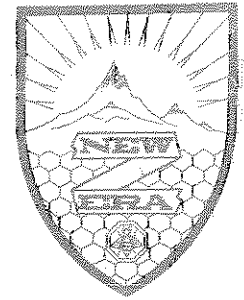


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A Kenyatta DaySALUTE TO
MZEE!

On this great day, thousands of young Kenyans will promise to spend their lives in the service of our country and follow the example set by our President Mzee Jomo Kenyatta.

On this historic day, thousands of Kenyans salute our President for starting a new era (a new period of time) in the history of Kenya.

NEW ERA joins in the prayers of Kenyans for the long life of the President and hopes that all our readers will take part in the Kenyatta Day celebrations.

HOW TO BECOME A VERY SPECIAL KIND OF MAGICIAN!

If you know the right word . . .

What is it?

and if you make the right wish . . .

Is it abracadabra?

and if you really mean it, you can do amazing tricks?

Like what?

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How does the UNICEF magic work?

UNICEF does not do tricks on a stage BUT it does better than that.

It cannot cut a woman in half . . .

BUT

it can double a child's chances to live a healthy life.

It cannot read your mind or predict what you are going to do tomorrow . . .

BUT

it can teach children to read and write and improve them.

It cannot tear up a handkerchief and then put it together again . . .

BUT

it can help a child whose life is torn apart by illness and make him well.

It cannot make . . . cont'd on P.14

Young artists on show in Nairobi

YOUNG artists will be on show this month the Nairobi City Education Department Exhibition of the paintings by primary school children.

The Young Artists Exhibition will be held from 16 to 21 October, at the City Hall in Nairobi. There will be many different types of art work on show including pictures for books, cloth painting, design for printing on cloth, statuettes in wood, stones and bones and pictures made of local and waste materials.

The girls will show their embroidery and needle work. The crafts section will have basketry, mats and lamp shades.

-If you are interested in arts



Have another go at – 'It's a Small World' Colouring Contest

After receiving many letters from schools to extend the time for Colouring Contest, we have decided to extend it until the end of October. So here is another chance to try and win some lovely prizes for yourself.

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and crafts you should produce your best work for this exhibition, if you are not so good at arts and crafts then you should certainly visit and admire what other clever pupils can do.

badges for all winners are some of the prizes to be given away at a special party.

Do not forget to write the name of your school and your age when you send us your entry. And those who have sent one entry can try again with a different colour scheme.

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PUMWANI Primary School had the highest number of entrants and winners of the greatest number of awards (ten) at the Inter-Primary School championships.

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U THANT TALKS ON

CHILDREN'S DAY 1967



THE gap that separates the rich and the poor countries in today's world is nowhere more clearly seen than in providing food for the children.

Children everywhere need the same proteins, vitamins and energy foods if they are to grow up to be healthy citizens, but while a few children can get these foods in plenty, the great majority do not.

HEALTHY HUNGER

In the developed countries today, hunger — except for the healthy hunger that marks a good appetite when mealtime rolls around — is almost unknown. Scurvey, rickets and other children's diseases caused

by lack of healthy food are not common.

Compared to this, about three quarters of the world's children are growing up in countries where most people think that they are lucky if they eat any kind of food to fill their bellies. It is certain that millions of children do not get enough to eat. Many more millions suffer from lack of vitamins. They mostly lack high quality proteins. How serious this is shown when we recall that protein is the very stuff of life out of which all our tissues of the body are made.

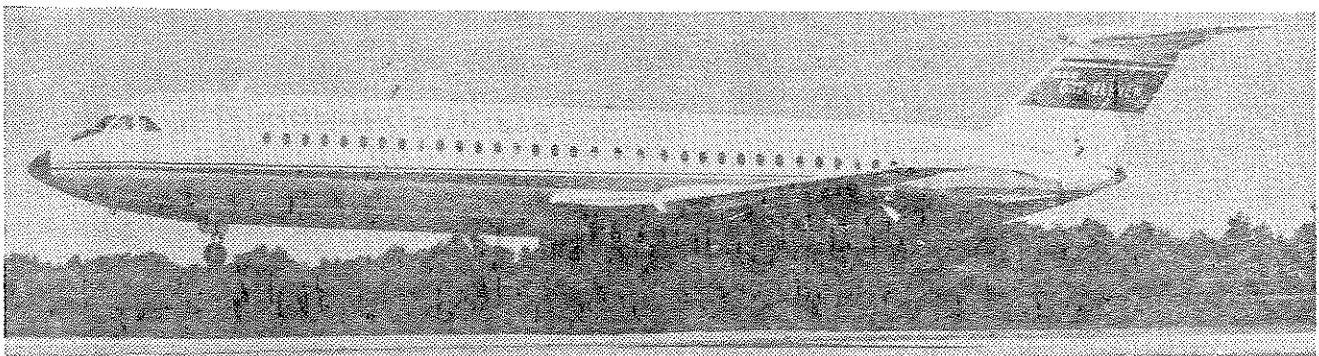
The challenge of giving good food to all the world's children

will not be an easy one to meet. It will need modern farming methods and great education programmes for the family. It will need more help from the industrial countries.

FULL SUPPORT

But we cannot neglect the challenge if we hope to see mankind make any real progress. Hungry children do not grow up to be active, healthy citizens who can help in the progress of the nations.

Therefore the work being done by United Nations, many governments and other helpers needs the full support of everyone who thinks about the future of the human race. U THANT



The first model of the new BAC One Eleven jet plane goes in action. This plane can carry 99 passengers.



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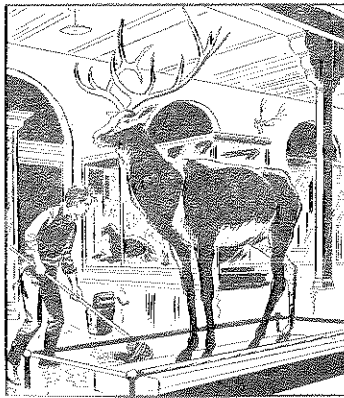
Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews:

EXPLORER EXTRAORDINARY

Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, a world famous explorer, author, and naturalist, spent his life adding to man's knowledge of earth's lesser known creatures past and present. Born in 1884, Roy (1) was an explorer even as a child, and spent most his time out of doors when not in school. (2) Young Andrews studied birds and how to preserve animals. (3) After completing his college education, he worked in a Museum in New

WORK AT MUSEUM

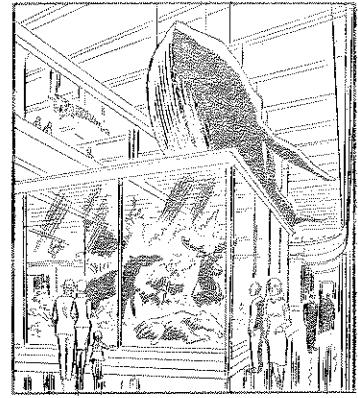
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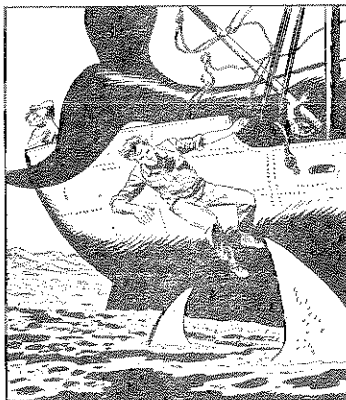
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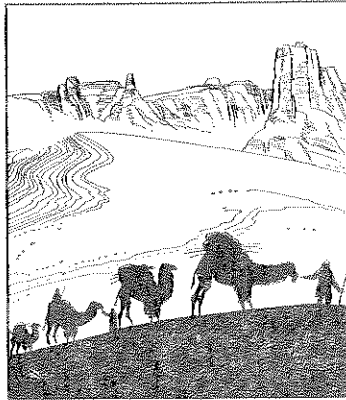
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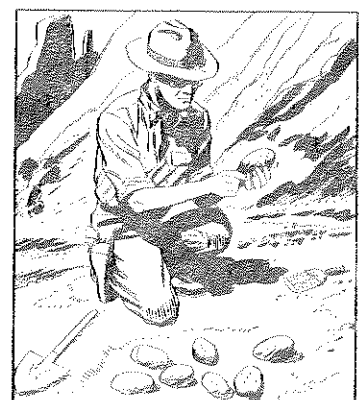
ESCAPE AT SEA

TRIP TO FAR OFF DESERT

York. When free, he studied the exhibits in the Museum. He left cleaning the floors and making clay (4) when he succeeded in building a 72 foot long model of a whale. (5) Dr. Andrews became an expert on whales and sea life. He went to study them on whaling ships and was once thrown into the sea full of sharks by a wounded whale (6). Then he became interested in the study of prehistoric animals and went to Central Asia (7). He was the first man to use cars in the Gobi Desert (8) and kept on going in the winter. Gobi Desert was an unknown area in 1921. Dr. Andrews discovered hundreds of bones of dinosaurs who lived 70 or 80 million years ago (9). He had difficulty in finding money for his expeditions and gave lecture to raise money. In Gobi Desert he found dozens of dinosaur eggs (10) an exhibit that raised much money for his work. Dr. Andrews died in 1960.



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ALL ABOUT WORDS

Grammar is the science that deals with the correct or the accepted use of language.

It comes from the Greek work 'gramma' (letter), the verb from which is "graphein (to write). In olden times, grammar was one of the most important parts of learning for all scholars but in modern times it has been overtaken by the progress of science.

Grammar is all about words and words can be divided into parts of speech. Here is a list of the parts of speech:

NOUNS: Words that name persons or things — Kamau, coffee, car. The word noun comes from the Latin "nomen" meaning name and so nouns are naming words.

PRONOUNS: Are also naming words but for things already mentioned by a specific name. In Latin 'pro' means 'to stand for' so pronouns are words that stand for a noun. Examples — he, his, she, her, they, them.

VERBS: Show action (to walk), a state (to be) or a happening (to age). Thus verbs are doing words. In Latin 'verbum' means words and so these words would seem to be the most important according to their meaning.

ADVERBS: Add to the meaning of the verbs: for example to talk slowly. The word 'slowly' shows how the walking was being done. Similarly other adverbs answer questions beginning with 'when' and 'where'.

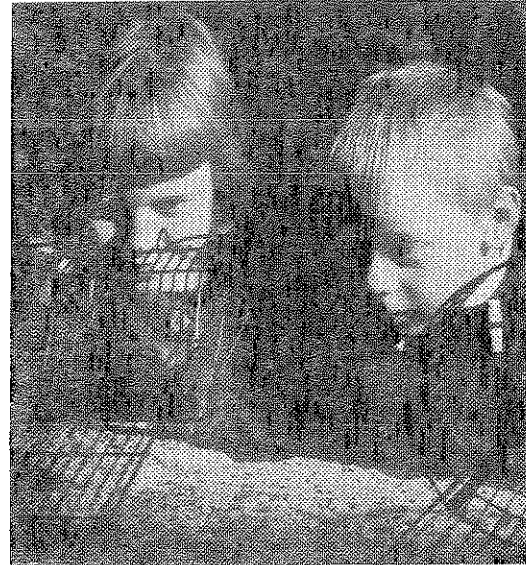
ADJECTIVES: Are describing words. They describe a noun (a white bat, a small room). The words come from 'ad' (to) and 'jocere' (to throw) when the noun and the adjective are thrown together.

CONJUNCTIONS: Are joining words. These words join sentences, phrases, clauses and words. The most common conjunctions are 'and' and 'but'. The origin of the word is CONJUNCTION — that which brings together.

INTERJECTIONS: Are exclamations that creep into ordinary speech for example Ouch!, Oh!, Hooray!. These words are thrown between ordinary words or sentences as they are made up off 'inter' (between) and jocere (to throw).

MEETING OF LINES

Geometry is all about measuring and comes from the Greek words 'ge' earth and 'metron' measure. It talks about the meeting of straight



Guinea pigs, rabbits, fish, tortoises and white rats bred by Newham Museum, U.K., can be borrowed by school children for study and keeping as pets. The children are allowed to watch these animals whenever they like.

lines. When two lines meet they form a corner which is called 'angulus' — the Latin word for corner.

When two lines meet in such a way as to form a sharper point than a right angle does, it is called an acute angle. In Latin, 'acuere' means to sharpen and the past participle, sharpened, is 'acutus.'

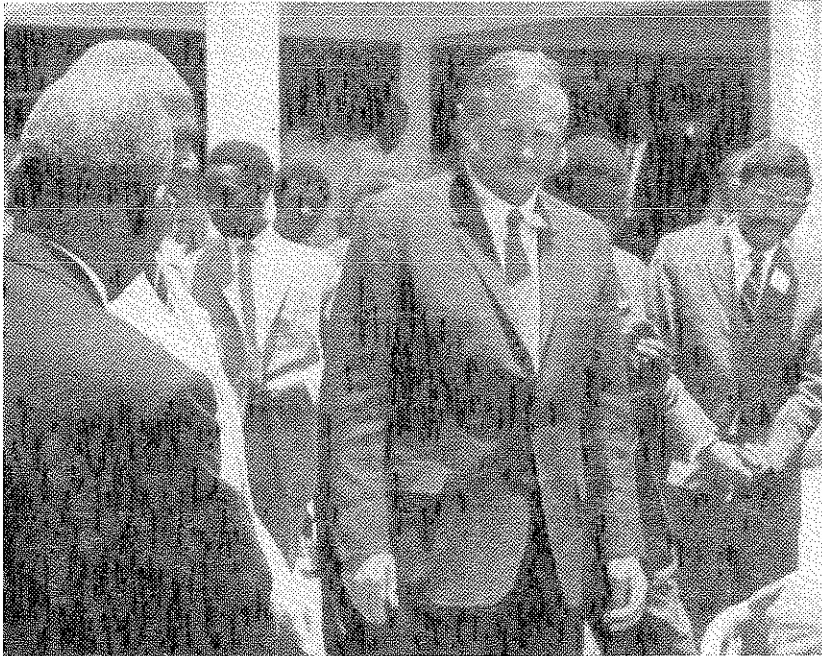
If the lines meet in such a way as to form a blunter point than a right angle does, it is called an obtuse angle. The word obtuse is taken from the Latin prefix 'ob' meaning 'against' and 'tundere' meaning 'to strike'. Thus its meaning is quite clear. If you strike against a sharp edge you blunt or dull it, in other words, you make it obtuse.

BEND BACK — IN LATIN

If the two lines that form the angle become so obtuse that they meet in the same straight line, there is no angle in the ordinary sense but geometry calls it a straight angle. The word straight comes from the old English word 'streccan' which also gives our word stretch.

An angle can still be larger than a straight angle; one arm bends beneath the horizontal and is on its way back to the other arm, so this is reflex angle from the Latin 're' meaning back and 'flectere' meaning to bend. Reflexus is to bend back in Latin.

GOODBYE GIFT AT AIRPORT



What a pleasant surprise!

Dr. Hastings Banda (left) thanks President Kenyatta (partly hidden) for the surprise gift of two cows at Nairobi Airport. Kenya's Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Bruce McKenzie, looks on.

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Schoolchildren

greet two

Presidents

Nairobi's primary school children greeted two presidents during the last week of September when they welcomed President Kenyatta back to Nairobi from his working holiday at Mombasa and also Dr. Hasting Kamuzu Banda, President of Malawi, who was visiting Kenya to open the Nairobi Show.

WAVING FLAGS

Thousands of pupils lined up Nairobi streets and welcomed President Banda by waving black, red and green flag of Malawi with its rising sun and cheering the two great men as they passed by in their motorcades.

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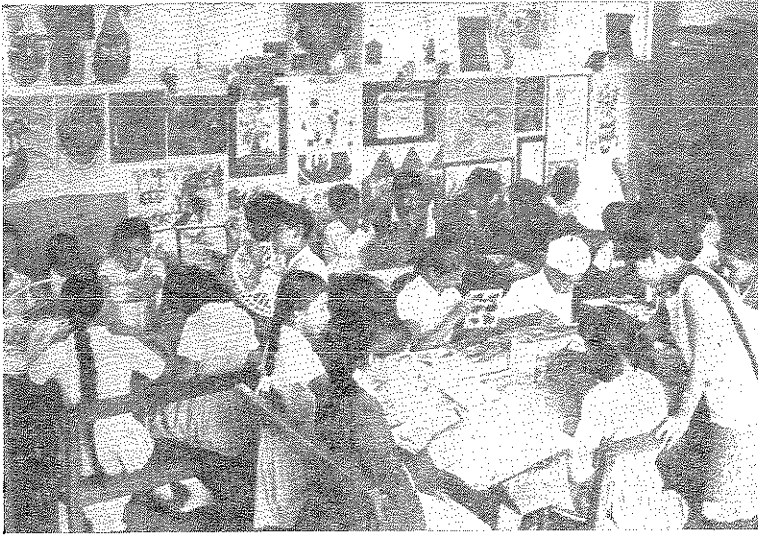
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HAPPY AT WORK!

ART FOR FUN: Miss J. Liddar, a teacher at Racecourse Primary School, helps pupils to enjoy art at a meeting of the Art and Craft Club of this school. The 30 members of the club work in paints, model in clay, or weave raffa mats.

THE IRON MAN GETS HAMMERED

A scene from the play The Iron Man produced by the Racecourse Primary School pupils for their annual prize giving day. This play is set in 18th Century China and so the young actors and actresses are wearing Chinese costumes. The play was very well received by the parents and guest at this school's prize day. (Picture below)

SCHOOLORAMA

AGA Khan Primary School is preparing its annual magazine for all pupils and staff members.

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ARYA Girls Primary School had three prize winners Unga School's Painting Competition: Vibha Patel — Std. VII won second prize (Shs. 200/-), Meena Deni — VII won age group prize (Shs. 70/-), and Minaxi Pishavadi won merit award (Shs. 60/-).

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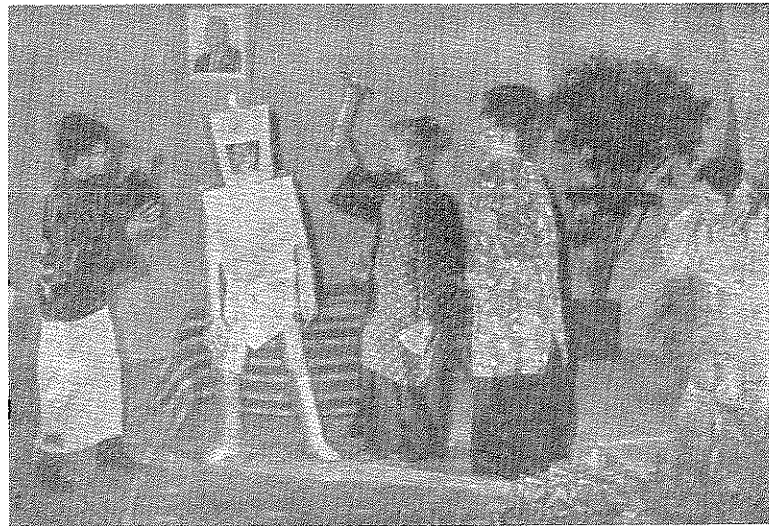
CITY Primary School sports ground was the scene of the selection of the Nairobi Primary Schools hockey team for visiting Mombasa.

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DR. Livingstone Primary Schools' headmaster, Mr. Douglas Karanja has just returned from a tour of Australia where he saw some Australian schools.

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HIGHRIDGE Primary School parents and staff gave a farewell party for the City



Education Officer, Mr. J. F. Callander, who is leaving his present post.

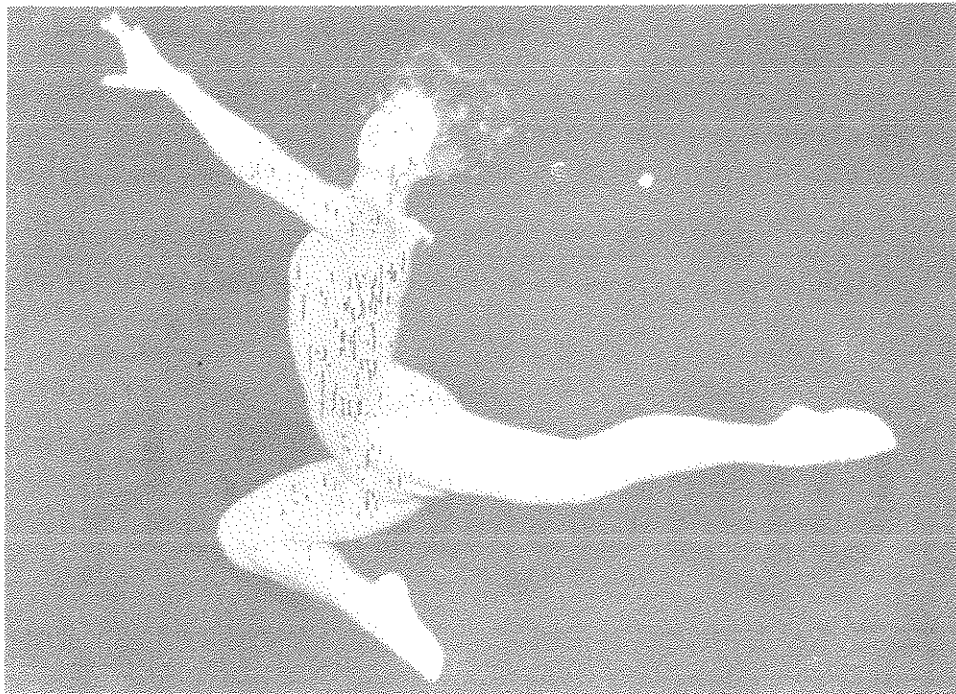
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JUJA Road Primary School is busily preparing for the annual Speech Day to be held in November. This will be the last function organised by the headmaster, Mr. D. R. Chhabra, who is due to retire at the end of this term.

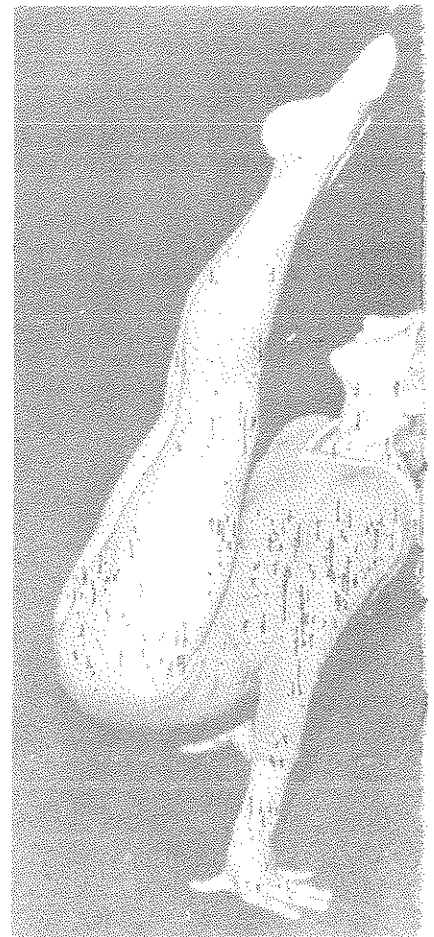
RIVERBANK Primary School pupil, Harjit Kaur, won the first prize in long jump in the Inter-Primary School Championships. Last month the General Knowledge Quiz Competition at this school was won by Tensingh House with 12 points. Kanta P. Won a prize in Shanker's International Children's Painting Competition, 1966.

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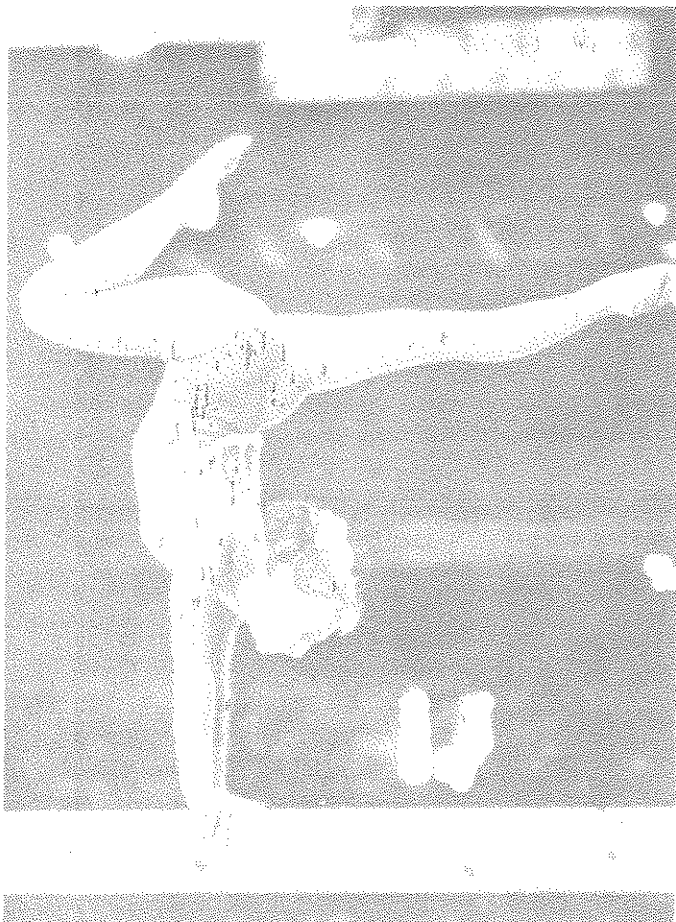
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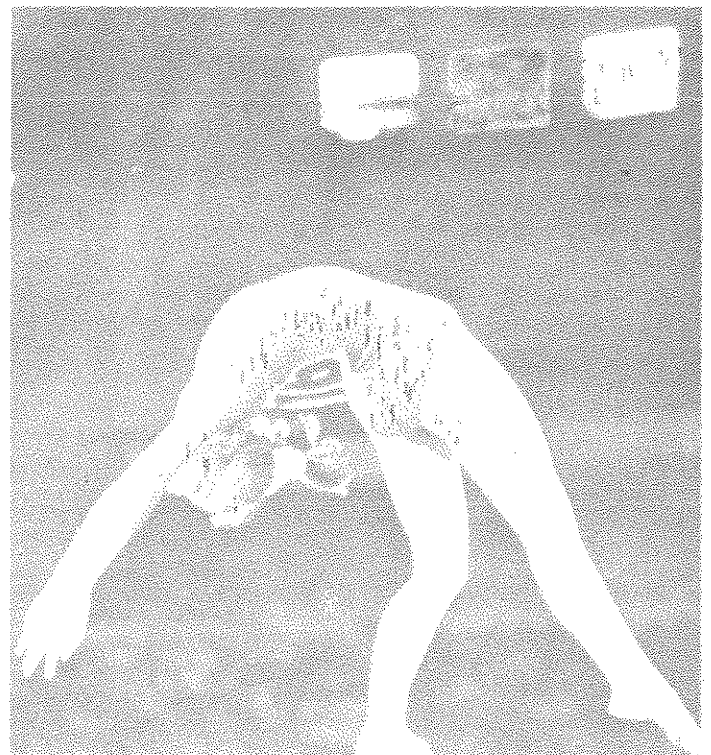
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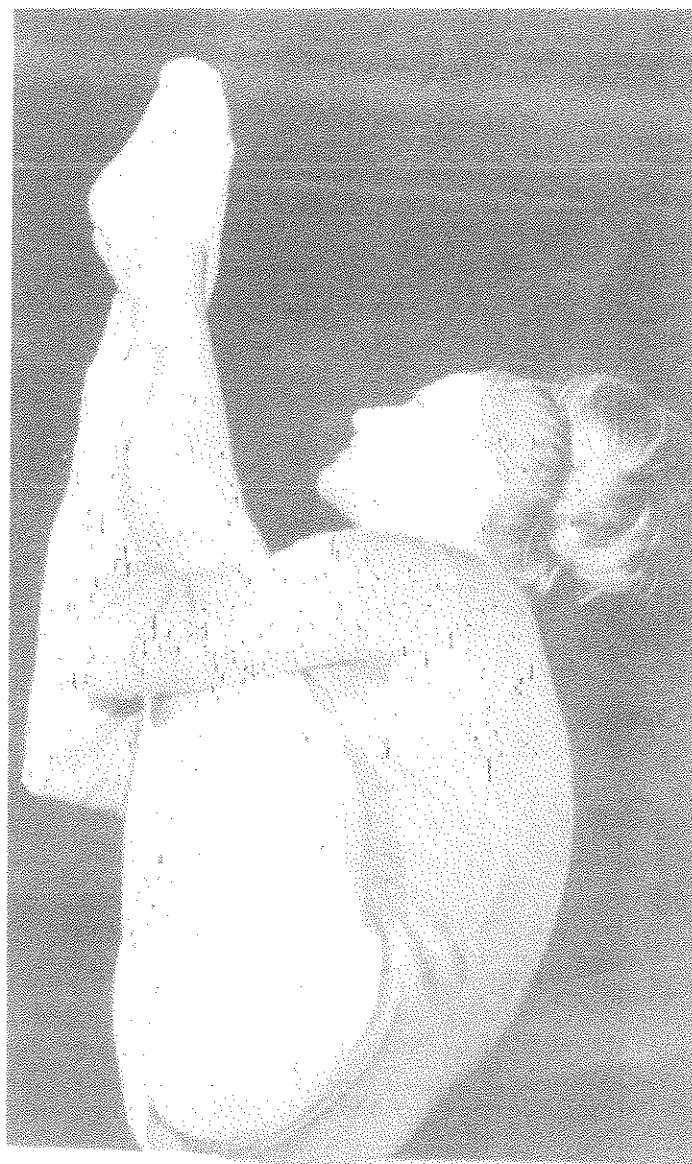
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Gymnastics is combination of smooth movements, complete control and great strength. The nations who have gained top honours in Olympic gymnastics are Russia, Japan, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and the France. Now young teams from U.S.A., Cuba and Mexico are training for Mexico Games. (1) Miroslava Skerarova of Czechoslovakia shows her superb control in this inverted kangaroo position. (2) West Germany's beautiful Gundula Piepenburg is expected to be one of her country's strongest competitors for 1968 Olympics.

(3) and (4) Lovely Natasha Kushinskaya of Russia, the champion of her country and considered to be in second place among the world's gymnasts, forgets herself in the beauty of her movements. (5) Mexico's team for the Olympic games gets going as Maria Luisa Morales does a stand with her body tracing on arc. (6) the Queen of Gymnastics and an Olympic Champion Versa Caslavsky displays her mastery over her body.



YOUNG KENYANS SET A NEW SHOW RECORD

MORE than 22,000 young Kenyans helped to make the 1967 Nairobi Show break all old attendance records for the five day event.

School children started to pour in from the first day of the Show and continued until

Saturday. School uniforms of almost all the leading schools in Nairobi could be seen on Friday, September 30.

EVERYWHERE

The schoolgoers were everywhere and took part in almost all the events in the Show.

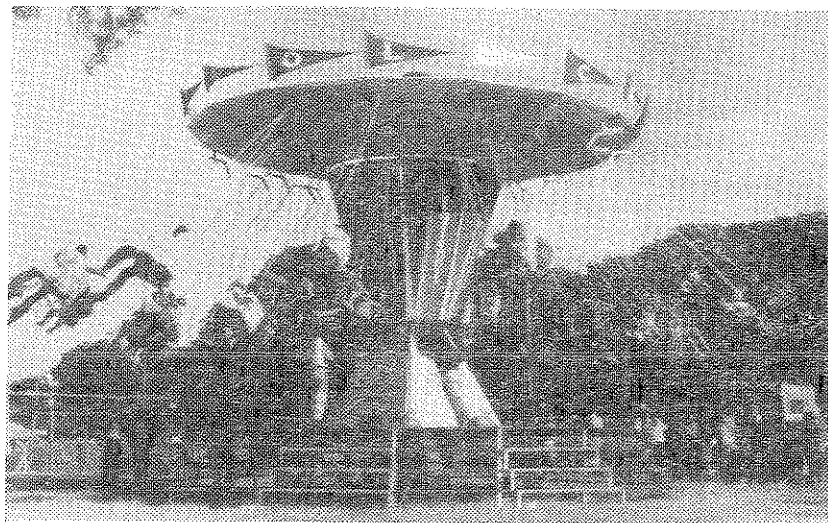
Some worked to help on the stands and did a good job especially the Boy Scouts. The Girl Guides looked after young babies at the Show and the St. John Ambulance Brigade volunteers helped the people who fell ill or fainted.

The young farmers won many prizes for their first class farm produce, the young riders carried away many silver cups for handling their horses with skill and the young musicians played happy tunes in the Jamburi Park.

FIRST PRIZE

The schools were at work at the Ministry of Education stand which won the first prize. Young pupils from many Nairobi primary schools were taught their teachers with the latest methods and the public watched with interest.

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● Children enjoy at the Giant Fun Fair.



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Q. Why does a man walk upright?

(Dilip P. — City P.S.)

- ☐ Because his body has changed over many thousands of year to help him to walk upright.

Q. Water is made up of hydrogen and oxygen. How can we prove that there is oxygen in water?

(Fakhar Iqbal — Park Road P.S.)

- ☐ If we pass an electric current in water with a drop of acid, we can separate hydrogen and oxygen. Then if we put a glowing matchstick, it lights, showing the gas to be oxygen.

Q. Who was the Light of Asia?

(Shabir Parkar — J.R. P.S.)

- ☐ Gautama, the Buddha.

Q. Who was the father of history?

(Osman Gani — E. P.S.)

- ☐ Herodotus of ancient Greece.

Q. Why do we feel pain when we are hurt?

(Pradeep J. Patel — Thika P.S.)

- ☐ The nerves of our body make us feel, the suffering is known as pain.

Q. If we take 100 lbs. of seawater, how much salt has it dissolved in it?

(Navin, — Kongoni P.S.)

- ☐ About three pounds.

Q. How can we see the moon at night from the earth? If we were on the moon could we see the earth? And if we could what colour would it be?

(Vina Balashanker R. — Arya Girls P.S.)

- ☐ Yes, it would shine like the moon.

Q. How are sea weeds formed?

(Muraya Joseph — Salvation Army, Kabete)

- ☐ Be regeneration.

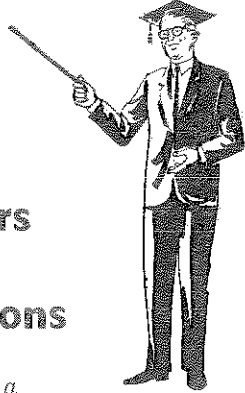
Q. At what age does a person stop to grow up?

(James N. Kamau)

- ☐ A man never stops growing, if growing means the changes in the different

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parts of body that come with age, as new cells, hair and nails always keep on coming.

Q. What is the roof of world?
(Sarabjeet Kaur Lottary — Ainsworth St. P.S.)

- ☐ Tibet.

Q. Is there any bomb which can destroy the whole world?
(Wilson Wwangi — Dr. Livingstone P.S.)

- ☐ Yes, the radio active effects of a nuclear bomb can affect the whole world.

Q. What do the abbreviations, (i) A.M.D.G. (ii) D.A.A.G. (iii) F.R.P.S. stand for?
(Vipin Sood — Parklands P.S.)

- ☐ (i) For the greater glory of God. (ii) Deputy Assistant Adjunct General. (iii) Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society.

Q. Who was Marcus Aurelius Antonius?

(Vipin Sood — Parklands P.S.)

- ☐ A Roman Emperor.

THE BEST QUESTION

Q. What is the population of the world at present? What will it be in ten years time?
(Sarabjeet Kaur — Khalsa B. & G. P.S.)

- ☐ 3,285 millions. It will double in 40 years and it increases by 180,000 a day.

Q. Why do some wall clocks go faster in winter?

(Miss Manju Dhiri — Arya Girls P.S.)

- ☐ Because some parts in these clocks contract due to the cold.

Q. Why in big cities where there are many factories and chimneys all the buildings are black and dirty?

(Richard Kamau — A.C. Riruta Full P.S.)

- ☐ The smoke from the factories and cars acts with moist climate to make them black.

Q. What kind of gas was first used to make a balloon float? Why was helium, though safer, not much used?

(Samuel Karanja — A.C.R. P.S.)

- ☐ Hydrogen. Helium could not be obtained as a single gas in those days.

Q. What is the weight of the human heart and how many gallons of blood does it pump in a day?

(A. Samad Parkar — Juja Rd. P.S.)

- ☐ About 10oz. or 300 gms., it pumps about 1½ gallons a day.

Q. Which is the largest country in the world?

(Samuel Anton Kinuthia — Cheleta Full P.S.)

- ☐ Russia.

Q. Who made or how did the planets come or how were they known?

(Paresh V. Shah — Fort Hall P.S.)

- ☐ God, says religion. Science has many different theories, one of which says that all planets have broken away from the sun.

Q. Are there any other people or creatures in the Universe (excluding the earth?)

(Mohamed Arif Sherani — Kongoni P.S.)

- ☐ Perhaps; scientists have not yet finally proved this point.

NAIROBI SHOW — continued from page 10

The school which showed their pupils being taught at the Ministry of Education stand were: Park Road Primary School (Science teaching), Race-course Primary School (Deaf and Dumb Unit), Muslim Girls' Primary School (English reading numbers), City Primary School (new primary approach lesson). On Saturday, there was an exhibition of teaching aids from many primary schools including a model of the Nairobi Airport from Khalsa Boys and Girls School, South C.

THRILLED

The young artists were at work on many trade stands where they took part in some art competitions and painted pictures of shining new cars. Other young visitors saw the

hundreds of attractive stands of Government Ministries and foreign countries to learn about new ideas and development.

On Saturday, almost 2,000 pupils came from upcountry schools and youth centres. They helped the Agricultural Society of Kenya to set a new record of 92,549 visitors to the Show.

The real attractions for the school children were presented in the arena where the Military Floodlight Tattoo drew thousands of happy children to watch with wonder the displays by Kenya Air Force, Kenya Army and Kenya Navy. The final event — the combined marching by many military bands — left the thousands of children thrilled and overjoyed.

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Top Pupils Awards —**WHAT, NO SCHEDULE 'A' SCHOOLS?**

NEW ERA announced Top of the Class and Top of the Schools awards and sent the forms to all schools where this magazine is read. Soon after the headmasters be-

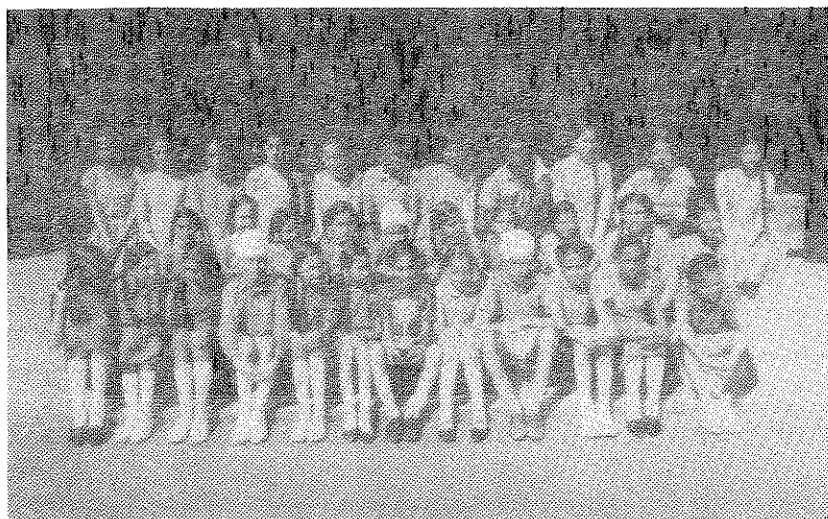
gan sending their lists of the top pupils. We have received these completed forms with photos of Top pupils from Fort Hall, Thika, Nakuru and many Schedule 'B' schools in

Nairobi.

Pumwani Primary School is the only Schedule 'A' school which has sent us its completed form and photograph. We hope that all other Schedule 'A' schools will complete their forms and send us before Kenyatta Day holidays if we are to include these names in our bumper November issue.

If your school has not yet sent us the names, please make sure that you do or your school's name will be missing from the picture gallery of the best primary pupils of Kenya.

NEW ERA is now being read in many schools all over the country and these Top Pupil Awards will list the best pupils. Please see that your school is not missed out from this list.



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It cannot make a coin disappear in a sleeve and then turn up in your ear or your hair . . .

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it can take your coins and turn them into good food and milk and books and medicines and send them to children who need them.

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BUT

it can make nurses and teachers who help children appear where they were none before.

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This year UNICEF won the Nobel prize for Peace. The day it won the prize, a ten-year old boy came from school and told his mother, "You know, I won the Nobel Prize today." The puzzled mother asked her son to explain. "Well mother," he said, "UNICEF won the prize, and I help UNICEF by collecting money, so I helped win the prize."

Nobody at UNICEF would quarrel with the boy.

One girl asked her brothers help to raise money for UNICEF. She explained how she did it in the following letter:

Dear Sir,

I had a neighbourhood fair for the benefit of UNICEF. I managed to collect 10 dollars (about seventy shillings), so I am sending these to you.

I collected the most money by having my brother, Matt, stick his neck out of a waterproof tablecloth and people threw sponges at him. Refreshments also made a lot of money.

Sincerely,

Miss Hollie Reed (age seven).

Here's how children benefit from UNICEF. From Botswana, a girl wrote to UNICEF to say 'thank you' and show how the powdered milk it distributes is so important to her:

Dear friends,
We thank you for the gift we received from you. We eat milk in two days on Tuesday and Thursday. Some of us do not eat milk at their homes, and you help us dear friends. Because this milk made us strong and gave us health.

We thank you for the gift we received from you. We eat milk in two days on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Some of us do not eat milk at their homes, and you help us dear friends. Because this milk made us strong and gave us health.

UNICEF IN ACTION!



At a mother and child welfare clinic in Tehran, Iran, a nurse gives soap to needy families for child care and cleanliness.

We are clever now in the school because of this milk, and we thank you for this milk.

*Yours sincerely,
Sara Mpatri.*

Nairobi school children will also become strong in health and clever at their studies when the Nairobi City Council with help from the UNICEF provides free meals for January next year.

So now you know how the very special magicians in many countries of the world are helping the children of the world to happiness.

Happiness is the most wonderful magic there is — because the more you give it to other people, the more you get yourself!

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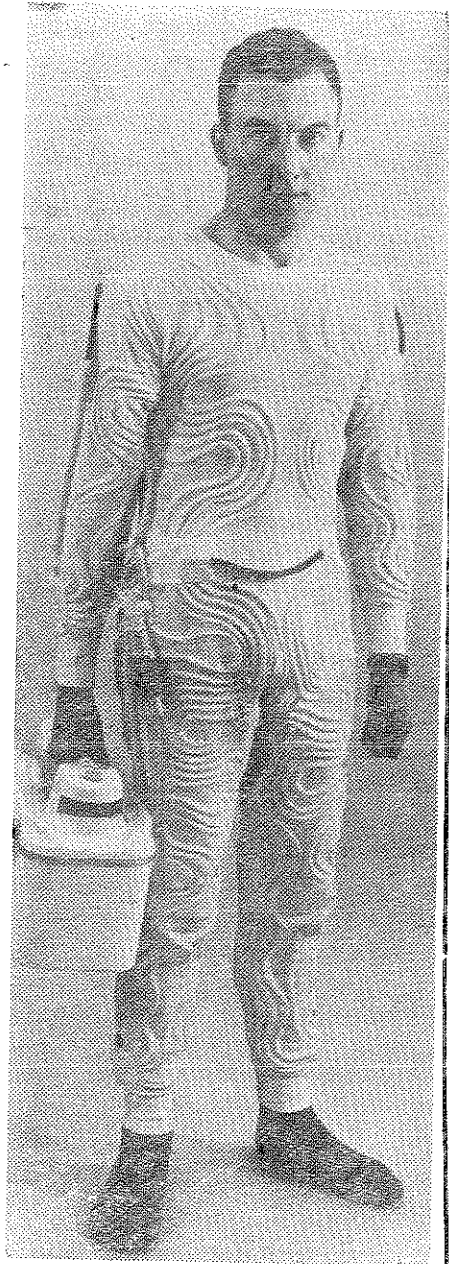
using eight words in a seven-lines poem and the "ing" sounds — "galing", "rolling", "spouting", "roaring".

A child's view of adults has long been funny, here is one of the best examples yet:

Grownups are silly,	They just talk
They never dring coffee	And never drink it
When it's served	Until it's cold.
To them.	Isn't that silly?

A ten-year-old sums up a child's-eye view beautifully:

I am a nice boy
More than just nice,
Two million times more
The word is ADORABLE.



KEEPING COOL IN SPACE

When the first man lands on the moon he will probably be wearing this water cooled space suit. This one-piece garment contains a network of small tubes in contact with the man's skin. Cool water is pumped through the tubes and the heat is collected by the water from the skin. This collected heat warms up the water which is pumped from the suit cooled, and then pumped back again. The same garment can be used to keep the wearer warm by reversing the flow of water and using a heater instead of a cooler.

A CHILD'S EYE:

CHILDREN'S POEM FROM MANY LANDS

*I am fainty,
I am fizzy,
I am floppy.*

Writes a New Zealand six-year-old when asked how he feels in the springtime. This is one of 180 children's poems in a new book called **MIRACLES** — poems by Children of the English-Speaking World; collected by Richard Lewis.

Mr. Lewis, who teaches in New York, travelled for a year gathering material for this book. During this time, he was brought in touch with teachers, parents and children in 18 countries. He returned home with more than 3,000 poems, the best of which are offered in this book.

A ten-year-old American boy likes spring because, 'I get faster. . . .' The poetry in this book is chosen because of its excellent expression. Children can and do write poems that invite serious attention as poetry. Certainly these children — ranging in age from four to 14 years — have produced an amazing variety of style. Yet, Mr. Lewis assures us, nothing has been corrected except the spelling. Some of the verses, in fact, had to be dictated to parents or to teachers because the author had not yet learned to write!

Some of the themes presented can only amaze an adult. A five-year-old girl in Canada says at one point:

*This is a poem about God
looks after things:
He looks after lions, mooses
and reindeer and tigers,
Anything that dies. . . .*

Miracles is full of examples of the feeling for words that many children seem to have naturally. A boy of seven describes "wind in the trees" by

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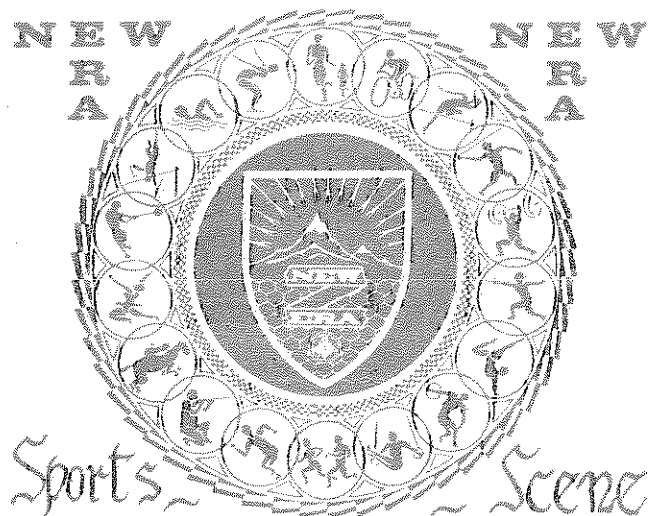
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Liverpool goalkeeper, Lawrence, tries to pluck away the ball after Captain Jimmy Greaves (right) has given it a powerful kick.

Making good use of pool....

One school which is properly using its swimming pool to train its pupils in saving lives in water is the H.H. The Aga Khan Primary School, Nairobi.

EXCELLENT

During the last three years this school has produced excellent performance at swimming competitions.

In the Personal Survival Bronze Medal, 48 pupils out of 50 pupils passed the first stage.

A hundred percent result was obtained in the Silver awards when all the 24 who attempted the test passed and were presented with the silver medals.

FINAL TEST

The final test for the Gold Medal was also successfully obtained by four Aga Khan pupils during 1967.

All the qualifying tests were held at YMCA where Mr. and

Mrs. Donahue of the Amature Swimming Association of Kenya examined the pupils.

In addition to this first class performance, four K.P.E. pupils became Life Savers in the primary section. All these young swimmers were coached by Mr. Kayam and were presented with their certificates by the new

headmistress Miss S. Kassam last month.

SWIMMING GALA

NEW ERA magazine was happy to present book prizes for the internal swimming gala of this school earlier this year. To all the successful swimmers we present our congratulations. Happy swimming!

MOMBASA, HERE WE COME!

Three teams of Nairobi's primary school pupils are expected to travel to Mombasa at the end of this month to play football, hockey and netball matches with Mombasa primary pupils.

Mr. G. Maina Gachungu, the Chief Advisor to schools for the Nairobi City Council, told NEW ERA about this trip which is being organised perhaps for the first time.

"This sports tour will help

the children to learn more about their country and make friends with the Mombasa school children," said Mr. Gachungu.

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The Nairobi teams came back with wins in the hockey and netball matches but lost 3-1 in the football. After a slow start in the hockey match, the Nairobi team scored a goal by Baldev Singh and then went on to bang another five goals without any reply. Second half scorers were: Baldev Singh, Jasbir Singh, and Tobias, the only African player in this team.



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