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HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD

I HAVE been asked to write a brief foreword to this number of the 'Sydneian', the first since the retirement of Mr. F. G. Phillips. Other and more competent friends have written of Mr. Phillips; I must content myself with paying tribute to his unselfish kindness and forbearance to his successor, and with hoping that we shall all see Mr. and Mrs. Phillips very often at the School and at the Weigall Ground. My purpose here is not so much to introduce myself, as to explain the reason why custom is being broken. It seems wiser that the task of editing the school magazine should be undertaken, by a man who has a longer and fuller knowledge of the school than myself; and Mr. G. F. Cowdery, an Old Sydneian and master, School Librarian, and experienced in this sort of work, has consented to be Editor. Under his guidance we hope to encourage among the boys a habit of contributing more of their own original work to the magazine, and to give a greater share in the actual production to the sub-editor and his assistants.

I cannot, however, close this note without thanking all—the Trustees, the Old Sydneians, the Staff, and the boys of the school—for the kindness of the welcome given to me and my family. It has proved an easy thing to come across the world and settle in a new country, and the ease of the move is due to the great friendliness shown to us.

C. O. H.

PRIZE GIVING, 1950

HIS Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant General Sir John Northcott, as Official Visitor to the School, attended the Annual Prize Giving on Tuesday, December 12th.

On arrival he inspected a Guard of Honor under Cadet-Lt. H. F. Godfrey. His Excellency commended the soldierly appearance and bearing of the Guard.

On his proceeding to the Upper School vestibule, the Trustees and members of the Staff were presented, and he was then officially welcomed in Big School by the Chairman of Trustees, Mr. Orwell Phillips.

After presenting the prizes His Excellency delivered a short address. At the conclusion of the official proceedings afternoon tea was served by members of the Women's Association.

**ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTEES,
ORWELL PHILLIPS, ESQ.**

Your Excellency, Mr. Headmaster, members of the Staff, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is a great honour to welcome here once again His Excellency the Governor who is by statute the Visitor to the School. We welcome him not only because of our allegiance to the Crown which he represents, but also, I may be permitted to say, because of the great personal regard and respect which the people of New South Wales have for Sir John Northcott.

There is much to be done this afternoon and I am sure you do not want a long speech from me. But as Chairman of the Trustees there are some matters of business on which I must report. We are faced with the need for fairly extensive renovations of the School buildings. In the coming holidays this big School room and most of the class rooms are to be repainted, the weak spots in roofs and gutterings which the abnormal rains disclosed are to be repaired, and some of the flooring renewed. The boys know that the derelict shanty on wheels, which did gallant duty as a tuck-shop for at least fifty years has been replaced by a more commodious and far more convenient and sightly structure. It is intended to replace gradually, classroom by classroom, over the next few years, the more ancient rickety desks, with chairs and tables of modern design and materials.

The Trustees expect that early in the New Year the construction of the first section of the War Memorial Building will begin.

The decision was taken during the year that a tablet or honour roll should be placed in this Big School room at its southern end, to commemorate the service and sacrifice of those Old Sydneians who died in the recent War.

I am glad to say that the Weigall Ground has never been in better shape. The turf has benefited from top dressing and abundant rain, the pavilion has been repainted, and a fine new canteen has been erected. Its cost was met by that admirable institution, to which the School owes so much, the Sydney Grammar School Women's Association.

We have all been extremely worried by the threat to the very existence of the School's playing fields constituted by one or two of the proposed plans for the Eastern Suburbs Railway. I am glad to say that the scheme which Cabinet has adopted will involve only slight interference with the Weigall Ground. Cabinet's decision must have been especially gratifying to the older generations of Old Sydneians, for it was by their foresight and generosity that the Weigall Ground was provided nearly forty years ago. And this mention of the Old Boys of the School gives me the opportunity again to thank the Old Sydneians Union for its invaluable support in many directions.

Another cause of anxiety is the continued inflation. I need not stress the extent to which all the costs of running and maintaining the School have increased. The Trustees have made provision for periodical adjustments of Masters' salaries for the purpose of ensuring that they will keep pace with rising prices.

In common with nearly all other Schools outside the State system the Trustees have been forced to make a further increase in both tuition and boarding fees for the coming year. The necessity for this is deplored; but the alternatives were to allow the School properties to deteriorate, or to allow Masters' salaries to be outpaced by the cost of living; and neither could be entertained.

The Trustees gave much earnest attention during the year to the task of choosing a Headmaster as successor to Mr. Phillips, on his retirement. From a large number of applicants in Australia, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom, we selected Mr. Colin Healey, a graduate of Oxford, who was until recently Senior Housemaster of Christ's Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Healey and their little family of three arrived in Australia a few weeks ago. We believe that they have made a most favourable impression on all whom they have met, and we are satisfied that we have made a most fortunate choice, and that Colin Healey will take his place

in the dynasty of great Grammar Headmasters which was founded by the Old Chief.

Not the least distinguished of Mr. Weigall's successors has been Mr. F. G. Phillips, to whom it is our duty—our somewhat sorrowful duty—to say goodbye to-day. He and Mrs. Phillips have loved this School and they have been beloved by us all.

I cannot put adequately into words all that we all feel of gratitude, affection and good wishes. But as Chairman of Trustees I think I can best attempt it by quoting the terms of a resolution passed by the Trustees at their last meeting. It is as follows:

That in view of the retirement at the end of this year of the Headmaster, Mr. Frederick George Phillips, M.A., the Trustees record their deep appreciation of his services to the School during the periods and in the capacities set out hereunder, namely:

1902-1904—Assistant Master.

1906-1908—Assistant Master.

1908-1914—Senior English Master.

1924-1932—Senior Master.

1932-1940—Master of the Lower School.

1940-1950—Headmaster.

Throughout this long and distinguished career, Mr. Phillips has brought to his work lofty principles of conduct, exacting standards of scholarship, a kindly and generous nature, a deep sense of loyalty to the School, the Trustees, and his Staff, and a lively interest in and understanding of the boys who have come under his care. He and his wife have endeared themselves to masters, boys, old boys and parents alike, and the Trustees thank them most cordially and sincerely for all they have done for the School and wish them many happy years of well-earned rest and retirement.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT, 1950

THE year in retrospect is a mosaic of colours, brilliant and dark, the pattern of which it is not easy to distinguish. Yet in that regard it merely resembles all other years we have known. Success and failure, victory and defeat, hope and disappointment, in a small world one may say, but it has its contacts—which reach out afar. However for the moment I confine my remarks to the small circle of school

workings and select some that stand out in memory. Not always what one might call the most important,—a small boy, for instance, outside the study, ostensibly scanning the time-table and when questioned professing to have found what he was seeking and adding: "Did you notice I've got my long 'uns on?" Another one, far more amused than upset when with the aid of a small mirror he was shown his own countenance generously mottled with ink. Apparently grown-ups have a distorted scale of values. Probably what made a profound impression on most of the boys during the year was the continual rain and mud, varied only by mud and rain, which spoiled every cricket and football match of the year and robbed 2nd. Formers of many of their precious Wednesday afternoon games. And it is understood that if there is no game, one has to stay at school, but the many opportunities for further study evoked no semblance of enthusiasm.

And this has led me, somewhat circuitously to the work of the year. My anticipations last Christmas of Leaving Certificate results not quite up to the average were realised, although there were some creditable performances. Honours were gained in Mathematics, English, German, History and Physics, while one boy came top of the State in a subject we don't even teach—Music. But there is a very serious difficulty in the teaching of L.C. Forms, and I referred to it last year. The boy who is anxious to enter the University will work hard, but the many who are going into some type of business life have lost one incentive to gaining their L.C. because employers will offer them an absurdly high wage or salary without it. It is a mad world when boys can receive as much as £8 a week immediately on leaving school, and the road to success has become no longer a climb but a slide. What the economic effects may be I am not competent to judge, nor would it become me to express my opinion, but as a schoolmaster I am bound to say that it is a national calamity for a generation of boys to leave this school—and similar conditions prevail in other schools—without having learned the necessity and practised the virtue of hard work.

At the Intermediate stage the problem is less acute. The School now conducts the examination and boys know that class as well as examination marks are taken into account

in awarding a pass. It is true, indeed, that the zeal for learning flames more brightly in the 3rd Term just before the final examination but the standard of effort throughout the year is generally satisfactory.

The enrolment remains at over 800 and applications should be made early for 1953 and succeeding years. At School House Mr. and Mrs. Sams continue with distinguished success to cope with the very difficult problem of maintaining the efficiency of House management in the face of daily discouragements, which every housekeeper knows.

In sport we have had a less successful year than in 1949. We managed a consistent second in Athletics, Football, Cricket, Rifle Shooting and Tennis, though we won the Fairwater Cup in our tennis match against Shore—for the ninth year in succession. The Choir took a very creditable part in the United Choirs Festival at the Conservatorium and has assisted greatly in the Religious Assemblies at the beginning and end of each Term. In conjunction with the Orchestra it entertained the members of the Women's Association at a concert in Big School recently. And I may add in passing that the Orchestra, though depleted by the loss of a number of senior players at the end of last year, won high approval for the merit of its performance at that concert.

The Dramatic Society provided an enjoyable entertainment at the end of 1st Term, while the Music Society, assisted by visiting artists, gave a series of weekly recitals. And its subsidiary, which I may designate as the Modernists, put on a performance when allowed, seeking permission also to secrete its records for safe keeping in the Headmaster's study until such time as they could safely be brought forth.

The Cadet Corps has had a very successful year and the band was awarded the shield presented by the Returned Soldiers' League for the best junior band in the Anzac Day march. The A.T.C. has also done particularly well.

It is gratifying to know that the Upper School Library is continually receiving copies of books both by purchase and gifts, while the Middle and Lower School Library becomes increasing popular and again owes much to the generous contributions of Mrs. Chase.

I merely enumerate these things, for a fuller record of

them is to be found in that widely circulated magazine, the 'Sydneyan', the last issue of which most of you no doubt have read.

You are invited to inspect in the Science Room by the Stanley Street entrance some exhibits entered for the Carter Memorial prize.

There have been a number of staff changes during the year. We record with regret the death of Mr. Arnold Mote, who retired some four years ago after an association with the School as Master and boy begun more than 50 years ago. Mr. Mote was a very valuable member of the Staff and also a distinguished musician who had played a large part in the musical life of the city.

Only last week we learned of the death of a former master, Mr. E. W. Bonwick, a man very highly esteemed by the boys who had the privilege of being in his class. His duties as mining engineer had taken him into many parts of the world. He was a keen student of History and Economics and his teaching in these subjects, as well as his strong individuality, exercised a deep influence on senior boys.

Quite recently Mr. Clifton Smith has retired after twenty-three years service. In him we have lost a sound teacher and a fine disciplinarian. He was appointed Housemaster when the Trustees established the School House in 1927 and with his wife placed it on a sound basis. We are glad to learn that he is making a good recovery after a serious operation.

Many generations of Old Boys will be sorry to learn of the resignation through ill-health of Mr. Soden, whose geniality and quiet discipline, as well as his acknowledged excellence as a cricket coach, had won him a high place in their affection.

And we are losing the services of Mr. Wilshire, an Old Boy of the School and our Senior Modern Language Master. While at School he won the Modern Language Scholarship to the University and last year had the pleasure of training another winner of that Scholarship. He has acquired many friends and no enemies.

And we have regretfully to add to our list the name of Mr. Hancock, who leaves us to join the King's School staff. In the few years he has been with us he has identified himself closely with many School activities, and we are particu-

larly grateful to him for his splendid work in establishing and training the Orchestra.

The Staff has been strengthened by the inclusion of Mr. Doran and Mr. McCrossin, and next year we expect to have on the Staff Mr. Glenvale, of Trinity, and two Old Boys, Mr. Lloyd, who has been doing temporary work during the year, and Mr. Macdonald, a more recent Old Boy.

I am happy to record my very deep gratitude to all members of the Staff for the valuable work they have done both in and out of the classroom, for the very loyal support they have given me at all times and for their influence, coming less from precept than from example. It has been a privilege to work with them as colleagues and these School traditions could not be in safer keeping. And with the names of the masters I would join those of the Headmaster's secretary, the School Sergeant, the Prefects and the boys themselves.

There could be no more fitting time than the present to make my acknowledgment of the very valuable help I have received from the Trustees. It has been given me in the largest measure. Much of the success of a school depends on the cordial co-operation of governing body and Headmaster, and I am happy to record my deep obligation to the members of the Board for their constant consideration and help.

The Old Boys' Union continues to give the School its unremitting support. It has recently increased the value of its Scholarship to cover the full cost of the holder's fees for the year. I note too that their War Memorial Fund is steadily growing. Last week I was able to send to the Secretary of the Fund, a cheque for £470, bringing the School's total contribution up to nearly £2,500.

When I come to speak of the Women's Association I find myself in much the same predicament as in commenting on a certain type of school report I found myself occasionally saying in the last sets just signed 'As I have previously remarked, once a Term for the last three years—Excellent. I have been at pains to read what I have said in my previous Speech Day reports of the capable, loyal and valuable work of the Association and until the English language receives a large increase of adjectives expressing appreciation and gratitude I can say nothing fresh.

I draw near the end, and should like to make just one or two comments on current tendencies in education. The first is that the restriction of subjects to six in the L.C. is bound to have a very serious effect on our national outlook and standards of life. Modern History, for example, is largely excluded from the curriculum of boys studying for the professions. And the appreciation of the arts is practically non-existent. We talk glibly of culture, but are ignorant of its wider implications as the search for perfection, in Matthew Arnold's words. Education is becoming more vulgarised, and we have reached the stage when there is even an agitation for the award of exhibitions and scholarships without regard to Honours gained at the L.C. Examination. In the craze for equality we are to achieve mediocrity only. But there is one element in education which is not to be sacrificed and that is the development of character. When we insist on it our critics tell us that we are talking only gilded commonplaces. I prefer Emerson's phrase 'blazing universalities'. While schools maintain that as their primary aim and succeed to some extent in achieving it, we may look to their future with quiet confidence.

And now it remains for me to welcome my successor, Mr. Healey, to his responsible position and to wish him happiness and success in his Headmastership.

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new". But the rest of the quotation still holds good:

"God fulfils himself in many ways".

My own day has been bright with a warmth of affection and I am happy in the knowledge that a glow lingers in the sunset.

E. W. BONWICK

THE late E. W. Bonwick had an unconventional introduction to his work as a teacher. For he was trained as a Mining Engineer in London and his first appointment took him to the Sudan. He would say with a deep chuckle that his experience there as a "nigger-driver" fitted him admirably for teaching boys. Life was full of interest, particularly when he fell foul of the tribal witch doctor who tried to dispose of him with ground glass and, to the unconcerned glee of the tribe, was publicly flogged to teach him better manners. In the course of his travels in Egypt he discovered

a deserted Coptic Monastery containing the unburied skeleton of the last of its Monks.

His subsequent journeyings took him to all the continents—at one time in the silver mines of Bolivia, or to the upper reaches of the Amazon; at another time to the Transvaal, where he kept himself out of the Jamieson Raid fiasco, but fought in the Boer War. A member of the Staff asked him once about a certain river—whereabouts to him unknown. “It joins the Amazon 1,000 miles from the mouth,” was the reply. He had been there three times.

He fought in World War I and later was appointed by Lloyd George one of four Regional Commissioners to investigate industrial conditions in England. There he learned and practised a genuine sympathy for members of the working classes.

He filled several important positions in Commonwealth mining activities and later was much in demand for expert opinion on projected mining ventures. In the words of a well-known mining engineer, “he was the best man in Australia for detecting a *salted* mine.”

When he decided to retire from his strenuous professional duties he turned to teaching and was appointed to the Staff by the then Headmaster, Mr. Lucas. In time he became Master-in-Charge of History, Geography and Economics. He had travelled widely, as has been said; moreover, he was a keen student of History, while his experience as employer of thousands of men had brought him face to face with many difficult financial problems.

It was interesting to hear him in the Common Room discussing the theories of recognised economists and disagreeing cordially with them. Thus qualifying himself to rank as an expert, who, according to a German definition, is “a man with a different opinion”.

His lessons were stimulating, particularly those free periods when he would take a group of 6th Formers and discuss with them such topics as Banking, Exchange, Causes of War, Liberty, Democracy. He would ask questions and would accept no answer that did not show some evidence of honest thought.

He was the sworn foe of vagueness and intellectual intolerance; he allowed no place for “isms” in a boy’s thinking. “Read, think, listen to what the other man has to say

and don't attempt to ram your raw opinions down his throat." Sound advice in homely language. Some of the future leaders in Australian public life will come from among those boys whom he trained so wisely.

His retirement in 1943 owing to ill-health left a wide gap in school life, and brought to masters and boys a sense of personal loss. They felt that they had not been dealing with a theorist, but with a man of action who had drunk life to the full. Something there was in him of a Viking stock—tall and erect, flaxen haired and blue eyed, strong, resolute, kindly in heart, yet stern if need be, and in all things sincere.

His recent death brought to its close a long life of honourable service in many fields. And Grammar was fortunate in being privileged to number him among its Masters for so many years.

F.G.P.

PRIZE LIST 1950

- Senior Knox Prize for Proficiency in Sixth Form: *J. L. Richardson.*
- Junior Knox Prize for Proficiency in Fourth Form: *I. P. MacPherson.*
- Wigram Allen Prize for Mathematics in Sixth Form: *Not awarded.*
- Wigram Allen Prize for Science in Sixth Form: *Not awarded.*
- Jack Rich Memorial Prize for Proficiency: Fifth Form: *D. S. Nelson;* Third Form: *D. A. Tregenza, G. Winterton.*
- Old Sydneians' Lodge Prize for Proficiency in Second Form: *R. H. Beardmore.*
- Freeman Meeks Memorial Prize for English in Sixth Form: *Not awarded.*
- Cyril Rennie Memorial Prize for English: Fifth Form: *D. S. Nelson;* Fourth Form: *I. P. MacPherson.*
- William Shephard Laidley Memorial Prize for English Essay in Sixth Form: *R. W. Mackenzie, J. J. Morris.*
- Arthur Moorhouse Watkins Memorial Prize for English Essay in Fifth Form: *D. S. Nelson, W. J. Kearney,* Prox. acc.
- George Knox Prize for Latin Prose in Sixth Form: *J. L. Richardson.*

- Mary Fairfax Prize for Latin: Sixth Form: *J. L. Richardson*;
Fifth Form: *Not awarded*.
- Geoffrey McLaughlin Memorial Prize for French in Sixth Form:
J. L. Richardson.
- Russell Jones Prize for Modern Languages in Sixth Form:
J. L. Richardson.
- George Docker Memorial Prize for Modern History in Sixth
Form: *C. E. Dezarnaulds*.
- John Estell Memorial Prize for Modern History in Fifth Form:
B. C. Barker.
- William Yabsley Prize for Mathematics in Fifth Form: *W. R.
Digby*.
- Charles Stanley Forster Memorial Prize for Physics: Sixth
Form: *G. R. Mobberley*; Fifth Form: *Not awarded*.
- Edward Rennie Memorial Prize for Science: Fifth Form: *D. S.
Nelson*; Fourth Form: *D. B. Pike*.
- Brian Kentwell Memorial for Science in Fourth Form: *A. R.
Munro*.
- Godfrey Cureton Memorial Prize for Mechanics: Sixth Form:
R. S. Moulton; Fifth Form: *Not awarded*.
- Godfrey Cureton Memorial Prize for Ancient History: Sixth
Form: *G. J. Fleet*; Fifth Form: *G. L. Goldsworthy*.
- Edward Carter Memorial Prize for Constructive Talent: Senior:
Not awarded; Junior: *M. G. Nelson*.
- Christopher Tayler Prizes for Spoken English: Sixth Form:
B. J. Simons, P. J. North, I. B. Mackay, G. A. Kench;
Fifth Form: *J. S. Lockhart, D. H. Lance, P. F. Sinnett, W.
R. Renwick*.
- Alroy Cohen Prize for Oratory: *J. L. Richardson*.
- Old Sydneians' Lodge Prizes for Spoken French: Sixth Form:
J. L. Richardson; Fifth Form: *T. A. G. Torda*; Fourth
Form: *I. P. MacPherson*.
- Wallach Memorial Prizes for General Proficiency: Fourth
Form: *R. A. Hodgson*; Third Form: *J. A. Buzacott, R. B.
Watson, J. S. Wiley*; Second Form: *J. A. Beardow, I. A.
Maxwell, G. A. Turner, W. B. Wilshire*; Preparatory: *W.
J. Looker*.
- John F. Fenwick Prizes: Senior: *A. P. Bluett*; Junior: *D. A. C.
Hope*.
- Arthur Giles Memorial Prize: *J. R. Vicars*.
- The Morgan Shield: *Not awarded*.
- School House Cup: *A. W. Johnson*.

- Captain of the School: Awarded for Proficiency in Literary Subjects: *J. L. Richardson.*
- The Rawson Cup: Awarded to the Senior Prefect: *H. F. Godfrey.*
- Farrar English Prizes: Form VI: *J. L. Richardson, G. M. Turnbull, G. J. Fleet, R. D. Wood, G. A. Kench;* Form V: *W. R. Digby, J. P. Evans, P. F. Sinnett, P. J. Benbow;* Form IV: *D. B. Pike, B. G. Storey, D. R. McWilliam, C. J. Taken, D. T. Fox;* Form III: *M. G. Nelson, G. W. Pettigrew, E. H. Roche, N. F. Jones.*
- Lower School English Prizes: **R. H. Beardmore, M. R. Byrnes, N. J. Coroneos, M. W. Whittington, A. J. Morgan, R. E. Jeremy.*
- Latin Prizes: Form VI: *G. M. Turnbull;* Form IV: *I. P. MacPherson;* Form III: *D. A. Tregenza, G. Winterton, R. J. Greening;* Form II: *J. C. Wells, D. H. Hodgson, A. J. Campe.*
- Greek Prize: Form IV: *D. B. Pike.*
- Citizens' French Prizes: Form VI: *G. M. Turnbull;* Form V: *G. G. S. Ashby;* Form IV: *I. P. MacPherson, M. L. Lewis;* Form III: *D. A. Tregenza, G. M. Dobell;* Form II: *D. M. Hillyar, M. D. F. Deck, J. N. Chambers, B. P. Frizell, D. H. Hodgson.*
- Citizens' German Prizes: Form VI: *J. L. Richardson;* Form V: *D. S. Nelson;* Form IV: *I. P. MacPherson;* Form III: *D. A. Tregenza.*
- Modern History Prizes: Form VI: *W. M. Isaacs;* Form V: *G. T. Aiken;* Form IV: *A. P. Bluett, K. J. Berry, B. S. Apter, A. R. Convery;* Form III: *G. J. Brunker, W. V. Windeyer, F. E. Rossback, K. P. Kinna, J. G. Crawford;* Form II: **R. H. Beardmore, R. J. Hodgson, N. J. Coroneos, J. A. Piper, P. G. Ferrier, B. P. Frizell, R. E. Jeremy.*
- Ancient History Prizes: Form VI: *J. V. Dunwoodie;* Form V: *J. S. Lockhart.*
- Geography Prizes: Form VI: *C. E. Dezarnaulds, J. W. R. Finlayson, J. F. Felton;* Form V: *J. D. Muras, R. B. Fraser;* Form IV: *J. R. Hazelton, K. J. Turner, I. W. Davie;* Form III: *G. M. Dobell, K. P. Kinna, R. A. Wood;* Form II: *P. S. Darragh, I. F. Hutchinson, P. G. Ferrier.*
- Economics Prizes: Form VI: *R. W. Kelsey;* Form V: *W. J. Kearney, C. P. Tong.*
- Accountancy Prizes: Form VI: *R. R. French;* Form V: *K. Heaydon.*
- Mathematics Prizes: Form VI: *R. S. Moulton, J. L. Richardson, M. D. Chapman, G. R. Ireland, R. F. Latham;* Form V: *W. R. Digby, R. C. Wilkinson, B. L. Friedlander, J. C. Edwards;* Form IV: *A. R. Munro, D. Daley, L. P. Bannatyne, W. W. Moppett, J. Woodcock;* Form III: *G. Winterton, J. A. Bassetti, D. A. Hastings;* Form II: **R. H. Beardmore, M. R. Byrnes, M. D. Deck, A. R. Falstein, W. R. Pridham, D. H. Hodgson.*

Physics Prizes: Form VI: *R. S. Moulton, A. J. Blumer, G. J. Fleet*; Form V: *W. R. Digby*.

Chemistry Prizes: Form VI: *R. S. Vickery, A. J. Blumer, M. E. Smith*; Form V: *T. A. G. Torda, R. W. Scotton*.

Elementary Science Prizes: Form IV: *D. W. M. Hinchliffe, L. P. Bonnatyne, A. H. Maher*; Form III: *G. Winterton, J. M. Kirkbride, P. E. Cassimaty*; Form II: **R. H. Beardmore, J. C. Wells, M. D. F. Deck, J. Crosby, N. J. Whitmont, B. P. Frizell, D. H. Hodgson, R. E. Jeremy*.

Business Principles Prizes: Form IV: *M. J. Allen, A. H. Maher*; Form III: *G. J. Bruncker, P. K. Coote*; Form II: *R. J. Hodgson, C. S. Grace*.

Architecture Prize: *G. M. Turnbull*.

Sydneian Prize: *N. H. Butterley*.

Bible Study Prizes: Form III: *G. Winterton*; Form II: *I. A. Maxwell*.

Manual Hobbies Prizes: Form VI: *E. J. Priseman*; Form V: *P. E. Baume, G. E. Barratt*; Form IV: *G. A. Lister*; Form II: *G. Zounis*.

Debating Prizes: *J. L. Richardson, G. M. Turnbull, B. J. Simons, P. F. Sinnett*.

Junior Reading Prizes: *B. Q. Williams, H. L. C. Krone, I. A. Maxwell, B. P. Frizell, J. G. Young, K. Marder, R. E. Jeremy*.

Junior Drawing Prizes: *P. S. Darragh, G. S. Bell, A. B. Law, N. E. Tullipan*.

Junior Writing Prizes: *M. R. Byrnes, M. L. Thompson, J. A. Herford, D. H. Hodgson, H. L. C. Krone, G. L. Thorburn*.

Preparatory Form Prizes: Dux: *W. P. Withers*; Dux Lower Division: *F. H. Hills*.
English: *M. H. R. Dent*; Arithmetic: *G. C. Campe*; History: *M. H. R. Dent*; Geography: *G. F. Walker*.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE

IN 1950, for the first time, a special examination was held, the Concours Général, limited to one candidate from each school in N.S.W. This was won by J. L. Richardson, who received books, and is to have a free holiday in Noumea.

In the other grades the following were successful:
Grade II: *P. G. Farren*. Grade III: *R. W. MacKenzie and R. S. Vickery*. Grade IV: *A. P. Bluett, J. F. Coss, R. A. Hodgson, I. H. Keir, D. J. Samer, A. K. Wadey*.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1950.

	English	Latin	French	German	Maths. I	Maths. II	General Maths.	Mechanics	Modern History	Ancient History	Physics	Chemistry	Geography	Economics	Accountancy	Wool Classing	Zoology	Music	Hebrew
Aiken, M. E.	A						B		B				A						
Banbury, L. W.					B				B					B	B				
Blair, H. G.	B				B	B			B		B	B							
Blumer, A. J.	B				B	B													
Callaway, C. R.	A		A		B				A			A							
Carney, D. E.	B						B			B		B		B			A		
Chapman, P. B.	A				H ₂	H ₂		A			H ₂								
Ciliverd, I. P.							B		B				B	B					
Cook, J. R.	B						B		B				B	B					
Crocket, G. C.	B				B				A				B	B					
Cupit, D. J.	B								A				H ₁	B					
Davis, C. G.	B						B				B	H ₁		B			H ₂		
Day, E. A.	B				H ₂	H ₂		A			H ₁								
Dezarnaulds, C. E.	B		B				B		A				H ₂						
Donaldson, M. E.	A				B	B			B				B	B					
Dunwoodie, J. V.	B									B									
Farren, P. G.	B	A	H ₂	H ₂ (o)			B		B										
Felton, J. F.	B						B					B	B				A		
Finlay, J. C.	A		B				B					B	A						
Finlayson, J. W. R.	B								A				B	B					
Fisher, W. R.	A				B	B					A	B					B		
Fleet, G. J.	B				B				B	B									
Fletcher, J.	B								B	B									
French, R. R.	B						B		B				B	B					
Gamble, J. L.	A				B	B		A			A								
Gell, J. K.	B		B						B	B		B	B						
Godfrey, H. F.	A						B					B	A						
Goldring, E. J.	B						B		B										
Harper, D. R.	B						B		B				B	B					
Hyslop, R. S.	A				H ₂	H ₂					B	A							
Ireland, G. S.	B						B			A									
Jones, K. E.	B								B				B	B					
Kelsey, R. W.	A				B				A				B	A	B				
Kench, G. A.	B						B		B				A	A					
Kerr, R. E.	B								B				B	B					
Lee, J. H.	A		B		B	B						B							
McAlpine, D. K.	B		A				B					A					H ₁		
Mackay, I. B.	A				B	B		B	B			A							
McKenna, J.	H ₂				B				B			A		B					
Mackenzie, R. W.	H ₂		A(o)	B(o)			A					B	B						
Merrick, A. McD.	B				B	B		A			B	B							
Mobberley, G. R.	B				B	B					B	A							
Morris, J. J.	A				B	B		B	A					B					
Moulton, R. S.	A				H ₁	H ₁		A			H ₂								
Pickworth, J. W.							A				B		B						
Richardson, J. L.	A	A	H ₁ (o)	H ₁ (o)	A	A													

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1950 — *continued.*

	English	Latin	French	German	Maths. I	Maths. II	General Maths.	Mechanics	Modern History	Ancient History	Physics	Chemistry	Geography	Economics	Accountancy	Wool Classing	Zoology	Music	Hebrew
Selly, E. W.	B				B							B							
Simons, B. E. J. . . .	A				H ₂	H ₂		A				A	A	B					
Smith, M. E.	A		B		B	B						B	H ₂						
Sorensen, S.	A		B		H ₂	A						A							
Strum, R. J.	A			H ₂	B	B													
Tankard, J. H. G. . .	B				B	B		B				B							
Turnbull, G. M. . . .	A	A	A		H ₂	H ₂		A											
Vickery, R. S.	H ₂		A(o)		B	B						A	A						
Weiss, K. L.	A		B	A	B				A										
West, R. I.	A	B	A						B	B							B		
Willcock, D. J. . . .	B						B		B	B				B					

(o) Passed in Oral Test.

SUMMARY OF PASSES.

	English	Latin	French	German	Maths. I	Maths. II	General Maths.	Mechanics	Modern History	Ancient History	Physics	Chemistry	Geography	Economics	Accountancy	Wool Classing	Zoology	Music	Hebrew
Honours I	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Honours II	3	—	1	2	6	5	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
A	22	3	6	1	2	2	2	7	7	1	6	8	9	2	—	—	—	3	—
B	29	1	7	1	22	14	17	3	18	8	10	11	13	19	3	—	—	—	—
Totals	54	4	15	5	31	22	19	10	25	9	19	20	24	21	3	—	6	—	—

Passes, 57; Honours I, 7; Honours II, 22; A's, 81; B's, 186.

UNIVERSITY EXHIBITIONS

S. R. Moulton, J. L. Richardson, B. J. Simons, G. M. Turnbull.

COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS

P. B. Chapman, E. A. Day, P. G. Farren, D. K. McAlpine, R. W. Mackenzie, S. R. Moulton, J. L. Richardson, B. J. Simons, S. Sorenson, G. M. Turnbull, R. S. Vickery.

MATRICULATION EXAMINATION 1951

G. R. Ireland, J. McKenna, R. Mellor, E. W. Selley.
Individual Subject (Chemistry) : J. R. Cook.

INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATION, 1950

Adams, R. A.; Allen, N. J.; Altass, R. L.; Amadio, L. L.; Apter, B. S.; Baly, J. D.; Bannatyne, L. P.; Barber, G. A.; Bateman, N. H.; Baume, D. E.; Baxter, G. J.; Ballet, K. E.; Berman, D. A.; Berry, K. J.; Bevan, B.; Blanchard, C. G.; Bluett, A. P.; Broun, M. D.; Campbell, I. D.; Christie, D.; Chung, R. M.; Colvin, J. E.; Convery, A. R.; Coss, J. F.; Crouch, J. G.; Daley, D.; Darragh, B.; Davie, I. W.; Dodds, C. F.; Draper, G. T.

Edgar, A. G.; Edson, B. M.; English, R. M.; Ferguson, D. A. K.; Forsyth, M. J.; Frith, C. R.; Gostelow, G. C.; Gould, L. W.; Granaug, A.; Gray, J. F.; Green, A.; Hamill, B. R.; Hamilton, J. T.; Hammond, D. H.; Harty, M. C.; Hayes, L. R.; Hazelton, J. R.; Heath, B. W.; Heaton, J. B. W.; Hentze, D. R.; Hermann, G. R.; Herring, D. K. M.; Hinchliffe, D. W.; Hodgson, R. A.; Hodgson, A. R.; Hull, A. C.; Hutchings, R. A. S.

Ingram, R. M.; Jackson, W. J.; Jenkins, A. E.; Johnson, R. H.; Jones, M. A. S.; Kerr, I. H.; Larcombe, J.; Leverrier, F. R.; Lewis, M. L.; Lindley, L. A.; Lister, G. A.; Lynn, D.; Macpherson, I. P.; McWilliam, D. R.; Maher, A. H.; Marks, G. G.; Martin, B. F.; Middleton, D. M.; Miskle, D.; Moppett, W. W.; Mowbray, G.; Mulligan, M.; Munro, A. R.; Muston, J. C.; Nathan, R. J.; Nicholls, M. R.

Opas, D. L.; Pain, M. C. F.; Palmer, E. A.; Paton, R. S.; Pearson, J. T.; Penfold, B. A.; Perrott, R. J.; Perry, F. J.; Pike, D. B.; Rennie, J. M. G.; Rogers, H. W. N.; Ross, D. H.; Rowe, J. S.; Samer, D. J.; Saville, P. P.; Saw, J. A.; Saxby, K. M.; Scharkie, N. L.; Seller, P. C.; Shackle, R. B.; Shepherd, K. J.; Small, J. E.; Sommerich, L.; Stacey, W. H.; Still, J. C.; Storey, B. G.; Swinney, R. C.

Tahmindjis, A. J.; Taken, C. J.; Thibault, J. G.; Turner, K. J. P.; Vlandis, N. G.; Vorsay, A. L.; Wadey, A. K.; Walker, A. J.; Webb, B. S.; Weiss, P. W.; Wells, A. W.; Whitfeld, R.; Whitley, R. G.; Woodcock, J.; Yates, R. L.; Zahoff, C. P.

VALETE 1950

- GODFREY, H. F.—Prefect, 1949-50; Senior Prefect 1950; Rawson Cup 1950; O.S.U. Scholarship 1950; 2nd XI 1947; 1st XI 1948-49-50 (Capt. 1949-50); Cadet Lt. 1949-50 (Senior 1950); Sydneian Committee 1949-50; Games Committee 1949-50 (Secretary 1950); G.P.S. 2nd XI (Capt.) 1949; G.P.S. 1st XI 1948, 1950; 3rd XV 1949; 2nd XV 1950; Junior Athletics 1948-9; Junior Tennis 1948-9.
- BARDEN, T. B.—Prefect 1950; Senior Athletics 1949-50 (Champions 1949); Junior Athletics 1947-8 (Capt.); 2nd XV 1950; 2nd XI 1949-50.
- BLUMER, A. J.—Prefect 1950; Cadet Lt. 1949-50; 3rd XI 1948; 1st XI 1949-50; 1st Rifle Team 1950; Boxing 1947.
- CALLAWAY, C. R.—Prefect 1949-50; Junior Tennis 1947; Senior Tennis 1948-49-50 (V.-Capt. 1949, Capt. 1950); Honour Badge 1949; 3rd XI 1947; 2nd XI 1948; 1st XI 1949-50; G.P.S. 2nd XI 1950.
- DAY, E. A.—Prefect 1949-50; Junior Athletics 1946-47-48; Senior Athletics 1949-50 (Champions 1949); 2nd B XI 1949; 2nd XI 1950; 3rd XV 1949.
- DAVIS, C. G.—Prefect 1950; 1st XV 1949-50 (V.-Capt. 1950); G.P.S. 1st XV 1950; Honour Badge 1950.
- FISHER, W. R.—Sub-Prefect 1948; Prefect 1949-50; 3rd XI 1947; 1st XI 1948-49-50 (V.-Capt. 1949-50); 1st XV 1948-49-50 (V.-Capt. 1949, Capt. 1950); G.P.S. 1st XV 1949; G.P.S. 1st and 3rd XV's 1950; Honour Badge 1950; Cadet Lt. 1949-50; Junior Tennis 1946-47-48 (Capt. 1948).
- IRELAND, G. R.—Sub-Prefect 1948; Prefect 1949-50; S.G.S. W.A. Scholarship 1948-49; 3rd XI 1947; 2nd XI 1948; 1st XI 1949-50; 2nd XV 1948; 1st XV 1949-50; Senior Tennis (Res.) 1949; Junior Tennis 1948.
- JOHNSON, T. J.—Sub-Prefect 1948; Prefect 1949-50; Senior Swimming 1947-48-49-50; G.P.S. Champion 1949 (Capt. 1949-50); 2nd XV 1949; 1st XV 1950; G.P.S. 3rd XV 1950; 2nd Rifle Team 1950.
- JONES, K. E.—Sub-Prefect 1949; Prefect 1950; 3rd XI 1947; 2nd XI 1949; 1st XI 1950; 2nd XV 1949-50.
- KENCH, G. A.—Sub-Prefect 1949; Prefect 1950; 3rd IV 1949; VIII 1950; 2nd Rifle Team 1949 (Capt.); 1st Rifle Team 1950 (Capt.); Cadet Lt. 1950.

- LUDOWICI, H. C.—Prefect 1950; 3rd IV 1947; VIII 1948-49-50; Vice-Capt. Boats 1949-50 (Capt. 3rd Term 1950); 2nd XV 1949; 1st XV 1950; G.P.S. 2nd XV 1950.
- MACKENZIE, R. W.—Sub-Prefect 1949; Prefect 1950; 1st IV 1950; 3rd XV 1950; Cadet Lt. 1950; H. A. Henry Sword 1950; R.L.S.S. Award of Merit 1949.
- NAYLOR, J. L.—Prefect 1950; VIII 1949-50; 3rd XV 1949, 2nd XV 1950.
- PACKHAM, J. W.—Sub-Prefect 1949; Prefect 1950; Cadet Lt. 1950; H. A. Henry Sword 1950; 2nd XI 1949; 3rd XV 1949; 2nd XV 1950; 3rd IV 1950.
- PEARSON, B. N.—Sub-Prefect 1949; Prefect 1950; 1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. 3rd XV 1949-50; Senior Athletics 1949-50 (Champions 1949); Honour Badge 1949-50.
- AITKEN, M. E.—2B XI 1950.
- ARMITAGE, D. G.—3rd XV 1950; 2nd XI 1950.
- BENNISON, D. F.—Junior Athletics 1948-49.
- BRADSHAW, J. V.—Swimming 1949-50; 3rd XI 1948; 2B XI 1949; 2nd XI 1950.
- CADSKY, D. M.—3rd XI 1949.
- CAMPBELL, W. C.—3rd XV 1949; 1st XV 1950; Senior Tennis 1949.
- CARNEY, D. E.—3rd XI 1947; 2nd XI 1948; 1st XI 1949-50; 3rd XV 1947-49; 2nd XV 1950; 1st Rifle Team 1949-50; Vernon Nathan Shield, Marks Shield, Honour Badge, 1949.
- CHAPMAN, M. D.—2nd Rifle Team 1950.
- COLLESS, J. J.—3rd XV 1949; 2nd XV 1950.
- COOK, J. R.—3rd IV 1946; 1st IV 1947 (cox); 1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. 3rd XV 1950.
- CROCKETT, G. C.—1st IV 1949; VIII 1950; 3rd XV 1949-50.
- CUPIT, D. J.—1st Rifle Team 1949 (Premiers); 2nd Rifle Team 1950; 3rd XV 1950; 2B XI 1950.
- DONALDSON, M. E.—Cadet Lt. 1950; Churchill Cadet Prize 1950.
- DORAN, P. E.—2nd XV 1949-50; Senior Tennis 1950.
- DUNCAN, N. H.—2nd XV 1950.
- GITTOES, B. S.—2nd Rifle Team 1948; 1st Rifle Team 1949-50; Vernon Nathan Shield 1950.
- GOULD, W. E.—2B XI 1950.
- HARDIE, R. E.—3rd XV 1950.

- HARPER, D. R.—Junior Tennis 1947-48-49; Senior Tennis 1950; Open Doubles 1950.
- HARVEY, P. D.—3rd XV 1949; 2nd XV 1950.
- HOWARD, G. W. H.—3rd XV 1950 (Capt.).
- HUMPHREYS, I. W.—1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. Reserve 1949; G.P.S. 3rd XV 1950; 3rd XI 1947; 2nd XI 1948; 1st XI 1949-50; Junior Athletics Champion 1948; Senior Athletics 1949-50 (Champions 1949); Senior Athletics Champion (AEQ.) 1950.
- HYSLOP, R. S.—2B XI 1950.
- KAY, J. H.—Prefect 1949; 1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. 3rd XV 1949; G.P.S. 1st XV 1950; Honour Badge 1950; 3rd XI 1948; 2nd XI 1949; Senior Athletics 1948; Sydneian Committee 1949.
- KERR, R. E.—Junior Tennis 1948; Senior Tennis 1950; 3rd XV 1950; 3rd XI 1948; 2nd XI 1950 (Capt.); Junior Athletics 1947-48-49.
- LATHAM, R. F.—3rd XV 1950.
- LEADLEY, W. J. C.—2nd XV 1948; 1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. 2nd XV 1949; Junior Athletics 1947; Senior Athletics 1948-49-50 (Champions 1949); Captain 1950; Honour Badge 1950; Warburton Cup 1948-1950; Captain of Boxing 1950; Cadet Lt. 1949.
- LEE, J. H.—3rd XV 1949-50; 2B XI 1950.
- McKENNA, J.—2B XI 1950.
- McKEOWN, A. D.—2B XI 1950; 3rd XV 1950; Junior Swimming 1949.
- MENDELSON, B.—Senior Athletics 1949-50 (Champions 1949); Junior Tennis (Reserve) 1949.
- MERRICK, A. Mc.—3rd IV 1949-50; Cadet Lt. 1950.
- MOULTON, R. S.—Senior Tennis 1950; 2B XI 1950; 1st Rifle Team 1950; Junior Tennis 1949; G.P.S. Rifle Team 1950; Honour Badge 1950; A Grade Chess 1950.
- MULLENS, F. H.—4th IV 1946; 2nd IV 1947; 1st IV 1948-9; VIII 1950 (coxswain).
- PRISEMAN, E. J.—1st Rifle Team 1950.
- RICHARDSON, J. L.—Junior Knox Prize 1948; Debating Team (Captain) 1950; Alliance Francaise Prize 1950; Senior Knox Prize 1950; Captain of the School 1950.
- SAVERY, S. W.—R.L.S.S. Award of Merit 1950.
- SIMONS, B. J.—Debating Team 1949-50.

- SPURRETT, J. C.—2nd XV 1949; 1st XV 1950; 4th IV 1949; 1st IV 1950.
 TAYLOR, R. K.—1st XV 1949-50; G.P.S. 1st and 3rd XV's 1950; 2nd XI 1949; 1st XI 1950.
 TURNBULL, G. M.—Debating Team 1950; 2B XI 1950.
 WILLCOCK, D. J.—Junior Referee's Badge 1950.
 WILLIAMS, J. G.—Junior Athletics 1946.
 CHERRY-WILLIS, P.—3rd IV 1950.
 WOOD, R. D.—2nd Rifle Team 1949; 1st Rifle Team 1950; Rawson Cup 1950; 3rd XV 1949; 2nd XV 1950; Cadet Lt. 1950.
 WOOD, J. T.—Junior Tennis 1947-48-49 (Captain); Senior Tennis 1950; Open Doubles 1950; 2B XI 1950.
 WRAGG, R. G.—Senior Athletics 1950.

FORM VI.

BANBURY, L. W.; BOWERS, S. R.; BRADFIELD, J. M.; CHAPMAN, P. B.; CLIVERD, I. P.; COOGAN, J. B.; DENHAM, J. L.; DUNN, H. T. G.; DUNWOODIE, J. V.; FARREN, P. G.; FELTON, J. F.; FINLAY-JONES, C; FINLAYSON, J. W. R.; FLEET, G. J.; FRENCH, R. R.; GAMBLE, J. L.; GELL, J. K.; HANKIN, S.; HARRIS, H. D.; HIGGINS, B. J.; ISAACS, W. M.; JOYCE, C. J.; KELSEY, R. W.; KENWORTHY, A. L.; LANE, R. N.; MCALPINE, D. K.; MILLER, D. H. D.; MOBBERLEY, G. R.; MORRIS, J. J.; MORRIS, A. A.; NETTHEIM, R. C.; QUODLING, W. D.; RENNIE, D. M. C.; RENNIE, M. B. R.; SELLEY, E. W.; SHEPHERD, E. D. M.; SMITH, M. E.; SORENSEN, S.; STRUM, R. J.; VICKERY, R. S.; WALKER, I. F. T.; WARBURTON, E.; WEBB, H. W.; WEISS, K. L.; WEST, R. I.

FORM V.

CLARKE, W. P.; CRAWFORD, J. I.; CULLINANE, D. J.; CURETON, D. A.; FIDLON, P. G.; JONES, R. J.; MARTIN, B. E.; ROSSELL, L. O.; WILLCOCKS, W. R. A.; YOUNG, J. E. B.

FORM IV

ALTASS, R. L.; BEECH, B. A.; BELLET, H. E.; BINNEY, E. J., Senior Swimming 1950, 2nd XV 1950; CROUCH, J. G., Junior Athletics 1950; FIELD, D. R., FRITH, C. R., GILCHRIST, M. M., HAMILL, B. R., HART, G., HART, R., HAZELTON, J. R., HINCHLIFFE, D. W., INGRAM, R. M., JACKSON, W. J., JAMES, J. H., JENKINS, D. A., LEWIN, A., LINDLEY, L. A., LISTER, G. A., MCADAM, R. J.,

McWILLIAM, D. R., 4th IV 1950; MOWLE, R. W. G.,
NATHAN, R. J., PALMER, E. A., PATON, R. S., PERRY, F. J.,
PETTIT, R. J., ROACH, K., SNOW, R. B., STACEY, W. H.,
SWINNEY, R. C., TAKEN, C. J., VAN RAALTE, C. A. P.,
WEBB, B. S.; 3rd XV 1950, Boxing 1950, WELLS, A. W.,
YATES, R. L., ZAHOFF, C. P.

FORM III

BOUCH, A. C.

GUINANE, T. J., Junior Athletics 1950, JARVIE, J. R. S.

FORM II:

EDMANSON, S. A., NATTEY, R. J.

PREP.

YOUNG, J. G.

P.J.N.

SALVETE 1951

Abrahams, P. C.; Adams, A. R.; Alcock, F. J. G.;
Andrew, D. T.; Archbold, R. K.; Asplet, K. C.; Atkins,
P. D.

Baldwin, A. A. R.; Barton, A. C.; Barman, W. P.;
Bernasconi, I. R.; Binns, M. R.; Binns, F. G.; Boyd, I. F.;
Brian, D. J.; Brown, D. L.; Buttfield, R. E.; Byrnes, R. H.

Campbell, M. B.; Canvin, H. M.; Caspari, P. G.; Chad-
wick, G. D.; Chadwick, G. M.; Champion, R. S.; Chapman,
K. J.; Collins, K. L.; Cominos, P. G.; Cowper, T. H. B.;
Cox, M. A.; Cozens, R. C. S.; Cozens, R. C.; Creswell,
M. J. B.; Croft, T. O.; Cullen-Ward, A. D.; Cunningham,
R. W.

Daly, N. A.; Davidson, P. G.; Diamond, K. G.; Dickey,
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Earlam, T. S.; Evans, R. A.

Falconer, P. H.; Falk, P. R. A.; Figtree, B. R.; Fitz-
gerald, R. D.; Fleeting, B. R. V.; Folbigg, B. C.; Folkard,
A. V.; Ford, D. W.; Frew, B. G.

Gabbe, P. R.; Ganter, A. P.; Gardner, C. N.; Gibson,
D. C.; Gosper, J. M. M.; Gray, A. F.; Gray, R. H.;
Greathead, J.; Grey, J. C.; Griffiths, R. F.; Grimmond,
J. R. R.; Grundy, A. A. W.; Hall, R.; Hamer, C. D.;
Hargrave, D. L.; Harper, H. I.; Harvey, M. G.; Hayhow,
R. J.; Henningham, W. A.; Hoddle, G. J.; Hubble, G. W.
T.; Hughes, R. M.; Hutchinson, I. A.

Ireland, H. B.; Isaacs, R. E.; Ramsbottom-Isherwood, P. D.; Ives, W. N.;

Jarratt, J. R.; Johnston, W. R. A.; Johnston, W. A.; Jones, R. E.; Jones, J. B.; Jones, T. C.

Karnasuta, K.; Kenyon, D.; Kerr, R. A.; Kerr, P. A.; Kilner, P.; King, P. J. L.; Kinkade, R. R.; Knapton, G. A.; Knight, J. H.; Knight, W. G.; Konigsberg, T.

Ladd-Hudson, M. A.; Latham, R. T.; Lawrence, K. C.; Leahy, P. J.; Leaney, A. F.; Levenson, S.; Lomas, W. J.; Longhurst, B. A.

McCall, W. G.; McCall, W. D. H.; McKay, D. W.; Mackerras, C. P.; Mant, A. D.; Marks, D. G.; Mather, P. S.; Maxwell, D. C.; Middleton, R. M.; Middleton, P. O.; Moppett, D. F.; Morberger, P. P.; Munro, C. A. P.; Murphy, A. R.; Myers, M. D.

Niesche, J. W.

Parker, B. S.; Peisley, W. R.; Petch, G. B.; Phillips, G. G.; Phipps, R. J.; Polley, R. O.

Quinn, R. J.

Randall, B. M. W.; Richardson, K. D.; Richardson, D. I.; Ritchie, R. G.; Robinson, J. H.; Rofe, A. E. F.; Rofe, L. F.; Rolfe, J. M. N.; Rooke, B. H.; Rowe, R. J. A.; Ross, E. G. C.; Roy, L. P.; Rusanow, A. S.; Russell, E. R. G.

Sabine, B. P.; Santry, M. J.; Sapsford, J. G.; Saunders, I. R.; Sherwood, R. S.; Sloan, R. W.; Small, J. L.; South, I. W.; Stuart, R. W.; Sturrock, P. R.

Taylor, J. D.; Thomas, C. R.; Thomas, B. R.; Thompson, N. B.; Thompson J. G.

Vassallo, W. J.; Vote, J. J. M.

Walker, R. W.; Walker, B.; Wansbrough, J. H.; West, R. K.; West, R. H.; Whittet, A. J.; Wilkinson, M. K.; Wilkinson P. T.; Wilson, J. E.; Wilson, R. A. M.; Wing, L. W.; Wise, A.; Withycombe, R. S. M.; Wood, R. B.; Woodley, A. C.; Wordsworth, J. R.; Wunderlich, E. J.; Wyness, I. B.

Yates, P. B.; Yip, R. C.; York, J. C.

SCHOOL NOTES

A GENEROUS gift of money and an offer of future annual contributions have been made by Mr. R. S. Gardner, Old Sydneian, to be devoted to any purpose the Trustees may

choose. It is proposed that these sums be devoted to the fund for replacing class-room furniture, a task which involves about £180 per room, and which will have to be spread over a considerable number of years.

We also have to thank Mr. Sydney Heath for his generous gifts of china cups, adorned with the school crest, to be awarded at the end of the year to certain leaving boys.

It is important that Grammar should take part in the Jubilee Celebrations. Unfortunately it has been found impossible for the independent schools to have a combined parade of Cadets, as was first proposed. However we hope to hold some form of combined parade of our own Cadet Corps and A.T.C. squadron, on the occasion of the presentation of the flag which will be given us to commemorate the Jubilee. The last Special Assembly of the term will have the Jubilee as its theme.

On returning to school after the Christmas vacation it was pleasing to see that a vast redecoration campaign had been waged during the holidays. The new colour scheme is designed to provide maximum lighting effect besides brightening the school atmosphere. We are indebted to Messrs. Tanner & Middleton for the purchase, as part of the War Memorial, of a 16mm. projector to be used to assist classroom instruction in several subjects with visual training.

We are happy to welcome to the school as new members of the staff, Mr. W. Porter (an ex-captain of Sydney High School), Mr. R. M. Glenvale, from Trinity Grammar, Mr. F. Earle, and Mr. H. A. Macdonald, returning to Grammar after graduating in Arts.

Prefects returning to school this year are R. H. Henley, P. J. North, and J. H. Tankard. New prefects are: J. C. Carrick, C. E. Dezarnaulds, I. W. Forsyth, D. J. Heath, D. Hotten, G. D. Irvine, A. W. Johnson, I. B. Mackay, D. Nelson and M. Pines.

Senior Prefect is R. H. Henley. The Old Sydneians' Scholarship for 1951 has been awarded to I. B. Mackay.

March 1st saw the annual swimming carnival held at the Olympic Pool. For the first time, Mr. Hardie had control of the organization, and with the help of his committee, produced very successfully the large programme of events.

As usual, Old Sydneians of prominence in cricket

turned out against the School in the annual fixture at Weigall. The Old Boys, though beaten, were able to give their less experienced opponents advice of benefit to them. During Easter the 1st XI are visiting Melbourne Grammar and will play matches against them and Wesley College.

The Open Tennis Singles are now in progress, and grading for the G.P.S. competition teams has commenced. Owing to rain a social match at Abbotsleigh had to be postponed till later in the term.

Visitors' Day at the Shed on the 17th of March was well attended, and members of the Boat Club will again entertain their guests at a dance on the 31st of March. Two ex-Grammar oarsmen, Vic. Middleton and Merv. Finlay, have recently distinguished themselves. Both are members of the N.S.W. King's Cup crew, and visited New Zealand with the victorious Australian rowing contingent last year.

The Choir and Orchestra (also under the guidance of Mr. Bellhouse) have commenced rehearsals, but more recruits are required in both organizations to maintain the high standard of performance set in past years.

Honour was brought to the school when it was revealed that Cdt. Lt. Michael Donaldson had won the Churchill Prize for cadet efficiency as a result of a very distinguished pass gained at Potential Officers' Course. This meritorious achievement came as a surprise to Mike, as the institution of the award was as unknown to him as to everyone else.

R.H.H.

HOUSE NOTES

WE extend a welcome to the following new boys: Bogie, Campbell, Grimmond, Konigsberg, Ladd-Hudson, Middleton, Morberger, Rofe, Ross, Sabine, Sloan, Vote, Walker i, Walker ii, and Wilkinson. We regret the loss of Mellor, Muston and Convery.

Our chief representatives in sport are Maher in the First XI, Hall in the Second XI, and Convery and Henry in the Third XI. Sabine is a member of the School relay swimming team. Several boys take part in rowing, Whitfeld being cox of the Third Four.

Over twenty House Boys have joined the Life Saving classes with a view to gaining the Bronze Medallion.

Most House Boys above the Second Form are members of the Cadet Corps. Scotton has reached the rank of Cadet-Lieutenant.

We are well represented in the Choir by Lee, Falstein, Campbell, Middleton, Ladd-Hudson and Grimmond.

About fifteen boys have joined Miss Cay's Dancing Class, which is held weekly at St. Catherine's School, Waverley. Towards the end of last year we attended dances at both St. Catherine's and Claremont College. We invited girls from both schools to our House Dance.

On 9th November last we entertained the School House Board at dinner. This has become a delightful annual function. After dinner the Housemaster and the House Captain, on behalf of the Masters and Boys of the House, presented to the retiring Headmaster, Mr. F. G. Phillips, a handsome Grandfather Clock, suitably inscribed. Mrs. Phillips, from the hands of Ronnie Muir, the youngest boy in the House, received a folding umbrella. Both Mr. and Mrs. Phillips spoke appreciatively of the gifts and of their happy associations with the House.

We were glad to welcome our new Headmaster, Mr. C. O. Healey, who visited us towards the end of last term, and again early in this term.

During January and February the House was overrun by plumbers, carpenters and painters. It is the work of the painters, however, that is now most conspicuous, for the House stands resplendent in a new coat of cream and green.

A.W.J.

LIBRARY NOTES

THE Library has been well attended and borrowed from since the day it opened in February. Our problems of space and access are now generally known and recognised and the standard of library manners both in staff committee and borrowers is improving with the years, not an easy matter in our state of congestion. A number of readers, however, through selfishness or carelessness, are retaining books after the period of the loan has elapsed, and among them not a few of last year's Sixth form.

The Librarian has not yet a complete 'Sydneyian' file and would appreciate the following copies of back numbers: all to November 1882; March 1909 to November 1911; August 1919; August 1922 to November 1922; March 1928

to November 1928. Some of the gaps have been filled since the last list but the above are still missing.

The Librarian is pleased to have again the assistance of Mr. Greenwood and Mr. Knight. The Staff Committee this year consists of Heaydon, Walker, Lockhart, Mackay, Ashby, Haxton, Stone, Hutton and Buzacott, so far a satisfactory combination.

Comparisons are invidious, but it may be of some interest to note that borrowers come from the following groups in the proportions indicated: History and Geography 50; Science 15; English 12; Recreation and Hobbies 10; Fiction 7; Miscellaneous 6. Not enough serious use is being made of the magazines provided, though their general use is fair. It is hoped to right this shortly.

On behalf of the Library Committee, the Librarian wishes to thank the following donors who have given the Library books or money since last year: Mrs. R. Pinhey, the Headmaster, F. G. Phillips, Esq., A. T. Keeble, Esq., the Vacuum Oil Company, H. Godfrey, D. Cupit, R. Mackenzie, R. S. Vickery, F. Mullins, J. Richardson, M. Chapman, E. J. Goldring, and R. N. Eamens.

G.F.R.C.

MIDDLE AND LOWER SCHOOL LIBRARY

WE have begun the year with a large number of subscribers. Thanks to the generosity of Mrs. Chase, who has once more presented us with a donation of interesting books, we cannot fail to prosper.

We sincerely thank Mr. R. G. Donald who has again paid for the renewal of our subscription to the National Geographic Magazine.

Owing to the long queues waiting to exchange books, our space for the free reading of magazines has become limited. This is unavoidable and it is a case of "first come, first served."

Because of pressure of school work we much regret the following resignations from our staff:—Bradney, Crowle, Kearney, McNamara and J. P. Jeremy. We thank them for their efficient and unselfish help. Our staff now consists of Caldwell, Windeyer, Winterton, R. Jeremy, Pryor, and Rex, assisted by Pridham and Hooton.

R.J.S.

CHESS CLUB NOTES

IN 1950 the Chess Club reached its record for activity with a membership of 120 members.

With such a large membership organisation of tournaments was extremely difficult. The school championship was never decided. Our street champion, however, was D. B. Pike, who, on board 1, for the school's A team, made the highest score of the A Grade competition.

Our four teams met with considerable success. The A team took third place in the premier section of the competition—first was Fort Street, second Sydney High School; the B team came second in its competition; the first C Grade team came third in its division; but the second C team—put in the competition merely for experience—won the section.

In the N.S.W. Individual Junior Chess Championship D. B. Pike again upheld the reputation of the school by taking the second place in the Championship. There were several other entries from Grammar who didn't fare quite so well.

In the annual 10 board match between the Combined Schools and the University, Grammar was represented by M. D. Brown on board 3. The University won the match.

In the Australian Junior Chess Championship held in Sydney at the end of the year, two of the seven N.S.W. representatives were from Grammar, D. B. Pike and M. D. Brown. They succeeded in sharing 3rd and 4th places.

Indeed in 1950 Grammar chess players made themselves felt in the junior chess activities of N.S.W. and Australia as never before.

This year there has been a noticeable drop in membership—52 as opposed to 120 last year—but there has also been a noticeable increase in the number wishing to take active part in the inter-school activities. As a result we are able to field one team more this year than last year.

M.D.B.

CRUSADERS

DURING the first term the Crusader Union has continued its lunch-hour meetings. Our first meeting was combined and was a great success, especially among the younger boys. There are, however, normally two meetings held each Thursday at 12.30. The Seniors (the 4th, 5th, 6th Forms) meet in G Room, and the Juniors (the Prep. and 2nd, 3rd Forms)

in H Room. A very warm welcome is extended to those who wish to attend these groups.

Our activities during the first term included a hike to National Park. This was held on Easter Tuesday and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. We hope that during the coming May holidays we may also have a good representation at the Camp held at Mt. Victoria.

We wish to thank masters for their assistance and we hope that our meetings and other activities may be used to bring pupils to a realization of the love of God. *J.L.*

CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

As these are now under the one control, they may be "written up" together. However the first reference must be to last year's concert for the Women's Association, when the choir and orchestra were separate. Mr. Hancock's orchestra acquitted itself creditably in several numbers, and the choir sang alertly and with a good balance and tone. The concert, given for the Women's Association as a small evidence of the gratitude of the School for all the work these ladies do for us, was such a success that Mr. Phillips and Mr. Healey agreed on the desirability of making this an annual event.

This year the orchestra needs many new players. By the time this is in print we may have persuaded some rather diffident boys that there is a place for them in the orchestra. And the response from the fifth forms, for bass and tenors for the choir, has been the lowest on record. Fortunately there are enough sixth formers to carry on. We shall have to hope that next year's fifths will be rather more public-spirited than this year's.

However, there are some good voices this year, and we should be able to mould a choir from the material offering. It is very early as yet, but rehearsals for both choir and orchestra are getting under way, and we look forward to a good year for each. *A.R.B.*

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

A PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS was formed rather late last year, when a representative of Kodak, Mr. Hogarth, came to give instruction. This class will recommence after Easter and it is hoped that a sufficient number of boys will join to make it worth Mr. Hogarth's time. The class will assemble on Tuesdays after school in H Room, and instruction will

begin with the elements, so that those who know little or nothing of photography may benefit. There is no charge and lessons are usually illustrated with 35 m.m. slides.

J.P.C.

SCIENCE EVENING

THE fourth Annual Science Evening will be held this year on Friday, August 10th. Another programme of interest and entertainment is in preparation. A hearty welcome is extended to old boys and parents.

R.M.

THE CADET CORPS

THE most interesting occasion to be recorded in these notes is the presentation of his sword to the Corps by Mr. H. A. Henry, Old Sydneian and Rhodes Scholar, who served in the First World War with the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry. Mr. Henry had agreed that his sword should be regarded as a sword of honour, to be awarded annually to the most outstanding cadet officer and on 27th October he came in person to make the first presentation in Assembly. Last year was a vintage year for cadet officers; however, after long consideration, the sword was awarded jointly to R. W. Mackenzie and J. W. Packham and they received it together.

In a striking speech, Mr. Henry reminded the School that the sword was no longer used in action by the British Army and that this sword was no exception. It was purely ornamental but he approved of its award as a reminder of the military virtues which it is the duty of every young soldier to cultivate. It should be added that Mr. Henry also gave us the compass he used during the campaign in Salonika, a valuable and valued piece of equipment for the Intelligence Section. The Corps and the School are grateful to this distinguished Old Sydneian for his gifts and for his taking time from a busy legal practice to present the sword.

To Michael Donaldson, who as a cadet officer commanded the Anti-Tank Platoon in 1950, goes the distinction of being awarded the Churchill Prize for that year, as the cadet who achieved the best result in the potential officers' course for the whole of Eastern Command. Strangely enough the only notification we have received of this event was a brief paragraph in the Eighth Column of a certain newspaper. However, a variety of unofficial but unimpeach-

able sources, including Michael himself, have confirmed the award. In congratulating him, we hope that his good example will become a precedent for Grammar officers.

This year the Corps is fortunate in the return of several of last year's officers, four of whom have been appointed to the command of companies: R. Henley (Senior Cadet Officer) Supprt Coy.; J. Fletcher, H.Q. Coy; I. B. Mackay, A Coy., and P. J. North, B Coy. I. Forsyth and J. Carrick have become second in command of A and B Coys. respectively. Congratulations to them on their appointments and to the following newly commissioned officers: K. J. Thomas, S. Heath, R. D. Macdonald (who gained a distinguished pass), P. N. Tedder, R. W. Scotton, G. D. W. Irvine, R. R. Uttley, A. P. Bluett, D. G. Christie, I. H. Chadwick, A. Tahmindjis, M. T. Pines.

Two old appointments newly revived are those of RSM and RQMS; the Corps expects much of WOII I. Figtree and WOII J. Denyer in these important posts. Other promotions are shown below.

In numbers, the Corps is about the same as last year with 341 all ranks. Seven 2-inch mortars have been taken on charge and will be used in training shortly. The miniature range has been repaired and should be in constant use until the Corps marches into camp at the end of August. In the Band, which lost the majority of its experienced members at the end of 1950, a new tenor drum and the promise of a new and lighter bass drum should spur bandsmen on to emulate the achievements of previous years. The new battledress is unlikely to be issued this year but a first instalment has arrived in the shape of the beret. Perhaps "shape" is an ill-chosen word to use in connection with this funny little article which is to replace the splendid, traditional hat of the Australian soldier. Not only were we proud to wear the hat made famous by Australians in three wars but also we liked the protection it gave us from rain, heat and glare. The beret, ideal for riding in a tank or for Commandos raiding by night, is hardly adapted to Australian conditions. We hope that someone, somewhere, will think again.

This term's recruits 150 of them in A & B Corps, are working well. Already they show signs of becoming smart soldiers which they must do if the Corps of 1953 is to

have the leaders it will surely need. Perhaps they envied HQ and Sp Corps who, on 19th March, inspected the School of Artillery and the fortifications at North Head while they were sweating "on the square." However, their turn will come. As for HQ and Sp, they are grateful to the RAA for an afternoon full of interest and for the careful arrangements made by Capt. Noonan and his staff at North Head.

Additional promotions in February were: to WOII, Sgts. Smithers, B. Robins, J. Keldie, A. Stitt; to Drum Major, Sgt. D. Morgan; to Sgt., Cpls. P. Hearne, J. E. Jenvey, B. G. Waterman, D. S. Nelson, D. E. J. Hotten, B. D. McGain and T. H. Symonds, L/Cpls. B. W. Porra, M. C. F. Pain, R. C. Wilkinson, J. G. Stimson; to Cpl. L/Cpls. A. J. Walker, P. P. Saville, G. Gostellow, B. R. McNamara, Cds. R. J. A. Rowe, G. T. Aitken, J. H. Krieger, H. V. Hooper; to L/Cpl. Cdt. L. G. Andrews.

The Corps welcomes the appointment of one of its old officers, Mr. S. Lloyd, as Adjutant.

A.T.C.—R.A.A.F. CADETS

THE Flight has had a very successful year.

Last year R.A.A.F. H.Q. decided to introduce Cadet Commissions in the A.T.C. Three cadets in N.S.W. were commissioned, one of whom came from this Flight—so Cadet Pilot Officer B. Barker became one of the first three Cadet P/Os.

The Flight went to camp in December. This time we were divided. The majority went to Rathmines, but a small group went to Canberra. At Rathmines, the pace was fast and furious, as there were Cadet P/O and Senior and Junior N.C.O. courses, as well as the Drill Competitions.

Once again the School Flight won the State Foot-Drill Championships retaining the two trophies from the previous year. These are the N. E. Woods Challenge Trophy, for School Flights, and the L.A.C. Frank Howarth Memorial Trophy, for competition between all Flights. The Flight was piloted to its win by Sgt. Bradney, with a clear margin over the runners-up.

Sgt. Bradney was also sent on the P/O Course—and at the moment results are still awaited from R.A.A.F. H.Q.

This year the Trustees have modified the conditions

under which boys may join, to allow twenty boys each year to join without the preliminary year in the Army. This will mean that these twenty will have the opportunity of staying three years in the Flight—which will enable them to be considered for Flying Scholarships, and Cadet P/O rank.

And speaking of Flying Scholarships, eleven of these have been awarded in N.S.W. The successful cadets are now being trained as pilots, doing a full course on Tiger Moths. They will wear cadet wings on graduation. Of the eleven, four came from this Flight. The successful ones (with their present ranks) are P/O Barker, W/O Bradney, Sgt. Willson, L.A.C. Barkla.

A new appointment to the H.Q. Staff of No. 6 Flight, is P/O R. W. Craig. He is an old boy, who has been commissioned on the R.A.A.F. Reserve, and posted to Cadet training. His coming to us is very welcome. His energy, keenness, and airmanlike manner will be a model for our own cadets.

P/O Craig has celebrated his return to the Flight by giving us a handsome trophy for competition between the two sub flights in drill. This trophy will be eagerly sought after, and its existence should put that extra edge on to drill periods that will ensure the retention for a third year of the State Drill Trophies.

The H.Q. Staff for 1951 now consists of: F/Lt. A. R. Bellhouse (O/C), F/O J. Sherwood (Adj.), P/O R. W. Craig, Cdt P/O B. Barker, W/O Bradney, F/Sgt. Edwards, Sgt. Willson, Sgt. Colless, Cpls. Berry, Munro, Baume, Hodgson.

In the last issue we referred to the Coogan and Sherwood Trophies. These were presented for the first time last year—the winners being:

Coogan Trophy: For the academic side of A.T.C. work: Sgt. Gamble, J, Cpl. Barber, B.

Sherwood Trophy: F./Sgt. Coogan, J. Sgt. Wood, J.

Congratulations to the hard-working winners. And new cadets, look to your studies—it may be your turn this year or next.

A.R.B.

EXCHANGES

The Hutchins School Magazine, Our Alma Mater, Hawkesbury Agricultural Journal, St. Joseph's College

Magazine, The College Times, The Adelaide High School Magazine, The Radleian, The Mitre, The Pegasus, The Scotch Collegian, Wesley College Chronicle, The Framlinghamian, The Marlburian, The Corian, The Record, The Armidalian, The King's School Magazine, The Torchbearer, The College Barker, The Waitakian, St. Cuthbert's Chronicle, Lux, The Fire Fly, Scotch College Reporter, The Tudorian, The Falcon, The Cranbrookian, The Ballarat Grammarian.

HISTORIC FRAGMENT

(From Evening News, Sydney, 30th March, 1895).

THERE are three old buildings in Sydney, which possess a vast amount of interest for those who are familiar with the social and political history of this community. These are the places where the schools of William Timothy Cape and the Rev. Dr. J. D. Lang were conducted sixty years ago. In these establishments a large number of men, prominent in the political and professional life of New South Wales for a generation or two were educated. The buildings are now old and are liable at any time to be pulled down in order to give place to new and more elegant and commodious structures, and when they disappear some of the most interesting not to say venerable landmarks in the social history of Sydney will have passed away. Two buildings still standing in Kent-street were used in the early days of Sydney by the late Dr. Lang as academies for boys belonging to the best families in the city.

Mr. Cape's old school is still in existence, though it has been much altered since he resigned there as dominus. It is in King-street directly opposite the Supreme Court and is now called the Supreme Court Hotel.

One of Mr. Cape's first scholars was Mr. J. S. Dowling, who remained there five years. The fame acquired by Mr. Cape as a teacher at the Sydney Academy and the Sydney Public School followed him to King-street where his pupils were at all times very numerous. He had several assistants whose names will be at once recognised by such of the "old boys" as may see the brief memoir of the old school—Mr. Banfather, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Stanley. Amongst Mr. Cape's pupils in King-street were, besides John S. Dowling, James Martin, afterwards Chief Justice of New

South Wales; Mr. James Norton, Mr. William Roberts and Mr. Thomas Alexander Browne, now known as the author under the pen name of "Rolfe Bolderwood"; Saul (now Sir Saul Samuel) Agent-General for the colony in London; William Forster, a former Agent-General and Premier, Sir John Robertson, another Premier of New South Wales; two brothers Roberts known at school as "Curry" and "Ginger"; Livingston and Roderick Mitchell, son of the famous surveyor-general and explorer, the latter of whom led the expedition in search of Leichhardt in 1852 but was accidentally drowned in the passage from Newcastle; Geoffrey Eagar, legislator and literary man; George Wigram Allen, afterwards Speaker of the Legislative Assembly; William Charles Windeyer, now a judge of the Supreme Court; and numerous others who became well-known colonists.

In 1835 the committee of the Sydney College in College-street appointed Mr. Cape headmaster and thither Mr. Cape went with all his boys from King-street. The old building in College-street in which he taught forms a portion of the present Sydney Grammar School. Additions were made since his time but the original building is easily discernible by its aged appearance.

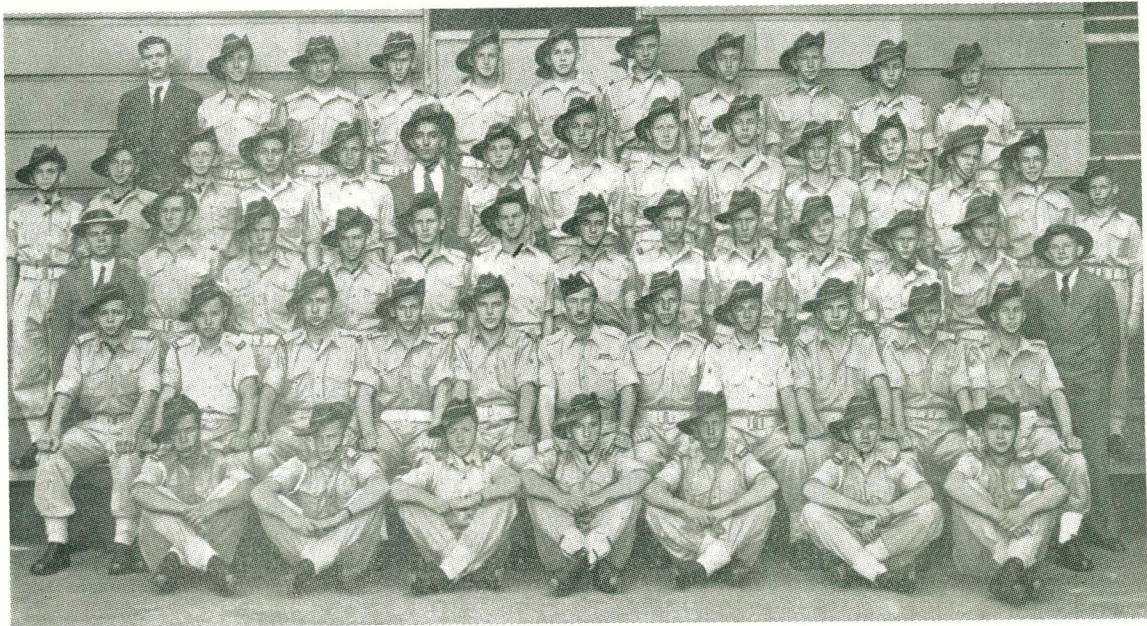
In 1842 Mr. Cape re-opened a school of his own in Glenmore-road, Paddington, which he conducted till 1856, when he retired from the work of teaching. In 1859 he was elected a member of the Legislative Assembly for Wollombi but he did not distinguish himself in the Senate. He, however took an active interest in public affairs outside Parliament, and rendered good service to the community in a variety of ways. He visited England in 1860 and remained there till his death from smallpox in 1863. He was buried in Brompton but some of his pupils erected to his memory the first tablet placed in St. Andrews Cathedral, Sydney. An attempt had been made to found a scholarship bearing his name in the University of Sydney but it was not successful.

For many years after their old masters death the former pupils of Mr. Cape used to meet in Sydney for an annual dinner, to exchange reminiscences of their school days. One of Mr. Cape's pupils prior to 1836, thus writes of him after nearly sixty years: "He was a fair scholar, strict, and did not spare the rod when necessary. His aim was to make gentlemen of his pupils."



THE OFFICERS, 1950.

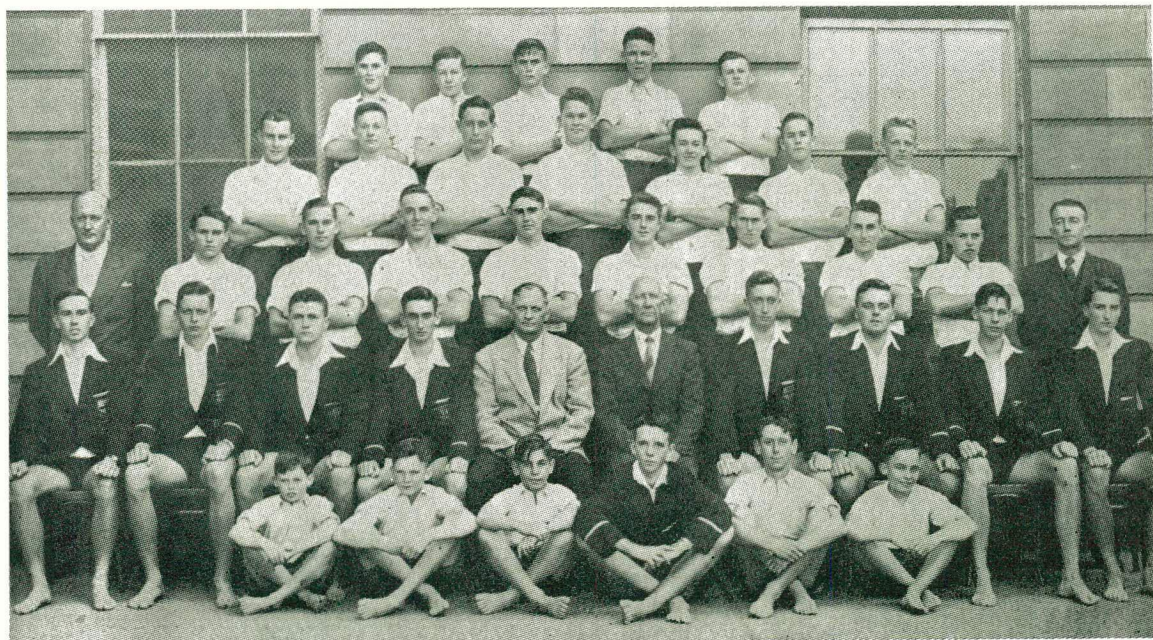
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 P. J. NORTH, M. E. DONALDSON (Churchill Prize).
 Centre Row: Cdt. Lts. R. W. MACKENZIE (H. A. Henry Sword), J. FLETCHER,
 J. C. CARRICK, G. A. KENCH, I. W. FORSYTH, R. D. WOOD.
 Front Row: Cdt. Lt. H. GODFREY (Senior Cdt. Officer), Capt. A. P. SCOTT, Maj.
 A. J. HILL, M.B.E., Capt. L. W. WEBSTER, Cdt. Lt. J. A. BLUMER.
 Absent: Cdt. Lts. R. H. HENLEY, W. FISHER.



THE WARRANT AND NON--COMMISSIONED OFFICERS—1950.



No. 6 FLIGHT A.T.C.—OFFICERS & N.C.O.'s, 1951.
 Front Row: W/O. D. BRADNEY, P/O. R. W. CRAIG, F/Lt. A. R. BELLHOUSE,
 Cdt. P/O. B. BARKER, F/Sgt. J. EDWARDS.
 Back Row: Cpl. J. GRAY, Cpl. A. MUNRO, Sgt. P. WILLSON, Cpl. R. HODGSON,
 Cpl. D. BAUME, Cpl. K. BERRY. (Absent: F/O. J. SHERWOOD).



THE ROWING CAMP—1951.



THE EIGHT

(Bow) I. W. FORSYTH; (2) D. F. NELSON; (3) P. F. ROBINSON; (4) L. G. ANDREWS;
(5) J. R. MOORE; (6) R. H. HENLEY; (7) J. J. WEBSTER; (Stroke) P. J. NORTH.

SPORTSMASTER'S NOTES

I. M. E.

IN the G.P.S. sphere, we record with appropriate appreciation the conferring of Knighthood on the Association President, Sir David Maughan; the completion by the retiring honorary secretary, Mr. J. Carington Pope (Shore), of his term of about twenty-seven years of office, during which time he has helped greatly to foster the Association to its present standard; and the appointment of one of our delegates, Mr. C. D. Taylor, to executive rank on the Committee, in recognition of his valuable services as rowing secretary and generally.

We now notify a new trophy which will have special honour in the School. It is a Cup, in memory of that unexcelled Sydneian, the late "Paddy" Kenny, whom material records show to have been Senior Prefect, Football Captain and a member of the Eight in 1926.

Captain B. Kenny, A.I.F., after gallant service, was killed in action in Greece in 1941. "The Kenny Cup," the gift of a School friend, Bruce Campbell, will be presented annually to the best all-round sportsman of each year. We appreciate also the interest shown by Mr. E. Kenny, Paddy's father, in the memorial.

From the beginning of the year we have been frequently cheered—we should like to say—by the encouragement given by the Headmaster in matters sporting and by the personal interest he has shown at all scenes of play.

We welcome new masters, Mr. R. Glenvale, who has an established reputation as a coach in football; Mr. H. Macdonald, a 2nd XI player of both S.G.S. and Mosman Club, and a coach in full proportion; and Mr. F. Earle, who coaches regularly at Weigall also.

If this year is a time of some new beginnings in the School, it seems that our seniors are starting sufficiently young. Looking curiously down the 6A list as the year began, we found eighteen who were under 16 and two who were over 17; other Sixth forms raised these figures not much. Our return of last year's "colours" is precisely one or two in each sport.

There are therefore long opportunities for a keen field and the year should unfold with interest. A lead was given early by such contenders as I. Mackay, who became a wicket-

keeper and cricket captain in one movement, and C. Dezar-naulds whose success has been an example to other triers. Last issue went to press too early to report an interesting cricket occasion in November, when office-bearers of the I. Zingari Club, Keith Younger and Eric Siddely, both Old Sydneians, made a club presentation to the School Eleven, a bat which was awarded to Howard Godfrey as the leading player. We thank I. Zinzari for this gesture and we look forward to long associations and future matches with them.

The rowing season has gone with good heart and gave much satisfaction to all who knew the master-in-charge, the coaches, the crews and the camp. Since, with even the best management in this sport, a crew can sometimes be almost sunk, it is obvious that without our strong old boy assistance, we could scarcely even have gone afloat. To "Joe" Gould, Dave Younger, and "Jim" Ludowici, our heartiest thanks. To all the many who assisted "off the water" we echo the thanks expressed by Mr. Scott at the Rowing Assembly. There were good points for pride in the past season, without drawing on expectations of the future. Congratulations to Shore on their impressive win in the Eights, an achievement not gained in one season's training, and congratulations to all other successful schools in an excellent regatta.

In swimming the annual carnival was a model of efficient running by Mr. K. P. Hardie and Committee; our relay team has been up with the best from other schools and our best individuals have been in the highest class. Tennis has shared this year in the prevailing common factor of youth. Football and shooting, at time of writing, are just about to take the field. It is found advantageous this year not to hold the customary First Term Junior Sports Meeting.

From time to time some friend of Grammar sport comes forward with material generosity, and on the day of the Old Boys cricket matches Mr. Hyam Marks conveyed an offer by Mr. Gordon Munro to add to amenities at Weigall. We record Mr. Munro's generosity with appreciation and look forward to being able to make known accomplished facts.

With the current accent on youth, it has been cheering to receive more frequent visits than usual from Mr. Marks. We wish we had been present to study the reactions of the young boy whom he told he had first "walked up these steps in 1886."

To all office-bearers and members of the Women's Association, we tender our regular and best thanks, knowing that that cannot possibly equal all they do for us.

This final note also looks like becoming a regular one: will old boys whom only "The Sydneian" can reach and who can give good service in coaching or refereeing, please communicate readily with the Sportsmaster? Football matches and the like entertain many supporters when a side is winning: we most appreciate those who help constructively get sides into winning form.

CRICKET



THIRD TERM, 1950

First Eleven

S.G.S. v. T.S.C.

Played at Bellevue Hill, 21/28:x:1950

RAIN delayed play until half-past three, Grammar won the toss and sent Scots in to bat on a soft wicket. Scots fell with fifteen minutes to play, and Ireland's wicket fell before time. On returning to bat Grammar played a bright innings. In Scots' second innings Pyrke alone seemed happy, Grammar bowled well, and won outright.

S.G.S., 1st Innings.

C. Callaway, b. Kellaway	35
G. Ireland, b. Sharrock	0
B. Stone, c. Anderson, b. Kellaway	47
I. Humphreys, c. Higson b. Sharrock	5
H. Godfrey, st. Solomon, b. Hunter	5
K. Jones, b. Higson	51
J. Blumer, c. Kellaway b. Sharrock	2
W. Fisher, b. Kellaway	7
N. Austen, b. Sharrock	16
D. Carney, b. Sharrock	6
I. Chadwick, not out	20
Sundries	8
TOTAL	202

Bowling: Sharrock 5-72, Kelaway 3-89.
 Scots, *1st Innings*: 71 (B. McKinnon 19) I. Humphreys
 2-18, H. Godfrey 5-24, D. Carney 3-21.
 Scots, *2nd Innings*: 125 (J. Pyrke 56). Bowling: God-
 frey 2-8, Austen 3-23, Humphreys 2-18, Stone 1-30.
Grammar won by an innings and 6 runs.

S.G.S. v. N.C.

Played at Newington, 4/11 :xi:1950

GRAMMAR lost the toss and went in to bat on a damp and windswept wicket. Grammar hit out with some success, Godfrey making 68. Conditions were trying also for Newington, who fell fast. Grammar began their second innings on the same day and lost one wicket. On the following Saturday the wicket was hard and true. Ireland, Austen and Blumer made a good stand. Newington made a determined effort to beat the clock—Hammill and McCamley putting up an opening partnership of 137—but failed by 16 runs.

S.G.S.— <i>1st Innings</i>		<i>2nd Innings</i>	
C. Callaway, c. Hammell, b. Mac- lay	0	l.b.w. Herford	6
C. Ireland, c. Hammell b. Leslie	6	b. Leslie	58
B. Stone, c. Luckie, b. Leslie	12	c. Brown, b. Her- ford	17
H. Godfrey, l.b.w. Leslie	68	hit wkt b. Herford	7
K. Jones, c. Herford, b. McLay	0	l.b.w. Maclay	1
R. Taylor, c. Patterson, b. McLay	8	c. Dockrey, b. Her- ford	16
I. Humphreys, c. Leslie b. Dock- rey	26	b. Herford	0
N. Austen, c. Luckie, b. Dockrey	14	c. McCamley, b. Dockrey	32
W. Fisher, b. Dockrey	9	st. Brown, b. Ham- mell	4
J. Blumer, b. Dockrey	12	not out	21
D. Carney, not out	4	c. Brown, b. Dock- rey	4
Sundries	7	Sundries	7
TOTAL	162	TOTAL	173

Newington, *1st Innings* 80 (J. Clifton 21, G. Hammell 18). *Bowl-
ing*: I. Humphreys 5-30, H. Godfrey 3-12, D. Carney 1-25.

2nd Innings: 5-239 (G. Hammill 100, R. McCamley 65, I. Clifton 21, F. Dockrey 20). *Bowling*: H. Godfrey 2-37, I Hum-
phreys 1-27, D. Carney 2-84, N. Austen 0-61, R. Taylor 0-17.

Grammar won on 1st Innings by 82 runs.

2nd XI.

THE Seconds, after a weak beginning, made enough improvement to win two matches at the end and finished in fourth position.

FIRST TERM, 1951.

FIRST ELEVEN

Coach: Mr. H. A. Abbott. Captain: I. B. Mackay.
Practice matches were played as follows:—

1st XI v. I. ZINGARI

Played at Weigall—10th February

As usual, a number of Old Sydneians were in the visitors' side. I. Zingari batted first for a total of 168, after being 3 for 130, Williams taking 4 wickets for 26 and Dezarnaulds 4 for 27.

For Grammar, Stone batted usefully for 30 runs, Munro supporting with 27, but our total of 126 left us losers by 42.

1st XI v. OLD BOYS

Played at Weigall—14th March

The School batted first but the attack, headed by Alan Walker, kept batsmen subdued before lunch. Mackay later scored his 48 in 31 minutes.

For Old Boys, Green gave a bright display of stroke-making, but Dezarnaulds' bowling brought about a win for the School.

1st XI—1st Innings

C. E. Dezarnaulds, l.b.w. Walker	8
E. C. Williams, b. Walker	25
N. W. Austen, run out	12
J. D. Keldie, b. Norton	8
B. Stone, l.b.w. N. McGilvray	16
A. Maher, c. Green b. Norton	10
I. B. Mackay c. and b. Norton	48
I. H. Chadwick, c. Shiedow b. Norton	15
A. R. Munro, c. Shiedow b. Norton	10
P. Hall, l.b.w. Walker	10
B. Stubbs, b. Walker	7
Mr. H. Abbott, not out	4
Sundries	4
TOTAL	175

Bowling: Walker 4-41, Norton 5-40, McGilvray 1-16.

OLD BOYS

B. Ritchie, l.b.w. Stubs	6
G. Green, st. Mackay b. Dezarnaulds	60
B. Shiedon, c. Austen b. Dezarnaulds	23
E. Hendry, c. Abbott b. Dezarnaulds	9
A. Treloar, st. Mackay b. Dezarnaulds	14
A. McGilvray, c. Chadwick b. Dezarnaulds	5
W. Alexander, b. Keldie	3
N. McGilvray, c. Hall b. Keldie	8
G. Wearne, c. Maher b. Dezarnaulds	5
H. McDonald, c. Hall b. Dezarnaulds	1
A. Walker, c. Austen b. Abbott	0
R. Norton, not out	0
Sundries	5
TOTAL	139

Bowling: Dezarnaulds 7-57, Keldie 2-34, Stubbs, 1-9, Abbott 1-14.

COMPETITION MATCHES

S.G.S. v. S.C.E.G.S.

Played at Northbridge—Lost outright.

A FEATURE of the match was Shore's left-arm opening attack, against which only Dezarnaulds could stand. In the Shore innings, Dezarnaulds and Austen between them took 6 wickets at one stage for 15 runs. Heath and Williams added 44 runs in our last wicket partnership in the second innings. In Shore's second innings, the Grammar fielding was particularly good.

S.G.S.—1st Innings

2nd Innings

C. E. Dezarnaulds, c. Barnier, b. Traill	36	c. Shand, b. Traill	12
J. D. Keldie, l.b.w. Traill	3	c. Gambrill b. Traill ...	4
B. Stone, l.b.w. Traill	5	c. Gambrill b. Traill	8
I. H. Chadwick, l.b.w. Amos	1	st. Widdis b. Traill	2
N. W. Austen, b. Traill	12	c. Widdis b. Traill	0
D. J. Heath, c. Gambrill, b. Michelmore	0	b. Gambriil	32
I. B. Mackay, c. and b. Traill	2	b. Traill6
A. R. Munro, b. Michelmore	4	b. Amos	3
P. A. Hall, not out	10	l.b.w. Michelmore	4
B. Stubbs, c. and b. Michelmore	3	st. Widdis b. Traill	1
E. C. Williams, c. Barnier, b. Michelmore	1	Not out	13
Sundries	5	Sundries	8
TOTAL	82	TOTAL	93

S.C.E.G.S. *1st Innings*, 157 (Traill 45, Barnier 32 not out).

2nd Innings, 3-21.

S.G.S. *Bowling*: 1st Innings—Dezarnaulds 6-53, Austen 2-41, Keldie 1-11, Stubbs 1-19.

2nd Innings—Stubbs 2-4, Dezarnaulds 1-17.

S.G.S. v. T.K.S.

At Parramatta—Lost on the first innings

GRAMMAR batted first on a wicket which had been reduced in level since last season and proved an excellent surface.

At first, only Dezarnaulds succeeded with the bat, but good bowling following, by Dezarnaulds and Keldie, kept the strong King's side to a first innings lead of 43. At the end of the first day we had lost 6 wickets for 71 in our second innings.

A wet wicket delayed start of play on the second day till 3 p.m. Mackay and Stone batted stubbornly on the muddy wicket and, with interruptions caused by further rain, the innings was drawn out till 5 p.m.

King's tried hand to score the desired 66 runs in 20 minutes but the task was too great.

<i>S.G.S.—1st Innings</i>		<i>2nd Innings</i>	
C. E. Dezarnaulds, c. Galloway,		l.b.w. Galloway	0
b. Farquhar	46	c. Rowntree, b. Man-	
J. D. Keldie, b. Roberts	3	chee	0
N. W. Austen, c. Galloway, b.		b. Farquhar	27
White	4	b. Farquhar	13
E. C. Williams, c. and b. Gallo-		st. Rowntree b. Far-	
way	8	quhar	30
B. Stone, b. Galloway	4	c. Page b. Galloway ...	5
A. Maher, run out	1	c. Page b. Manchee ...	0
I. H. Chadwick, b. Farquhar	0	b. Farquhar	21
I. B. Mackay, b. Manchee	0	l.b.w. Galloway	0
D. J. Heath, l.b.w. Farquhar	4	b. Galloway	6
A. R. Munro, not out	6	Not out	0
B. Stubbs, b. Pattinson	2	Sundries	6
Sundries	4		
TOTAL	82		108

T.K.S.—1st Innings: 125. 2nd Innings, 0-38.

S.G.S. Bowling, 1st Innings: Dezarnaulds 6-64, Keldie 4-30.

2nd Innings: Stubbs 0-22, Keldie 0-11.

S.G.S. v. S.J.C.

At Hunter's Hill—Lost on the first innings.

LATE heavy rain necessitated the preparation of an emergency wicket. St. Joseph's, sent in, scored 106 runs for 3 wickets in one hour before lunch, their innings yielding 173. The drying surface was tricky in the afternoon but several batsmen did well in bringing our total to 127.

On the following Tuesday (Easter week), further rain made play impossible.

S.J.C., 1st Innings, 173 (D. Boland 41). 2nd Innings, 1-18.
S.G.S. Bowling, 1st Innings: Dezarnaulds 6-42, Austen 1-19,
Keldie 1-82, Stubbs 0-19.

2nd Innings: Dezarnaulds 1-13, Keldie 0-5.

S.G.S.—1st Innings.

C. E. Dezarnaulds c. Gleeson b. Hogan	13
E. C. Williams, c. Hogan b. Gallagher	2
N. W. Austen c. Pickard b. Fenely	0
B. G. Stone, b. D. Boland	31
A. Maher, b. Hogan	9
I. H. Chadwick, c. Gleeson b. Hogan	11
I. B. Mackay, b. Hogan	2
D. J. Heath, l.b.w. N. Boland	28
A. R. Munro, c. Davis b. B. Boland	26
J. D. Keldie, c. Davis b. B. Boland	0
B. Stubbs, not out	0
Sundries	5
TOTAL	127

S.G.S. v. T.S.C.

At Weigall—Lost outright.

GRAMMAR won the toss for the seventh successive time, but runs were urgently needed from the last batsmen to bring our score to the hundred. Maher had shown sound form and Stubbs made good strokes, which he followed by taking a wicket with the first ball in Scots' innings. Scots' batted enterprisingly and Grammar fielded doggedly but missed chances as the runs were added against us.

In our second innings, which was required to yield 180 to prevent an innings defeat, 3 wickets fell for 13. Dezarnaulds, valuable player with bat or ball, scored an excellent half-century before being run out, like Maher who had topped the score in the first innings. Chadwick showed what he might do with the bat and Austen and Mackay did well to ensure that Scots' should at least go to the wickets again.

C. E. Dezarnaulds b. Higson	4	Run out	51
E. C. Williams, l.b.w. Kellaway	5	Run out	1
I. H. Chadwick, l.b.w. Higson	0	Not out	22
B. G. Stone, c. Dawkins, b. Higson	3	L.b.w. Higson	4
A. Maher, run out	27	b. Vandenburg	4
N. W. Austen, c. Sneddon, b.		L.b.w. Higson	41

Higson	2	c. Martin b. Higson ...	40
I. B. Mackay, c. Vandenburg, b. Higson	3	b. Martyr	4
D. J. Heath, c. Dawkins, b. Higson	5	c. Sneddon b. Kellaway	1
A. R. Munro, c. & b. Kellaway	15	c. Vandenburg, b. Haynes	6
J. D. Keldie, not out	12	c. Sneddon, b. Kellaway	3
B. Stubbs, l.b.w. Haynes	24	Sundries	7
Sundries	2	TOTAL	184
TOTAL	102		

T.S.C.—1st Innings: 281 2nd Innings: 0-6.

Bowling: 1st Innings: Heath 3-46, Austen 2-43, Dezarnaulds 2-102, Stubbs 1-26, Keldie 1-32, Williams 0-3, Stone 0-14.

2nd Innings: Mackay; 0-2, Heath 0-4.

2nd XI.

Coach: Mr. I. M. Edwards. Captain: L. Gould.

THE Seconds, according to plan, consists almost entirely of 5th Formers who gain their experience against rather senior players. Some progress and very slight success were achieved.

Gould was the most successful bat and showed some knowledge of tactics. P. Hall, K. Shepherd and P. Hearn also batted usefully. G. Draper and D. Muras were the best of the bowlers, with A. Edgar and Gould promising. Shepherd kept wickets very well.

Results were:—

- v. S.C.E.G.S.—lost outright.
S.C.E.G.S. 271; S.G.S. 92 and 88.
- v. T.K.S.—drawn.
S.G.S. 193; T.K.S. 1-29.
- v. S.J.C.—won on first innings.
S.J.C. 120; S.G.S. 163.
- v. T.S.C.—lost outright.
T.S.C. 138 and 167; S.G.S. 90 and 79.
- v. O.S.U.—lost.
School: 86 (G. Aitken 28).
O.S.U.: 182 (K. Astridge 38, H. G. Munro 37, T. Hanlon 24).

3rd XI.

W. McC.

THE team was keen but young and lost outright to Shore and Scots' and on the first innings to St. Joseph's and King's.

A. Cox was an efficient captain and, with N. Davis, the best bat. They often came to the rescue when wickets were falling cheaply. Bowling was mediocre, though R. Diamond, N. Davis and F. Niesche were untiring in their efforts. The fielding was outstandingly good. We look forward to improvement in the second part of the season.

CRICKET REPORT

FIRST XI — FIRST TERM 1951.

H.A.A.

THIS year's eleven commenced the season's activities as a young, inexperienced group of boys who had been promoted from the various lower teams with the object of building together a team who would be available to represent the school for the next two years, and as a result of the particularly heavy programme of matches played they have now all become seasoned players in the senior grade.

Although the eleven have not been successful during the term they have developed into a fine combination which is making rapid progress and I feel sure in the early future they will give a very good account of themselves.

In the various departments of play there have been many weaknesses. At present the early batsmen lack the stability needed to give the team a good start. I cannot over emphasise the necessity for all batsmen to cultivate the two qualities of "determination" and "concentration" and to remember at all times "half volleys" are meant to be hit.

Our opening overs have not, as yet, had sufficient "fire" to worry the opposing batsmen, with the result that the burden of our attack has had to be borne by the spin bowlers.

Fielding is by far the most reliable department of play. The team are enthusiastic and energetic and generally very safe, but still there are too many costly lapses. At all times the fieldsmen must keep their eyes on the captain and concentrate on every ball bowled.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the teams' play has been the "fighting spirit" which they have brought to their games. In every match when things looked their darkest the tail "wagged" and the team fought to the end.

In conclusion I should like to thank all our friends who have supported and rallied to the team during the term. The Women's Association who have always made our home matches so thoroughly enjoyable; Mr. John Merbach who umpired for us on many occasions, and finally Mr. and Mrs. Healey who have encouraged the team by their presence at the matches.

THE MELBOURNE TOUR

ON Wednesday, the 21st March, the 1st XI, together with Hall and Gould from the seconds, Sproule as scorer, and Mr. Abbott as coach, left Sydney by plane to play its annual match against Melbourne Grammar. After a particularly pleasant trip the team arrived in Melbourne at 10.15 a.m. where we were greeted by the members of the Melbourne team and their coach, Mr. Davie. From the air office we were escorted to the Public Schools Club where a reception lunch had been arranged and thence to the homes of our respective hosts.

In the afternoon Melbourne Grammar's practice-nets were made available and the team was given an opportunity to become accustomed to the wickets. On Wednesday night boys from both teams were entertained at an enjoyable dance given by Dr. Meredith-Smith.

Thursday, the first day of the big match, dawned fine and slightly overcast—an ideal day for cricket. Ian Mackay won the toss and decided to bat on a hard fast wicket. The first over proved disastrous for Grammar, two wickets falling for 4 runs. However good batting by Heath, who was top scorer with 34, Munro 28 and Hall 21, enabled us to total 135. Melbourne also started badly but after some bright play were dismissed for 117, Dezarnaulds capturing 5 wickets for 35, Stubbs 3 wickets for 30, and Austin 2 for 31. With half an hour left for play we began our second innings and at stumps had lost 2 wickets for 14. That evening we were taken to the Comedy Theatre where all present enjoyed an excellent play.

Friday was a free day and most boys with their respective hosts looked over Melbourne or visited beauty spots.

The fine weather continued on Saturday and encouraged by our first innings lead we began steadily. Stone making a solid 36. After lunch a fast scoring partnership by Mackay 28 and Heath 24 helped us to compile 137. This left Melbourne 156 runs to get in two and a half hours. Stubbs, bowling well, captured three cheap wickets, but Mitchell and Wallace, Melbourne batsmen, after a partnership yielding nearly 100 runs, scored the necessary amount with ten minutes to spare. We congratulate Melbourne on their win and thank them for an exciting and interesting match. After the game most of the team went to shows in town with their hosts.

On Sunday, another perfect day, all boys with some parents drove to Portsea where we had a picnic lunch on the beach and enjoyed a refreshing swim in a good surf.

Next day, Monday, the team with Williams and Maher included, played a match against the strong Wesley College side. Mackay again won the toss and sent them in. After a good start the Wesley wickets fell quickly and they were eventually dismissed for 219, Austen taking 4 wickets for 51, and Dezarnaulds 4 wickets for 97.

Grammar began steadily and after being 3-101 at one stage, scored 191, failing to catch their opponents, by 28 runs. Dezarnaulds was top scorer with 38 and was well supported by Stone 23 and Austen 20. This proved to be another interesting match and despite our two defeats the team appears to be improving.

That night was free and together with the Melbourne Grammar cricketers we were entertained at a stage show or the pictures in the city.

On Tuesday, our last day, the time was passed inspecting Melbourne until it was time to return to the airline office and check our luggage. We were then taken to the aerodrome where the 5.35 plane returned us to Sydney.

Our sincere thanks go to all Melbourne people as well as the boys of the Melbourne team, to our good natured coach, Mr. Abbott, and scorer, Sproule, who, with their assistance, hospitality and encouragement, helped make this enjoyable and memorable tour a great success.

C.E.D.

'THE HIGH, THE MIDDLE AND THE LOW'

I.M.E.

THIS title is now presented, not in its own authority but in fond quotation, even respected memory. For it may be noted that at the time G.B. Shaw ceased to write for his public, this column also was ceasing in 'The Sydneian'. For many years, in surveying sport through the ranks, it regularly provided some of the best reading in the journal, when in its lines some dauntless junior was exalted for a grim 12 runs against a demon attack, or some casual captain was smitten into extinction for failing to report his match. Often, it seemed, the pen was mightier than the bat, which is as it may be when writing is the thing. Certainly, a player who took his game narrowly could here find a larger view. We rest debtors to Mr. Crocker.

For the future, the material will remain similar enough, but one problem of this section will remain unsolved till next issue, when we must anew 'give it a name'.

School cricket in general has been favoured this term by longer hours of sunshine than last year. It has perhaps also profited indirectly by the efforts of the recent MCC team to keep the game moving. In line with this, we have often seen the Headmaster watching a practice and exhorting some slow fieldsman to 'chase it!'

The 2B XI, Sixth Formers, captained by C. Chen, has at least upheld its tradition of playing no drawn matches. That against St. Joseph's was won. The names of G. Aitken, J. Bell and J. Wilson recur in the faithful reports of the captain.

The 5th and 6th (Coach: Mr. D. A. Carr; Captains: A. Bluett and B. Blum) played efficiently and won more than they lost. The 6th, in fact, had an uninterrupted record of clear victories till the last match when, although J. Diamond carried his bat for 2 not out (and he a great hitter!) the side was dismissed for 7 (seven). We at first took this as an extreme illustration of the element of chance in the game, till the explanations of the toppled champions simply confirmed the reason why the best Test matches are played on traditional turf and not on inferior present-day concrete. Special mention was made of two very photogenic catches in slips by M. Seamonds and a throw-out from the boundary by J. Denyer to win a match on

the last ball of play. Cricket like this really lives. Other very special mentions were of N. Barnes (45 and 6 for 7), W. Kearney (3 for 3), B. Edson (53), D. Miskle (6 for 7) and Diamond (7 for 7—on concrete!)

The Colts A & B (Coach: Mr. R. Maclay; Captains: R. Moulton and P. Harry) have opposed other Schools' Colts, diluted of our cream in the substance of our 3rd XI. We support their uphill efforts till they can be assisted over the summit. Their records show one match drawn. For the A, J. Hosking took 4 wickets for 3 in a T.K.S. innings of 110. Other good feats there were, but Moulton's last report reads, wearily but still hopefully: 'Grammar 30 (no brilliant scores); Scots' 75 (no brilliant bowling)'. In the B, C. White often performed well with bat and ball. P. Harry and P. Badman are also mentioned and, of course, together. One unexplained default receives the factual comment: 'Chadwick failed to turn up and we lost by 10 runs'. (We see that Chadwick was in the C XI in the next match and he scored 15 not out. We shall continue to follow his form).

The Colts C and D (Coach: Mr. H. Doran; Captains: G. Ireland and I. Newman) had more mere practice than match play. C played 3 matches, without disgrace but without victory. One report has shaken our eleven-a-side conceptions: 'only nine turned up and four batted twice each, with the permission of the St. Joseph's captain'. However, after this excess of generosity, it was just that the opponents should reply to our 80 with 228, and due also perhaps to the fact that those four of the nine batsmen could field only once and bowl only one at a time as usual. W. Muskett, W. Windeyer and R. Walker were given mentions.

In the Colts and also Under 14 groups, inter-Form matches were attempted as an innovation, with a view to enlivening the wilting 'wallflowers' with a competition stimulus. This will be persisted with and we hope next time to report premier forms. Mr. A. L. Knight and Mr. F. Earle were the mentors. Numbers of regular players were seen, invariably including E. Rossell and R. Caldwell.

The Under 14 A and B (Coach: Mr. H. A. Macdonald; Captains: J. Vicars and A. Anderson) went to it like the serious nursery they are. The A began with a

notable victory over Shore and showed further good form, though decisively beaten by Scots'. Individual feats were not reported but we observed a determined 31 out of an 82 by Vicars himself and good bowling by J. Neeld and E. Chen.

The Under 14 C (Coach: Mr. K. Everingham; Captain: P. Kelsey) also battled and played a close match with King's.

The Under 13 A and B (Coach: Mr. J. Merbach; Captains: R. McGilvray and K. Patten) were, we believe, good in play but are not yet good in reporting. In the A, good scores were made by Marks (42 against Shore) and Stevens (37 against St. Joseph's). In the B, Furlong took 6 for 7 in a dismissal of King's for 17.

Of the Midgets (Coach: Mr. R. J. Stevenson), the Captain, M. Addison, has reported defeating St. Joseph's by 117 (Hooton 31) to 16 (White 7-4) and 23 (Mant 5-4). An Under 13 team, including a number of Midgets, were taken by Mr. Stevenson for their biennial enjoyable visit to Tudor House at Moss Vale. They returned this time with the Klippel Cup which we had not held for several years.

ROWING, 1950-1.

At the beginning of the season, the Shed welcomed many new members and, although the majority were young and light, an interesting season lay before us.

New faces have appeared in the coaching ranks. We welcome Mr. Scott, who is master-in-charge of rowing and coaches the 4th IV; Mr. Gould, coach of the VIII; and Mr. Burroughs, who is "breaking in" the novices. From last and previous years, we have Mr. Trimble, coaching the tub crews; Mr. David Younger, who coaches the 1st and 2nd IV's; and Mr. Jim Ludowici, who coaches the 3rd IV. Mr. Trimble took charge of the camp.

We are very happy to greet an old friend, who has "fed many a champion"—Miss Miller, who is feeding the potential champions we may have in the Shed this year.

The coach of the VIII, Mr. Gould, is well-known to nearly every old-boy, being a former Grammar oarsman. At present, Mr. Gould is the sole Australian and State selector for the eight-oared crews. Mr. Gould represented N.S.W. in the King's Cup in 1935 and 1938 and represented Australia in the Olympic and Empire Games in 1936 and 1938 respectively.

Unfortunately, it was not possible for a Christmas or Easter Camp to be held this year, although training continued during these periods. We have just moved into camp for the remaining three weeks before the Regatta.

It was not practicable to have all the regatta crews in camp, and consequently only the first three crews could be accommodated. On present indication, it should be one of the best camps held.

Visitors' Day was held on March 17th, and was a roaring success, being attended by over 150 people. A dance will be held at the Shed for members of the Club on March 31st. Visitors will include the Headmaster, Mr. Healey, and the "Old Chief", Mr. Phillips.

We wish to thank the following people very heartily for their assistance during the season.

Mr. Mulhearn and Paul for the launch, without which coaching would be extremely difficult.

For catering on Visitors' Day and Dance Night: Mrs. North, and for assistance on those occasions and on each night helping Miss Miller: Mesdames Tanner, North, Moore, Leverier, Trimble, Roberts, Heath, Andrews, Robinson, Henley, Crockett and Dr. Nelson.

Mrs. Tanner and Ken Leedow must be thanked especially for their gifts. Mrs. Tanner donated a large amount of fruit and vegetables, and Ken donated a bag of potatoes and some groceries.

Valuable assistance, in the form of films of the VIII for visual training, was received from Mr. Andrews and Mr. North. These films were shown several times, and the revelation of faults was appreciated by members of the crew.

To Mrs. Gilmore, a neighbour, our thanks are due for the generous offer of accommodation and company for Miss Miller, which she thankfully accepted.

It has just reached the ears of your reporter that one night a certain mother came down to the shed to help Miss Miller, and the next morning her son came up to one of the camp members and remarked: "Good-day; how do you feel? I believe Mum cooked for you last night!" (Well——!)

The crews this year are mostly novices, and only one member of last year's eight has returned. The tub fours are showing promise. Our hopes are high, and we hope that our performances will do credit to our coach's reputation.

P.J.N.

AFTER THE REGATTA

A.P.S.

THE Regatta crews, as usual, spent the last few weeks in camp at the boat shed. Miss Miller was in charge of the domestic side of the camp and the almost entire freedom from sickness was, without doubt, largely due to the quality and quantity of the meals she prepared for the crews.

The weather was favourable for most of the camp period and the crews had plenty of rowing in good water.

The transfer to the Nepean was made on Thursday, April 12th, and our boats arrived there quite safely. Transport for the crews and baggage was provided by Messrs. Andrews, Irvine, Moore, North and Mrs. Christie. At Penrith the weather was very good for rowing and the crews took full advantage of it, being afloat twice a day.

On Regatta Day the weather was perfect and water conditions were ideal for rowing.

The first, second and third fours were unplaced in their races but the fourth four finished in third place.

The eight had the upsetting experience of breaking a swivel standard while rowing up to the start. The crew had to return to the boating stage and have a new standard fitted. This delay meant that the crew had no time to spare at the starting point and had to line up almost as soon as it arrived there. But for all this it is possible that the crew

would have finished closer to the winners. The race was won in fine style by Shore from St. Joseph's and King's.

We send congratulations to a very good crew.

SWIMMING

A GOOD Annual Carnival has been held and the School's leading representatives have swum successfully in outside competition.

T. Symonds has been an outstanding swimmer, breaking several Grammar records, winning the Invitation 110 yards at the School carnival and finishing second to Rex Aubrey in the Australian Schoolboys 100 metres at Melbourne. In this Australian carnival R. Porra won the 220 yards breast-stroke and swam second in the Medley event. D. Emanuel was a member of the North Bondi R. and R. team which won a junior title at the Australian championships held near Perth at Easter.

In competition relays, our senior team was first at the Scots' Carnival and second at the Shore and N.S.W. School Boys' Carnivals. In this last carnival our under 14 team swam second.

The Swimming Committee were D. Emanuel (capt.), T. Symonds, R. Porra, J. Tankard, J. Webster.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL

THE most pleasing feature was the fact that close finishes resulted from the well filled fields. After a close contest the Blashki Memorial Medal for champion swimmer was won by Symonds from Emanuel with Porra third.

We should have liked to see more starters in the Old Sydneians' event. Those who swam virtually handicapped themselves and finished almost together.

Results of events were:

OPEN EVENTS:

- 50 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, R. Porra; 2, T. Symonds; 3, D. Emanuel. Time 30 secs.
- 100 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, T. Symonds; 2, J. Tankard; 3, R. Renwick. Time: 1 min. 16.5 secs.
- 200 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, T. Symonds; 2, D. Emanuel; 3, J. Woods. Time 2 mins. 26.8 secs. (Record).

- 400 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, T. Symonds; 2, D. Emanuel; 3, J. McKay. Time: 5 mins. 38 secs.
- 800 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, T. Symonds; 2, D. Emanuel; 3, J. McKay. Time: 11 mins. 48 secs. (Record).
- 100 *Metres Backstroke*: 1, D. Emanuel; 2, T. Symonds; 3, M. Davern. Time: 1 min. 25.9 secs. (Record).
- 100 *Metres Breaststroke*: 1, R. Porra; 2, T. Symonds; 3, P. North. Time 1 min. 28.7 secs.
- 50 *Metres Novice*: 1, J. Tankard; 2, D. Heath; 3, R. Renwick. Time 33.3 secs.
- 50 *Metres House Championship*: 1, P. Sabine; 2, R. Whitley; 3, A. R. Convery. Time 32 secs.
- 150 *Metres Medley*: 1, R. Porra; 2, D. Emanuel; 3, T. Symonds. Time 2 mins. 6.8 secs. (Record).
- Diving*: 1, R. Renwick; 2, B. Kieler; 3, D. Emanuel.
- UNDER 16:
- 50 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, J. Webster; 2, P. Sabine; 3, L. Lindley and B. Storey. Time 32.6 secs.
- 50 *Metres Novice*: 1, W. McCall; 2, C. Tucker; 3, W. Walker. Time: 33.8 secs.
- 100 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, J. Webster; 2, P. Sabine; 3, L. Lindley and J. Saw. Time: 1 min. 14.7 secs.
- 200 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, T. Symonds; 2, B. J. Sabine; 3, J. McKay. Time: 2 mins. 26.8 secs. (Record).
- 100 *Metres Backstroke*: 1, B. Paradine; 2, F. Leverrier. Time: 1 min. 40.5 secs.
- 100 *Metres Breaststroke*: 1, J. Webster; 2, J. Rowe; 3, E. Abbott. Time: 1 min. 38 secs.
- 30 *Metres House Championship*: 1, P. Sabine; 2, R. Whitley; 3, P. Hall. Time: 17 secs. (Record).
- Diving*: 1, P. Sabine; 2, B. Keiler; 3, P. Cox.
- UNDER 15:
- 50 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, W. McCall; 2, W. Porter; 3, J. Rowe. Time: 33.6 secs.
- 50 *Metres Backstroke*: 1, J. Rowe; 2, B. Paradine; 3, J. Wiley. Time: 40.3 secs.
- 50 *Metres Breaststroke*: 1, J. Coss; 2, D. Berman; 3, E. Abbott. Time: 45.1 secs.
- 100 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, J. S. Rowe; 2, E. Abbott; 3, D. Berman. Time: 1 min. 17.6 secs.
- UNDER 14:
- 50 *Metres Novice*: 1, N. Whyte; 2, B. Young; 3, A. Finlay. Time: 38.7 secs.
- 30 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, J. Rich; 2, A. Cox; 3, J. McKay. Time: 18.5 secs. (Record).
- 50 *Metres Backstroke*: 1, J. Rich; 2, J. McKay; 3, P. Greenaway. Time: 46 secs. (Record).
- 50 *Metres Breaststroke*: 1, J. Rich; 2, D. Cox; 3, J. McKay. Time: 44.7 secs.
- 50 *Metres House Championship*:
- 100 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, R. Griffith; 2, J. McKay; 3, R. Lester. Time 1 min. 19.5 secs.
- UNDER 13:
- 30 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, R. Griffiths; 2, G. Furlong; 3, J. O'Regan. Time: 20.5 secs.

- 30 *Metres Backstroke*: 1, R. Griffiths; 2, J. Chambers; 3, N. Walters. Time: 26.6 secs.
- 30 *Metres Breaststroke*: 1, A. Anderson; 2, R. Hayhow; 3, J. O'Regan. Time: 24.6 secs. (Record).
- 50 *Yards Freestyle*: 1, R. Griffith; 2, R. Cozens; 3, J. O'Regan. Time: 36 secs.
- Diving*: 1, A. Garter; 2, P. Stuart; 3, B. Young.
- UNDER 12:
- 30 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, R. King; 2, P. Kilner; 3, P. Hamilton. Time: 23.6 secs.
- 50 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, R. King; 2, P. Kilner; 3, P. Hamilton. Time: 39 secs. (Record).
- UNDER 11:
- 30 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, W. Withers; 2, D. Hargraves; 3, W. Peisley. Time: 25.3 secs.
- UNDER 10:
- 30 *Metres Freestyle*: 1, N. Daly; 2, J. Vote; 3, R. Gray. Time: 29.6 secs.
- 100 *Metres All Schools Championship*: 1, T. Symonds (Grammar); 3, R. Kater (Shore); 3, C. Howard (Trinity). Time: 63.8 secs.
- Old Sydneians' 55 Yards Handicap*: 1, D. McWilliam; 2, N. Hoskings; 3, J. Meillon. Time: 31.1 secs.
- Winners of Form Relays*: 6A, 5B, 4D, 3A Lower, 2R Upper.

K.P.H.

TENNIS, 1950

ONCE again the team defeated Shore for the Fairwater Cup. The scores were very close. The match was played in difficult conditions, the first day's play being halted because of rain. On the second day hard courts were used to complete the match—this time a high wind made conditions difficult. At one time it looked as if Shore, making a fine recovery, might catch up the leeway after the first day—however determined play by Wood (captain) and Harper clinched the match for Grammar. The scores were:

OPEN DIVISION:

- Hamper v. Padman, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4.
 Wood v. Leggett, 3-6, 6-2, 4-6.
 Dezarnaulds v. Barrier, 6-4, 6-3.
 Doran v. Francis, 0-6, 2-6.
 Harper-Wood v. Padman-Leggett, 4-6, 8-6, 6-4.
 v. Barrier-Francis, 12-10, 9-7.
 Dezarnaulds-Doran v. Barrier-Francis, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4.
 v. Padman-Leggett, 4-6, 3-6.

UNDER-16 DIVISION.

- Hayes v. Finch, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.
 Hall v. Booth, 8-10, 6-3, 8-6.

Aitken v. Bramma, 6-3, 7-5.
Muskett v. Dixon, 2-6, 4-6.
Hall-Aitken v. Finch-Bramma, 8-6, 2-6, 6-3.
v. Booth-Dixon, 4-6, 6-2, 2-6.
Hayes-Muskett v. Booth-Dixon, 7-5, 6-8, 4-6.
v. Finch-Bramma, 5-7, 1-6.

Grammar defeated Shore by 9 rubbers to 7.

SCHOOL TOURNAMENTS

THE following school tournaments were completed last year too late for the results to be included in the Sydneian, 1950.

Open Doubles—J. T. Wood and D. H. Harper.
Under 16 Singles—C. E. Dezarnaulds.
Under 16 Doubles—G. Aitken and P. Hall.
Under 14 Doubles—R. Moulton and B. Densley.

Owing to the sadistic impulses of Jupiter Pluvius, there was no U14 singles, nor any U15 tournaments.

The team spent an enjoyable afternoon at SCEGGS. Our best thanks to the girls for their hospitality.

1951

At the time of writing, the Open Singles is under way, and the GPS Tournament looms ahead.

The following are the leaders of tennis this year:—
Captain of Tennis: C. E. Dezarnaulds; Vice-Captain, I. B. Mackay; Secretary, B. Robins.

The School owes much to Robins for his unselfish and efficient work as Secretary. It also must not forget its debt to Sgt. Wells who still, despite his serious operation, sees that the court is kept in order.

G.P.S. TENNIS RESULTS

SEMI-FINAL:

1. *Open Team* lost to Shore—
8 Rubbers, 12 sets, 145 games to 8 Rubbers, 12 Sets, 155 games.
2. *Under 16 Team* defeated King's—
7 Rubbers, 15 sets, 178 games to 7 Rubbers, 15 sets, 167 games.

FINAL:

Under 16 Team lost to Shore—
1 Rubber, 3 sets, 146 games to 8 Rubbers, 17 sets, 125 games.

A.R.B.

RIFLE CLUB

ACTIVITIES will have commenced on Saturday, 28th April, with members, old and new, practising at Long Bay Range. Arrangements have been made for targets every day during first week of May holidays and every Saturday morning during Second Term.

The Captain of shooting for the year is D. T. Wignall, and the Secretary is D. Miskle.

C.D.T.

BOXING AND TOMMY HANLEY

WE were glad to welcome Tommy Hanley back to his class after a successful operation in the holidays.

In search of history, our representative went to see Tommy and found him stripped for gym and holding a three-cornered discussion with a pupil and a punching-bag in the Armoury corridor.

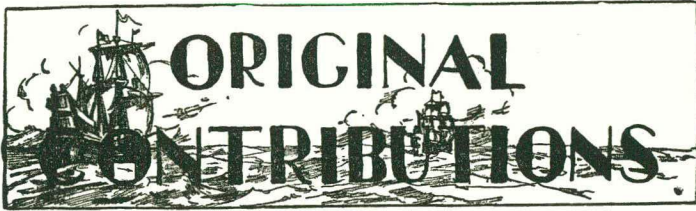
Tommy stepped aside and told us that he first taught boxing at Grammar in 1912 after being flyweight champion of Australia and a contender in heavier divisions also. Joe Wallis was an up-and-coming stripling of those days.

Asked the secret of boxing, Tommy replied: "Teaching; I've been taught by champions and I've taught champions." His instructor was A. B. Willis, a world title challenger and the names of his pupils were in ring history over many years.

"And there's a lot in it," said Tommy. "There's a load of logic in a light left lead" (we hastily noted this verbatim). "And there is rest for the wicked: a smart right cross induces slumber." Other good points followed.

Asked who were his best School boxers, Tommy reeled off half a dozen well known names and then checked. "No, I wouldn't mention names," he stressed, "they're all champions. Look, I had boys last year and they were good; and the boys here now, they're good boys."

Just then a School bell happened to ring and Tommy ducked out of his corner and went into action, weaving in and out among the pupils on the 2C floor.



DIE STADT

The sand is grey, the sea is grey
Where lies my old home town.
The misty roofs at break of day
Seem tightly packed; the roaring bay
Seems stilled as night comes down.

No wood to whine, no birds to fly
In Maytime through this land;
Only the goose with croaking cry
In Autumn's windy night flies by,
The grass grows on the sand.

And yet my heart e'er turns to thee
Thou misty cold grey town.
Youth's magic laughter swells in me,
Returning once again to thee
Beloved old grey town.

Theodor Storm,
(translated by D. Nelson, V.I.A.)

CORROBOREE

DURING the last few months, what with placards, photographs and advertisements, John Antill's Ballet Suite "Corroboree" has had a good deal of publicity, I think justifiably, for it is the first large, worthwhile piece of music in the unusual, genuinely Australian idiom. It contains aboriginal ideas, supported by the originality of one of Australia's foremost composers.

In the spectacular finale, "the air is filled with blazing fragments and thick smoke. The mysterious bull roarer sounds a sinister note, the mass of howling, dancing men,

grotesquely bedaubed, create an atmosphere that can only be described as fiendish. The curtain falls upon a scene of absolute chaos and prostration.”

This music is vitally interesting all through even if some of the ballet steps do look like a life savers' display.

N.B. VIA.

IN NIGHT WIND

Cloud shrouded,
Power imprinted,
Fast flowing
Through blackness the moon.

Tree's fork,
Wind wilted,
Waving in air.
Hay fork,
Work awaiting,
Swaying in air.

Heaven's fork,
Sky flashing,
Firing the air—
Through blackness.

N.H.B. 6 B.

A HISTORY OF CHESS

CHESS has been in existence, in one form or another, for the past thirteen centuries.

Exactly when and where chess was first played in Europe is known less surely than when and where it was invented—in or near the Ganges Valley in Northern India about 570 A.D. Probably chess was brought into Spain by the Moors, as early as the eighth century.

By 1066, chess had already been played for some time in France, Italy, and Southern Germany. And the Normans introduced it into England. Buried “chessmen” found among old pre-Norman relics in England are not Chessmen any more than the game-pieces found in Egyptian tombs.

From the first, many Westerners found the Moslem game rather tedious. In those days the Rook was the strongest piece, and the knight second. And the pawn could move one square only, right from the start. All these things

delayed the clash of the forces and led to slow manoeuvres and long games. This explains the revival of dice as an adjunct to the game; a certain throw would indicate the move of a rook, and so forth.

However, the existence of the dice game brought down frequent denunciation by the Church upon chess generally.

In 1061, Cardinal Daniani wrote in a letter to the Pope-Elect, Alexander II: ". . . I blush with shame to add the more disgraceful frivolities, to wit, hunting, hawking, and specially the madness of dice or chess."

In mediaeval times we hear of chess mainly among the nobility, but it is a mistake to draw too sweeping a deduction from that. It may be partly because we have a fairly full record of how this class lived, but know little of the home life of ordinary townsfolk.

The Europeans introduced the chequered board, without which we can hardly imagine chess at all, and in which lies much of the game's visual fascination—the beauty of a chess board in perspective was well utilised by Sir John Tenniel in one of his illustrations to "Through the Looking Glass", that greatest by far of all chess stories, though this picture is omitted from some editions.

Most mediaeval boards, besides being chequered, were made of metal. But it was ruled in France at one time that it did not count as murder if you killed your opponent with a chess board, as a result of a quarrel over a game, because chess was a legal occupation. But it counted as homicide. Not only the board, but the pieces also, were sometimes of metal, and ran to size.

Some people have heard of "Ye Game and Playe of Ye Chesse", the second book printed in English. Caxton printed it in 1474, having translated it from the French. The original Latin manuscript dates back two centuries earlier. It was by a Lombard friar named Cessolis. He did not mention chess in the title at all; the work is mostly a sermon in which chess is likened to life.

The French translator gave it a better title, literally, "The Game of Chess Moralised". That was in 1347.

A very small change was introduced by the Western world. The change was to give the queen and bishop their present moves. This multiplied the Bishops power three fold, and the Queen's nearly tenfold. The game was vastly

speeded up at both ends. Not only did the forces clash much earlier and with sometimes cataclysmic effect—the two hitherto feeblest pieces could now give mate to the unwary on the fourth move!—but the promotion of a pawn, if the enemy could not immediately follow suit, became normally as decisive as mate.

For those days of slow communication, the new game spread with extraordinary rapidity. It was given a new name at first, derived from the new power of the Queen: "Scacchi de la donna" was the orthodox Italian version, though some Italians called it "scacchi alla rabiosa" (mad chess). In France we find the two names combined in "echecs de la dame enragee" (chess of the maddened queen).

The new chess was born not very long after the printing press, and the elder brother became a staunch support of the younger for all time. As is well known, books on chess outnumber those on all other games put together.

The explanation of how the originally logical names of the pieces have been replaced by the picturesque modern jumble is quite simple. We don't use jumble in any derogatory sense. An army in which every foot soldier carries a Queens sceptre in his knapsack, in which Bishops are more valuable than cavalry and in which one of the most mobile forces is shaped like a tower, though called a rook, is a logic above logic.

Mohammed forbade the making of images. Therefore the common people, at any rate, had to use chess pieces that did not disclose their identity by their appearance, merely blobs, differing from each other in size and vaguely in shape, but resembling nothing on earth.

With nothing in the shapes of the pieces to guide Europeans but only the arabic names, it was natural that the Spaniards, the first, would translate the names of which translation were easy and not translate the harder ones at all.

Thus "Shah" became in Spanish, "Rey" (King), "Faras" (horse) became in Spanish "Caballo," while "Baidaq" (foot soldier) became "Peon". They were all easy.

And every country, as it took up chess, called the king whatever its own word for king was. It was a bit different with "Horse". There was a natural tendency to make the

piece a horseman rather than merely a horse. It was also different with the Foot soldier, probably because some languages did not have a short word for him it was easier to take over the Spanish "Peon". So through easy steps—"Paon" (Old French) to "Poun" (Anglo-French)—English arrived at "Pawn". Modern French is "Pion". In some countries the pawn is called a peasant (e.g. the German "Bauer").

But translation was not easy for "Firzan" (vizier), "Rukh" (Warchariot), and apparently not even for "Fil" (elephant). So there names were simply taken over as they stood, or at any rate, corruptions of them.

These names had no meaning in themselves, any more than our modern "Rook". However, there was an early tendency to think of the Firzan or Fers 'as a queen, just because it stood next to the King. Evidence of this is that all the European names for the piece were given the feminine gender.

M.D.B. 5A1.



Dr. MAC

At school we have a "lab.", you know—
So well equipped and large,
Where great work is carried out—
With Dr. Mac. in charge.

We all spend lots of time in there
And more as years go by—
Experiments with Dr. Mac,
With fumes that make us cry.

And all is well while skies are blue,
No clouds, the heavens clear,
The work goes on, as I have said,
We know we need not fear.

But how we dread a cloudy sky—
The "lab" on our timetable—
It means at such great future plans
To work we are not able.

You wonder why the weather, now,
Should worry minds like ours;
Alas, the roof has had its day
And lets in heavy showers.

Not undismayed we struggle on,
The roof we have tried healing,
A large tarpaulin nailed across
Now serves us as a ceiling.

And only one has spurred us on
Through years that pass us by,
Through rain and work and hard exams.,
And that is Doctor Mac——.

D.P.M. (5A Lower).

UNDER THE DESK

WHAT a variety of things are kept or hidden under the desk!
That "hand-carved" wierdly-shaped piece of timber has
hidden our great grandfathers' treasures and Deadwood Dicks
from the stern teacher standing in front of him endeavouring
to teach Horace and Livy to a class whose minds were ab-

sorbed in inventing fiendish devices for spoiling the lesson. Our grandfathers carved their names in it while their strict master lectured them on *pericula belli*.— Little did they realise that the dangers of war would cause them to lose their lives in a poppy-strewn field in Flanders. And our fathers munched their chocolate under the desk, and thought they knew how nice chocolate could taste—until they had it mixed with the sand thrown up by Rommel's bullets. Then they really knew. So we eat our sweets, read our penny dreadfuls (alas! now sixpence) and cut up the desk and so will our sons, and our grandsons, and our great-grandsons, till the universe falls to pieces and dissolves into heat and energy.

When we look under the given Grammar School boy's desk we find an assortment of rare and precious articles. A broken ruler, relic of a larger boy's persecution. Three mouldy oranges, whose juice has expended itself on the door, the blackboard and the master's desk. One half ball. One whole ball. A few splinters from the edge of the desk (which has considerably diminished in area and volume over the years). A few screws (also from the desk). A razor blade, broken across the middle, with traces of blood. A knife, with one and a half blades, broken by the great Thrower Smith Minor himself. A dirty handkerchief. A photograph. A well-thumbed copy of a particularly hideous magazine. A copy of the *Sydneian*. Lunch bags. A very "dead" sandwich and an equally "dead" piece of sponge cake. Crumbs. A Latin crib. A milk bottle. A dropped ice cream. A letter from a girl-friend.

A person who had had the advantage and disadvantages of a tutor might say: "Why don't the masters insist on having all the desks cleaned out?"

But the masters were boys once—and they do!

M. G. NELSON, 4A.

[The Editor takes no responsibility for the policy of vandalism advocated in this article!]

SPLENDID ISOLATION

I SHARED the recent Fraser Island adventure for Senior Scouts—that is Scouts between the ages of 15 and 18. although so many Scout Masters attended that the average age of the eight hundred Scouts was 19. Fraser Island is

150 miles north of Brisbane and it forms the southern tip of the Great Barrier Reef. It is the world's largest sandy island, which fact was especially appreciated after five or six miles hiking—we learnt that sand is not easy to walk over.

The island has everything; (Is this a brochure?) everything from thick jungles with giant trees to wide expanses of sand dune, just like a desert. It has four large lakes and an ocean beach.

We originally intended to stay for a week, but at the end of the week a polio case was removed from the island and we were told that we were to remain in isolation for an extra week as a precaution against further outbreaks. Well, if that week was isolation I wouldn't mind being isolated again. Just think of it. There were eight hundred healthy Scouts, who had a week to spend, food provided, loafing round a tropical island. The half of the Scouts who were workers or apprentices even got paid for it. What a life! Its the only time I've ever wished I was at work.

We were isolated at such short notice that for a couple of days food was a problem, but we always obtained food, sometimes by devious means. Our patrol caught enough fish for ten people, and in all justice it must be said that we always managed to eat every fish.

It's easy to summarise our week's activities—we loafed where possible. But there was one highlight of our adventure and it was a surf carnival less water events. For any sceptics who want to scoff at such an idea, consult any of the Sydneians who were there.

To begin with the Carnival officials lined one hundred hopeful innocents up and said "go". One second later most of the hopeful innocents were neither hopeful nor innocent, and it was amazing to see that mob straggle in for the next twenty seconds. This was called the hundred yards dash—why we don't know.

This was only the beginning. The next chaotic event reminded us of gladiatorial days, but instead of an Emperor was the judge with his whistle, and instead of gladiators misled Scouts playing musical flags. When the judge blew his whistle it started. The main impression was of a jumble of bodies and a lot of clutching hands, clutching not only at the flags but at each other.

If you considered these last two entertainments hectic, you would not have appreciated our prize effort—the beach girl contest. From eight hundred Scouts seven beach girls had been made up (and I mean made up!) with anything and everything available. We had girls of many sizes, shapes and colours, but the grand uncrowned champion was the eighth competitor—the Quartermaster, who was ordered off the beach. His costume was a gem of invention. Three cabbage leaves! What a genius! Cameras clicked for half an hour while the beach inspector sat and cried with bewilderment. None of us have ever seen three cabbage leaves used so judiciously.

The judging wasn't far behind the Quartermaster; what with girls who tried to sway the judges, and a very appreciative crowd, it was a hectic affair. When the judging finished the beauties did a can-can cum hula which compensated anyone for the extra week on the island.

This wasn't all of interest, of course, but the other events were of a more fleeting nature. There was a trumpeter cum-Scout-Master who carried his beloved (O! by whom?) instrument with him. His repertoire seemed to consist of half of "Boogie-blues" which he performed about thirty times a day. "Boogie-blues" has a scream half way through, and whenever our trumpeter started to play, no matter where he was, the whole camp would stand petrified, wait for the music to rise to its morbid climax, scream, and settle back to work. There was also our camp doctor, who used to wander round camp clad in a hat, gloves, boots, a tie and underpants. He was one of the few who could still sit down after sun-burn started to attack us.

All of which goes to show just what fun isolation can be, provided of course that you're on an uninhabited tropical island . . . and that you're not sick!

P.E.B., 6A.

FER-TOGRAPHY?

An amateur photographer
Delights in taking snaps
Of family, friends, and relatives,
With grins like great big gaps.

He's going to develop them,
In tanks and trays and all;
And show them to his relatives,
When next he goes to call.

He gets the family settled,
And gets his camera out;
He gets it into focus,
And then lets out a shout.

The family starts to breathe again,
He goes to turn the spool,
And finds the camera empty,
The silly little fool!

He hasn't got a film at all,
It's just the way of fate;
It's a fortnight till his pay-day
So the family has to wait.

D.H., IV.B.

NEW AUSTRALIANS

AUSTRALIA needs people from other countries and they need Australia.

They help in the factories and great industries to turn out more material.

They are urgently needed on the farms where they help grow more produce which is not only wanted in Australia but is shipped overseas to Europe where food is short.

Some of the New Australians held high positions in their home-countries, such as great doctors and dentists, and these people bring to Australia great medical knowledge.

New Australians coming from Europe and other old countries bring with them a culture which strengthens our "Wide Brown Land."

They also mean a greater population which will improve our defence forces and help to stop an enemy invasion.

When New Australians arrive they have to work for two years for the Government and naturally they are sent to work which will improve our land.

One reason against introducing New Australians is the housing problem. At this moment Australia is going through

an acute housing shortage, which they will only increase, but at the same time, this is only a minor point in comparison with the good they bring.

Most of the places where the New Australians come from are war-stricken and over-populated as well as not having enough food for their people, so surely these people welcome Australia—a land of plenty.

R. DIAMOND, IV.B.

FOR MECHANICAL MINDS

THE entries for the Jubilee Grand Prix at Bathurst this year shows a marked increase for the Lightweight event. Many lads are finding that for a moderate outlay they can acquire a lightweight machine (250cc.) which will more than hold its own in open competition. This augurs well for the future of the sport.

For those interested in motors there is no better diversion than racing. Initial outlay and running expense hold back many chaps from entering the game; but for not more than £150 anyone with keenness, little skill and a fair amount of help, can develop a good 250 c.c. racing motor-cycle. These machines have small engines but they travel at high speeds—at their top, around 90 m.p.h. Note quite the magic century, but fast enough for lads just breaking into the game.

The question is, how are normal machines converted from docile touring machines to potent, snarling racing machines? It takes months of spare time work, but when finally the finished machine faces the starter's flag, the owner will have something of which to be proud. Let us get an idea of how it's done, though here we must be content with just a rough outline.

Let us assume a machine of the right capacity has been secured. The model should not be too old, but if we do not want prices too high we must be content with a machine priced around £110. The machine is tested for speed, handling, and any peculiarities, all of which are carefully noted.

First is the complete stripping. This is so thorough that nothing is left together, every thing comes to pieces. The frame is carefully aligned with the forks as there must

be no deterrent to high speed and sound handling.

The motor is checked for cracks or signs of stress and all bearings are replaced to ensure smooth running. The fly-wheels can be lightened if desired, but this is a very touchy business and should only be attempted by an expert. Most chaps are content with having their flywheels precisionally balanced at quite a moderate cost. The whole interior of the motor is well polished as this helps eliminate cracking and the circulation of oil. The timing of your motor is going to be a big factor in the success of your machine and see that your timing gears are in good condition and well lubricated. For increases in speed and acceleration your cams should be built up higher than standard. Altered valve timing enables your motor to operate at higher revs. Valves are often replaced by larger ones if ports have been opened up to large diameters. The opening and high polishing of inlet and exhaust ports is a common practise as the improvement in performance is marked, owing to the larger and easier fuel flow.

The exhaust valve of a racing motor takes exceptionally great heat and is usually turned from chrome-cobalt steel. Powerful hairpin valve springs giving about 100 lbs. seal pressure are fitted to allow the motor to spin at up to 7,500 r.p.m. without valve bounce. The piston made in RR.56 alloy is heavily cam ground and is dome shaped to give a compression ratio of around 10.5 to 1, the fuel used being a special alcohol mixture. Carburation plays a major part in racing motors and on this type of machine fuel will probably be injected through a special carburettor made for the job. The valves, ports, timing, and compression, having been finished, the gearbox is carefully overhauled. Possibly selectors are replaced and the gear ratio may be altered if desired. Clutch plates are relined and the mechanism left open for air cooling. Chains have to stand up to a lot of stress and must be in good condition.

Any buckles in the wheels are removed for they must spin very freely on the axles, and a larger rear wheel will increase speed. Your life may depend on your brakes, so a lot of time is spent on them. The drums are enlarged and on the front the plate is drilled for cooling and a large air scoop fitted. On the rear wheel, duraluminium fins from a large aero engine are machined and shrunk on to the brake

drum. More braking can be obtained by machining the shoes.

The machine is now being gradually assembled, and, with racing tyres and air cooled brakes, downswept handlebars and short mudguards, is starting to look potential.

In racing the importance of lubrication cannot be stressed enough. Boost your oil pressure. Increase the flow, the capacity of your oil tank. Place exterior oil feeds to housings such as the timing chest.

Now presuming that your machine is together, fitted with all racing equipment, such as a megaphone exhaust, a rev. counter and speedo. There it is. Lots of your time and money have gone toward preparing it for competition.

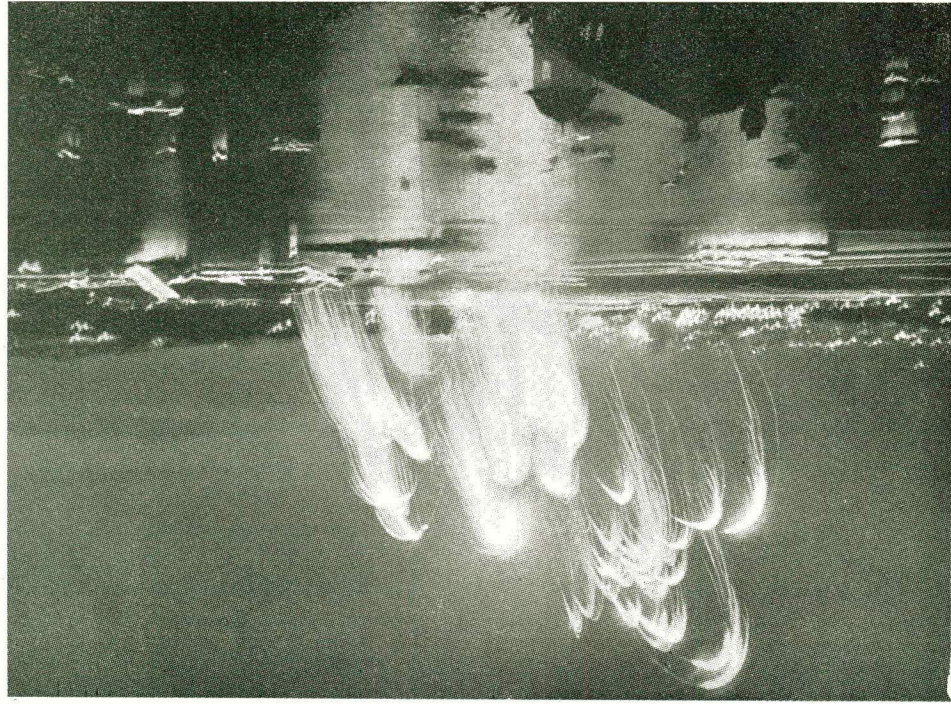
Helmet and leathers are donned and you face the starting grid, down goes the flag and away you go. The brakes and gears ease you gently into the corners, then with a shattering roar your megaphone takes up and cuddled to the tank you feel your machine rocketing into the straight. What a thrill as you overhaul and pass other competitors. However you can't expect to win right away. A lot more tuning and tuning and practice will be necessary before Replica trophies grace your mantelpiece. And much midnight oil will be burnt before your mount is at its peak.

I. AMOS, VI.B.

POWER IS WANING

The power is dying
Away at Pymont,
And miners are trying
To keep us in want,
In mines and in foundries
Where commos are boss,
They stop at no boundaries
Of profit and loss,
And watched in their "working"
By Joe in the height,
They rest while we're thinking
How black is the night!

I.N., IV.B.



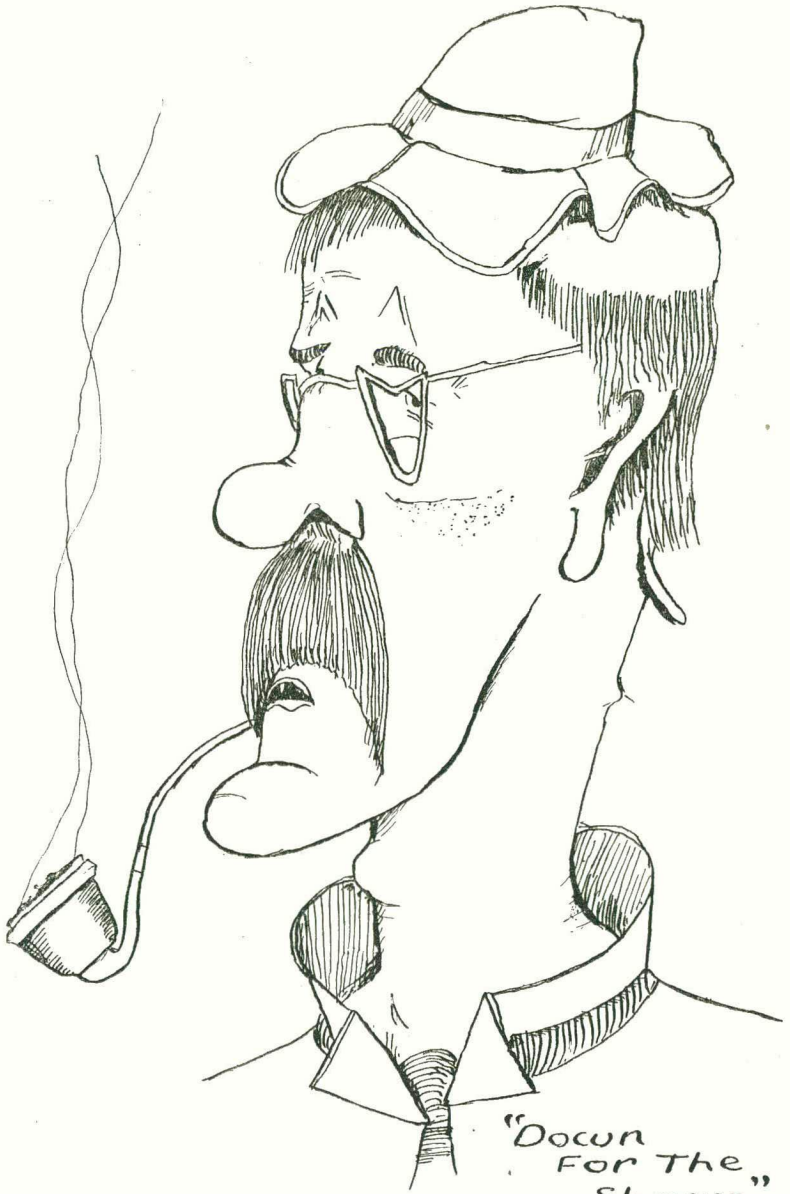
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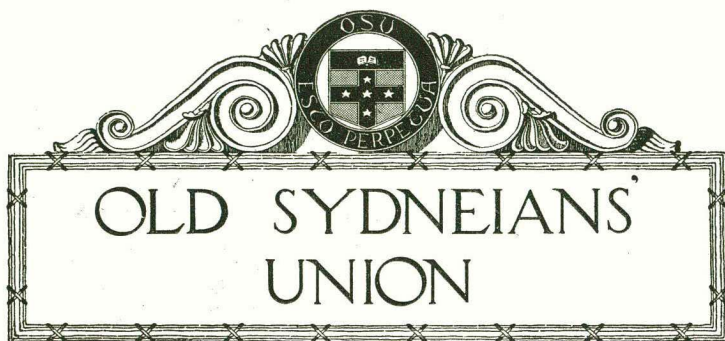


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A HEADMASTER RETIRES

ON 30th November, 1950, members of the Old Sydneians Union gathered at the Wentworth Hotel to do honour to Mr. F. G. Phillips. His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Sir John Northcott, who is official visitor to the School, joined the company at dinner, at which the President of the Union, His Honor Judge Lloyd, presided. A notably representative group of about one hundred and fifty, made up from all living generations of old boys, supported with their presence and their acclamation the verbal tributes to the retiring Headmaster paid by those who spoke. The Chairman proposed the health of the guest and spoke in appropriate detail of the splendid service which Mr. Phillips had given to the School during the long period of his association with it, and of his strong influence over the lives of the hundreds of boys who had been privileged to know him as their Head. Mr. Norman Cowper supported the toast and in a short, effective speech emphasised the responsibility and opportunity of a great school such as Grammar and the way in which Mr. Phillips had done his part in helping the School to carry its responsibility and to fulfil its opportunity.

His Excellency on behalf of Old Sydneians presented the retiring Headmaster with a wallet and added his own words of praise to those of the other speakers.

Mr. Phillips was given an impressive ovation as he rose to reply. Here are some extracts from his speech:

I wish to thank you very sincerely, Mr. Chairman, for your generous references to the work of my wife and myself. I was saying to her this afternoon in a somewhat ambiguous remark that it was very touching to note with what enthusiasm the Old Boys were saying good-bye to me. But we have been very happy in our work and in the opportunities it has brought us of serving the School. I have sometimes played with the idea of the qualities I should like to possess in order to carry out the job most effectively. I should have the rugged strength of A. B. Weigall, the encyclopaedic knowledge of A. H. S. Lucas. I should go down to football practices and explain to the coaches the subtleties of forward and back play, and at the Rowing Shed enlighten the coach on the finer points of blade work and rhythm. But you see that I have fallen far short of those standards. I should like to say, however, that for whatever

measure of success you may have found in my school life, particularly in the last few years, I owe much to the loyal, and warm-hearted and unstinted support I have received from the Old Boys of the School. They welcomed me cordially when I was appointed H.M., they stood by me in the difficult and anxious days of the war, and I am happy to think that the goodwill of the past accompanies me into the future.

I shall not dwell on the past beyond recording my high regard for the men of fifty years ago with whom it was my privilege to work—A. B. Weigall, A. H. S. Lucas, Arthur Giles, Farrar, Hewlett, Vaughan, Bode, Marks and Wing, to name only a few; men who were greatly loyal in a great cause and whose influence has entered into the lives of their pupils, and their pupils' children in an ever widening stream. And I am happy to say that the newer generations of masters are worthy successors, by whom the traditions of the School have been maintained and developed. I am very grateful for the ever loyal help and support they have given me.

And what of the boys of this generation? Are they better than their fathers? I am not going to be led into any statement which may cause acrimonious domestic discussions. I merely say that our boys now are the better for having Old Boy fathers and the fathers are the better for having Present Boy sons.

In one respect there is a decided improvement. You may have memories of how new-comers had to run the gauntlet between two files of boys who with knotted handkerchiefs were initiating them into the privilege of becoming Grammar boys. Well, there is nothing of that to-day. A new boy comes into the School, a member now of the School family with its standards of conduct, its privileges and its responsibilities. He is welcome, but must learn to do his share in keeping up the School traditions.

And he must be helped to do so. The vision of greatness must be kept before him. The School has no room for any defeatist doctrine of equality, which is a negation of human dignity. The higher the ideal that is held up before a boy the readier is his response. He is not to be insulted by our offering him an ideal easy of attainment: he has to learn that he was born for greatness, that he must seek to achieve it in himself and be ready to recognise it in

others. There is to be no place in his life for the vulgarity of snobbery. He has to realise that greatness walks the common ways of life, is found in humble homes and mean streets and expresses itself through the silent heroisms and patient endurance of men and women, and children too, in poverty and sickness and disappointment and neglect, and that in his capacity to recognise greatness lies the measure of his own greatness.

In the life of man there are four stages clearly defined. First, in the early dawn of childhood, with its frankness and ready trust in goodness and its delight in simple things. And the world is the better that these things should be. Then, when the sun has risen, comes youth with high hopes and undaunted courage, stepping out into the unknown future to maintain the virtues and values of life that these things should not perish from among men.

And so on to the high noon of life when the grown man flings out his defiant challenge to the difficulties that confront him and in valiant struggle gains the mastery.

And at long last comes the wished-for eventide, for

*Be the day weary, be the day long,
At length it ringeth to evensong*

—that eventide, when the winds of passion are stilled and with serenity of mind and balanced judgment he looks out over the turbulent scene and sees life steadily and sees it whole.

Such a man the great school will seek to produce and the quality of his living will proclaim the virtue of his training.

A few years ago I happened to be out on the wide western plains and there after a time one becomes conscious of a spirit that seems to brood over them, whether one sees them sun-baked and parched in the blistering heat, or carpeted with flowers, after abundant rain, or in the cool of night when the heavens are thick with stars. A brooding spirit that pervades them and is timeless. One feels that it was there in distant ages past, when the plains were covered with the waters of a vast central sea, the waves of which beat against the cliffs of a long since vanished coast line. It is of the things that are eternal.

And shall we not think the same of a great school, such as we claim our own to be—that a spirit broods over

it, pervades it and abides there, entering into the lives of all those associated with it and bringing a sense of unity, with the eternal values of life,—with all that is worthy and honourable and true, a spirit that found expression in those far-off days when through the dim gropings of his brain man for the first time perceived that he was something other than the beasts of the forest and the beasts of the field, and that he had set his feet on that long, long road which leads uphill to perfection—the ultimate goal of human striving. So royal a charter hath Heaven given to mankind and in its bounty the great school hath its part.

Such a school, gentlemen, and with such a spirit, you have helped to make and entrusted to my care. And now in humble gratitude and love I hand it on to my successors.

(Readers will note that in place of the usual article in the series "Recollections" we have published in this issue an account of the Old Sydneians' Dinner to Mr. F. G. Phillips. It is intended to renew publication of "Recollections" in the December issue.)

A NOTE ON RECENT TRAVEL

THE Editor of "The Sydneian" should know the value of the economy of words. He has asked me to condense four months of wonderful travel experiences into half a page. Here then are a few random notes:

I saw Rugby football played in nine countries including France, America, and Fiji. It is also played extensively in Italy and Germany. What of Russia? I do not know. I was not able to locate even the tombstone of the referee!

On visiting the Calcutta Cup match, that is the annual Rugby fixture between England and Scotland, I was introduced to Her Majesty the Queen, and Princess Margaret, and sat with them watching the game. Both were looking forward to their visit here in 1952. The Queen would have liked to see Scotland win, I think. They were just beaten 6-5. The match was at Twickenham, the Mecca of Rugby International games.

I visited Rugby School. Its chapel contains memorials to famous men. Dr. Arnold of Rugby, the great Headmaster lies there; Lewis Carrol, who wrote Alice in Wonderland, was a master there; Rupert Brooke, the poet, is remembered. A plaque to his memory has written on it his famous poem "If I should die think only this of me . . ."

He died in the Kaiser war. I stood in admiration before the memorial stone which commemorates the daring feat of 1823 by William Webb Ellis "who with a fine disregard for the rules of football as played in his time, picked up the ball and ran with it." These words are written on the stone set in the wall of Big Side, or have you forgotten your "Tom Brown's Schooldays".

Also I visited Tom's study. A tiny room about 8 feet by 4 feet but reserved only for the head boy at Rugby.

In Yorkshire, I visited Dotheboys Hall, the infamous school of Wackford Squeers, where Nicholas Nickleby taught. Do you remember the fear you experienced when first you read Dickens' great novel and of the wickedness of that grim school master. How times have changed. The building is a grim grey stone place that looks like a prison, as indeed it was.

England is a wonderful place. Britain has still the wisest people in the world living in it. I saw and heard that great deliverer of democracy, the man who saved the English speaking world from Nazi slavery—Winston Churchill. He is still, next to the King, the most celebrated man in England.

London is still a great centre of culture. I went many times to the Old Vic Theatre, where Shakespeare's plays are so excellently produced to the people at Waterloo. I attended many concerts with celebrated artists at the Albert Hall, seating about seven thousand people at fantastically cheap prices, 2/- and 3/- per seat.

I met many Old Sydneians in London and I answered many an enquiry about the Old School in College Street.

And at last I found myself on a B.C.P.A. plane winging my way home to the best country in the world, at any rate so far as the average citizen like me is concerned. We have a goodly heritage indeed.

L. J. HERRON.

OLD SYDNEIANS—LONDON

THIS year, again thanks to "Kim" MacKay, the Old Sydneians dinner was again held in the House of Commons.

Happily politics were kept right out of the Dining Room. The warm, friendly, and inevitably nostalgic talk was of the School, the old days, the old masters, the old

boys, also the present. Our old Headmaster, H. N. P. Sloman, presided as he has done at every one of these dinners. One cannot resist saying of Sloman—now 64—as has been said so often before, that he looks like going on for ever. If there is any man alive who carries his years better, he would be worth meeting. There seems to be not one hair less on Sloman's head, his face is unlined, his voice is changed not one note from the Big Schoolroom days. Thirteen were listed for the dinner but the superstitious number was avoided until the coffee stage, because the unfortunate writer, having to relate to Australia something of what was happening in the Chamber, had to attend to his duties. Those present in addition to Sloman were Arthur Dee and Keith Lumsdaine—both, like Sloman, ex-masters—MacKay, Sir Leslie Boyce, Dr. C. B. Levick, D. A. V. Bearblock, J. V. Hill, B. S. Hughes, Dr. A. C. K. Yates, Dr. P. N. Cutner, the Hon. Sec. Dr. R. W. Barr Brown and Trevor Smith. Apologies for absence were received from several others.

Our dinner was on the same date as the farewell dinner to the Headmaster, Mr. Phillips. Sloman read the following telegram from the President to Barr-Brown:—

“Australian Sydneians send greetings congratulate you school spirit we regret loss Australian Headmaster but with you applaud appointment English successor sidere mens eadem mutato—Lloyd.”

In reply we cabled the President:—

“Old Sydneians reunion dinner with Mackay House of Commons November 30 send felicitations Phillips greetings Healey good wishes School.”

The toast of the School was given by Sloman. He paid his warm, touching tributes, as he never fails to do each year, to those Grammar giants, Lucas, Giles, Bode, Wing and others who had done so much for the school's greatness, and to help him personally. He went on to express his admiration of the many brilliant boys who had passed through the school, as brilliant as to be found in any school the world over, and he named some of them. It had always been his great regret, said Sloman, that his wife's health compelled his return to England. Arthur Dee, long a housemaster at Marlborough, in supporting the toast,

offered a tribute to the School, its masters, and its boys, of equally warm affection. He recalled the masters of his days and the life at the school then and the tremendous debt he owed to Grammar. Boyce, Barr Brown, MacKay and others also spoke and from them as from every other speaker it was most touching to hear the same fervent note of admiration and affection for the great spirit of Grammar which left with its boys a mark that could represent the influence only of a very great school. Phillip Cutner, the most recent of the London Old Boy "regulars" to return from a visit, gave us first-hand and up-to-the-minute impressions. All was going very well indeed with the school, he said.

O.S.U. badges were bought by everybody present and we now await School ties.

Last, but by no means least, hearty and grateful thanks were expressed by all to the O.S.U. for the kind thought of Christmas food parcels. We are writing individually but may we send our collective thanks to all concerned in this great kindness through The Sydneian.

"TOO OLD SYDNEIAN."

ANNUAL BALL, 1951

THE Hon. K. W. Street, Chief Justice of New South Wales, and Lieut.-Governor, was Guest of Honour at this year's function, which was held at the Trocadero on Tuesday, 20th March. As a result of the evening, when almost 1,100 Old Sydneians and their friends attended, an amount of £640 was raised in aid of the School War Memorial Fund.

The Ball Sub-Committee wishes to express its thanks to those who contributed to the success of the evening by patronising it so well, and its gratitude to the many people whose enthusiasm and ability for behind-the-scenes planning were essential to the organisation of the Ball. We look forward to seeing a lot of the old faces and some new ones next Easter.

OLD SYDNEIANS' SCHOLARSHIP

THE Sydneian congratulates Ian Mackay who was awarded the Old Sydneians Union Scholarship for 1951. Mackay passed the Leaving Certificate in 1950 and played with the 1st XV and 1st XI. He is a school prefect, and a Lieutenant in the Cadet Corps.

OF UNIVERSITIES

In recent years many graduates of Australian Universities have gone to England and America to seek the opportunities for learning and research which the Universities of the older countries offer. Among these there has been a proportion of old Sydneians. In the following articles three of them who are at present abroad write their impressions. The Sydneian is fortunate in being able to publish material of this kind which, interesting of itself, should be of value to any of those younger old Sydneians and to boys still at school who may hope to travel the same road.

CAMBRIDGE

I AM continually puzzled by the contrasts which exist in Cambridge. On the one hand stand College buildings, Churches and Chapels, on the other the depressing terraces of dirty yellow brick which constitute the town, and again, between the level beauties of the Backs and the tedious black mud of the fine country. For it must be admitted that the attractions of Cambridge lie in a handful of buildings and above all the superb landscape gardening of the riverside. When the first undergraduates of Cambridge shook the dust of Oxford from their feet, they replaced it with the mud of Cambridge. For the country surrounding Oxford is full of the peculiar attractions of English scenery. The fen country is an acquired taste and a taste which I have not acquired. There is something impressive in the thought of so much land reclaimed from the wastes of nature but it is still a waterlogged country. Our great Australian poet Ern Malley would call it, "Swamps, marshes, borrow pits and other areas of stagnant water."

Cambridge is a University town which has remained a University town while its sister (the other place) has become a noisy industrial city. Cambridge—goodness knows—is crowded and noisy enough. Its streets are narrow, its noises raucous, but the traffic is the traffic of the University and country and the noise is the noise of small trade—and undergraduates, and when 8,000 undergraduates go down, a hush falls on Cambridge. Shopkeepers here will tell you with a glint in their eyes that the town is very quiet in the vacation (by which they mean doubtless that prices fall). So it is as an academic byway, a town whose history and memories are inseparable from the University that you must think of Cambridge. Not for us the technicolour associations of Oxford. No king has held a parliament at Cambridge. Our nearest associations with Royalty are vaguely comic, Charles II at Newmarket, and Prince Albert as Chancellor. That is true

of all save a few Colleges. Although we have a Whig tradition, although we were Platonist in Philosophy while Oxford was Aristotelian, although we produced the martyrs and Oxford burned them, kings and noblemen have favoured us. Henry VI deemed Cambridge suitable for the sister College of Eton. Henry VIII refounded Trinity. Lady Margaret Beaufort, descendant of Edward III and mother of Henry VII, founded Christ's and St. John's.

For the majority, living in Cambridge is a mixture of expense and discomfort. The architectural excellence of a Court does not guarantee its plumbing, nor in this land of fuel shortages, is the water always hot. Englishmen seem inured to these discomforts, the disadvantage of living with history is that it is draughty. I am at John's, a mixture of Tudor brick and Augustan stone, wedding cake Gothic and the modern. My rooms are, thank God, in the modern. They look out on the Tudor and the Victorian posing as Tudor. And when I say modern, I mean *modern*; plumbing so elegant as to make its mechanism a source of mystery H and C in my bedroom, a shower room next door and central heating. So you see I have the best of both worlds. I live in comfort and admire antiquity. Others pay for history. I pay for central heating. But these glories are transitory. Next year I shall be moved; perhaps even to New Court, i.e., 1825, known as the wedding cake. I had been assured before I left Australia that the nearest bath was on the other side of the river, but I can vindicate at least my own College from this appalling charge. But let me give one warning. Englishmen bath. They do not shower, and no bath in Cambridge is long enough. The competition for my shower is limited to Colonials and Celts.

Each staircase is looked after by a frightening female, known as a "bedder" who, according to the regulations, must be "vetus atque horrida". It is as well to keep on the right side of one's bedder as she knows far more about us than we think. I find the Australian stamps pacify all College servants. Maintaining conversation is difficult. She greets me with "Nice day to-day" or far, far more often "Nasty cold day to-day." It is the easiest topic of conversation. Occasionally we discuss rowing. Any of you who remember me at school will remember how incompetent I was at anything athletic. That incompetence is now dis-

played on the River Cam on four afternoons a week. It is, of course, unbelievably uncomfortable and no sane person would do it. It always takes place in a howling gale or driving rain. Monty James, the famous Provost of Kings, and later Eton, gave up rowing after three days of sleet. It rarely stops raining here and the dam has been on the point of overflowing its banks for about four months. At least one member of my boat has been heard to express the opinion that it is unsafe to row in a boat whose gunnel is only six inches above the waterline after the river has risen two feet. Nor is the weather the only discomfort. Incompetent coxes are for ever driving us into the bank and the Women's Eight (a sight to be seen) is always in the way. The President of Chicago University once said that, whenever he felt like exercise, he lay down until the feeling passed away. He had the right view of these things.

St. John's has over the last three years become a rowing College. We used to consider ourselves above (or below) that sort of thing and left it to Jesus and Trinity Hall; but a victory in the Lents a couple of years ago put a stop to all that and we have since gained a tremendous reputation for rowing. The University Eight had six Lady Margaret men last year and have five this year. We are naturally very anxious to maintain our position and this only involves us poor oarsmen in further discomfort, as we are expected to go into strict training for a fortnight before each race—no smoking, spirits or alcohol, bed by 11, run round the Backs at the impossibly early hour of 7.45 (most of us had forgotten the hour existed) followed by a cold shower and let me say here that Cambridge is quite the coldest and wettest place in the world and "the very palace of winds."

The Lents took place last week. It is one of these so-called Bumps Races. I do not know whether I am more than usually stupid or whether the art of lucid exposition is singularly rare (schoolboys think so), but I had to subject innumerable prominent oarsmen to a most exacting interrogation before I could discover how it worked. Admittedly it is rather complicated, far too complicated to explain here. It is only an ingenious device to enable 80 boats to compete in a race on a river which is barely wide enough for two boats to pass.

The Lady Margaret boat, alas, was bumped three times and we are now only fourth. We deceive ourselves that it was to be expected as five members of our first boat are rowing for the University and it is not considered tactful to point out that last year we had six men in the University boat and we were still Head of the River. First and third Trinity is now Head and following tradition, they burnt their boat in the Backs the same night.

The discipline of undergraduates is attended to by the Protors who parade the streets at night accompanied by two bulldogs (selected from among the College servants for their sprinting abilities). One must wear a gown in the streets after dark. One may not smoke in academic dress. The fine for contravening these regulations is $\frac{6}{8}$, or for a particularly flagrant offence, $\frac{13}{4}$. However there is another side to the picture. It is said that undergraduates have the right to hold up the traffic in Petty Cury (one of the narrowest and most crowded streets in Cambridge) for archery practice, so much more broadminded than Oxford where it distinctly says in the book of Statuta et Decreta presented to each freshman on his first day that an undergraduate may not shoot a bow and arrow in the High Street. One bright young man exercised his right a few years ago but he was fined $\frac{6}{8}$ by the Proctors for not wearing Lincoln Green. Another young man who exercised his right to interrupt an examination and call for a pint of beer, was fined for not having silver shoe-buckles.

There is quite a large number of Australians at Cambridge, rather more than at Oxford. I understand the Australian Club has considerably more than 100 members, including three Professors. I know of only two other old Sydneians, Roger Joyce reading History at Clare and Roger Thane reading Mathematics at Trinity, but there might be others. We have a Club dinner every term and there is an annual Australian Rules Football match against the Oxford Australians Club.

Of course there is the work side of Cambridge too. One is at liberty to do as much or as little as one pleases but not to do none at all. There is a certain surreptitious minimum. The standard of lecturing is rather low but fortunately lectures are not compulsory. Of course we pay for them whether we go or not. One's College Supervisor

is always very helpful in such matters and says quite frankly which lecturers are not worth attending. As mine said to me on my first day, "Beware of lectures where attendances drop off week by week. It is not nice to be the last rat off the ship!"

But it is a mistake to do nothing but work here. There are far too many other things to be gained from Cambridge and the man who keeps his nose to the grindstone all the time will miss a great deal. One's work should not be allowed to interfere with one's education.

A. M. MACKERRAS.

LONDON AND SOME OTHERS

The Australian idea of an English University is based on Oxford and Cambridge, and we tend to overlook the eleven newer universities and numerous university colleges which collectively form what has been called "Red-Brick" as opposed to the ancient and architecturally pleasing "Oxbridge."

With the partial exceptions of Durham and London, the latter really in a class by itself, these provincial Universities, built mainly in the red brick of Victorian England, are newer than our own Sydney University. They are in fact the result of a nineteenth-century reaction against the defects and the exclusiveness of the then unreformed Oxford and Cambridge. Broadly speaking the fundamental difference between "Oxbridge" and "Red-brick" is that in the former the residential Colleges are responsible for the teaching and to all intents and purposes are the university, whereas in the latter there are no Colleges properly so-called and the whole of the teaching work is carried out at the University which pays the staff and controls the examinations.

London University straddles the two and for this reason deserves treatment by itself. It savours of "Oxbridge" in that the teaching is carried out in "Colleges" and that the University came into existence mainly as an examining body. It exists now as a centre for a main University library and a number of Research Institutes, such as the Institute of Historical Research, Institute of Advanced Loyol Studies, and the Institute of Commonwealth Studies (the last being under the distinguished Australian Historian, Professor W. K. Hancock). On the

other hand it follows the "Red-brick" pattern in that the Colleges, University College, King's College, London School of Economics and the rest, are non-residential.

The explanation of this, which like so many English institutions refuses to fit into a pattern, is historical. University College, the "Godless house in Gower Street" as it was called, was set up by Brougham and others as an answer to the barriers of creed and social status which Oxford and Cambridge placed in the way of the growth of university education demanded by the Industrial Revolution. King's College, situated about two miles away in the Strand, was set up in reaction to University College, largely to cater for the theological instruction on which University College had turned its back, and to this day the two colleges maintain an intense but friendly rivalry. Later the London School of Economics was founded and to these have been added at various times Birkbeck College (evening students), Bedford College (for women, situated in Regents Park), Royal Holloway College (also for women, situated up the Thames towards Windsor), the Imperial College of Science and Technology (in Kensington) and some other institutions scattered about London. These now together make up the University of London which has something like 22,000 students. The University is also the examining body for the students of a number of the institutions, two numerous to list, including some university colleges outside London, in the same fashion as Sydney awards its degrees to students of the New England University College at Armidale.

Apart from its extraordinary organisation there are these features which strike an Australian at once. The first is the extremely generous endowment of the university. Staffs are large, classes are small, and the range of subjects offered is far wider and more imaginative than at Sydney. The Senate House, home of the vast network of examining committees and of the administrative staff, is a great five storey building with a massive tower well over a dozen storeys high. This tower contains the book stacks of the half-million volume library which owing largely to the generosity of the Middlesex County Council and the Goldsmith's Company is able to add new books at a rate our Fisher Library with its limited funds must envy.

The second feature is the great number of foreign students, including many from India and Pakistan, as well as the West Indies, Nigeria and other British Colonies. At the London School of Economics for instance nearly one-fifth of the 3,500 students are from overseas. This is both a tribute to British scholarship and a challenge to British tact and goodwill, for many of these coloured students will return to become the leaders of the "new" Africa and the "new" Asia, a point borne out by the high proportion of graduates of English Universities in the recently formed Gold Coast Cabinet.

Then there is the lack of a real University spirit: loyalties attach to the L.S.E. or to University College rather than to the University itself and perhaps inevitably the student clubs and societies we associate with the University at home are organized within the various fragments of the university. They thus lack the broad basis one associates with university activities, as the term 'universities' implies—at L.S.E. for instance no Engineering, Science, or Medicine is taught, and Imperial College students who do science or engineering hardly ever see their Arts, Law or Economics brethren who are distributed among University College, King's College and L.S.E., the closest of which would be two or three miles away.

When we turn to the provincial universities we find a number of London's features reproduced. As University College, London, was the germ of London University, so Owens College, Manchester, was the germ of the Universities of Manchester, Liverpool and Leeds, and indirectly of others, and it was established for much the same reasons. Here some of the divergencies from the "Oxbridge" pattern which we have noted become even more marked.

The desire to link education more closely with the practical life of a commercial community, which finds expression in the greater emphasis on science, and particularly applied science, is perhaps the most striking of these deviations from the old Oxford and Cambridge classical tradition. The provincial universities do offer most of the 'traditional' university subjects but they are best known for technical studies in fields closely connected with the industrial pattern of their region. The University of Leeds, for instance, has six Faculties (Arts, Economics and Commerce, Law, Science, Technology and Medicine) but apart from its Medical

School the University's chief claim to fame is its excellence in wool technology, dying and other textile studies, leather, and engineering. Sheffield University is noted among other things for its glass technology work and other provincial universities have other specialities, though none of them become so one-sided as the new University of Technology at home, which while enforcing some studies in the Humanities only professes to offer technological degree courses.

Again, the provincial universities are distinctive in their buildings, though this is unfortunately nothing to boast about, as they were founded at an unhappy time architecturally. Leeds commenced its career in 1887 as the Yorkshire College of Victoria University, Manchester, joining Owens College, Manchester (1880), and University College, Liverpool (1884), as a constituent part of that foundation. It attained autonomy as the University of Leeds in 1904. Most of its initial buildings, therefore, are in the red-brick fashionable in late Victorian England, not in the beautiful stone of the medieval foundations at Oxford and Cambridge. Almost at once it outgrew the scanty available space, and its problems have only been partly solved by taking over long terraces of (red-brick) houses in the streets adjoining the original building. Lately there has been added a large and impressive stone building, the Parkinson, which despite certain architectural defects is a fitting front door to the University. The master plan for the city of Leeds makes provision for the demolition of the ugly terraces which abut on it and by realigning the main street to provide with open park-lands the suitable approaches the new building so sadly lacks. Meanwhile the University has grown to some 3,500 strong and further new buildings, also apparently in store are envisaged. The rebuilding scheme is estimated to cost some £3½ million sterling.

Provincial universities are absolutely non-Collegiate. In their reaction against the "Oxbridge" College system "Red-bricks" founders swung too far the other way. Colleges were looked on as a 'fungoid growth' and there was little sense of the value of common living in stimulating intellectual conditions. One detects the Scottish note here, as one does in the occasional outbursts against the College system among sections of Sydney's academic community.

Lately this error has tended to be corrected and at Leeds a number of Halls of Residence have been established, many of them unfortunately too far from the University proper to take the place of real Colleges. There are four of them for men and three for women, fees for board amounting to about £90 stg. for the academic year. The British Council runs a number of hostels, namely for overseas students but always with a few English students as well. The one I saw at Leeds, Bramhope Manor, seemed almost ideal. It was a converted manor house, in a lovely country setting about four miles outside the city. However, it is doubtful if any large proportion of the students at any of the provincial universities are housed in Halls or Hostels of the College type—for one thing the awakening came too late and suitable sites near the various universities are almost impossible to find. At Leeds they still depend for community spirit largely on its Union, a fine red-brick building with refectories, cloak-rooms and (to the envy of a member of the Sydney University Union) a licensed bar and an excellent little theatre.

R. H. BARBOUR.

CHICAGO

IN Australia our Universities are largely inspired by British traditions, and almost any American College or University would be considered very different by an Australian. The University of Chicago is not only very different in these general ways, but it also possesses characteristics which are unique in the United States, and it occupies a special place in the minds of most Americans who have heard of it.

It is not a very old University, even by Australian standards. It was founded in 1892 and was able to make use of part of the site of the World Exposition held in Chicago in that year. It borders a wide strip of parkland created for the Exposition which has come to be called the Midway, and which is one of Chicago's best known landmarks. Always well endowed with funds, its initial costs were met by John D. Rockefeller who gave the University some thirty million dollars in all. To date it has received the sum of 173 million dollars in gifts. With donations of such proportions it has become in less than sixty years a beautiful University, its great, grey, Gothic-style buildings and quadrangles mushrooming out over the many acres of

Chicago's South Side on the shore of Lake Michigan. It has been referred to as the Oxford of the Middle West because of its architecture, particularly because of Mitchell Tower and Hutchinson Commons, which are exact replicas of Oxford's Magdalen Tower and Christ Church dining hall. Perhaps an Oxford don who was something of an architectural purist would consider these to be synthetic travesties of the Oxford originals, and therefore in bad taste. For myself, I find them impressive. Faced-stone is not the same thing as the rough-hewn blocks of the old Universities, yet it succeeds in lending atmosphere to this American campus, an atmosphere which is in keeping with the permanency of the traditions by which it is founded.

Under its first President, William Rainey Harper, the University of Chicago rapidly became a University of the first rank. It attracted great minds to its faculty from the outset. John Dewey and the pragmatic school of philosophy flourished here round the turn of the century. The economist, Thorstein Veblen, expounded his "Theory of the Leisured Class" in the early days, and the idea of the documentary film originated in the early 'twenties in the Chicago Department of Political Science. But it was under the administration of Robert Maynard Hutchins that the University climbed to world rank and attained its present unique character.

Hutchins was and is a remarkable man about whom a great deal more will be written. Appointed as head of the University in 1929 at the age of thirty, he was known as "The Boy President". This year, after 22 years administration, he has resigned to become an associate director of a huge welfare project with 250 million dollars to spend—the Ford Foundation. This period—destined to be known as "The Hutchins Era"—saw the development of the Chicago Plan of education, the substitution of pragmatism by a liberal education based on study of the Great Books, the accenting of principles rather than facts, the separation of the University into a College where undergraduate work was carried on and into four divisions of Physical Sciences, Social Sciences, Biological Sciences, and Humanities, where graduate study and research was carried on.

Hutchins aroused a storm in the arena of American education which raged for years. It was partly the battle

of Ideas versus Facts, of a liberal education or *table d' hôte* method as opposed to the system of free electives used in many American Colleges which was largely *à la carte*. Since many will always remain opposed to any such system as the former on the grounds of its neglect of the differing ideas and purposes of the individual, there is not much chance of a final acceptance of Hutchins' plan of a college education consisting largely in study of the great works of the past and search for permanent underlying principles. Yet the stimulus of Chicago's influence on American undergraduate education is undeniable. More than any other single thing it has contributed to a re-orientation of American education in the last 20 years.

In addition to the intellectual battle which Hutchins waged there was an administrative battle. He attempted to realize his intellectual aim of a University as a dedicated community of scholars. He rejected other features of University life which had assumed dominance in other American Universities. He declared that the University was not "an athletic establishment, a health resort, a vocational school and a place . . . to acquire the social graces." He reorganized the University of Chicago to achieve this end.

There is no doubt that to-day the atmosphere on the University campus is different from that at other American Universities. This would appeal to the British student in many ways. He would normally find it difficult to accustom himself to the antics on other American campuses. But it is possible that something of student life and sporting traditions has been sacrificed in the process. The University of Chicago does not lack sporting opportunities—it has a magnificently equipped gymnasium. But there is not the same interest in University sport that one finds in a British University. One of Hutchins' most challenging decisions was in 1939 when he abolished football from the campus. He declared that a University must either have a great football team or a great President. In this much he was correct. Chicago has gained a reputation as much through Hutchins as has Notre Dame through its football team.

As a graduate institution the University of Chicago has very few equals. One would have to agree entirely with Hutchins' rather special definition of a University before one would concede his summing up of Chicago ". . . not a

very good university . . . simply the best there is." But the excellence of its faculty, its contribution to science, and the record of its students would suffice to establish the tentative success of much that Hutchins has done. If Chicago is not, and can never become, "Everybody's idea of a University", it is still of the greatest inspiration to the 8,000 or 9,000 students who make their way to the Oxford of the Middle West each year from all over the world.

E. D. L. KILLEN.

NEWS AND NOTES OF OLD SYDNEIANS

HIS Honor Mr. Justice Herron recently completed a period of leave from his judicial duties, which he spent abroad. During his stay in England he attended an International Rugby Union Conference. A short note of some impressions of England and elsewhere appears on another page.

Included in the list of New Year Honours conferred by His Majesty the King was the name of R. D. FitzGerald. For his services to Australian Literature he was awarded the O.B.E. (Civil Division). We offer our congratulations.

At the last annual election to the Council of the Incorporated Law Institute of New South Wales, Cam. Dezar-nauld was among the successful candidates. He joins Norman Cowper (Hon. Treasurer), Lindsay Aitken and Wilfrid Francis (Vice-President).

Incidentally, Lindsay Aitken has recently returned to the active practice of his profession after an operation and long convalescence.

A certain old Sydneian, a distinguished sportsman of his generation, took part in the annual cricket day in March. He found that the amenities at the Weigall ground were not entirely to his satisfaction, and he has asked the Trustees to spend up to one hundred pounds on their improvement, and to send the bill to him. The Trustees are willing to oblige him.

The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists last October sent a representative from England to hold the

membership examination in Australia, primarily for the benefit of ex-servicemen unable to visit England. Among the successful candidates was Dr. L. O. S. Poidevin, of Scone, son of the famous cricketer of the same name. The President of the College, Sir William Gilliatt, made a special trip to Sydney to conduct the ceremony of admission on 6th April last.

In recognition of his services to yachting Frank Buchanan was recently elected a Life Member of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron. We understand that he is one of only five members who carry this distinction.

Athol (Fred.) Burrett, Secretary of Sydney Hospital, has drawn our attention to the large number of old Sydneians associated with that important institution. Sir Norman Paul is Chairman, and Alwyn Gorman, Dr. W. L. Calov and W. Bowie Wilson are members of the Board; Dr. Calov also holding the office of Chairman of the Committee of Honoraries, and Bill Bowie Wilson that of Honorary Treasurer. The Honorary Solicitor is an old Sydneian, and the School is also well represented on the Honorary and Resident Medical Staff.

Brian Hughes, who has been in England for the past two years, has become an Associate of the Australian Institute of Cost Accountants, and returned in May to take up the position of Secretary-Manager for Blundell Spence (Aust.) & Co. Pty. Ltd.

Jim Marshall, who left the School in 1941, and is at present 2nd Engineer in s.s. "City of Birkenhead," writes from Glasgow: "We left Birkenhead on 16 Feb. and arrived off Greenock the following day. A strong cold wind was blowing off the snow capped mountains on either side. Later the sun shone and the green fields looked beautiful. We proceeded slowly up the Clyde and it was an inspiring sight to any ship lover. Huge slipways on either side, a coaster on one, a 28,000 ton tanker on the next, then a large passenger ship, then destroyers, all at various stages of construction, tankers and destroyers being the most numerous. Each yard has its own fitting out wharf or basin and these con-

tained many brightly painted specimens of Scottish craftsmanship. Amongst them was the latest ship of Ellerman and Bucknall Line, "City of Singapore," a sister ship to ours. It was a thrilling sight to see every slipway being used, when one considers that three months previously the Clydeside yards were desperate for lack of work. We sail on 23rd inst. for Tenneriffe, then call at Durban, Beira, Dar-es-Salaam and Mombasa. Our ship, "City of Birkenhead", is about 12 months old and is a very fine ship."

Eric Hargreaves writes from Cowra: Our dinner was held on Friday, 16th December last, and although there were only a few present a most enjoyable evening was had. Those present were: R. P. Donaldson, left about 1911; H. D. Aitken, left about 1911; R. W. Close 1939-44; H. B. Coward 1936; H. R. Shirlow 1914-1920; L. E. Cowles 1911-1918; R. G. Morgan 1935-1936; R. Edwards; K. Chatterton; R. E. Hargreaves 1913-1918. There were several others invited but owing to flooded roads and close proximity to Christmas they were unable to attend.

In the issue of "The Yorkshire Post and Leeds Mercury" of the 17th January last, which has come into the hands of an Old Sydneian, there appears a report which will be of interest to many readers of the Sydneian. We reprint the following portion:—

Yorkshire's Debt to Keller
by J. M. Kilburn
Lancashire v. Yorkshire Rugby Union

The two Captains, Keller and Rimmer, left the field together after an afternoon of unrelenting enmity in which both were at the peak of form. Rimmer added to his normal duties of scrum half the task of general overseer of defence.

Keller was equally ubiquitous. His primary concern was to prevent any breakaway by Rimmer, and Rimmer never did escape when Keller was at wing-forward. Keller's work for Yorkshire this season is not to be measured by the number of tackles he has made or the occasions on which he has handled the ball. His potentialities, his encouragement and direction of the forwards and his shrewd planning have been of incalculable value and if Yorkshire do eventu-

ally win the championship no individual will have played a more significant part.

(The hero is, of course, Old Sydneian Doug. Keller).

A number of Old Sydneians donned white flannels for the cricket season and played with grade clubs. By far the most illustrious is, of course, Jim Burke. Burke played for Manly, New South Wales, and then Australia. Our congratulations on his joining those select few to score a century in his first Test. Alan Walker was prominent in Inter-state matches.

In rowing Jim Macleod had a successful season rowing for Leichhardt, and he was the backbone of St. Paul's College eight. Vic. Middleton rowed in the winning Sydney Club crew at the State Championships. Earlier Vic. and Mervyn Finlay had helped the Australian eight to victory at the Canterbury Centenary Games. By the time this Sydneian is published both of these rowers will have represented New South Wales in the King's Cup race.

It is with pleasure that we welcome "Joe" Gould back to association with Grammar sport. He has for many years been regarded as one of the leading Australian authorities on rowing. The School eight showed the benefit of his experience and training at the G.P.S. regatta. David Younger, Jim Ludowici, and Bob Fay did conscientious work coaching the fours.

Older followers of cricket will be interested to read that a new pavilion which has been erected at Waverley Oval and which will be opened officially on the first day of the next cricket season, is to be named the "Tom Howard" pavilion, in honour of the Old Sydneian cricketer. His old friends were glad to see him again at the annual games in March last.

In athletics a number of Old Sydneians have been prominent during the past season. Bill Butchart went to Hobart with the State team and won the Tasmanian Junior Mile in

record time. Among those who competed in club races and represented their respective clubs in State Championships were the Cottons (Brian and John), "Joe" Pearson, Alan Francis, Graham Atwill, and John Vivers. John Vivers also went to Hobart for the Australian Championships.

Dr. R. S. Barr Brown continues to apply his energy and enthusiasm to the activities of the London branch. In recent letters to the President and the Assistant Secretary he has referred to the arrival in England of food parcels sent to Old Sydneians by members of the Union.

Old Sydneians will have read with interest the recent announcement of the engagement of our popular Assistant Secretary, Miss Patricia Maas. We offer our good wishes to her, and our congratulations to her fiancé, Mr. Stephen James Stuart, of Mosman, for whose virtues the credit must be given to "Shore".

OLD SYDNEIANS' YOUNGER SET

THIS year has seen the foundation of another branch of the Old Sydneians' Union's activities—the Younger Set. Formed to provide enjoyment and entertainment for the younger members of the Union, at a price they are able to afford, it has already justified its existence by claiming record attendances at both its functions.

The first of these, a Dance held at the Dungowan at Christmas time, was an outstanding financial and social success, and attended by over 300 dancers.

The second, a Barbecue and Square Dance, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leverrier, at Vacluse, was even more successful, the tickets being sold out only two days after they were available.

Members will be circularised when final arrangements are made for the next function, and it is hoped that Old Sydneians and their friends will continue to give the Committee the support they have in the past, to enable the Younger Set to become a permanent and enthusiastic section of the Old Sydneians' Union.

M. S. D. HANLON, President.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCHES

THE Old Boys' cricket matches were held on Wednesday, 14th March, and a more beautiful day could not have been wished for—the ground looked a picture. The grass was well cut, and the seating accommodation, recently painted by the "Old Firm", Marshall and Buchanan, added to the brightness of the picture.

The roll-up, notwithstanding advertisement and notices, was only fair, and mostly confined to the stalwarts who never fail to come along, from North, West and South. Certainly there were enough for two excellent teams, but we should like to see a bigger response next year. You will enjoy it, especially after the game!

The 1st XI. Old Boys team, led by Alan McGilvray, looked too strong for the boys on paper, with two Internationals, and State and Grade players filling the side. This, however, did not unnerve the boys, who won the match quite easily by 36 runs. We cannot omit to mention the wicket-keeping of Bill Alexander—it was a masterpiece, neat and clean as ever, after all the years of married life, and more commendable is the fact that he came down especially for the match from Bathurst.

The 2nd XI Old Boys team was again led to victory by Bill Ludowici, and comprised mostly Old and Bold from the Bush, the real "hit the Ball or get out" type! One particular innings was a very polished effort for 37 by an elderly Bull Magnate from Merriwa, who wore an eye shade, and we know sometimes wears a kilt. The name was Munro, prefix Gordon.

The Women's Association as usual went to no end of trouble in providing an excellent lunch, and the afternoon tea was so well supported that we are inclined to think that some of those present thought it was free. So if you were there and would like to augment the funds a little just forward your moneysworth to Miss Maas, at 16 Barrack Street.

The Headmaster made everyone at home with a speech at luncheon, and Alan McGilvray replied on behalf of the Old Boys and concluded with a little sound advice to the school teams.

Among the guests were Mrs. Healey, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Phillips and Mr. Tom Howard.

K. M. G. YOUNGER.

ENGAGEMENTS, MARRIAGES & BIRTHS

The Editors are once again endeavouring to compile lists of Engagements, Marriages and Births for publication in "The Sydneian" and members who would like the announcements noted are asked to write to the Secretary, 16 Barrack Street.

ENGAGEMENTS:

- J. S. Bruce, to Miss Pamela White.
- I. P. Buckle, to Miss Clare Jeanette Soutar.
- H. Butterley, to Miss Ann Coles.
- M. W. Bruce, to Miss Marian Lawson.
- J. H. Churcher, to Miss Joan Hughes.
- H. S. Cottee, to Miss Olga Foley.
- I. W. Francis, to Miss Margaret Bryant.
- I. P. Graham, to Miss Shirley McLauchlan.
- R. Gard, to Miss Megan James.
- P. E. Gauld, to Miss June Reading.
- I. S. Hunt, to Miss Margaret Edith Neasmith.
- D. A. Smyth, to Miss Elizabeth Drummond Geeves.
- I. R. Traill, to Miss Gweneth D. Wilson.

MARRIAGES:

- J. J. Abrahams, to Miss Wilga Ferguson.
- V. Baynes, to Miss Brenda Elizabeth Jewell.
- J. Carson, to Miss Wilma Harrison.
- G. P. McIlroy, to Miss Cleone Bucknell.
- K. H. Youdale, to Miss Patricia Gale.
- E. C. Marshall, to Miss Neril Kirkby.

BIRTHS:

- Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ainsworth—a son, 21/3/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Craig—a son (Andrew Lyle), 16/2/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. Fegent—a son (William McDowell), 29/1/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ffrench—a son (John Robert Macpherson), 13/2/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. K. Gilkes—a son (Charles Gregory), 6/12/50.
- Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Glenn—a son, 1/3/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Phillips—a son (Orwell Peter), 28/7/50.
- Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Murray-Prior—a daughter (Judith Jane), 16/2/51.
- Mr. and Mrs. D. Rogalsky—twin daughters (Christine and Louise), 4/1/51.

UNIVERSITY LETTER

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY last year celebrated its Centenary, and, at one of the most impressive ceremonies ever seen there, the Prime Minister delivered an oration in the Great Hall to the students and guests. The most striking part of the ceremony was the colourful pageant in which the Governor, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Deans, Professorial Staff, Lord Mayor, and other dignitaries took part, all attired in full academic or formal dress. The dominant note, however, in the speeches delivered, was that of poverty, and the appeal for funds for an under-subsidized insolvent University, at

which, in these days of free education, only 3,000 out of the 9,000 students pay fees.

Over the past century Old Sydneians have been graduating each year at Sydney University and the last year was no exception. From the Medical faculty John Greenaway, Colin Macdonald, Tom Kirkland (all with second-class honours), Ron Vickery, Tony Hodgkinson, Wally Wurth, and Ken Tweedale were let loose as Doctors; R. Gabb and J. Morphett became Dentists; J. T. Bishop and R. Collins graduated in Science, both with second-class honours in Physics; John Crawford, John Webster and Peter Rudder left to swell the ranks of Architects; Victor Donnan, Bob Fairley, Richmond Jeremy, Bruce Wallach, Ian Stevenson and Clive Wood graduated as Engineers of various types; while Malcolm Reid, Paul Hughes and Edwin Dowdy passed their finals in Economics and all are now free to ponder the problems of the fair nation's finances.

In between studying Economics and playing first grade football, last year Vic. Middleton managed to find time to go to New Zealand as reserve for the brilliant Australian Eight which defeated the crew from the University of California in the finals of the Centenary Games. In the same games Vic. won the Pair-oar Championship with E. Chapman, from Sydney Rowing Club, and in March this year he was selected to represent N.S.W. in the King's Cup.

While on the subject of Rowing it was interesting to note the number of Old Sydneians taking part in the University Regatta recently. The St. Andrew's crew, which defeated St. Paul's by $\frac{1}{4}$ length over 2,000 metres in the Inter-Collegiate Eights, included John Whitfield, who completed his fifth year of inter-collegiate rowing; David Hill and Jim McLeod rowed in the St. Paul's Eight. Rowing for their respective faculties were Adrian Stokker (Engineering), Ken Goddard (Medicine) and Rob MacKenzie (Arts et alia), while in the Exhibition Row given by the State Eight there were two Old Sydneians, namely, Mervyn Finlay and the above mentioned Vic. Middleton.

With regard to other aspects of the sporting world, Ken Bangs is to be congratulated on gaining representation with the University 1st XI, and Murray Lloyd for being selected to represent University in first grade football this season. Ken Bangs and Pat Harvey are playing with the

2nd XV, and Mick Hall with the Thirds. Richmond Jeremy was awarded his Blue for Rifle shooting last year, the first Old Sydneian to gain it in this sport for some years.

This year about 25 boys from the Grammar School arrived at the University and distributed themselves amongst the various faculties, but only two went to the Colleges, viz., Bob Mellor to St. Paul's, and Peter Chapman to Wesley.

By the academically inclined, a high standard was maintained in the final exams. last year. Ian Stevenson, who came to the University after serving with the R.A.A.F. graduated in Engineering with two High Distinctions, and one year when not too occupied with squash or golf managed to pick up a Science degree en route. Bob Farley with a Gowrie Scholarship and a Science degree gained distinctions in the final Engineering exams.

Amongst the legal men, Phil Jeffrey maintained his usual high standard and was awarded the Margaret Ethel Peden Prize for Property, while David Donaldson who this year entered Wesley College, topped the year as usual, this time in Economics III. Max Farley, also in Economics, was awarded the Commonwealth Institute of Accountants Prize for Law II, and Alan Day gained a High Distinction and topped the year in Geology III.

In the Faculty of Arts, Ian Campbell was 2nd in the year in French II and 3rd in German II. Stefan Wagschal gained High Distinctions in these two subjects also. John Maze graduated with 1st Honours in Philosophy, and John Perkins with 2nd Honours in Latin.

A feature last year of most University Exam. results was the high percentage of failures—especially in certain Arts subjects and Medicine. The low number of passes in first year Medicine in particular received much publicity and controversies raged daily in the newspapers for some time. Many opinions were expressed and some conclusions were reached by irate parents and students who complained bitterly of poor tuition, unsuitable conditions, deliberate and systematic failing of students by examiners, and other causes, to account for the fact that only 30% passed without posts in what should be the easiest year in the Medical course. From the morass of facts, fabrications and false impressions it seems reasonable to conclude that the required standard has been raised, and that other than this there was no reason for the high percentage of failures, except perhaps that the

standard of the year itself was not as high as usual—as witnessed by the L.C. passes of the previous year.

That the standard in scientific courses such as Medicine and Veterinary Science has undoubtedly been raised owing to the broadening of the field of scientific knowledge, is in many respects unfortunate, because the intensity of study required to pass has correspondingly increased, so that the student of to-day finds less time for sport and recreation than did his predecessors.

Yours.

“UNDERGRAD.”

OBITUARY

WALTER MOFFIT MARKS

W. M. MARKS, who died after a short illness on the 3rd March, 1951, at the age of 76, attended Sydney Grammar School from 1886 to 1893. He practised as a Solicitor for many years up to the time of his illness. He was Nationalist Member for Wentworth in the House of Representatives from 1919 to 1931 and was Parliamentary Under-Secretary for External Affairs from 1921 to 1923. He was keenly interested in yachting and bowls, in both of which he reached Interstate standard. He was Commodore of the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club from 1914 to 1919, of which club he had been an honorary life member for some years. Mr. Marks was chosen as one of the crew of Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht Shamrock IV, in the challenge race for America's Cup in 1914, but the outbreak of war caused the race to be abandoned. He then returned to England and joined the Royal Navy, and saw active service in command of a mine sweeper.

Mr. Marks was accorded a State funeral.

GEORGE LEONARD GARNSEY

G. L. GARNSEY, who died on 18th April, aged 70, was at the School from 1895 to 1898. He was a younger brother of the late Canon A. H. Garnsey who was Captain of the School in 1890. He was for several seasons a prominent member of the 1st XI, during a period when the School held the premiership. After leaving School George Garnsey was for many years coach to the N.S.W. Cricket Association. He later became a Sports Master at a number of schools in New South Wales and Queensland. At the time of his death he was attached to the staff of the Camden Grammar School.

JOHN HARRINGTON ROBISON

THE death took place on 30th March, 1951, of John Harrington Robison, after a long period of ill-health. Mr. Robison was the son of Hugh Robison, a grandson of Sir Charles Cowper, and grand nephew of Dean Cowper. He was at the School from 1880-1886 and whilst there was prominent in sport and rifle shooting. He was the proud possessor of the original Wigram Allen Prize (Modern). After leaving School he studied law and practised as a Solicitor at Cootamundra for 13 years when he returned to Sydney as the senior partner of the firm now styled Robison, Maxwell and Allen. For many years he acted as a Churchwarden of All Saints' Church, Hunter's Hill, and was a foundation member of the Old Sydneian Lodge. He is survived by his widow and a daughter.

FRANCIS RICHARD BAUM

F. R. BAUM who died recently at the age of 53 was at Grammar from 1909 to 1916. He was Captain of the School in 1916 and was a member of the 1st XI during his last year at School.

H. C. CROPPER

H. C. CROPPER who died on the 20th March, 1951, was an Old Sydneian. He was the Honorary Organiser for Wakehurst Camps in which boys of the Great Public Schools and from industrial areas were brought together. Mr. Cropper was also Toc H Billeting Officer during World War II.

THOMAS PETERS

THE death took place on 1st March last of Mr. Thomas Peters, who in the year 1921 was elected an Honorary Life Member of the Old Sydneians Union. The late Mr. Peters, who had reached the age of 85, was not an Old Sydneian, but had been a generous benefactor to the School, particularly in his assistance towards the construction of the Weigall ground and in connection with rowing. Two of his sons are Old Sydneians.

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