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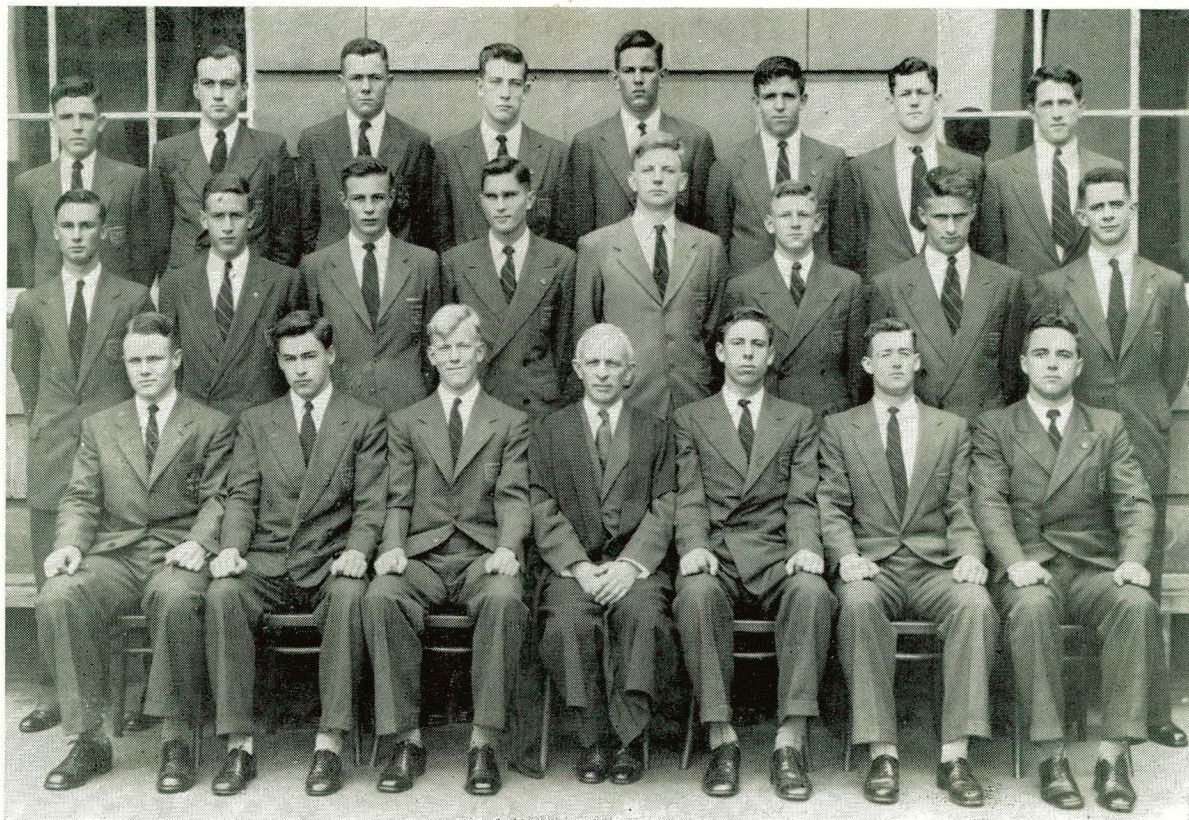
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## THE CENTENARY OF THE SCHOOL

THOUGH the Act of Parliament which founded the school was passed in December 1854, the first boys did not enter the school until 1857. The Centenary will therefore be celebrated in 1957, and it is hoped that it will be marked by the publication of the official history of the school, now being prepared by Mr. R. T. H. Barbour (O.S.).

This is a moment when we should look back at recent developments of the school. Most Old Sydneians will think first of the buildings in College Street: they will especially be proud of their antiquity and of the skilful blending of the new War Memorial Wing with those older buildings. For this and for much generosity in connection with it, we are indebted to Mr. T. M. Scott (O.S.), our architect. But I hope that all friends of the school will remember that there are other buildings behind the College Street façade and that not all of them are so dignified. Much has been done to improve things; the Sergeant's Lodge, for instance, has been revealed afresh by painting; the back gate has been made a more respectable entrance; science laboratories, temporary but efficient, have been added. But these improvements are not enough, nor is the College Street site the whole of the school. At Rushcutter's Bay the Weigall Ground is about to receive an addition which will give room for tennis courts and a small cricket or football ground. It needs a better grand-stand and larger changing-rooms. At Randwick the School House has had several pleasant improvements: here, I can assure readers, we have a boarding house greatly superior to most that I have seen in this part of the world. At Gladesville the boatshed has been greatly improved by the enthusiasm of the Parents' and Friends' of the Boatshed Association. At St. Ives there is a completely new and extensive preparatory school, in full

operation, with 38 boarders and 175 day-boys. All that remains to be done there is the completion of the playing-fields: the levelling is being carried out through the kindness of Mr. George Bryant (O.S.) of Messrs. Tutt, Bryant Ltd. It would be difficult to name all the benefactors of the new venture, though one must mention Mrs. Chase's gifts to the library, the gift of trees by Mr. K. S. Williams (O.S.), of a film projector by Mr. J. W. Hobbs (O.S.), and the constant care given to the beauty and structure of this wonderful new venture by the Chairman of the Trustees, Mr. N. L. Cowper, and his wife. I do hope that people will soon stop asking when we are going to begin there! And if any benefactor would like to give two more class-rooms, or a swimming pool, or help to clear off the debt, his offer will be gratefully welcomed.

Put all these properties together and you would marvel at the school's extent. Remember that we are now providing for nearly 1050 boys. We still have not enough room. But let us be quite clear about one thing: we are not going to move from College Street. The advantages of this traditional and central position increase every year.

But we must build still more at the College Street site. We hope to have a chance of acquiring the old 'Palladium' building in Yurong Street; if we do not get it, we must plan to build on the little space remaining. The cost of either task is formidable, but I do not believe that it is impossible, if we have faith. Consider how much we have done in the last five years. Need we rest content with that?

The reasons why we must build more at the College Street establishment and details of what we need are to be found in another article in the Old Sydneians' Section of this magazine. It is sufficient here to draw attention to the Centenary Building Fund which is being initiated. Like the War Memorial Fund it affords relief from income tax in respect of gifts. Already two firms, both 'Old Sydneian' firms, Messrs. McDowell Ltd. and Messrs. J. Bayley and Sons Ltd., have each given £100 to the new fund. We hope that commerce and industry will follow their generous example. Perhaps there is a need of an 'ambassador at large' on behalf of the school, who could explain the great claim that 'the city school'

has on the support of industry and commerce in Sydney: such a person would need to have time, tact and knowledge; I wonder if he can be found? Other means by which funds could be acquired are being examined: for instance, Wanganui Collegiate School, N.Z., raised over £120,000 in twelve months by the issue of debentures; my own old school in England, Lancing College, is raising a like amount over a period of years by 'Covenants', which bear tax-relief of a most advantageous nature and through which donors undertake to contribute an annual sum for a number of years.

The Trustees, successive Presidents of the O.S.U., Old Sydneians and friends of the school have already achieved far more than was expected. Can we not all do even more?

C.O.H.

## IN DEFENCE OF WITCHDOCTORS

IT would not be surprising if the twentieth century came to be regarded by historians of the future, as one of the most significant periods of history of all time. Not the least development that has occurred in this eventful time has been the appearance of the modern economist. The study of Economics as a scientific discipline is a phenomenon of the 20th century and particularly the last decade or so. Not that Economics — or to be more exact Political Economy — was unknown before that date. For instance most know of Adam Smith's famous *Inquiry Into The Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations* published in 1776; fewer probably know of the Mercantilist writer Thomas Mun's *England's Treasure BY Farraign Trade* written for the instruction of his son and published posthumously in 1664. Where most of these earlier writers differ from their latest brethren is that they were pleading a particular cause rather than studying objectively the various problems posed. The earlier political economist was more preoccupied with policy whereas the modern economist is a theorist first and a policy maker afterwards.

With the development of the Science of Economics has come a great increase in the influence of the Economist. One has only to remember the tremendous impact on the economic

thinking and economic policy-making of the western world that such a person as the late Lord J. M. Keynes had to see how influential the profession is. Or to come to Australia, who would deny that Dr. H. C. Coombs, Governor of the Commonwealth Bank or Sir Roland Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury, are men without a voice in the economic affairs of state?

The economist's rise to a position of influence in the community has not been without its problems; in many ways he has arrived, but he is not yet accepted by the world at large. Two groups in particular criticise him. First his brother scientists in the natural science field have been known to look askance and attack him on the grounds that he is 'unscientific'. He is unable, they say, to isolate the phenomena with which he is dealing, to conduct observation; to formulate hypotheses and above all to test these hypotheses by means of the controlled experiment leading, if successful, to the postulation of a 'Law'. Let the visiting American holder of the Ritchie Professorship of Research in Economics at Melbourne University, Benjamin Higgins, reply in his refreshing book *What Do Economists Know?* 'In broad outline the method of economics is the "scientific method" outlined by Aristotle, and followed by virtually all scientists ever since. Economics is less of a science than say physics, in terms of the number of thoroughly established and applicable laws it has accumulated; but economics is perhaps more *scientific*, in the sense that its *method* is better calculated to distinguish the true from the untrue. If economics is less exact than the natural sciences, it is at the same time more exacting'.

The second group to attack the economist is the general public. As economics touches the individual in so many phases of his existence, it is not surprising that one who sometimes comes into conflict with these phases is criticised. The complaints of the general public may be considered under two headings. The first follows from the fact that until very recently, economics has had no terminology of its own. Unlike Medicine or Chemistry, Economics has taken everyday terms but has given to them a special meaning. Such terms as 'demand', 'firm', 'profit', 'capital' spring to mind. These terms have

definite and distinct meaning to an economist — a meaning entirely divorced from their everyday meaning; and it is the failure to realise this simple fact that is the cause of so much of the discord existing between the public and the economist. The second heading follows from this. As economics appears to use everyday words to describe everyday happenings, the general public is convinced that there is nothing to the science of economics, with the result that the economist has to listen to sly gibes such as 'Economics is commonsense made difficult'. An extension of this idea is even worse. Some people actually find out some economic law or other and then proceed to use it quite incorrectly. Such a disease even afflicts newspapers; and so Sydney economists were recently astounded to read that the fact that numbers of passengers in trams have fallen off as fares have increased, is an example of the Law of Diminishing Returns. In truth it is an example of an entirely different piece of economic theory, namely the concept of elasticity of demand, or in plain English, the effect of small price changes on the number of rides demanded.

Fortunately for all, economics is at present quickly acquiring its own distinct scientific jargon. It is doubtful if even that wonderfully informed person, 'the man in the street' would realise that when an economist is speaking about the 'marginal efficiency of capital' he is simply referring to the rate of profit expected from that capital.

How does one become an economist? The University of Sydney provides a course which takes four years by day and six years by night and which costs approximately £345 for the four year course and £367 for the six year evening course. After the first year, the student is enabled to specialise in subjects in which his interest or future profession lie. For the first year Economics, Descriptive Economics and Scientific Method are compulsory, whilst in subsequent years a choice is made from such subjects as Government, Statistics, Accountancy, Business Administration and certain Arts subjects. Should the student's future career lie in industry or business, he may be well advised to secure additional qualifications in some specialised branch of business such as advertising, statistics or secretarial practice.

What are the positions open to a graduate? Briefly these are;

- (a) Research in government departments, in business and industrial concerns, in banks, insurance companies and labour unions.
- (b) Teaching and lecturing.
- (c) Managerial and administrative work in government departments or industry.
- (d) Consulting and advisory work for government, business and financial institutions and inventors.

What are the opportunities for employment? Opportunities with the Commonwealth and State Public Service; with banks and insurance companies and similar enterprises occur fairly frequently. Other posts are becoming more numerous, but at the present moment are harder to obtain.

This then, is a birdseye view of the life and problems of the modern economist. He has come a long way from the hit and miss methods of prescribing for ills which characterise members of the medical profession in darkest Africa, until the title 'Witchdoctor' awarded to him in scorn, should at least be replaced by 'Consulting Physician'.

R.L.R.

## SCHOOL NOTES

SINCE the last edition of *The Sydneian* and our happy win in the Regatta, a great deal has happened at Grammar.

The Upper and Lower Asphalts have been re-asphalted. The Sergeant's Lodge has been painted and there are new iron gates at the car entrance in Stanley Street. The tennis court drainage which has caused much trouble this year, has been repaired. A system of electric bells has been installed throughout the school so that now everyone (even the masters) knows when a period has ended. Previously the bell could not be heard in some of the classrooms facing College Street.

The War Memorial Fund is again indebted to Mrs. Chase for a further gift of £200.

Gifts of money by the Women's Association to purchase pictures and other amenities must be acknowledged with gratitude: so far we have bought some brightly-coloured seats for the Prep. Form's lunch area.

Sir John Sheppard, late Provost of King's College, Cambridge, who visited us on the last day of first term, has generously given a sum of money to provide a prize for interest in Greek literature.

We welcome Mr. Higgins, a geography master, who comes to us from the University of California.

We congratulate Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Lloyd on becoming fathers. Mr. Macdonald won the race by about two weeks. They both have sons.

Mr. Crocker is also to be congratulated for his forty years' service to the school as a master. A very good effort, sir!

The 8th Annual Science Evening held earlier this year was very interesting and really worth while. The Chairman for the evening was Professor J. P. Baxter, Vice-Chancellor of the New South Wales University of Technology. The Agricultural Society's magazine *Agrophylax* is gaining the popularity worthy of such a paper.

A most successful concert was given by the School Choir and Orchestra. They were assisted by the North Shore Symphony Orchestra conducted by Mr. Bellhouse. We thank this fine orchestra very much for its kindness in once again coming to the school and helping to make the evening such an enjoyable one.

The Globe Players with Mr. Lloyd as Producer performed *Julius Caesar* in Big School. The great tragedy had its comic turns but on the whole it was well done and pleased the big crowd on each of the three nights.

Mr. Blau and his puppets put on an enjoyable show to the German classes in Second Term.

Art and pottery classes for the Second Formers are proving very popular. These boys are under the capable guidance of Mr. Billing.

A number of Sixth Form boys went on an excursion to the Hunter Valley during the holidays and had an interesting and happy time.

Each Thursday in Big School the Fifth Form has been attending lectures given by various University professors and business men. These lectures have proved very interesting and useful to the boys who in another year will have to decide

what they are going to do when they leave school.

On Education Sunday forty boys went to the Schools' Service at St. Stephen's Church.

An Old Sydneian, Dr. Bruce Storey, who was of great assistance in the coaching of our football team this year, came to school early in third term and spoke to the Sixth Formers about the University. He gave us a very good idea of life at the University and we thank him for coming. As these notes go to the printer we are looking forward to the visit of another old boy, Mr. David Sonin, who is also speaking about life at the University.

Late in the Second Term Dr. Chatterju-Cardo came to school. His company gave a performance of Indian dancing and magic. He was on a goodwill visit from India and was greatly appreciated.

Philip Roff, the Senior Prefect of Launceston Grammar, paid us a visit in Second Term. He had lunch with us and was shown round the school. Philip stayed at Shore and visited various schools in Sydney.

It is fitting here to extend our thanks to Mrs. Swan and her ladies who run the school tuck shop. They provide excellent service and we appreciate it very much.

We have had quite a successful football season. Football shows signs of improvement throughout the school. Although the First Fifteen did not win all its matches, the team drew great admiration from the spectators for the way in which it played. They were a fine bunch of chaps and we congratulate them on their efforts.

The Old Boys' football matches were played and proved a happy occasion.

A pleasing feature of the football matches this year was the increased number of boys of the school who turned up to support their fellows and their school. May this continue.

The O.S.U. Scholarship for 1955 was awarded to A. C. Anderson.

The Rifle Club had a successful camp at the end of the September holidays. Our team came fourth in the G.P.S. Competition. Congratulations to King's who won every match. Full details of the shooting will be found elsewhere.

However we must here congratulate Murphy on his fine effort in scoring the third highest score in the G.P.S. The team also had a trip to Canberra to shoot against Duntroon. The boys of the College were excellent hosts, and a good time was had by all.

Our Annual Athletics Carnival held on the last Saturday of Second Term was a complete success. All the races went off without a hitch and a very nice lunch was provided by the Womens' Association. West is Open Champion this year. Some excitement was caused by a taxi-driver who managed to overturn his car in the road beside Weigall. Within seconds the fence was lined with hundreds of people anxious to see what had happened. These people were soon removed as the fence was in danger of collapsing.

We would like to thank the President, Mrs. French, and the Ladies of the Women's Association for the wonderful way in which they have looked after the school this year. We have greatly appreciated their efforts. It is very gratifying to know that we have such an enthusiastic and hard-working body of ladies ready to help and support us whenever possible.

Cricket and rowing have begun and will be well under way by the time the magazine is printed. The rowing pool is having a cover erected over it for protection during the off-season.

The Boxing tournament is to be held in October.

Our Debating Team tried hard but were a little inexperienced. The Chess teams upheld the fine Grammar record in this game. The 'A' team won and the 'B' was runner up. Congratulations to the Chessmen!

Cadet Camp this year was once again at Singleton. Though shorter than usual the camp was a most successful one. We are looking forward to our ceremonial parade which is on the 17th of October. Major-General D. Macarthur-Onslow C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D., is the inspecting officer.

Competitions in drill and Bren gun work have begun and the enthusiasm shown by the cadets is very pleasing.

The Air Training Corps under the leadership of Flt./Lt. Webster are working hard, as are the Naval Cadets at H.M.A.S. *Rushcutter*.

We must thank the School Sergeant for the hard work he

has done this year. Also the tutors, masters and their group captains who have done so much to infuse school spirit into the boys. I would like to thank the Prefects for the good job they have done in assisting in the running of the school. They have been a very happy and friendly group and no doubt their spirit influenced the rest of the school. I would also like to thank the boys of Grammar for the unselfish and admirable way in which they have supported their school during this year.

To those boys who are leaving at the end of the year: good luck in your future careers. Remember you will be Old Sydneians and Old Sydneians never fail. J.R.V.

### VALETE

FORM VI — CHAPMAN, G. A. R.: Junior Athletics, 1954;  
3rd XI, 1954. FISHER, J. N.

FORM V — BENNETT, N. G.; YONG, S. H.

FORM IV — KNAPTON, G. A.; 1st IV, 1955; 2nd IV, 1954;  
LESLIE, B. D.; LESLIE, J. W.; MARTIN, C. T.; SEWELL, P. A.;  
THOMAS, C. R.

FORM III — MACHILL, T. E.; WEST, F. H. I.

FORM II — SMITH, S. M.

### SALVETE

FORM VI — ALLEN, B. R. P.

FORM V — BELL, J. A.; HILL, A. J. de V.

FORM IV — BRANGWIN, C. J.

FORM III — BOND, P. W.; SMITH, A. G.; WEBER, M. A.

FORM II — AMES, R. J. E.; KEOGH, P. T.; MUNRO, J. F.

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### HOUSE NOTES

At the end of last term we said farewell to Ancher and McAllister. Their places have been taken by Falk and Killen, whom we welcome.

We have only six candidates for the Leaving Certificate, but fourteen for the Intermediate. We hope for a record Intermediate pass list. The Sixth Form boys have been making good use of their new study and recreation room. This room

has now inherited one of the long wall seats that formerly graced the old Masters' Common Room.

Our social affairs have received a boost this term as a result of two enjoyable dances, one given by St. Catherines and the other by Claremont. Our own House Dance, at which we entertained St. Catherine's, took place last July. The farewell concert, given by all boys leaving the House this year, was held on 15th October, well before the final exams. This concert, like that of the new boys, which is held in February each year, has developed into a pleasant annual function. At these functions, of course, talent is subordinated to vociferous enthusiasm.

We look forward to the visit of the School House Board, whom we hope to have to dinner about the middle of November.

Our record in sport continues to be satisfactory. In Football, Whitehead and Chaine were in the Firsts; Johnston, Campbell and Falk in the Seconds; Walker, Boag, Button and Karnasuta in the Thirds; Cozens in the Fourths; Whitehead II and Namvas in Colts A; Munro I in Under 14A; Galland (Captain), Corban II and Yudaeff in Under 13A. We congratulate Galland on being awarded the Anderson Cup for the most improved footballer outside the First Fifteen.

At the Annual Athletic Sports, Johnston won the Under 17 Shot Putt (Record), and the House Team won the Open Relay. We came third in the Group competition. Campbell is our only G.P.S. representative.

In Shooting, Rofe, Corban I and Malouf attended holiday training. Rofe (Colours) was in the First Team, Corban was in the Seconds (one shoot in firsts). Corban gained the Chisholm Cup.

In the Cadets Johnston and Rofe are Warrant Officers, and Campbell and Cozens Corporals. In the A.T.C. Whitehead I has been commissioned to Cadet Pilot Officer, Middleton is a Corporal.

In the Boxing Tournament Johnston, Boag, Button, Corban II, Walker II and Lane competed with varying degrees of success.

Our House Prefects this year are Whitehead I, Rofe and Corban I.

Among Old House Boys who have called recently we recall Clive Hall, Tony Johnson, Richard Riordan, 'Shortie' Attwood, Terry Wilkinson, Tony Pickrell, Ross Walker and Sam Bashir. We were glad, also, to see again Mr. Lyle Dunlop, former House Master, who, after a trip round the world, has come back to practise his profession in Sydney.

D.J.W.

## NOTES FROM THE SYDNEY GRAMMAR PREPARATORY SCHOOL

THERE have been many remarkable changes at St. Ives, since the last issue of the *Sydneian*. The School playing fields are being formed and we should have a quite extensive field grassed and tennis courts laid out by next year. Not only will this make the school a cleaner place but it will make for easier organization of outdoor activities and should lead to an improvement in the standard of games.

We competed at football vigorously and enthusiastically with other preparatory schools on the northern side of the harbour and thank our competitors for enjoyable games. We fielded a team in the Associated Preparatory Schools Athletic Sports and though we scored only one win — that of Donald Stewart Richardson — and six minor places we did reasonably well in the Junior Division and may give a better account of ourselves next year.

An Athletics afternoon was held at Hassall Park but, since we lacked adequate facilities, it was in the nature of a picnic sports meeting and no outstanding performances were recorded though all competitors enjoyed themselves.

Once again we must record our thanks to our Women's Association for its continuing support. Many parents and friends of the School attended a most enjoyable Buffet Dinner organized by the Association. This function did much to extend the goodwill of the School. We thank the members of the Association for their efforts and for the tangible donations they have made.

E.R.D.

### **Football at St. Ives**

The most notable points in the season just completed were the tremendous keenness of players, regardless of their individual merit, and the ability of many of the younger players. Coupled with the fact that we will have our own oval this portends well for the future.

No individual team had a successful season, though the Under Tens had their share of wins. More important, perhaps, was that in the matches in which we were soundly defeated the teams did not give up but played out time in a determined manner.

There are two points which could improve the standard considerably. The first is that the ball would be handled better on the field if it were passed round more in practice. The other is that captaincy, especially for young boys, is a particularly hard task, which is made much easier if every member of the team makes up his mind to back up his captain for all he is worth.

As a final point it was most pleasing to see the large number of parents who supported us throughout the season.

S.A.H-W.

### **THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

THE Library has little to report this term except steady growth and progress. Borrowing over the vacation period was very heavy both from the general section and from Mrs. Chase's collection. The general section is growing, but not nearly as fast as the demands made upon it are increasing. The Library assistants have worked hard and willingly to ensure continuous service to their fellows.

The second annual library tea was held on the afternoon of Thursday 22nd September. Our guest and speaker was Mr. G. D. Richardson, Deputy Principal Librarian and Dixson Librarian, Public Library of New South Wales and Honorary General Secretary of the Library Association of Australia, who spoke to us most interestingly for three-quarters of an hour on certain aspects of the Public Library and on the recent Library Association Conference held in Brisbane. We are very grateful to Mr. Richardson, who is a very busy man,

for sparing us an afternoon of his company. Our only regret is that the pressure of school life prevents us from holding such social meetings more often.

Your Librarian was fortunate enough to attend the recent conference of the Library Association of Australia held at the University of Queensland from August 22nd-26th, where he attended the working parties of the section for Library Work with Children and Young People and assisted at discussions of training for school and children's librarians. The conference was extremely well organised, the discussions informative and the weather perfect. He was delighted to renew acquaintance with other members of the Library Association whom he had met at other meetings in previous years.

Mrs. Chase has added many more books to her collection and we are eternally indebted to her for her constant interest in us. Our thanks are also due to the following who have made generous gifts to the Library recently: A. M. Cohen, Esq.; T. A. H. Wing, Esq.; J. F. Stephen, Esq.; R. E. Ludowici, Esq.; D. J. Benjamin, Esq.; J. Phillips, Esq.; A. J. Hill, Esq.; L. W. Webster, Esq.; M. D. Frack; J. Tyson; A. E. F. Rofe; T. MacHill.

## DEBATING SOCIETY

ON the night of the 23rd April the eight best debators of the School — Keep, Segal, Engel, Grey, Roche, Santow, Mackerras and Windeyer — competed for selection in the School Team. It was decided that the Team, in order of speaking, was to be Keep, Segal and Grey, and that a seconds be selected, who were in order of speaking, Engel, Santow and Mackerras. On the 3rd of June both teams debated against Cranbrook. The firsts won and the seconds lost.

The first G.P.S. Competition Debate was lost to High on the subject 'That books should not be banned'. In the second debate against Scots, the firsts denied the subject 'That we would learn Social Studies rather than languages in schools'. The final debate, was held between High and Riverview on the subject, 'Freedom is dying', was won by Sydney High School.

The seconds had two friendly debates, the former against

Scots and the latter against Shore. The first debate was won by Grammar, who affirmed the subject 'That we would learn Social Studies rather than languages in schools'. The latter debate was lost to Shore.

On the 22nd July the Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition was held at Grammar, our representative being H. H. Engel. This Competition was won by M. Gleeson of St. Josephs, with R. Hughes of Riverview second, and Bost of Newington third.

We of Grammar give our congratulations to the winner of the G.P.S. Debating Competition and to the winner of the Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition. In the Eisteddfod all our teams were defeated at the end of Round 2: the firsts were beaten by North Sydney Boys High; the seconds debated Fort Street Girls High 4th Year Team, and then were defeated by Trinity Grammar B Team.

Our thanks to William Wansborough who, with the aid of Mrs. Swan, did the catering, and also to the adjudicators who have helped the teams with their wise suggestions. Our special thanks go to the faithful followers of both teams without whose encouragement debating would be impossible. The teams wish to thank Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Knock for the hard work they did in coaching us.

H.H.G.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBATING SOCIETY

THE season opened with the meeting for the election of office-bearers, which, however, was not so well attended as we had hoped. A few debates were held during the remainder of first term.

At the beginning of second term the Middle School competition was held, a team from 2A+ being entered for the first time. Winner of the 4th forms was 4C2, winner of the third forms was 3C. 3C defeated 4C2 in a very interesting debate to become winners of the competition.

After several preliminary debates, Kells, Lehane and Wilson were selected as the junior team to represent the school in the Eisteddfod. They won the first round on a forfeit, the opposing team, Newington, failing to appear. In the second round they lost to Sydney High School.

G.B.S.

## JULIUS CAESAR

ON August 6th, 8th and 9th the Globe Players presented *Julius Caesar*. Shakespeare's historical source was, of course, the magnificent translation of Plutarch by Sir Thomas North. Some believe Shakespeare was making references to political events of the time, but the play remains basically true to history.

The 'hero' of the play is Brutus, and in this part Keep made an impressive start with the Globe Players. At times he was outstanding as the lofty idealist forced, by the circumstances of the time, to become a man of action.

Antony at times rose to fine heights. In this part Roy showed great promise.

Withycombe took the part of Caesar. Shakespeare seems rather to have failed in his portrayal of the great soldier-statesman, but Withycombe was impressive as the rather vascillating and inconsistent Caesar of the play.

Rudder, as Cassius, the capable man of action, and jealous schemer against Caesar, performed the part well, and here one must mention the minor parts, many of which were acted skilfully, particularly Calpurnia (Shearer), Portia (Thomas) and Casca Issaakidis.

The superiority of the platform stage was obvious, and the entry of actors through the hall most effective. Here one must mention the battle scenes and crowd scenes. These were excellent, and added much zest to the play.

Great credit must go to the producer, Mr. D. E. Lloyd, and to Mr. H. A. Macdonald, who was responsible for stage properties and designed all costumes. New lights were installed under Mr. Knight's supervision and proved most effective. Mention must also be made of the work done by A. T. Morgan — painting of stage properties — J. R. Grimmond, in charge of sound effects and music, and J. C. Grey, the stage-manager. The production reflected great credit on these people and all others who so willingly helped. A.K.S.

### Dramatis Personæ

Julius Caesar . . . . .	R. S. M. WITHYCOMBE
Octavius Caesar . . . . .	A. D. MANT
Mark Antony . . . . .	L. P. ROY

Marcus Lepidus . . . . .	W. A. JOHNSTON
Cicero . . . . .	A. J. MORGAN
Brutus . . . . .	R. M. KEEP
Cassius . . . . .	M. G. RUDDER
Casca . . . . .	C. ISSAAKIDIS
Trebonius . . . . .	A. A. GRAHAME
Ligarius . . . . .	W. J. SIMMONDS
Decius Brutus . . . . .	W. A. JOHNSTON
Metellus Cimber . . . . .	E. J. WUNDERLICH
Cinna . . . . .	A. N. GRUNDIE
Popilius Lena . . . . .	P. B. YATES
PUBLIUS . . . . .	R. J. VINCENT
Flavius . . . . .	N. J. CORONEOS
Marullus . . . . .	A. D. CULLEN-WARD
Messala . . . . .	A. J. MORGAN
Titinius . . . . .	A. N. GRUNDIE
Artemidorus . . . . .	W. J. DIVE
Soothsayer . . . . .	I. V. ZAMMITT
Young Cato . . . . .	R. J. VINCENT
Poet . . . . .	P. R. MORGAN
Lucilius . . . . .	E. J. WUNDERLICH
Volumnius . . . . .	A. D. CULLEN-WARD
Varro . . . . .	M. J. FRASER
Clitus . . . . .	P. C. WILSON
Claudius . . . . .	N. J. CORONEOS
Strato . . . . .	P. B. YATES
Dardanius . . . . .	L. W. GURTON
Lucius . . . . .	L. M. WING
Pindarus . . . . .	D. B. ROCHESTER
Servants . . . . .	A. R. ROBINSON, T. M. MCGEE
1st Soldier . . . . .	D. BAFFSKI
2nd Soldier . . . . .	J. C. CAVILL
1st Citizen . . . . .	D. B. ROCHESTER
2nd Citizen . . . . .	P. G. CASPARI
3rd Citizen . . . . .	L. W. GURTON
4th Citizen . . . . .	P. C. WILSON
Messenger . . . . .	R. J. STANTON
Calpurnia . . . . .	R. M. H. SHEARER
Portia . . . . .	T. P. THOMAS
Soldiers and Citizens: I. W. SOUTH, P. J. SMITH, R. C. YIP, D. A. BOOTH, P. C. WILSON, M. ELDER, S. GINGES, R. J. STANTON, P. WALLACE-JONES, D. WARBURTON, P. WARBURTON, R. M. BINGHAM, R. H. WEST, A. R. SADLER, P. B. YATES, L. W. GURTON, C. K. LAXTON, P. G. CASPARI, R. J. HUMPHREYS, R. L. MURPHIE, J. B. KEATS.	

Director . . . . .	H. A. MACDONALD, ESQ.
Associate Producer . . . . .	MRS. R. BILLING
Assistant Producer . . . . .	W. R. PRIDHAM
The Play Produced by . . . . .	D. E. LLOYD, ESQ.

### Credits

Stage designed and erected under supervision of A. L. KNIGHT, ESQ. Costumes designed by H. A. MACDONALD, ESQ., and constructed by CAST, their PARENTS and FRIENDS, MEMBERS OF S.G.S., W.A., and THEATRE SUPPLIES. Make-up directed by A. BOOTHROYD, ESQ. Business Manager, D. A. CARR, ESQ. Lighting, A. L. KNIGHT, ESQ. Properties A. J. MORGAN, J. C. GREY, A. E. ROFE, P. O. MIDDLETON, D. BONE, J. C. QUILTER. Electrical Effects, J. R. GRIMMOND. Musical Director, R. HOLLAND, ESQ. Prompter, D. A. HOCKING. Art, S. SYMONDS. Business Manager's Assistant, H. H. ENGEL. Continuity, A. N. GRUNDIE. House Manager, J. CROSBY. Publicity, C. ISSAKIDIS and SCHOOL ARTISTS. Cover Design, J. T. KEOGH.

We are again grateful to the WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION for assisting us in costume, and especially MRS. M. I. ORMSBY for help in making curtains.

Our thanks are also due to MR. O. S. MILLS and MR. MAURICE BALDWIN for many hours of work spent in building our light dimmers and installing electrical equipment.

### Globe Players' Committee 1955

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## GLOBE PLAYERS

THE Globe Players Society has continued to show progress during this year, and is continuing to play an important part in training boys for leadership in artistic fields and in encouraging an increasing number to take part in creative group activities. This fact is emphasised by the number of boys who played some part directly in this year's production of *Julius Caesar*; about 120 were concerned in acting, scene shifting, painting, building of sets, ushering, working lights or telephones, and so on. The highest praise must be afforded to all members for the skilful way in which they carried out their respective jobs in the staging of this difficult play — the first tragedy the Society has attempted. A critique of the play appears elsewhere in this issue.

We were very pleased that the Director-General of Education for N.S.W., Dr. Wyndham, and Mrs. Wyndham, were able to be present on the first night of our performance. The Society is grateful to Mr. Lloyd, who gave up so much of his time, to produce the play, and whose efforts were well rewarded by his co-operative enthusiastic and competent cast. Our thanks also to Mr. Knight, whose diverse talents were seen not only in the erection of the stage, but also in the planning of lighting and in expert advice in other practical aspects of the play. Mr. Carr again handled the business side of the play and the bookings with efficiency, and Mr. Holland spent much time in planning the music. Finally, we must thank Mr. Maclay for arranging with Mr. Goldsmith for help in carpentry jobs in the scenery department.

Many kind persons outside the school helped again. Notable among these are the members of the Women's Association, especially Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Ormsby; Mr. Arthur Boothroyd who again gave valuable artistic help; Miss Doris Fitton who gave needed advice on some difficulties; Norton Whitmont, and John Tyson who helped in building scenery and in make-up respectively; Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong who gave generously of time to make and design costumes for soldiers, and Mrs. Armstrong's help was much appreciated by these who had to cope with togas; and the mothers and friends of the school who devoted much time and patience in making costumes; we are deeply grateful for their continued interest and skill.

Once again we were greatly helped by Mrs. Billing, our associate producer, with her knowledge of the stage craft. Also we must record our thanks to Bob Pridham and Neville Grundie, who gave invaluable help to the Producer.

Our dinner was held at the school on the night of the dress rehearsal and was appreciated by all, and though no Dance was held this year we have booked ahead for next year. We have gained much new equipment this year — a new light dimmer, new curtains for the stage, more costumes, generously donated and more electrical gear. We hope to erect a large storage cupboard this year.

Despite progress made, the Players need more boys to help,

especially as actors, and more ideas from the School as to future plans. Our thanks go to the Committee and all who are members, and we hope to see still more progress next year.

H.McD.

## CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

THE School Choir and Orchestra have had a more eventful year than last year. We were pleased to see more sixth formers playing an active part in the choir, but were appalled at the lack of interest shown by the present fifth form.

On a number of occasions the choir or orchestra have entertained the School at assembly and these performances have done much to stimulate interest throughout the School.

The highlights of the year's activities were two concerts given near the end of second term, the one by choir, orchestra and soloists at S.C.E.G.G.S., and the other in Big School with the assistance of the North Shore Symphony Orchestra. We were pleased to see Big School full on this occasion and are indeed grateful to the members of the orchestra who gave their valuable time.

We wish to record our thanks to all those who have helped in making the year so successful, the members of the Choir, Orchestra and Junior Orchestra and all those who have assisted in any other way and look forward to an even more successful time next year.

R.J.H.

## ANNUAL SCIENCE EVENING

'SCIENCE AND THE CITIZEN' No. 8 this year proved to be one of the best yet.

Mr. H. Fletcher, Curator of Fossils of the Australian Museum, gave talks illustrated by lantern slides, to the Early and Late Afternoon Sessions. His general subject was 'Antarctica', and his talks were enlivened by his own experiences with the British-Australian New Zealand Research Expedition to the Antarctic in 1929-31.

The Department of External Affairs Film *Blue Ice* was shown at both the Early Afternoon and Evening Sessions. It features the work of the Department's Antarctic Division in the develop-

ment of the work at the Mawson base. The colour photography by Mr. P. G. Law, Director of the Division, is excellent.

Associated with Mr. Fletcher in the Late Afternoon Session was Professor J. P. Baxter, Vice-Chancellor of the N.S.W. University of Technology, whose talk on 'Modern Plastics' was amply illustrated by slides and specimens. In the Evening Session, his handling of the subject, 'What we can expect from Atomic Energy', was likewise alive with demonstrations of the detection and measurement of radioactive effects, slides illustrating atomic nuclear reactions and industrial plant. It was indeed a pleasure to witness the man who has made himself well-known by his radio talks, as well as being an expert in the industrial field, and, as vice-chairman of the Australian Atomic Energy Commission, one who is playing a significant part in our nation's progress.

As official Chairman for this year's Science Evening, Professor Baxter introduced Professor J. Clark (of the School of Applied Psychology, N.S.W.U.T.), who outlined the purpose and scope of the new university's activities with appropriate slides and illustrations. A model of the University was on view.

Professor Vowels, of the School of Electrical Engineering, arranged for the extension of viewing and hearing the sessions into H Room and the School Dining Room. This was a noteworthy achievement, only limited by the lighting conditions in Big School. All films and slides were able to be seen this way, the only deficiency being lack of colour. Mr. Arnold, of the same School, spent much time in preparation for this, leaving nothing to chance. He has been playing a prominent part in courses designed to instruct electrical engineers, recently.

Other films used in the programme were *The Story of Peter and the Potter* (Early Afternoon Session), *Wardens of Waterton* (Late Afternoon Session), and *Loon's Necklace* (Evening Session). They were lent by the Canadian Film Office, and conformed to the usual high standard of production and interest which have been a feature of their contributions to previous Science Evenings.

The Mothers of boys of Tutor Group 10 again catered, well and in good taste, for afternoon tea, the evening meal and supper. The Demonstration Sessions included some ex-

cellent line spectra, and associated light experiments, work on electrode potential, frog-dissections, in all of which the boys played a noteworthy part. The Minson Scientific Company gave us a first-class display of glass-blowing and working.

Mr. Keeble, Mr. and Mrs. Lenthall, and Mr. Knight gave valuable time and aid to ensure the Evening's success. Mr. Chalmers of the Australian Museum lent some geological specimens of radioactive minerals.

The War Memorial Fund benefited by £60. With the War Memorial Fund approaching its closure, it may be worth recording the contributions of the Science Evenings: No. 1 1948, £16-2-0; No. 2 1949, £24-8-0; No. 3 1950, £24-12-0; No. 4 1951, £27-10-0; No. 5 1952, £22-7-0; No. 6 1953, £48-10-0; No. 7 1954, £70-0-0; No. 8 1955, £60-0-0; Total £293-9-0.

And now to 1956! The date is April 26th, Thursday. The theme of this Science and the Citizen No. 9 is Anthropology and Archaeology featuring Professor A. P. Elkin and, we hope, Professor A. D. Trendall. Vital scientific contributions to these fields will be revealed. Keep the date. R.M.

## AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

A donation of £10 from the S.G.S. Women's Association has enabled an improvement in presentation of the September issue of *Agrophylax*. Production costs were over £20. To what extent this is justifiable remains to be seen. Complaints about quality of presentation have been met, but the majority still seem to look on with 'unpatronising' contempt.

It must be recorded, however, that interest at Grammar in agriculture as a career was probably never higher, and through *Agrophylax* we are maintaining contact with recent Old Sydneians, which is worth continuing at a loss for this alone. But need we? Nor need we depend upon charity. In the absence, however, of adequate support within the School, we must seek additional means of financing, such as asking for donations at our weekly film show (we cannot CHARGE for entry, under the conditions of borrowing of the films, asking for an annual subscription for membership, or the like.

## CARPENTRY

GOOD work is being maintained, and with the wide range of tools available, it is to be hoped that increased interest will be forthcoming in 1956. About fifteen boys have been attending regularly, under the direction of Mr. J. Goldsmith. R.M.

## CRUSADERS

THE interest in and enthusiasm for this half-year's activities have shown an increase, and much credit for this must go to the two leaders, David White and Jim O'Regan and to the enthusiastic committee which has supported them. Numbers attending meetings have been sustained and a good programme of speakers, films, discussions and Bible studies have been arranged. Tuesday morning Bible Studies have shown encouraging attendance, and it is hoped to continue these as a regular feature. Prayer meetings continue regularly on Friday mornings, and a new Friday lunch-time discussion has begun this term.

Boys from the School attended the camp at Wentworth Falls in September, and it is hoped that the usual good attendance will be in evidence at Lake Macquarie camps in January, where an unusual and interesting programme for junior and senior camps has been arranged.

Activities for this term include a combined party after the G.P.S. Sports and it is hoped, a Committee Week-end to discuss plans for next year. It is interesting to note the great increase in the number of boys who have been awarded badges this year. It is also hoped that Old Boys who have been Crusaders at School will contact the School Group with a view to giving support from their aspect. We hope that Crusaders who leave School this year will continue to support their School meeting and the Union.

Despite encouraging progress, there is still much ground to be covered. We need to appreciate in our education the need for spiritual as well as material things, and to gain a fully balanced education, we must not neglect one at the expense of the other. To this end Crusaders exist, to express and develop the spiritual values, which, as part of our training for life, we must strive to understand.

H.McD.

## STAMP CLUB

THE season opened quietly, but attendance increased during the year, and we now have about thirty members.

In second term we started our own library. The following persons have given us books and catalogues: A. W. Barry, Esq., the Royal Sydney Philatelic Club, Dr. K. S. Parker and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. S. Parker. Mr. Parker gave us a rubber stamp for stamping our books and catalogues. Any gifts of books or catalogues, however old, will be very much appreciated.

During October we will have our Annual Competition, for which Mrs. A. C. Campe, a Sydney stamp dealer, has given a large loose-leaf stamp album as a prize. J. Sapsford, in the Sixth Form, has also given some valuable stamps for prizes.

Towards the end of this year we hope to have a lecture by R. M. Knight, Esq., of Sydney University, together with film strips.

Next year we hope to show several films on Stamps and Stamp Collecting, and also some lectures by prominent Sydney philatelists.

B.S.P.

## R.A.N.R. CADETS

TRAINING in the various branches of seamanship has been progressing steadily and satisfactorily in H.M.A.S. *Rushcutter* this term.

Towards the end of last term Scots, Cranbrook and Grammar Naval Cadets joined with the N.S.W. Sea Cadet Corps for the Annual Review and Church Service at Garden Island. The cadets were inspected by Acting Rear Admiral H. J. Buchanan, C.B.E., D.S.O., and the Service was conducted by the Port Chaplain, Rev. J. O. Were, R.A.N., in the Dockyard Chapel, where the Colours were laid up for the time being. We were very pleased to have the Senior Prefect and some of 6th Form boys visit us for this occasion, and the Training Officer, Lt. Cdr. W. O. C. Roberts, R.A.N., welcomed Major A. J. Hill, Fl/Lt. L. Webster and Fl/Lt. L. Scott to the dockyard.

On 16th August last our cadets left Sydney in H.M.A.S. *Cootamundra* for their annual cruise — this year to Brisbane.

The cruise was for eight days during which the boys were under instruction and working part of the ship. The ship was doing mine-sweeping and other exercises off the Queensland coast.

P.T.



**CURTAIN CALL — JULIUS CAESAR**

R.W.M.— 5A LOWER — G.P.

## **THE CADET CORPS**

THE CORPS has put in a year's hard work and has reached a standard of training and efficiency. At the time of writing the Mitchell Trophy and the L. E. Walcott Cup have yet to be decided. The H. A. Henry Sword goes to Cadet Under Officer M. P. Addison, the Senior Under Officer of the Corps.

The Annual Ceremonial Parade is to take place on Monday 17th October. The inspecting officer will be Major-General D. Macarthur Onslow, C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D.

The Band practised for Anzac Day, but owing to a change in the policy of the R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. regarding youth bands, they did not appear in the march.

Two Range Days were held at Long Bay Rifle Range. The first, in April, was the usual musketry course. The second, in July, for Bren as well as rifle, was attended by Headquarter and Support Companies, together with the officers and NCO's of A and B Companies.

The Annual Camp was held at Singleton in August. The Corps had an attendance of three hundred and eleven, a record for us. In training the stress was laid on tactics. The culminating point was a 'relief in the line' carried out in pouring rain on the Saturday night. From all points of view this camp was an outstanding success.

G.F.R.C.

## AIR TRAINING CORPS

No. 6 FLIGHT, Sydney Grammar School, has had an active and successful year under the command of Fl/Lt. L. W. Webster. The Flight did not go to camp in May, as hoped, but in August divided, some going to Uranquinty to attend a Basic Flying School and a Junior Non-commissioned Officers' Course, others to Richmond for Cadet Pilot Officer and Senior N.C.O. Courses.

F/Sgt. D. A. R. Hocking passed the Cdt./Plt/Off. course.

Cpls. R. F. Dobson, R. G. Rees and L.A.C. R. S. Smith passed the Senior N.C.O. course. L.A.C. Smith came second, and he and the top-marker were taken up in a Wirraway for quite a long flight, and some mild aerobatics.

Congratulations are extended to all these for their success. The Cdt/Plt/Off. Course was reviewed by Air Commodore W. H. Garing, C.B.E., D.F.C., Air Officer Commanding, Richmond.

Cdts. D. L. Brown, W. H. Watts, W. P. Withers, and P. R. Gabbe, passed the Junior N.C.O. course at Uranquinty.

The following cadets are to be L.A.C.'s: R. S. Champion, S. D. Cumming, K. J. Bos, R. P. De Lambert, M. A. Hudson, A. Obrart, G. B. Segal, J. G. Thompson, P. Whitehead and R. C. Yip.

At Richmond Fl/Lt. Webster was officer in charge of the course, and Cdt/Plt/Off. R. W. Pridham assisted in the instruction of the Senior N.C.O. Course in rifle, foot, and squadron drill. Fl/Lt. Scott was adjutant of the camp at

Uranquinty and was seen to thrive on the job.

Sgt. M. L. Thompson represented the Air Training Corps, New South Wales, in the Interstate Rifle Team, which came fourth in its match.

A Field Day was held at the Artillery School at North Head, giving the Flight some insight into the other side of the battle.

The Drill Flight Competition is to be held at the end of October, and our competition training flight has high hopes of retaining the Cup.

G.F.R.C.

## EXCHANGES

GREAT BRITAIN: *The Firefly*, Newcastle High School, Newcastle-under-Tyne, Staffordshire; *Marlburnian*, Marlborough College, Wiltshire; *Framlinghamian*, Framlingham College, Suffolk; *The Radleian*, Radley College, Abingdon, Berkshire; *The Brazen Nose*, Brasenose College, Oxford; *The Dane*, St. Clement Danes Grammar School, London, W12.

CANADA: *The College Times*, Upper Canada College, Toronto.

NEW ZEALAND: *The Waitakian*, The Waitaki High School, Oamuru; *St. Cuthbert's Chronicle*, St. Cuthbert's College, Market Street, Auckland, SE3.; *Wanganui Collegian*, Wanganui Collegiate, Wanganui; *The Nelsonian*, Nelson College, Nelson.

TASMANIA: *Hutchins School Magazine*, Hutchins School, Hobart.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA: *The Swan*, Guildford Grammar School, Guildford; *The Scotch College Reporter*, Scotch College, Claremont.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA: *Adelaide Boys' High School Magazine*, Adelaide Boys' High School, Adelaide; *The Pulteney Grammar School Magazine*, Pulteney G. S., Adelaide.

QUEENSLAND: *The Viking*, Brisbane Church of England Grammar School, Brisbane; *Brisbane Grammar School Magazine*, Brisbane Grammar School, Brisbane; *Capricornus*, Rockhampton Grammar School, Rockhampton.

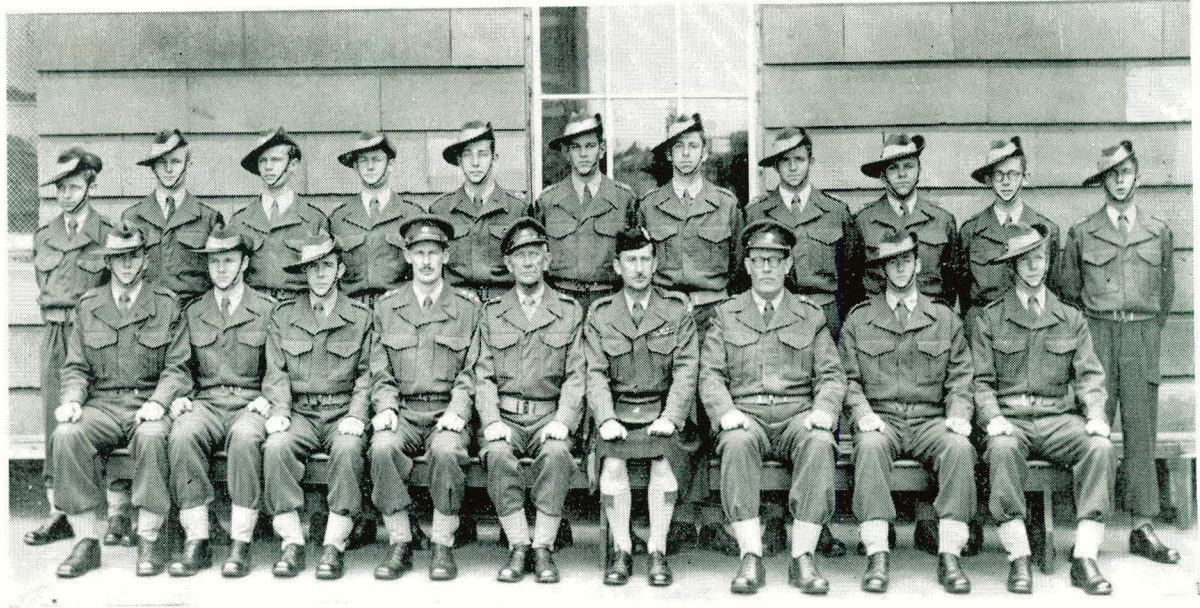
VICTORIA: *The Ballarat Grammarian*, Ballarat Grammar School, Ballarat; *The Melburnian*, Melbourne C. of E. Grammar School, South Yarra, Melbourne; *Silver and Green*, Methodist Ladies' College, Hawthorn; *The Journal of the R.A.A.F. College*, The R.A.A.F. College, Victoria Barracks, St. Kilda Road,

Melbourne; *The Pegasus*, Geelong College, Geelong; *The Corian*, Geelong C. of E. Grammar School, Corio; *The Scotch Collegian*, Scotch College, Melbourne; *The Wesley College Chronicle*, Wesley College, Prahran; *The Ivanarian*, Ivanhoe Grammar School, Melbourne.

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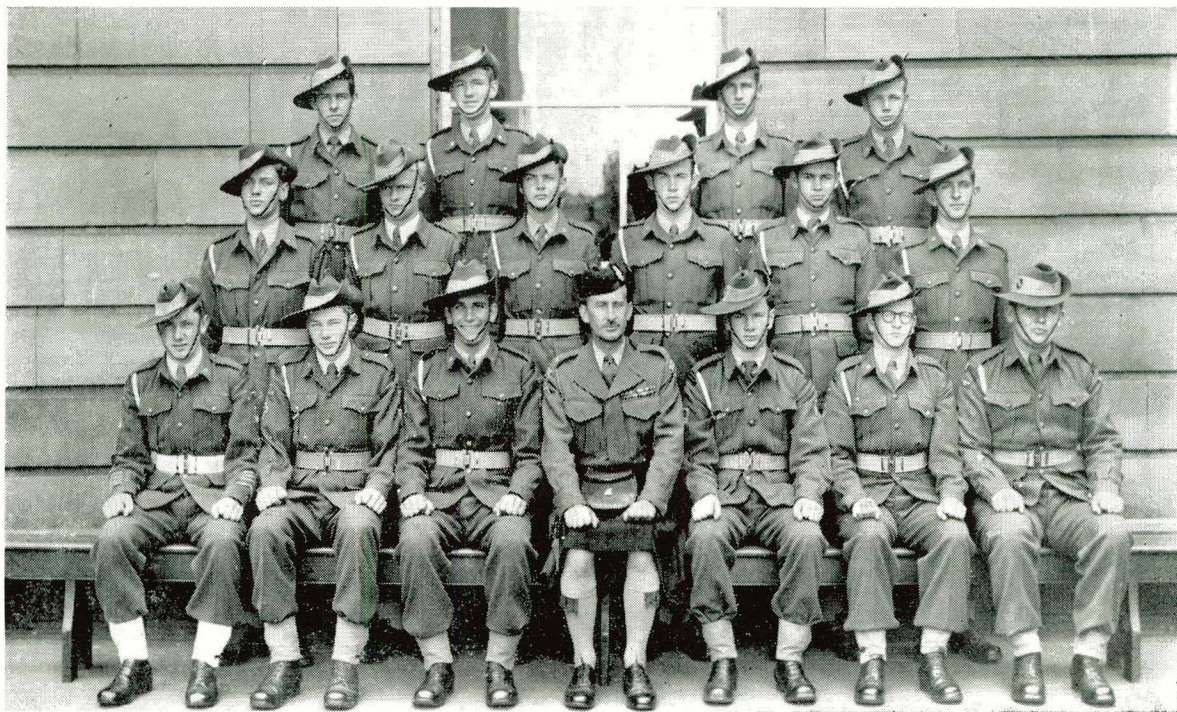
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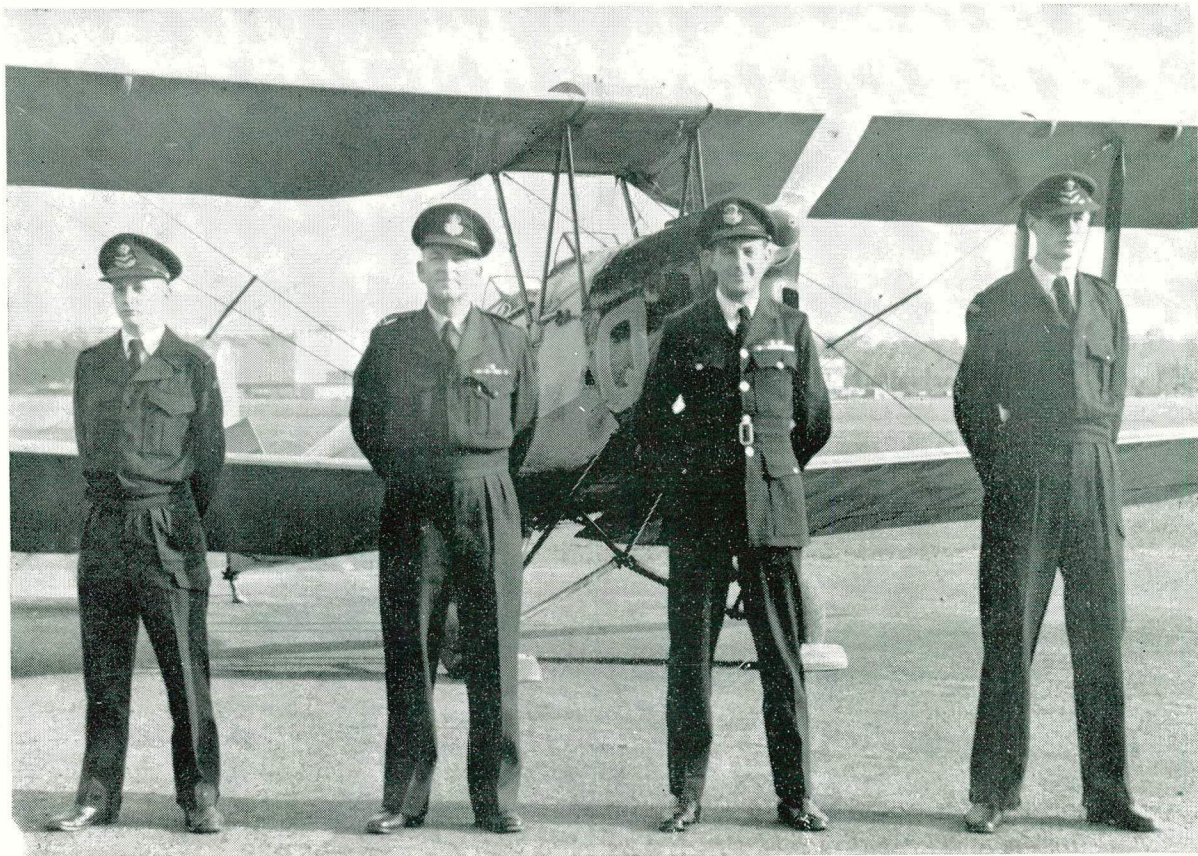
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*Standing:* CUO's RSM WITCOMBE; DJ BRIAN; DC COLLINSON; PJL KING; J GREATHEAD; LW WING; AC ANDERSON  
AR MURPHY; DW FORD; FG BINNS; RM KEEP. *Seated:* CUO's. RD PERRETT; RE BUTTFIELD; MP ADDISON;  
CAPT DE LLOYD; CAPT AP SCOTT; MAJ AJ HILL; CAPT RL ROFE; CUO's JRL RICH; J. R. VICARS.



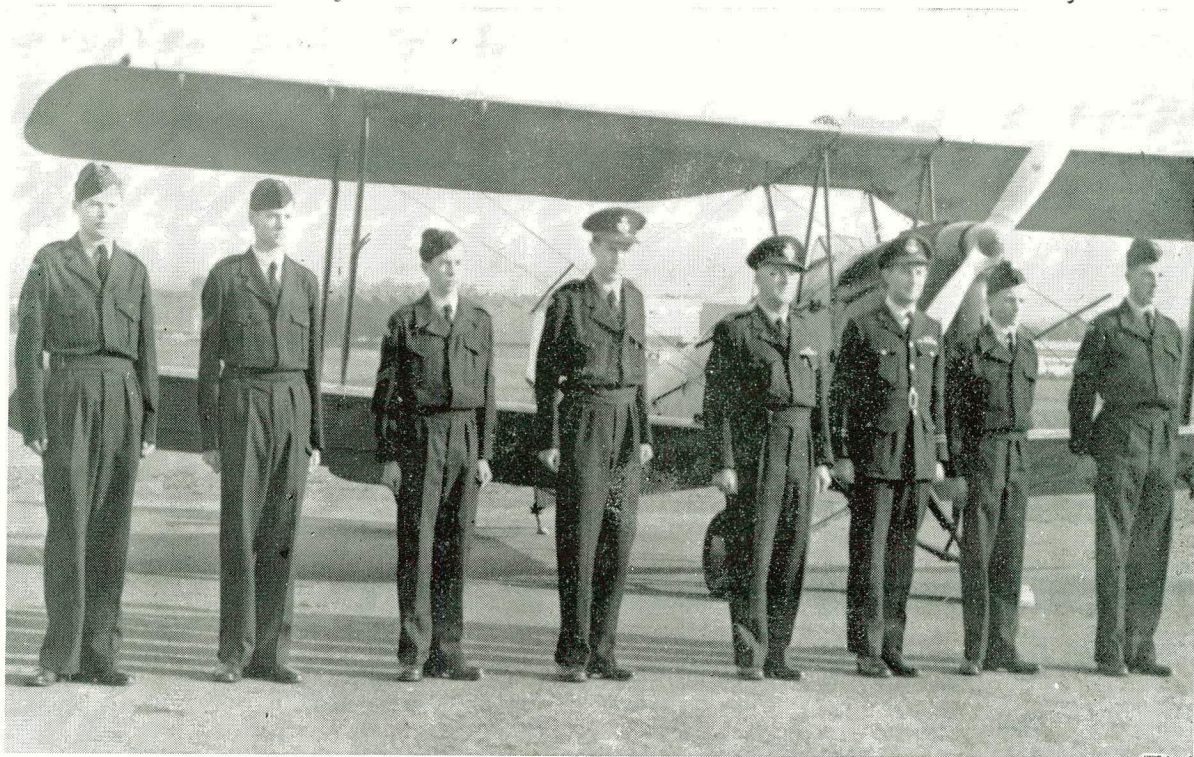
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*Back Row:* SGTs JR GRIMMOND; MR CARPENTER; GL THORBURN; MB CAMPBELL. *Second Row:* SGTs. CK LAXTON; JB WINDEYER; LF ROFE; RW MATHESON; RE JEREMY. *Seated:* DRM-MAJ JC GREY; WOII's DH WHITE; PDR ISHERWOOD; MAJ AJ HILL; WOII's AEF ROFE; BK DICKEY; WRA JOHNSTON



**A.T.C. SIX FLIGHT S.G.S. — OFFICERS 1955**

C.P.O. PRIDHAM; FLT. LT. WEBSTER, E.D. (o.c.); FLT. LT. SCOTT (ADJ.); C.P.O. WHITEHEAD.



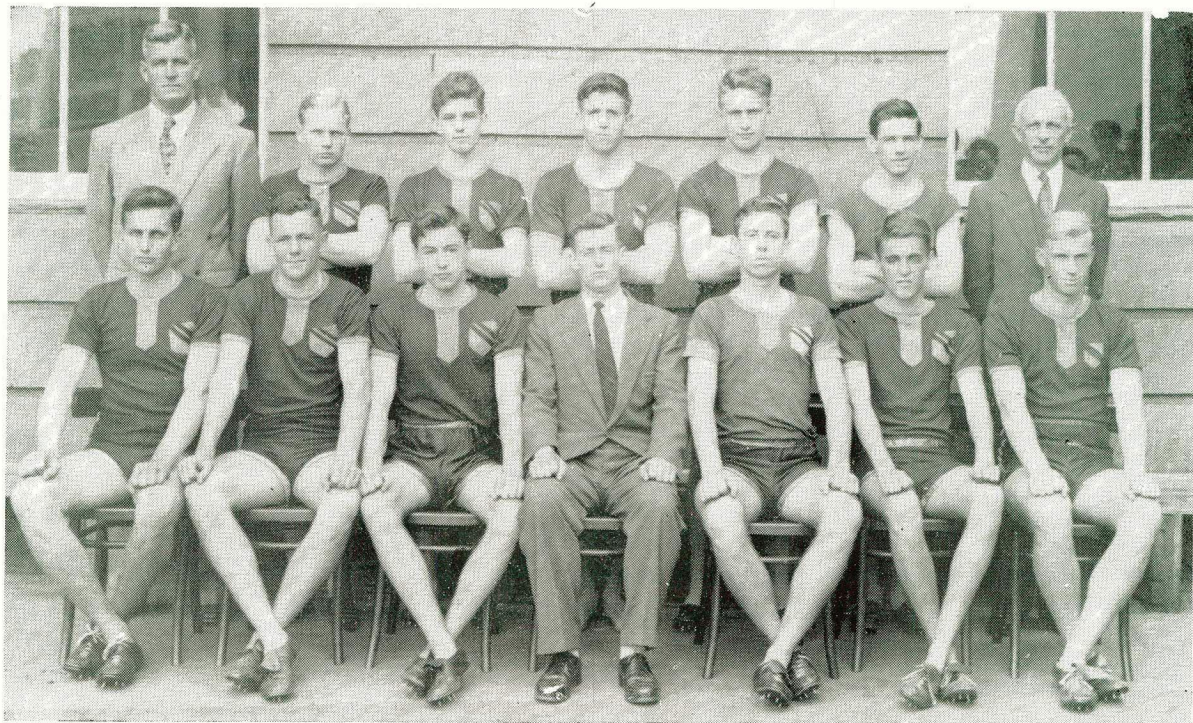
**A.T.C. SIX FLIGHT S.G.S. — OFFICERS AND N.C.OS. 1955**

*Left to Right:* FLIGHT SGT. HOCKING; CPL. DOBSON; CPL. MIDDLETON; W.O. CROSBY; FLT. LT. WEBSTER, E.D. (o.c.); FLT. LT. SCOTT Adj.); CPL. REES; SGT. THOMPSON.



**S.G.S. FIRST FIFTEEN 1955**

*Back Row, left to right: R. CHAINE; P. WEST; A. F. GRAY; W. D. MARKS; G. A. FURLONG; H. M. CANVIN. Middle Row: DR. G. N. B. STOREY; D. P. STEVENS; A. R. MURPHY; A. D. PERRETT; A. R. MCGILVRAY; D. M. WHITEHEAD; I. M. EDWARDS, ESQ. Front Row: R. SIMPSON; B. G. JACKSON; J. R. NEEDL (CAPTAIN); A. C. ANDERSON (VICE-CAPTAIN); B. G. FREW; J. R. L. RICH. Absent: A. P. DENNETT, ESQ.*



**SENIOR ATHLETICS TEAM 1955**

*Standing:* K. P. HARDIE, ESQ.; M. B. CAMPBELL; L. P. ROY; A. R. MURPHY; D. P. STEVENS; J. R. GRIMMOND;  
 C. O. HEALEY ESQ. *Seated:* B. R. ALLEN; R. D. PERRETT; P. WEST; J. R. L. RICH (CAPTAIN); A. C. ANDERSON;  
 J. B. O'REGAN; R. C. COZENS. *Absent:* D. H. WHITE.

# SPORTING

## SPORTSMASTER'S NOTES

THE Head-of-the-River has been our most striking success of the year. Perhaps this year's eight which won by a canvas was somewhat superior to the admirable 1952 crew which was beaten by two feet; certainly its final training period and Regatta performance were greatly impressive and deserved commendation for all concerned. There was also visible improvement in the Fours. And it is to be remembered that in rowing, more than in any other of our sports, the coaching tends to be done by friends from outside the School walls, amateurs in the true meaning of the word.

We are now at the end of an interesting five-year period, what the calendar shows as the first five years of this half-century. Credits might be offered for various accomplishments. Two hearty new developments of the period have been the Boat Club Association and the Old Sydneians' Cricket Club. The Women's Association flourishes as ever, or perhaps as never before. The Group system has stimulated sport very significantly. Athletes are now coming to the main school from St. Ives and Prep. matches are beginning between the parent school and its child. For the School, major G.P.S. titles won have been in Rowing 1955, Senior Athletics 1954, Rifle-Shooting and Junior Athletics 1953. These, however, do not fully represent the keenness devoted to games, as anyone familiar with our football Saturdays and other efforts will agree. We have won when we could; we contend well always. West's G.P.S. half-mile was an outstanding performance; other boys whose legs could not carry them to a place ran just as ardently. We even have junior tennis players who defeat present seniors, though the latter are fully as keen. And, when personality has come to be considered, it has been

seen that the most sportsmanlike of boys have often been those who have failed to gain selection in a team at all. And there we should like to leave the contentious debate between the game and the prize.

However, sport becomes inordinately intense. Schools will feel the impact of the coming Olympic Games, with its athletics armaments race between nations. One gloomily recalls the Nazi approach to the Berlin Games. And one hopes that competitors will raise a cheerful laugh or two at the next Olympiad. Meanwhile, a former continental coach, who is evidently pleased to reside in our country, issues a timely warning to Australians that, in order to prepare for world titles, they must run, swim or row their hundreds of miles and throw their javelins and discuses till their fingers bleed. Certainly, O'Reilly and others have done no less with cricket ball or tennis racquet and footballers have expected minor dislocations of joints and have calmly accepted worse injuries. A great prize costs much sweat and even some blood. But no one ever proved to satisfaction that victory in these things is acceptable at all costs. While, therefore, it is hoped that the sportsmanship of the British and other chivalrous nations will prevail in the world field, still more in school sport must humanity in such contests be a primary aim.

Longevity, we take it, will always be associated with Grammar. Earlier, this year, Mr. T. A. H. Wing, cricket coach of thirty and forty years ago, attained his eighty-eighth year, modestly disclaiming any credit for the feat. We are highly pleased to see him frequently among our most seniors at Weigall and one may reflect pleasantly that if his years were stretched back, end to end with those of two other grand old masters, Mr. F. G. Phillips and Mr. Hyam Marks, they would reach a time before anyone had been able to observe that Queen Anne was dead. Coming to Mr. Crocker, his recent accomplishment of his fortieth year at Grammar recalled to many the days when he headquartered in his den near the tuck-shop, penning his notes for despatch round the School, while the high, the middle and the low visited him at lunch-time to scan that vast and inevitably dusty collection of team photographs or to have the pleasure of some man-

to-man conversation. One remembers with gratitude, also, the great fund of respect and goodwill for Grammar which he proudly and modestly maintained among other schools. This year saw, at the University Union, a dinner for old Blues, the first for a long time or, perhaps, the first ever. Towering over all present was the only quadruple blue, R. J. A. Massie, while Grammar's Tim Lamrock was the only triple blue among the one hundred and fifty present. Inevitably during that evening, audible groans went up when blues were announced for such upstart recreations as baseball and Australian rules football. There are still great men living who faced the fast bowlers without pads on, or who were mighty in the maul-in-goal.

These rambling notes offer less than justice for this year and the present. From Prep. and Lower School to the prefects' quarters, there has been activity and interest. The Senior prefect, John Vicars, is a triple colour and captain; Bob Perrett, David Stephens and Alan Murphy are also triple colours and others are not far away. Colours are certainly not becoming easier to win; on the other hand, boys are contending better to win them. One would wish to have space to mention all masters and friends of the School who help these things along.

The Headmaster found time, not only for athletics training but for much else, including running instruction to stretch the legs of senior footballers. We might go on to observe that in the O.S. race at the Swimming Carnival, the Chairman of the Trustees strove with the youngest and the fittest of them and a very fine race resulted in spite of all the hazards of the deep. The worthy and modest inhabitants of School House never thrust themselves unduly into notice. We therefore acclaim their impressive win in the senior relay at the Sports. This term, we welcome a new shield on the walls of the School, or of Barton Group who have won it: the Parents and Friends' shield to the champion group in rowing which the President, Dr. Michael Barry, presented at a recent Assembly.

With very special esteem, we record the gift of cricket bats and other equipment by Mr. Fergus Whyte, the father of Neil.

## FOOTBALL

THE season, as a whole, was rather full and satisfactory. Strengthening of teams was evident. There was little of excessive rain or other marring incident.

A summary of play may be seen as follows:

	<i>No. of Teams</i>	<i>Matches</i>			<i>Points</i>	
		<i>Won</i>	<i>Drawn</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
Upper School	7	41	12	28	820	713
Middle School	12	71	8	35	1302	626
Lower School	9	46	4	24	723	372
Totals	28	158	24	87	2845	1711

These are the best results for a very long time. It was an unusual day when teams did not yield a balance of wins, and in the Age divisions, the A and B teams were among the most successful.

Coaching strength was much the same as last year. Two Coaches' Evenings were held at the School, at one of which Charlie Fox, Old Sydneian and Vice-Captain of the 1927 Waratahs, was a welcome speaker.

An increased number of boys gained Junior Referees' Badges after classes conducted by Mr. D. Phippard. They were D. W. Ford, J. Niesche, G. L. Thorburn, G. F. Walker, P. C. Firth, T. S. Earlam, R. D. Fitzgerald, D. A. Hocking and L. W. Wing.

Old boys who refereed matches at Weigall were: Messrs. Lewis Tomalin, Jim Crawford, David Phippard, Dick Scotton, Alan Francis, Doug Willcock, Peter Nathan, John Barnet, Beresford Bluett, Bill McPhee, Noel Roscoe, Ken Turner, Don Heath, David Fox, Johnny Walker, Alex Tahmindjis and Jim Wiley.

A continuing interest is the success of old boys in senior football. Dave Emanuel (1951) played strongly with the Australian team in New Zealand. Old Sydneians were probably most in evidence with University Club, of which Peter Baume (1951) is Hon. Secretary and for which six played with the premier first grade team, namely Doctors Pat Harvey, Murray Lloyd and Tod Davis (all 1948), Col Davis (1950), Johnny Walker (1953) and Graham White (1954). To complete the

Old Sydneian (and medical) interest, the grand final was refereed by Dr. Roger Vanderfield.

Special visitors at football assemblies were Mrs. R. J. French and Major-General W. M. Anderson, C.B.E., D.S.O.

The Ian Clark Anderson Memorial Cup was awarded to Michael Galland, who was also captain of the Under 13 A XV. A trophy for kicking, presented by an Old Sydneian, Mr. L. B. Dibbs, was awarded to Malcolm Ives, who was also captain of the 3rd XV.

Our warm thanks to all who assisted in the season's activities, to all the ladies at the Ground, to St. John's Ambulance and the N.S.W. Rugby Union, to many Old Sydneians and other ready friends.

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### First Fifteen

FOUR members of the 1954 side returned and players coming up gave promise of keenness and mobility, if not of positive skill or toughness. Players developed well around their captain, John Neeld, in practice matches, which went as follows:

*v.* S.I.C., AT RIVERVIEW — WON 18-11

Tries were four to two, ours by Neeld (1) who moved smartly, Marks (2) by good backing up and Perrett (1) who ran eighty yards after an intercept to decide a close result at the end. Stevens converted three. Both sides played well for a first appearance.

*v.* T.A.S., AT ARMIDALE — WON 6-3

Armidale set a very fast pace but Grammar's condition was already good. The scores indicate a close result — two good penalty goals by Stevens to one by T.A.S. Actually, Grammar continuously attacked brightly and well, frequently endangering Armidale's line, but the home defence was both enterprising and tenacious. A keen and spirited match.

*v.* IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL, AT WEIGALL — WON 26-3

Grammar showed some good idea of movement but the pace was rather slow. Our tries were scored by Anderson, Rich, West, Furlong, Frew and Murphy, and Stevens kicked a goal and two penalties.

In charge of the Ipswich team, we were particularly glad to meet their master, Mr. Alan Ware, a former Queensland representative, who actually had played with his School side when our strong 1950 team met them in Ipswich.

v. S.J.C., AT HUNTER'S HILL — WON 13-12

This, the first game after the May holidays, was played on sheets of cold water, a condition which made handling difficult but was otherwise accepted by nearly all players as an added attraction.

In play which was quick and vigorous, each team scored three tries. Simpson early began the scoring with a well judged and strong individual run and Anderson scored again with fast following up. Grammar was ahead at half-time but then lost Furlong through injury. Score: 8-6.

St. Joseph's now made their pressure tell and, in spite of an excellent Grammar defence in which Neeld did the work of two men, St. Joseph's gained a lead of 12 to 8. However, right at the end of a stirring contest, Grammar forwards drove to St. Joseph's line where Jackson made certain of scoring and Stevens converted in most difficult conditions to gain the necessary point for a most exciting win: 13-12.

v. OLD SYDNEIANS, AT WEIGALL — DRAWN 6-ALL.

This game was played as usual in mid-week and at less than full pressure. Old Sydneians were stronger in individuals and the School were a bit better in combination. Each side kicked two penalty goals, Stevens for the School.

v. C.B.C. (WAVERLEY), AT WEIGALL — LOST 8-11

The difference in scores was a penalty goal, Neeld scoring our try and Stevens kicking one penalty and a conversion. Play was hard and close. Waverley's stronger forward machine and more fluent three-quarters were mainly matched by a resolute and quick Grammar defence. In the closing stages, playing with a man off, Grammar was on top with several very strong rushes which all but succeeded in evening the scores.

v. SHORE, AT WEIGALL — WON 20-9

Against three penalty goals by Shore, Grammar scored three tries (by Canvin, Anderson and Rich) and three penalties

and a goal (by Stevens). This was the last practice match and Grammar form was good.

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### The Competition

The team had resolved itself as follows: FULL-BACK: Stevens. WINGS: Rich and Simpson. CENTRES: Perrett (outer) and Chaine (inner). FIVE-EIGHTH: Marks. HALF: Neeld (Captain). BACK ROW, with Murphy unavailable: Anderson, Canvin and Furlong (all former three-quarters). SECOND ROW: Frew and Whitehead. FRONT ROW: Jackson (Vice-Captain), supported by Gray and McGilvray (both, former back-row players).

West and Campbell (three-quarters) were 'knocking at the door'.

By good standards, this team lacked the resolution in toughness required for winning the ball in the forwards and lacked assurance in some essentials of back play. However, keenness was very good and general mobility was well apparent in attack and in defence. In practises, 17 tries had been scored against 5 and a total of 97 points against 52. This team of players could be expected to rise well to the strong demands of the competition, particularly in view of their ability and liking for a special rally when a game was ending or the team was playing a man short.

v. SHORE, AT NORTHBRIDGE — WON 6-3

Shore took the initiative, playing with the greater vigour and mainly in Grammar's half for the first fifteen minutes. Then Grammar asserted their form in a good movement which went first along the backs to Rich on the left wing and then infield again through several supporters to Whitehead who was easily crossing the line when a forward pass was ruled. Further indecisive but brisk play followed. Chaine, injured, had to leave the game and Simpson moved to in-centre and Canvin from lock to wing. Shore gained the first score with a penalty goal from forty yards out. Then brighter play by Grammar proved effective when Perrett cut through quickly and outpaced the full-back to score in the right-hand corner. Half-time score: 3-all.

Grammar's seven forwards were by no means out-matched.

Play was vigorous and even in the forwards; and strong individual running in the backs, particularly by Rich and Simpson, several times penetrated deeply through Shore's well-planned defence.

Twelve minutes before time, Neeld was lost through an arm injury. In this tight situation, Grammar rallied sharply and a strong forward drive culminated in Anderson scoring the winning try: 6-3.

It was unfortunate that in this exceedingly clean game each side lost its captain through injury, M. Swinburn (Shore) for the next four or five matches and Neeld for the rest of the season.

With Chaine and Murphy now also on the side-line, our scheme of things was somewhat affected.

v. S.H.S., AT WEIGALL — WON 11-6

Anderson now led the team in the field while Neeld remained captain. Simpson was to remain at in-centre, West going to right-wing and Addison to scrum-half.

Once again, our opponents were the first to score, a blind-side movement near the scrum enabling their right-winger to go over in the first ten minutes. Grammar soon equalised when Simpson gained good ground and Stevens kicked a fairly easy penalty goal: 3-all.

High went ahead again with a good penalty kick: 3-6.

Then Grammar took control and finished the half with a very rousing try when Perrett, breaking through from our twenty-five, raced forty yards before having to pass to West, and the ball was then in-passed to Whitehead, Frew, Jackson and finally to Anderson who crossed under the posts for Stevens to convert. Except for one hesitation, the running was at great speed, the backing-up excellent and the passes beautifully timed. Half-time score: 8-6.

Early in the second half, Grammar went a bit further ahead with a good penalty goal by Stevens: 11-6.

Grammar now relaxed quite unnecessarily and a run or two and several kicks by High could have brought a score but failed to do so. Grammar revived but a quick High defence foiled good runs by Canvin, Gray, Simpson, West, Perrett and others. So without further scoring a variable game ended.

v. T.S.C., AT BELLEVUE HILL — DRAWN 8-ALL

Grammar, facing a stiff southerly wind, did not produce convincing team form. Scots' forwards were quicker to the ball and Grammar halves were slow. Scots' in-centre moved smartly to a try, his team added two goals and at half-time, Grammar was down: nil-8.

The wind now dropped under heavy rain which made handling difficult. Grammar, however, was in earnest. Perrett, who had so far been starved, gathered a loose ball, moved away smartly and finished fast to score, for Stevens to convert. Score: 5-8.

Grammar attacked repeatedly, strong individual runs being made by Rich, Simpson, West, Stevens and Anderson. Scots' defence and counter-attack, however, were quick. Eventually West, bringing play infield from his right wing, started an attack in which he himself handled a second time and scored in the left-hand corner. A try in need. Further attacks were made, but inconclusively, and the final score remained: 8-all.

v. N.C., AT WEIGALL.— LOST 6-9

Murphy now returned to the side and Chaine was chosen as scrum-half.

Newington helped themselves well by making the better start. After ten minutes of Newington pressure, a noticeable Grammar slowness in blind-side defence allowed a try: nil-3.

Grammar then got together, however, Jackson breaking away with the ball at toe and forwards in support, the alert Whitehead scoring after a thirty yards rush. 3-all.

Newington resumed the lead with a penalty goal from well back: 3-6.

Fast three-quarter running was seen on both sides but there was no further score to half-time.

The second half was tense, with Newington now defending adequately in a period mainly of Grammar attacks in which our reporter noted good runs by West, Rich, Simpson, Murphy, Anderson, Perrett, Stevens and McGilvray. Eventually, minutes before the end, a good quick-passing back movement went to West who finished with typical dash to score at the corner post. 6-all.

In the last moments, Murphy ran strongly down mid-field but was stopped by the full-back. Play switched suddenly. Newington's left-winger raced in-field. Our defence — how can we express it? — failed completely. The attack was fast and finished under the posts. With the bell ringing, Newington's failure to kick the goal did not matter. Final score: 6-9.

v. T.K.S., AT WEIGALL — DRAWN 6-ALL

In this match, our opponents were known to be very strong and Grammar began with fast movement which went close to King's line. King's counter-attacked and almost scored in turn. Then Simpson sent Perrett away with a well given pass and Perrett's speed took him fifty yards to a try. 3-nil.

King's equalised with a penalty goal. 3-all.

The pace was fast. Grammar did a fair share of attacking and King's attacks were prevented mainly by Anderson and Furlong moving speedily and supported by Marks and Simpson.

In the second half, Gray, Whitehead and McGilvray were conspicuous in strong forward work. Good kicking, however, by King's gained much ground and from a goal-line ruck they were awarded a try. Score: 3-6.

Within five minutes, the score was again even, Anderson breaking fast from an attacking line-out and beating the full-back to a loose ball. 6-all.

The remaining twenty minutes saw continuous quick attack and counter-attack as play unceasingly swept to and fro and across-field and back again, now forwards and now backs racing to put their side ahead. When a ball was dropped it was immediately moved on again. And so play went, with all players at top speed in attack and in defence, so that no player in the closing stages can be singled out — we can only remember that the final bell was ringing as Marks raced down the left-hand touch-line to be stopped a few yards from a try.

v. S.J.C., AT WEIGALL — LOST 3-15

St. Joseph's, undefeated premiers to be, had strengthened visibly since our previous meeting. For Grammar, the versatile Canvin now played front-row in Gray's absence through illness.

The field was wet and heavy but reliable. The first twenty

minutes saw even play in general. However, two lapses of attention in Grammar's defence allowed a forward and a five-eighth try to St. Joseph's. Grammar, gaining little ball at all, except through Whitehead in the line-out, made partial amends when Simpson broke strongly through the main defence and timed well his pass to Perrett who then scored as he could be relied upon to do. There was no further score in this half, in spite of alternating good combined work by our opponents and good gains by Simpson, Rich and the Grammar forward pack. Half-time score: 3-6.

On resuming, Anderson set the pace with a long fast dribbling run to the dead-ball line where he just missed as he dived for a try. Simpson soon followed with a strong relieving run from our goal-line, but St. Joseph's right-winger scored the next try from a movement with an extra man. Score: 3-9.

St. Joseph's were winning the ball so persistently that their full-back was able almost to stay in their back line. Our lock defence did not cope with this situation, although our defence generally was continuously and tirelessly good. And Grammar attack, on the few occasions when we got the ball, was ready and full of thrust. In fact, St. Joseph's fifth and final try was scored from the three-quarters by their full-back — a reflection of their main control of the game. Final score: 3-15.

v. S.I.C., AT RIVERVIEW — LOST 8-23

With Perrett ill, West went to centre and Hayhow wing.

Riverview scored in the first few minutes, through some slowness in the Grammar line-out. Nil-5.

Grammar centres were not playing well together and some general sluggishness was also evident at times. Riverview had scored again, through better sharpness, within fifteen minutes. Score: nil-10.

There was some good individual running by Grammar but Riverview scored a third try from a five-yards scrum. Just on half-time, Grammar did get together with a good movement which went the length of the field in the hands of Hayhow, Marks, Whitehead, Frew, McGilvray, Rich and Simpson; from an ensuing line-out, Jackson forced over and Stevens goaled well. Half-time score: 5-15.

On resuming, Grammar attacked but Riverview backs, all quick to exploit any slowness, went through our centre for a fourth converted try: 5-20.

Stevens kicked a good penalty goal; Furlong and other forwards and Simpson, conspicuously, among the backs, ran repeatedly and strongly, but Riverview's defence was good and quicker movement in their backs brought them a fifth try and the final score: 8-23.

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The competition resulted: 1. S.J.C., 14 points; 2. S.I.C., 12 points; 3. T.K.S., 10 points; 4. N.C., 7 points; 5. S.G.S., 6 points; 6. T.S.C. and S.H.S., 3 points; 8. S.C.E.G.S., 1 point.

Our G.P.S. representation was: 1st XV, Simpson; 2nd XV, Anderson and Frew; 3rd XV, West; Reserves, Whitehead and Marks.

The combined 1st XV was defeated by R.M.C., who were again captained by Ian Mackay (S.G.S. XV, 1950-51) and included Graham Carleton (1952). The other combined teams had wins.

First Fifteen awards for the season were:

COLOURS: B. G. Jackson, A. F. Gray, A. R. McGilvray, B. Frew, D. M. Whitehead, A. C. Anderson, A. R. Murphy, H. M. Canvin, G. A. Furlong, J. R. Neeld, R. Chainé, W. D. Marks, R. Simpson, R. D. Perrett, J. R. L. Rich and D. P. Stevens.

The HAZELL SHIELD was unanimously voted to Neeld, whose absence from the main matches had been as sorely felt as his earlier presence had been effective.

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### Second Fifteen

PRACTICE matches went well and included an enjoyable trip to Canberra Grammar School, our second visit there. The competition began with good football and strong effort in a drawn game with the Shore side who were eventual runners-up. (The competition was won by St. Joseph's and there was varying form among the remaining six teams). Injuries then began to make inroads and twenty-four players were called on in six weeks. Combination suffered, but form in the last match eventually showed improvement.

The most regular players were: FORWARDS, M. Burgess, M. Carpenter, A. Wise, W. Johnston, R. Buttfield (*Vice-Captain*), B. Allen, D. White, C. Prince, P. Falk. BACKS, M. P. Addison (*Captain*), E. Attwooll, R. Griffiths, M. Campbell, R. Hayhow, P. King, J. Keogh.

Addison was a vigorous captain: he and White, a fast break-away, were awarded pennants. Campbell, till injured, and Hayhow were excellent three-quarters. Prince, Falk, Bruwel and Hurt were younger players of promise.

Competition matches resulted as follows:

v. S.C.E.G.S. drawn	6-6	v. N.C. . . won	19-3
v. S.H.S. . . lost	9-15	v. T.K.S. . . lost	9-14
v. T.S.C. . . drawn	3-3	v. S.J.C. . . lost	6-15
v. S.I.C. . . lost	8-14		

### Third Fifteen

COACH: Mr. John Merbach and main players. FORWARDS: C. Prince, W. Herron, D. Moppett, J. Greathead, P. Isherwood, D. Rochester, L. Glen, R. Smith, G. Pallister, P. Falk. BACKS: J. Gleeson, R. Gibson, B. Walker, J. Stone, J. Boag, R. C. Cozens, P. Karnasuta, H. Williams, M. Ives (*Captain*). Other players included G. Walker, D. Button, C. Walker and W. Hurt.

This team began the season in earnest by laying out their coach in the course of normal practice. Much was heard of them from then on, sometimes from quite a distance, and much will be heard of them again. Injuries became a heavy problem and high hopes and intentions ended creditably with third position in the competition. Enjoyable matches were played with All Saints, both at Bathurst and at home. Main results were:

v. S.C.E.G.S. lost	3-6	v. T.K.S. . . lost	6-11
v. T.S.C. . . won	17-6	v. S.J.C. . . lost	3-16
v. N.C. . . won	6-0	v. S.I.C. . . won	17-0

### Upper School

THE FOURTHS, coached vigorously by Alby, won 7 matches and drew the remaining 3, scoring 112 points to 29. An excellent season. Players given are: FORWARDS, H. Cavill, D. Dare, J. Cavill, P. Isherwood (*Captain*), M. Binns, J. Gourlay, M. Wignall, R. Bruwel, P. Gabbe. BACKS, C. Walker, R.

Gibson, D. Lesnie (*Vice-Captain*), R. C. S. Cozens, D. Firth, G. Danks, D. Button, G. Chegwyn.

The FIFTHS had their best season for some time, winning 6 games, with 2 drawn and 3 lost. Mr. D. E. Lloyd was coach and I. Mackertich the captain, who also reported the following players as well as some named in the Fourths: R. Doran, D. Ford, D. Hocking, D. Booth, D. Hodgson, G. Thorburn, M. MacLennan, R. Latham, C. Isaakidis, W. Summonds, J. Gosper, P. McCarthy, P. Denton, R. West, R. Fitzgerald, V. Murray, J. Nicholas, J. C. Grey, R. Martin.

The SIXTHS played for 4 wins and 5 defeats. Of the SEVENTHS Mr. Knock reports well. Two wins in seven games was their portion.

### Middle School

UNDER 15 A XV. Mr. R. M. Glenvale commends the captaincy of A. Mayo, the vice-captaincy of T. Midelton and the team's cultivation of snap, precision and systematic teamwork. The season began well, there was an evident 'mid-season let-down' and then a good recovery and finish. Mayo was the most reliable and resourceful back and, when R. Henecke was five-eighth, the three-quarters, G. Chadwick, G. Spring, C. Ambrosoli and M. Brownrigg were a competent and sometimes brilliant line. B. Vamvas, T. Midelton and A Wood were conspicuous, partly by the nature of their duties, and the remaining forwards were useful.

The season's match results were:

8 won, 2 drawn, 2 lost. Points: 109 to 76

Main matches resulted as follows:

v. S.C.E.G.S. won	13-3	v. N.C. .	drawn 8-8
v. S.H.S. won	11-5	v. T.K.S.	won 9-5
v. T.S.C. lost	3-11	v. S.J.C.	lost 11-13
v. S.I.C. won	11-8		

UNDER 15 B. The captaincy of A. Grundie, ably assisted by T. Cowper, was of great value to this team which developed more slowly than its seniors. At its top it was a formidable combination and lost only one of its main games. W. Vassallo, fast and elusive, and W. Lesnie, unreliable or casual but capable of breaking opposing defences at least once, were too strong

for all opponents except St. Joseph's. P. Eisman was a determined left-wing. T. Cowper, J. Moody, K. Rich and D. Longhurst were seen to advantage in a competent pack.

8 won, 1 drawn, 3 lost. Points: 111-55

v. S.C.E.G.S. won 14-0	v. N.C. won 14-3
v. S.H.S. won 16-3	v. T.K.S. won 9-5
v. T.S.C. won 11-0	v. S.J.C. lost 3-16
v. S.I.C. won 15-3	

In Mr. H. A. Macdonald's group, the UNDER 15 C won 5 and lost 5, while the D team which won 7 and lost 3 scored a total of 203 points against 34, the former figure including one score of over 50 and involving, we believe, milk-shakes all round. Names given are:

UNDER 15 C: R. Vincent, L. Gurton, B. Freeman, T. Carson, J. Robinson, F. Lane, W. James, R. Stanton, J. Hennessy (*Captain*), J. Epstein, G. Browne, L. Pulley, G. White, R. Camfield, G. Cox, H. Doran.

UNDER 15 D: D. McLean (*Captain*), T. Heath (*Vice-Captain*), J. Philips, J. Matheson, B. Tyson, B. Freeman, K. Asplet, J. Alcock, G. Garland, G. Boyce, D. Brown, K. Holder, G. Eggleton, R. Murphie and others mentioned in the C's.

UNDER 15 E and F, reported by Mr. P. Trimble as 'a floating population' evidently floated quite well, between them winning 7 games and losing 5, the E's doing the greater part of the playing and the winning. When unable to find outside opponents they sometimes battled against each other. Chris Walker (5th Form) is commended for his assistance in coaching. The E's main results:

v. S.C.E.G.S. won 11-8, 27-3	v. T.K.S. lost 6-18
v. T.S.C. won 35-0	v. S.J.C. won 18-0

Teams were:

UNDER 15 E: J. Richards (*Captain*), N. Mortimer, A. Faust, P. Wilson, J. Rees, A. Obrart, K. Holder, P. Shanahan, J. Macready, S. Cumming, W. Smallhorn, R. Backhouse, J. Trahar, R. de Lambert, R. Russell.

UNDER 15 F: P. Morgan (*Captain*), J. Greenland, S. Levenson, J. Williams, G. Glasson, M. Dowling, P. Muir, I. South, T. Gould, M. Loader, P. Smith, M. Kennedy, J. Humphries, B. Parker, M. Andrew.

In the UNDER 14 A's and B's, Mr. F. C. Earle acknowledges the help of Alby with teams which together gained 17 wins against 3 defeats for a total of 321 points to 46.

The A's 'have left an image of a strong, vigorous pack revelling in the rucks and of fast hard-tackling backs moving forward down the field. There were competent leaders in an even team', which was: B. Henry, R. Muir, H. Turner, G. Cooney, G. Stephenson, C. Gay, H. Munro, J. Brownrigg, I. Abbott (*Vice-Captain*), A. Town, J. Dezarnaulds, P. Walker, J. Hindmarsh, R. Palmer, R. Davies, D. O'Regan, C. Powell, K. Falconer and I. Black (*Captain*).

The B's 'played cool and confident football. Falconer at full-back was an inspiration; Reilly stood out as half-back and Baldwin was a very good breakaway'. The players: D. Fussell, W. George, P. Moore, J. Bullard, J. Seale, J. Baldwin, M. Webster, K. Bos, D. Baffsky, P. Reilly, G. Bayliss, A. Attwood, M. Elder, E. Starky, I. Tomalin, D. Hall, D. Collier, V. McAllister, K. Falconer (*Captain*).

Mr. E. J. Blau of UNDER 14 C and D: 'A successful season was enjoyed . . . marked by enthusiasm and team spirit. In the C's, players were able to keep together, thanks to Mr. Earle's forbearance, and co-ordination was achieved. There was good tackling and good cover defence. The team was beaten only twice, winning its other nine matches. F. O'Brien's captaincy, D. Grant's speed, P. Rundle's play at half-back, W. Cutcliffe's and D. Yates's driving play in the forwards, all contributed'. J. Bird, R. Kells and H. Leadley are also mentioned among scorers.

'In the D's, everybody in the pool was given match experience. Combination naturally suffered, as results reflected. Nevertheless, the team had the honour of the School's second highest score, 49 to nil. A. Watson, G. Harvey and T. Greenaway formed the mainstay of the scrum, while J. Burke and L. Blanton as full-backs, did their job well. A cheerful enthusiasm was noticeable in spite of frequent defeat.'

The UNDER 14 E and F were favourably reported by Mr. R. C. Knock (as he also was by them) as follows: 'The E's played the game in the right spirit, supporting physical prowess with willing hearts and thoughtful minds. The only

defeat was by Shore (6-9) while the win against St. Joseph's (6-0) was especially good. Particular mention should be made of the captaincy of T. Layton and the kicking of D. McGilvray. The F's won their second match against Shore and were only narrowly defeated by St. Joseph's. Enthusiasm often surmounted shortcomings in tactics. Both teams are grateful to their assistant coach, J. C. Grey'.

The E's had 7 wins to 1 loss, scoring 121 points to 21. Further names which appear in the captain's reports are J. Jamieson, P. Magee, B. Poole, H. Brooks, C. Dorney, P. Foster, K. Lucan, M. Storey, R. Nash, W. Edwards, R. Ranger, W. Berman, P. Wilson, D. Stedman, B. Odling, A. Chandler, R. Ranger. We are glad to read, also: 'Through the whole season, there was only one injury, a minor one, when Poole was kicked in the nose'.

#### Lower School

The UNDER 13 A and B were again the care of Mr. R. W. Billing. The A's: M. Galland (*Captain*), T. Spring, P. Kyle, A. Corban, G. Sample, R. Hearn, P. Johnston, W. Udaeff, J. Scutt, C. Peacock, D. Sims, P. Keogh, D. Doust, G. Kells, R. Bath, J. Jagelman, J. Verschuer. This team, which won 9 out of 12 matches, had 'the desire to play hard football and a willingness to learn'. Forwards and backs combined well, ably linked by the half and captain, Michael Galland. Some new boys contributed well. Special mentions to Spring as full-back and kicker, Kyle and Corban for three-quarter running and Doust, Johnson, Peacock and Kells for hard work in the forwards. A 31-9 win over St. Joseph's was the climax of 'a most enjoyable season'.

The B's: B. Rooke (*Captain*), R. Astrop, T. Philips, P. Halloran, R. Gibb, M. Baldwin, G. Gay, R. Rae, J. Shenstone, N. Graney, A. Watson, D. McKay, H. Wilson, A. Alsop, G. Davis. This team was a little slow and lost opportunities, which meant some defeats instead of wins. However, some good football was enjoyed. Special mention are made of Rooke as captain, Gibb the reliable full-back and Shenstone and Graney, the breakaways.

The UNDER 13 C and D (Messrs. A. K. Swan and H. A.

Macdonald) gained a balance of wins and scored 220 points against 100. The respective captains were I. Craig and W. Service. Other known players were: L. McCaughey, A. Ross, A. Rofe, L. Childs, K. Foreman, C. Cable, A. Duke, T. Hinchcliffe, S. Gain, M. Smith, R. Skiller, B. Gorman and P. Butler.

The UNDER 13 E and F (Mr. L. Scott) played six matches and broke better than even.

The MIDGETS and Mr. R. J. Stevenson had their usual impressive season. The A's won 11 matches and drew 1, scoring 194 points to 27. There were, however, some 'terrific struggles', successes being mostly prepared by the forwards, among whom Short and Herron were outstanding. Other special mentions are of Freeman's drop-kicking, Pigott's point-scoring, Kelly's captaincy and resourcefulness and O'Brien's vice-captaincy. The B's won all their 7 matches, sometimes by fighting back in the second half. Warburton was a very good captain and forward, Schrieber's try in the Riverview match was 'one of the best ever', Birkett was always reliable, Watson very fast and Rowling an intelligent forward and a clever dribbler. The players: A XV: P. Kelly (*Captain*), R. Bardwell, W. Bridges, R. Segart, W. Lyon, J. Pigott, D. Freeman, A. Knevitt, R. Michael, B. O'Brien (*Vice-Captain*), R. Carleton, J. Aucher, B. Anderson, J. Gleeson, H. Herron, J. Wayland, R. Short, W. Martin.

B XV: W. Warburton (*Captain*), G. Rowling, M. McGee, N. Macdonald Gill, P. Tout, J. Bishop, D. Stephens, J. Blackwell, D. Middleton, K. Le Quesne (*Vice-Captain*), D. Birkett, N. Layton, I. Magnus, J. Cutting, D. Watson, D. Schreiber and L. Wing.

PREP., with Mr. D. E. Lloyd, played strenuously, mainly in a hard fought series with Edgecliff Prep. and also with a Tudor House team at Moss Vale.

## ATHLETICS

### The Annual Meeting

AN excellent meeting was held on 13th August, full competition being the order in all events. Conditions were good

but talent was below last year's standard and only one record was made, a high jump of 4ft. 10ins. by J. Antill in the Under 13 division.

Group 8 again won the Macpherson Shield in an interesting contest. Places were: 1. Group 8; 2. Group 7; 3. School House.

Results of championship competitions were as follows:

OPEN: THE W. H. SAVIGNY CUP, SENIOR, P. West.

UNDER 17: THE HYAM MARKS CUP, J. R. Grimmond.

UNDER 16: THE W. H. SAVIGNY CUP, JUNIOR, G. R. Danks.

UNDER 15: THE TODMAN CUP, G. M. Chadwick.

### Results of Events

#### OPEN

100 YARDS: 1. J. Rich, 2. P. West, 3. A. Murphy. *Time* 10.6 secs.

100 YARDS: 2ND DIV.: 1. D. Stevens, 2. D. Collinson, 3. B. G. Wright.

*Time* 11 secs.

220 YARDS: 1. J. O'Regan, 2. J. Rich, 3. P. West. *Time* 24.9 secs.

220 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. D. Stevens, 2. B. G. Wright, 3. B. Allen.

*Time* 26.4 secs.

440 YARDS: 1. P. West, 2. A. Murphy, 3. D. White. *Time* 53.9 secs.

880 YARDS: 1. P. West, 2. D. White, 3. J. O'Regan. *Time* 2 mins.

11.6 secs.

MILE: 1. R. Jeremy, 2. D. White, 3. B. Wright. *Time* 5 mins. 20 secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES: 1. A. Anderson, 2. J. Rich, 3. B. Allen. *Time*

15.6 secs.

BROAD JUMP: 1. R. Perret and P. West, 3. R. Hayhow. *Distance*

19 ft. 4 ins.

HIGH JUMP: 1. B. Allen, 2. J. Boag, 3. J. Grimmond. *Height* 5 feet

2 ins.

SHOT PUTT: 1. B. Allen, 2. A. Murphy, 3. W. Johnston. *Distance*

40 ft. 8½ ins.

MILE HCP.: 1. W. Lyon, 2. Gray, 3. R. Carleton. *Time* 4 min. 47.4 secs.

ALL AGE 100 YARDS HCP.: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. J. Matheson, 3. H. Brook.

*Time* 10.1 secs.

GROUP RELAY: 1. School House, 2. Group 12, 3. Group 8. *Time* 48.5

secs.

#### UNDER 17

100 YARDS: 1. R. Perrett, 2. R. C. Cozens, 3. M. Campbell. *Time*

10.8 secs.

100 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. D. Firth, 2. R. Fitzgerald, 3. R. Buttfield.

*Time* 11.3 secs.

220 YARDS: 1. R. Cozens, 2. R. Perret, 3. J. Grimmond. *Time*

24.7 secs.

220 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. D. Firth, 2. D. Whitehead, 3. A. Mant.

*Time* 26.9 secs.

440 YARDS: 1. J. Grimmond, 2. A. Harris, 3. D. Brian. *Time* 55.8 secs.  
440 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. L. P. Roy, 2. R. Fitzgerald, 3. D. Buttfield.  
*Time* 56.9 secs.  
880 YARDS: 1. J. Grimmond, 2. P. Roy, 3. A. Harris. *Time* 2 mins.  
12.4 secs.  
MILE: 1. P. Roy, 2. S. Kirkham, 3. G. Hoddle. *Time* 5 mins. 4 secs.  
120 YARDS HURDLES: 1. J. Grimmond, 2. D. Lesnie, 3. T. Cavill.  
*Time* 17.4 secs.  
UNDER 17 CHAMPION: J. Grimmond.

#### UNDER 16

100 YARDS: 1. G. Danks, 2. A. Layton, 3. W. Vassallo. *Time* 10.9 secs.  
100 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. R. Smith, 2. P. Wallace-Jones, 3. W. Hurt.  
*Time* 11.7 secs.  
220 YARDS: 1. G. Danks, 2. W. Vassallo, 3. A. Layton. *Time* 25.6 secs.  
220 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. I. Black, 2. K. Rich, 3. I. Phillips. *Time*  
27.5 secs.  
880 YARDS: 1. S. Kirkham, 2. G. Hoddle, L. Rofe, R. Smith and  
G. Pallister. *Time* 2 mins. 15 secs.  
90 YARDS HURDLES: 1. G. Danks, 2. D. O'Regan, 3. T. Midelton.  
*Time* 12.6 secs.  
BROAD JUMP: 1. G. Danks, 2. D. O'Regan, 3. L. Pulley. *Distance*  
18 ft. 6 ins.  
SHOT PUTT: 1. G. Danks, 2. R. Smith, 3. R. Bruwel. *Distance*  
37 ft. 1 in.  
HIGH JUMP: 1. G. Danks, 2. I. Black, 3. L. Rofe. *Height* 5 ft. 0 ins.  
RELAY: 1. Group 6, 2. Group 8, 3. Group 12. *Time* 50.9 secs.

#### UNDER 15

100 YARDS: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. J. Matheson, 3. W. Lesnie. *Time* 11.1 secs.  
100 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. B. Henry, 2. P. Whitehead, 3. J. Baldwin.  
*Time* 11.9 secs.  
220 YARDS: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. G. Chadwick, 3. J. Matheson. *Time*  
25.7 secs.  
220 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. I. Tomalin, 2. J. Baldwin, 3. P. Whitehead  
and D. Longhurst. *Time* 27.9 secs.  
880 YARDS: 1. D. Collier, 2. P. Lane, 3. C. Gay. *Time* 2 mins. 26.8 secs.  
HIGH JUMP: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. D. Collier, 3. G. Lambert. *Height*  
4 ft. 9 ins.  
BROAD JUMP: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. J. Matheson, 3. R. Bruwel.  
*Distance* 17 ft. 3 ins.  
RELAY: 1. Chase Group, 2. School House, 3. Group 8. *Time* 51 secs.  
90 YARDS HURDLES: 1. G. Spring, 2. J. Matheson, 3. G. Chadwick.  
*Time* 13.7 secs.

#### UNDER 14

100 YARDS: 1. H. Brook, 2. J. Jamieson, 3. W. Lesnie. *Time* 11.9 secs.

100 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. T. Farrell, 2. L. Blanton, 3. R. Maybury.  
*Time* 12.5 secs.  
220 YARDS: 1. H. Brooke, 2. V. McAllister, 3. R. Bath. *Time* 27.6 secs.  
220 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. J. Jamieson, 2. G. Cox, 3. R. Maybury.  
*Time* 28.6 secs.  
BROAD JUMP: 1. H. Brooke, 2. V. McAllister, 3. G. Treleaven.  
*Distance* 17 ft. 0 ins.  
HIGH JUMP: 1. J. Antill, 2. G. Treleaven, 3. V. McAllister. *Height*  
4 ft. 10 ins.  
90 YARDS HURDLES: 1. P. Kyle, 2. V. McAllister, 3. R. Palmer. *Time*  
9.6 secs.  
RELAY: 1. Giles Group, 2. Group 6, 3. Group 4. *Time* 54.9 secs.

#### UNDER 13

100 YARDS: R. Segaert, 2. T. Phillips, 3. R. Gibb. *Time* 12.6 secs.  
100 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. N. Sample, 2. F. Magnus, 3. R. Hearn. *Time*  
12. 9 secs.  
HIGH JUMP: 1. J. Antill, 2. R. Hearn, 3. T. Spring. *Height* 4 ft. 11 ins.  
(*Record.*)  
RELAY: 1. Prep., 2. 2A Lower, 3. 2A Upper. *Time* 54.3 secs.

#### UNDER 12

75 YARDS: 1. W. Lyon, 2. S. Watson, 3. A. Knevitt. *Time* 10 secs.  
75 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. G. Richardson, 2. D. Birkett, 3. N. Layton.  
*Time* 10.7 secs.

#### UNDER 11

50 YARDS: 1. D. Hillary, 2. A. Frost, 3. H. Lesnie. *Time* 7.4 secs.  
50 YARDS, 2ND DIV.: 1. M. Alsop, 2. R. Kinkade, 3. S. Kay. *Time*  
7.9 secs.

#### UNDER 10

50 YARDS: 1. G. Wilson, 2. R. Gain, 3. G. Eckstein. *Time* 7.4 secs.  
PREP.  
50 YARDS AGE HANDICAP: 1. G. Wilson, 2. R. Gain, 3. T. Watson.  
*Time* 6.1 secs.

#### OLD SYDNEIANS

100 YARDS HANDICAP: 1. G. Bromhead, 2. G. Marks, 3. W. Butchart.  
*Time* 10.3 secs.

#### The G.P.S. Meeting

THE Sixtieth Combined Meeting at the Cricket Ground was again an outstanding success. In a programme of 40 events, 9 records were broken and 6 equalled. St. Joesph's won both senior and junior divisions. Grammar came fourth in both.

G. Danks equalled the record time of 11.8 seconds in the 90 Yards Hurdles Under 16. The record which was most

affected was probably the 1949 time of 1 min. 59.5 secs. for the Open Half-mile. The new record was set by P. Hatcher (St. Joseph's) at the extraordinary time of 1 min. 56.3 secs. P. West of Grammar challenging hard and recording 1 min. 57.5 secs. The new time of 10.1 secs. for the 100 Yards under 16, when compared with the late J. Carlton's former record time of 10.6 secs., was only one other indication of the standards now being reached.

Other Grammar major place-winners, with figures where available, were:

#### OPEN

J. O'REGAN: 4th in 220 Yards, 3rd in 440 Yards (51.4 secs.).  
A. C. ANDERSON: 2nd in 120 Yards Hurdles (very close to 14.9 secs.).  
R. D. PERRETT: 1st in Broad Jump (20ft., 8 ins.). Also 4th in 220 Yards and 5th in 100 Yards Under 17.

#### UNDER 17

R. C. COZENS: 2nd in 440 Yards (52 secs.).  
P. ROY: 2nd in One Mile (4 mins. 41 secs.).

#### UNDER 15

G. M. CHADWICK: 2nd in Broad Jump (19 ft. 1 in.). 2nd in High Jump (5ft. 1 in.).  
R. BRUWELL: 1st in 100 Yards, 2nd Division (10.9 secs.). 4th in 220 Yards (24.2 secs.).  
RELAY TEAM (J. Matheson, H. Brook, R. Bruwel, W. Lesnie): 2nd.

#### UNDER 14

J. ANTILL: 3rd in High Jump (5 ft.).  
P. KYLE: 3rd in 60 Yards Hurdles (9 secs.).

#### UNDER 13

RELAY TEAM (R. Segært, B. Johnson, C. Chambers, T. Phillips): 3rd.

Of others, D. White was moving well in the open mile when he had an unlucky fall; J. Grimmond hurdled well in the Under 17 event; B. Allen came fourth in the Open High Jump. There were juniors who performed well in their first meeting.

## TENNIS

APART from the continuation of regular practices, two championships have now been concluded. The Under 14 singles was won by P. Kelly, who beat G. Hansen 6-0, 6-3 and the

Open Singles won by A. M. Mayo, for the second successive time, beating E. W. Attwooll 6-2, 6-3. D.O.C.

## RIFLE SHOOTING

PRACTICE was carried out as usual during the year, in the May holidays, on the Saturdays of second term, and on eight days of the September holidays. The winds which one usually associates with Long Bay, though blowing strong during many practices, were kind on the day of the competition.

The following were chosen to represent the School in the Rawson Cup: A. R. Murphy, J. Barlow, L. G. Corban, J. R. Neeld, J. Grinham, L. F. Rofe, A. E. Rofe, I. A. Phillips.

A change in the team for the N.R.A. gave C. D. Walker a position, and further changes in the Buchanan brought in Vicars, Simpson and Thompson. The Rifle Club expresses its thanks to the Women's Association for the gift of a new rifle barrel. Thanks are due also to our markers Laxton, Ford, Parker, Brown, Wood, Dick, Blackmore and Willis whose work contributed much to the success of our practices.

Mr. Taylor was again in charge of all activities, assisted by Mr. Hill. The Club is much in debt to these gentlemen for their painstaking coaching and constant understanding of the problems of the firers.

The first day of the competition, September 13, began with a difficult light which did not improve until almost eleven o'clock, and which deteriorated again long before the end of the N.R.A. King's fired strongly all through the competition, winning all matches, with a display of very fine shooting. In the first stage of the Rawson Cup, I. A. Phillips fired a possible, but we were not strong enough to reverse the final result which was: King's, 522 out of a possible of 560 — a remarkably high score; Shore second; High third; Newington fourth; and Grammar fifth.

The N.R.A. Shield was won by King's with a total of 351 out of a possible of 400, Grammar being fourth. The Buchanan Shield was won by King's; Grammar being third. King's also carried off the Second Teams' match, Grammar again coming third here. C. D. Walker scored a possible in the first stage of the Second Teams' match.

	RAWSON 2 x 7 300 & 500 yards (70)	N.R.A. 2 x 10 500 yards (50)	BUCHANAN		SECONDS 2 x 7 200 & 400 yards (70)
			Rapid 200 yds. (30)	Snap 300 yds. (32)	
Murphy	63	45	25	32	—
Rofe, A. E. F.	60	43	20	16	—
Phillips	62	28	20	24	—
Neeld	62	42	21	16	—
Grinham	63	45	—	—	—
Rofe, L. F.	53	44	—	—	—
Barlow	56	37	—	—	—
Corban	54	—	—	—	66
Walker	—	42	—	—	64
Vicars	—	—	21	24	61
Simpson	—	—	18	24	61
Lawson	—	—	25	16	59
Thompson	—	—	17	20	57
Burt	—	—	—	—	58
Goulding	—	—	—	—	56

MARKS SHIELD (highest aggregate) — A. R. Murphy (165 out of 182).

VENNOR NATHAN SHIELD (highest score in N.R.A. Shield) — A. R. Murphy (45 out of 50).

CHISHOLM CUP (highest score in Seconds) — L. G. Corban.

PENNANTS to: Corban, Walker, Lawson, Simpson.

COLOURS FOR 1955 to — Murphy, Phillips, Rofe A.E.F., Rofe L. F., Grinham, Barlow, Neeld, Vicars.

Results of matches:

RAWSON CUP: 1st T.K.S.; 2nd S.C.E.G.S.; 3rd S.H.S.; 4th S.G.S.  
N.R.A. SHIELD: 1st T.K.S.; 2nd S.C.E.G.S.; 3rd N.C.; 4th S.H.S.; 5th S.G.S.

BUCHANAN SHIELD: 1st T.K.S.; 2nd S.H.S.; 3rd S.G.S.

SECOND TEAMS' MATCH: 1st T.K.S.; 2nd S.C.E.G.S.; 3rd S.G.S.

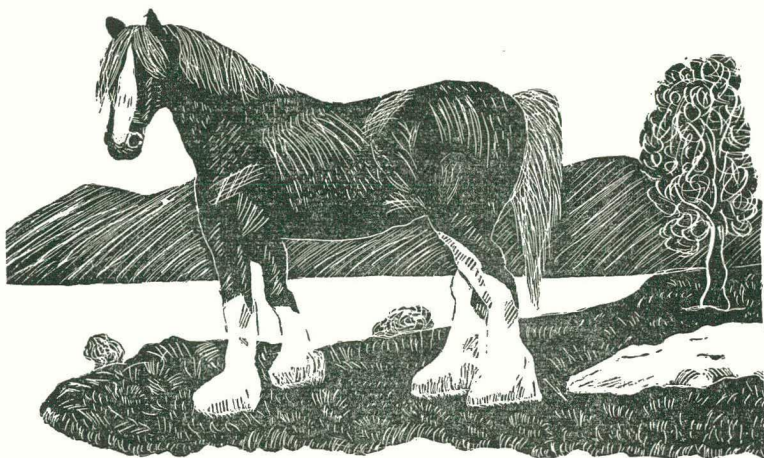
G.P.S. COMPETITION: 1st T.K.S. (24 points); 2nd S.C.E.G.S. (11 points); 3rd S.H.S. (10 points); 4th S.G.S. (6 points); N. C. (6 points); 6th T.S.C. and T.A.S.

### S.G.S. Rifle Team versus R.M.C. Duntroon

TEN members of the Rifle Club visited the Royal Military College at Duntroon on the 9th, 10th and 11th of September and fired a match against a corps of staff cadets. Great kindness was shown to the team by the college authorities during its

stay. Our representatives were entertained with bus tours of Canberra, a display of small arms, an inspection of mechanised equipment and finally by being fortunate enough to see the R.M.C. revue, an annual show 'Put on' by the cadets of great verve and hilarity. It would be hard to imagine a funnier or more brilliant amateur revue. It was very pleasing to meet no less than ten Old Sydneians who are Cadets of the Royal Military College at the present time. Several of these distinguished themselves in the revue. The match was held on the Saturday afternoon on the Canberra Range, in the delightful setting of mountain slopes and green trees, and in perfect light. The result was a win for Grammar by 21 points.

G.F.R.C.



H.G. — 2A1



## SPEARFISHING

It was the first day of the season; the sea appeared to be clear and the sun burned deeply onto the back of my neck, and made me perspire in between my numerous sweaters. I glanced uneasily at Dad, who nodded. Now is the hour, I thought, as I adjusted my mask, took that final breath of sweet fresh air through my nose for the next hour or so, put my snorkel in my mouth and proceeded to draw the two five-eighth rubbers back into their niches. I then waded into the water encumbered by a heavy belt, three sweaters, (cold type, aren't I?), sandals, flippers, mask, snorkel, and gun, pushed myself off to look for fish.

Being in for the first day since mid winter, we didn't expect to get much; but I was determined to get something big because I didn't like the nasty look the 'rock hoppers' (rock fishermen) gave us. (Their nickname for spearfishermen is 'snorkel sniffers', by the way). I was in for at least ten minutes before I saw something really worth shooting. It was a large Morwong lying on a rock sun-baking and thinking no one could see his 'concealed coat'. I did a terrible duck dive in which both my legs shot out in an ungainly manner and slipped down, conscious of the pressure on my ears, and my Vaccal mask pressing against my face. Suddenly, I saw a graceful dark shape gliding towards me. I stopped, startled, poised in mid-sea: all right! it was only Dad. Hey, what about the Morwong? Can't leave him in the fish-pond. I adopted guerilla tactics and crept up. The Morwong glanced at me uneasily and began to swim away, but curiosity got the best of him and he stopped. Now was my opportunity. I fired and struck him near the top of his head just above the spine. I

let my gun go, and the fish struggled violently and pulled off the spear, did a complete circle in mid-sea and crashed to the ground. I shot to the surface, regained my breath, dived down and picked up the fish and my spear. The latter was caught by the cord, so I swam to the surface. Now in this case you do one of two things: stay in the water with a bleeding fish and attract sharks or go to shore with your fish, land it and go back unarmed. The odds are heavily against you, but I chose the latter, swam to shore, landed my fish, and went out to get the gun. To make a long story short I half-killed myself in getting my spear, but I got it by cutting the entangled piece of cord from it and bringing it back to the surface. Some people say it is affectation spearmen carrying knives but it is highly essential, as can be seen in the above example.

I returned to the water again, and this time it took me twenty minutes to find a decent fish. This time it was a flat-head. I saw him lying on the sand shot him and proceeded to take him to shore. But my troubles hadn't started; I picked up my gun, held the fish clear of the water and swam in. I did this to avoid attracting sharks for they have a keen sense of smell. (This was how young Willis was killed, because instead of holding his lobster clear of the water he kept it underneath and near him, thus bringing about the attack; for if he had known shark philosophy he wouldn't have been spearing lobsters when he was warned of the presence of sharks and in muddy water. The voice of experience: I have seen many sharks while spearing and know what they can do). My next obstacle was to climb up a steep oyster-laden rock. I was hindered by three things: my gun and the flat head which has a poisonous spike, the heavy seas and the steep incline. I waited for a large wave to come, then rode it onto the rock, crashed down on it only to be reclaimed by the water with the strong backwash. After three attempts I made it, and triumphantly handed my fish to Mum while glancing at a gaping 'Rock Hopper' who sleepily held up an undersized 'cocky' (a type of rock cod despised by spearmen and hoppers alike) to his gaping friends. Mum is official fish-bag bearer; it is always handy to take someone to fulfil this duty because you are continuously on the move. We bagged between us

eleven fish; fourteen shots were fired between us and only two missed their mark; the other broke off.

Some say the sport is dangerous but if you stay close to shore and keep in pairs you are just as safe as in a Sydney street. It must be said that of those who criticise the sport most know nothing about spearing as a sport and what enjoyment can be got out of shooting the fish and then eating it.

This account is taken from our spearing records and is actual fact. Our fishing life has been one of excitement; three times we have been chased by sharks and twice in the same place where Willis was killed.

J.B.K.—5A—GP. 5

## THE HUNTER VALLEY GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION

THE excursion, organised by Mr. Parr was made outstanding by the smoothness of arrangements, and the variety of interesting sights and inspections, and best of all it was free from the usual strife that often accompanies an expedition of a body of school boys.

The party left Hornsby just after 7 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the second term holidays, and arrived at Newcastle the same morning. We inspected first the Electric Lamp Factory at Hamilton, and saw the process of making electric light globes and fluorescent tubes.

In the afternoon we inspected the Broken Hill Proprietary Steelworks, and I consider this the highlight of the trip. It was fascinating, and we were sorry to leave after only a few hours. Unfortunately, we could not collect any samples or souvenirs here as they were too big. However we had quite an interesting collection from the lamp factory (lawfully, of course).

We spent quite a night in two nice hotels in Newcastle, and even the he-man among us wept at an emotional 'tear-jerker' at the 'local'.

The next day, much refreshed, and with an excellent breakfast aboard, we moved on to Maitland, to inspect what still remains of the flood damage. The terrible effects, months after, remain to be seen in many places.

From Maitland we moved up the Valley to Muswellbrook

— and lunch. Then we inspected the biggest hole in the ground we had ever seen, the Muswellbrook Open Cut Mine.

From here we went to the Artificial Insemination Station where we made a most interesting inspection, and where we saw bigger and better bulls than I have ever seen before. From here, we moved back into Muswellbrook, where, just before tea we saw the dried milk plant in operation.

Another peaceful night, disturbed only by the worst picture I had ever seen, and then we started out on the last stage of our trip. A visit to the abattoirs at Aberdeen was most interesting, if a little queasy on the stomach. We watched the butchers at work, and saw through the freezing chambers. Some of us had to make for the open-air once or twice, but the men who worked there didn't seem to notice the blood — or the smells.

It was arranged for us to go over Kia-Ora stud farm, but the river had risen after rain, and we could not get the cars across the ford. It was here that two cars were nearly bogged, and after much squelching around in the mud, we finally got them out.

Next, we made for the Glenbawn Dam, now under construction, and were shown over it by one of the engineers.

As it was now well into Thursday afternoon, we had to make for home. After an easy trip, we reached home late on Thursday night, crammed with information (and Chinese food from a Gosford café), very tired, but still in one piece, in spite of all our adventures.

Now the trip is over, the memory of many pleasant incidents linger — the postcards home, much appreciated by parents, the good and the bad films we saw, cars marooned in water, master's bare legs, the stuck speedometer needle, and a host of other things.

To conclude, I would like to extend our thanks to Mr. Hooton, who not only lent his car, but arranged some of the inspections, including the Aberdeen Abattoirs and the Artificial Insemination Station. Our thanks are also due to those fathers — Mr. Graham and Mr. Kinkade — who generously lent their cars for the occasion, and indeed to all who combined to make this trip such a success, we say 'Thank you'.

It is to be hoped that this trip will become an annual feature of the Geography of the Sixth Form.

J.R.L.R.— GP. 12

### MIDDLE SCHOOL VIEW

Our days at school, so old folk say,  
Are full of happy times and gay:  
But we, the boys of 3A upper,  
Who toil from early dawn till supper,  
Would beg most deferentially  
But firmly, Sirs, to disagree.

One master (who must nameless be  
Although he likes his cup of tea),  
Says 'Greek is live and Latin dead,  
Both must be learnt, and later said,  
In vulgar tongue', (don't misconstrue —  
It hurts us, sir, as much as you).

A gift in Greek but not in French,  
Another's tests would make boys blench,  
Our verbs irregular, so feeble,  
Evoke, 'Mais non — c'n'est pas possible'.  
For our French to be without tears  
Our master should be without ears.

Maths is the sum of all before,  
If languages we find a bove.  
And once we calculate our actions  
We decimate to vulgar fractions.  
They say this gives us no excuse  
If we can't square th' hypotenuse.

And as for English! Oh what bliss!  
Apparently I'm good at this,  
So if these pages I enhance  
Perhaps I'll get another chance  
Next year in better rhyme and metre  
To tell you if school life is sweeter.

J.P.B.— 3A UPPER — GP. 11

The Sydneian



LAOCOON

L.G.D.—5A UPPER—G.P. 11

## WHALING

MY name is Jan Juveck and I have been a member of the crew of the South American Whaling Industries chaser *Kinova*, preparing for a voyage to Antarctica. Together with the factory ship, *Tonova*, we steamed from the Gulf of San Jorge and steer a course due south. A few hundred miles south of Cape Horn we sighted our first ice berg. These floating 'dangers' have only one-tenth above the surface of the water. As we steamed steadily south the icebergs became more frequent.

The captain of our ship was also the harpooner. Attached to the head of the gun is a detonater. This charge explodes five seconds after the harpoon has hit the whale. The object of the detonator is to 'finish the whale off'. To fire the gun the slightest pressure on the trigger will send the harpoon on its way. Also attached to the harpoon is a heavy rope so that the whale does not escape.

Early next morning the aged old cry of 'thar she blows!' was heard. The captain had already taken up his position near

the harpoon when I came up on deck. Some five hundred feet away our quarry could be seen. It was by no means a large whale, but its blubber would provide the oil that is in such a great demand. The captain lined his gun and fired. The harpoon buried itself deep into the flesh of the whale. After the detonator had exploded the whale still had plenty of life in him. He threshed and sounded time and time again until the loss of blood and shock took its effect. The whale was brought along side. A long pole punctured the 'hump' of the whale and gradually the whale began to swell. Gases were being pumped into the carcass of the whale so that the whale would become bouyant and the factory ship would later in the season pick it up.

On board the factory ship the whale is completely processed. The whale is dragged up on to the main deck by a powerful winch; the 'flensers' now start to 'peel' the blubber of the carcass. These men have a long staff which is similiar in shape to a hockey stick. The 'curve' of the staff is razor sharp and it is with this blade that the flensers work with great skill and accuracy. After the blubber has been removed in huge 'slabs' it is cut into smaller pieces; these pieces are pushed down through a hole in the deck to be processed. The main products come from the blubber and spermaceti. The latter occurs in enormous quantities at the back of the head. After treatment it becomes superfine candles for altar and shrine. The blubber after being rendered into oil, becomes a form of the finest soap.

Each company is allotted a quota of whales. Having fulfilled our quota we steamed for home. On board the factory ship the deck is 'broken up' and the ship thoroughly cleaned. As I left the ship I thought of next year's season and the thrill of the cry 'thar she blows!'

B.W.—5A LOWER — GP. 3

## TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT

ONE bright summer's morning when the robins were busily chirping in the trees I was pedalling furiously down Pitt Street on my bike; and that no mean feat, either, without a bike. Suddenly my glazed, blood-shot eyes fixed themselves on an old lady on the corner of the street, with her legs wrapped

around a telegraph pole and screaming, 'et tu, Brute!', at the policeman who was trying to drag her away. As I drew closer I noticed a badge transfixed to the lady's abdomen by a large iron spear. On the badge was written the words, 'Telegraph Pole Clingers Anonymous', the most dreaded society in all the world, in fact all of the universe, for only the other morning I was talking to Venus the Vesuvian on my space radio, which incidentally, was procured from Woolworths for 10,000 of 'Crunchies' box-tops; and Venus was telling me how the T.P.C.A. (we will call them that for short, as my supply of examination paper is dwindling) had killed his son because he refused to run around Sydney at 1 p.m. on Tuesday morning in his nightshirt screaming 'I'm a Vesuvian!' This policeman had made a dreadful mistake; he had aroused the anger of one of the T.P.C.A. There would be war unless I could capture the ringleader. But I had to be careful, he had dangerous lieutenants, Skowaski and Topovosti. However, he was the most dangerous of the lot, and this is my story of how 'I got Joe'.

My first job — disguise myself as a Russian T.P.C.A. member. That night I crept into my mother's cell, and while she was deeply engrossed in the latest edition of '50,000 new ways of torturing headmasters' (among which is an unique idea of tying them to the school flag-pole and dropping broken glass down their throats), I stole her iron curtain from the front of her acid bath recess, and wrapping it around my bosom I raced out into the garden, skirted the quick-sand pond, jumped over the electric fence and ran off into the night.

I reached the T.P.C.A. Club, strolled past the gorilla chained to a pole outside. Of this the pole was rather resentful as he had come to Australia only a week ago and had since received very poor treatment. I walked in, past the negro smoking opium and singing *Three Blind Mice* in E flat minor in the corner, through the hall piled with shrunken heads, past Emile Mercier who was frantically tearing the labels off gravy tins and forcing them down the throat of his pet taipan snake who was drowsily sunning himself under a Phillips Ultra-violet ray lamp which can be bought at half price at any of David Jones three stores, providing you also buy a year's

supply of Aunt Martha's Dog Food; through a low doorway, and, ducking under a guillotine I reached Joe's study. I knocked on the door and walked in. I was shocked, Joe was none other than my old friend, Louis Toad, who had been forced to hide some years before, after having been chased around the Wimbledon centre court by an hysterical Sir Nathaniel Creeks with a blazing tennis racquet in one hand and an oil-soaked marriage license in the other. I walked up to Mr. Toad, shook him by the hand and said, 'I'm sorry Louis, I'll have to take you in'. 'Never!' he cried, and flung himself out of the window into the waiting arms of Sir Nathaniel, who quickly devoured him. It only remained for me to report back to my superior but as I turned to walk away from the ghastly scene I was confronted by Jane Freshet, er — sorry, Toad, who slinked up to me and murmured softly in my hot, perspiring, little ear, 'I never liked him anyway'. wow!

J.T.K.—6C—GP.5

## CAPITOL PUNISHMENT

*The story you are about to read is true. Only the method has been changed, to protect you from being bored too much by the same drill.*

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AUGUSTUS: This is Rome. My name is Augustus. I am an emperor. Friday, March 15th, 9.37 a.m., a call came in from the Capitol. Caesar was dead. My job — get the facts.

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9.51 I was walking in the Forum. I saw a man, stopped to talk to him . . . .

Pardon me, sir? Could I talk to you for just a minute, sir?

MAN: Sorry can't stop. I'm on my way to Auto Auctions.

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AUGUSTUS: 9.59 I got to the Capitol. Mark Antony was making a speech . . . .

MARK ANTONY: Friends, Romans, Countrymen. Caesar is dead. You all want the facts, so lend me your ears . . . .

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AUGUSTUS: 10.17. I was back in the Forum, talking to a soothsayer . . . .

Who do you think killed Caesar?

SOOTHSAYER: Brutus.

AUGUSTUS: How do you know?

SOOTHSAYER: Well he was Brutally murdered, wasn't he?

AUGUSTUS: O.K. I'm taking you in on a 303.

SOOTHSAYER: What's a 303?

AUGUSTUS: It's a gun. O.K. Let's go.

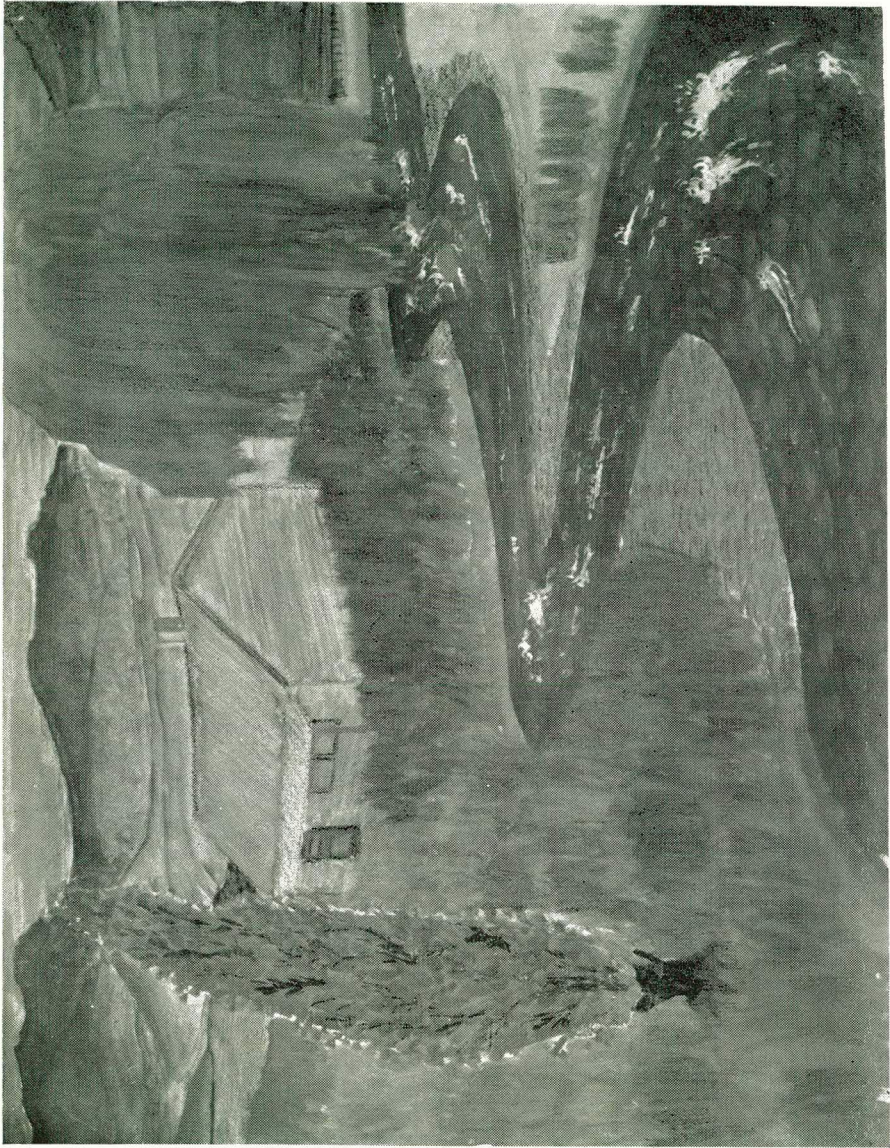
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On April 27th the soothsayer was tried and convicted. His sooth (sorry — tooth!) was pulled out, and his fortune-telling licence was revoked. Murdering Ceasar on the 15th of March is punishable by death, and on April 29th the soothsayer was publicly drowned in the Tiber. [Q.E.D.]

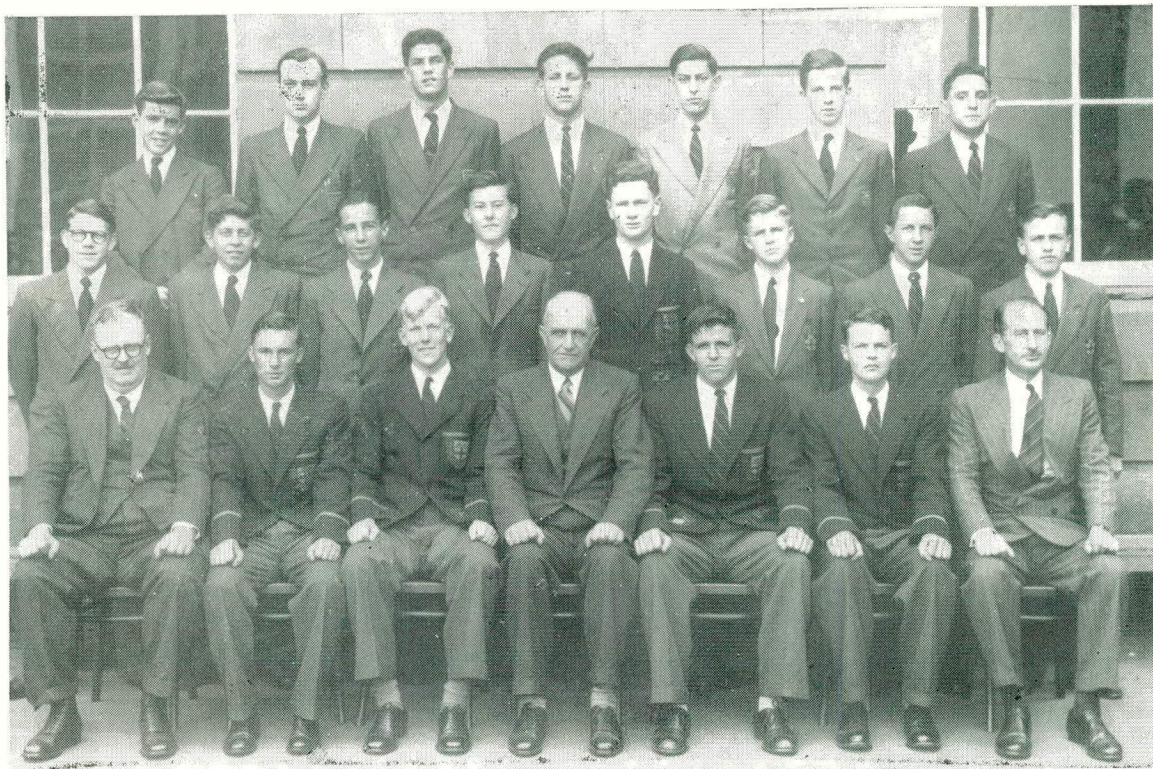


SUNLIGHT ON A WELL-KNOWN FIGURE

WAR,— 6A — GP. 5

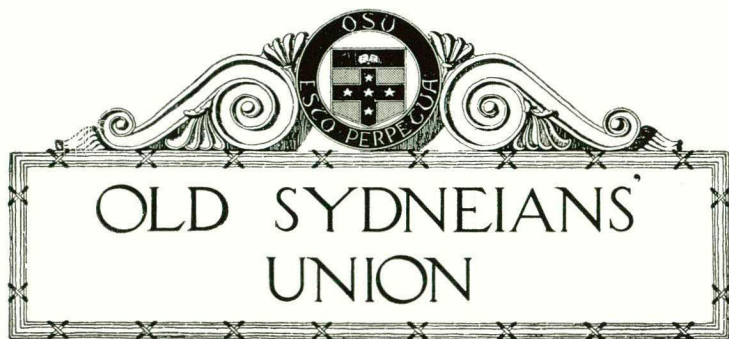


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## S.G.S. CENTENARY APPEAL

IN 1857 the doors of Sydney Grammar School as such were first opened. The O.S.U. Committee has pledged itself to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of that date in a worthy manner. With this object in view a Centenary Fund has been opened. The Constitution and Rules of this Fund are:

1. At the instance of the Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union supported by the Sydney Grammar School Women's Association and with the approval of the Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School, a public Fund has been established, known as the Sydney Grammar School Centenary Fund.
2. The object of the Fund is to receive gifts for the purpose of providing money for the acquisition, construction and maintenance by the Board of Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School of the School Buildings at Sydney, St. Ives, Randwick and elsewhere in the state of New South Wales.
3. The Treasurers of the Fund are Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited).
4. Contributions to the Fund are invited from Old Sydneians, parents of Old Sydneians, and of present pupils, friends and supporters of the School, and members of the public who are interested in the School.
5. All moneys contributed to the Fund are to be held by the Treasurers upon trust —
  - (a) To pay thereout such printing postage and other out-of-pocket expenses as shall be incurred in establishing promoting and managing the fund;
  - (b) to invest moneys from time to time in their hands forming part of the Fund in any investments for the time being authorised by Law for the investment of trust funds, and
  - (c) as and when directed by resolution of the Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union to pay or transfer to the Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School the investments and or moneys for the time being representing the fund, to be used for the object of the fund.
6. The Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union may if it thinks fit issue debentures or series of debentures on such terms as it may decide as a means of obtaining contributions to the fund.

In order to have some special and tangible objective in view the Headmaster was asked to give his impressions of the most valuable use to which funds collected could be put. The following letter from the Headmaster carries a vision so inspiring to any Old Sydneian who looks back with affection to his days at Grammar or forward with anticipation to the time when his son or his grandson will be a pupil there that we print it for all to read and enjoy. The fund will be officially launched at the Old Sydneians' Dinner on December 8th, 1955. Already several hundred pounds have been received as advance donations.

### Suggested Centenary Plan

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL now has at St. Ives a day and boarding preparatory school that is second to none. At Randwick it has a most efficient, attractive and well-equipped

Boarding House. In College Street we now have sufficient rooms to avoid having two or more classes being taught simultaneously in the Big School Room. All these have been either improved or built during the last four years; and the effects are to be seen both in the more obvious triumphs of the school in various fields and in the generally enhanced reputation that the school has won. Most Old Sydneians will think first of College Street. There, by the War Memorial Building and by alterations, seven extra classrooms, one extra laboratory and the library have been added to the teaching accommodation; and the masters have been given a set of common-rooms more worthy of their dignity and importance. The Science laboratories have been either brought up to date or transferred to temporary, but well-equipped new huts: these cannot be expected to last for ever, satisfactory though they now are. In this reorganisation of laboratories, provision has been made for a special research-room for masters; this idea should be developed, both for masters and for advanced pupils.

We see today vast sums being given for the advancement of various kinds of research — in Nuclear Physics, in Agriculture and in Medicine. Such benefactions are beyond criticism. But I cannot help drawing attention to the general forgetfulness of the truth that such donations will be thrown away, unless the teaching in schools — and not least in independent schools — can be cared for too. I have no hesitation in proclaiming that schools such as Grammar do and can make the most valuable contribution to the advancement of scientific training. We believe, not in the dictated model 'examination answer' but in training boys to observe and think for themselves. We believe in giving masters every opportunity for developing their own special interests and abilities. We are sadly hampered by lack of provision both of buildings and of finance to maintain them and staff them.

One of the great founders of science-teaching in schools, the late Professor H. E. Armstrong, believed that the theoretical aspects of science are more easily grasped when accompanied by practical experience. In N.S.W. lip-service is paid to this belief. But in the English school where Professor Armstrong

first put his theories into practice — a school with no more boys than S.G.S. — there are now fourteen spacious laboratories. And there is something that we have not got, a Manual School, where the skills of metalwork, woodwork and the simpler and lighter crafts can be developed, as being no less necessary to the full equipment of boys for this scientific age. All boys should be taught some science. But only the above-average can really proceed, in science, beyond the Intermediate stage. On the other hand there is still a vast need for technical efficiency in the handling of materials and machines, and we are lamentably behindhand in our provision of this sort of training, the handmaid of scientific training. Moreover, these simpler manual skills are the pursuits which appeal to the 'non-academic' type of intellect and are those through whose cultivation such boys can be happily and effectively educated. It is surely one of the greatest of Grammar's virtues, that none are refused entry because of creed, social status or weakness in academic scholarship. Grammar is indeed a microcosm, undenominational, unprejudiced, 'democratic' in its welcome of every type of boy, of a great range of abilities.

Now consider other demands of the modern curriculum. At present our Art Room (the old Chemistry Laboratory) must also be used as a class room by 2 R Upper (6th grade Primary class). The Music Room (the old Chemistry Lecture Room) is also used as the senior Mathematical room. The teaching of Art and Music is thereby restricted. We must in a few years greatly develop the teaching of these two arts, if we are to keep pace with modern demands. Either these two rooms must be kept solely for the purposes of Art and Music, or others must be built and their present rooms be used as class-rooms. For we still could do with more ordinary class rooms.

The traditions of Grammar in sport are great. But do we do enough for every boy? We should develop Physical Training and this could be done efficiently at the College Street Site. We need proper changing-rooms and shower-facilities. Physical Training can be done on the playground, but it is useless unless boys change and have proper showers afterwards. We need a gymnasium for boxing and remedial gymnastic

work, as well as for the training of football teams and the like.

Then we need a proper cloak-room, where every boy can leave his clothes, when he does P.T., and can hang up his coat and hat. At present boys must keep hat and coat in a class-room. On wet days, forty wet coats in a class-room can be most unpleasant and probably harmful.

Finally all parts of the school should be reached under cover. I would join all parts with 'covered ways' like those at St. Ives.

I believe that the essentials of this plan could be soon arranged if we could get the use of the buildings on Yurong Street, known as 'The Palladium'. The full list of improvements could be effected by building upon that site. Failing the acquisition of the 'Palladium' we must build on the little space that yet remains to us.

The following are details of the rooms etc. required:

- (a) 2 Physics and 2 Chemistry laboratories.
  - 1 biology — agriculture laboratory
  - 2 lecture — laboratories.
  - 1 research laboratory, closely associated with a store-room, library and 'dark-room'.
  - a further store-room, with an office for a laboratory assistant, from which a projector could be used (i.e. in conjunction with one of the laboratories) in conjunction with a lecture theatre.
  - A lavatory and wash-room.
- (b) A Manual School of two parts — i. Metal Work, ii. Carpentry, etc.; with an office, lavatory and first-aid room.
- (c) An Art-room, with a smaller store-room. Adequate sinks and a kiln for pottery are required.
- (d) A Music-room that can hold up to one hundred, with two or three small rooms for special instrumental teaching; proper accommodation for radiograms, etc.
- (e) A theatre for dramatic rehearsals, holding up to two hundred with space for storing 'props', clothes, etc. This room might be capable of adaptation showing lantern-

slides, film-strips and films — and of course for television, which will eventually have to be made use of, rather than spurned.

- (f) Cloak-room; this, perhaps, would be in three parts for Upper, Middle and Lower Schools, with benches and racks for clothes, etc. Attached should be a shower-room and wash place.
- (g) More class-rooms, especially so as to develop our primary department, which even now consists of about eighty boys. This would require at least three class-rooms and an office.
- (h) Re-Conversion of the 'Old Gym' in the Gymnasium.
- (i) An adequate Armoury, with an office for the Q.M.
- (j) Renovation of the old lavatories and old Physics laboratory.
- (k) Connection of all buildings by means of a 'covered way' with seats for boys to use at lunch time.
- (l) If the Yurong Street site could be obtained and a suitable building erected, we should assist the O.S.U. by providing an office and committee room, with lavatory etc.; this office should have its own separate entrance from Yurong Street, so as to avoid making it necessary for visitors to pass through the school and so as to ensure that the affairs of the O.S.U. be administered quite separately from the school.

If you have faith, nothing is impossible. Why shouldn't all this be done?

C. O. HEALEY

## **S.G.S. WAR MEMORIAL FUND**

THIS fund has now been closed as an active appeal. Numerous annual amounts and legacies will still be received but, unless anyone wishes to make a special gift, no more subscriptions will be sought.

This clears the way for the official opening of the Centenary Fund Appeal at the O.S.U. dinner on December 8th, 1955.

## 62ND ANNUAL MEETING OF O.S.U.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Union was held at the Schools' Club Ltd. on the evening of July 26th, 1955. The President, Mr. Lyle H. Moore was in the chair and there were fifty-three members present. All were enthusiastic about the successful year at the School which had produced a first place in the Leaving Certificate Examination, a win at the G.P.S. Sports and Head of the River.

The president, in moving the adoption of the annual report, said that it recorded a busy year. Old Sydneian Functions were all well attended and successful; the Cricket Club had shown that it is firmly established and the other sporting clubs were getting under way. He wished it widely known that Old Sydneians who would like to join with old School friends in any branch of sport should communicate with the Secretary who will put them in touch with the correct person. He spoke with much pleasure of the increased contact between the O.S.U. Committee and the masters which could bring nothing but good and he warned the Committee to look forward to two years of strenuous work towards a worthy Centenary Celebration.

Those present stood in memory of Old Sydneians who had died during the year which had seen the passing of four who had meant much to Grammar — Sir Leslie Boyce, Dr. E. A. Brearley, H. S. P. Storey, Esq. and C. E. Weigall, Esq., Q.C.

Mr. Moore was re-elected president and Mr. H. A. Ritchie's name was added to the list of vice-presidents, an honour richly deserved; as an Old Sydneian and a master for nearly forty years he has given great service to Grammar. R. L. Storey resigned from the position of Hon. Sec., K. L. Addison was elected in his place. Hon. E. L. Sommerlad, D. Barnett and G. Cooke did not seek re-election to the Committee and they were replaced by R. Johnson, R. P. Storey and Dr. B. Storey.

As usual the splendid work of the Women's Association was highly praised and the Younger Set was congratulated on the success of its activities.

With supper following the meeting the evening became the occasion of a very pleasant re-union.

## O.S.U. SECRETARIAT

WITH the growth of the School and all its doings the O.S.U. has had to increase its activities or lag far behind. There has been a great deal of work in connection with the War Memorial Fund and the Centenary Appeal looms ahead. All this has shown that the Secretarial work is now considerable and very important. Mr. Gordon Thorn has found that owing to the calls of his expanding accountancy business he could not continue to act as Assistant Secretary and the Union has also lost the services of Miss Ann Olver after four years with us.

After much consideration the Committee has decided that their affairs must be put on a firm business footing. A sub-committee consisting of Messrs. J. D. Leslie, W. Bowie Wilson and C. K. Gilkes, all men with business and accounting experience, has been elected to set out a business system. Mr. S. C. Trumper has accepted the position of Secretary and Miss Shirley Tester has been appointed Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Trumper, 'Sid' to all his friends, played cricket with Grammar 1st XI in 1910-1911 and was connected with cricket in N.S.W. both as player and administrator for many years. He has recently retired from service with the Colonial Sugar Refining Company. His interest in the School has remained undimmed and his help should be of great value to the Union.

The Union Office remains at 16 Barrack Street. Telephone BX 2484.

## O.S.U. MEMBERSHIP FEE

THE growth of the Union with the necessity for increased Secretarial assistance, added to the cost of printing, etc. has raised the expenses from year to year. These expenses have to be met by income from subscriptions as the revenue from special functions is always earmarked for some object of a capital nature.

In order to meet these extra expenses which will place the Union on a much sounder business footing the recent Annual General Meeting decided to raise subscriptions. The following motion, as recommended by the Committee, was passed after full discussion.

- ‘ That the constitution be amended by substituting the following clause for existing clause 6, namely:
- ‘ That the Subscription to the Union shall be:
- a For Life Members who may apply to become such on or after 1st January, 1956, either one payment of £21 or six annual payments of £5-5-0 each during a period of six consecutive years.
  - b For ordinary members under 21 years of age on 1st June of any financial year, 15/- for such financial year.
  - c For University and other students not in full time employment, 15/- for each financial year.
  - d For all other members £1-5-0 for each financial year.
- Provided however, that the Union may, at any Annual General Meeting, vary the amounts of any or all of the subscriptions referred to in this Clause. Provided further that the provisions of sub-clause 6(a) as it existed prior to such amendment shall remain in force until 31st December, 1955.’

## HONOUR TO A MASTER — W. E. CROCKER

EARLY in the month of September members of the Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union received an invitation to attend a function in the Common Room at the School on Thursday 22nd September. The invitation was balanced above a short, impressive, if somewhat problematical, signature, made a little more enigmatic by the addition of the letters C. R. C. Some of the less learned among the invitees thought of Rifle Clubs, Rowing Clubs and Rechabites Clubs, but the more discerning decided that the invitation had come from Alex Hill, Chairman of the Common Room Committee, and it was even so.

The occasion was the commemoration of forty years of service by Mr. W. E. Crocker as a master of the School, and it provided a gracious opportunity for his fellows of the Common Room to show some Old Sydneians how the needs and comfort of the staff have been looked after in the new building and how admirably the Common Room adapts itself for such an occasion. Mr. Alex Hill welcomed the guests, Mr. C. D. Taylor spoke feelingly of the guest of honour in proposing his health and our President, Mr. Lyle Moore, supported him.

Mr. Crocker replied in a speech, which he said was quite different from the one which he had prepared, but which was typical of the gentle, kindly, good humoured disposition of the man whom many of us have known as long as he has served the School.

We are grateful to the masters for their invitation and for the opportunity it provided for reminding us that 'Sid' should really be pronounced 'Walter'.

## ANNUAL COCKTAIL PARTY

THE gathering at the School on All Schools' Sports evening was considerably larger than that of last year. The organising Committee, under Frank Leverrier, ably assisted this time by Lee Addison, with the help of wives and friends, has become very expert at providing a happy atmosphere as well as ample food and drinks.

The Big Schoolroom, rather a forbidding place during our school-days, looked most attractive when decorated by flowers, food and bright company. Old Sydneians who have missed this function are urged to remember it next year as a happy party in itself and an occasion for very pleasant reunion. All decades were represented from the eighteen-eighties by the evergreen Mr. Richard Windeyer and Mr. Hyam Marks, the eighteen-nineties by Mr. R. Clive Teece, Mr. F. F. Buchanan, Dr. E. Lamrock and Mr. Leonard Dibbs down to the present.

The president of the O.S.U., Mr. Lyle Moore and Mrs. Moore met and welcomed all guests on the traditional red carpet. Later, Mr. Moore spoke of the aims of the Centenary Appeal and urged all present to interest as many Old Sydneians as possible. He asked everyone to put a special mark in their diaries against December 8th, 1955 to remind them of the Old Sydneians' dinner on that date. This dinner would officially inaugurate the School Centenary Appeal.

## BRISBANE LETTER

WE have our regular letter from Harold Nettheim with news from Queensland. Unfortunately his notes for the last *Sydneian* were mislaid during the secretarial change-over and we apologise to the Northern State for the omission.

From Brisbane on October 10th he writes:

'Under the Presidency of Rod Colquhoun our Association is flourishing. There has been a successful drive for new members and some old ones have been induced to take more

interest in affairs. The result has been bigger attendances at various functions.

'The President's At Home held during Exhibition Week was a great success. A fishing expedition (Friday to Sunday night) gave a lot of pleasure to those in the party without causing the fish undue discomfort.

The coming week-end a combined team of our members and Victorians will entertain old G.P.S. boys from the Darling Downs, and play them cricket. The city folks will be flat out to reciprocate the hospitality extended to them when they visited Toowoomba.'

## NEWS AND NOTES OF OLD SYDNEIANS

It was good to see so many Old Sydneians gathered together at the School Sports Meeting on August 20th. Four old champion athletes were there — Dr. Tim Lamrock (1909), Mervyn Finlay (1942), Peter North (1951) and Jim Wiley (1954). The patron of the sports, His Honour Judge A. S. Lloyd, who never misses a meeting, was on the ground all day. The O.S. 100 yards handicap produced a good field and a keen finish which was a tribute to the handicapper, our old friend 'Sarge'.

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THE recent Medical Congress in Sydney saw re-union between dozens of O.S. doctors who had not seen one another since school or university days, ten, twenty, thirty or more years ago. Bruce Barrack, Victor Woodhill and Arthur Cooper were all down from Queensland. Papers were read by ten Old Sydneians — Drs. K. S. M. Brown; B. B. Barrack; A. E. F. Chaffer, who was president of the section of Ophthalmology; H. C. Barry; G. K. Vanderfield; W. C. B. Harvey; J. L. Price; E. L. Davis; A. G. S. Cooper and J. C. Loxton.

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MEDICAL matters remind us that the president of the N.S.W. branch of the B.M.A. this year is Dr. H. H. Willis who was in the Sixth form in 1907.

THERE were about a dozen Old Sydneians present at the Old Blues dinner at the Sydney University recently. R. S. Murray-Prior and J. J. C. Lamrock represented the first decade of this century and N. L. Cowper the second. Norman made one of the speeches of the evening.

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WE have received a letter from Brian Lilly who is with Qantas Empire Airways in Japan. He writes:

‘It may be of interest to Old Sydneians of about my own year group that I recently met Cecil Light, now a pilot for British Overseas Airways Corporation on the London-Tokyo run. Cecil Light was school 220 yards swimming Champion in 1927 and possibly 1928, and was also holder of a State Junior title around about that time.

‘I had not seen him since leaving school and it is rather amazing to think that two fellows who have not met for over twenty-four years have changed so little that they could recognise each other in a restaurant in Tokyo. However, for the benefit of his friends it can be recorded that he is in very good health and looking forward to returning to Sydney for a while in the not too distant future.

‘I was also fortunate in meeting Cecil Whitmont, fairly well known in Sydney clothing manufacturing circles, during early June, he being on a combined business and pleasure trip accompanied by his wife.

‘Between these two Old Sydneians I managed to put in quite a few hours of chin wagging over old times.’

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FRANK BAYLDON who has been in medical practice in Taree for some twenty-three years sends his greetings to contemporaries. Frank looks very fit and still has the carriage of the champion all-round athlete he was thirty years ago.

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SIR HUGH POATE was recently appointed a Bailiff Grand Cross of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, the first Australian to receive this distinction. In announcing Her Majesty’s approval of the appointment, the Governor General said that the distinction had been conferred ‘in recognition of

his eminence in the Order in Australia and of his conspicuously valuable and long continued service to the Order'.

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*The Sydneian* congratulates their Honours Mr. Justice K. A. Ferguson and Mr. Justice J. K. Manning on their appointment to the Supreme Court Bench. Congratulations also go to Mr. Justice J. B. Gallagher who has been appointed to the Industrial Commission.

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AN interesting change has taken place in the Council of the National University at Canberra. Victor Windeyer has resigned from this body and Norman Cowper has been appointed in his place.

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ALROY COHEN, who holds the distinction of having practised for the longest period among present New South Wales members of the Bar recently completed fifty years as a barrister. He was given a complimentary dinner by fellow practitioners to mark the occasion.

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RON PLATER, an old Sydneian journalist, recently received a Fulbright Scholarship which will entitle him to a period of study in journalism in the United States of America.

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MALCOLM COPPLESON returned to Sydney recently after spending eighteen months in London and Oxford doing post-graduate study in medicine.

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OLD SYDNEIANS will be glad to hear that two Vice-Presidents Alan Lloyd and D. A. (Dick) Day, who have both been in hospital, have made a satisfactory recovery from illness.

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WILFRID FRANCIS has been elected to the Executive Committee of the Law Council of Australia.

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JOHN HARVEY BRYANT, a founder of the Australian Society of Dairy Technology, has been awarded a gold medal by this organisation for his influence on the engineering development

of modern milk treatment plants in all Australian States.

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OLD SYDNEIANS in the Grafton area are contemplating a reunion dinner on next Boat-Race night. We have news of eight residents and should be pleased to hear of more.

C. E. Street (Oscar) 1915-1920. Still retains his interest in rowing. He has helped the development of school rowing on the Northern Rivers. He coached the Grafton High School four and brought it to Sydney to compete at the University Regatta in April 1955. He also helped to organise the All Schools Head of the Northern Rivers Regatta at Grafton in May 1955.

J. K. S. Lowe, 1930-1933. Formerly manager of Station 2GE, now an Estate agent. His great grandfather was at the Sydney College about 1848. His grandfather and father were at Grammar and his son will enter the School next year. Five generations! Indeed a Grammar family!

Dr. W. T. H. Scales, 1929-1934. The local ophthalmologist. He plays a prominent part in the cultural field as president of the Grafton Branch of the Arts Council.

Dr. H. V. D. Baret, 1927-1930. Sole medico at Ulmarra — eight miles down river from Grafton. He is the Mayor of Ulmarra and still finds time to keep up his swimming.

H. O. Cartwright, 1934-1936. The local vet. and much in demand in the cow-cocky area. Has been prominent in Rotary.

G. Cranna, 1926-1928. Supervising Engineer at the District Office of the Mains Roads Department.

D. Abrahams, 1943-1948. In the family firm of Gerards Retailers of Grafton and McKittricks of South Grafton. He is a prominent member of the Yamba Surf Club.

E. Sanders. Manager of the Commonwealth Bank.

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THE 1955 Annual Reunion Dinner of the London Branch of the O.S.U. was held at the Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, London, on Friday, 21st October. We hope to have an account of the function for our next number.

## THE BAR AS A CAREER

*This, the second of our articles concerning the various callings which Old Sydneian have chosen, has been written by a distinguished Queen's Counsel who retired recently from active practice. He was one of the leading members of the Equity Bar in New South Wales for very many years before his retirement, and is also lecturer in Legal Ethics at the Law School of the University of Sydney. He left the School in December 1895 after a brilliant scholastic record.*

To boys of ability and ambition, and to their parents, the Bar has always appealed as an attractive profession. It is one of the learned professions, the leaders of which occupy a position of eminence and honour in the community and from whose ranks are drawn those high functionaries of the State — the judges. There is no profession which touches life at so many points, and every practising member of the Bar enjoys a variety of experience such as is to be gained in no other occupation. It has been said that one half of the world knows not how the other half lives. Members of the Bar, however, in the course of their practice are brought into touch with the methods and practices of every other occupation in the world. One day in the course of litigation between merchants they see how these merchants conduct their businesses. Similarly in other cases they learn the methods and practices of great industrialists, and in many cases in which expert witnesses have to be examined, they learn much about the application of science to industry. They also have great opportunities of learning the varieties of human character, and thus are able to judge men.

What are the qualities required of those who would enter this profession?

First of all the barrister must be an educated man. He must have a background of learning in what the Scots call the humanities. As Counsellor Pleydell says in Walter Scott's *Guy Mannering*, 'A lawyer without history or literature is a mechanic, a mere working mason'.

Unfortunately this qualification has been neglected lately by those responsible for the education of our lawyers. In my young days no man was admitted to the University Law School unless he had done at least two years in the Faculty of

Arts. Most of us then completed our third year and took our Bachelor of Arts Degree. Today, boys go straight from school into the Law School, and thus many graduate in Law without having the advantage of a wide general education. All those who intend to go to the Bar would be well advised if they did an Arts course before entering the Law School. The aspirant to the Bar should be able to speak and write good English, so as to be able to express his views clearly and concisely, not only in his addresses to the court, but also in drafting legal documents and writing opinions. He should also carefully cultivate a good intonation. A man who speaks with a voice like a rusty file suffers a considerable handicap, when he is addressing a court whose members know and appreciate how English should be spoken.

He should also acquire ability in debating, should learn how to think on his feet, and so should join and take an active part in debating societies.

Secondly of course a lawyer must acquire a sound and comprehensive knowledge of Law. This requires no elaboration.

But a wide general education and a sound and comprehensive knowledge of law are not sufficient to ensure success in the profession. Success is not merely the acquisition of a large practice and of large emoluments, but the attainment of a high standing and reputation with the judges, the public and fellow practitioners. A knowledge of Law is of course indispensable, but other qualities are necessary, especially the observance of those standards of conduct which are required of all reputable practitioners. It has been well said that barristers practise a profession and do not drive a trade. The word 'profession' connotes something more than mere learning joined to a special vocation: it is a calling which has brought with it from the past an aura of devotion and of service to others, a sense of individual responsibility, a consciousness of a public function.

Every man in the community has rights against his fellow man and against the State, which rights are ascertainable and enforceable by the courts of law, and barristers, by presenting to the court the arguments in support of the causes of their respective clients, assist those courts in coming to a correct decision. They thus play an important part in the adminis-

tration of justice and the members of the Bar are really servants of the State.

Law therefore is a high calling, and those who engage in the practice of it require a wider range of human capacities and virtues than in almost any other occupation.

Another very attractive feature of the profession is the camaraderie of the Bar. It is a profession in which we find the loyalty and comradeship that springs from interests, anxieties and successes shared in common. No better illustration of this can be given than the well-established and well-observed tradition that even the most junior member of the Bar is entitled to discuss his difficulties with the most senior members of the profession, and that the busiest seniors will always find time to give those juniors the benefit of their advice and experience.

The Bar is a profession which offers to all who join it an honourable, interesting and enjoyable career with opportunities of great public service; but these advantages impose on all those who join it grave responsibilities. As Francis Bacon once wrote, 'I hold every man a debtor to his profession from the which as men do of course seek to receive countenance and profit, so ought they of duty to endeavour themselves by way of amends to be a help and ornament thereto'.

R. CLIVE TEECE

## THE COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE LAW CONFERENCE

*The Old Sydneian who wrote this interesting account of a gathering held recently in London, is a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, and was among many Old Sydneians who were fortunate enough to be present. It is published for the benefit not of lawyers only, but of all readers of The Sydneian*

WESTMINSTER HALL is magnificently furnished — having normally no furniture at all. On the morning of the 20th July 1955, chairs had been placed in the body of the hall to accommodate the 571 lawyers and 518 wives, friends and camp followers, who were attending the first Commonwealth and Empire Law Conference. They had come from near and far, England, Scotland, Ireland, the great Dominions of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, the Union of South Africa,

Rhodesia, Kenya, the Gold Coast, from India and the Indies both East and West — each part of the Empire was represented — and the chairs scraped as the concourse stood for the Judges in their red robes and ermine to move in procession on to the dais. Then followed the Judges of Appeal and the Lords, appropriately clad in the senior colours of Black and Gold.

Big Ben chimed eleven as the ceremony began. The Lord High Chancellor spoke these memorable words:

‘But above all else we may fairly claim that it was within these walls that the long battle for freedom was fought and won. For it is by the law that our liberty is assured . . . It is a solemn thought that we have throughout our Commonwealth confided the guardianship of these precious treasures — justice and liberty — to the greatest users of free discussion, to our lawyers and our politicians. The painful lessons of recent history have emphasised once more that justice and liberty cannot be isolated from each other. There can be no real justice without liberty, no real liberty without justice.’

As the Lord High Chancellor bowed and turned to leave, Big Ben from above us chimed the hour of noon.

Then we adjourned for our deliberations to the Institution of Engineers, hard by St. James Park, Downing Street, and the Horse Guards Parade. With this background of history we discussed for a week Professional Ethics, Lawyers’ part in Law Reform, Trial by Jury or Judge, the separation of the Two Branches of the Profession — Solicitors and Barristers, the Status of Colonial Judges, Systems of Land Tenure, etcetera, etcetera, etcetera.

In the evenings and weekend we were entertained as only the English can entertain, for they are Masters of Ceremony. For centuries they have known how to do things and from this experience comes that great charm of the English — their manners. The Winchester motto is ‘Manners maketh man’ and it is so true. In this country we have a young civilization inclined to mix up civility as being servility — too much disposed to think a well-mannered person is a sissy — that good manners betoken an admission that someone is better than you are. To come to England from Australia or to return to it from the Continent is a great homecoming. The warmth

of welcome is in English manners, and they are noticeable.

So in our best dress, decorations and all, we were entertained. The Attorney-General received us in the House of Commons, the Lord High Chancellor in the House of Lords, the Middle Temple in their ancient Hall (the heart of England so my host a learned Queen's Counsel gravely informed me) — at Oxford Lunch at University and tea at Worcester, at Cambridge the Vice-Chancellor gave us lunch, with tea at Emmanuel, and the Worshipful Company of Solicitors received us, likewise the County Council. At the Ball at Hurlingham we danced not only inside the Club but outside on a floor set upon green lawns under ancient oaks. Suddenly with a roll of drums from Thames Walk appeared the band of Her Majesty's Marines to countermarch beneath a spotlight. Then as a finale the Banquet at the Guildhall with the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Prime Minister and the Master of the Rolls to speak to us. All the history, learning and grace of England were symbolized in that Great Hall, and there were none who did not feel moved when the music of God Save the Queen came down to us from the Coldstreams in the Gallery.

We had *studied* law but we had *felt* England and the just pride of Empire.

J. F. MANT

## OLD SYDNEIANS' CRICKET CLUB

THE commencement of this season was marked by the club's first visit to Canberra to play matches with the Royal Military College and the Canberra Wanderers at Duntroon Oval during the October holiday week-end. The following players comprised our team: Dick Barbour, Alan McGilvray, Jim Crawford, Tony Mason, Bill Muskett, Alan Treloar, Bill McKay, Ross Bell, Ian Buckle, John Munro and Dr. 'Winkie' Harris.

### Scores:

- v. R.M.C.— Lost on 1st Innings by 21 runs.
  - O.S.C.C.: 93 (Mason 27) and 4 for 35.
  - R.M.C.: 114 (Harris 5 for 7).
- v. CANBERRA WANDERERS — Won on 1st Innings by 30 runs.
  - C.W.: 73 (Bell 2 for 1, Harris 3 for 8, Mason 3 for 10; McGilvray 2 for 19).
  - O.S.C.C.: 103 (Barbour 20, Mason 20).

Both matches were played on rain affected wickets and interesting cricket resulted — the highlights being during the R. M. C. game with Mason's steady innings of 27, Harris's hat-trick, and McGilvray's two brilliant catches. Additional Old Sydneians participating were Duntroon Cadets John Keldie (captain) and Bill Burge; and Dr. L. W. Wing (umpiring) who had previously played on the same ground for S.G.S. v. R.M.C. in 1918.

The generous hospitality of Major Bill Weir and Mrs. Weir and Major Phil Greville and Mrs. Greville and the Duntroon Cadets, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Grenish and the Wanderers team was warmly appreciated by the visitors including the Old Sydneian wives who had braved the trip from Sydney.

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#### Annual Meeting

AT the Annual Meeting of the Cricket Club held 20th August the following office bearers were elected for 1955-56: *Patron*, Lyle Moore, C.B.E.; *President*, James Crawford; *Hon. Sec.*, M. Burnham; *Hon. Treas.*, C. D. Killip; *Ass. Hon. Sec.*, John Crawford; *Ass. Hon. Treas.*, J. Perry; *Committee*, E. C. Close, R. Haggett, A. F. Mason, I. Buckle; *Hon. Solicitor*, C. Mitchell; *Publicity Officer*, R. Barbour; *Club Captain*, John Crawford; *Vice-Captain*: R. Barbour.

Twenty-eight matches are scheduled for the current season which concludes on 7th April 1956, and any Old Sydneian desirous of playing with the club is cordially invited to notify any committee member accordingly.

J.C.C.

### S.G.S. CRICKET — A HISTORY

*This final section of the history covers the period from 1911 to the present day. It also includes a summary of bowling records*

#### The Modern Era

GEOFF STREET's bowling and the coming of McLean, Bardsley, Trumper and Hendry carried on our success. Then, in 1915, Mr. T. A. H. Wing took over the charge of the 1st XI; he guided its practises and fanned its enthusiasm for eight years, for the last seven of which we won the premiership, our longest continuous win. These were years of great successes

and of many fine performances; they produced a very great all-rounder, second only in performance to Eric Barbour, in J. E. Pratten, our strongest wicket-keeping sequence and plenty of runs; but the teams owed their steady success more to the development of new guile and flight and to accurate pace in bowling, coupled with good captaincy and brilliant fielding, for the training in team-work and general alertness was Mr. Wing's greatest contribution.

In the thirty years from the start of the official competition in 1893 up to 1923 we had won the premiership twenty three times. Our name has not appeared on the shield since then.

Throughout all our early years there had been vigorous growth in the School, with a constant struggle against our difficulties as a day-school lacking a playing field. We had superiority in numbers, an inspiring Headmaster and a great sportsmaster and coach. For years we were easily the leading school in sport as well as scholastically. Then, after the First World War, the other G.P.S. increased in numbers, equipment and organization very rapidly. They were enthusiastic and progressive and rapidly drew level with us. We were in the difficult position of being static in size and striving to hold off challengers from all sides.

Intra-school cricket was fully organized and has continued in the pattern of groups of forms playing matches on the Weigall ground each afternoon with up to fifteen or more school teams playing outside games on Saturdays. The A.A.G.P.S. changed the form of the premiership competition many times. At first there was one round of one-day matches, then two rounds of two-day matches and, now the present plan of one round of two-day matches, each game lasting two full Saturdays. The insistent demands of the modern examination system have ruled out the regular Wednesday games so that the season's programmes include comparatively few matches besides the G.P.S. competition and the Melbourne match.

The latter twenties saw many runs made by two boys, Alan McGilvray and Jack Chegwyn, who, since leaving school, have both done great work for Cricket in N.S.W. They played when the competition covered two full rounds of matches

so they had the opportunity of more innings and McGilvray's total was second only to that of Barbour, his average was 39.44. George Guest, playing about this time, shared with Barbour and Pratten the achievement of 1000 runs and 100 wickets in G.P.S. cricket.

During the thirties our scores were poor to moderate and the 1st and 2nd XI's lost more matches than they won. In 1936 we read 'three centuries have been scored during this half of the season. It is five years since we have scored a century in a competition match.'

In spite of this dull period at the top, lower team cricket was well organized and flourishing. In the same *Sydneian* which made the above statement we see that twenty-two teams played each Saturday — composed of boys from the top to the bottom of the school. The general organizer who gave much of his spare time and to whom much credit is due was Mr. Crocker. While the doings of the 1st XI received scant comment in the *Sydneian* there were always a few pages of thoughtful and interesting notes about the 'high, middle and low' as they were called. The majority of these matches were won and the comment was made that 'no boy who wishes to play is overlooked, he can be sure of his regular practice and match'. A wealth of work lies behind that statement.

From 1941 to 1945 there was no official competition but matches were played and scores were kept. In 1942-43 we won most matches and there were many good scores with A. K. Walker's batting and bowling an important factor in our successes. Again, in 1946-7 we won the majority of matches with J. W. Burke and Bruce Ritchie the leaders in batting and bowling. Burke made over 1300 runs at an average of 54.25 and took 89 wickets at 10.47, but the type of play had changed from the brilliant and dashing days at the beginning of the century to the more dour and stolid methods that are in vogue now. In 1949 and 1950 we nearly won the premiership but lost an important match in each year. 1949 produced one of the greatest season's bowling performances for Grammar; R. Norton took 57 wickets in competition matches at a cost of 6.49 each, including the all-time record of 10 for 80 off 19 overs in the first innings and 6 for 24 in the second,

against Newington. The last few years have not been very successful and are too recent to assess historically.

Thus we come to the end of the chronological review. We have seen the early difficulties overcome, the full bloom of Grammar cricket from the late nineties of last century to the early twenties of this, with the last thirty years not so successful statically but producing many fine cricketers and many teams which did very well but just missed the goal of premiership. The statement quoted about every boy being able to practice and play his games speaks highly for the organization; it also points to the tramping the Weigall ground receives during the summer, not to mention the heavier pounding by the same feet in the winter. Thus the groundman deserves a word of praise!

Grammar is flourishing! A great tradition has been built up during its first century of life and, while bearing in mind Mr. Weigall's exhortation in 1889 about the association of intellectual attainment and sporting success, the School looks forward to the future in good heart with a vigorous Headmaster, full classrooms and well-organized sport as exemplified by its cricket.

#### Bowling Records

It is but seldom that the number of overs bowled is entered in the *Sydneian*, so there is no way of finding out that part of the bowling performances.

#### 80 OR MORE WICKETS IN COMPETITION MATCHES

	<i>Runs</i>	<i>Wickets</i>	<i>Average</i>
E. P. Barbour (1905-9) . . . .	2087	184	11.35
G. Guest (1927-9) . . . .	2189	148	14.79
H. G. Allen (1899-1902) . . . .	1686	133	12.68
G. A. Street (1910-12) . . . .	1103	117	9.43
L. W. Wing (1916-18) . . . .	783	116	6.75
J. Traill (1939-41) . . . .	1472	108	13.63
J. E. Pratten (1917-20) . . . .	1103	105	10.50
W. F. Matthews (1901-4) . . . .	1000	104	9.62
J. W. Burke (1945-7) . . . .	934	89	10.47
A. C. Cox (1923-5) . . . .	1197	85	14.08
A. Delarue (1941-3) . . . .	997	83	12.01
G. L. Gamsey (1896-9) . . . .	1197	83	14.42
A. C. Yates (1913-5) . . . .	865	81	10.68
H. F. Godfrey (1948-50) . . . .	1141	81	14.09
B. Hilliar (1935-9) . . . .	1746	80	21.81

BOWLERS TAKING EIGHT OR MORE WICKETS IN AN INNINGS

<i>Ten</i>	10 - 80	R. Norton, <i>v.</i> N.C., 1949.
<i>Nine</i>	9 - 12	L. W. Wing, <i>v.</i> T.K.S., final match, 1916.
	9 - 38	W. F. Crawford, <i>v.</i> N.C., 1910.
<i>Eight</i>	8 - 17	A. A. Campbell-Jones, <i>v.</i> T.C.S., 1921.
	8 - 32	A. A. Campbell-Jones, <i>v.</i> S.I.C., 1921.
	8 - 32	H. F. Godfrey, <i>v.</i> M.C.E.G.S., 1948.
	8 - 7	J. MacPherson, <i>v.</i> T.K.S., 1899.
	8 - 56	J. W. Burke, <i>v.</i> M.C.E.G.S., 1947.
	8 - 78	L. K. Johnston, <i>v.</i> T.K.S., 1910.

BOWLERS TAKING SIX OR MORE WICKETS SIX TIMES OF MORE

<i>Nine</i>	L. W. Wing	9-12 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 7-5 <i>v.</i> T.S.C.; 7-7 <i>v.</i> S.J.C.; 6-30 <i>v.</i> S.H.S.; 6-49 <i>v.</i> N.C.; (all in one term); 6-9 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 6-31 <i>v.</i> S.I.C.; 6-25 <i>v.</i> S.C.E.G.S.; 6-34 <i>v.</i> S.H.S.
<i>Seven</i>	E. P. Barbour	7-23 <i>v.</i> S.J.C.; 7-78 <i>v.</i> S.C.E.G.S.; 7-24 <i>v.</i> N.C.; 6-33 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 6-39 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 6-55 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 6-42 <i>v.</i> M.C.E.G.S.
<i>Six</i>	G. L. Garnsey	6-39 <i>v.</i> M.C.E.G.S.; 6-43 <i>v.</i> S.J.C.; 6-51 <i>v.</i> N.C.; 6-56 <i>v.</i> T.K.S.; 6-59 and 6-75 <i>v.</i> S.C.E.G.S.
	R. Norton	6-16 <i>v.</i> S.I.C.; 6-31 <i>v.</i> S.C.E.G.S.; 6-39 <i>v.</i> S.J.C.; 6-26 <i>v.</i> T.S.C.; 10-80 and 6-24 <i>v.</i> N.C. (all in one year).

## UNIVERSITY LETTER

Dear *Sydneian*,

As usual, the spring is clouded with the dismal threat of examinations, and for many of the Old Sydneians at the University the cocktail party at the school after the G.P.S. sports was the last outing before the ordeal.

The most fortunate people at the moment are the Med. III and IV students whose results have already been announced. The most outstanding among these was Andrew Munster, who topped third year and was awarded a High Distinction and two Distinctions in his three subjects. Others who passed Med. III were Peter Baume (Distinction and Credit), Michael Pain, Graham Mowbray, Peter Wilson, Brian Storey, Howard Godfrey and J. Pickworth.

Special mention should be made of Rod Macdonald, who

passed the first section of the Fourth Year exams in spite of a serious illness. John Diamond was awarded a High Distinction in these exams and David Nelson three Credits. Rod Scotton, Jim Wane, Ian Wilson, Rex Fraser and Tom Torda were also successful.

This long list of successful Old Sydneians reflects a great deal of credit on the School which gave them a solid grounding in the sciences.

The University football team, which this year won the Grand Final, included five Old Sydneians — John Walker, Graham White, Pat Harvey, Col Davis and Tod Davis. This was a very pleasing climax to a season in which Old Sydneians had been prominent in all grades.

In the University Athletic Championships, four events were won by Old Sydneians. Angus Munro won the shot-putt and the 100 yards, and Jim Wiley won the Mile and 880. Both Angus and Jim were outstanding athletes at school, and we are glad to see that they are continuing to be successful in open competition.

The Cricket season has only just started, but Don Carney, Graham Ireland, and Cam Dezarnaulds are already playing with the Seconds and Graham Mowbray and Tony Edgar with the Fourths. Several Old Sydneians are also playing intercollegiate cricket.

Tom Torda and Norton Whitmont are among the most active — and agile — members of the Fencing Club.

We haven't been able to find out much about Tennis, but we have heard rumours that Cam Dezarnaulds is in good form.

Exams and sport are the most spectacular of University activities, but there are many Old Sydneians engaged in other useful pursuits. There is, for instance, the Film Society, which has as its object the entertainment of a large audience of very high-spirited young people twice a week, and to which Derek Hentze and Lawrence Bannantyne belong. There is S.U. Players, which traditionally has various Old Sydneians as members — this year Michael Nicholls is the most active. There is the Students' Representative Council, to which Bill Windeyer was elected earlier this year.

Congratulations, Grammar, on another successful year. We

hope the L.C. will result in a greater influx of freshers from Grammar than ever.

Yours,

'UNDERGRAD'

## THE OLD SYDNEIANS' CLUB

THIS CLUB together with the Old Boys Clubs of Shore, Kings, Newington and Scots, comprises the Schools' Club situated at 14 Hamilton Street, Sydney. All members of the Old Sydneians Union are eligible to join, and membership is divided into Seniors, Juniors (for boys under twenty-one) and Country. Facilities at the Club include an excellent dining room, a commodious bar, a large lounge, billiard tables, a canteen and changing room with shower.

Owing to the popularity of the Schools' Club, there is a large waiting list for Senior members, but junior members are now being admitted at an accelerated pace and become Senior members automatically on attaining twenty-one. The Club is now seeking its own building where it is hoped there will be much better facilities including squash courts and sleeping accommodation. Junior membership fees are £1-11-6 per year and Senior's fees £8-8-0.

The Committee of the Old Sydneians Club invites Old Boys to join the Club, particularly those younger Old Boys, as it feels that the School's Club will soon be one of the largest in the City.

Application forms for Junior members may be obtained from the Union office and Senior membership forms from the Club itself.

The Committee of the Old Sydneians' Club comprises: *President*, H. G. Whiddon; *Vice-Presidents*, O. E. Phillips, P. Marich; *Hon. Secretary*, Lea Addison; *Hon. Treasurer*, John Evans; *Committeemen*, R. P. Storey, W. McPhee, H. A. Ritchie, J. Barnett, D. G. Jones, F. R. Leverrier.

LEA ADDISON, *Hon. Secretary*

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## ENGAGEMENTS, MARRIAGES, BIRTHS

*We should like to print a full and accurate list of Engagements, Marriages and Births and the Sydneian Committee relies on Old Sydneians to notify it through the Secretary (BX 2484) whenever they hear of an event which should be recorded in this section. If full details are not known the Committee will make further enquiries.*

### Engagements

CHEGWYN — BOURNE: Raymond John Chagwyn to Miss Leila Anne Bourne, of Dover Heights.

MARTELL — COOTE: Henry Martell to Miss Diana Coote, of Rabaul.

### Marriages

COPPLESON — WARD: Malcolm Coppleson to Miss Patricia Ward, of Leeds, England.

FINLAY — TEECE: Mervyn Finlay to Miss Prudence Teece, of Rose Bay.

STONE — JENKINS: Adrian Stone to Miss Elizabeth Jenkins, of Dunedoo.

### Births

BUCKLE — John and Patricia Buckle, a son, 31st August 1955.

CARFRAE — Mr. and Mrs. John Carfrae; a daughter, 12th September 1955.

CLOSE — John and Pat Close; a son, 24th May 1955.

COLWELL SMITH — Mr. and Mrs. P. Colwell Smith; a daughter, 5th August 1955.

CRAWFORD — John and Ann Crawford; a son, 26th September 1955.

HOLCOMBE — Allan and Margaret Holcombe; a daughter, May 1955.

HUGHES — Paul and Laurel Hughes; a son, August 1955.

MCILROY — Mr. and Mrs. Guy McIlroy; a daughter, March 1955.

TAIT — Mr. and Mrs. Ian Tait; a daughter, 23rd June 1955.

## OBITUARY

### Sir Leslie Boyce, Bart. M.A., J.P. Barrister-at-Law

THE recent death of HAROLD LESLIE BOYCE, at the age of 59, at his home at Badgeworth Hall, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, England, has removed one whose career was remarkable for achievement and who was deservedly popular both in Australia and the British Isles, his adopted country.

Leslie Boyce was born in Taree, New South Wales, on the 9th July 1895, and attended the Sydney Grammar School from 1911 to 1913 where he attained a high degree of scholastic success. Following the First World War, in which he served with the A.I.F. in Egypt, Gallipoli and the Western Front, and a distinguished career at Balliol College, Oxford, where he obtained his M.A. degree, he entered the Inner Temple, London, and was called to the Bar in 1922. He was essentially an 'Empire Man' and richly deserved the K.B.E. bestowed on him in 1944. Two serious illnesses almost deprived him of his

most cherished ambition but in 1951 he was duly elected Lord Mayor of London, the first Australian to attain this exalted office. He was created the first baronet of his line in 1952.

Deep were his roots in Grammar's soil, where, as he always maintained, the foundation of his success was laid and characteristically, by deed rather than by mere words, he paid homage to the school he loved so well. Enlisting the willing co-operation of a friend of his school days, the late Claude Blaxland Levick he set about the formidable task of tracing every Old Sydneian in the United Kingdom — thus on the 11th July, 1924, The London Branch of the Old Sydneian's Union was born. For two years, in his office in Australia House, Leslie Boyce was 'at home' to any visiting Old Sydneian and from there he ruled until Parliamentary and Public duties demanded his services in other parts of the Empire. His loyalty and interest in the London Branch never wavered even when the burden of office weighed most heavily upon him. Viewed from College Street his fame will forever rest on his devoted allegiance to his old school, culminating on the 25th July 1952, after two postponements owing firstly to an unexpected General Election and secondly the unfortunate and sudden death of King George VI, in a Banquet at the Mansion House, London, where, amid the ancient gold and silver plate, Leslie Boyce, as Lord Mayor of London, presided over a gathering of exiled Old Sydneians.

During his life he held many important posts and was connected either as Chairman or Managing Director with a wide variety of commercial enterprises. He was appointed Technical Adviser to the Australian Representative before the Permanent Mandates Commission at Geneva in 1922 and during the same year acted as substitute Delegate and Legal Adviser at the Third Assembly of the League of Nations. He was appointed a Member of the Empire Parliamentary Delegation to Northern Rhodesia in 1930 and Leader of the United Kingdom Trade Mission to China in 1946.

He enjoyed an unbroken record as Conservative member of Parliament for Gloucester from 1929 to 1945 and held office as High Sheriff of Gloucester 1941-1942. He was elected an Alderman of the City of London in 1942 and held office as Sheriff 1947-1948 and Lord Mayor of London 1951-1952. During this period he was also one of H.M. Commissioners on the Court of Lieutenancy of the City of London. He was at one time Grand Warden in the Grand Lodge of English Freemasons and in 1951 was elected Master of the Worshipful Company of Lorimers. These are but a few of his achievements.

R. W. B. B.

### **George Henry Wilson**

GEORGE HENRY WILSON, who died on 16th March 1955 at the age of seventy-seven years attended the School from 1892-1896. He proceeded to the University of Sydney where he attained degrees in

Arts and Law. For some time he practised as a Solicitor at Narrabri, and later became a member of the Sydney firm of solicitors Vickery, England and Wilson. Some years ago he retired from practice and resided on his property, 'Nairn Farm', Oberon. His son, John A. Wilson, is an Old Sydneian.

#### **Aubrey Percy Berne**

AUBREY PERCY BERNE died at Cooma on the 23rd June 1955 at the age of fifty-five. On leaving school in 1916 he completed his education at the University where he graduated in Law, gaining First Class Honours. He then entered the legal profession as a Solicitor in Sydney, but later forsook this calling to take up a grazing property.

His brother Judge F. W. Berne is also an Old Sydneian.

#### **Cecil Edward Weigall, Q.C.**

CECIL EDWARD WEIGALL, who died on the 11th June 1955 at the age of eighty-five was at Grammar from 1880 to 1884. On leaving school he proceeded to Corpus Christi College, Oxford, where he graduated B.A. On returning to Sydney he was called to the New South Wales Bar in 1896 and was appointed Solicitor-General in 1922. He took silk in 1925. At the time of his death he was the oldest member of the Royal Sydney Golf Club and was also a member of the Union Club. He was the eldest son of the late Mr. A. B. Weigall, C.M.G., M.A., Headmaster of the Sydney Grammar School from 1866 to 1912 and was born at the School during the period his parents resided there.

#### **The Sydneian' regrets to record also the deaths of the following Old Sydneians since the last issue went to press**

GEORGE CHRISTIE (1898-1899) on the 3rd June 1955, aged sixty-nine.  
LIEUT-COLONEL FREDERICK JAMES KINDON (1885-1890) on May 12th 1955, aged eighty-two.

OSWALD CHRISTOPHER PAYNE (1914-1918) on 15th March 1955, at the age of fifty-four.

DOUGLAS PATERSON JONES (1915-1918), aged fifty-four, and the eldest of three brothers all of whom received their education at Grammar.

HAROLD YATES (1902-1906) on 28th September 1955, aged sixty-eight.

## **NEW MEMBERS OF OLD SYDNEIANS' UNION**

*\* Denotes Life Member*

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

### OLD SYDNEIANS' UNION

#### DRIVE FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Union is anxious to extend its assistance to the School and at the same time continue to provide the maximum service to Old Boys.

It is therefore imperative that the Union obtain a substantial increase in membership.

Of the thousands of Old Boys, only some 2500 are members of the Union, although many non-members have retained an interest in the School and only need *your* personal persuasion to join the Union.

#### **You can help**

by inducing some Old Sydneian who is not a member to complete the form on the back of this page and send it to the Union Office with the appropriate subscription as shown on the form. Additional forms are available at the Union Office.



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