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Hello Scotty:

Thank you for sending me Volume 1 of "Clapham and the Xaverians." The project is a noble endeavor to capture the history of the Order and Clapham College before the last generation of students passes away.

I have jotted down some reminiscences of my time at CC. You will see that I offer some criticisms as well as praise. If you feel that criticism is out of place in the proposed publication, please omit my comments in their entirety.

Also enclosed are some photographs that you may find useful. Feel free to use any of these photos, or none, at your discretion.

One page shows yours truly receiving a prize, probably in 1955. I can't remember who the dignitary was who handed out the prizes, and a Google search of the photo brought up nothing. Perhaps he was an MP. The man on his right (our left, looking at the picture) was the art teacher. Br Peter is standing just behind the dignitary. The right-hand picture shows Br Joseph, shortly before his ill-fated mission to Africa, taking tea with Bishop Cyril Cowderoy of Southwark.

The second page shows Cecil Pocock, then still a history teacher, speaking at the same prize-giving ceremony. The right-hand picture is another photo of yours truly—about the closest I ever got to sports! That was taken in 1955.

I tried to contact you via the Old Xaverians website, so I could send the photos etc. electronically. If you would like digital versions, please contact me at jfnash@chartertn.net.

With best wishes, and thanks again for this effort to preserve our school's history.



John F. Nash