. J.N. Wanchoo, a very senior member of the Staff, who joined the College as early as 1947 and who later chose an appointment at the N.D.A.,

came back to us in 1968 and retired in September 1970 on attaining the age superannuation. We wish Mr. Wanchoo and his family all the best in their life of retirement.

We welcome Mr. Hippolyte Falcao, Master in History, to our small academic community and wish him a happy and rewarding stay at the College.

Mr. G.M. Khan, Master in English, has been blessed with a daughter. Our congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Khan.

Sub. Onkar Singh, APTC has been posted at A.S.P.T., Poona after holding a tenure for over two years at the College. We wish him all success in his new assignment. In his place we welcome Sub. Raja Singh, APTC who comes to us from EME, Secunderabad

The Commandant has been pleased to appoint Section Commander Y.S. Rawat of Chandragupta Section as Cadet Captain of the College. We expect Cadet Captain Rawat to rise equal to the task. Our congratulations to him.

We congratulate the following Cadets also on their holding the Section appointments:—

Section	Sec. Commander	NCOs
Shivaji	R.D. Sinha	Harminder Singh A.K. Mahto Gurvinder Singh V.Y. Gidh

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## OUR NEW CADETS

S. No.	Name of Cadet	Sec.	State	Height	Weight	Previous School	Games Played	Co-curricular Activities & Hobbies	Any other special merit
1	Naushad Iman	S	U P.	4 ft. 10"	32 kg.	Boys' High School (Allahabad)	Hockey, Football, Cricket.	Aero modelling	Hindi
2	K. Satish Chandra Aiyappa	R	Mysore	4 ft. 11"	35 kg.	Mt. St. Mary's (New Delhi)	Hockey, Cricket, Football, Basketball	Stamp collecting	Dramatics
3	B. Natarajan	P	Madras	4 ft. 10"	33 kg.	Vidya Mandir (Madras)	Hockey, Football.	Stamp collecting	Debating
4	Sunil Malik	S	U P.	4 ft. 8"	29 kg.	Hartman School (Bareilly)	Cricket, Hockey, Football.	Aero modelling	
5	Rakesh Chaudhary	S	H P.	3 ft. 11"	30 kg.	Sacred Heart Garrison School (Kangra)	Cricket, Hockey, Football.	Stamp collecting	Debating
6	Bimal Verma	R	M P.	4 ft. 9"	34 kg.	Campion School (Bhopal)	Football, Hockey, Cricket.	Stamp collecting	Debating
7	Ajay Gusain	P	U P.	4 ft. 10"	34 kg.	Cambrian School (Dehra Dun)	Football, Cricket.	Mountaineering	Debating and Swimming
8	Dileep Narain Singh	P	Bihar	5 ft. 3"	38 kg.	Adarsha Vidyalaya (Tarapur)	Football, Cricket.	Study of nature	
9	Parminder Singh	R	Haryana	4 ft. 10"	33 kg.	Sacred Heart Convent School (Yamunanagar)	Cricket, Hockey, Football.	Aero modelling	Debating
10	C. Hari Kumar	C	M.P.	4 ft. 9"	37 kg.	Higher Secondary School (Bhilai)	Football, Cricket.	Stamp collecting	
11	Dijit Singh	R	Punjab	4 ft. 10"	36 kg.	Sacred Heart Convent (Mathura)	Cricket, Hockey, Football.	Stamp collecting	
12	Vikram Mohite	S	Maharashtra	4 ft. 6"	26 kg.	Loyola High School (Poona)	Football, Hockey.	Stamp collecting	
13	Jayant Purohit	S	Orrisa	5 ft.	39 kg.	Ispat (E.M.) School (Rourkela)	Football, Hockey, Cricket.	Stamp collecting	
14	Rajiv Sharma	S	Haryana	4 ft. 8"	32 kg.	Shishu-Niketan (Dehra Dun)	Hockey, Football	Stamp collection, Dramatist, Music	
15	Sandip Banerjee	P	W. Bengal	4 ft 10"	30 kg.	St. Vincent's School (Asansol)	Cricket, Football.	Stamp collection and Craft	
16	Arun Kumar Sharma	C	W. Bengal	4 ft. 9"	32 kg.	St. Mary's School (Dum Dum, Calcutta)	Cricket, Football.	Stamp collection	
17	Rahul Chaturvedi	R	U.P.	4 ft. 9"	32 kg.	Govt. Inter College (Etah)	Cricket, Tabletennis.	Music	
18	Harbinder Singh Gill	P	Punjab	4 ft. 7"	30 kg.	Central School (Chandigarh)	Cricket, Football.	Stamp collection	
19	Rostam Patnaik	P	Orrisa	4 ft. 5"	33 kg.	Demonstration Multipurpose School, Bhuvaneshwar	Football, Cricket & Basketball.	Stamps & Coins collection, Music	
20	Ashok Kumar Burman	C	Assam	4 ft. 9"	35 kg.	Samota Higher Secondary School	Football.	Stamp collection & Craft	



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Ranjit	R.S. Rathee	R.U. Patil S.S. Jog V.S. Negi P.P. Singh B.N. Misra H. Sarat Singh
Pratap	R.S. Bhandari	V.P. Ahluwalia J.G. Singh Dhirendra Singh Hage Tagang
C. Gupta	Y.S. Rawat	K.S. Rajguru A.D. Singh A.K. Singh M.S. Chhikara

Our Commandant, Col. H.K.L. Johar, AEC, attended the all India Public School Conference held at the Punjab Public School, NABHA, on 23rd, 24th and 25th January.

### Republic Day

Cadets' parade and the unfurling of National Flag by the Commandant at 0900 hrs. marked the beginning of Republic Day celebrations at the College. In the address that followed the Commandant shed light on the significance

of the Republic Day and declared it to be 'full of meaning'. This day, he stressed, symbolized our national heritage and it behoved everyone of our countrymen to do his best to preserve it at all costs. Today when we are faced with the widening gulf between the 'haves' and 'have-nots', what matters most is the welfare of the 'have-nots' who constitute the bulk of our society. Reminding the audience of the growing complexity of problems day by day, he called upon all and sundry to re-dedicate themselves to the service of the nation with honesty, courage and devotion. Today when myriad fissiparous and divisive tendencies like regionalism, casteism and opportunism weaken the national unity, the best thing to do is to serve one another, the family, the community and so on. It is the spirit of service to one's fellow-beings, members of the Staff, the Section, the College and the country that is being inculcated in the Cadets through their training at the College and he expected each Cadet to cultivate in himself an abiding love for dedicated service.

In the evening the function drew to a close with the Republic Day Dinner that was arranged in the Cadets' Mess at 2000 hrs. and which was attended by all members of the Staff.

### हिमाच्छादित गणतंत्र दिवस

देहरादून की शीर्षस्थ पर्वतमालाओं पर १९७१ का पहला सबसे भारी हिम-पात, गणतंत्र-दिवस पर हुआ। हरे, लाल, काले, पीले, सभी रंग मिट गए और उन पर छा गया नवल-धवल, स्वच्छ-शुभ्र, श्वेत रंग का जादू। वहीं श्वेत जिसमें इंद्रधनुष की पट्टिका के सभी रंग पूर्ण-रूपेण समाहित हो जाते हैं।

पर्वतों की रानी-मसूरी-बर्फ सी सफ़ेद, नहीं; बर्फ़ से सफ़ेद। दूर से सफ़ेद, पास से सफ़ेद; धरती सफ़ेद, आकाश सफ़ेद मेड़ें सफ़ेद, क्यारी सफ़ेद; नर सफ़ेद, नारी सफ़ेद छत सफ़ेद, अँगना सफ़ेद; माँगें सफ़ेद, कँगना सफ़ेद फिसलन सफ़ेद, राहें सफ़ेद; स्मित सफ़ेद, आहें सफ़ेद

अपने गुरुद्वय से मसूरी हिम-पात का ऐसा आकर्षक चित्रण सुनकर मन तो वहीं अटक ही गया, तन भी बेचैन हो उठा। मित्तत और चिरीरियों का सम्पूर्ण कोष (वर्ष का आरम्भ होने के कारण कोष अभी पूरा भरा था) वार देने के उपरान्त जाने की आज्ञा मिल गयी। गणतंत्र दिवस के सुस्वाद भोज और विश्राम-कक्ष की नरम-नरम आँच ने भी हमारा साथ दिया होगा ऐसा मेरा विश्वास है; बहर हाल आज्ञा मिल गयी और दूसरे दिन दोपहर के भोजनोपरान्त तीन ग्रध्यापक तथा पैंतीस वीर कुमारों का दल भारवाहन द्वारा राजपुर पहुँचा दिया गया। राजपुर पहुँच कर हम लोग भी अनेक स्त्री-पुरुष एवं स्कूली छात्र-छात्राओं के उस समूह

में सम्मिलित हो गए जो रुई के फाहों जैसी बर्फ़ को आकाश से गिरते हुए देखने को बेचैन था।

ऊँचाइयाँ, और, और अधिक ऊँचाइयाँ किन्तु हर बार पहले से दूना उल्साह। अनेक कठिन व दुर्गम चढ़ाईयों वाली फिसलन से भरी और खतरनाक पगडंडियाँ अपनाई गयीं। दूरी कम हो गयी। लेकिन थकान बहुत बढ़ गयी। पैर जवाब देने वाले ही थे कि चाय की दूकान आ गयी। यहाँ चाय भी मिली और पथ-भ्रमित साधियों की प्रतीक्षा का अवसर भी किन्तु जिन्हें हम ढूँढ रहे थे वे हमसे भी छोटे मार्ग को अपना कर बहुत ऊँचे पहुँच चुके थे।

अपने पहले पड़ाव के बाद मुश्किल से एक फर्लांग चढ़ पाए होंगे कि हिम-बजरी गिरने लगी और ओक-शोव तक पहुँचते-पहुँचते तो बहुत तेज ओले पड़ने लगे। मुझे अपने उस दोस्त पर तरस आया जिसने अभी पिछले दिन ही सिर मुँडवाया था।

बीच-बीच में चाय और काफ़ी का सहारा मिलता रहा और हम आगे बढ़ते रहे। सोचा था सड़क मिल जाने पर चलना कुछ आसान हो जायगा लेकिन हुआ उल्टा। लोगों के चलने से बर्फ़ दबकर कड़ी और शीशे की तरह चिकनी हो गयी थी, एक कदम आगे चलते तो दो कदम पीछे फिसल जाते (उल्टे चलने वाली तरकीब भी यहाँ असफल थी)।



जिन स्थानों पर बर्फ पिघल गई थी उन पर चलना अपेक्षाकृत आसान था लेकिन ऐसा करने से बर्फाला पानी जूतों के अन्दर भर गया और भारे ठण्ड के पैर कटने जगें और लून जम सा गया।

तभी हमने भी ज्यादा परेशान हालत में फंसे हुए दो व्यक्ति दिखाई दिए। स्कूटर फेल हो गया था, एक साहब उसे खाने से पकड़े थे दूसरे पीछे से धक्का दे रहे थे लेकिन स्कूटर सम्भल नहीं रहा था न धागे बढ़ता न पीछे, शायद इस तरह अंधर में लटकें हुए उन्हें काफी देर हो गयी थी। लोग आते और मुस्कुरा कर तमाशा देखते हुए आगे बढ़ जाते। हमारे प्राध्यापक महोदय बड़े ही धादर्यवादी हैं उन्होंने स्कूटर एक ओर से पकड़ा और दूसरी ओर से पकड़ने के लिए मुझे इशारा किया। इस प्रकार तीन लोगों ने मिलकर उसे कोई एक मील तक धक्का देकर ऊपर बढ़ाया तब जाकर कहीं उसे सुरक्षित रख सकने का स्थान मिला पाया।

फिसलन की इससे भी भयानक दुर्घटना में हमारे दो अन्य साथी फंसते फंसते बचे। हुआ यह कि चलते चलते एक टैक्सी रुक गई और फिर पीछे आने लगी। हमारे साथियों ने सोचा बैंक हो रही होगी। ये सड़क के पहाड़ वाले किनारे पर एक चट्टान के सहारे खड़े हो गए। लेकिन जब टैक्सी का पिछला हिस्सा मुड़कर उनके सीने से टकराने के लिए धूम पड़ा तब तो उनके होश उड़ गये और उस ठण्ड में भी पसीना छूट पड़ा। टैक्सी के ब्रेक फेल हो गए थे। लेकिन ईश्वर की कृपा से ये बाल-बाल बच गये। एक पत्थर के आ जाने से पहिया कोई एक सेंटीमीटर पहले ही रुक गया।

मसूरी पहुँचे तो पता चला दो घण्टे पहले बर्फ गिरी थी और तब से बन्द है। हमारे पास अधिक समय नहीं था। सोचा यदि गिरती हुई बर्फ न दिखी तो सारी मेहनत बेकार हो जायेगी। मीले मोजे बेहद परेशान कर रहे थे लेकिन उन्हें सुलाने के लिए कहीं भी धाग नहीं मिल रही थी।

धाम तो नहीं मिली लेकिन जो कुछ देखने को मिला उसे देखता ही रह गया - स्तब्ध और ठगा सा। वह दृश्य हमारे लिए अपूर्व था। ऐसा लग रहा था कि या तो हम स्वप्नलोक में पहुँच गए हैं या किसी परी-लोक में। दूध जैसे सफेद गुलाबों की मन्हीं-मन्हीं असंख्य पंखुरियाँ अचानक आकाश मार्ग से पृथ्वी पर उतरने लगीं - शांत और चुपचाप। मानो स्वर्ग के देवता हमारे त्याग और तपस्या से प्रसन्न होकर हम पर पुष्प वर्षा कर रहे हों। धीरे धीरे बर्फ बहुत घनी हो गयी। हम सबकुछ भूल कर; अपने को भी भूल कर, गिरी हुई बर्फ को एक टक देख रहे थे। थोड़ी देर में हमारे सिर,

कोट और जूतों तक पर बर्फ की एक अचढ़ी खासी तह जम गयी। कुछ लोग अपने कोट की बर्फ झाड़ कर गिरा रहे थे लेकिन मैंने बर्फ अपने शरीर से नहीं गिरायी, उस न्यामत को मैं अपने से जुदा नहीं कर सकता था।

बर्फ, जिसे हम अभी तक पैरों से रौंद रहे थे और समझ रहे थे कि हमने उसे जीत लिया, हमारे ऊपर थी, हम उसके जादू भरे अकि्रत्व के नीचे दब गए थे और दबे रहना चाहते थे - शायद जीवन पर्यन्त। गिरती हुई बर्फ का देखा एक ऐसा मुल है जिसमें संसार का बड़े से बड़ा दुःख भूल जाता है। मनुष्य सचमुच ही परमात्मा के निकट पहुँच जाता है - बहुत निकट।

इसी तरह के स्वप्नों में खोया-खोया मैं धीरे-धीरे पुस्तकालय की ओर चल रहा था कि एक कठोर सी वस्तु ने मेरे सिर से टकरा कर मुझे कल्पना लोक से वास्तविकता के लोक में आ जाने पर मजबूर कर दिया। इधर-उधर देखा कुछ नजर नहीं आया। चलने को मुझा तो फिर एक गोला, पीठ पर लगा। इस बार हँसी की आवाज भी साथ थी। निश्चय ही ये मेरे अपने साथी थे जो छिप-छिप कर बर्फ के गोले मार रहे थे। बर्फ को गेंद की तरह गोल कर बहु मुक्त पर फेंक रहे थे। बस अब क्या था मैंने भी वही किया, बर्फ उन पर फेंकी। देखते ही देखते आपस में हम एक दूसरे पर उन गेंदों की बौछार करने लगे।

बौछार होती रही और हम आगे बढ़ते गये, खेल ही खेल में हम फरी पानी के पास आ गये। अब मेरी बारी थी गेंद मारने के लिए लेकिन जैसे ही मैं बर्फ उठाने को झुका तो मेरा सिर झुका ही रह गया, मैं हार गया था, वहाँ बर्फ तो न थी लेकिन पानी जरूर था। खेल के बन्द होते ही सबको ज्ञात हुआ कि अँधेरा हो गया है और सब नीचे की ओर भागने लगे। जैसे-२ आगे बड़े पर्वत भी अँधेरे में लुप्त होते गये। देर न लगी, वही पर्वत जो श्वेत से चमक रहे थे अब अन्धकार में खो से गये थे।

अन्धकार में उत्साह और भय दोनों ही साथ दे रहे थे। भय कहता कहीं रास्ता न भटक जाऊँ और उत्साह; उत्साह तो कह रहा था बाह क्या बर्फ थी, क्या अँधेरा है कभी-२ ही ऐसे अबसर आते हैं। दोनों अपनी कहानी एक दूसरे को सुना रहे थे और मैं उनकी कहानी सुनता-२ राजपुर पहुँच चुका था। राजपुर (हिमालय के चरण) पर टुक हमारी राह देख रहा था जो हमारे बैठते ही चल पड़ा और हम फिर वहाँ से जहाँ होना था।

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## Rimcolliana

Our ex-Cadet K.G. Bewoor, who is at the National Defence Academy, Kharakvasla, reached the semi-finals of the National Squash Championship, while Cadets B.K. Sinha and S.K. Singh (also at the NDA) fought bravely till they reached quarter-finals. Our congratulations to them.

## Visit

Mr. Peter Jones, the Overseas Secretary of the Duke of Edinburg Award Scheme, paid a visit to the College and gave a short, informative talk on the scope and application of the scheme to the cadets who are participating in the Scheme.

## College News

Cadets S.N. Shahi (R) and Rakesh Nandan (S) represented the College at the Hindi Debate organized by the Youth Service Committee of the Rotary Club of Dehra Dun on the 3rd inst.

Cadet Captain Y.S. Rawat of Chandragupta Section secured the fifth position in the Intelligence Test Competition organized by the Doon Mathematical Society, Dehra Dun and won a prize and a certificate of merit.

Congratulations, Rawat.

A special meeting was held in the Staff Room on Monday, the 15th inst., to condole with Mr. G.S. Pandey, Master in Mathematics, on the sad and untimely death of his brother-in-law at Bombay.

All members of the Staff observed two minutes' silence after the condolence resolution was read out by Mr. K. Kumar, the Staff Secretary.

Cadets S.S. Hallikeri (C) and P.K. Chatterjee (P) represented the College at the Inter-School English Debate organized by the Youth Service Committee of the Rotary Club of Dehra Dun.

Seniors' Quiz was held in the Convocation Hall on Saturday, 13th inst. Classes IIIA, IV & IVA constituted one team while Classes V & VA the other. The competition was conducted by Cadet Captain Y.S. Rawat and Cadet G.S. Gokavi.

Cadets of V. & VA defeated their junior participants by a comfortable margin.

The following cadets have been appointed Captains and Vice Captains of the games given below:—

	<i>Captains</i>	<i>Vice-Captains</i>
(a) Hockey	R.S. Rathee (R)	Harminder Singh (S)
(b) Cricket	V.S. Negi (R)	—
(c) Table Tennis	S. Banerjee (C)	R.K. Paul (S)

Our congratulations to them.

## Sportsfolio

R.I.M.C. vs Defence Amateur's Club.

Defence Amateur's Club, Raipur, were our first guests of the year. They



had agreed to come down to our place to confront our cricket team in an invitation tie.

This year, our team is undoubtedly weaker than that of the last year. An upset defeat was none too impossible. To add to our deficiencies, some of the players who are in form were not available.

V.S. Negi, the home Skipper, got the better of the opposing Skipper in the spin of the coin and sent the visitors in to bat. Shabby fielding in the early minutes deprived the home team of some valuable wickets. But once the first blood was drawn with a cheeky run-out RIMC was very much in the going. Herminder Singh and Satyanarayan ran through the visitors innings in no time. Kapur, was the only visiting batsman to offer some sort of resistance, scoring 15 runs. The visiting team was skittled out for 49.

RIMC made a disastrous start. Paul and Bose, our star-openers were back to the pavillion without any score on the board. With the fall of two more wickets RIMC were in a great trouble. However, with the appearance of Mohan Singh and Herminder Singh on the scene, hopes of a fight back revived and finally we drove home the advantage. Thanks to the fine knock by Dharendra Singh, who topped with an aggregate of 17 not out, thus enabling RIMC to clinch the issue by 4 wickets, with an hour to spare. Our up-the-order have exposed their incapability in this match and if they fail to deliver their goods in the forthcoming matches, we might have to face bitter consequences.

—C. Banerjee, IV

### THE CHOICE OF BOOKS

Bacon said, "Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed and some few to be chewed and digested." Dante, the great Italian poet said, "Good and great literature by reflecting the human

pains cuts the soul of a man and influences it in any direction it likes." Plato declared, "The inner personality of man can be accurately recognised by the choice of books he makes."

Thus we see that the choice of books plays an important role in moulding the character of a man. If a man acquires good habits of reading good literature, his life may become more and more regulated. If on the other hand he falls unfortunately in the illusive and treacherous temptation of reading licentious books, his life may become fruitless and devoid of any meaning.

So, as usual, the question arises, what to choose and how to choose. The adolescents cannot make the correct choice. That mind remains the *home of sinful* acts and thoughts, hence the right type of training is necessary to be imparted to a young person. To become well-versed or master in any branch of literature, intensive study in a precise way is essential. Loose study leads towards stray thoughts.

For the selection of good books, the cultivation of good habits is of paramount importance. The mind of a man does not lean forward to hear the dictates of the conscience, but it remains oscillating tragically between the poles of carnal sexualism and vile cogitations. Only those persons who fix up their mind with steellike decision, withstand severe earthquakes of mental oscillations and lead themselves firmly on the right path.

Books are our best company provided we utilize their message in a right manner. But the tragedy is that we always reach the books with half hearted spirit. We never try to enter their soul with the fuller sympathy and open heartedness due to which serious gap is made between them and our conscious level of understanding which further stops us from reaching our good. T.S. Eliot said, "Books can guide and control us with unfailing minuteness provided we accept them as our master."



If we study the great religious books like Mahabharata, Ramayana, Bhagwat Geeta etc. our soul begins to throb most lively by receiving maximum wisdom. The study of Shakespear's tragedies fill us with the knowledge of darker realities of life. Though we weep while reading these books, yet our soul is bathed in a most subtle manner. We directly enter the house of human life and come out more wisely apprehending the inner inscrutable truths.

But there are innumerable books which arouse our basic passions in a most ruthless manner. Generally people fall victim to them and are destroyed physically as well as spiritually.

Reading for amusement may be beneficial, if the study only tickles and excites our sense of laughter. But the study of sex-evoking books is most dangerous. We shall have to bend our energy in a most single minded manner to read and study only those books which instruct, delight and edify us.

Cadet A.K. Singh, III.

#### Hockey Match—Commandant XI vs Cadets XI.

Last week a hockey match was played between the Staff and the Cadets. The Commandant's XI lost to the Cadets by 3-1.

As the Staff-team was short of one player they borrowed G.K. Singh from the Cadets. The Staff team consisted of several young masters like B.S. Rajput, G.M. Khan, H. Falcao, and the old timers like the Commandant, Mr. R.C. Sharma, Mr. L.N. Thakur and the PTIs. who played enthusiastically and equally well not allowing a goal.

Rathee, our hockey-Captain, made several raids and scored two brilliant goals. After the half time the Staff-forwards continually fed by the backs, made quite a number of attempts but as

ill luck would have it they could not score.

From among the exhausted lot of Staff team Cadet G.K. Singh suddenly scored one. The result was 3-1.

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#### Hockey Match—Staff XI vs Cadets XI

Yet another match was arranged the same week. The Staff team consisted of the Commandant, Col. H.K.L. Johar, Mr. R.C. Sharma, Mr. L.N. Thakur, Mr. Rajput, Mr. G.M. Khan, Mr. R.C. Chaturvedi, Mr. R.K. Jain and the PTIs. Although Mr. R.C. Sharma Mr. Rajput and Hav. Banwari Lal made the defence too strong for the Cadets to break through yet who could stop Rathee from scoring? Very soon the Cadets were found to have scored two goals.

The Staff were finding it difficult. The Cadets' full-back Herminder Singh was standing like a solid obstacle. However Mr. Falcao managed to score two goals. And the match ended in a draw.

Cadet G.P. Singh, IVA

#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Nothing is more advantageous and more creditable than a rich heritage, but nothing is more dangerous for a nation than to sit back and live on that heritage. A nation cannot progress if it merely imitates its ancestors: what builds a nation is creative, inventive and vital activity."

—Nehru

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"It is good to have money and the things that money can buy. But it is good to check up once in a while and make sure you have not lost things that money cannot buy".

—George Horace Lovimer



ऐण्ड्रूज जन्म-शताब्दी के अवसर पर विशेष लेख—

## एक अंग्रेज जो द्विज था

आज से सौ वर्ष पूर्व १२ फरवरी सन् १९७१ को जब न्यूकैसिल ग्रानटाइन निवासी शिक्षक के घर एक पुत्र जन्मा, तब कौन जानता था कि रावण की लंका में विभीषण जैसा साधु उत्पन्न हुआ है। दीनबन्धु सी०एफ० ऐण्ड्रूज बचपन से ही भारत के अनन्य भक्त थे। कैम्ब्रिज विश्वविद्यालय के मेधावी स्नातक के रूप में तथा धियोलोजी विभाग के वाइस-प्रिंसिपल के रूप में भी उनकी आत्मा इंग्लैण्ड को अपनी मातृभूमि के रूप में स्वीकार न कर सकी।

तैंतीस वर्ष की आयु में उनकी साध पूरी हुई। २० मार्च १९०४ को वे भारत आ पहुँचे। उनके अनुसार यह उनका नया जन्म था। इसके बाद वे २० मार्च को ही अपना जन्म-दिवस मनाते थे। वे 'द्विज' थे—केवल शाब्दिक अर्थ में ही नहीं, वास्तविक अर्थ में भी।

साउथ अफ्रीका जाकर जब उन्होंने झुक कर गाँधी जी के पैर छुए तो अंग्रेजों के संसार में एक बवंडर उठ खड़ा हुआ। एक एशियाई को इतना आदर देने के लिए उनकी बड़ी निन्दा की गई, किन्तु ऐण्ड्रूज ने कहा, 'ईसा, संत पाल तथा संत जॉन भी तो एशियाई ही थे'।

गाँधी जी के सत्याग्रह-आन्दोलन के लिए उन्होंने अपने जीवन भर की सारी कमाई ही नहीं सौंप दी वरन् राजर्षि

गोखले के साथ रहकर उन्होंने सक्रिय रूप से हर प्रकार की सहायता दी। गाँधी जी ने लिखा है—“सी०एफ० ऐण्ड्रूज से बढ़कर ज्यादा सच्चा, उनसे बढ़कर विनीत और उनसे अधिक भारत-भक्त इस भूमि में कोई दूसरा देश सेवक विद्यमान नहीं।”

प्रथम महायुद्ध के अवसर पर ऐण्ड्रूज ने भारतवासियों को किंग्स कमीशन दिए जाने की जोरदार वकालत की। उन्होंने लार्ड हार्डिंग को पत्र लिखकर भारतीय वीरों के पौष एवं युद्ध कौशल की सराहना करते हुए उन्हें उच्च पद न देने के लिए ब्रिटिश सरकार की निन्दा की।

वीरकुमार देवाशीष मजूमदार

पूर्व-छात्रों से निवेदन—

'अतीत के भरोखे से' स्तम्भ के अन्तर्गत आर०आई० एम०सी० के विगत जीवन से सम्बन्धित वृत्तान्त (छात्रोपयोगी सामग्री, रोचक संस्मरण, अनोखी घटनाएँ, प्रमुख अतिथि आदि) के नियमित प्रकाशन की हमारी योजना है। अतः आपसे सानुरोध प्रार्थना है कि इस विद्यालय में अपने आवास-काल की कुछ प्रेरक घटनाओं को लिखकर सम्पादक के नाम प्रेषित करने का कष्ट करें। आशा है आप इस प्रयास में योगदान देकर हमें अनुग्रहीत तो करेंगे ही साथ ही साथ वर्तमान वीर कुमारों का मार्ग दर्शन भी करेंगे।

—सम्पादक





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## An appeal to Rimcollians

On the eve of the Founder's Day celebrations and the Rimcollian Re-union, we make this appeal to our Old Boys, who would be arriving at the College on 12th March, in the hope to merit their kind attention.

In the succeeding issues of the Chronicle we wish to introduce a separate section and entitle it 'RETROSPECT'. In this column we propose to publish some portraits of the past. These may include glimpses of your reminiscences, narration of inspiring incidents, visits of dignitaries and such other material as may be of interest and instruction to your present counterparts.

This is intended to establish a closer rapport between the College and its Old Boys on the one hand and on the other heighten in our young cadets the sense of their being the prospective constituents of that well knit alumni association—Old Boys Rimcollian Association—for which the College holds a place of distinction amongst its kind. Such a section will be indeed a storehouse of valuable information about the College and will assume all the more importance in view of the fact that the College is shortly completing fifty years of its dedicated service to the Armed Forces of our country and is celebrating its golden jubilee in March 1972.

You are, therefore, requested to favour us with all such material as may benefit the Cadets as well as the College. An appeal to this effect has already been made in the Hindi column of the previous issue.

We hope to get your full co-operation in this venture.

—Editor.

## College News

Mr. R.C. Singhal, Vice-Principal, addressed the members of the Doon

Organization of Science Teachers (DOST) on 'The Application of Audio-visual Aids in the Teaching of Mathematics' and stressed the importance of multi-sensory aids in effective teaching.

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The Inter-Class Juniors English Declamation Contest was held on Tuesday, 23rd Feb., in the Convocation Hall. Classes I, IA, II, IIA and III were represented at the Contest by a team of two speakers each. The following Cadets took part in the competition:

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|----------------------|-------------|
| 1. Cadet S. Banerjee | ) Class I   |
| 2. " A.S. Gosain     | )           |
| 3. " B.S. Kohli      | ) Class IA  |
| 4. " R. Anand        | )           |
| 5. " S. Bhatia       | ) Class II  |
| 6. " B. Charles      | )           |
| 7. " M.S. Sodhi      | ) Class IIA |
| 8. " A.K. Ghosh      | )           |
| 9. " T.S. Mahadev    | ) Class III |
| 10. " R. Ramaswamy   | )           |

Following are the results:—

- Teamwise (a) Class III 327 points, 1st  
(b) Class II 322 points 2nd

Individual Placing:—

- (a) Cadet R. Ramaswamy Class III 176  
(b) " B. Charles " III 176  
1st  
(c) " K. Anand " IA 2nd  
Well done, Class III

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The Staff Club arranged a tea-party to bid a hearty farewell to Major & Mrs. K. Gulab Singh and Mr. & Mrs. P.C. Sharma.

Major H.S. Mangat and Mr. H. Falcao were also welcomed by the Staff.

Major K. Gulab Singh, our outgoing Administrative Officer, served the College not only with zeal and devotion for over two and a half years, but also distinguished himself as a genial and considerate officer who has a gentleman's regard



for the dignity of the academic community. Maj. Gulab Singh has now been appointed as Officer Commanding 12 Gujrat Battalion, NCC, Baroda and will be taking up the assignment shortly. We will miss him very much indeed. We pray for his continued good health and all happiness in life.

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Mr. P.C. Sharma, Master in Geography, who left us to take up an assignment at Military School, Chail (Simla Hills) rendered valuable services to the College for 2½ years. Besides his devotion to duty as a Master, Mr. Sharma made a lavish contribution to the Photography Club at the College. We miss Mr. Sharma very much and wish Mr. & Mrs. Sharma the best of luck in the career.

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We are glad to welcome our ex-Cadet Major H.S. Mangat as our new Administrative Officer and hope he enjoys his tenure at the College.

## *Sportsfolio*

### **Lawrence Club T.T. Tournament**

New year and with new spirits we took part in the open Lawrence Table-Tennis tournament in the junior section with great vigour and enthusiasm. The tournament started with a bang. Cadet P. Deb won his first game, followed by S. Banerjee who won three successive matches and reached the semi-finals. Then came the exciting match of Gautam but ill luck wrested victory from him. The Doubles were even more exciting with the spins and smashes with the ball under Rimcol rackets and the team consisting of S.K. Sharma and myself entered the semi-finals, but lady luck never favoured us. The young team is expected to do better in future.

Buck up, Rimcols.

Cadet L.S. Tewari, V

### **RIMC vs Survey of India (14.2.71).**

On 14th February, 71 we played our second match against the Survey of India XI which fielded a few reputed players whom we met last year.

We decided to field on winning the toss and struck some early blows thus placing the visitors at a dismal score of 12 runs for the loss of 4 wickets. In fact this was chiefly due to our pacemen who bowled with a fiery pace. Hats off to S. Imam and H. Singh.

Thereafter we lost grip over the strong position we were in due to some indifferent fielding and of course good batting by the visitors. Their middle order batsmen did well to keep the score board moving by taking cheeky singles and at the same time keeping their wickets intact. The score slowly but steadily mounted to 50 runs. Just then Negi, the Skipper, did well to bring on leg-spinner A.K. Bose, who succeeded to break this fighting partnership.

Once again we were on our toes and A.K. Bose bowled cleverly to wipe off the tail and finished with the impressive figures of 4 wickets for 21 runs. The visitors innings then folded up for 75 runs at the luncheon break.

On resumption we saw our openers Satya Narayan and Paul first get their eyes set and then opened out to put up the first wicket partnership which realised 41 runs. At this total Paul was unlucky to be run out, his individual contribution being 12 runs.

At this stage we lost another wicket, Bose being the victim. We now seemed to be collapsing. But no, it was not to be. M. Dobhal playing along with Satyanarayan carried the score past the visitors total in a cavalier fashion. Dobhal was graceful and aggressive on the front foot with firm drives. Narayan was consistent and elegant.

We finished the day with a resounding win of 8 wickets, the score being 79 for 2. Thanks to Paul (12), Dobhal (23 n.o.) and of course Satyanarayan (41 n.o.) for their commendable feat.

The match ended on a happy note for us as it was our second successive victory. We eagerly look forward to the return match and expect it to be a neck-to-neck tie.

Cadet A.S. Satyanarayan, IVA

### **The Man of Iron—Ho-Chi-Minh**

On 19th May in the year 1890 a baby saw light. He was not born in the Nursing Home nor in the hospital. He was born in a hut of a village, seventeen miles West of river Mekong.

The atmosphere was gloomy. The sad villagers were waiting for their death. Their roof was sky, food was grass and clothes were barks of trees.



The mother had no food nor milk for the child. She could give it only her milk. But did the baby cry in hunger? Did anyone see a drop of tear in his eyes? The only reply is 'No'. Yet there were drops of tears on his body—the tears of blessing the tears of his parents who couldn't give him any food, shelter and clothes. But in that hilly area he started growing.

Those hills were his friends. The open air was his playmate. The swift narrow stream was his dream. From the very childhood he saw the people starving to death. The villagers were sad, and weeping was their only relief.

The boy never asked his parents for food. He chose his future himself but didn't express his thoughts. The boy wanted to see the world but how?

Dun-Dum..... Ta-ta-ta..... Jhut ..... Sha??? The boy knew these sounds. These sounds awoke him from his bed. He breathed the air which was full of gun powder. He wanted to do something because his dearest Motherland was wailing at the death of his countrymen under foreign aggression.

His only thoughts were, how could he help his country? What way he should help? The thoughts of freedom made him frantic. He forgot to eat, drink, sleep; even he forgot to laugh. At last the day came and it was his day to choose his future. He was on the branch of a tree thinking for his country's freedom. His parents were busy with their household work. The villagers were hunting for food.

Suddenly the sound woke him up. Dun, dum..... ta-ta-ta ..... Sha-Jha??? He ran towards his hut but he was too late. The village had been turned into a desert. It had been reduced to mortuary. He could not see his hut, he cried for his parents. But alas! Fate had played a vicious game with him. That day he took the pledge of emancipating his country. One evening he was walking on a road. He saw a man limping and asking for help. No-body had time to look at each other. The American infantry was advancing. He ran to the man and took the man to his house. The old man was very pleased and made him his servant. Then he embarked on a new phase of life. He made himself an educated and wise patriot. He saw a faint glimmer of hope in solving his country's problems.

This man truly became a great lover of his Motherland. He united his countrymen. His dream came true and the enemy countries could not bear the shock of his dynamic, compelling personality.

He was the saviour of Vietnam. His name was Gen. Ho-chi-minh. He was a terror to the Americans and their yankee allies. He visited India in 1963. He stayed in Calcutta for 3 days only but no one has forgotten this patriot. Never..... Never a patriot like him could be forgotten even by his enemy, nothing to say of friends. Who can forget that broad childlike smile, his patriotism—that great identification mark of the Iron Man of the world.

He was the father of Vietnamese and Gen-Ho-Chi-Minh is their Bapu as we have our Mahatma Gandhi. Late Gurudev R.N. Tagore was his Guru. Late Lenin was his dream and Vietnam was his field where he acted upon great ideals for his whole life.

He never took rest. He once addressed his countrymen, "My dearest countrymen, rest only when you are dead and do your duty when you are alive." Pt. Nehru, our late Prime Minister greeted him and said, "Ho-Chi-Minh can never die." Some drops of tears could be seen in his eyes at that time.

Ho-Chi-Minh is dead but has Vietnam died? Yet not.. Yankees cannot win against them with their full military power. The iron pillar of national solidarity which had been constructed by Gen. Ho-Chi-Minh can never fall.

Gen. Ho-Chi-Minh is immortal. The whole world bowed their heads when this greatman died. Even the strongest American Government took a sigh of relief after the news of his demise was broken to them. The true Americans cried, wept and showed their love and paid their homage to this great patriot. Vietnam will never bow her head before the military power of America. Ho-Chi-Minh did not teach them how to bow heads but taught them how to cut heads of the enemy. The American Government is quaking with fear. Vietnam is the beckon light to Asian and African countries.

Thus Ho-Chi-Minh is not only the father of Vietnam, but is in a way the father of those Asian and African countries also which are striving to be independent, strong nations.

Cadet A.K. Bose, ISC



## सैनिक का विश्वास

रात्रि के अंधकार में जब आकाश पर तारे टिमटिमाते हैं और चन्द्रमा अपनी चांदनी को पृथ्वी पर चादर की तरह बिछा देता है उस समय दिन भर का थका मनुष्य अपने मखमली या कांटेदार बिछौने (जो भी उसके भाग्य में है) पर लेटा होता है। वह रात का समय मनुष्य को कल्पना लोक में पहुँचा देता है। तरह-तरह की कल्पनाएँ मनुष्य को घेर लेती हैं। कल्पनाएँ प्रत्येक मनुष्य करता है। कल्पना का सुख बड़ा ही मादक होता है।

हाय, तौबा करके लोग एक ओर भागे जा रहे थे। और तो और बच्चों की आवाजें मेरे पत्थर दिल को पिघलाए जा रही थीं। बूढ़े भी एक तरफ अपनी लाठियों के सहारे भागे जा रहे थे। मनुष्य की हा-हाकार के साथ गोलियों की आवाजें भी सुनने को मिल रही थीं। बम के विस्फोट होने के बाद ऐसा धुआँ समा जाता था जैसे संसार में ही अंधकार के बादल छा गये हों। अचानक ही हमारे पड़ोसी ने हमारी सीमाओं पर आक्रमण कर दिया था। मैं भारतीय थल सेना का अफसर था। इस अचानक हमले के कारण मुझे अपनी टुकड़ी के साथ शत्रु का सामना करना था। उसको भारतीय सीमा के बाहर खदेड़ कर एक सबक सिखाना था। इन्हीं विचारों में मैं खोया अपनी टुकड़ी के साथ आगे बढ़ा जा रहा था।

धाय-धाय की आवाज और धुएँ के बादल काफा पास आ गये थे जिससे साफ जाहिर था कि दुश्मन अधिक दूर नहीं। मैंने अपनी टुकड़ी को सावधान कर दिया। तभी एक गोली मेरे बाएँ हाथ के पास से सनसनाती निकल गई। सभी

जवानों ने अपनी-अपनी जगह संभाली और उत्तर में गोलियों की बौछार कर दी। काफी देर तक सामना होता रहा। ऐसा लगता था जैसे शत्रु की सेना काफा तादाद में है। अचानक गोलियों का आना बन्द हो गया। यह समझना कठिन न था कि शत्रु कोई नई चाल चल रहा है। सभी ने यही राय दी कि दूसरी टुकड़ी के आने तक इन्तजार करना चाहिए, जो कि शीघ्र ही आने वाली थी। इन्तजार का एक-एक पल सौ-सौ वर्षों के बराबर था। डर था कहीं दुश्मन हमारी सेना के पहुँचने से पहले हमला न कर दे। सभी अपने-अपने स्थानों में खोये हुए थे। चारों तरफ का सन्नाटा भय को हजार गुना बना रहा था। मुझे अपनी पत्नी जो कि कुछ ही महीने पहले घर में आयी थी, कि याद आ रही थी। मिल-जुलकर रहना हमारे भाग्य में न था, कौन जाने मैं जीवित रहता भी या नहीं। बस इसी स्थान में खोया आँसू बहा रहा था, आखिर पदचापों ने मेरी अश्रुधारा पर पुल बना ही दिया। टुकड़ी आ गयी थी और आदेश के अनुसार हमें अग्रसर होना था। सेना चारों ओर फैलकर दुश्मन की सीमा में घुस रही थी। मैं बढ़ता रहा, लेकिन दुश्मन का नामोनिशान न था। कस्तूर्य का पालन करना मेरा धर्म था इन्हीं विचारों में खोया मैं आगे बढ़ा जा रहा था।

मेरा मन कहता है कि आज की मेरी यह कल्पना एक दिन अवश्य साकार होगी।

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## Founder's Day & Annual Rimcollian Reunion, 1971

This year the celebrations connected with the Founder's Day and Annual Rimcollian Reunion coincided with Holi and necessitated many an adjustment in the usual programme. But the gusto and gaiety that mark such an occasion fraternal get-together still reigned supreme.

The Rimcollians started arriving at the College on the afternoon of 11th and by 12th afternoon they were in a good number to form a hockey team to play a match against the College XI. The match was keenly contested and exciting and it ended in a draw, though the Cadets had scored first. The hockey match was followed by Dinner and Dance in the Convocation Hall.

Drinks were served to the accompaniment of a flourish of music which overflowed the warmth of gaily attended Convocation Hall. The saucy, rhythmic tunes of the 39 GTC Band in attendance lent savour to the dinner and sprightliness to the commotion of merry-making. A gala-night as it was, no one seemed to part company with others who went gay and gay.

Next morning after breakfast the traditional cricket match between the Old Boys and the College XI was played. The College XI lost to the Rimcollians by a very narrow margin. A detailed account of the match appears elsewhere in the Columns of this Chronicle.

The Cricket Trophy was given away to the winners by Lt. Gen. K.N. Dubey.

In the evening the Finals of the Inter-Section Boxing Competitions were held in the college Amphitheatre. Ranjit Section secured the first position and annexed the coveted Boxing Championship Trophy for the year 1971.

Later at night Old Boys and members of the Staff retired to the ante-rooms where a Cocktail party was held

in a singularly convivial and glowing atmosphere. The close get-together was then followed by the Rimcollian Dinner in the Cadets' Mess. At dinner, short humorous speeches were made by Mr Bikram Singh, Col Narhar Singh J<sup>r</sup> and Mr. R.M. Jolly. In his characteristic, witty speech Mr Bikram Singh presented of profiles of almost all senior Rimcollians who attended Reunion.

The Reunion Dinner drew to a close with the presidential address by Maj Gen Virendra Singh (Retd), who expressed satisfaction at the successful organisation of the Founder's Day and Rimcollian Reunion and the way the sojourn of the Old Boys was made comfortable. He thanked the Commandant and the Staff for all this. Turning to the Rimcollians, he reviewed the progress of Camaraderie and fellow-feeling among Old Boys wherever they were and called upon all of them to increase the strength of their alumni association by establishing closer contacts among them. This, he considered, was all the more imperative in view of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the College Founder's Day in Mar 72.

Next morning a meeting of the General Body of Old Boys' Association was held in the Senior Ante-room. Maj Gen Virendra Singh was elected as the President and Col Jasbir Singh Khurana as the Honorary Secretary of the Old Boys' Association. Our warm congratulations to them. The meeting was followed by the departure of Old Boys to their respective places and thus the Rimcollian Re-union drew to a close.

### Old Boys who Attended the Annual Reunion - 1971

1. Maj Gen Virendra Singh
2. Lt Gen KN Dubey
3. Maj Gen MG Hazari
4. Maj Gen Shivcharan Singh



5. Brig & Mrs K Gajinder Singh
6. Brig LS Negi
7. Brig Ghambir Singh
8. Brig & Mrs V Jayal
9. Shri Gurnam Singh Gill
10. Mr Bikram Singh
11. Brig PD Joshi
12. Brig & Mrs SC Sinha
13. Brig K Surendra Singh
14. Brig & Mrs PR Dewan
15. Lt Col & Mrs TS Verma
16. Mr Amrik Singh
17. Col JC Kapur
18. Mr NN Khanna
19. Col SN Mehta
20. Gp Capt & Mrs S Raghuvendran
21. Lt Col Narhar Singh Ji
22. Lt Col & Mrs JS Khurana
23. Lt Col SK Dhar
24. Lt Col Kashmir Chand
25. Lt Col & Mrs KL Dubey
26. Wg Cdr & Mrs Dalbir Yadav
27. Lt Col & Mrs KS Kohli
28. Maj SS Nandkoleyar
29. Lt Cdr BR Satpathi
30. Maj & Mrs Daljit Singh
31. Maj KS Babu
32. Maj KC Anand
33. Maj & Mrs SK Dutta
34. Maj Mrs NK Malik
35. Maj Balwinder Singh
36. Maj GN Misra
37. Maj HS Mangat
38. Maj Keval Ramani
39. Maj & Mrs Vijay Sondhi
40. Maj & Mrs KS Khurana
41. Maj & Mrs Basudev Krishna
42. Maj & Mrs SP Dass
43. Maj VK Singh
44. Dr BK Goel
45. Capt & Mrs TL Barua
46. Capt JS Verma
47. Capt Jasbir Singh
48. Capt & Mrs A Chose
49. Capt JK Nagpal
50. Shri RM Jolly
51. Shri SM Garg

#### Rimcolliana

Dr. B.K. Goel, M.S., DLO, a Rimcollian, has proceeded to Australia as a registered ENT Specialist. Dr. Goel will be attached to Adelaide Children Hospital, where he will look after the ear, nose and throat ailments of children.

Our heartiest congratulations to him.

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#### College News

Hav. R.U. Chaubey, APTC, P.T.I. who served the College for over two years has been transferred to the National

Defence Academy, Kharakvasla. We wish him all luck.

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We welcome N/Sub. B. Sharma Azad as our Office Superintendent and wish him a happy stay at the College.

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The Commandant has been pleased to appoint Section Commander R.S. Rathee of Ranjit Section as Cadet Captain of the College. Rathee is doing a good job and we hope he continues to discharge his responsibilities capably.

### Sportsfolio

#### Inter-Section Drill Competition, 1971

Following are the results of the Drill Competition held on 1st March, 1971:—

Section	Points	Position
1. Ranjit	555	First
2. Shivaji	536	Second
3. Chandragupta	526	Third
4. Pratap	493	Fourth

Best Squad Commander—Cadet Captain R.S. Rathee (Ranjit).

Ranjit Section annexed the Championship Cup. Our congratulations to Ranjit.

#### Inter-Section Rifle Shooting Competition, 1971

The Inter-Section Shooting Competition was held on 7th March. The results of the Competition are given hereunder:—

Section	Points	Position
1. Shivaji	158	First
2. Chandragupta	136	Second
3. Ranjit	134	Third
4. Pratap	113	Fourth

Our congratulations to Shivaji on winning Championship in Shooting.

#### Inter-Section Boxing Competition, 1971

The Semi-finals of the Inter-Section Boxing Competition were held on Thursday, 11th March and the Finals on 13th, in the College Amphitheatre. We are particularly grateful to Major D. Jones and Captain C.K. Nair for acting as Referees and Lt. Comdr. B.B. Satpathi, Major Daljit Singh, Captain J.S. Verma and Captain S.P. Das for being judges of the competition.



The standard of boxing was uniformly high this year and most of the bouts were close and hard-hitting. In the Semi-finals Ranjit and Chandragupta secured 18 points each and considerable excitement was in store on the final day. As was anticipated, Ranjit stole a march over its nearest rival Chandragupta by 4 points and annexed the coveted Boxing Championship Cup for the year.

The Boxing Trophy and other prizes were given away by Brig. K. Gajender Singh, a Senior Rimcollian.

Our hearty congratulations to Ranjit. Following are the results:—

**Match (Under 63 lbs.)**

1. Cadet A.K. Prasad (P)  
beat Cadet P. Deb (C)

**Butterfly (Under 70 lbs.)**

2. Cadet T.K. Guha (P)  
beat Cadet S. Upadhyay (C)

**Wafer (Under 77 lbs.)**

3. Cadet G.S. Gokavi (R)  
beat Cadet K.P.K. Kumar (C)

**Gnat (Under 84 lbs.)**

4. Cadet Gajendra Singh (C)  
beat Cadet P. Sewal (R)

**Pin (Under 91 lbs.)**

5. Cadet Y.A. Singh (R)  
beat Cadet M.B. Saxena (C)

**Midget (Under 98 lbs.)**

6. Cadet Y.N. Singh (R)  
beat Cadet R.S. Bhandari (P)

**Mosquito (Under 105 lbs.)**

7. Cadet S.S. Jog (R)  
beat Cadet A.K. Mahto (S)

**Fly (Under 112 lbs.)**

8. Cadet S.M. Singh (S)  
beat Cadet D. Tomar (C)

**Bantam (Under 119 lbs.)**

9. Cadet S.S. Hallikeri (C)  
beat Cadet A.K. Bishnoi (S)

**Feather (Under 126 lbs.)**

10. Cadet R.S. Rathee (R)  
got a walk over Cadet  
D. Singh (P)

**Light (Opens)**

11. Cadet Deepak Singh (R)  
got a walk over Cadet  
V.V. Singh (S)

**Overall placing**

Ranjit	24 points	First
Chandragupta	20 "	Second
Pratap	17 "	Third
Shivaji	16 "	Fourth
Best Boxer Cadet	Y. A. Singh (Ranjit)	
Best Loser Cadet	S. Upadhyaya	

(Chandragupta)

**R.I.M.C. vs Rimcollians**

The traditional and glamorous Cricket Match between the present and the Old Boys was played on the Re-union day i.e. 13th March. The younger lot was sent in to bat by the Old timers' skipper, Col Kapoor.

In the opening over, we were unfortunate to lose A.K. Paul who seemed to be unhappy with the decision. Anyway, in a game like Cricket, an umpire's word should be taken for granted even if it seems to be doubtful. We were further left in the lurch when Satyanarayan, our sheet-anchor made his exit in a most unbecoming stroke of his. This was indeed a rude blow. A debacle was imminent but Herminder Singh and Bose defied the Rimcollian attack comprising of 'fiery' Verma, Dass & Sinha. Herminder was the more accomplished of the two and wisely waited for the bowler to err. Bose, however, was aggressive and prolific and his scoring shots were mainly his immaculate hooks and pulls. These two rallied to mount the score from a miserable 10 for 4 to 55, when Bose was beater in a forward stroke, lock, stock and barrel and comprehensively bowled. Thereafter, our middle-order as well as tail-end batsmen swung the game our way. Although their strokes were agriculturish, runs did come and that was vital. Imam scored a brisk 15. At lunch, the scoreboard showed R.I.M.C.—101 for 9. Capt. Verma and Sinha shared the spoils.

After the sumptuous and timely lunch, the Old Boys commenced their knock. They played aggressive cricket which paid rich dividends. The batsmen contributed liberally to the total although they did not last long. The pacemen charged ends but were unable to check the rate of scoring which was always ahead of the clock. Imam, who had been a menace to the outsiders, was hit with impunity all round the wicket by Ramani who played a breezy knock of 39 which contained two sixes. He was ably supported by Capt. Verma, Capt. Das, Sinha and Pillai. Our Seamers did



not make any impression on the Rimcolians. Seeing this, skipper Negi effected change in bowling which I thought came a bit too late. But once the spinners, Satyanarayan and Bose got going, it seemed that the match was poised for an exciting finish. Satyanarayan was obviously better and on several occasions beat the bat and pad. With the double spin attack operating, there was an immediate check on the fast rate of scoring and four wickets fell in quick succession. When the seventh wicket fell at 94, it seemed that game could be anyone's but to our sheer agony and disappointment, we saw the tail-enders hitting up the required runs without any further loss. The Old Boys won the crucial fixture for the second year in succession. All said and done, it was a day of light-hearted and enjoyable cricket and the cricketers should be complimented for their excellent performances. Let's look forward to the 'Golden Jubilee' instead of crying over spilt milk.

#### Scores

RIMC-101 for 9 (Herminder Singh 29, AK Bose 18, Imam 15, Capt. Verma 4 for 37, Sinha 3 for 11.)

Old Boys-105 for 7 (Lt. Comander. Ramani 39, Capt. Verma 14, Maj. Mangat 12, Pillai 11, Capt. Dass 11, A Narayan 3 for 23, AK Bose 2 for 28).

—C. Bannerjee.

#### सुब्हे बनारस

लू के गर्म थपड़े घाट के पथरीले कपोलों को थपथपा कर शहर की आवादी से दूर किसी निर्जन स्थान की ओर जा चुके थे। गंगा की व्याकुल लहरें क्रमशः शांत होती गईं। रात आहिस्ता-आहिस्ता पानी पर उतर रही थी। एक के बाद एक प्रकाशित घाटों से नौकाएँ निकल कर गंगा पर छाये हुये अश्वकार में बिलीन होने लगीं।

'काहो कन्हैया कउनो नइया रखलेना ?'

'हां ही भइया किनखे पर लागल ही।'

'आप त भइया बहुत दिनां के बाद दिखउला'

'हां भई बहरे रहलीं।'

दो चार हाथ उल्टी खेवाई हट-बढ़-इतमीनान की सांस। विशाल बजड़ों और नौकाओं के भुरमुट से बाहर। अब वह छोटी सी नौका तिरछी होकर बीच की ओर पानी के चढ़ाव पर बढ़ती जा रही थी। बस एक धुन। सबसे आगे निकल चलो।

'हरे राम. हरे राम, राम-राम हरे-हरे'

'हरे कृष्ण, हरे कृष्ण, कृष्ण-कृष्ण हरे-हरे'

तबला, हारमोनिया और कीर्तन—लहरों के संगीत में निमज्जित।

'का मलिक बड़ा देर करत हववा ?' 'बस तनि थोड़ि के देर अउर एक जा मलिक, अइसन भांग कबहूँ छतले न होबा।' एक ओर नाव पर बंगाली नवयुवकों का भुंड गाने और ताली बजाने में लीन था। एक दूसरी ओर मदनपुरा के कुछ लोग नौका-बिहार का आनन्द ले रहे थे। एक बहुत बड़ा सा तरबूज खा रहा था। कुछ और एकांत की ओर सुन्दर वस्त्रों में सजे हुये—लड़के और लड़कियों के जोड़े एक दूसरे के समीप बैठे आँखों में झाँक रहे थे। जान-वापी से अज्ञान हो रही थी। एक के बाद एक सभी घाट पाछे छूटते गये—दशाशनमेघ, चौसही, सोती, हरिश्चन्द्र।

नाव पर लेट कर हाथ पानी में डुबोये रहने में क्या आनन्द आता है। लोग गोदौलिया से नीम के दातौन खरीद कर मुँह में चबाते हुये गंगा की ओर भागे जा रहे थे। एक हिप्पी सूर्य को नमस्कार कर रहा था। दूसरी ओर साधुओं की एक टोली गांजा पीने में मस्त थी। कोई सिर मुड़वा रहा था तो कोई चन्दन का टीका लगवा रहा था। स्त्रियों के भुंड के भुंड पानी से अठखेलियां कर रहे थे।

तमाश-बीन दूर से आनन्द ले रहे थे। नहाने वालों की रेल-पेल थी। सूर्य उदय हो रहा था। सूर्योदय नवजीवन का प्रतीक। बीच गंगा में स्थिर बाँसों पर जंगली कबूतरों के गोल के गोल बैठे लहरों का आनन्द ले रहे थे। उड़ते थे, बैठते थे। बैठते थे उड़ते थे। श्वेत बगुलों की कतार की कतार कें-कें करती हुई उस पार उड़ी चली जा रही थी। उस पार-समतल और ठोस रेत, छिछला जल। निर्भीक हृदय से लड़के, लड़कियाँ, बूढ़े, जवान और बच्चे सभी गोते लगा रहे थे। रेत पर कबड्डी और दौड़ने का मजा और गहरे जल में नाव से कूदो। ऊपर-उभरो-कूदते जाओ। आनन्द ही आनन्द। सुब्हे बनारस !

श्री जी०एम० खान





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## Visit

Lt. Gen. P.S. Bhagat, VC, GOC-in-C, Central Command, paid a visit to the College on 26th March in connection with the Golden Jubilee preparations at the College. He was accompanied by Sub-Area Commander, Dehra Dun.

## College News

Mr. R.C. Singhal, Vice-Principal, has been elected as Director of the Rotary Club of Dehra Dun.

Our warm Congratulations to him.

## Inter Section English Declamation Contest, 1971

(Saturday, 20th March)

Under the aegis of the English Literary Society the Inter Section English Declamation Contest was held in the convocation hall at 1730 hrs.

Prof. G.D. SHUKLA, Head of the English Dept., D.A.V. College, Mr. L.R. Allahabadi and Col. H.K.L. JOHAR were kind enough to act as judges of the contest and we express our gratitude to them.

Each Section was represented at the contest by a team of four speakers, two seniors and two juniors, who were allowed to speak for 5 minutes and 3 minutes respectively. The Declamation Contest assumed greater significance this time in context of the decision that from now onwards the points secured by various Sections in Literary Contests would be counted towards the overall championship. The following cadets took part in the competition:—

Name	Topic
Juniors (3 minutes)	
1. KS Aiyappa (R)	Modern Youths are given to fashions
2. AK Ghosh (P)	Boys must learn how to cook
3. TS Mahadev (C)	Boys must learn how to cook
4. N Imam (S)	Examinations should be abolished
5. B. Charles (C)	Modern Youths are given to fashions
6. BS Kohli (S)	Home work should not be given for vacation
7. RR Swamy (P)	Punishments do us harm
8. AK Singh (R)	Home work should not be given for vacation
Seniors (5 minutes)	
1. AS Narayan (P)	Public Schools do not serve our needs
2. MB Saxena (C)	Why study Arts; Science alone is enough
3. KS Saini (R)	Elections are the backbone of a democratic govt.
4. SS Hallikeri (C)	Film-stars shape the country better than administrators
5. D Sharma (S)	Commonwealth has lost its utility



6. S Imam (S) Elections are the backbone of a democratic govt.
7. GS Gokavi (R) Commonwealth has lost it utility
8. PK Chatterjee(P) Why study Arts; when Science alone is enough

**Following were the results:—**

*Juniors*

- |                  |            |        |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Pratap        | 194 points | First  |
| 2. Ranjit        | 171 „      | Second |
| 3. Shivaji       | 157 „      | Third  |
| 4. Chandra Gupta | 146 „      | Fourth |

*Individual Positions*

- |                                  |            |        |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Cadet Ravi Ramaswamy (Pratap) | 105 points | First  |
| 2. „ A.K. Singh (Ranjit)         | 98 points  | Second |
| 3. „ A.K. Ghosh (Pratap)         | 89 points  | Third  |

*Seniors*

- |                  |            |        |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Ranjit        | 216 points | First  |
| 2. Pratap        | 206 „      | Second |
| 3. Shivaji       | 180 „      | Third  |
| 4. Chandra Gupta | 143 „      | Fourth |

*Individual Positions*

- |                                   |            |        |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Cadet G.S. Gokavi (Ranjit)     | 116 points | First  |
| 2. Cadet P.K. Chatterjee (Pratap) | 108 points | Second |
| 3. Cadet S. Imam (Shivaji)        | 102 points | Third  |

*Overall Placing*

- |                  |            |        |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Pratap        | 400 points | First  |
| 2. Ranjit        | 387 „      | Second |
| 3. Shivaji       | 337 „      | Third  |
| 4. Chandra Gupta | 289 „      | Fourth |

At the close of the competition Prof. G.D. Shukla gave many valuable suggestions to the cadet speakers to improve their performance. He advised them to speak in strict relevance to the topics given and prepare the text of their speeches well in order to impress the audience all the more. He appreciated

the performance of the junior cadets in particular. We are immensely grateful to Prof. SHUKLA for his guidance to the cadets in the art of public speaking.

Mrs. S.P. SHARMA Inter Section English Declamation Trophy was then given away to the winners by the Commandant.

Our warm congratulations to Pratap for their winning the English Declamation Trophy.

**Correspondence**

Copy of the letter No. 02273/REU/ASO Coord I, dated 16 March '71 from Maj Gen Virendra Singh (Retd) President of Rimcollian Old Boys Association, to Lt Col HKL Johar, Commandant RIMC Dehra Dun.

Dear Col Johar,

I am writing this letter to thank you on behalf of all Old Boys who attended the Founder's Day Celebrations and the Annual Reunion for a most wonderful and enjoyable stay that we had in the RIMC.

It is always a great pleasure to visit the old school and to see the past traditions being maintained as always. I was very happy to see the old standards being maintained and the cadets looking so full of spirit and good cheer. We were specially impressed with the boxing which was of a very high standard and greatly appreciated by every one present.

I am fully aware of the efforts involved in the preparations for these Celebrations, especially this year because of Holi and also since Mangat had been there for only very short time. I wish to congratulate you and through you your staff in making such excellent arrangements in every respect.

Please convey my appreciation and thanks to all your staff for the trouble taken by them in making our stay so enjoyable and celebrations such a great success.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,  
(Sd) Virendra Singh.

**Rommel—The Desert Fox**

Rommel was a very gentle and docile child who took after his mother. Small for his age, he was a white, slim boy with hair so pale that his family



called him the 'white bear'. He spoke very slowly and only after reflecting for a long time. He was very good-tempered and amiable and was not afraid of any one.

For Rommel himself there was really no other choice but Army, even if he had wished for one. Army was his career and, since he was married and had little or no private means, he was lucky to be able to pursue it. Moreover, he did not find it dull. He was a thinking soldier and liked to fight his battles over again, not in any spirit of nostalgia for war, but to draw from them the correct tactical lessons. He also enjoyed drill and training.

At home, Rommel played the violin in an amateurish fashion but was otherwise easy to live with. He drank very little, never more than a couple of glasses of wine, did not smoke and was not particular about his food. He remained a serious-minded but jolly and good tempered man of simple tastes, who enjoyed a quiet life, and for the rest, was well versed in his profession. Rommel was no trained psychologist, but he was shrewd, a keen observer and a good judge of normal men. The next thing that struck Rommel was Hitler's truly remarkable memory. Like Gen. Smuts, he knew practically by heart any book which he had ever read and, as with Gen. Smuts, whole pages and chapters were photographed exactly upon his mind. His grasp of statistics was particularly strong. Hitler's last quality which greatly impressed Rommel who always valued it very highly, was, surprisigly enough, his physical courage.

Rumour had it that Rommel never slept. He didn't bother so much for popularity. He used to get up at 4 a.m. everyday and had breakfast with his staff. He worked like a superman. He talked very less and very attentively. Once he made a promise, he stood by it at all costs.

Neither heat, cold, exhaustion, hunger nor sandstorms could deter his tremendous drive for victory. He snatched what sleep he could, sitting up in tanks or trucks, or with hand on a table in a tent. He was a small eater, disliking meat and all heavy foods. He was so fond of eggs, however, that a few chickens always packed around his headquarters. He had little interest in women, and practically none in money,

devoting almost all his emotional drive to dare-devil soldiering.

Another of Rommel's secret was his refusal to be daunted by any obstacle. He expected his officers to follow his personal example. Self-denying, fearless, capable of incredible endurance, he believed that no sacrifice was too great to make for the taste of victory. Before he asked the impossible of his men, he first demanded it of himself. His inspiring leadership gave the African Corps a tremendous esprit de corps. He roared to his men "Stay close to me, I am bullet-proof". His whole pattern of life was Spartan.

—Cadet H.S.'Singh.

### Shastri Ji

The sky and the heaving waves  
were red,  
And in a foreign land lay our hero  
dead;  
Old friends thronged about with  
their heads bowed,  
Our tri-colour flag was his befitting  
shroud.  
His exemplary bravery is immortal in  
history,  
And his deeds glorify the profiles of  
victory;  
Broader than sky and fresher than  
breeze,  
He left us the inheritance—the love  
of peace.  
His service and sacrifice will for  
ages lead,  
Shastriji was our country's noble  
son indeed.

—Cadet T.S. Mahadev, III

### राम-राज्य

राम राज बैठे त्रैलोका ।  
हरषित सब कबनहि नहि सोका ॥

उपयुक्त पंक्तियाँ राम-राज्य की विशेषता प्रदर्शित करती हैं। वास्तव में गांधी जी स्वतन्त्रता के पश्चात् जैसा राम-राज्य भारत में लाना चाहते थे, उसकी तुलसी के मानस में विस्तृत व्याख्या है। तुलसी के मानस में जो राम-राज्य वर्णित है, वह मनुष्य की पवित्रता, आध्यात्मिकता और दृढ़ता पर ही आधारित है। गांधी जी का विश्वास था कि यदि इन सभी सद्गुणों का समन्वय मानव में हो जाये तो राम-राज्य अनायास ही आ जायेगा।



राम-राज्य में कोई दुखी नहीं था। कोई भूखा नहीं था और न ही कोई भिखारी था।

अल्प मृत्यु नहीं कबनिहु पीरा।  
सब सुन्दर सब निरुज सरीरा ॥

राम-राज्य की सर्वप्रथम विशेषता थी नीतिपूर्ण आचरण। जब श्री रामचन्द्र जी अयोध्या की गद्दी पर बैठे तब उन्होंने नीतिपूर्ण आचरण करना चाहा और सार्वजनिक सभा में लोगों से स्पष्ट रूप से कहा :—

जो अनिति कछु भाखौं भाई।  
तो मोहि बरजेहु भय बिसराई ॥

राम-राज्य की दूसरी विशेषता है—स्वावलम्बन। रानी सीता भी घर का काम-काज स्वयं करती थी, जैसा कि निम्नलिखित चौपाइयों से सिद्ध होता है :—

जद्यपि गृह सेवक सेवकिनी।  
विपुल सदा सेवा बिधुगुनी ॥  
निज कर गृह परिचरजा करई।  
रामचन्द्र आयसु अनुसरई ॥

रामराज्य की तीसरी विशेषता है—श्रम की महत्ता। राजकुमार भरत ने सुग्रीव को जो वस्त्र पहनाये वह उनके स्वयं बनाये हुए थे :—

सुग्रीवहि प्रथमहि पहिराये।  
वसन भरत निज हाथ बनाये ॥

रामराज्य में जाति-पाति का कोई भेद नहीं था। ब्राह्मण, क्षत्रिय, वैश्य, शूद्र सबको समान अधिकार प्राप्त थे।

राजघाट सब विधि सुन्दर वर।  
मज्जहि जहाँ बरन चारौं नर ॥

राम-राज्य में कभी अकाल नहीं पड़ा। सब सुखपूर्वक जीवन-यापन करते थे।

राम-राज्य का आदर्श हमको तब ज्ञात होता है जब हम देखते हैं कि आज एक-एक इंच भूमि के पीछे भाई भाई को मार डालता है। परन्तु भरत ने राज्य को हाथ नहीं लगाया और नन्दी गांव में तपस्या में लीन रहे। भौतिकता के बीच कमलवत् जीवन व्यतीत करने की उनकी शैली को तुलसीदास जी ने निम्नलिखित शब्दों में व्यक्त किया है :—

तोहि बन बसत भरत बिनु रागा।  
चंचरीक जिमि चम्पक बागा ॥

इधर भरत अयोध्या के सम्पूर्ण कलुषों को साफ कर रामचन्द्र जी के लिए मार्ग तैयार कर रहे थे तो दूसरी ओर राम राक्षसी प्रवृत्तियों को इस पृथ्वी से विनाश कर 'एक भूप रघुपति कोसला' को सार्थक कर रहे थे।

रामचन्द्र जी ने जब लंका पर आक्रमण किया, उससे पूर्व रामेश्वर में शिव जी की मूर्ति की स्थापना और पूजा कर दक्षिणवासियों का हृदय जीत लिया, साथ ही भावात्मक एकता का शिलान्यास भी किया।

ऐसा ही रामराज्य भारत में पुनः लाने का महात्मा गाँधी का चिर-स्वप्न था। वास्तव में यदि हममें मौलिकता, निर्भीकता, शारीरिक पवित्रता और आध्यात्मिकता का समावेश हो जाये, तो भारतवर्ष में राम-राज की पुनः स्थापना अनायास ही हो सकती है।

ऐसा था राम-राज।

—वीरकुमार राहुल चतुर्वेदी





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## Visit

Brigadier J.S. Sidhu, Commander, Dehra Dun Sub Area was on an Annual Inspection visit to the College on 17th inst. Brig. Sidhu arrived at the College at 10 A.M. He was received at the office and taken round the College Campus including Cadets' Mess, Dormitories, QM Stores, Canteen and Hospital. He was then shown round the Education Block where teaching was in progress.

## College News

At a special dinner party arranged by the College on 3rd instant to bid a hearty farewell to Maj. K. Gulab Singh, our outgoing Administrative Officer, the Commandant Col. HKL Johar outlined with appreciation the ceaseless efforts of Maj. K. Gulab Singh in ensuring the welfare of the Cadets at the College. Referring to the tremendous good work done by Maj. K. Gulab Singh, the Commandant declared that though he was a non-Rimcollian A.O., he had won the hearts of Cadets as well as the Staff by his fine disposition and a genuinely humane approach to problems of administration. He wished Maj. K. Gulab Singh the best of luck in life.

## Sportsfolio

### (a) Squash Match: Staff vs Cadets (8th April, 1971)

Results	(1)	Mr. R.C. Sharma beat Cadet A.D. Singh	3-0
	(2)	Maj. H.S. Mangat beat ,, Harminder Singh	3-0
	(3)	Col. H.K.L. Johar beat ,, V.S. Negi	3-2
	(4)	Mr. R.C. Singhal lost to ,, P. Paul	0-3
	(5)	Mr. H. Falcao lost to ,, A.K. Paul	1-4

The Staff team won 3-2.

Well done, staff, keep it up.

### (b) Inter-Section Cricket Competition, 1971

Following are the results.

Section	Juniors	Seniors	Total	Position	Points
1. Shivaji	4	2½	6½	First	8
2. Pratap	2	4	6	Second	6
3. Chandragupta	3	2½	5½	Third	4
4. Ranjit	1	1	2	Fourth	2

Our Congratulations to Shivaji on annexing the Cricket Trophy.

Cadet Captain R.S. Rathee also expressed gratitude to Maj. K. Gulab Singh for the loving care that he took of the cadets and the genial large-heartedness with which he looked after them during his stay. He then presented the memento of the College Crest to Maj. K. Gulab Singh as a token of the Cadets' reverential regards and prayed for Maj. Singh's health and happiness in life.

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Mr. R.C. Chaturvedi has been blessed with a son. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Chaturvedi on this lucky arrival.

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Of the twenty four Cadets who appeared at the Indian School Certificate Examination in Nov. '70, twenty have come out successful. This gives us a pass percentage of 84. Besides 4 in the First Grade most of the other successful Cadets have secured Second Grade.

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Mr. R.C. Singhal has been appointed as Vice Principal of the College. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Singhal on this well-deserved promotion.



**RIMC vs Cambrian Hall**

This was the 1st match to be played by the College 'B' XI. It was held on Sunday.

It was a bright sunny morning. The coin was in our favour and our captain Mohan Singh rightly elected to bat first. Our openers S. Suri and L.S. Tewari were a bit shaky and could not survive for long against some accurate bowling by the visitors. The first to leave the crease was S. Suri when the score was only 2 runs. Next batsman was Skipper Mohan Singh. He along with Tewari batted well. However, any hope of a fine second wicket partnership was shattered with the departure of Mohan Singh who fell a victim to the tricky bowler Ahluwalia. Soon after Tewari also left the scene followed by Rajbongshi who scored 5 runs. The next batsman B.S. Gill showed some good game and scored 10 runs. At the fall of the ninth wicket RIMC had only 66 runs to their credit. But the last wicket partnership between H.S. Pathania and S.S. Hallikeri got the total to 86 runs. At this stage Hallikeri, who was the top scorer with 19 runs to his credit was unluckily run out. There was only half an hour left and one of their batsmen was back in the pavilion. Our bowling was opened by Hallikeri and Pathania. Both bowled well, but they were not much effective. After lunch Atul Verma was brought on. He bowled very well and the visitors lost their wickets in quick succession and could collect only 64 runs. The top scorer for the visitors was Ashoka who scored 17 runs, while Atul Verma was the most successful bowler for the home team who captured 5 wickets.

— A. Chakravarty, IV

**Don't Be Fooled**

To avoid the dunce's cap, you should identify correctly as true or false at least half of the following statements. The answers may seem obvious but watch out! Deciding whether a statement is correct or incorrect is not as simple as it looks

1. The war with Germany ended on V-E Day, 8th May 1945.
2. Cleopatra was a pure-blooded Egyptian princess.
3. Frankenstein was the name of a fictional monster created by a mad doctor.

4. The 21st century will start on 1st January in the year 2000.
5. Wherever you may be, you need only locate the North Star to find your direction.
6. Cream is heavier than milk.
7. In 1927 Charles Lindbergh made the first non-stop flight across the Atlantic Ocean.
8. The liner Lusitania was torpedoed in 1915 on her maiden voyage.
9. Porcupine shoots its quills to fight off enemies.
10. Diamonds will not burn.

(For answers see next page.)

**Student Unrest**

Student unrest has become a world-wide phenomenon. Today students are restless, suffocated and desperate. But why? Why do we have "Teddy Boys" "Cosh gangs" "Pear Leaders" or "Student Netas" who cause so much of damage to themselves and to the society at large?

When we are faced with a mob of young students out to commit arson, looting and violence, we cannot lean back in our chairs and attribute it to society, because no sensible parents, serious teachers and responsible statesmen would ever instigate students to indulge in antisocial and antinational activities, which are a menace to society.

I really doubt if ever any parents and teachers taught their wards to lie, to cheat, to be idle and to play truant. Have they ever taught their wards to kill their precious time in gossip, cine-going, merry making and engaging themselves in activities which are harmful to themselves and to the society. The answer is most obvious. It is a big 'no'. They must have repeatedly told them the old saying, "Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise." But I may tell you in confidence their actual precept and practice. It is "Early to bed and never to rise. The question of health and wealth does not arise." A moment's reflection will convince us that this collective indiscipline and unrest is a part of students' revolt against all forms of authority. Students want complete freedom. They want freedom which is complete and unquestionable. They want to get rid of all sorts of restraints on the "imsy pretext of self-expression. Self-expression is desirable



only if it leads to worthwhile activities and achievements of aim. But their self-expression is nothing else but anarchy and lawlessness.

There should be no doubt that the student unrest is their own making. Immature as they are, they take pride in equating themselves with those who govern the destinies of the nations, great Statesmen or Diplomats. In a bid to cultivate self-governing ability they not only stage a melodrama of Houses of Legislature but even go to the extent of taking the reigns of administration and disrupt everything that is ordered and established.

Today students regard themselves as fully grown ups and responsible persons. If you tell a youth that the age of Brahmcharya is 25 years, he will say "Twenty-five! When the average age of a man was 100 years but now as the average is 40, the age of Brahmcharya is therefore 10 and I am only in my teens."

Many people say that the students are exploited by politicians but if students are easily led away by the unscrupulous politicians for their own ends, then it is their fault and no one else's.

If the students are given to violence and agitation then the future of democracy of our country would be indeed bleak.

—P.K. Chatterjee, IV-A

### Answers

None of the statements is true. They are all false because:

1. The act of surrender of the German forces became effective on V-E Day, 8th May, 1945, but the formal state of war with Germany was officially terminated on 9th July, 1951.
2. Cleopatra was the last of Egypt's Ptolemaic dynasty, which was actually Macedonian.
3. Frankenstein was the name of the medical student who created the monster in Mary Shelley's novel of 1818. The creature he made had no name.
4. The 21st century starts on 1st January in the year 2001. It takes a full 100 years to make a century, so AD 1 to 100 would be the first century, 101 to 200 the second century, and so on.

5. The North Star can guide you only so long as you're in the Northern Hemisphere. It can't be seen in the Southern Hemisphere.
6. Cream is lighter than milk. Why else would it rise to the top of the bottle?
7. Others had flown non-stop across the Atlantic Ocean before Lindbergh. He was the first to fly solo.
8. Lusitania made her first voyage in 1907. She had completed many trips before being torpedoed off the coast of Ireland.
9. The quills of porcupine fall out easily, but only on contact. They can't be shot out.
10. Being carbon, diamonds will burn in temperatures exceeding 1,400 degrees F. This is hotter than most household fires.

—Cadet H.S. Singh, V-A

### Spring

Spring, sweet spring is the year's grand king,  
Then blossoms each flower, maidens dance in a ring;

Cold doth not sting, merry birds do sing—  
'Ku-koo, jug-jug, pe-ewe, too-witta-woo'.

May-pole and May-queen make people gay,  
Lambs frisk and play, shepherds pipe all day;  
And we hear birds tune many a merry lay—  
'Ku-koo, jug-jug, pe-ewe, too-witta-woo'.

Meadows breathe out fragrance, daisies kiss our feet,  
Young lovers then meet, housewives like flowers sweet;  
Everywhere do these tunes give us a treat,  
'Ku-Koo, jug-jug, pe-ewe, too-witta-woo'.

Cadet C. Banerjee, IV

### नैनीताल

काठगोदाम से नैनीताल की दूरी लगभग २२ मील है। हमें वहाँ ट्रक के द्वारा पहुँचना था। मुझे प्रायः पहाड़ी यात्रा में चक्कर आता है। अतः मैंने भूखे पेट ही काठगोदाम से नैनीताल की यात्रा आरम्भ की। लगभग दो बजे हम उस सुरम्य नगरी में पहुँचे।

नैनीताल के विकास की कहानी एतिहासिकता, वास्तविकता और कल्पना का मिश्रण है। कहते हैं कोई एक शताब्दी पहले की बात है कि भारत में शाहजहाँपुर नामक नगर में बैरन नाम का एक यूरोपियन व्यापारी था। घूमता-फिरता हुआ वह वहाँ पहुँचा। वहाँ के प्राकृतिक सौन्दर्य से बड़ा प्रभावित हुआ और उसने समाचार पत्रों में नैनीताल का महत्त्व समझाया। भारत के अंग्रेज शासकों ने तुरन्त बैरन



के सुभावों पर ध्यान दिया और इसे पहाड़ी सैरगाह बना दिया। इस पहाड़ी स्थान का नाम नैनादेवों के नाम के आघार पर नैनीताल पड़ा।

नैनीताल पहुँचने पर हमें यह बात स्पष्ट हो गई कि नैनीताल भोलों का नगर है। यह पहाड़ी स्थान लगभग ६,३५० फीट ऊँचा है और इसका मुख्य आकर्षण यहाँ की भील है। यह भील चारों ओर वृक्षों से भरे पहाड़ों से घिरी हुई है। इस ताल की लम्बाई लगभग १ मील की है और चौड़ाई ५०० गज है। इसकी अधिकतम गहराई ६५ फीट है। इसमें तैरती हुई पालदार नावें बहुत ही सुन्दर लगती हैं। हमने इन नावों में बैठकर जल-विहार करने का निश्चय किया। संध्या का समय था, शीतल मन्द वायु बह रही थी। हम नाव में बैठे हुए ताल की सुन्दरता को बहुत ही मग्न होकर देख रहे थे कि तभी नैनादेवों के मन्दिर में संध्याकालीन बन्दे बजने लगे। उनकी मधुर ध्वनि संध्या के शास्त्र वातावरण में गुंज उठी। नाव को किनारे लगाकर, किनारे पर स्थित नैनादेवों के मन्दिर में जाकर हमने भी देवों के दर्शन किये।

इसके बाद हमने भील के चारों ओर घुड़सवारी का आनन्द उठाया। इस समय नैनीताल के यात्रियों के समूह भील के चारों ओर एकत्र हो गये थे। एक अनोखी आनन्द भरी चहल-पहल चारों ओर थी। भील के चारों ओर सड़क है। ताल के पूर्व की ओर तल्लीताल और पश्चिम की ओर मल्लीताल में सुन्दर बाजार, बोट हाउस क्लब, पोस्ट ऑफिस और अन्य बड़े-बड़े होटल और भवन हैं। नैना मन्दिर के पीछे चौरस मैदान है जहाँ खेल खेले जाते हैं। रात को हमने हनुमान गढ़ के निकट एशिया की सबसे बड़ी दूरबीनों में से एक के माध्यम से चन्द्र-दर्शन किया।

नैनीताल की प्राकृतिक शोभा निराली है। पहाड़ों के ढाल, ओक, बाँस, चीड़ व देवदार आदि के सघन वृक्ष सौन्दर्य और शोभा के प्रतीक हैं। यहाँ की जलवायु अत्यन्त स्वास्थ्यप्रद है। जंगल में एकान्त स्थान में बैठकर प्रकृति के अनुपम सौन्दर्य में मग्न होकर और मैंने इस अद्भुत दृश्य-दर्शन के लिए परमात्मा का कोटि-कोटि धन्यवाद किया।

नैनीताल के अन्य आकर्षणों में सात पहाड़ियाँ बड़ी महत्वपूर्ण हैं। चीना पहाड़ी, अत्मा पहाड़ी, शेर का डाँडा, लड़िया काँटा, आयार पट्टा, हाड़ी-बादी और देवपट्टा। इन सब में से चीना पीक सबसे ऊँची चोटी है। यहाँ पर एक दूरबीन लगी है जिसमें से हमें सुन्दर पहाड़ियों का जो कि बारह माह बर्फ से ढकी रहती है, सुन्दर दृश्य दिखाई पड़ता है।

नैनीताल के आसपास के स्थान भी बहुत दर्शनीय हैं। इनमें एक छोटे से द्वीप वाला भीमताल बहुत प्रसिद्ध है। इस ताल के बारे में कहते हैं कि प्राचीन काल में एक बार पाण्डव इस ताल के किनारे धूमते-फिरते आ पहुँचे। जब पाण्डव वनवास में थे तब द्रौपदी को प्यास लगी। पानी की तलाश में वह इस भील के किनारे पहुँचे। उस भील के किनारे एक यक्ष रहता था, उसकी शर्त थी कि कोई मनुष्य उसके प्रश्न का उत्तर दिए बिना भील का पानी नहीं छू सकता। चारों पाण्डव इसके प्रश्नों का उत्तर देने में असफल रहे और उन्होंने पानी को छुआ और वे मूर्ति के समान बन गये। फिर धर्मराज वहाँ आये, उन्होंने नम्रता से यक्ष के प्रश्नों के उत्तर दिये और उन्होंने अपने भाइयों को जिन्दा किया। इस प्रकार उन्होंने द्रौपदी और सबकी प्यास मिटायी। यह ताल १ मील की दूरी पर है। इस ताल में एक छोटा सा द्वीप है। यह द्वीप इस ताल की सुन्दरता में चार चाँद लगा देता है। इसी के किनारे प्रसिद्ध शिकारी जिम कार्वेंट का बंगला बना हुआ है।

नैनीताल का मौसम बड़ा विचित्र है। धूप-छाँह यहाँ अखि मिचीनी खेलते रहते हैं। अभी आकाश स्वच्छ और निर्मल है, थोड़ी ही देर में बादल घिर कर बरसने लगते हैं और थोड़ी देर बाद फिर स्वच्छ वातावरण। किन्तु साधारणतः यहाँ वर्षा का मौसम १५ जून के आसपास आरम्भ होता है। चार दिन की सैर के बाद जब हम फिर स्कूल पहुँचे तो ऐसा लगा जैसे हम स्वर्ग से धरती पर उतर आये हों।

—बी०एस० गिल तथा एस० इमाम





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## Visit

Brigadier R.L. Mullick, Director of Army Education, paid an official visit to the college on Thursday, 22nd April. Shortly after his arrival at the college he was taken to the Staff Room where members of the Staff were introduced to him over a cup of coffee during the break. Later, he went round the entire Education Block while teaching was in progress and took lunch with the Cadets and Members of the Staff.

We are grateful to Brig. Mullick for his visit.

## Shri Kashiraj Akhil Bhartiya Vagvibhuti Pratiyogita 1971 (All India Hindi Declamation Contest)

In the ninth All India Hindi Declamation Contest which was organized on

Wednesday, 21st April under the aegis of the College Sahitya Samiti, the following eight Public Schools, besides our College took part. The names of the participating students appear below:

We express our sincere gratitude to Shri Narendra Singh, Principal, Col. Brown's Cambridge School for his kindly presiding over the function and to Dr. M.B. Srivastava, Principal, D.B.S. Post Graduate College, Shri R.P. Shukla, Officer Incharge, Hindi Instruction Scheme, and Shri G.S. Trivedi, Lecturer, D A.V. College for their finding time to act as judges of the Competition and encouraging speakers by their mature evaluation.

S. No.	Speaker's name	School
1	Krishna Nandan Singh	Doon School, Dehra Dun
2	Om Vir Choudhary	" " "
3	Pavan Kapoor	Oak Grove School, Mussoorie
4	Vikas Rishi	" " " "
5	Ashwani Kumar	Sainik School, Kapurthala
6	Sunil Kumar	" " "
7	Dinesh Sharma	St. Joseph's Academy, Dehra Dun
8	Ashok Basu	" " " "
9	Km. Vani Guha	Cambrian Hall, Dehra Dun
10	Gautam Brahma	" " " "
11	Cadet S.N. Shahi	R. I. M. C.
12	" A.K. Saksena	"

## Results

### Individual Positions :

1	Krishna Nandan Singh, Doon School	85 points	First
2	Om Vir Chaudhary, Doon School	77 "	Second
3	Cadet S.N. Shahi, R. I. M. C.	76 "	Third

### Team Positions :

1	Doon School	162 points	First
2	Oak Grove School, Mussoorie	149 "	Second
3	R. I. M. C.	148 "	Third
4	Sainik School, Kapurthala	137 "	Fourth



Our warm congratulations to Doon School on their annexing the coveted Maharaja Kashi All India Hindi Declamation Contest Ivory Shield for the year 1971. The trophy was given away by Shri Narendra Singh, Principal, Col. Brown School.

In his presidential speech Principal Narendra Singh expressed deep satisfaction over the sustained loftiness of standard of Hindi speeches. He declared that the participating students had exceeded his expectations by their creditable performance. He, however, advised the young speakers to write their own speeches and then put them across to the audience. This, he held, would make their performance all the more effective.

The function was a success and the credit for this goes to Mr. G S. Bisht, Head of the Hindi Dept. In the end we express our grateful thanks to the Heads of Institutions for their valued co-operation and the teachers who prepared the boys to participate in the Contest.

## Sportsfolio

### Results : College Matches

#### (a) Hockey

- (1) 13-4-71—RIMC vs Doon School (Away) Won (2-1)
- (2) 14-4-71—RIMC Staff XI vs Doon School Staff XI (Home) Lost (3-2)
- (3) 27-4-71—RIMC vs Doon School (Home) Won (2-0)

#### (b) Basket Ball

- (1) 13-4-71—RIMC vs Cambrian Hall (Away) Lost 16-46 pts.
- (2) 14-4-71—RIMC Vs Doon School (Away) Won 36-18 pts
- (3) 26-4-71—RIMC vs Doon School (Home) Won 31-26 Pts.

### Hockey: RIMC Staff vs Cambrian Hall Staff (won-2-1)

The match was held on the Cambrian Hall grounds. It was a mixed up match as two Cadets also played for the RIMC Staff.

The game was quite fast and the Cambrian Hall Staff were rather shaky in comparison with our Staff. Mr. Falcao scored a goal in the first half.

Before the break a goal was scored by them which brought the score to 1-1.

After the break the game was steady as both the teams put up a good fight and tried their best to score. As there was very less time left it was thought that the match would be a draw. But in order to avoid this situation Mr. Falcao scored another goal. Now the score board read 2-1. For the rest of the time our Staff did not let anyone score. So the match ended all the way home.

### RIMC vs Doon School won (2-1)

It was a fine day when the hockey match was held in the Doon School. The rival team was cheered up a lot whereas the cadets were not because the College had not gone to witness the match. But this did not bring down the spirits of the Cadets. It was a good clash and both the teams kept up a good fight until Rathee scored a goal. The score remained stationary till the break.

The Doscocs were given some word of advice during the short period. As the game took its course again the Doscocs tried their level best to score but could not. Soon another goal was scored by Rathee which brought the score to 2-0. The cadets were sure of victory as there was only little time left.

The effort of the Doscocs was rewarded when they scored a goal against the RIMC.

The score board read 2-1 and remained the same till the end.

### Cadets vs Staff (Hockey)

Once again the Cadets played against the Staff a hockey match that resulted in a 3-3 draw. The Staff had not even gained hold over themselves when Rathee scored a goal. Now the Staff members were bent upon scoring. Mr. Falcao got an opportunity soon and hit the ball towards the goal post that unfortunately connected S.M. Singh's stick and scraped into the goal. By luck the Staff got a corner shot and this time Mr. Sharma scored whose offside play went unjudged. The hopes of the Staff rose sky-high when Mr. Falcao dribbled the goalkeeper and pushed the ball into the goal. The score-board read 3-1 till the break.

After the breather the Staff kept a good defence. The Cadets were now hard upon scoring. Now due to Mr. Pandey's good decision all offside



were given. The attempt to score was made many a time but in vain. Now scarcely were five minutes left and the hopes of the Cadets had gone down when Cadet G.K. Singh scored a goal. The score was 3-2. The referee looked at his watch eager to finish the match. Soon Rathee scored another marvellous goal and the score board read 3-3. The match ended in a draw.

Cadet G.P. Singh, IV-A

### R.I.M.C. vs Doon School (Hockey)

In the return fixture between our College and the Dosco, which was played on our ground, we registered an outright win over our formidable visitors by a margin of two goals. In the previous match, too, which they had hosted at their home-ground, we had clinched the issue by an odd goal out of three.

The R.I.M.C. players seemed to be subdued and lethargic in the beginning but as the game picked up momentum, they displayed their uncanny stick-work and technique. The Doon School boys cut deep lanes into the R.I.M.C. defence and even had some goalward shots. This clinch in the R.I.M.C. armoury worried us quite a lot but the hearty cheering from the sidelines inspired the youthful lot. Rathee, who was instrumental in both our wins, broke away all of a sudden and after completely disarranging the Doon School defence, glided the ball past a bewildered custodian to put R.I.M.C. ahead (1-0). Down by a goal, the Doscos kept up their spirits and even came very near to scoring when a rising shot from the prohibited zone went inches wide off the mark. Gautam, our custodian, brought off a smart save, a couple of minutes later. The whistle for the recess was blown at this stage.

After the breather, a see-saw battle followed but poor marksmanship on either side kept the score constant. As in most of the cases, the players had tired themselves out and were content in playing the day out but the silver lining in this immobile lot was Rathee, who tattered the Dosco's deep defence, time and again only to be foiled at the ultimate moment. The Dosco 'keeper performed well and was largely responsible for cutting down the fiesta of goals. Y.A. and G.K. were the other two who could worry the visitors. The Dosco flankmen, on the other hand, provided the marksmen with defence splitting passes which were not capitalised upon. Once again, Rathee, proved his mettle

as the 'Hockey Maestro' of our College by beating the goalkeeper of a rebound (2-0). This goal, somewhat, sealed the fate of Doon School and they could hardly offer any resistance. Rathee could have scored a hat-trick but erratic hitting and partially, luck, deprived him of the well-deserved honour.

Congratulations to the R.I.M.C. lads on their sterling performance.

Cadet A.K. Bose, V

### In the Ring

I had slept peacefully the whole night. When I woke up the first thing my eyes fell on was the pair of my boxing gloves. Then suddenly I was reminded of the boxing bout that was to be held that day and it made me nervous. It was already 8 A.M. Quickly I took a wash and put on my dress, and sat down to breakfast. My heart was beating fast because it was the first time I was going to box. I felt the knives and forks weightless. After having every piece of egg I felt as if my stomach was full. But on getting up I felt it empty. Quickly I collected my gloves and ran to the bus stop. The gloves seemed to fall out of my hands and my hands were shivering when I paid for the ticket. Everyone in the bus was staring at me and it made me more nervous.

The place was already crowded when I reached the ring. I felt everyone saying..... "Oh! look at him. Hell of a boxer he is. He considers himself to be Joe Louis." And automatically my head went down. "Hay Jack", I heard a voice behind me, "I've been waiting for you" It was Tom, my 'second'. Seeing him my heart lit up with joy. He spoke something comforting. On our way to the Dressing Room I heard people talking about John, my opponent, but I never heard anyone mention my name. My heart sank low. Then the announcement for us to come to the ring could be heard loud and clear. My heart-beat which was normal, suddenly started increasing. I entered the ring. My palms were sweating inside the gloves and I felt like crushing the belt. Lo! it came.

"SECONDS OUT"

I did not know what was happening to me. I didn't feel like looking at my opponent. All the noise outside had died away.

"BANG!" rang the bell and my heart missed a beat. I advanced towards



my opponent with trembling feet. It seemed to me that we two were the only people alive in the world.

"BHUM" something felt my nose. Some life came to me. But before I could give him one he threw one at my jaw and followed with another at my chest and face.

"STOP" The referee said, when I was lying on the floor.

One....., Two....., Three..... and I was again on my feet.

"BOX ON"

I threw a quick punch at his face but his face wasn't there. I tried to get him on his chest. I received a few continuous blows which seemed to drain away all my strength. Then suddenly I felt some pain in my abdomen. I knew I was falling. But before I fell I swung out a right hook. I had put all my power behind that punch. Then I was seeing stars.

When I came round I heard Tom shouting, "Jack, you've won it and you've broken his jaw too."

Luckily John had fallen before me.

When I returned home I felt everyone was appreciating me in the bus and I felt like travelling a long way with admiring eyes around me.

Cadet T.K. Jacob, V.

### दिन-चर्या

सवेरे मैं नहीं जगता हूँ  
भय जगता है  
मैं नहीं उठता हूँ  
पनिश्चेष्ट उठता है।  
घण्टी की आवाज पर  
(पंखलाव के कुत्ते की तरह)  
चुस्कियाँ लेता हूँ  
गुनगुनी चाय की  
और महसूस करता हूँ  
कि जल रही है जवान

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पी०टी० की गर्मी ही

सचची गर्मी है

अच्छी लगती है।

चाहे हो नूगोल

या अण्डे गोल

वाकी के पीरियड

होते हैं गुन के

निकल जाते हैं

कुछ कह के

कूछ सुन के।

सातवें पीरियड में होता है हिसाब

जिसमें सो जाते हैं खोल के किताब।

फिर खाना —

भोजन और मार

लगातार

डिटेनशन और चाय

हाबी की पीठ पर

ईंटों का भार

एक, दो, तीन चार।

रोल काल और प्रेस के बीच

'ग्रोम जय' का जाप

खाने के बाद

अपने आप

आती हैं नींद

सोचते सोचते

अनाप-शनाप

वीरकुमार, एच०एस० मंगत, IV

### दो मुक्तक

तारा टूटा सबने देखा  
पर न किसी ने ध्यान दिया,  
किसकी आँख से टपका आँसू  
किसका सहारा टूट गया।

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कोशिश तो बहुत की लेकिन  
हम तुमको भुला न पाए  
अब तो जो साँस भी आए है,  
लेते हुए तेरा नाम आए है।





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## Visit

Maj Gen I.S. Gill, PVSM, M.C., Director of Military Training, Army Headquarters, New Delhi paid an official visit to the College on Friday, 14 May.

Soon after he was accorded a reception at the Commandant's office. Gen. Gill discussed academic and administrative matters with the Commandant and then went round the main portions of the College campus including Cadets' Dormitories and Education Block. At the Education Block he was shown round the classes, various Hobby Clubs and Science Laboratories and was taken to the Staff Room where members of the Staff were introduced to him over a cup of coffee.

Later, Gen. Gill took lunch with the members of the Staff and Cadets at the Mess and on the Commandant's request delivered a crisp, candid after-lunch speech in which he reminded the cadets of their tremendous responsibility in keeping up the high reputation of the College by showing better results and maintaining high standards of performance in all spheres of activity which render them fit for the Armed Forces.

We are grateful to Maj Gen. Gill for his visit.

## Sportsfolio

### Hockey Match—RIMC Staff vs Doon School Staff

The most interesting hockey match that took place in this game-flooded term was between our teachers and those of the Doon School on our ground. Cheerfully we played and cheerfully we lost to them by 3-2.

The game was very fast. The masters, old and young, of both the schools displayed their superb stick-work, passes, dribbling and smiling confidence. It was a very fast affair. 'Nobody is going to win or lose' we thought. And lo! There was a goal. No sooner had 15

minutes passed than the Commandant amidst loud cheers and applause pushed the ball into the net. The score board read 1-0 now. The game was faster now, every player doing his best. The DOSCOS made raids after raids on the RIMC goal-post; they wanted to return the goal, which they did. It was 1-1 now.

Then came that movie-like moment that kept both the players and the spectators breathless. Mr. Rajput got the ball a little ahead of his own 'D' life. A formidable DOSCO had he to dodge. Mr. Rajput dribbled, hit the ball to his stick, stepped back, dribbled again side to side but to no avail. We all waited to see what Mr. Rajput did. He was helpless and caught alone. However, Major Mangat ran from behind the centre-line to his rescue and got it clear. It was all so funny and interesting!

But then besides our best efforts the DOSCOS scored another goal. The score board read 2-1 and remained the same till the half-time.

Soon after it had started, another goal was scored by the Doon School that pushed the score 3-1.

Commandants' XI thought it was high time they pulled up their socks.

Once again an effort was made and with the help of all Mr. Falcao scored a really excellent goal. The score was 3-2. And it could not be improved till the end.

### Return Match: RIMC Staff vs Doon School Staff

The return fixture was played at the Doon School. Col. Simmion, Headmaster of the Doon School was one of the referees. As usual every Staff player tried his best but could not score till the end. RIMC backs Mr. R.C., Mr. Rajput, Hav. Banwari Lal, and Chanchal Singh made such an impenetrable castle



as to discourage the fastest DOSCO scorer. Our goal keeper, Dr. Chakravorty, performed feats that day averting two sure goal hits from the opponents. The match was a draw with 0-0.

—G.P. Singh, IV-A

Best Players—S.K. Sharma, P. Deb and R. Abraham gave a promising display and are the new finds of the tournament.

The Commandant gave the Championship Cup to the Pratap Section at a ceremonial tea party before a gathering of Section T.T. players and teachers.

*We are immensely grateful to Maj Gen. Bhagwati Singh, for his highly instructive article on Civil Defence published below. —Ed.*

**Civil Defence is Everybody's Responsibility**



Maj Gen Bhagwati Singh

Civil Defence is, in reality, nothing but self protection both for an individual and for any other organised unit. It is, therefore, imperative that we all, whether individuals or organisations, official or non-official, private or public, should learn the methods of self protections, rescue, fire-fighting, first aid etc. with a view to achieving the objects of Civil Defence, which are, in times of emergency both in peace and war, to:—

- (a) minimize loss of life and property;
- (b) ensure normal life and or production in our town/city goes on unhindered,
- (c) maintain morale; and
- (d) assist the Civil Administration in maintaining law and order.

2. That being so, it is manifestly clear that Civil Defence is the business of every one of us whether he be a citizen, volunteer, official or non-official or whether it be an organisation, institution or department, private or public, and not merely the business of just one official agency namely, the Civil Defence Directorate.

3. In other words the Civil Defence of a town, city or country may well be compared to a WHEEL which will perform its function successfully only when its SPOKES which support it, are individually strong and play their role well, otherwise the whole WHEEL is likely to crumble. On this analogy the whole WHEEL represents the Civil Defence of any city or country and the SPOKES represent all the various agencies, such as citizens, volunteers—official or non-official, organisations, institutions, departments—private or public which all combined form the Civil Defence.

4. Similarly therefore, if all the various agencies—official or new official which together form the Civil Defence of a city or country, do not play their respective part correctly, the Civil Defence of a country or a city will also crumble in the same manner as the WHEEL without its effective spokes.

5. The Civil Defence being the Third Line of Defence of our country can we afford to let this happen? The answer is an emphatic No.

6. Therefore, naturally we have to, all together play our part in this big task before us, so as to make the Civil Defence of any Metropolitan City or country a big success. Do not forget, the Civil Defence of a city is to a large degree, an extension of DISASTER PLANS already drawn by the various agencies/departments in peace time and therefore, there should be no difficulty whatsoever in these DISASTER PLANS merging effectively with the Civil Defence Plans.

7. The Civil Defence Directorate and the Home Guards Organisation with their meagre paid establishment have to train the Volunteer Warden Service of Civil Defence and the Commanders of Home Guards at various levels at the same time render every assistance to all private or public departments, organisations, institutions and business houses to help train their Civil Defence workers and formulate their own Civil Defence Schemes. The volunteer Warden Service of Civil Defence and the Commanders of Home Guards after acquiring necessary training have in turn to spread the message of Civil Defence to every citizen



and home in their respective mohallas and streets so as to ensure that everyone of us becomes trained to play our part as a strong SPOKE in our Civil Defence WHEEL.

8. The drive which we have launched since 1967 for spreading the message of Civil Defence has certainly made a good progress in as much as we have been able to raise the consciousness of the masses towards Civil Defence. This, to my mind, is quite a big achievement and therefore, we must cash on it and make further improvements to strengthen the Civil Defence Organisation.

9. There is nothing alarming if a few Blackout Exercises, held by us were not as successful as we desired. The heartening thing was that the consciousness was there and the drill of the Blackout Exercise was made known by and large to the majority of the people. Only the execution was not perfect.

10. As long as real danger is not there in peace time this sort of apathy will to a certain extent always remain, as in the case of a Jawan in the Army, who although from his recruit hood days is taught to make good use of ground and cover to protect himself from enemy fire and at the same time be able to make use of his own weapon effectively against his opponent, yet many of the Jawans do not practise the teaching in various Army exercises, and manoeuvres. In actual war, however, at the sound of the first Live Bullet no Jawan or Unit is seen without a suitable cover. The correct training and drill having been imparted to the Jawan during peace time, however, makes him very conscious of the advantages of good cover against enemy live fire and therefore, he is able to act quickly and correctly in the face of danger without any difficulty. Similarly, I have no doubt that every one of us too will act in the right manner, having learnt our Civil Defence roles in peace time whenever any emergency comes.

### Conclusion

11. To that extent we should not be worried. *Our problem, however, is to ensure that the Civil Defence training reaches all concerned and do not forget we are all equally concerned whether we are a citizen, volunteer, official or non-official or any private or public organisation, institution or Department.*

12. Everyone of us therefore, should put our shoulder to the WHEEL of CIVIL DEFENCE and keep it moving in the right direction as we all together compose this WHEEL and therefore, it is the responsibility of all of us to see that the Civil Defence in our city or country is never found wanting.

13. It is hoped, therefore, that the co-operation and support of all concerned will be forthcoming in helping us to spread the message of Civil Defence to every one.

Maj Gen K Bhagwati Singh,  
Director Civil Defence and  
Commandant General Home Guards,  
Delhi.

### सिद्धार्थ की साधना

विश्व-वेदना निखिल सिमित बज उठी करुण अन्तर में,  
देव ! हुंकरित हुआ कठिन युग-धर्म तुम्हारे स्वर में।  
कांटों पर कलियाँ, गैरिक पर किया मुकुट का त्याग,  
किस सुलग्न में जगा प्रभो ! यौवन का तीव्र विराग ॥  
—'दिनकर'

सेनानी ग्राम के निकट बौद्ध-वृक्ष के नीचे सिद्धार्थ को उस परमानन्द की प्राप्ति हुई जिसे पाकर वे जन्म-जन्मान्तर के कष्टों से दूर हो गये। अब वे सिद्धार्थ तर्ही बुद्ध थे—  
गौतम बुद्ध !

गौतम ने सम्पूर्ण संसार को आनन्द प्राप्ति का सच्चा मार्ग दिखाने का निश्चय किया। उन्होंने बौद्ध-धर्म का प्रचार प्रारम्भ किया। भगवान बुद्ध ने अपने उपदेशों में शरीर को सुखा देने वाली तपस्या और भोग विलासी जीवन दोनों की विन्दा की। बुरे कामों को त्यागने और अच्छे कामों को अपनाने पर बल दिया। हिंसा, छल-कपट और अनावश्यक चतुराई की उन्होंने निन्दा की। अहिंसा, निष्कपटता, पवित्रता, सादगी और संयम की प्रशंसा की। प्राणी मात्र की सेवा और उनसे प्रेम करने पर बल दिया। अपने धर्म की मनुष्य को रक्षा करनी चाहिए। यही बुद्ध का कहना था। बुद्ध धर्म का प्रचार दिन प्रतिदिन व्यापक होने लगा। भगवान बुद्ध के शिष्य बौद्ध धर्म के प्रचार में संलग्न हुए और अनेकानेक भिक्षुओं ने अहिंसा व्रत धारण कर सभी दिशाओं में प्रस्थान किया।

सारता ही संसार का धर्म है। इसके नष्ट होने से संसार शाश्वत हो जाएगा। इसीलिए धर्म का रक्षा की जाए,



अधर्मो मनुष्य को वास्तविक आनन्द कभी प्राप्त नहीं हो सकता। धन सम्पत्ति के मोह में कभी शान्ति नहीं मिलती। यदि शान्ति और आनन्द की प्राप्ति करनी है तो धन और सम्पत्ति के मोह का परित्याग करना होगा। मनुष्य को सर्वदा ध्यान रखना चाहिए कि धन कहीं मनुष्य को अपना दास न बना ले। यही गौतम बुद्ध के साधन थे और इन्हीं की प्राप्ति के लिए ही उनकी साधना थी।

गौतम बुद्ध किसी लौकिक समाज के स्वामी न बनकर पारलौकिक समाज के स्वामी बने। उनका आदर उनकी तलवार की शक्ति पर आधारित न होकर उनकी मानव मात्र की सेवा के आधार पर थी। बुद्ध अपना सर्वस्व त्याग कर भिक्षु बने। वे विश्व को अहिंसा का पाठ पढ़ाने के लिए अग्रसर हुए।

भगवान बुद्ध अपने धर्म का प्रचार करते करते अस्सी वर्ष की आयु को प्राप्त हुए। जब उनका समय निकट आया तो एक शिष्य ने पूछा, "भगवन् ब्राह्मण कौन है?"

"विवेकी, परोपकारी और इच्छाओं को वश में रखने वाला व्यक्ति ब्राह्मण है, वही पूजनीय है।"

दूसरे ने पूछा, "भगवन् मृत्यु पर विजय पाने का कोई उपाय है?"

"संसार में जिसने जन्म लिया है उसे मृत्यु को अवश्य प्राप्त होना होगा।" यह कहते कहते बुद्ध ने महानिवाण प्राप्त किया।

एस०के० जुनेजा

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### Inter Section T.T. Competition 1971

	P	C	S	R	Pts	Place	Championship points
P	—	3—2	2—3	4—1	4	I	4
C	2—3	—	3—2	3—2	4	II	3
S	3—2	2—3	—	2—3	2	III	2
R	1—4	2—3	3—2	—	2	IV	1

### Results—Inter Section Hockey Competition, 1971

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Match Pts.	Position	League Pts.
<i>Seniors</i>									
(1) Shivaji	3	1	x	2	3	1	4	1st	4
(2) Ranjit	3	1	1	1	1	2	3	3rd	2
(3) Pratap	3	1	1	1	1	1	3	2nd	3
(4) C'Gupta	3	x	1	2	1	2	2	4th	1
<i>Juniors</i>									
(1) Shivaji	3	3	x	x	8	1	6	1st	4
(2) Ranjit	0	1	1	1	3	5	3	2nd	3
(3) Pratap	3	x	2	1	1	5	1	4th	1
(4) C'Gupta	3	x	1	2	2	2	2	3rd	2

### Total Pts and Final Position & Championship Pts.

(1) Shivaji	8	1st	8
(2) Ranjit	5	2nd	6
(3) Pratap	4	3rd	4
(4) C'Gupta	3	4th	2

Our warm congratulations to Shivaji on annexing the Hockey Championship Trophy.

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We welcome our Cadets back to the College after the Summer Vacation and hope they will dedicate themselves to work and play with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

## VISITS

Shri K. Krishnamurthi, Joint Secretary (G), Ministry of Defence, visited the College on Friday the 6th instant. He was received by the Commandant and taken to the Education Block where members of the Teaching Staff were introduced to him. He said, "Teachers' services are praiseworthy at the College because they are the Makers of the Future Army." He added, "It is for the elders to set examples to be imitated by others." Comparing the Present Teaching Standard and the Students' discipline and behaviour with that of 30 years ago he felt 'much has been lost in these years for little gains.'

Later he went round the Education Block and was shown the various hobby clubs and Science Laboratories.

Shri Krishnamurthy had lunch with the Cadets the following day.

## RIMCOLLIANA

Our warm congratulations to the following Old Boys:

- (a) Air Commodore C.D.A. Subia VrC on his promotion to the rank of Air Vice-Marshal.
- (b) Major D. Banerjee for standing second in Staff College, at the Defence Services Competitive Examination, in July 1971.
- (c) Ex-Cadet P.P. Hingorani for having passed his B.E. (Mechanical) from Bangalore University. He will soon proceed to Germany for higher studies.
- (d) Ex-Cadet Neeraj Kumar on his qualifying in the National Science Talent Search Examination 1971, conducted by the NCERT.

- (e) Ex-Cadet B.K. Sinha who was one of the members of the NDA Expedition team that has succeeded in scaling the 23,410 ft. high Nun Peak.

Major R.R. Hiremath served as an instructor at the Pre-Staff College Course held at the RIMC in June/July '71. The ex-Cadets Major O.S. Saxena, Major V.K. Singh and Major V.N. Wadhwa attended the same.

## COLLEGE NEWS

Mr. R.K. Jain, Master in Physics, has left the College after a period of one and a half years of service to join the Cambridge School at Delhi. We miss very much a lively person that he was. Our best wishes are with Mr. and Mrs. Jain.

Mr. G.S. Pandey attended his second semester of the Correspondence course in B.Ed. this summer, held at the Regional College of Education, Ajmer.

Mr. L.N. Thakur attended the Summer Institute in Mathematics for teachers of Sainik Schools held at the N.D.A Kharakvasla, Poona.

We welcome Mr. R.N. Nautial, Master in Physics, and Mr. Viridi T. Singh, Master in Geography, to our academic family and wish them a happy stay at the College.

The Commandant has been pleased to appoint Cadet Section Commander B.N. Misra of Ranjit Section as the Acting Cadet Captain of the College with effect from 5th August '71. We hope to see an ideal Cadet Captain in B.N. Misra.



The following Cadets have been appointed Section Commanders/NCOs of the four Sections at the College:

Appointments	Shivaji	Ranjit	Pratap	Chandragupta
Cadet Section Commander	A K. Mahto	B.N. Misra	Dhirendra Singh	A.K. Bose
Cadet NCO	Gurvinder Singh	S. Varughese	H. Tagang	M S. Chhikara
	V.Y. Gidh	G.S. Gokavi	A.K. Paul	R.K. Awasthi
	V.V. Singh	Ashok Rawat	P.K. Chatterjee	S.S. Hallikeri
	R.K. Paul	Mohan Singh	A. Satyanarayan	L S. Tiwari
	G K. Singh	Y.N. Singh	N.J. Singh	T.K. Jacob P. Deb

We congratulate the Cadets, noted above on their holding important Section ranks. We expect them to show love and kindness towards their Juniors, and help maintain the standard of discipline and moral behaviour of the Cadets in the dorms and outside. They should leave examples after them which their Juniors would remember and practise. They should make traditions, and take pride in commanding the Sections of the RIMC—Sections that in past were commanded by Cadets who have proved themselves to be the gems of the Indian Army.

#### Result of RIMC Diploma Higher Secondary Exam. May '71

Following is the result of the first RIMC Diploma Higher Secondary Examination April/May 71:—

1. A.D. Singh II Div.
2. Harminder Singh II „
3. H.S. Singh I „ 'D' in Maths & History
- 4 J.G. Singh I „ 'D' in Maths
5. K.S. Rajguru I „ 'D' in Maths
6. Manu Bhalla II „
7. N.M. Shankar II „
8. P. Paul II „
9. P.P. Singh II „
10. R.D. Sinha II „
11. R S Bhandari II „ 'D' in Maths
12. R.S Rathee I „ 'D' in Maths
13. R.U. Patil - Compartment in Chemistry
14. S N. Shahi II „ 'D' in Maths

15. Sunil Suri II Div.
16. S.S. Jog I „
17. V.P. Ahluwalia II „
18. V.S. Negi II „
19. Y.S. Rawat II „ 'D' in Maths

### Sportsfolio

#### Football Match

#### Cadets XI vs Commandants' XI

On the damp evening of 5th August the first football match of the term played on the College ground was between the Staff and the Cadets. It started with a bang. Soon the Cadets' seemed to have an upper hand; the staff in spite of having some good players were no match to the Cadets. Within 15 minutes the Cadets scored a goal. We danced with joy.

The game now gathered momentum. The Staff team made repeated attacks and was breathless. It was difficult for them to break through the Cadets' defence. Cadets scored another goal a little before the half time.

Later in the second half the masters tried hard. They carried the ball near the goal-post many times but for one reason or the other all their attempts were messed up. The Cadets once again invaded the goal-post with decided efforts. There was a melee near the masters' goal area. And although the Staff goal-keeper, Dr. S.K. Chakravarti, did his best to defend the goal-post yet the cadets scored one more. The Staff-team was defeated by 3-0.

Cadet G. Girish Kumar, II-A.



## NEW CADETS ADMITTED—SECOND TERM 1971

Sl. No.	Name of Cadet	State	Previous School in which studied	Section allotted
1	Muthiah Paramasivan	Andhra Pradesh	Kendriya Vidhalaya Picket, Secunderabad	Pratap
2	Narendra Kumar Jha	Bihar	Taught at home	C. Gupta
3	Mithilesh Kumar	Bihar	PLS High School, Sohsarai	Shivaji
4	Rajesh Kumar	Bihar	SS Higher Secondary School, Latihar (Bihar)	Shivaji
5	Mandip Singh	Haryana	St. Joseph Academy, Dehra Dun	Pratap
6	Akshay Kumar	Haryana	Govt. Model High School, Chandigarh	Ranjit
7	Sanjay Kumar Ahuja	Haryana	Senior Model School, Hissar	C. Gupta
8	S. Ramchandra Swarup	Mysore	Kendriya Vidyalaya, Manauri (Allahabad)	Ranjit
9	Sidhartha Mohanty	Orissa	Tensa H E. School, Puri (Orissa)	Shivaji
10	Sudhir Patra	Orissa	Sainik School, Bhubaneswar	Ranjit
11	Gurpal Singh	Punjab	St John's School, Chandigarh	C. Gupta
12	Inderjeet Singh Khalon	Punjab	St Joseph Convent School, Jullundur	Pratap
13	Ashish Ranjan	Punjab	Kendriya Vidhalaya, Ferozepur	Ranjit
14	Bhupendra Kumar Yadav	U.P.	Colvin Talugdar College, Lucknow	Pratap
15	Shammi Sabharwal	U.P.	St. Mary's Academy, Saharanpur	Ranjit
16	Abir Banerjee	West Bengal	La' Martiniere School, Calcutta	C. Gupta
17	Tarun Kanti Roy	West Bengal	Belala H.E. School, 24 Pargana	Ranjit
18	Pravin Singh Walia	Centrally Administered Area	Govt. Boys H.S. School, Port Blair	Pratap



## “कार्बन आयु निर्धारण प्रणाली”

जमीन की तह अथवा भग्नावशेषों में दबे पड़े अस्थि-पंजरों और फॉसिल्स की आयु को निर्धारित करके, वैज्ञानिक यह पता लगाते हैं कि वे किस काल के हैं। इससे दुनियाँ का इतिहास, जीव-जन्तुओं के उत्पन्न होने का काल आदि ज्ञात हो जाता है। कौन सभ्यता किस समय विकसित और लोप हुई यह भी ज्ञात हो जाता है। इस आयु निर्धारण के लिए एक विशेष तरीका है जिसे कार्बन आयु निर्धारण प्रणाली (Carbon Dating) कहते हैं।

कार्बन एक तत्व है, और वह जीव जन्तुओं तथा पेड़ पौधों के विकास के लिए बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है। कार्बन के दो Isotopes होते हैं। एक का अणु भार १२ होता है, तथा दूसरे का १४। पहला Isotope स्टेबिल होता है, परन्तु दूसरा Radio Active होता है, अर्थात् वह हर समय Radio Active तरंगों को प्रतिक्षेपित करता रहता है। इसको Carbon-14 या C-14 कहते हैं। प्रतिक्षेपण की वजह से इसका भार निरंतर घटता रहता है। यह सिद्ध किया जा चुका है कि ५७०० वर्ष पश्चात् C-14 का भार पहले से आधा हो जाता है, इसे हाफ लाइफ कहते हैं। यदि ४ ग्राम C-14 लिया जाय तो ५७०० वर्ष बाद सिर्फ २ ग्राम बचेगा। अगले ५७०० वर्ष बाद, २ ग्राम का आधा अर्थात् १ ग्राम बचेगा। इस तरह C-14 अपना भार खोता रहता है, इसे Decay कहते हैं।

१२<sup>०</sup> अणु भार वाला कार्बन प्रकृति में मिलता है, परन्तु १४ अणु भार वाला कार्बन नाइट्रोजन से परवर्तित होता है। वातावरण के नाइट्रोजन के अणुओं को जब कॉस्मिक तरंगों भेदती हैं तो वह कार्बन-१४ में ट्रांसम्यूट हो जाता है।

पेड़, पौधे वातावरण से यह C-14 लेते हैं। इनके द्वारा जीव जन्तुओं में भी C-14 पहुँच जाता है। जब तक जीव जन्तु या पेड़ पौधे जीवित रहते हैं C-14 लेते रहते हैं। परन्तु C-14 Decay भी करता रहता है, इससे उनमें

C-14 की मात्रा संतुलित रहती है। मृत्यु के पश्चात् ये सब C-14 ग्रहण करना बन्द कर देते हैं, परन्तु जो C-14 शरीर में या पेड़ पौधों में होता है वह Decay करता रहता है, तथा '५७०० साल में पहले से आधी' के क्रम से C-14 व्यय होता रहता है।

किसी चीज में जितना C-14 होता है, उसमें से Radio Active प्रतिक्षेपण उतनी ही शक्ति से होता है। प्रतिक्षेपण की शक्ति ज्ञात करने के लिए Geiger Counter नामक यन्त्र का उपयोग किया जाता है।

यदि उत्खनन में किसी मनुष्य का प्राचीन अस्थिपंजर मिलता है तो Geiger Counter द्वारा उसमें की C-14 की शक्ति माप ली जाती है। फिर एक ऐसे मनुष्य के अस्थिपंजर की शक्ति मापी जाती है जो, कुछ समय पूर्व ही मरा हो। यह पता रहता ही है कि प्रतिक्षेपण शक्ति ५७०० वर्ष में आधी हो जाती है। अब दोनों अस्थिपंजरों की प्रतिक्षेपण शक्तियों की तुलना करके जीव अस्थिपंजर की आयु निर्धारित कर ली जाती है।

आयु निर्धारण के लिए “ $y \times 2^{-m} = x$ ” सूत्र का उपयोग किया जाता है। इसमें 'y' नए अस्थिपंजर की प्रतिक्षेपण शक्ति है तथा 'x' पुराने की। इससे 'm' का मान ज्ञात हो जाता है। 'm' तथा ५७०० का गुणनफल उस प्राचीन अस्थिपंजर की आयु हुई।

उदाहरण स्वरूप यदि 'y' को १२ मानें तथा 'x' को ७.५ मानें तब 'm' का मान '३' आता है। अब यह पता लग जाता है कि जिस मनुष्य का वह अस्थिपंजर है उसे मरे हुए  $\frac{3}{2} \times 5700 = 2550$  वर्ष हो गए हैं।

भारत में इस प्रकार का आयु निर्धारक यंत्र केवल Tata Institute of Fundamental Research में ही उपलब्ध है।

नीरजकुमार

### OBITUARY

We are grieved to hear of the death of Rimcollian Flt Lt RANJIT BARUAHA in the air crash. Our deepest sympathies go to his bereaved parents. We pray for peace and rest to the departed soul in his heavenly abode.

We are deeply grieved on the sad and untimely demise of an ardent Rimcollian, Col JC KAPUR. We offer our heartfelt condolence to his bereaved family and pray that his soul may rest in peace.

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## Visits

Major General G.S. Gill, G.O.C., U.P. Area, visited the College on 21st August, 1971.

## Rimcolliana

Here are a few interesting Confidential Reports about our Old Boys. Let's see if you can spot any:—

"He can be counted on to say the wrong thing if it is possible."

"Needs careful watching since he borders on the brilliant."

"Is keenly analytical, and his highly developed mentality could best be utilized in the research and development field. He lacks common sense."

"I know no officer in the Army who is as well qualified to command a reception station."

"He tries hard, but I have the impression that his wife does a great deal of thinking for him."

"A quite industrious, tenacious, diffident and careful officer. For all this, I think, he is terribly misunderstood."

"He is a good man to have around if you don't mind having your tranquility disturbed."

"Recently married and devotes more time to this activity than his current assignment."

"He has an excellent knowledge of spelling, punctuation and grammar and uses a larger vocabulary than most of his contemporaries. He writes a melodious, fiction type prose that does not have the acute, unembellished accuracy required for report writing."

"Tends to overestimate himself and underestimate his problems, being surprised and confused by the resulting situations."

*Contributed by a RIMCOL*

## College News

### Independence Day Celebrations

The 24th anniversary of India's Independence was celebrated with marked enthusiasm at the RIMC. The celebrations started in the morning with the Cadets' Parade. The Commandant took the salute and unfurled the national flag. This was followed by the collective singing of National Anthem by all present on the occasion. The Commandant in his short but inspiring speech asked the Cadets to recall those countless patriots and heroic men and women who sacrificed their all in the struggle for freedom. He called upon them to rededicate themselves to the task of preserving freedom and their national character. Their responsibilities, he said, as future generation are greater, and that they should prove themselves fit to face boldly the disturbances on the borders that threaten the peace of our country off and on.

In the afternoon the Cadet Captain and the NCOs distributed sweets to all the Class IV employees of the College. In the evening a Guest Night Dinner was arranged in the Cadets' Mess which was attended by all the members of the Staff.

### Janma-asthami Celebrations

The Cadets celebrated the birth of Lord Krishna with the same gusto as ever in the College temple. As one of the ideal conditions that prevailed at the birth of Krishna it rained heavily. Every participant reached there wet. Shri P.L. Dutta, the music teacher, recited a few Bhajans on Harmonium. Pandit Bala Dutta Pandey related to the Cadets and others the episodes from the Life of Lord Krishna in his usual humorous way. After the Aarti sweets were distributed.

Cadets Deepak Singh and B.N. Misra have been appointed Captain and



Vice-Captain of the College Football team respectively.

The following Cadets have been appointed Presidents/Secretaries of the various Hobby Clubs for the running term:—

Hobby	President	Secretary
Alchemy	L.S. Tewari	N.J. Singh
Painting	B.N. Misra	S.K. Juneja
Young Newtons	M. Singh	R. Nandan
Photography	V.V. Singh	A.K. Bose
Music	P.C. Dhanraj	S. Varughese
Art & Craft	D.S. Dutta & A.P. Singh	R.K. Singh & M.P. Singh
Clay Modelling	P.S. Subash	R. Chauhan
Rifle Shooting	A.K. Mahato	R.K. Awasthi
Aero Modelling	Y.N. Singh	V.Y. Gidh

On Sunday the twenty second an English film 'Tobruk' was screened in the College Assembly Hall.

On Tuesday the twenty fourth the Senior Cadets spoke in the Literary meeting on the topic 'Men are worse gossips than women'. The Best Speaker was C. Banerjee of Class IV. The Juniors spoke on 'Grow fat and be cheerful'. The 'Best Speaker' went to Rajiv Anand.

Our College Squash Courts are quite busy these evenings. Both masters and cadets are practising Squash regularly for the coming matches to be played between them.

## Sportsfolio

### Football Match: RIMC XI vs Doon Heroes XI

On the evening of 18th August RIMC defeated the Doon Heroes by 3-0, under the heavy rains.

### Football Match: RIMC vs Gorkha Military Inter College

It was a pleasant evening of 21st of August. It had stopped raining after 3 p.m. The sun shot its golden beams through the patches of feather-white clouds. There was a rainbow in the sky. Many Gorkha boys had walked down to the RIMC play-ground to shout for their team.

The two teams entered the ground ceremoniously. The Gorkha forwards plunged into the attack with the word 'Go'. Their footwork and combination gave a call to our players. But against the run of play RIMC drew first blood in the 10th minute. Mahto exchanged passes with his inside duo Hage Khoda and hammered a close-range shot into the net. Now the Gorkha boys repelled us with all zeal and vigour. Soon their effort was rewarded with a goal. The score board read 1-1. The Gorkha boys after this equaliser were seen in their elements and RIMC defence had to face attacks after attacks. In these difficult moments our custodian Gautam Paul, played a commendable role; he saved the RIMC from several Gorkha raids. Only once he did a mistake; instead of diving on the ball and collecting it he let it go. It was our luck only that the visitors could not score as a charging Gorkha player had a mis-kick. The Gorkha forwards often came into the danger zone but RIMC rear guard was infallible. After hard struggle of a couple of minutes S.M. Singh tried a straight kick which their custodian deflected but Banerjee was close enough to the goal-mouth to return it into the net.

After the breather, the visiting team had the advantage of two corner-shots which they failed to realise into goals. And when 15 minutes were left a foul was given on the Gorkha side. Mahto drove the ball into their net leaving the Gorkha Custodian bewildered.

Although the rival team lost to us yet they displayed a brand of game that left the spectators greatly amused. The Home team was far behind in comparison with the well-timed and correct passes of the visitors. Hallikeri's throws were faulty. Deepak had several erratic shootings. The Gorkha left-in was superb. Misra, S.M. Singh and Banerjee of our College team played well.

—Rajiv Kumar, III-A

### Football Match: RIMC (B) vs Cambrian Hall (B)

Fortunately there were no rains and the weather was ideal for the two rival teams to meet. Khoda came very near to scoring as soon as the match started. The pressure was maintained and Sen taking a free-kick from a distance of 25 yards, narrowly missed the mark. All of a sudden the visiting team turned on the heat and one of their forwards failed to beat our custodian from a hand-sha-



king distance. Soon the tide turned again and this time the RIMC citadel had a narrow escape. However Hallikeri brought the situation under control. After a while their left-out sent in a wonderful lofted shot which was fisted out by Pathania with superb agility. Anyway, it was the home team that drew first blood. Sen, having been spoon fed by Khoda had to tap the ball in. At the recess RIMC was one up.

Fresh after the breather, Rongemi ran through the visitors defence only to see his thundering shot return from the post. Khoda on the rebound shot wide.

Both sides played offensive now, and many easy chances were squandered. Khoda, the super markshman did not find his foot at all and played erratically. Soon Cambrian Hall pierced through our defence and equalised (1-1). In no time they surged ahead again with a fine volley and the score board read 2-1. Khoda on the run missed another fine opportunity. By now our players were somewhat dejected and it was no surprise when the Cambrian right-wing slammed home a nice centre-kick (3-1). Thereafter it was all shoot and run. But the costliest lapse came in the dying moments when a penalty kick was wasted by the home team.

Cambrian Hall's was a glorious victory indeed after a decade or so.

—A.K. Bose, ISC Class

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### Hobby Clubs at the RIMC

Various Hobby Clubs at the RIMC that function on two days in a week under the supervision of the members of the teaching staff, provide the Cadets with much enjoyable relief from the arduous task of studies and rigorous discipline. The interest that a hobby affords a Cadet can be compared to the joy one derives from riding a toy-horse. It not merely avails him of a favourite occupation or topic that he pursues for the amusement but keeps him fruitfully busy too in his free-time which he would have either killed or wasted otherwise.

Not less important than that, hobbies at our College are deemed to serve an outstanding purpose of education. Liberal education provides a child with environments that help to grow in him the qualities of head, hand and heart. In a career-cum-Public school like ours where a superficially controlled environment is, to some extent, inevitable, hob-

bies give relaxation and freedom of 'free-pursuit.' In the hobby Club discipline is never imposed on a Cadet; he is left free to grow it in him and that too out of his own heart-felt necessity. As much of our nation's progress depends on its people with creative minds, these hobby clubs help him in receiving maximum pleasure from creation in recreation.

Apart from it a Cadet chooses a hobby as an individual pursuit to which he is devoted out of proportion to its real importance. Hobbies like 'Yaung Newtons' 'Alchemy' 'Art and Craft' and 'Aeromodelling,' that imbibe the utilitarian aspects, help the Cadets of our College in their academics; 'Stamp Collecting' in their knowledge of geographical, cultural and economical background; and 'Painting', 'Clay-modelling', 'Photography' and 'Music' in their appreciation of life.

Moreover, when a Cadet in future joins the Armed Forces his hobby saves him from the disintegration of Personality when he is left alone.

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### My Younger Brother

Sunil is my younger brother. He is five years old and is very naughty. He is never quiet. I like him very much. When I reach home he tells me all that happens during my absence; all the why and how of it. I like to hear him because his description is as interesting as his pronunciation. He has a small dog. He keeps playing with him and calls him 'Hero'. He takes great care of his food and doesn't allow anyone to get funny with him. 'Hero', too, is very fond of sunil and follows him wherever he goes. He doesn't have his food unless 'Hero' is fed.

Once I took sunil to the Bazaar on my Bike. When I was coming back I got out of balance and fell down. I got a bit hurt when he was quite safe. I told him not to tell anything to mother or else she would never allow me ride a bike. But when we reached home he straightway went to mother and told her that I had asked him not to tell her what had happened on the way. I was amused to find him describing everything in his innocent way. When I come here after the holidays he comes to leave me at the Station and looks very sad. I feel very much for him when he departs, and remember him when left alone.

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Here they are as you know them: —  
“Thinks Chemistry and girl friends  
are the same.”

“His giant figure reminds us of  
‘Bongo’.”

“He serves us well like a Butler.”

“An Urdu Poet who has taken a  
fancy to a heroine.”

“A good boxer who looks like a  
chimpy.”

“He dreams of becoming a wrestler.  
Jumps from the top board into the Swim-  
ming Pool and brings in a flood.”

“Samson of our class though not  
very tall.”

“Should serve better as a coolie at  
the Railway Stations.”

“Famous in the class with his nut-  
bolt.”

“Mighty with his skeleton body.”

“His fashions are well known.  
Comes in with a rose like a Moghal  
Princess.”

“Daddu, our football back.”

“Model of our Class.”

“Somewhat crack. Always gets  
caught.”

“A ‘buddha’. Expects a lion’s  
share.”

“A Russian Khalsa enjoying life.”

“Tatto, dreams of a beautiful wife.”

“Lala, proud of his brick-field.”

“Nosy but lacks olfactory sense.”

—From A Poem on the ISC Class  
by A.K. Bose.

## मुसलमानों की हिन्दी सेवा

केवल गुण में ही नहीं, परिमाण में भी; केवल आधुनिक  
युग में ही नहीं वरन् आदि काल से ही; केवल पद्य में ही नहीं,  
गद्य में भी—हिन्दी साहित्य की सम्पूर्ण प्रगति एवं विकास

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के इतिहास में मुसलमानों का योग दान बड़ा ही गौरवपूर्ण  
रहा है। भारतेन्दु हरिश्चन्द्र ने अपनी भावाञ्जलि अर्पित करते  
हुए कहा था ‘इन मुसलमान हरि-जनन पर कोटिन हिन्दुन  
वारिये’ फ़रीद, अब्दुल रहमान तथा मसऊद इब्नसाद अपभ्रंश  
और हिन्दी के सन्धिस्थल के कवि थे। अब्दुल रहमान ने  
‘सन्देश रासक’ नामक विप्रलम्भ शृंगार प्रधान ग्रन्थ की रचना  
की थी तथा फ़रीद एवं मसऊद ने स्फुट रचनाएँ की।

अमीर खुसरो को हिन्दी भाषा का पहला मुसलमान  
कवि माना जाता है। खालिकवारी की रचना करके उन्होंने  
हिन्दी, फ़ारसी और अरबी को परस्पर समझने का मौका  
दिया। उनकी पहेलियों और मुकरनियों की भाषा प्राचीन  
खड़ी बोली का उत्कृष्ट नमूना है।

मुल्लादाऊद भी अमीर खुसरो के समकालीन थे। इनकी  
‘चन्दायन’ नामक प्रेमगाथा प्रसिद्ध है।

इसके उपरान्त सूफ़ी कवियों की एक विस्तृत परम्परा  
मिलती है। इनमें नूरमुहम्मद, कुतबन, मंझन, जायसी आदि  
के नाम प्रमुख हैं। इन कवियों ने अवधी में रचना की तथा  
भारत की प्रसिद्ध प्रेमगाथाओं को लेकर उनमें उच्च कवित्व  
के साथ अपने सिद्धान्तों का प्रतिपादन किया।

प्रसिद्ध ज्ञान मार्गी एवं रहस्यवादी कवि कबीर का  
जीवन मुसलमानी संस्कारों के बीच ही पालित पोषित हुआ।  
पठान कवि रसखान के काव्य में कृष्ण के प्रति जिस अनन्य  
भक्ति-भाव का समर्पण किया गया है वह किसी भी हिन्दू  
कृष्ण भक्त के समर्पण से कम गौरव नहीं रखता।

हिन्दी भाषा के मुसलमान कवियों में रहीम का नाम  
आदर से लिया जाता है। आपने जीवन की गहनतम अनु-  
भूतियों को दोहों में ऐसे व्यक्त किया कि वे पाठक के हृदय  
पर सीधे प्रभाव करती हैं। इस युग के अन्य प्रसिद्ध कवि हैं  
रसलीन, शेख नबी मऊ, शेख तथा कासिमशाह।

गद्य के क्षेत्र में मीर, मुबारक, अल्ला खाँ अजमेरी  
आदि के नाम प्रमुख हैं एवं महत्त्व ऐतिहासिक महत्त्व रखते हैं।  
आज भी असंख्य मुसलमान साहित्य की सभी विधाओं में  
हिन्दी की एकनिष्ठ सेवा कर रहे हैं।

—सरताज इमाम

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## College News

Teacher' Day was observed at the College for the first time at the instance of our Commandant. This marks the beginning of a healthy tradition. Cadet Captain A.K. Mahto also deserves his share of thanks for having arranged a tea-party in the Cadets' Mess on the occasion. Thereafter Mr. R.C. Singhal, on request of the Commandant, addressed the Cadets. He told them that the occasion was a step towards implementing mutual reverence between the teacher and the taught.

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The Cadets who have been placed on the College Squash Ladder are: A.K. Paul, A.K. Bose, S. Banerjee, A.K. Mahto, P.K. Chatterjee, P.C. Dhanraj, R.K. Paul, A.K. Saxena, N.J. Singh and V.Y. Gidh.

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On Saturday the 4th instant the Commandant called a special College Assembly to condole the untimely death of Mr. M. Doutre, Principal of Cambrian Hall, our neighbouring institution. Mr. Doutre died of a sudden heart attack on Thursday morning around 8.45 a.m. soon after the school started. He suddenly collapsed in the School Office attending to School work. "He died," the Commandant said, "with his boots on." Only a couple of days ago Mr. Doutre had come to our playground with his school Football Team to witness the match. We all express our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to the members of the bereaved family as well as to the Staff and students of Cambrian Hall. We pray that his soul may rest in peace.

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## Inter-Section Hindi Declamation Contest 1971

The Inter-Section Hindi Declamation Contest was held on Saturday, the 11th September, in the Convocation Hall. The following Cadets spoke on the topics written against their names:—

### Juniors

1. D.N. Singh (P) चरित्र ही मनुष्य का सर्वश्रेष्ठ धन है।
2. R. Chaturvedi (R) सैनिक राष्ट्र की बड़ी शक्ति है।
3. S.R. Swarup (R) सारे जहाँ से अच्छा हिन्दोस्ताँ हमारा।

## Brain Trust Competition

On the evening of Saturday the 4th instant the 'Brain Trust Competition' was held in the Convocation Hall. There were two groups; the one consisted of Cadets of Class VA (ISC) and the other of IV, IVA and V (HSC). Class VA lost to the HSC group, which scored 26 points, by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  points. In all 30 questions were asked by each group. The HSC group scored 26 not because it answered the 26 questions of the other group but because the other group couldn't answer the questions they asked them. In the like manner the ISC Class got  $23\frac{1}{2}$  points as their 24 questions out of 30 that they had asked remained unanswered. It all seemed to be a very easy affair— "Ask a riddle and get a point". All the questions, excepting a few, were far-fetched and incomprehensible; either they were answered by the asking party or by the House. Some of the questions were ridiculous, and a few too lengthy to understand. Hardly any questions were asked on games and sports. It was a Teasing Brain Trust.

Next time, it is hoped, my friends would certainly do better.

— Cadet V.K. Agarwal, IIA

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On Sunday the fifth instant an English Film "Hell Fighters" was screened in the College Convocation Hall.

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On Tuesday the seventh inst the Senior Cadets spoke in the Literary Meeting on the topic "Who serves the country better — a politician or a soldier?" Cadet Verma of Class V was declared to be the Best Speaker.

The Juniors recited a few well known English poems. Cadet S. Aiyappa of Class IA who recited Tennyson's 'Charge of the Light Brigade' won the Best.

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4. S. Bhatia (C) चरित्र ही मनुष्य का सर्वश्रेष्ठ धन है ।
5. Naushad Imam (S) वैज्ञानिक प्रगति ने मानव को संकट में डाल दिया है ।
6. N.K.G. Shah (S) सैनिक राष्ट्र की बड़ी शक्ति है ।
7. A.K. Prasad (P) संसार में माता का स्थान सर्वश्रेष्ठ है ।
8. A.K. Jaiswal (C) सब दिन होत न एक समान ।

#### Seniors

1. A.K. Singh (R) केवल हिन्दी ही भारत की राष्ट्रभाषा होने की क्षमता रखती है, राष्ट्रभाषा हिन्दी का अनादर राष्ट्र के लिये घातक सिद्ध होगा ।
2. Rajiv Kumar (P) संयुक्त राष्ट्र एक छोटा मात्र है ।
3. Pankaj Kumar (C) पर निन्दा मनोरंजन का सर्वोत्तम साधन है ।
4. A. Satyanarayana (P) अधिकार पर नहीं कर्त्तव्य पर हमारी दृष्टि रहे ।
5. S.K. Juneja (C) साम्प्रदायिकता, राष्ट्रीय एकता के मार्ग में सबसे बड़ी बाधा है ।
6. Atul Verma (R) यदि मैं शिक्षा मंत्री होता ।
7. S. Imam (S) यदि मैं शिक्षा मंत्री होता ।
8. R. Nandan (S) केवल हिन्दी ही भारत की राष्ट्रभाषा होने की क्षमता रखती है, राष्ट्रभाषा का अनादर राष्ट्र के लिए घातक सिद्ध होगा ।

#### Results--Juniors (Individual)

Position	Speaker	Section	Marks obtained out of 150
First	R. Chaturvedi	Ranjit	100 each
	&	&	
Second Third	A.K. Jaiswal	Chandragupta	94
	S.R. Swarup	Ranjit	86
	D.N. Singh	Pratap	

#### Seniors (Individual)

First	Pankaj Kumar	Chandragupta	110
Second	Atul Verma	Ranjit	103
Third	Rakesh Nandan	Shivaji	102

#### Sections

		Marks obtained out of 400
First	Ranjit Section	387
Second	Chandragupta Section	381
Third	Shivaji	330
Fourth	Pratap	312

And while the results were being calculated Smt. Kamla Gupta of Nari Shilp Girls College, a poetess, and Shri Shriram Sharma 'Prem' a local poet, recited a few poems which were appreciated and enjoyed by all of us.

Smt. Kamla Gupta recited two Poems. The first one was on Bangla Dosh:—

मेरे देश के वीर सिपाही सावधान हो जाओ,  
सरहद से उठती है आंधी सावधान हो जाओ ।  
and

आदमी तो है मगर इन्सानियत मिलती नहीं है,  
जिन्दगी तो है मगर जिन्दा दिली दिखती नहीं है ।

Shri 'Prem' recited three poems after her. His first poem was against the lack of equal opportunities, and the third one contained an optimistic note:—

घाटी तुरहें पुकार रही है शिखरों से उतरो,  
दरद देश का गले लगा लो प्यारे मित्रवरो ।  
and

भूट बहुत बोल चुके आओ सच बोलें  
and

पल में बदले देश भावना अगर बदल जाए, कल्पना  
अगर बदल जाए

In the end the Commandant gave away the cup to the winners.

#### Sportsfolio

#### Football Match : RIMC (B) vs Doon School (B).

The B team of our College returned home with a glorious victory over the Doscors scoring 4 goals under heavy rains.

On the sunny Wednesday afternoon we were asked to March to the Doon School to shout for our teams, Juniors and Seniors. We started with swelling hopes of a sure victory. As we entered the Doon School we were hailed with boos and curses. Under a loud applause from both the sides the match started. The Doscors attacked and attacked the RIMC citadel without any results. The Doon School boys kept on cheering, and we followed suit.

Rains came following the half time. Both the teams were playing remarkably well. Our sweating Khoda, however, scored the first goal. The Doscors were enraged but succumbed to another goal scored by Khoda again. We shouted and it was answered with another goal by N.K. Baruah. And hardly had 5



minutes passed that Hage Bat scored the 4th goal. The match after that became monotonous, and the Doscos dawdled till end.

Cadet A Banerjee, Class I

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**Football Match : RIMC XI vs Doon School XI**

The same evening our Seniors too played against the Doon School on their ground and defeated them by 1-0.

Both the teams were equally good, and neither sides could score till half-time. But the refreshments seemed to done the trick; for both the teams once again played with zeal.

A.K. Mahto when only 15 minutes were left tapped the ball into the net, getting quite a long pass from Mohan Singh.

Thereafter we marched off, winning the cake.

Cadet Sanjiv Sharma, Class I

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**Return Football Match : RIMC XI vs Doon School XI.**

The Seniors played the return football match on our ground which ended in a 1-1 draw.

Both the teams started equally well amidst loud cheers. The Doscos were shouting for their team 'Come along Doon School', and the Rimcols for theirs 'Come along Rimcol'. The effect of their rhythmic shouting was evident; the two teams were exchanging shots after shots, and each shot being a powerful bang. However RIMC soon got a corner which lofted by Hage Tagang drooped towards the net. The Doscos goal-keeper soon realised the situation and taking a sudden leap towards the ball cleared it. Now it was the Doscos' turn to invade the RIMC Box. They too got a corner which they shot wide. Soon after, the Doscos giving a corner shot faced a debacle. Hage Tagang's poor corner kick that drooped midway produced a lot of confusion. Taking the advantage of that confusion Mahto forced a fine volley into the net. After that several attempts were made from both sides but the score remained the same till half time.

After the breather Mohan Singh sent, as he usually does, several lofted kicks from the right out-line but they all

went wide. His shots from that angle may really prove fatal to the opponents if Mohan Singh practises them into the net. Raman Deo the Dosco-Captain tried his best but couldnot score.

The game due to lack of enthusiasm was growing monotonous and enigmatic now. And when only 10 minutes were left our back Deepak Singh being chased and trapped by the Dosco forwards returned the ball to his own custodian, Paul, who just then fell down and brought the score to 1-1. After this equaliser both the teams started with renewed vigour. Shouting started once again. Each team wanted to score. Raids after raids. But the score remained the same 1-1.

Cadet Rajiv Kumar, IIIA

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**Return Match : RIMC (B) vs Doon School (B).**

RIMC B team in the return Football match on our ground defeated the Doon Schools B team by 5-0.

The gathering clouds showed the rains would intervene but as luck would have it, it did not pour throughout the game. The sun was playing hide and seek. The playground blotched with the shadows of the clouds.

The Doscos came marching to our College in their blue shirts and ties, and surrounded our playground. They had come to shout for their team, and looked quite cheerful.

The Doon School team entered the playground with a memory of their past defeat on their own ground.

RIMC started with a smashing attack, and Atul in the first move only came very near scoring a goal. The Doscos however averted it by giving a corner. Atul and Pual, shot two corners respectively but RIMC couldn't score as Baruah played too selfishly. Rana Dutta from somewhere got the ball on the out-line and in no time took it to the Dosco-Box, and no sooner did the goal-keeper deflect his powerful kick than Sewal headed it into their net.

Gajender Singh after a couple of seconds sent a lofted shot from a corner but for want of a proper touch from Baruah it was wasted. Till breather the score was 1-0.

After the breather the game was mostly confined to the Dosco-Box.



Gajender Singh, as he was a bit injured, was replaced by Hage Khoda who hammered a close range shot into the rivals' net as soon as he came. The other three goals were scored by Hage Batt, Baruah and Khoda.

Cadet Rajiv Kumar III A.

## गंगोत्री के पथ पर (१)

वी०के० छिब्वर

३१ मार्च १९७१ की सुबह। चारों तरफ सन्नाटा। सभी सोये हुए। लेकिन १४ वीरकुमार अपनी ही लगन में अपने कपड़े पंक्त कर रहे थे। ये लड़के थे राष्ट्रीय इण्डियन मिलिटरी कालेज के जो गंगोत्री घाम जाने के लिए उत्सुक थे। ब्राह्म मूर्हत्त में ही हमने विद्यालय छोड़ दिया। करीब आठ बजे हम ऋषिकेश पहुँचे। जो ट्रक हमें हंसिल तक लेने आया था उससे ऐसा लगता था कि वह दस मील भी न चल सकेगा जबकि हंसिल ऋषिकेश से २५० कि०मी० पर है। पूरा रास्ता पर्वतीय रास्ता था। हम नरेन्द्रनगर, प्रागराखाल, चम्बा, टिहरी व उत्तरकाशी से होते हुए करीब आठ बजे शाम को हंसिल पहुँच गये। रास्ते में प्रकृति की छवि अनोखी थी। बर्फ से ढके पहाड़, उनके नीचे घने जंगल व झरने; दूसरी तरफ कल-कल करती हुई, शोर मचाती, मतवाली 'भागोरथी'। मध्य में हमारी गाड़ी तेज रफ्तार से, सन्नाटे को चीरती हुई अपनी मंजिल की ओर बढ़ रही थी। जैसे जैसे हम पर्वतीय इलाके में जाते वैसे ही वैसे तीव्र बर्फाली हवाएँ हमारे कपड़ों को वेध कर सारे शरीर को सिहरा देतीं। बड़ा सुन्दर था वह दृश्य। हममें जितनी थकावट थी सब दूर हो गई तथा नया उत्साह व उमंग भर गया। जब हम हंसिल पहुँचे,

पन्धेरा ही चुका था। बर्फ का प्रभाव हमें तब पता चला जब हममें से कुछ साथी बर्फ पर फिसलने से गिर पड़े। जैसे-तैसे हम उम जगह पहुँच गये जहाँ हमें रहना था। हमारा परिचय वहाँ के एजुटेन्ट कैप्टन गोरे के साथ कराया गया। हमारे लिए गर्म चाय व पकौड़ों का प्रबन्ध पहले से ही करा गया था। रात का खाना खा कर हम अपने-अपने बिस्तरों में सो गये। ८००० की उंचाई ऊपर स्थित यह स्थान अपनी आबोहवा के लिए प्रसिद्ध है।

अगली सुबह, १ अप्रैल को जब हम उठे तो सूर्य की सुनहरी किरणें सीधी हमारे कमरे में आ रही थीं। बाहर जा कर देखा तो दृश्य अनोखा था। बर्फ से दूधिये पर्वत अपना मस्तक ऊपर किये खड़े थे मानो कह रहे हों कि हिम्मत हो तो बढ़ कर मुकाबला करो। खैर हमने मुँह-हाथ धोया, नाश्ता किया व हंसिल के ही आस-पास कुछ स्थान देखने निकले। पहले हमने 'बिलसन बंगला' देखा जहाँ पर पर्वतारोही ठहरते हैं। हमने एक तिब्बती गाँव देखा जो खाली पड़ा था। ठंड के कारण लोग मैदानों में चले जाते हैं व गर्मियों में वापस चले आते हैं। थोड़ी देर बाद हमने एन आई०एम० (Nehru Institute of Mountaineering) के अध्यक्ष कर्नल जोशी से बातचीत की। उन्होंने हमें पहाड़ों और उन पर चढ़ाई करने के बारे में बिस्तार से बताया। दोपहर के खाने के बाद हमने थोड़ी देर वालो-बाल खेला व फिर मुखीमठ गाँव, जहाँ पर गंगोत्री से मूर्तियाँ लाकर रखी जाती हैं, देखने गये। वहाँ के पंडित जी से हमें उम इलाके का बहुत ज्ञान हुआ। एक चोटी पर चढ़ कर सुमेरू, केदारनाथ, बद्रीनाथ, गंगोत्री आदि देखे। शाम को हमने खाना खाया और सो गये।

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### News from the N.D.A.

Our warm congratulations to the following Old Boys on their getting awards and appointments.

Rimcollian	S.P. Ojha	} Division Cadet Captain
"	P.P. Roy	
"	B.N. Majumdar	
"	L.T. Singh	
"	B.K. Sinha	—Blue in Football and Squash, and Half Blue in P.T.
"	K.G. Bewoor	—Blue in Cricket and Half Blue in Squash
"	S.K. Singh	—Half Blues in Squash, P.T. and Boxing
"	L.L. Singh	—Blue in Boxing
"	L.T. Singh	—Blue in Boxing
"	S. Misra	—Blue in Cricket
"	K.S. Rawat	—Blue in Boxing
"	Y.S. Das	} Merit Cards in Squash
"	R.K. Manucha	

## College News

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. N.P. Shukla on their having been blessed with a bonny son.

Congratulations to Mr. R.C. Singhal on his being elected the President of the Doon Organisation of Science Teachers.

On Tuesday the twenty first instant the Senior Cadets spoke in the Literary Meeting on the topic "It's High Time Men ceased to Regard Women as Second Class Citizens". The cadets who were declared to be the Best Speakers are Hage Khoda of Class IV (for the motion) and Kuldip Singh of Class VA (against the motion). The Juniors spoke on "Our Forefathers were Happier Than We Are Today." The Best Speaker was S. Swarup of Class I.

The English Films A Matter of Innocence and The Cartoon Colour were screened in the College Convocation Hall respectively on the 19th and the 26th of September.

### Results of the Inter-Section Swimming Competition, 1971.

Section	Points	Position
Shivaji	114	1st
Chandragupta	108½	2nd
Ranjit	81½	3rd
Pratap	73	4th

At the end of the Competition the Commandant gave away prizes to the following Cadets for the commendable performance written against their names:—

S. No.	Div	Events	Position Name	Sec.	Dist/Time
1	C	60 yds Free Style	1. K.R. Singh	C	39.3
			2. A.K. Sharma I	S	42.6
2	B	-do-	1. K.B. Singh	R	50.8
			2. G.P. Singh	S	51.4
3	A	30 yds Free Style	1. A. Gossain	P	24.8
			2. J.S. Gill	C	26.4
4	C	30 yds Breast Stroke	1. Deepak Singh	R	23.2
			2. R.R. Swamy	P	23.6



5	B	-do-	1. K.B. Singh 2. T.S. Mahadev	R C P	26.4 27.8 25.3
6	A	-do-	1. A. Gossain 2. C.H. Kumar	C S R	31.0 19.8 20.0
7	C	30 yds Back Stroke	1. A.K. Sharma 2. Deepak Singh	C P	27.2 29.1
8	B	-do-	1. T.S. Mahadev 2. M.S. Patil	C S	21.1 21.7
9	C	30 yds Butter Fly	1. L.S. Tewari 2. S.M. Singh	C R	2m. 1 sec. 2m. 9.8 sec.
10	A	4×30 yds Free Style Relay Race	1. Chandragupta Section 2. Ranjit Section	P S	1m. 49.6 sec. 1m. 50.0 sec.
11	B	4×30 yds Medlay Relay	1. Pratap 2. Shivaji	S P	
12	C	Treasure Hunt	1. A.K. Sharma 2. J.S. Mangat	S P	
13	C	Any Dive from Top Board	1. S.K. Sharma 2. D.B. Singh	S S	
14	C	Obstacle Race	1. R.K. Awasthi 2. B.N. Misra	C S	41.3 41.6
15	C	Plunging	1. Vivek Singh 2. A.K. Bishnoi	R S	
16	C	Medlay Relay	1. Shivaji Section 2. Chandra gupta Section	S C	
17	B	Any Dive (Top Board)	1. G.P. Singh 2. T.S. Mahadev	S C	

### Sportsfolio

Football Match: RIMC Vs Col. Brown School. (Drawn 0-0)

We played against the Col. Brown School on their ground which happened to be much smaller than ours.

Our rivals as soon as the match started came very near to scoring a goal without retreat. They tried their best to press us again and again but our right back Deepak Singh cleared away every ball beyond their half line. They tried in vain to get past our backs and seldom kicked into the goal-mouth. Once our centre forward sped past them and sent through a powerful kick which was by chance rebounded by the goal post. Both the teams played with great zeal and vigour only to leave the score-board untouched. Our left-in Mahto retired with his injured wrist and was replaced by Gupta. As our custodian Gautam Paul was already in C. H., we had Mukherjee, the junior Goalkeeper, to defend the goal-mouth. Although he was too young and inexperienced to face the raids yet he gave such a brave performance that we were all praise for him.

After the half-time our team plunged into attack once again and our forwards always missed the target by a few inches only. For the rivals it was impossible to break through our defence. Their long-range shots were ineffective. The hard effort of our backs went unrewarded; for in most of their moves they lost the ball to the opponents. The rival team's combination was good but they lacked stamina. Once Bose took the corner-kick but his marvellous kick went begging for a proper tap in.

At the last moment one of our players did a serious mistake which resulted into a penalty kick. Our mighty backs who were helping our Junior Mukerjee indefending the goal left him alone. The small figure of Mukerjee stood lonely in all quickness waiting for the ball. His heart was thumping. All eyes were fixed on him. He first grew pale then mustering up courage gave a bold appearance. Fortunately the rival centre forward shot his thundering kick high. What a relief for Mukherjee. When he was asked afterwards "How you felt



when you were left alone?" "First I farked, Sir. Then I remembered God and became bold," he said. The Commandant shook hand with him.

Rajiv Kumar IIIA

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Football Match: RIMC Vs D. B. S.  
(Lost 3-1)

It was one of the contesting matches we have played on our ground this term. We lost to the visiting team by 3-1, in close rivalry.

The D.B.S. were quick enough to score a goal in the first 5 minutes. But we never lagged behind. In the other 5 minutes that followed our Banerjee shot a fine lofting volley into their net that left the rival goal-keeper bewildered. They scored 2 more goals after the breather.

Football Match: RIMC Vs Mission Inter College. (Won 2-1)

On Wednesday, RIMC defeated the Mission Inter College by 2-1.

The match started and on the 5th minute Missions centre forward scored a goal which A.K. Mahto equalised only on the 10th minute by a lofted volley-kick. That day our team played better; they trapped the ball well and gave correct passes showing a good understanding among themselves. Our tall K. Roy, as it was his first chance of playing for the College Senior team, felt hesitant in scoring whenever he got a chance. However he showed signs of becoming a promising forward-player. Bose once took the corner-shot and sent a fine lofted kick but no one was in the right position to head it into the net.

After the half time A.K. Bose scored a goal that resulted in a 2-1 victory.

Abir Banerjee, I

Can you tell:—

1. the metal that contracts on being heated?
2. the name commonly given to a Unicellular animal?
3. how much gold one cubic-mile of sea-water contains?
4. what happens to a Jelly fish if it is left on the blotting paper for a few hours?
5. the name given to nature's deadliest poison which a rabbit can eat without suffering the least?

#### Answers

1. Polonium, 2. Yeast, 3. 8600 lbs., 4. It disappears, 5. Phallin, from the death-cup toadstool.

Kuldip Singh, V

#### If I were the Section Commander of my Section

The seniormost and best Cadet of a Section is awarded with blue tabs and certain privileges along with it. It certainly is a great honour to command a Section.

Blue tabs on the shoulders signify that one is a Section Commander in RIMC. He earns respect from his subordinates. He has the power of dominating and punishing his juniors when they go against his wishes. He is also granted certain privileges such as, cutting lawns and sitting up late at night.

If I were the Section Commander of my Section, I would not over-reach my powers. Besides, I would try my utmost to completely eradicate cutting bounds and bullying. As mentioned before, blue tabs are worn on shoulders, because of a special reason. It is not there for the fun of it.

Section Commanders should not demand respect but should earn it. Respect, is earned. It is earned by



gentlemanliness, kindness, and helpfulness. It is not done by bullying, ragging, dominating and unnecessary punishment.

Besides I would not encourage guava-raids, and such things. I would take my Section on excursions, organise group discussions, thus taking the feeling of boredom out of them.

This is the use that I would make of the blue tabs placed on me, honouring me with the appointment of Section Commander of my Section.

(A Page from the Examination Answer book of Class I).

### ‘गंगोत्री के पथ पर’ (२)

२ अप्रैल को हम, दस जवान छ: खच्चर, एक बायरलैस सेट सहित गंगोत्री रवाना हुए जो वहाँ से १५ मील की दूरी पर है। जांगला, नेपांग आदि से होते हुए हम करीब दो बजे लका पहुँचे। हमने रास्ते में तीन तीन ‘प्लेशियर’ देखे। सौभाग्य से हम लोगों के पास कैमरा भी था जिसने यहाँ के मनोहारी दृश्यों को लेने में मदद की। आज भी ये भव्य प्राकृतिक सौन्दर्य हम लोगों के पास सुरक्षित हैं। लंका में हमने

खाना खाया व फिर एक बार गंगोत्री के लिए रवाना हुए जो वहाँ से सात मील दूर है। भैरव घाटी से होते हुए हम अपनी मंजिल की तरफ बढ़ते चले जाते थे। इस स्थान पर जहाँबी भयानक शोरगुल करती गंगानदी से मिलती है। भगवान शंकर की यह घाटी निसंदेह अवरुणीय है। सब चुपचाप लम्बे लम्बे कदम भरते जल्दी-जल्दी चले जा रहे थे। जैसे-जैसे हम ऊपर चढ़ते जाते, ऐसा लगता मानो स्वर्ग के नजदीक आते जा रहे हैं। लेकिन गंगोत्री का कहीं नामोनिशान ही नहीं था। मानो भगवान हमारे प्रण की परीक्षा ले रहा हो। यहाँ पर काफी ठंड थी लेकिन हम पसीने से तर थे। खैर किसी तरह साढ़े चार बजे हम गंगोत्री पहुँच गये जो समुद्र तल से १०३०० फुट की ऊँचाई पर है। वहाँ पर पहुँच कर गंगा के किनारे बैठ कर जो मन को शान्ति मिली उसका ऐसा प्रभाव पड़ा कि अगर मेरा बस चलता तो सारी उम्र वहीं बैठ कर काट देता। सारे मन्दिर बन्द थे लेकिन हमें क्या, हमने तो अपनी मंजिल पा ली थी और कितना असीम सुख मिलता है मनुष्य को अपनी मंजिल पा कर हमें बाद में पता चला कि गंगा तो १२ मील आगे ‘गोमुख’ नामक स्थान से निकलती है। सोचा था नहाँएँगे लेकिन पानी के स्पर्श से ही होच उड़ गये। पानी जीरो डिग्री से भी कम तापक्रम पर था। एक घण्टे बाद हम लोग वापस रवाना हुए। अंधेरा हो चुका था। चाँदनी रात्री में प्रकृति का यह सौन्दर्य और विखर उठा। छत छत कर चन्द्रमा की किरणें हमारा मार्ग दर्शन कर रही थी। रात्रि को ८ बजे हम अपने आधार कैप, लंका में आकर, भोजन कर, सो गये।

—वीरकुमार बिपिन छिन्बर

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## Visits

Brigadier D.S. Brar, the new Sub Area Commander visited the College on 6th October, 1971.

Lt. Gen. P.S. Bhagat, V.C., visited the College on 9th October, 1971. The Commandant took him round the College. He came to the Education Block and had lively conversation with the Cadets.

R.I.M.C. can never forget the affection shown and help rendered to it by its distinguished Old Boy, General Bhagat. It is largely due to his keen interest that the College is now being provided with the latest amenities such as mosaic flooring, new furniture, tube lights, built-in cupboards, electrical geysers, specially designed bedside tables and various other facilities for the comfort of the Cadets. The College will have now a New Sports Stadium unique of its type.

The College owes its face lift entirely to him and looks forward to his continued indulgence.

## College News

During the short break of five days after the Mid-Term Examinations Cadets were taken out for hikes and trips to the different places written below:—

Hikes

Place

Master Incharge

Badrinath  
Hemkund and Valley  
of Flowers

Gangotri & Gomukh  
Nagtibba

Chakrata & Mussoorie

Trips

Agra

Mussoorie

M/s. K. Kumar, V.G. Nene  
and Dr. S.K. Chakravorty

Mr. L.N. Thakur

Mr. H. Falcao

Mr. Tirath Singh Viridi

Mr. R.C. Singhal and

Mr. B.S. Rajput

Mr. N.P. Shukla and

Mr. A.K. Samtani

On Sunday, the tenth Cadets, were shown an English film 'Cromwell' at the Odeon Cinema Hall in town.

On Tuesday, the twelfth, the Senior Cadets spoke in the Literary Meeting on the topic 'Nuclear Tests should be Banned'. The Best Speaker was cadet R. Ramaswamy of Class IIIA.

The Junior spoke on 'Growing long hair and wearing coloured dresses is a sign of progress.' Cadet S. Mukherjee of Class III was declared to be the best speaker.

Performance of the Senior Cadets was not satisfactory.

## Results of the Inter-Section Football Competition

Following are the results of the Inter-Section Football Competition 1971:

Section	Points	Position
Pratap	8	I
Ranjit	6	II
Chandra Gupta	4	III
Shivaji	2	IV



The Class IV employees of the College, as usual, staged two Hindi plays, 'Naya Zamana' and 'Sunhare Sapne', on 2nd and 3rd October respectively, in the open space before a large gathering consisting of Cadets, members of teaching staff, Class IV employees, and a great number of men, women and children from outside.

On both the days songs, dances and a variety of light music items were arranged during the intervals of the different scenes

At the end of the two-day programme, the Commandant on request of the Class IV employees gave away prizes to the successful participants.

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### Sportsfolio

Football: RIMC vs St. Joseph's Academy (Juniors)

Before Mid-term we lost to St. Joseph's by 1-0 on their ground.

Our forwards, as soon as the match started, broke through their defence but their efforts ended into a wide kick by Dutta. We missed several chances like that. And just 5 minutes before the half time the rival team scored a goal.

After the breather P.G. Rongmei replaced G. Singh. There was nothing very remarkable after the half time except that Pankaj Sewal, once getting a long pass in the Box from Rongmei, tried to score with a marvellous kick but missed the mark by a few inches. The score remained 1-0 till end.

Cadet Rajiv Kumar, IIIA

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Football: RIMC vs St. Joseph's Academy (Seniors)

The same evening when our Juniors had played our seniors defeated St. Joseph's by 3-0.

The match had just started when our centre-forward sent a flag kick that

dipped right into the net. Their custodian thinking the ball would go out failed to stop it when it suddenly turned and hit the net; he stood there bewildered.

St. Joseph's players played equally good but as the ill luck would have it they couldn't score any. Once when K. Roy missed an easy kick the crowd missed a heart beat. However he soon compensated it by scoring a goal. The score till half-time was 2-0.

After the breather, both the teams played wonderfully well. It was difficult to say which side would score. It was only near the end that K. Roy scored again on an excellent corner-kick by A.K. Bose, and raised the score to 3-0.

Cadet Rajiv Kumar, IIIA

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Football: Return matches RIMC vs St. Joseph's Academy.

Juniors: (won 3-1)

On the evening of September 27, St. Joseph's Academy, both Seniors and Juniors came to our College to play the return matches. The two matches started at the same time on the different play-grounds of our College.

All the Junior players were under 5'-3". We defeated them by 3-0. Two goals were scored by Gajender Singh, and one by Rana Dutta.

Cadet Mandeep Singh, I

Seniors:

Like their Juniors the Academy's seniors too lost to us by 3-0, the same evening. We made several probing moves into the opponents' defence. Our efforts were rewarded soon. A.K. Mahto scored a goal in the first ten minutes, and in the next twenty minutes two more goals were scored by K. Roy; credit goes to A.K. Bose also as his brilliant



corner kicks were tempting enough for K. Roy to tap-in.

Cadet Sanjiv Sharma, I

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Football: RIMC vs Col. Brown (0-0).

On the evening of 9th October our College played the last football match of the Mad Mad Mad Season. It was a return match played on our ground that ended in a 0-0 draw. The first match that was played on their ground was also a 0-0 draw. However, it was a contesting match. Both the teams gave a spectacular performance. The game started with Col. Brown's forwards putting pressure on our College defence. The opposition made futile attacks on our Box but could not convert their moves into goals.

Our forwards tried their best to score but could not succeed. The visiting team also tried their best to score. Till half time it was a goalless match.

In the first half there was a marvellous corner kick by Bose, which was beautifully headed by Hage Khoda but unluckily it touched the bar and went out.

Their team was trying their best to score a goal but our backs always cleared the ball therefore they could not succeed. In the second half there was yet another brilliant corner-kick by Bose, which was marvellously headed by S. Banerjee, but unluckily it also touched the bar and went out. Thus two goals were missed.

Our brilliant Captain 'Backy' Deepak Singh did not play as he had got hurt. Had he played the result would have been different.

Sanjiv Sharma, Class I

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Squash: RIMC vs Doon School

On the evening of 11th October the DOSCOS came to our College and won all the five matches that we played against them in our Squash Courts.

All our players were more or less new-comers to the Squash ladder. They put in the best efforts but victory kissed the DOSCOS only. The matches were played between Cadet A.K. Saxena and V. Atal, Cadet P.K. Chatterjee and Sikant, Cadet S. Banerjee and Ram Deo Singh, Cadet P.C. Dhanraj and Vivek Rampi, and Cadet A.K. Bose and Senapathi.

The matches between Cadet S. Banerjee and Ramdeo Singh, and P.C. Dhanraj and Vivek Rampi were very keenly contested. Both Dhanraj and Banerjee would have done much better had they only avoided too much of cross-court shots. Dhanraj was highly benefitted by his high lob services, and Banerjee by his correct placings. Senapathi of the Doon School greatly amused the spectators by his fine game.

Cadet S.K. Sharma, V.

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#### Mid-Term Break-A visit to Mussoorie

On the 27th of September, we waited anxiously for the arrival of the bus which was to take us to Mussoorie.

The journey to Mussoorie was boring and most of us slept all the way. At about quarter past two, we reached Mussoorie. That day we had a packed lunch and went enquiring about the different places of interest there.

The next morning we set off to Lal Tibba. The climb was a tough one, and a number of us suffered bruises. At Lal Tibba we saw the peaks of the Himalayas, through a telescope. We could get a beautiful view from there.

We next went to Gun Hill, by rope-ways, a rather thrilling experience. Gun Hill is 7,100 feet above the sea level. From there, we could see nearly the whole of Mussoorie.

We also saw Camel-Back Hill, Kampty Falls and Bhatta Falls. Most of us were interested in seeing movies. The DOSCOS too have been often there.



After this, came the craze of buying antiques.

Finally, came the day of our departure. After loading our luggage, we boarded the bus and set off for an equally boaring return journey.

However, we finally reached the College, fresh after the mid-team break.

—A. Banerjee Class, IA

### Discovery of Partons

“Everything is made up-of atoms,” was proved by Dalton in 1885 A.D. He defined the atoms as the minutest particle which can not be further divided. But after some time scientists rejected this theory and defined that atom is made up of three particles viz. Proton, neutron and electron; and from nucleus we can get the atomic energy and these particles were believed to be undivided. But recently Partons were reported tinier than Protons and Neutrons. Discovery of these particles—the smallest components of an atom, was reported on June 8th 1971 by a group of Scientists at Stanford—linear Accelerator Centre in California (U.S.A.). These were observed by bombardment of the protons and neutrons by streams of electrons of up to 21 billions electro-volts. It has revealed that both Protons and Neutrons could be further sub-divided, into Partons. According to Wolf-gang Banofsky, Director of Stanford Centre, “Knowledge of Partons may provide a key to understanding the strong force that holds the atomic nucleus together and endows the universe with stability.

### वैज्ञानिक विनोद

बात बहुत पुरानी है। वाल्टर, इंग्लैण्ड की महारानी एलिजाबेथ के दरबार का बड़ा ही बुद्धिमान और हाजिर-जवाब दरबारी था।

एक बार महारानी ने सोचा कि वाल्टर से कोई ऐसा कठिन प्रश्न पूछना चाहिए जिसका उत्तर वह दे ही न सके। अपने अन्य चतुर दरबारियों से सलाह करने के बाद रानी ने पूछा—“वाल्टर! यदि किसी लकड़ी को जलाया जाय, तो उससे निकले धुएँ का वजन तुम बता सकोगे?”

वाल्टर ने दो मिनट तक प्रश्न पर विचार करने के बाद कहा “महारानी यदि आप आज्ञा दें तो अवश्य बता सकूँगा।” और फिर उसने एक लकड़ी तथा एक तराजू मँगवाया।

पहले उसने लकड़ी को तोला और फिर उसे सुलगाना आरम्भ कर दिया। लकड़ी से धुँआ निकल निकल कर हवा में गायब होने लगा। सभी ने यह देखा। धुँआ तो ऊपर जाकर हवा में मिलकर खो गया। वाल्टर किस प्रकार वजन करेगा उस धुएँ का?”

थोड़ी देर बाद पूरी लकड़ी जलकर राख हो गयी। वाल्टर ने बड़ी सावधानी से सारी राख को तराजू के एक पलड़े में रखा और उसका वजन ले लिया। फिर रानी की आज्ञा लेकर उसने कहा: ‘पहले लकड़ी जली, इसलिए धुँआ उड़ता चला गया और उसका वजन कम होता चला गया। जब पूरा धुँआ उड़ गया, तो बच गयी, राख। इसलिए यदि हम लकड़ी के पहले लिए गए वजन से राख का वजन घटा दें, तो उड़े हुए धुँए का वजन तुरन्त निकल आयेगा’ इतना कहकर उसने हिसाब लगाकर धुएँ का वजन बता दिया।

महारानी एलिजाबेथ ने तुरन्त अपने गले का हीरोँ से जड़ा सोने का हार उसे दे डाला और ‘सर’ की उपाधि से उसे सम्मानित किया। आगे चलकर यही चतुर हाजिरजवाब ‘सर वाल्टर रेले’ के नाम से प्रसिद्ध हुआ।





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## College News

On Saturday, the 16th, the College held its Inter Section Cross Country Competition, 1971. Each Section was represented by two teams of runners, one consisting of the Seniors, and the other of the Juniors. Following were the results of the competition:—

Section	Points	Position
Shivaji	7	I
Chandragupta	5	II
Pratap	5	III
Ranjit	3	IV

On Sunday, the 17th, an English Film 'Racing Fever' was screened to the cadets in the College Convocation Hall.

On Monday, the 18th, cadets with great joy, celebrated Deepavali at the College. 'Rockets, crackers and candles' were the common words of the day. The main function started in the temple at evening. Shri P.L. Dutta, the Music-Hobby teacher, and his friend recited a few Bhajans. At the end of the function Panditji thanked the Commandant and the rest for assembling in the temple on the pious day. He even demanded a tube light for the temple. The function ended with the prayer and the distribution of sweets.

Thereafter cadets started their fireworks programme. Each Section tried its best to bully the other. Chandraguptians sent a rocket and most of the Shivajian crackers went off with it. In the same way there was equally a vying show of fireworks between Ranjit and Pratap. All this continued till 11 p.m.

The College held its Inter Section Athletic Competition continually on three days, the 21st, the 22nd and the 24th of October, 1971. On Sunday, the 24th, last day of the programmes, the final events were contested before a selected gathering of the invited guests. The 39 Gorkha Training Centre Band was in attendance by kind courtesy of the Commandant. The entire function was pre-

sided by Brig. D.S. Brar. Mrs. D.S. Brar, at the end of the function gave away prizes to the successful participants. Results of the Inter Section Athletic Meet are given below:—

Section	Points	Position
Ranjit	80	1st
Pratap	76	2nd
Shivaji	75	3rd
Chandragupta	59	4th

Best Athlete:—

B Division K. B. Singh (R)  
C Division Deepak Singh (R)

On Tuesday, the 26th, the senior cadets spoke in the Literary Meeting on the topic "Sports are not a Waste of Time". The best speaker was Cadet M.B. Saxena of Class IVA.

Cadet S. Mukherjee of Class III was the best Junior speaker who spoke on 'War is Essential for Progress'.

On Sunday, the 31st, an English Film 'Spy in the Green Hat' was screened in the College Convocation Hall.

On Tuesday, the 2nd of November, the Sikh Cadets of the College celebrated the 502nd birthday of Guru Nanak in the College Gurdwara along with the other Cadets and members of the teaching Staff. In the morning Mr. T.S. Virdi, the Geography Master, told the Sikh Cadets why the day is celebrated every year.

In the evening the Gurdwara was illuminated and beautifully decorated. After the Kirtan, Mr. L.N. Thakur, threw light on the teachings of Guru Nanak. Cadets R.S. Sethi and H.S. Mangat sang a few Bhajans sweetly. This was followed by a group singing of Bhajans by Cadets. At the end of the function sweets were distributed to everybody.

## Mid Term Break—Renuka Lake Party

A party of ten Cadets along with two masters, Mr. G.S. Pandey and Mr. G.M. Khan, started for Renuka Lake on



the morning of Tuesday, the 28th Sept. The College Truck left us on the bus stand at about 9.30 a.m. After two hours our bus was on the way to Nahan. Through the bus-window I enjoyed the far stretched valleys, hills covered with trees, streamlets here and there and sometimes waterless river-beds that appeared like the teeth of a dragon. The bus left us on the banks of river Yamuna. We had to cross the river to reach Ponta Sahib. There was only one boat that could ferry us across but that too was broken under heavy rains a few days ago, and was under repair. They said the boat would start sailing from the next day—the Dashera Day. The rafters were asking for three rupees each to get across. Mr. Khan with his suit case started on the banks in search of shallow waters that could be crossed. We all followed him. Nowhere the water was less deep than three yards. In the swift current we found it difficult to find our feet. Swimming with our packs was out of question. We walked a mile only to come back to the place where the bus had left us. We induced the rafters to charge only two rupees each. We took three rafts. Four on each. In one raft G.D. Renchy, Gazmer and myself lay down. Our clothes removed, our P.T. shoes beneath us, and our luggage piled on our backs. Mr. Khan was sitting on the luggage—that was on me. However I never gave up. In the middle of the river we all were wet and our P.T. shoes and socks entirely drenched. On reaching the other side of the bank we came to know the bus had deserted us. It had left us to walk a mile to get Rikshaws to reach the bus stand. At Ponta Sahib the taxis were charging the same as the bus so we hired two cabs and reached Nahan. We were accommodated that night in a Dharamshala which was a horrible place. As there were a few good films being screened in the town all of us enjoyed one that evening.

Next morning after breakfast we decided to hike. We left Mr. Khan there to come to Renuka by bus with some of our luggage. Mr. Khan, as he related to us later, enjoyed visiting the town, its people and particularly the vegetable market where everything was being sold to the highest bidder in auction. A fresh variety of them, tomatoes, potatoes, guavas, onions, beans, apples, cucumbers, lemons and what not. 'They were damn cheap' he said. He visited a school there and had a cup of tea with its teachers.

Now while hiking we lost our way and were divided. Renchy started grumbling for choosing the wrong path. However, it was really enjoyable to go through the valleys and thorny bushes. We reached Jamta and found there Sinha and Gajmer waiting for us. We took the bus there and met Mr. Khan who was travelling by the same bus. Rest of us were collected in the way. We reached at the Renuka bus stop at 3 p.m. To reach the rest house we had to cross a two-mouthed small river; the first one, walking through it, and the other by a "Jhula". At Renuka Lake we were accommodated in the Forest Rest House. The beautiful lake surrounded by forests and high hills lay open to the full moon calling to memory at once the lines from Coleridge's Kubla Khan:

A savage place, as holy and enchanted  
Ase'er beneath a waning moon was  
haunted

By woman wailing for her demon-  
lover.

No doubt, it was a holy place in the lap of nature. Next morning the sanctity of the place was revealed to us by a pious old man, whom I met in a tea-shop. He told us in the following words how the lake got its name:

"Renuka was the wife of Jamdagn. Parsuram was their son. When Parsuram had gone for Tapasya (meditation) on Mahindra Parbat, Sahsrabahu, a chakravarty king came to a mountain nearby the lake in search of water. The rishi Jamdagn on the persuasion of his wife, Renuka, invited him with his men to dine in his hut. The rishi fed them all with various delicious dishes. Surprised at this the King persuaded the rishi to tell the secret and came to know that those heavenly dishes and gifts were due to 'Kalpa Vriksha' and 'Kamadhenu', the two gifts Lord Indra had given to the rishi to bring up Parsuram well. The King, mad with greed to possess them, got the rishi killed. However, he couldn't achieve those gifts as they had already ascended back to heaven. Parsuram later came to know all about this sad incident through his mother and avenged his father's death by killing Sahsrabahu. Parsuram at the end, to console his mother, asked her to visit all the holy places. But Renuka, deeply grieved at heart, jumped into the lake and changed into water." After a pause the old man continued, "No one, therefore, eats the fish of this lake". "But there are people round the village", he sadly added, "who



eat the fish secretly whenever the lake is flooded and the water crosses its bounds bringing with it fish from the lake." The village folk I found are simple and kind to strangers. There are a few shops only as one can expect in a remote village. People there depend much on cultivation and minor odd jobs under the contractors.

Next day when we went for boating we found the lake full of fish; in large shoals they were gliding in and out. Sometimes they used to be caught in the thick weeds that had grown wildly round the lake where water is shallow. Desperately they used to beat those plants that produced a terrific sound of 'Phat, phat, phat'. The lake is not well maintained. The dust from the hills and the rotten leaves have got collected thickly about four feet deep round the lake-water where my boat often got stuck.

There were four boats and we took two. Six in each. The best rover was Mr. Khan. The other boat was roved by T.S. Mahadev. We enjoyed boating twice in the morning as well as in the evening, each time for not less than three hours, paying two rupees for an hour.

In the afternoon we visited the Zoo which is at the gates of the rest house only. There were deer, bears, peacocks and pea-hens, monkeys, swans and various other animals and birds. In the zoo I saw two bears fighting. I enjoyed it very much.

While returning we had to spend one night again at Nahan in the same Dharamshala as we couldn't get accommodation in the Rest House. Mr. Pandey that evening played volley ball with some people there. On the 22nd noon we reached RIMC. How I wish I could spend one more day at the Renuka Lake!

Cadet Rajeev Kumar, IIIA and  
Cadet P. Deb, IIA

#### A Trip to Agra

The pleasant morning of 28th September saw us leaving the College by a delux bus to spend our mid-term break in Agra. We were a group of 46 Cadets. Although the journey was quite tiresome, we all enjoyed it very much. We stopped at a few places for refreshments and lunch. We reached our destination at dusk. We had to run about here and there for accommodation. However it all became plain sailing once we had

settled down in our barracks. After a light dinner we were all eager to sleep.

The next morning we set out for Fatehpur Sikri, which was nearly 53 miles away from Agra. We were amazed to find the beautiful architecture and workmanship on the fort. We employed a guide who took us all around. We saw the Panch Mahal, Hiran Minar, the palaces of the queens, and the courts of Akbar. They were excellent and presented a fine combination of the Hindu and the Muslim architecture. The grave of Salim Chisti and Buland Darwaza were very impressive.

There were many curious articles on sale that we couldn't buy. We were taken out for a movie after lunch.

We went to see the Agra Fort the next day. It was very big with a stream running around it to defend it from attack. It is situated on the banks of river Jamuna. Aurangzeb had kept his father Shah-e-jehan under arrest in a portion of this fort. We were also shown the reflection of the Taj on a small mirror placed in the wall. We also saw Dewan-e-Am, Dewan-e-Khas, and royal baths in Chandi Mahal. In the Agra fort if a candle was burnt in one room we could see it being reflected all over the ceiling. We all enjoyed ourselves. After lunch and rest the same day we went to see the wonder of the world—The Taj Mahal. We were all quite excited. It stood before us like a gigantic marble structure with a huge dome and four pillars rising to the sky. It was a wonderful sight. Then we walked up the stairs and stood on the huge platform of pure marble. We went inside and saw the graves of Shah e-Jehan and Mumtaz Mahal. The real graves were inside an underground room. The graves above on the floor have been made to protect the real graves beneath so that no one should walk over them. Inside, a lantern was burning trying to fight out the dense darkness, making the entire atmosphere melancholic. What a contrast between life and death these graves presented. The call of the Muazzin could be clearly heard outside inviting people to mosques for prayer but Shah-e-Jehan lay in his glory beside his wife with all his glory but the impression of a dream. I stood there lost in deep thoughts.

Seeing with the mind's eyes the glorious Emperor holding his Darbar thronged with people, and Harems echoing with the sweet laughters of the Queen, Princesses and ladies attending to them.



Then we had a view of river Jamuna and took many good snaps. We returned to our barracks, very proud of ourselves having seen a wonder of the world. The wonder of the Taj is that it does not shine in the sun light but it looks beautiful in the moonlight. We were taken there on a moonlit night also to see the Taj. It was marvellous. We saw the moonlight reflected from several places and we all were very glad.

Next day we were taken to Sikandra to see Akbar's tomb. It is also very well built and we saw many curious things inside. Then we went to see Dayal Bagh

where a memorial to Saint Radhaswamy is being constructed. Then we also saw the graves of Akbar and his family. In the evening we were taken around the famous bazaars where we made some purchases like Taj Mahals, Pethas etc. We all had a fine time in Agra and were sad at returning to the College. I would like to thank Mr. R.C. Singhal and Mr. B.S Rajput, our masters in charge for making our stay in Agra so enjoyable. We returned to College on 2nd October by bus.

Cadet Benjamin Charles, II-A.

### कोई ख्याल को फाँसी चढ़ाए तो जानू

सत्र का जहर कब तलक पीता,  
घुट घुट कर कब तलक जीता  
जिदगी भीख के प्याले की तरह  
कब तलक गदिश करती  
जुल्म और जन्न की हद होती है  
दवे पर चीटी भी काट लेती है  
वक्त ने अंगड़ाई ली,  
एक शेर उठा, गरजा  
जालिमों को ललकारा  
वो शेर कौन ? मुजीब  
जिसको बंगाल का जादू कहिये  
जिसने भूठों का भरम खोल दिया  
दुश्मन घबराए, भुंभलाए,  
बात कुछ न बनी  
आखिरश बम बरसाये  
उन निहत्थों पर जिनके  
उन पर हजारहों उपकार है  
कहाँ तक बम बरसायेंगे  
कहाँ तक गोलियाँ चलायेंगे

एक एक खून के कतरे से  
लाखों मुजीब पायेंगे  
जाग उठा है बंगला देश  
देगोर और नात्रूल इस्लाम का प्यारा  
एक आग, एक दहकता अंगारा  
मैदान से हट जायें नामुमकिन है  
एक जोग, एक बलबला, एक मुक्ति  
जिनका मजहब है  
एक एक जुल्म का अबदला लेंगे  
दरिया ए वक्त में फिरोन को डूबो देंगे  
सर कट जायेंगे झुकने न पायेंगे  
पाँव टूट जायेंगे, रुकने न पायेंगे  
तानाशाही नहीं चली थी,  
याह्याशाही कहाँ चलेगी ?  
मुजीब कैद में है, खैर कोई बात नहीं,  
कोई ख्याल को वेड़ी फिन्हाये तो जानू  
उभर चुका है जो जज्बा वो दब नहीं सकता  
कोई ख्याल को फाँसी चढ़ाए तो जानू ।

— अशोक सक्सेना





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## College News

On Sunday, the 7th, an English Film 'Harkin's Navy Joins the Air Force', was screened to the Cadets in the College Convocation Hall.

On Sunday, the 14th, an English film 'Son of a Gun Fighter' was screened to the Cadets.

## Inter-Section P.T. Competitions, 1971

The Inter-Section P.T. Competitions were held on Tuesday, the 9th, and Wednesday, the 10th inst. respectively on the College parade ground in the afternoons. Following are the results:—

## On the Spot Painting Competition, 1971

We congratulate the following Cadets on their success in 'On the Spot Painting Competition' which was organised by Col. Brown Cambridge School Inter Act Club on the 7th November, on their school premises as a part of Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi's Birthday celebrations.

### Juniors

Section	Points	Position
Shivaji	2170	1st
Pratap	1980	2nd
Chandra Gupta	1803	3rd
Ranjit	1563	4th

*Group C (10 to 14 years)*  
Cadet D.S. Dutta—Consolation.

### Seniors

Chandra Gupta	2135½	1st
Shivaji	2066½	2nd
Pratap	1492	3rd
Ranjit	1933	4th

*Group D (14-18 years)*  
Cadet P.P. Reddy—2  
„ P.K. Chatterjee—Consolation

## Best Squad Leaders

Juniors—A. Satyanarayan (Pratap)  
Seniors—Gurvinder Singh (Shivaji)

Our Congratulations to Shivaji on their winning this year's championship in P.T.

Mr. N.P. Shukla, Master in English, has left the College after a period of three and a half years of service to join the Madan Mohan Malviya Engineering College, Gorakhpur. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Shukla a happy and prosperous life.

## SPORTS FOLIO

The 31st Athletic Sports of Dehra Dun District, 1971 was held on the R.I.M.C. Grounds on Friday, the 5th and Saturday, the 6th November. We congratulate the following Cadets who participated in the various events of the sports enthusiastically and showed creditable performance:—

Event	Name	Position
<i>D Section</i>		
1. 100 Metres Sprint	Deepak Singh	1st
2. 100 Metres Sprint	P. Deb	2nd
3. 110 Metres Hurdles	B.N. Misra	1st
4. 110 Metres Hurdles	Gurvinder Singh	3rd
5. 200 Metres Sprint	P. Deb	1st
6. 200 Metres Sprint	Deepak Singh	2nd
7. 800 Metres Race	D. Tomar	3rd
8. Throwing the Javelin	Mohan Singh	1st
9. 400 Metres Sprint	D. Tomar	2nd



10. 400 Metres Sprint	B.N. Misra	3rd
11. Shot Put (12 lbs.)	V.V. Singh	1st
12. Shot Put (12 lbs.)	Deepak Singh	2nd
13. Triple Jump	K. Roy	1st
14. Triple Jump	S. Imam	3rd
15. 4 × 100 Metres Relay	S.S. Hellikeri	1st
	B.N. Misra	1st
	Deepak Singh	1st
	P. Deb	1st
16. Broad Jump	K. Roy	2nd
17. Broad Jump	Deepak Singh	3rd
<i>C Section</i>		
18. 100 Metres Sprint	Y.A. Singh	2nd
19. 200 Metres Sprint	Y.A. Singh	1st
20. 400 Metres Sprint	K.B. Singh	2nd
21. 4 × 100 Metres Relay	Y.A. Singh	1st
	N.K. Baruah	1st
	A.K. Gupta	1st
	Rana Dutta	1st
22. Broad Jump	A.K. Saxena	2nd
23. Broad Jump	G.K. Singh	3rd
24. Shot Put (8 lbs.)	S.M. Singh	2nd
25. Hop, Step & Jump	G.K. Singh	3rd
26. High Jump	S.M. Singh	2nd
<i>B Section</i>		
27. 100 Metres Sprint	A.K. Gupta	2nd
28. 200 Metres Sprint	A.K. Gupta	2nd
29. 4 × 100 Metres Relay	A.K. Gupta	3rd
	K.B. Singh	3rd
	B.C. Singh	3rd
	A.K. Sharma	3rd

#### Science and General knowledge

Questions:—

- Does light exert a force on matter ?
- How many times is radium more radioactive than uranium ?
- What is a radiograph ?
- What is a homogeneous medium ?
- What are  $\alpha$  particles (alpha) ?
- Can an atom be split any further than neutrons and protons ?

Answers: -

- Yes.
- 4 million times.
- An X-Ray photograph.
- A medium having the same properties of composition and density throughout i.e., air.
- Helium nuclei.
- Yes, into Partons.

Kuldip Singh, V

#### Something Better than friends

People talk much about intimate friends. Philosophers have extolled friendship, and poets have described it as the greatest gift one can have. But when I begin to think of my friends I feel sick of them.

When you look into the eyes of a friend who doesn't care a jot whether you existed or not, you can understand what I mean. An ideal friend is a dream. He exists only in the romantic world of Shakespeare but not in the realities of today. Often I look into my friend's eyes for something I myself don't know. Each of them glares back at me and informs me of my effete existence, which makes me feel alone and unhappy. The voice in me asks, "Whom do you really love?" "The sun." I say. "What?" it retaliates. I never care to answer any such



retaliations. However, I feel I must achieve what I want to. But for that I need companionship. I say if one can't be my friend can't one pretend to be so? Then I imagine I would prefer someone to pretend to be my friend and hence cheat my soul with promises which he would break. I would like him to trick my mind with a lie from his lips. Still if it doesn't hold charm I wouldn't know what could be more charming. I just can't afford to wonder in nothingness, because it could make me a lunatic.

There are many hearts throbbing like mine, all wanting some one. Some go crazy, and few belonging to my class begin to love the sun, the wind, the tall, pine trees, the lonely beaches and the snow clad mountains. I find peace and glory in these splendid creations. They remind me of my helpless birth and my futility. Above all they provide me with companionship, without which I can't function.

When I feel alone, confused, unhappy and discontented I know just what to do. I play with my friends games of mystery and of wonder. I feel I can hear the breeze whispering. I can see the birds settling somewhere as the last rays of the sun redden the sky. I can hear the far ringing bells of the temple. I can feel my world running to embrace me. I know once it embraces me, I will be bathed in glory till eternity.

The sudden impulse of loneliness may force anyone to feel like that.

B.N. Misra, ISC

1. If you love me, do not express it and the moment you express it you don't love me.
2. I give you my love and take your sorrow  
That's the end of today, and beginning of tomorrow.

Cadet A.K. Bose, ISC

#### Operation Khedda

Anyone who visits Mysore would always like to witness the Khedda, a popular method by which wild elephants are captured in Mysore. People from all over the world come to witness

it. It's a very exciting but dangerous job. This method of capturing elephants was widely adopted during the time when Hyder Ali ruled Mysore. In those days hundreds of wild elephants used to be captured and trained for the battlefield.

A few days before the Khedda is to take place a wild herd is driven into an enclosure. This enclosure covers a large area of the forest and is made of thick logs bound tight to one another. Visitors are seated at a place from where they can have a clear view. Bright coloured clothes are not permitted as the wild elephants get attracted and charge at the visitors. People are required to avoid disturbance as the elephants get scared and run away. Many armed guards are posted in the visitors' gallery for their safety.

Cameras are allowed inside, on payment. Now the elephants are driven across the rivers. Sometimes the wild elephants do not move at all in order to obey their leader's command. So drums are beaten and guns fired to frighten them. Many trained elephants push the wild ones across. Often an incident takes place where a wild elephant fights with a trained one. In that case two or three trained elephants are left to overcome the wild one.

They are now driven into a smaller enclosure. The passage to this is so small that sometimes the small elephants get crushed between the big ones.

Now the wild elephants are led one by one for roping. Roping a wild elephant is very difficult because he keeps on fighting and charging. Many times he escapes and runs back into the forest. Many of them break their tusks and are wounded.

Later the wild elephants, escorted by the trained ones, are led for training. Sufficient food is not given to the wild ones unless they are perfectly trained and obey their masters instantly. Trained elephants work in the forests. They transport heavy logs of wood and help in capturing other wild elephants. They take a leading place during processions. They are trained to garland and salute. When Bulganin the then Prime Minister of the U.S.S.R. visited India,



elephants garlanded him. He was greatly astonished.

Once elephants are captured they lose freedom and are made to lead a wretched life of slavery which I don't like. Anyone who looks into the small but watery eyes of an elephant can feel the torture he undergoes in the world outside the forest.

Cadet B.L.G. Dayanand

### Last Day's Song

Boys, boys do not fear,  
Holidays are coming near;  
No more Hindi, Maths no more,  
No more rolling on the floor;  
If the master interferes,  
Leave the room and lend no ears.

—Cadet Sanjiv Sharma, Class I

### Riddle-Me-Do

- (1) I have a head, but have no face,  
Like you to be in the race?
- (2) I am not hot, I am 'hot and cold',  
But when I come leaves turn into gold.
- (3) My 'C' sounds like 'K', My 'L' is still.  
I give no milk, for mother will.
- (4) My '3' is big you must agree,  
I bring the sun always with me.

### Answers

- (1) Ahead (2) Autumn (3) Calf (4) Sunday

—Sanjiv Sharma  
Class I

- (1) Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity the most important thing in life is to know when to forego an advantage.

—Disraeli.

- (2) When we set ourselves to the work of collecting and recollecting ourselves, we begin a task which if carried to its natural conclusion ultimately becomes prayer.

—Dr. William Sadler.

## इतिहास और याहिया

क्या पूछ सकता हूँ।  
इन लाखों बेगुनाहों का  
बहता हुआ खून,  
सन चुके हैं जिसमें,  
तुम्हारे दोनों हाथ,  
ओ याहिया लाँ !  
उसे किससे धोमोगे ?  
क्या चीनी साबुन से ?  
या अमरीकी सोडे से ?  
या ईरानी रीठे से ?  
अथवा अन्य किसी विदेशी मिट्टी से ?  
क्या सचमुच धुल सकता है यह खून ?  
मिट सकता है यह दाग ?  
नहीं, नहीं कभी नहीं !  
अब तो यह खून  
(विश्राक्त खून)  
तुम्हारे ही देश की रग-रग में,  
महानाश बनकर दौड़ेगा।  
और इतिहास  
तुम्हारा नाम  
अपने सबसे काले पृष्ठ पर  
हलाकू के ऊपर लिखेगा।

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## College News

Cadets of the R.I.M.C. this year too, won the laurels in the Dehra Dun District Athletic Meet, 1971. Besides getting many certificates they won the 'B' Division Championship Cup and shared the honour with St. Joseph's Academy in 'C' Division Championship. The details of their performance have already been published.

On Saturday, the 20th, the Muslim Cadets of our College celebrated Id-ul-Fitr, along with the members of the Staff and other Cadets, in the R.I.M.C. Mosque. After the prayers the cadets were informed by Maulvi Mohammad Idris 'Why Id is celebrated'. Throwing light on the teachings of the prophet he called upon the congregation to be nearer to God in times of calamities. He attributed all ills of the present-day world to our remoteness from God. We express our sincere gratitude to Maulvi Sahib.

We are greatly thankful to Col. H.K.L. Johar, the Commandant, and Major H.S. Mangat, the Administrative Officer, for their efforts in getting the mosque repaired and extending all possible help in making the Id programme a success.

On Sunday, the 21st, the R.M.O. Dr. S.K. Chakravorty, examined medically, all the children of the Class IV employees in the College campus and issued necessary instructions to their parents for the betterment of their health.

On Monday, the 22nd, he delivered a lecture to the Class IV employees at the College Hospital, at 11-30 a.m., on the importance of 'Family Planning', 'Child Welfare', 'Ante-natal and Post-natal Welfare of the Mother', 'Cleanliness' and 'Nutrition and Diet to the Babies'.

On the evening of the same day a Baby Show was arranged at the College Hospital in which 26 children of the

Class IV employees, belonging to the different age groups, participated. Mrs. R.C. Singhal who presided over the function gave cash prizes to the following children:

### Under 2 years

1. Suraj s/o Nand Lal (Cook)
2. Tara d/o Imdad Husain (Groundsman)
3. Babli d/o Balbir (Dormitory Bearer)

### From 2 to 4 years

1. Mumtaz s/o Imdad Husain (Groundsman)
2. Pappu s/o Balbir (Dormitory Bearer)
3. Minoo d/o Prem Singh (Dormitory Bearer)

The participating children were given toffees at the end of the function.

On Sunday, the 28th, an English film 'A Lovely Way to Die' was screened to the Cadets in the College Convocation Hall.

## Results of the Inter-Section Squash Competitions, 1971

The matches were played respectively on 25th, 26th and 27th of November. Following are the results:

Section	Points	Position
Pratap	4	1st
Chandragupta	3	2nd
Shivaji	2	3rd
Ranjit	1	4th

We congratulate the following Cadets on their being awarded College Colours in Football and Athletics:

### Football Blues

Cadet Deepak Singh  
Cadet B.N. Misra

### Football Half Blues

Cadet S.M. Singh  
Cadet H. Khodra

### Athletic Blues

Cadet Deepak Singh  
Cadet P. Deb



### END-OF-THE-TERM FUNCTION, 1971

Due to the blackouts in the evenings the End-of-the-Term function was arranged at 11.30, during the day-time, on Wednesday, the 8th December. The programmes started with the distribution of prizes to the Cadets for their best performance in both the terms subjects written against their names below. The Commandant on behalf of the members of the teaching staff, gave away various books as prizes to the following Cadets:—

Subjects	IA (May)	IA (Dec.)	IIA (May)	IIA (Dec.)	IIIA (May)	IIIA (Dec.)	IVA (May)	IVA (Dec.)
English	Rajiv Anand	J.S. Gill	D. Syal	B. Charles	K.M. Balsara	Atul Verma	—	—
English Language	—	—	—	—	—	—	A. Narayan	C. Banerjee
English Literature	—	—	—	—	—	—	S. Chandra	—
Mathematics	A.P. Singh	R.K. Yadav	Harbhajan Singh	K.R. Singh	I. Narain	T.K. Guha	A. Narayan	A. Chakravarti
History	D. Narain	J.S. Gill	Harbhajan Singh	B. Charles	K.M. Balsara	Virendra Singh	Gurkirat Singh	C. Banerjee
Geography	A.P. Singh	S. Banerjee	K.B. Singh	Ramakrishnan	S. Imam	Atul Verma	G.P. Singh	—
Science	V.K. Chandrashekran	R.K. Yadav	D. Syal	K.R. Singh	S. Mehta	T.S. Mahadeo	—	—
Physics	—	—	—	—	—	—	S. Banerjee	M.B. Saxena
Chemistry	—	—	—	—	—	—	Gurkirat Singh	M.B. Saxena
Hindi Lower	Rajiv Anand	A.K. Barman	S. Mukherjee	H.S. Pathania	S.M. Singh	M.P. Singh	S. Banerjee	A. Chakravarti
Hindi Higher	R. Chaturvedi	A. Ahluwalia	R.K. Singh	A.K. Prasad	A.K. Sharma	Virendra Singh	S. Chandra	V.K. Chhiber
Sanskrit	—	—	S. Upadhyay	A.K. Prasad	S. Mehta	Gajendra Singh	—	—
Art	T.H. Bimol Chand	A. Ahluwalia	P. Yadav	H.S. Pathania	S. Iman	B.S. Gill	—	—

The prize distribution was followed by Variety Entertainment programmes in which Each Section of our College participated. From Shivaji, Cadet P.G. Rongmei did Mono-Acting, Cadet P.C. Dhanraj played on the Mouth Organ and Cadet Dilip Kumar sang a song. Cadets of the Ranjit Section presented 'News from Radio Pakistan', 'A speech by an Election Candidate', 'Man from England' and 'Bhangra Dance'. Cadets of the Pratap Section presented an English Play 'The Dirty Six'. Cadets of the Chandragupta Section staged a One-act Hindi Play 'Do Kalakar', and sang songs.

The functions ended with the lunch at the Cadets Mess to which members of the teaching staff were cordially invited.

On Thursday, the 9th December, the Commandant, after declaring the results of the Terminal Examinations to the Cadets, read out a special prayer for the success of our country's Jawans fighting on the border areas.

### ON THE WAY TO GANGOTRI AND GOMUKH

Our Mid-Term Examinations were over. Relief and five days break. The idea of going to different places was thrilling. We danced with joy.

27th of March was a glorious day. A batch of 20 Cadets with Mr. L.N. Thakur, the Master-in-charge of our group, left Dehra Dun at 7 a.m. for Gangotri. From Rishikesh we started for Harsil (an army camp situated 300 kms. away from Rishikesh and 9000 ft. above the sea-level) which was supposed to be our base camp. The rough and rugged road had land slides at certain places; our hearts beat faster when our truck passed through them. However, at 10 p.m. we were in Harsil, safe and sound. To our great joy the Dashehra celebrations were in full swing there. We gave a sigh of relief and threw our packs. The O.C. there was kind and



hospitable to us. We had dinner with him. We had lively conversation with the Officers who were quite frank and amicable persons. They supplied us with the sleeping bags that were warm and cosy. We slept in soundly after a long and tiresome journey.

Early in the morning next day we started for Gangotri which is 17 miles away from Harsil. Crossing Jangla, Nepang and Lanka we reached Bhairoghati at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The wooden bridge across Neel Ganga connecting Lanka and Bhairoghati (hardly half a mile's distance) being broken, we had to go down about 3000 ft. and then again ascend to 9500 ft. within two and a half miles, and reached Bhairoghati where we had a rough lunch at a tea shop. Thereafter we proceeded for Gangotri. Several hours passed, evening drew nearer but there was no sign of Gangotri. There was nothing except the snow capped mountains (the sun rays falling on them so as to make them look like erupting volcanoes) a few shrubs and the roaring Ganga below. The wind started getting chilly. In this tense and tiring moment a few songs by one of our friends were the only methods of relaxation and entertainment. At about 4 o'clock the mile stone showed only one mile left. Fresh spirit invoked us and we started with longer paces. At last at about 5 p.m. we were glad to find ourselves in Gangotri. There were a few houses and one rest house.

Evening Aarti at 7 p.m. was a sign of life there. Sitting near the banks of the river in the night, watching the water gushing out of the peculiar shaped rocks looking like a silvery fountain in the clear moonlit night was a real pleasure. The sweet sound of the temple bells and the milky snow streams for a moment made us feel a heavenly beauty around us.

The following day we started for Gomukh (12,700 feet above the sea-level). Being already impressed by its beauty we were enthusiastic to reach it as soon as possible. Although the hike of 12 miles was very tiresome rather impossible without breakfast yet none of us grew dull. It was serene and calm everywhere. Among these lofty mountains with small trees and shrubs growing on them, an occasional chirp of a sparrow type of bird was a welcome to us. We relaxed for half an hour at Buja Basu a small hermitage nearly 3 miles before our destination. In the afternoon we reached Gomukh, the mouth of Ganga. Snowwhite peaks behind the solid dome

of snow seemed to be a marble edifice constructed by nature or Bhagiratha. Big glaciers were lying in the bed of the mouth. Near the danger mark we had some sweets and saltish fried grams mixed together; this was our lunch as nothing better we could get. For one hour we roamed about and enjoyed the enchanting beauty of this sacred river. Really Lord Shiva must have channelised this stream so as to contribute to a flourishing civilisation in this world. While returning we took another path and to our surprise found some camps half a km. behind a small hill. The camps were of a Research party sent by C.S.I.R. The Everest climber Mr. C.P. Vohra and his colleagues were pleased to find us over there. They entertained us with snacks and squash and provided us with valuable information about the place. We stayed there for half an hour. It was already 4-15 p.m. and the sun had started playing hide and seek behind the mountains, when we started our return journey. We started fresh again and reached Gangotri at 9 p.m. The moon peeped from far beyond the mountains and the pine trees.

On 30th September we hiked back to Harsil and without taking any rest sat in the truck that brought us at Uttarkashi at 9 a.m. where we enjoyed the Ram Lila functions. Next day we reached College in the evening.

Often my sweet memory takes me back to that place of tranquility and beauty which I hope to visit again.

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#### Half an Hour at the Post Office

I had to visit the Postmaster General's residence which was a beautiful quarter attached to the Main Post Office building. His son was my friend. As he was out to the town I made up my mind to wait and spend a little time visiting the post office to avoid boredom.

A Post Office is as important as life itself. It is an inevitable means of communication. It not only manages to carry our letters and money from one place to another but conveys our tears and joys to our near and dear ones as well. Everyone visits a post office. He has to. Though he might never afford going to the Quality Restaurant. However the most significant things that I marked were the Khaki bags the postmen were carrying with them. There were letters in them. Letters, and therein



deaths, marriages, births, funerals, invitations, appointments and disappointments, welcomes and farewells, love and hope and dejection. In brief, 'Life', if I use a monosyllabic word. If words in those letters had only power to speak the postmen could feel the whole world in those Khaki bags.

The most direct effect of our messages I could read on the face of the person who was attending to the telegraphic messages. I stood there at the window. It was afternoon. The clerk was receiving messages being telegraphed to his Post. There must be messages of various nature, both shocking and delightful. Had there been a newly appointed clerk every message that he might have received I could read on his face but the old clerk seemed to remain unaffected. He was used to it to the extent of being wise. Yes, detachment is wisdom; he had come out of the life's struggle, boons and curses, without going so much into it. That was the advantage he seemed to have got working there. In so little a time he had learnt so much of life. The old man grew a little serious when a death message was telegraphed, and even when the tragic was followed by a delightful one he appeared not to shake off the effect of the previous one. People waited there for him with the telegraphic forms in hands. There were four persons hence no proper queue. I couldn't help reading their messages on those forms though it was a bit immodest on my part to do so. One wrote 'Sister passed B.A. Final'. Another, 'Rate 40 per bag'. A villager then I saw clad in dusty dhoti with an unshaven face. He looked bewildered as if coming from darkness into the day light. Clasp his hands he begged someone at the gate something and was directed towards the window where telegrams were being received. There too he stood hesitant, as if he would cry any moment. I marked his swollen eyes and gloomy face. Guessing he wanted some sort of guidance I approached him gently. In a choking voice he told me in Hindi that he wanted to send a message that his long ailing father had died in the hospital and that his mother and brother should come down from the village. I did what he

wanted while he kept sobbing. I felt quite unhappy and moved to another place.

On a different window I saw the queue never ending. People were buying letters, stamps and money order forms. There were a few foreigners too who had come to receive their letters.

Then there was another queue. Money orders were accepted there. A rich man, no doubt a businessman, deposited Rs. 1500/-, and just after him a young man who appeared to be a servant somewhere came up with Rs. 5/-. When the clerk asked him 'how much?', he felt hesitant and in a whisper he said 'five rupees'. The clerk looked at him through his specs of powerful glasses unconcerned and was busy again writing.

While thus lost I felt a gentle tap on my shoulder. My friend was there.

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## निराला का निरालापन

निराला के सम्बन्ध में एक धारणा यह बनती रही है कि बिल्कुल लापरवाह, दीन दुनिया से बेखबर, पारिवारिक और सामाजिक उत्तरदायित्वों के प्रति पलायनवादी थे। लेकिन क्या यह सच था? क्या ऐसा व्यक्ति, जो सारी दुनिया का दर्द अपने दिल में समेट कर चलता रहा, अपने परिवार और आस पास से आँखें मूंदे रह सकता है? क्या उसका जीवन 'सोंटे, लोटे और लंगोटे' का ही जीवन था? क्या जीवन और समाज को समकालीनता से असंपृक्ति उसके लिए सभव थी?

जो लोग निराला के प्रति ऐसी धारणाएँ रखते हैं, वे या तो निराला के विषय में कुछ जानते ही नहीं और यदि जानते भी हैं, तो बन्द मस्तिष्क से जानते हैं। निराला भी सामान्य प्राणी की तरह ही अपनी पारिवारिक समस्याओं से जुड़े थे। घर परिवार को उन्हें भी उतनी ही चिंता थी, जितनी हममें से किसी को हो सकती है।

निराला आधुनिक साहित्य के पहले विद्रोही थे। धिंसी-पिटी मान्यताओं और सामाजिक वर्जनाओं के प्रति उन्हें हमेशा चिड़ रही। वह स्वभाव से ही समझौतावादी नहीं थे। यही निराला का निरालापन था।

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