

ST. ANSELM'S HALL,

Victoria Park, Manchester.

Application for Admission.

Application for admission should be made to the Warden on this form,
and should be returned to him as soon as possible.

1.—Name in full (surname first)

Bridge, Alan Hardman

2.—Date of Birth

July 13th 1910

3.—Date and Place of Baptism

Queen St Cong. Church. Aug 14th 1910

Date and Place of Confirmation

St. Luke's, Chadderton. April 2nd 1930

4.—Name of Parent or Guardian

Hannah Bridge

5.—Profession of Parent

Schoolmistress

6.—Home Address

35, Lacrosse Avenue,
Werneth, Oldham.

7.—Places of Education, with dates

Werneth Council School, 1915-1920.
Oldham Municipal Secondary School
1920 - 1926.

8.—Public Examinations passed. Give particulars of subjects taken, credits or distinctions gained, &c.

Matriculation Examination of the
Northern Universities: Credit in
8 subjects viz. English literature &
Composition, History, Mathematics,
German, French, Physics & Chemistry.
(Passed exam 1926).

9.—Games played. State if House, School, or other
Colours have been won

Football.

Also passed Part I of the
Chemist & Druggist Qualifying Exam

10.—What subject do you propose to study at the University?

Pharmaceutics & Science

11.—Names and addresses of not more than three persons to whom reference can be made. One of these should be the applicant's head master, house master, or tutor

① G. M. Handley B.Sc. Principal,
Oldham Municipal Secondary School,
Greengate St., Oldham.

② Rev. Jas Hayes. F.R.G.S.,
St. Luke's Vicarage,
Chaderton.

③ William Kenchaw Esq.,
"Secretary for Education",
Education Offices,
Union St., West,
Oldham.

12.—Religious Denomination (if not Church of England)

Signed Alan H. Bridge.

Date 30th April 1930.

35, Lacrosse Avenue,
Oldham.

26.3.30.

The Warden,
Dear Sir,

As I am hoping next
October to become a Science
student in the University,
would you be kind enough to
send me full particulars with
regard to residence in St. Anselm's
Hall.

Naturally I should
be pleased if you could tell me
the approximate cost for the
academic year.

Hoping you can
oblige me and thanking you in
anticipation.

I am,
yours truly,
Alan Bridge.

ST. ANSELM'S HALL.

A HALL OF RESIDENCE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER.

(Recognised by the Board of Education).

Warden:

The Rev. DUNCAN ARMYTAGE, M.A.

VICTORIA PARK.

MANCHESTER, S.

28, March, 1930.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a Prospectus which will give you some general information about St. Anselm's Hall. The fees are £80. 0.0. a year, as you see, and that covers everything except the Common Room subscription, of 15/- a year, and purely personal expenses such as clothes, travelling, books, etc. The University fees differ to some extent, according to the subject being studied; but thirty guineas, or thereabout, for the Session, is a fairly good average figure. Thus your total necessary expenses would come to about £110, to £115, per annum.

I think this is as accurate an estimate as I can give; the rest depends upon each individual's tastes and activities, as you will understand. However write to me again, if you think I can clear up any further points for you.

I also send an Application Form; it will be as well to return it as soon as possible, if you wish to make application, as I have very few vacancies left for October.

I am,

Yours very truly

Alan Bridge, Esq,

35, Lacrosse Avenue,

Oldham.



G. M. HANDLEY, B.A.,
PRINCIPAL.
TELEPHONE No. 570.

Secondary School,

GREENGATE STREET,

Oldham,

2nd May, 1930.

The Rev. The Warden,
St. Anselm's Hall,
Victoria Park,
MANCHESTER.

Dear Sir,

Alan H. Bridge attended this School from 1920 to July, 1926. He was regular and punctual in attendance and made sound progress in his studies. In July, 1926, he took the School Certificate of Manchester University and Matriculated.

He has abilities of a first class order, and should have no difficulty in reading for Honours in any Faculty in Science.

He took a full share in the corporate life of the School and would, I think, give more to the community than he took out of it.

I strongly recommend him for admission.

Yours faithfully,

G. M. Handley.
G.M.H.

Principal.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY.

OLDHAM EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

OFFICES: UNION STREET WEST,

OLDHAM.

2nd May, 1930.

W. KERSHAW,
SECRETARY
FOR EDUCATION.

TELEPHONE No. 61
(TWO LINES).

S/T

CONFIDENTIAL.

Rev. Duncan Armitage, M.A.,
St. Anselm's Hall,
Victoria Park,
MANCHESTER.

Dear Sir,

I have pleasure in giving the following replies to your enquiry of yesterday's date:-

(a) I am not too sure about his ability to read an Honour School. He had a very good Matriculation result, but apart from his pharmaceutical work has not been able to continue his studies to any considerable extent since leaving school. He has, however, first rate ability and applies himself most assiduously to any work he has to undertake.

(b) So far as I know he does not play games much, but is very fond of walking and has had at least two walking tours in Germany. He is sociable and gets on well with most people.

(c) His moral character is excellent.

I recommend with every confidence.
Yours truly,

W. Kershaw

Secretary for Education.

ST. LUKE'S VICARAGE,

REV. JAMES HAYES.

CHADDERTON,

OLDHAM.

2nd May 1930
Dear Mr Armytage.

Mr Alan H Bridge is well known to me as a regular member of my congregation and a teacher in our Sunday school.

In reply to your questions I may say

(a) I should think he could read an Honour's School with profit; though I am not sure that he intends to do so at present. He wishes to get his B. Sc.

(b) He is a great walker. (36 miles per day) but he does not do much in other ways. His business engagements preclude much in the way of games.

(c) His moral character is of the very best. He is a very promising young man who hopes eventually to enter the ministry of the Church of England.

Believe me to be

Sincerely yours
James Hayes

35, Lacrosse Avenue
Oldham.

6:5:30.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of the 5th. instant. here to-day, and wish to thank you for having found accomodation for me at St. Anselm's for the next university session.

I am enclosing a deposit of one pound in the form of a postal-order, and in so doing hope I am fulfilling your requirements.

As you will probably have learnt from Mr. Hayes, I have a few personal questions to ask you, but quite agree with you that the time is hardly ripe as yet and that it will be better to delay my questions until we make a personal acquaintance next October.

Again thanking you

for your kindness,

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Alan Bridge.

Enclosure.

H: 11:36

School House,
Lower Peover,
Knutsford,
Cheshire

Dear warden,

I have to hand your letter of the 2nd, concerning the chemical apparatus at the bottom of the Manor House.

I regret, however, that I cannot claim ownership to the same as all the apparatus I had, which was not returnable, is at present in our box room upstairs, much to my mother's disgust. I certainly brought home all that belonged to me.

During my years at coll. there were many taking chemistry and they may belong to my namesake ^(Je.) braches or the host of people who have ^{taken} chemistry since.

Hoping you may be able to trace the owner.

Yours sincerely,
A.H. Bridge

BRIDGE, ALAN, H.



Witwatersrand Technical College.

P.O. Box 3293.
PHONE 22-6666.

Reference No.

Answered Jan 15 1950

ELOFF STREET,

JOHANNESBURG

19th April, 1949.

Mr. T.E. Lawrenson,
Senior Tutor,
St. Anselm Hall,
Victoria Park,
MANCHESTER,
England.

Dear Mr. Lawrenson,

By devious ways your notice of the Old Members Reunion reached me here. It had been sent to Lower Peover, forwarded on from there to my sister who now lives in Oldham, and then forwarded by her to me in South Africa.

Though I am not acquainted with you personally, I am glad to introduce myself to you and to take up the threads of Hall affairs again. I knew "Trem" well and he was a frequent caller at my home in Lower Peover en route for Chester. I should like to take this opportunity through you of congratulating him on his appointment as sub-warden of the Hall. I suppose that there has been no reunion since 1939 and so every one will be starting from scratch in this respect and trying to make new contacts.

I was in Hall 1930 - 3, when Richardson was Senior Student. On obtaining my degree in Pharmacy I taught in Liverpool and then after a short period in business in Manchester, I left England for South Africa. I obtained work in Benoni and after some years of South African experience I obtained a post as Lecturer in Pharmacy in the Witwatersrand Technical College, Johannesburg. At the end of 1942, I was appointed Head of the Department of Chemistry, which really is a 100% Pharmacy Department. I thus became established in the realm of South African vocational education in the pharmaceutical sphere. My main work has been to train annually about 300 students for the Intermediate and Qualifying Examinations of the South African Pharmacy Board, which body controls Pharmacy directly in conjunction with the State Department of Public Health. We have well equipped laboratories and our standard is comparable with the standard required for the Chemist and Druggist Qualification in England. I have a staff of six lecturers in the Department and we cover a wide range of subjects including Optics. My own work includes administrative duties as well as about 20 hours instructional work in Forensic Pharmacy and Practical Pharmacy. During 1946 - 1948 we trained a large number of South African ex-volunteers for

Pharmacy and I have/..2.

Pharmacy and I have acted as Examiner for the Board in Pharmacy for some years. At present we are reorganising the syllabus and by 1950 we shall have a reorganised and extremely comprehensive syllabus. There seems to be no end to the desire of young South Africans to enter Pharmacy and our work here is bound to increase, as a good living is assured on qualification.

Manchester affairs are discussed here with great interest as two of my colleagues on the Board of Studies are Manchester graduates, our secretary hails from Salford and our senior educational representative on the South African Pharmacy Board, is a M.Sc. of the University - additionally many figures in the academic, industrial and business life of this City are Manchester men.

Unfortunately I shall not be able to be with you at this reunion but my best wishes go out to all of you. I have not returned to England since I left, nor is it likely that I shall do so, expect possibly for a visit in the future, as no grounds exist for long leave in present day South Africa.

This is a pleasant and hospitable city and has a most genial climate in contrast to Manchester, so that I am in good health and very content. I married a South African girl and we have a little son aged three years, so domestic duties occupy much of my spare time.

I am especially interested in certain Old members and would like to know what they are doing. Perhaps the new warden, with his undoubted journalistic ability might be able to draw up an annual news letter which would help to give us some information in this respect. I am keen to hear news regarding Joe Blain, Clarke Saunders, C.M. Owen, and my namesake J.C. Bridge. I should like to express the hope that if any old Anselm men come to Johannesburg they will contact me at the Technical College or my home and have a chat with me.

Though shipping is still difficult, travelling facilities are improving and I like many more think there will be an increase in the interchange of students and staff among colleges and universities all over the world. As my work is in the educational sphere, I think there is quite a possibility that some old Anselm men may find themselves in South Africa. I do not need to say how delighted I should be to meet them.

Finally I should like to send my personal good wishes to Canon Armytage as guest of honour at the reunion.

I trust he is well and happy in his important ecclesiastical work

Very truly yours,

Alan H. Bridge
[ALAN H. BRIDGE]

My home address is;
52, Grootte Schuur, Koch Street,
Johannesburg, South Africa.

My college address;
Department of Pharmacy, W.T.C., Box
3293, Johannesburg, South Africa.

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Witwatersrand Technical College.

P.O. BOX 3293.
PHONE 22-6666.

Not abstracted for Floreat 1940

ELOFF STREET,
JOHANNESBURG

Reference No.

1930

18:4:50.

Dear Irem,

Many thanks for your letter of January 15th and also for the notice of the 1950 reunion, which unfortunately I shall not be able to attend, but which I hope will be even more successful than your 1949 reunion. I was delighted to be able to go through the list and to see what a large number of people I knew. Even more interesting was your letter giving more personal details. I realise what a tremendous job it must be for you to organise and arrange the reunions and at the same time go ahead with an old members magazine for those of us who are so far away that there is little hope of receiving news of Hall, except by this means. I was glad to have news of the people I asked you about - I may write to them if the opportunity occurs after the publication of the magazine. Here in South Africa affairs are very much the same, which is as it should be when one is kept busy running a large teaching institution. I shall look forward with interest to receiving the 1st issue of Floreat, which I hope you will post to me as soon as it is available. I enclose a P.O. value 5/- to cover cost & postage.

Let me close by wishing you a very successful reunion for 1950 and again my best wishes to you personally

Yours very sincerely

Alan H. Bridge



Reference No.

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1930 Nov abersaat

52, Krootse Schuur,
Koch St.,
Johannesburg.
30.3.51.

Dear Warden,

Thank you for the circular regarding the reunion which arrived here a few days ago. I hasten to ask you to send me the next issue of 'Florent' before all the copies are allocated. The last copy was most interesting for those of us who are overseas, and thus forced to rely on the written word for news. I must congratulate you and Trem (of fond memory) on the excellent effort you made. Personally I enjoyed every page of it immensely, the best feature being, going through the names of members and associating with them pleasant memories (and escapades) of long ago. It was also good to learn something of the present whereabouts and doings of friends, with whom I spent many happy hours.

My work here as Head of the Pharmacy Department continues, and at present we are finding considerable difficulty in obtaining staff and accommodation for our rapidly expanding enrolments. At present pharmacists seem to be doing so well in Britain that it seems impossible to attract them out here. After extensive advertising in Great Britain, Holland and Germany I had only one reply from an Irishman. Needless to say I engaged him at once and find his work in the Department most satisfactory. Here in South Africa, the wored situation is to the forefront and the rising cost of living seems to make the exchange of

from this we are very fortunate here in South Africa, in that we have ample food, fruit and consumer goods and that ~~that~~ the industrial future of the country, especially in secondary industry, is very bright. Prices are higher than England but we seem to have none of the annoying difficulties which seem so common in Europe - we have of course problems peculiar to South Africa but we live in hope that these will be solved some day.

I am in good health, though stoutish and my son aged almost 5 is now counting the days when he can graduate from the nursery school (where he has been since he was $1\frac{1}{2}$) to the big school (or preparatory school)

Finally, I would like to send my good wishes to the reunion from SOUTH AFRICA. I hope everybody has an enjoyable time and that "Florent" & the reunion will become a regular feature.

Yours very sincerely,

Alan H. Bridge

[ALAN H. BRIDGE]

A. H. BRIDGE
54, Grootse Schuur,
Koch St.,
Johannesburg.
3:4:52

1930

Dear Warden,

Many thanks for your notice of reunion of February 52. I regret that I cannot be present but I do hope that the event is successful. With regard to myself, I am well and still running the Pharmacy Department in the Technical College, which work keeps me very busy indeed. Last year a Government Commission recommended that our work should be taken over by the universities, but a compromise was found and we are still to do the work on a more extensive scale than before. Thus our work will have to be extended to a three year course equal to a degree, with new syllabuses and practical work to organise and put into effect. My last annual leave was spent at Port Alfred, about 700 miles from here. We went by car and had a fine holiday, fishing, bathing and visiting the district, including Grahamstown

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which is rich in English tradition. I took the opportunity of visiting many Anglican churches and relics in the district. Like most South Africans I was very interested in the Springbok rugby tour and whenever possible I listened in to the match relays. We all appreciated the wonderful effort the B.B.C made to get these out to South Africa. If I could have been in England I should have enjoyed the games immensely. This Easter we are having a big Van Riebeck festival in Cape Town but unfortunately I shall not be able to go down to Cape Town for it. By the way I have changed my address from 52 to 54 (next door but one) so you might alter it, but letters addressed to 52 will still reach me. I was interested to hear that you have constructed regional lists and should be glad to know if there is anyone near enough to Johannesburg for me to contact. I am enclosing a British Postal Order to cover the cost of Floreat for 3 years. I should be pleased if you could let me have my third copy at your earliest convenience as I

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enjoyed the last two issues immensely. I
for one old overseas member do wish to
~~that~~ thank all of you in Hall, who
make it possible for us to receive
all the news it contains.

With best wishes to you
all for a successful reunion.

Yours sincerely,

Alan H. Bridge

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