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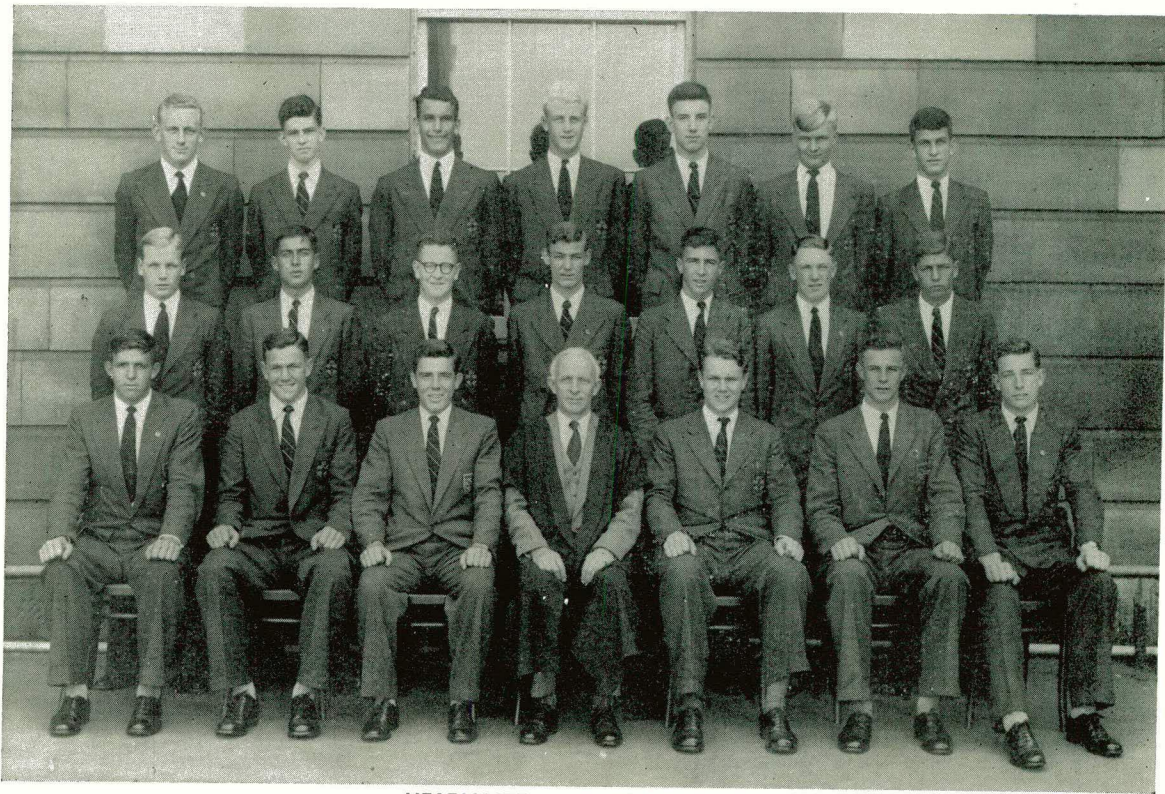
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THE CENTENARY

THOUGH the Act of Parliament which created Sydney Grammar School was passed in 1854, the School did not open until August 1857; the Jubilee was celebrated in 1907; we shall therefore celebrate our Centenary in 1957. It will be more convenient for the education of the present pupils of the School if the main celebrations, in which they will be concerned, are held early in the school year; it is therefore hoped that these functions will take place in March and that Old Sydneians and other friends of the School will accept this arrangement with understanding. A notice of events and forms of application are included at the end of this number of *The Sydneian*: readers are asked to detach the forms and send items in, indicating what functions they wish to attend.

They are also asked to say if they want the special Centenary Number of the magazine, which will contain a brief survey of the School's history, achievements and present organisation. All are reminded that a full history of the School is also being prepared; it should be ready for publication towards the end of 1957.

THE CENTENARY HISTORICAL EXHIBITION

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LOAN OF EXHIBITS INVITED

An exhibition of papers, letters, photographs, medals and other articles of interest in the history of the School will be held in the Library in March next year as part of the Centenary celebrations.

Old Sydneians, friends of the School, and members of the general public who may have in their possession any articles of historical interest are invited to lend them to the School for display. All material will be looked after most carefully and returned to the owners in the same condition as that in which it is received. Those in charge of the exhibition would be much assisted if the senders could supply brief notes on the origin of articles lent. As the nature, quantity and availability of material may be considerable, we hope that lenders will understand if some of their loans cannot be exhibited for want of space.

Articles should be addressed to The Librarian, Sydney Grammar School, College Street, Sydney, and accompanied by the full name and address of the sender.

SCHOOL.

Notes



THE SCHOOL is ticking over like a well-oiled machine at the moment and improvements are being made all the time. Last term the science laboratories were re-roofed and upon our return to school this term we found that the lavatories had undergone the same treatment. Mr. Lenthall's laboratory has been given a yellow face-lift, so that it now has a much brighter aspect than before.

Mr. Crocker has returned to us after a brief sojourn at Ipswich Grammar School. He is as fit as ever and will be teaching the juniors for the rest of the term. Welcome back, Sir!

Down at the Boat Shed the Fathers and Friends' Association is doing great work. New lockers have been put in and the back yard has been landscaped. Fibre glass patches are being tried as a means of patching some of the old boats, so that everyone will be sure of getting plenty of rowing.

In other affairs too, the School has been active. Mr. Young organised an interesting tour of the Snowy River Hydro-Electricity Scheme for Sixth Form geographers during the holidays. Mr. Parr and Mr. Fraser also went and much to everyone's delight, snow was plentiful. Snow fights soon became the order of the day. At the conclusion of these, everyone agreed that Mr. Parr and the Abominable Snowman could have been brothers.

The Globe Players once again put on a very creditable performance. Their helpers worked extremely well to put the stage up in record time, and this was followed by some ex-

cellent acting on the part of some boys.

Opposite the Prefects' Room the Chess Club has its club room. Noise and laughter are combined with some hard thinking every lunch hour. This combination has resulted in the 'A' Grade Team coming second in its competition and the first beginners coming first in their division. The Debating Team won one and lost two of its matches. The loss against King's was by a very narrow margin, so that we have high hopes that in future years some of our promising juniors will bring Debating back to its former glory.

The R.A.N. Cadets, the Cadet Corps and the A.T.C. have all been busy since the last issue of *The Sydneian*. The R.A.N. Cadets rowed various races against other school units last term, but unfortunately were unable to go away on a cruise during the holidays. The Cadet Corps has been blessed by the addition of a modernised armoury, which, although in the same place as before, now has two doors and considerably more space for stores. The Cadet Corps also provided a Guard of Honour for the opening of the R.S.L. Congress. This Guard was commanded by Dick Buttfeld, who also won the 'Old Sydneians' Scholarship for this year. Cadet Camp was as lively as ever, and training once again reached a high standard. The A.T.C. split into various groups which went into camp at Williamtown, Uranquinty, Canberra and Rathmines.

In sporting activities the School has not been as successful as we had hoped, but it was good to see that school spirit was better than in previous years. The First XV was supported right up to the second last match, and the number of boys at the first competition match against Newington, was estimated at five hundred. The Colts A won their unofficial competition and the 2nd XV came third in their competition. It is with these results in mind that we hope for a recovery in football for our centenary year.

The Rifle Team, after putting in some very good practice shoots, did not come up to expectations in the G.P.S. Competition, although some good individual shoots were recorded. Tennis is progressing as fast as the weather will allow, but as yet we cannot say how good our Tennis Team will be.

The Annual Athletics Carnival was held last term and although there were no startling performances, it was pleasing to see a greater number of boys trying for events than we have seen before. Bob Perrett is the Open Champion this year and Group 8 won the Group Competition.

The Women's Association in its usual magnificent manner provided lunch for all comers. The tuck-shop was run as efficiently as ever throughout the term, service with a smile being the keynote. The School is deeply grateful for all that the Women's Association has done, and I would like to express my thanks on behalf of the School.

In conclusion I would like to remind all present boys that next year is our centenary year. This is the greatest thing that has happened to the School since its beginning, so that a great deal is expected of you, and you must strive hard to keep the old School right on top.

M.P.A.

SALVETE

MAY 1956

Davies, R. W. D.; Jones, R. I.; Madin, A. R.; Weigall, W. T. C. T.

SEPTEMBER 1956

Barnes, K. R.; Croucher, H. B.; Sharp, R. C.; Shroff, D.

VALETE

MAY 1956

Form VI

Bashir, B. A.

Form V

Lawrence, K. C.; Storey, W. E.

Form IV

Ambrosoli, C.; Duncan, D.

Form II

Baker, T. P.; Duncan, M.

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Form VI

Photios, B. R.; Stephens, D. V.

Form V

Champion, R. S.; Watts, M. A.

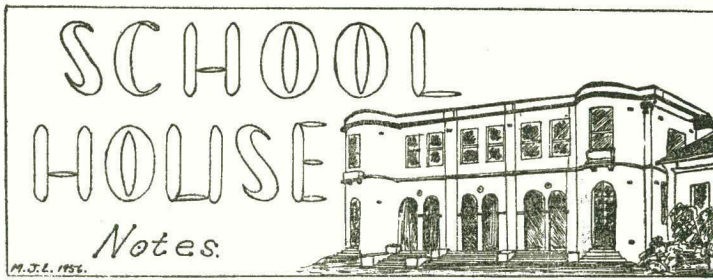
Form IV

Bond, P. W.; Muir, R. L.

Form III

Nell, P. G.; Potter, H. I. W.

The Sydneian



DURING the last two terms we have said farewell to D. S. Aitken, B. A. Bashir, D. D. Duncan, M. J. Duncan and D. M. Whitehead. In their places we welcome I. G. Blair, G. Davies, B. B. Gorman, R. I. Jones, D. N. McGilvray and W. T. Weigall. In addition A. R. McGilvray was with us during the Second Term. There are now sixty-three boys in the House.

This year we have ten candidates for the Leaving Certificate and twelve for the Intermediate. We hope for a record number of passes in these examinations.

We congratulate J. S. Boag on gaining the House Captaincy for 1956, and in completing the record period of eight years in the House.

We are pleased to report that the House had a record number of boys in the First XV, and a reasonable number in other important teams. The particulars are: Boag, Campbell, Chainé, Falk, A. R. McGilvray, Vamvas and B. Walker played in the First XV; Button and Slack-Smith in the Second XV; Cozens, Hyman, Karnasuta and P. Whitehead in the Third XV; Scale and H. Munro in the 15 A's; M. Galland and Corban in the 14 A's, and Conomos in the Midget A's.

At the Athletic Sports the House gained second place in the Group Competition and first place in the Open Group Relay. We hope to have some representation in the G.P.S. Sports. In Shooting, Malouf gained a place in the Second Team. Rowing has commenced again and an increased number of House Boys are taking part.

At the end of the Second Term we held our Annual House Dance. We were partnered, as usual, by girls from St.

Catherine's. The company, the music and the supper all combined to make the night one of the most enjoyable we have experienced. Early this Term we attended a return dance at St. Catherine's, and a number of boys also attended a similar function at Claremont. We regret that the approach of the public examinations will force us to forego such pleasant functions for the next two months.

We look forward to the visit of the School House Board later this term. This always proves a most enjoyable evening.

J.S.B.

'THE SYDNEIAN' VISITS ST. IVES

WE arrived at St. Ives Preparatory School at about half past nine; the weather was perfect. We gained our first impression of the School from the northern corner of the ground, whence one may get a good overall view. (We were told this section used to belong to a cow dealer. Since the School finds it more economical to buy milk than to produce it, the cowsheds have disappeared).

Down to the right we saw a line of handsome pine trees, that act as windbreaks, and help also to prevent erosion from the playing field. Below the pines is a vegetable garden and all that remains of the orchard.

Beyond the playing field the whitewashed buildings caught our eye. We were told that the smaller building on the right (see plan) was the kindergarten; behind it was a line of classrooms in two blocks; further over was Mr. Dent's house. Grouped in front of this lay the gymnasium-assembly hall, tuck shop, dining room and sick-room, and next to these the dormitories.

With this overall impression in our minds, we were next driven round to the southern side. Along this side, the bungalow-type buildings run in two rows. The front row opens out onto a sunny expanse of grass which slopes down toward the level of the playing field and the pine trees. Past there we saw how the School has a very open view to the west, along a line of valleys; but it was remarked how cold the winter westerlies might be.

Having been greeted by the Headmaster, Mr. Dent, we

took a look at the classrooms from the grass in front. Each is fitted with folding doors that join the whole of this front side. There is no fear of rain here, all the paths are covered and so each room has a covered area of about four yards out from the doors, and is sheltered by this from any rain. All the classrooms are painted inside in some bright colour. The scheme is extremely colourful, and appears most up to date — it must be someone's pride and joy. The boys however seem to get used to it. It does brighten things up and certainly adds to the cheerful atmosphere that pervades the place. (Similar licence is apparent in the dormitories).

One wall of the classroom is covered with a large green blackboard. The other walls, each of a different colour had bright posters or pictures drawn by the boys themselves. Each room holds twenty-odd boys, and each boy has a small chair and desk to himself. In winter the warm sunlight reaches the legs of the boys nearest the door, but in summer its heat is kept at bay by the wide awning of the covered verandah. How pleasant it must be to sit in class and look out onto the sunny field. No doubt the masters have already noticed this.

All the classrooms but one, have this design, only the internal colour scheme differing. The kindergarten however, is placed some fifty yards further north than the others and is quite self-contained with kitchenette, toilet facilities, and cloak-room. Similar facilities are in one group between two of the other classrooms. There is one classroom quite apart from these: that is the one which occupies a vacant dormitory at the east end. Another two classrooms would enable Mr. Dent to use this room as a fourth dormitory. We had but a glimpse of it as a classroom, and it, too, seemed pleasant and cheerful like the rest.

We strolled along in the sun in front of the classes. The interest shown was mutual, so we had to leave them to their studies, where one class was learning that two radiuses ('radii' please!) make a diameter ('spell after me . . . D-I-A-M-E-T-E-R'). The class above the kindergarten had taken their chairs out into the sun on the verandah, where the leader was reading to them as they sat around her. The sixth class we learnt with mixed feelings, was being taught Latin and some Greek. We

didn't bother to ask whose idea it was, but presumed 'it was good for their souls'!

We then turned and walked back eastwards in front of the classrooms. Skirting Mrs. Dent's garden, and passing a tuck-shop that sells no sweets, we came to the Assembly Hall. Nearly as big as the ground floor of the War Memorial building, the Assembly Hall was being used for a boxing class. With their instructor Mr. Taylor, the boys here showed great enthusiasm for the sport and did not spare their efforts when told to 'find a partner' and box. The boxing classes, fitted into the school curriculum, we agreed, were an excellent idea.

The Assembly Hall, which includes the master's common-room is forward of the other classrooms. The dormitories, which we inspected next, are in the same line as the classrooms.

Perhaps the best example of forethought in the School, has been expressed in the dormitories. Here we found the colours for the walls were chosen by Mrs. Cowper. She has taken a delight in flat surface, bold paints, each wall being a different colour, with what might be called a neutral ceiling. The overall impression of gayness in this modern school has been continued also in the choice of coloured blankets. Here however we were a little disappointed that these bright blankets should be covered by dull spreads. The beds, too, have a very efficient springing, which seems a definite break in boarding school tradition, The pillows, too, have springs, not flock.

As we went through the School we noticed that great attention has been given to the age and physique of the pupils. Thus we were not surprised to see the low wardrobes provided in the dormitories, and the low taps in the washroom. We were very pleased to notice that each bed had a reading lamp over it, obviously for convenience, and to encourage reading. A sense of coldness was imparted to us however by the bareness of the floor. This, of course, does promote cleanliness but we felt that perhaps a small mat next to each bed would add a little touch of warmth. A bright, efficient shower room divides each dormitory block into two divisions, while an enclosed verandah along the front enables the boys to keep towels and togs dry, allowing also, plenty of fresh air.

Windows above the verandah roof let sunlight penetrate

directly into the main room, giving plenty of light, as well as necessary warmth in winter. At the moment, unfortunately, one of the verandahs has to be curtained off to provide accommodation for another resident master. This of course permits the staff to keep an even greater watch over their charges.

With the dormitories inspected, the chosen few were given a delightful morning tea, which was heartily enjoyed by all. The boys meanwhile were having morning break. With this over, they played games for about fifteen minutes — softball, relay races, and some game played with a soccer ball. Team spirit was strong, the efforts of the boy who missed three strikes going unappreciated.

A few lads were sitting out, so we spoke to them. The usual benevolent relation type question was greeted with the usual bored schoolboy type answers. However, several things of interest were discovered. Quite a few were going to Grammar proper, but very few knew anything of it. Their ideas were very vague, We felt our self-importance unappreciated and think more visits both ways should be paid — it can do no harm. The two schools are so remote from each other that a mutual interest between the two could well be fostered. The more we can get to follow on to 'College Street' (what do you call yourself in such instances?), the better, so long as we can take them.

We learnt later from a talk with the senior class that there were both cricket and football teams, whose members appear to be quite keen. But the school's lack of numbers has prevented them from securing victory as yet. They play against Knox, Shore, and some of our own teams.

While one of our number was 'in another place' — the sick bay — we talked over our impressions. The obvious attempt to foster the boys' self-sufficiency was pleasing. There appeared to be a genuine attempt in these ideal surroundings to do more than provide teaching facilities. If nothing else, these lads would be young gentlemen, willing to play hard — like the boxing class — and quite willing to look for more interests and enjoyment. We were impressed too, by the obvious effort and interest of the staff and the Dent family. To them, too, the School was to be a home from home for the boys,

especially the boarders. We all agreed we didn't get anywhere near this treatment in our primary days.

To conclude, here is a special report.

Rather unexpectedly I got an inside view of St. Ives. While looking at the dormitories, I felt ill and was promptly marched to the matron. This imposing lady took me under her wing, proudly showed me the kitchen, dining room and infirmary, then left me in the sun on the verandah to recover. The kitchen is magnificent. Large stainless steel machines are scattered round the room, and a monstrous deep fryer is set in the centre — as one lad put it. 'I love chips, yum, yum!'.

While in the infirmary, a cheery room with beds covered with pastel shade blankets, the variety and magnitude of the matron's tasks became clear. All day a procession of boys from six to twelve years old came in:

'Please, Matron, a boy hit me in the eye with an arrow!' — (Exclamation of horror!)

'Please, Matron, I skinned my knee'

'Please, Matron, my shin got kicked . . . ' 'You poor child!'

'Excuse me, Matron, we were boxing and my chin hurts . . '

Meanwhile Matron and her helper were dealing with the darning. A vast pile of grey socks, more than a hundred pairs, lay in front of them. It took them three hours.

At lunch time the boarders came into the dining room for their meal — forty-three rather noisy little boys . . . All was quiet till three o'clock, then bedlam cut loose again.

Just outside three boys were weeding (?) the matron's garden. Then they decided to wash the path — the Matron cleaned up the mess later. The lads enjoyed their evening meal just as much as lunch, judging by the noise, while I lay on a bed rubbing my aching stomach. The climax of the day, however, came after prep. At seven the boarders are put into their dormitories. Till seven-thirty they play in there, half an hour's solid shouting, screaming, noise

Then blessed peace, lights out at eight. I was fortunate to be invited to remain at St. Ives till the next morning. I can vouch for the comfort of the beds, with deep inner springs, and thick woolly blankets.

So half past seven next morning the last of the visitors from College Street left St. Ives.

'SYDNEIAN COMMITTEE' GROUP —

B. K. DICKEY, 6A, BARTON; J. C. GREY, 6B, CHASE;

C. P. MACKERRAS, 6A, 4; R. S. WITHYCOMBE, 6A, 7

'ROVING IN A CHANGING WORLD'

B. BURGOYNE CHAPMAN, sometime editor of *The Sydneian*, Captain of the School in 1904, and winner of the Moorehead Scholarship, has written in *Roving in a Changing World* (Scripts Pty. Ltd., Sydney) some lively recollections of his boyhood. He is keenly aware of the differences in school life and in Sydney since his day. He writes with feeling of his debt to the great — Weigall, Lucas, Dettman, Bode — and his real enjoyment of sport.

'The title is intended to suggest the spirit of the Rover scout' and scouting in many lands is a recurrent theme: wherever he found himself he sought to assist or organise scout troops. His experiences as teacher, educationist, and missionary, in Australia, England, China, Japan, California, India, and Israel, are recalled with great vividness from his retirement in Florence; but it is his challenging and highly personal opinions which give the book its peculiar character. Believing that politics and religion are intimately related, he ranges over the ills that divide mankind and enters into some original analyses of Communism, Anti-Semitism, Moral Rearmament, and Christian education, among many other topics.

He has a curious habit of slipping into an aside in smaller print, and some copious footnotes are provided. These, though illustrative and interesting, tend to arrest the flow of the book. Overlooking this slight mechanical defect, the book is a most complete revelation of a personality and a radical outlook.

G.F.R.C.

THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

As we stated once before in these columns, the demands made upon the Library are disappointing. Occasionally, as is to be expected in a school library, we cannot satisfy an enquiry, but the number of books which might reasonably be expected to be on loan most of the year and which get only an occasional

outing, is very disappointing. Some boys are naturally inquisitive about books, a fair proportion diligently read anything that will help them with their work, and a goodly company are avid for periodicals, but the number of those who read steadily and consistently because they believe books have something to offer them is small indeed.

Generally speaking, boys are conditioned to activity and supplied with a reasonable amount of entertainment. The need for more information and amusement than offered by the daily round is not widely felt.

What, in the circumstances of this limitation, can the Library do?

Its principal function is threefold: it provides information and background reading in as many school subjects as possible; lends recreational reading to those who seek it; and keeps many boys abreast of the world outside through a wide selection of periodicals.

Secondarily, it offers a haven for boys who like to do their own work there, provides some experience in the use of a library — so essential for tertiary education, and trains a number of boys in library work.

In the light of this the Library has had a good year. We have lent more books, offered a greater range of periodicals, and enjoyed the services of a most efficient staff of boys. Many of our problems have been solved, and our routines have become more routine, leaving time and opportunity to look for troubles and defects. It is to be hoped that the standard set this year by the Reading Room Section in particular can be maintained. The Repairs section has been holding its own with running repairs and has made a start on the binding of back numbers of periodicals.

The cataloguing of books already in use has unfortunately not progressed very far and will take longer than originally anticipated. The Records Section has been constantly occupied with the intake of books given to us, but should be more free to deal with the catalogue in the coming year. The Stack Room and Periodicals sections have each co-operated successfully with other sections.

By means of a very generous grant the Trustees have added

the recent edition of a British encyclopaedia, and this has already been put to good use.

Our benefactors are many and our grateful acknowledgments follow.

Mrs. Chase continues her most generous contribution of books to be added to the Chase collection.

Mr. D. H. Cohen has presented a large number of books once the property of Cecil Cohen, an Old Sydneian.

Dr. R. A. Eakin in the same way has given us some books of the late K. M. H. Solomon, an Old Sydneian.

Mrs. E. N. Hewitt has presented the School with a number of books on Chess from the library of the late Mr. Hewitt, a skilful player and an Old Sydneian.

Mrs. Carl Gregg has presented a large one volume illustrated Shakespeare in memory of her husband, an Old Sydneian.

Mr. R. M. Davies, who has been at sea since he left school, decided, during a visit to the Library, that we had insufficient books on seamanship and airmanship, and sent a very useful collection.

Mr. M. H. Ellis, who is well known for his works on Australian History, visited the Library during second term and later sent some very interesting and useful books from his own collection.

Our thanks are due also to Mrs. M. South, T. A. H. Wing, Esq., S. J. Marshall, Esq., B. B. Chapman, Esq., J. L. Cowie, Esq., J. F. Stephen, Esq., A. M. Cohen, Esq., D. Donaldson, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. H. H. S. Parker, P. M. Trimble, Esq., A. M. Mackerras, Esq., J. Gray, J. E. Epstein, P. Nell and J. Philips.

The generosity of all the above claims our sincerest thanks.

G.F.R.C.

'TWELFTH NIGHT'

THE GLOBE PRODUCTION of *Twelfth Night* moved smoothly and efficiently. It lacked a certain dramatic intensity but was well up to standard in its comedy. Lighting and decor left little to be desired, particularly since they gained much strength from their simplicity. The elementary mechanics of acting such as continuity in picking up a cue, movement across the stage and the use of hands, all showed that considerable train-

ing had been given and much hard work done by producer and actors. On the whole, it was a most satisfying performance.

It is easy to pick faults — one could, for instance, refer to the dissimilarity between the twins and the sing-song poetic style which occasionally developed. These things would, it is true, damn an Old Vic production but they can scarcely be called important in a schoolboy presentation. There is more pleasure and probably more profit in commenting on the good points — the maturity and dramatic sense of Orsino (R. M. Keep), the effective comedy finely sustained of Malvolio (R. S. M. Withycombe) and the well-played feminine attributes of Olivia (R. M. H. Shearer).

Twelfth Night would not be complete without its boisterous comedy. Sir Toby and Sir Andrew did very well indeed, and produced at times gales of laughter. The rest of the cast did well. All played their parts as one of a team. The result was a disciplined performance which held the attention of the audience.

The chief tribute must go to the Producer, Mr. D. E. Lloyd, and his Assistant, A. N. Grundie, for the immense amount of work and the vivid imagination they displayed. It is clear that they had thoroughly instilled the requisite atmosphere into everyone concerned — from the chocolate sellers and the small boy whose notices told of the changes of scene to the lighting assistants with their ear-phones and the imaginative designer of the programme, R. Edwards. All worked with one object in view, namely to help the other.

Quite apart from the value of Shakespeare as Shakespeare, these plays fulfil a useful purpose in a school. They teach team work as effectively as more normal sports and, at the same time, they inspire love of great drama or comedy. The Globe Players deserve well of the school for what they have done.

D.J.B.

The Players

Sebastian	L. P. ROY
Antonio	A. B. MANT
Orsino	R. M. KEPE
Malvolio	R. S. M. WITHYCOMBE
Sir Toby Belch	P. P. GRAY
Sir Andrew Aguecheek	R. J. VINCENT
The Sydneian	

Valentine	E. J. WUNDERLICH
Curio	T. J. PHILLIPS
Sea-Captain	W. G. MACQUEEN
Fabian	P. C. WILSON
Feste, a Clown	A. R. ROBINSON
Olivia	R. M. H. SHEARER
Viola	T. P. THOMAS
Maria	B. H. SHORT
Priest	T. KARSAL
Servant	L. M. WING
Officers	J. A. BIRD, R. H. GRAY
Musicians	B. A. ODLING, R. E. DAYMAN
Attendant on Orsino	T. M. MCGEE, R. H. MILLS
Lords	O. R. MARTIN, C. L. DORNEY, A. I. FROST, P. W. TOUT
Sailors	K. M. BLUNSDEN, S. R. CUDDY, R. A. HARRISON
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Assistant Producer	A. N. GRUNDIE

Credits

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And to all others who have helped, especially the Secretary and members of the Women's Association for continued support and interest.

GLOBE PLAYERS

ANOTHER year of enthusiastic effort on the part of all members of the Society was climaxed by the production in July of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* on three nights before good audiences. Elsewhere in this issue, a critique of the play may be found, but it is well to place on record our appreciation

not only of the work of the Producer and his talented performers, but also to give full credit to the fifty or sixty boys behind the scenes. These latter receive but little publicity, and spend hours of their own time so that the play may go on stage according to plan. So to those who helped with make-up under Dobson's direction, scenery under Grey's guidance, lighting and sound under Michael's management, and to those boys like Bone and Parker who gave much help to the business side, our warmest thanks for a job well done. Nor can we possibly fail to mention Grundie and Segal for their help to the Producer.

As well as these boys who gave of their time so unselfishly we again record in this report our warmest thanks to friends of the School who contributed greatly to this year's success. Mr. Boothroyd again advised us from the depths of much stage experience and technical skill, in costume design and make-up. Mrs. Roy kindly organised her friends of the Women's Association to make beautiful costumes which would be the envy of professional outfitters. Norton Whitmont taught the players how to fence, so that he could lend his foils with safety. Michael Rudder always lent us a hand at rehearsals. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong made many helpful suggestions concerning costume, and went out of their way to lend us the items we forgot. In all, so many friends helped us, that we felt we had to give of our best.

We were delighted to have as our guest-of-honour Mr. F. G. Phillips, not only because he has been our Head, but also because of his keen interest in the life of the School since his retirement. The play, in all, has brought much pleasure to all who took part, including those masters who directed activities — Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Knight, Mr. Maclay, Mr. Smith, Mr. Carr, Mr. Holland and Mr. Macdonald; an imposing list which reads like a Grammar 'Who's Who'. Although only ten pounds profit was made, we have gained much capital equipment, not the least item of which is the consciousness of a further challenge to our resources met, and more experience added to that of previous years.

During the year, due to the Trustees gift of a large cupboard, our costumes have been organised, and already we possess

some fifty costumes, some of which have already been used twice. Also, we possess make-up equipment sufficient to provide eight full working kits. Under Grey's direction, we have added several items to our stock of properties. Unfortunately, spotlights had to be hired again this year, even though we possess two spotlights of our own. We feel that our next objective must be to purchase an adequate numbers of spotlights. Hire of seating is another drain on finances, and we look forward one year to possessing our own folding chairs.

To mark the centenary year of the School, the Globe Players have announced a playwriting competition. A prize of no less than fifteen guineas has been offered for the best one-act play written by any boy, or group of boys, at the School this year and next. The closing date is the 22nd of March. The play may be produced next year or the year after as a curtain raiser to the main play. As all our centenary activities will be held early next year, the Globe Player's production of *Macbeth*, as its centenary performance, will be at the end of first term. With the loss of several of our best players this year, we look forward to continued interest by boys in the School in this very rewarding and enjoyable school activity.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

IN the Centenary Year, 1957, it is proposed to inaugurate an Association which will promote the cause of scientific education in the School. The School Trustees have done much to stimulate activity by staff in research and have provided generously in buildings and equipment from time to time and they have planned to do more by the new building programme. The shortage of scientists and of science teachers in particular necessitates a special emphasis in this technical age. Can we create a group which will keep Old Sydneians continually in touch with the School, particularly those with scientific interests? Can we attract capital for extending our scientific functions? Can we create scholarships for students? The financial outlay in equipment is necessarily more than that for other subjects. Can the Science staff be freed of some of the restraint necessarily imposed by high costs to make

their lessons more vital and attractive by the fuller use of better equipment, films and the like?

The Annual Science Evening has been a means of rounding up many recent Old Sydneians once a year. What of the older generations? Another branch of the Association's activities would be to develop more activities amongst the boys at School with discussion groups, more addresses by visiting scientists, journals, research and the like. Much of this same sort of activity is done in other countries. Why not at Grammar?

Any Old Sydneian with any ideas and, in particular, any willing to assist such a venture is invited to get in touch with Mr. R. W. Maclay at the School.

R.W.M.

SCIENCE AND THE CITIZEN NO. 9

Thursday, April 26th, 1956

Theme: Anthropology and Archæology

OVER 1000 people attended this year. It was notable, as in other years, for a team of lecturers who gave of themselves and their experience with enthusiasm and painstaking care.

A number of girls from S.C.E.G.G.S. attended the first session with 'senior' boys from Edgecliff and the Lower School. Dr. Capell illustrated his talk with many slides and entertained his audience with bright anecdotes representing his first-hand knowledge of New Guinea and its people. How different are our homes and climate to theirs!

Commonwealth Industrial Gases gave a series of demonstrations during the day. Eggs were frozen 'fried', rubber tubing cracked like a dry twig, flowers were crumpled to fragments, liquid mercury became the solid metal head of a hammer as the effects of liquid oxygen were revealed one by one.

The Australian Museum again contributed to the programme by lending us a slide projector and by Mr. McCarthy's interesting explanation of aboriginal culture revealed by rock carvings. Again, slides illustrated the life of the earlier inhabitants of Sydney, living happily once where now towering flats have replaced the more picturesque, timbered foreshores of the Harbour. Mr. McCarthy's detailed experience of Australian Aboriginal Anthropology will be appearing soon in book form, magnificently illustrated. The second session was noteworthy for the greatly increased attendance. No doubt

the missing of half an hours' school was partly responsible for this!

Professor Mellor is one of the few scientists in Australia who has had experience with radio-chemistry, that branch of chemistry which seeks to find out how such natural processes as digestion, plant-growth take place by 'tagging' important atoms of the compounds concerned. This tagging is done by special modifications of these atoms, called isotopes, which give out radiation allowing their ready detection and estimation. Professor Mellor explained how similar technique, using radio-carbon, had been applied to archaeological relics such as the Dead Sea Scrolls, which enabled their age to be determined.

The Piltown Man skull had been found to be a fake by a series of complementary procedures. This subject formed the basis of a display by the Crusader Union during the Demonstration. Mr. McCarthy kindly arranged for the loan of a model of the skull and a number of related illustrations. This display was also illustrated by slides. Other excellent demonstrations were given by the Photographic Club, assisted by a generous loan of photographs from Kodak's. Mr. Keeble and his classes arranged some entertaining items emphasising things which were riddles before the advance of science. The electrode potential displays were extended from last year and chromatography was introduced for the first time. Mrs. Lenthall and the Zoology classes prepared much of interest for us.

We are in Professor Elkin's debt for his versatility in adapting himself to circumstances caused by slight programme changes. We live in an age of 'Hi-Fi' in sound reproduction and we certainly heard this from his records and films. We heard the war-songs of former head-hunters and Bach sung by their children in mission-school choirs. We heard the fantasy of corroboree and saw the screening of aboriginal cultural achievement in vivid colour. We heard from Professor Elkin the challenge which Anthropology makes to this age: that local differences of culture need to be respected if a people's friendship is to be won and that this peculiarity will assert itself despite oppression by the materially stronger. Professor Elkin's address is recorded elsewhere.

We were indebted to Mr. J. W. M. Carson and the Shell Co. and once again to the Canadian Film Office for loan of excellent films. Messrs. A. L. Knight, H. A. Macdonald and D. Smith gave valuable assistance in organisation. Mrs. Swan and the mothers of boys of Tutor Group 10 catered for the evening meal and many valuable donations allowed a profit of over £21 to be sent to the Women's Association Fete Fund.

The thoughts of the day were sobering to the would-be scientist, proud of technical achievement. We found that the Australian Aborigine and New Guinea Natives have an advanced culture. They are not 'dirty niggers' or stone-age 'barbarians'. Dr. Capell and Mr. McCarthy clearly pointed out that the less savoury features of these peoples' lives were the result of exploitation by unscrupulous Europeans, and the indiscriminate introduction of alcohol and drugs. We were grateful for the first-hand knowledge of those who have lived amongst them to learn about them. It was our privilege to hear from men who had literally fought for their survival by their strong representation and recommendation to Governments, missions and other groups. We are all thankful that they have lived to see the progressive effect of their labours. It is our sincere hope that all who attended have learned that science has also a cultural, social, and humanitarian purpose and that its influence in this direction is strong and active in addition to its more materialistic technical achievements.

Programme

EARLY AFTERNOON SESSION

(For Lower School, and Visitors, only)

- 1.00 p.m. Film: *Musical Ride of the Canadian Mounted Police*. (By courtesy of the Canadian Film Office.)
- 1.20 p.m. The Master of the Lower School introduced Dr. A. Capell, (Reader in Oceanic Languages, at School of Anthropology, University of Sydney), who talked about 'People of New Guinea.'
- 1.50 p.m. Special Demonstration with Liquid Oxygen. (By courtesy of Commonwealth Industrial Gases Ltd.)
- 2.00 p.m. Films: (1) *Everything from Nature*; (2) *Living Off the Land*. (By courtesy of Professor A. P. Elkin, School of Anthropology, University of Sydney.)

LATE AFTERNOON SESSION

(For Middle and Upper School, and Visitors only)

- 2.30 p.m. Liquid Oxygen Demonstration.

We look forward to our Centenary Year when Sir Ernest Fisk has kindly offered to 'chair' Science and the Citizen No. 10, Tuesday, April 30th 1957.

VARIETIES OF MAN, AND CHARITY

Professor A. P. Elkin

*Professor Elkin's address at the Annual Science Evening
was based upon the following:*

IN the long story of life on earth, man is a comparative newcomer. The structure and functioning of his body, however, is part of that story. Adaptation to a land habitat, lung-breathing, a warm-blooded system, the erect attitude, stereoscopic vision, and brain are amongst the very many characteristics essential to man. These were acquisitions by living forms under special conditions at definite times in the past.

The wonder of life is the tremendous variety of forms in which it has appeared and can appear. So it is too, with man. The earliest form of man appeared in one region, thought by some scientists to be Africa. Groups of this lowly type spread under population pressure, and in time became separated in what have been important centres of human differentiation. These are Africa south of the Sahara; the Mediterranean region; east Asia; and the Malay Archipelago. So today we think of a few main types, namely, the Negro, the European, the Mongoloid, and the Australoid (or perhaps Australo-Melanesian). Each of these main groups has had its own history of adaptation and variation in its own region from very early human times. But migrations into different environments, mutations, and mixing with other sub-groups have resulted in hundreds of varieties of mankind.

These geographical races, as we can term them, are usually distinguished by physical characters. For the problems of living in our human world, however, these function mainly as symbols of other, more significant differences between human groups. Each people is a living adaptation to its own environment worked out in the course of its own history, and expresses that unity of process and that difference by its language and culture, by its pattern of living, and by its own system of values and goals.

Therefore the Negro, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Italian,

the American, the Melanesian and all the rest; each faces the the problem of an era (both local and wider) through its own eyes, the sockets of which extend back through centuries. In other words, each people sees the present through its own past. The very meaning of its words, the content of its thoughts, and the significance of its symbols stem from this past. Therefore change is slow, and what is there, occurs within a people's own tradition of thought. Of course, individuals migrate and in time become assimilated in their new country. But tribes and nations do not. They are space-bound and also remain within their own time-process. Offshoots, like Europeans in Australia and America, develop their own differences.

Fundamentally then, *man is not one*. The trend is ever towards variety, because each people must be continually re-adapting itself to its environment, both geographical and human, and this is constantly changing. Each people is a peculiar people — a fact which makes mutual understanding difficult. The world goal is not unity, but *understanding and charity*.

So far no one political power nor any one religion has succeeded in welding north and south, east and west. The national movements which we have witnessed in recent decades, have probably been inevitable. Neither 400 millions, nor 40 millions, nor 10 millions can be ruled indefinitely by another variety of man. It is not a question of better government or of better exploitation of natural resources, but of self-determination, for the *differences between peoples are real*; they are ancient, and they are recurrent.

In the foreseeable future we should acknowledge and be prepared for differences between the peoples of the world. It is doubtful if nations will be united except in small cultural blocks on the basis of some common cultural background. If peace is to be gained and progress maintained, and if the ordinary man is to be happy, nations must develop mutual understanding and charity. They must protect each other's freedom to develop and vary within their own social systems and cultural traditions.

As for you and me: let us learn about other peoples and groups; read their literatures; cultivate friendships where there is opportunity; develop right attitudes; eschew superiority;

do not talk 'hot air', and do not be carried away by 'isms'.

We are in a fascinating world of ever-changing variety. Therefore never trust a philosophy or a power which denies this fact, or that would reduce peoples to parts of a monstrous machine.

The only worthwhile goal is charity and goodness. This demands freedom. Never let freedom slip away.

DEBATING NOTES

THE Sydney Grammar School Debating team for 1956 was selected in June from the best eight debaters of the School. This year's team was the same as last year's, Robert Keep, Graham Segal and John Grey.

In the competition the team debated against St. Ignatius King's and Shore. Grammar won against St. Ignatius on the subject 'That there is too much sport'. Grammar affirmed. King's won the second debate against Grammar. King's affirmed 'That there is too much talk'. In the last of the three debates our team affirmed the subject 'That the end justifies the means' but was defeated by Shore. In addition to the three debates in the competition our team had a friendly debate against St. Joseph's which resulted in a draw.

The Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition was held on the 20th July and the School's speaker was M. H. Mackerras. This competition was won by John Hamilton of Sydney High School.

It is pleasing to note that Prefects are taking more interest in debating than they did last year. Four of the best eight were Prefects while two of the three members of the team were Prefects. Last year none of the best eight were Prefects. I hope that in future Prefects will continue to take an interest in debating.

M.H.M.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE September issue of *Agrophylax* was devoted to agriculture in Northern Australia and New Guinea. THERE WERE NO CONTRIBUTORS FROM THE SCHOOL apart from the Editor. It seems that we have reached a 'low' in agricultural enthusiasm. Are we to 'warm the corpse' or add it to the compost heap? We had

an interesting visit from Mr. David Hope, Old Sydneian doing Food Technology at Hawkesbury and we have acquired a list of schools where agriculture is taught in New South Wales. The screening of films has been temporarily suspended till facilities become more facile!

CRUSADER UNION

FOLLOWING a successful junior House Party at Mount Victoria over the May holidays, the Crusaders began the term with much enthusiasm. A series of excellent addresses to the seniors by distinguished speakers from outside the School, covered subjects relating to aspects of Christian service in various walks of life. The emphasis in the senior meeting has been on the practical application of Christian teaching and discipline in the daily life of the individual and on the up-to-date impact that Christ's teachings have in the School. Clear interest in this series of studies was reflected in increased attendances and the eagerness of many senior boys to discuss the meetings in the playground.

In the junior meetings, a series of subjects relating to personalities from the New Testament was held, and many of the stories were told by film strips or through the use of movie films. Special speakers climaxed the term's activities and attendances were very encouraging. Our Tuesday morning Bible Studies continue to draw good numbers, and give added opportunity for Christian fellowship and a better knowledge of God's word. Prayer meetings were held regularly each Friday morning, and up to thirty boys attend.

During this last term, we have the Sports Party on the night of the G.P.S. Sports, and in the coming holidays, an extensive programme of Summer Camps at Lake Macquarie. A feature of the Senior Camp this year will be water-skiing, as well as the usual varied water sports and bush activities.

We do thank those who have been our leaders this year, Jim O'Regan and Peter Falk, and all members of our large committee, for their faithfulness and personal witness in their service at School. We know that there are others who are prepared to undertake leadership and we wish them well in the next year. As we look back over this year we praise God for

the opportunity of service in this place and for those who have benefitted from the year's activities in a better knowledge of God's word and a deeper consciousness of His demands on their lives.

H.McD.

STAMP CLUB NOTES

A COMPETITIVE display was shown at the Fete in April. Mrs. Campe gave us several minor prizes as well as a Stamp Album. She left her Stamp Shop for an hour on the Saturday morning to come and judge the competition, and to present the prizes which were won by: Parker and Wunderlich, in the Senior Division; and Hield, Short and Whitelaw in the Junior Division. Price gained the Prize for the Best All-round Effort.

Over thirty entries were received altogether, including several from the Prep. The number of entries shows that there are many stamp collectors in the School, although attendances at the meetings, which are held in E Room every Friday at lunch time, varies.

New members are welcome, and it is not necessary to have any stamps.

B.S.P.

CHESS NOTES

THIS has been a relatively successful season. The A Grade team ended second in the competition, being beaten in the total points by North Sydney High. Nevertheless ours was the only undefeated team in the competition. The captain was C. P. Mackerras. Board 2 was R. Latham. O. Roach was Board 3. Boards 4 and 5 were H. Gastineau-Hills and R. Yates with help from R. Oswald-Sealy. O. Roach lost only one match. Special mention must be made of H. Gastineau-Hills (3A Upper) who went through the season undefeated. In an emergency he took on board 1 in the crucial match against North Sydney High and convincingly defeated the under 16 State champion.

The B Grade team was not so successful but did reasonably well.

The first C Grade team came second in their division, L. Wing and S. Ferguson winning best-record prizes.

The beginners' first team, ably led by D. Birkett, won their division but were defeated in the play-off. However W. France and B. Symons won best-record prizes.

In the under 16 championships this year we had only one representative, H. Gastineau-Hills, who however won the competition along with two other players. C.P.M.

Solution to the problem in the last 'Sydneyan'

WHITE

P × B (becomes knight)

N — N6

P — R8 (becomes Bishop or queen) checkmate.

BLACK

K × N (forced)

Any move

R.A.N.R. CADETS

THE term's training has been continuing in *Rushcutter* according to the syllabus. Because of Fleet movements during August the Annual Training Cruise this year had to be abandoned but it is hoped that, in company with The Scots College and Cranbrook School Cadets we may be able to complete a ten day camp in H.M.A.S. *Albatross*, the Naval Air Station, Nowra, later in third term.

In H.M.A.S. *Albatross* instruction may be had in Safety Equipment, Meteorology, Observer Training, Explosives and Demolition Precautions. On Jervis Bay itself there are the Sea Air Rescue launches and whalers in which cadets receive some training and diversion. P.T.

THE CADET CORPS

THE ninety-ninth year of Grammar's history is the eighty-sixth of the Corps', a year like most of the eighty-five before it in its mixture of short-comings and achievements. If the former are best kept within our own circle, the latter may properly be published here.

Training has reached a reasonable standard; in specialist work H.Q. and Sp. Companies are at least as good as the companies of recent years; in drill, A and B Companies are the best we have seen. This is particularly gratifying in view of the approaching centenary and the effort called for last term. It is worthy of record that in the Walcott Cup competition, not yet completed, all three B Company platoons are ahead of A Company for the first time, having taken first place in the camp shoot (4 Platoon, C.U.O. C. D. Walker) and first and second places in the drill competition (5 and 6 Platoons, C.U.Os. J. N. Miller and C. K. Laxton). Congratu-

lations to all members of a good company.

The Morgan Shield for general efficiency in the senior companies has been awarded jointly to the M.G. Platoon (C.U.O. J. A. Goulding) and A. Tk. Platoon (C.U.O. G. L. Thorburn) after a close tussle. The Anti-Tankers won both the rifle and Bren competitions; the drill was won by the Machine-Gunners.

On 7th August, the Corps mounted a guard of honour for the Administrator of the Commonwealth, General Sir John Northcott, when he opened the R.S.L. State Congress at Coogee. C.U.O. R. E. Buttfield trained and commanded the guard which won praise for its turnout and steadiness and a letter of congratulation from the Commander of 2 Cadet Brigade.

The Corps had ten days at Singleton in August and enjoyed a hard and useful camp. Memorable were: the excellent work of the M.G. Platoon as advance party, the ice on the fire-buckets on two mornings, the polar conditions on Adm. Parade with the thermometer at 34°, a bevy of voiceless C.S.Ms. (pharyngitis having come to the aid of laggard cadets), A Company's Anabasis to Whittingham while its commander conferred with the O.C. to the former's great annoyance, carrier rides for H.Q. Company with Captain Silcock for chauffeur, the Mortar Platoon's misfire (who sacrificed one of his socks?), the sufferings of A Company cadets as they struggled to force themselves into the miniature weapon pits of B Company after relieving those warlike diggers, the daily disappearance of Sgt. Latham and his Medical Section towards the hospital and its interesting staff, the brilliant beating of Retreat by the Band on the last evening. That ceremony was a fitting close to camp; the Drum Major and his people deserved the cheers that greeted them when they marched back.

There has been no lack of good leadership this year. New officers have vied with old and their level of achievement has been high. The Corps owes much to the effort and example of the Senior Under Officer, Martin Addison and to Richard Buttfield, both in their second year as company commanders. They began their service in 1952. Addison has the distinction of being S.U.O. for two years. Another outstanding leader

is John Grey, for two years Drum Major. It is worthy of record that Grey refused a C.U.Os.' course, preferring to stay with the Drums and Bugles, to the great benefit of the Band and of the Corps as a whole. This is the time to thank the guardians of the Store, W.O.2 Danks, Sgt. Brown and that storeman of unusual talents. P. C. Wilson. They have given a great deal of their own time during term to the service of the rest of us.

The Corps is sorry to learn that Capt. H. I. Silcock, Comd. 8 Cadet Bn., is being reposted. For more than three years and in three camps he has not only looked after this unit but has been a friend. We owe him much and wish him success in his new appointment.

We welcome his successor, Lt. Cooper.

A.J.H.

A Company

We were unfortunate in losing both the Company Commander and C.S.M. before camp owing to illness; their places were taken by C.U.O. R. Withycombe and W.O.2 R. Matheson. Training areas seemed poor at first but with some careful arrangement with B Coy. and some confusion in stalks the best use was made of every tree and bush. We kept drill to a minimum but the standard was good.

For the cadets, the best game was fieldcraft, partly because it was an excellent opportunity to lose themselves, get dirty or catch up on lost sleep. This year a greater allowance of blank heightened interest; the lessons in section handling and tactics with this aid were a success.

On the Sunday a large number of A Company took part in the football matches. O.C. 1 Platoon was conspicuous for the way he tore into it.

The relief in the line was carried on in bright moonlight. The change over went smoothly. The 'enemy' and roving officers took pride in their cutting of the Sigs. lines and the borrowing of 536's from unsuspecting Sigs.

For the undoubted success of the camp, much is owing to the strong though divergent initiative of the officers, the loud voice of the C.S.M., the co-operation of the sergeants, the care and enthusiasm of the corporals and finally to the cadets who learnt much of value.

J.G., R.W.

B Company

Camp training was very much enlivened this year by the addition of several lessons on section tactics. These lessons culminated in an afternoon of fierce attack and determined defence by the battle-hardened boys from Baker; for this successful work our thanks to W.O.2 McLaughlin, whose own battle experience and unflagging zeal made success possible.

The main emphasis of training was on fieldcraft. It was noticeable how quickly the cadets adapted themselves to the art of concealment (admittedly some are so small as to be completely hidden behind a blade of grass), and how well they employed their knowledge in a highly successful night exercise.

Rifle training was not neglected; a fair standard was reached. The company recorded a 50 percent pass, whilst 4 Platoon gained the outstanding figure of 70 per cent, and Cpl. Sloan of 5 Platoon top-scored with 73 out of 75.

The piece de resistance was the digging of defensive positions, followed by a relief in the line, in which the whole corps took part. The company dug in on the morning and, after a brief afternoon's rest manned their positions that night till relieved by A Company. Despite enemy infiltration and the severing of communications, the relief was carried out according to plan. One or two pre-arranged casualties (wounded no doubt by shellfire from the O.C. who was flinging Aldershot grenades in all directions) were picked up by the Medics and whisked back to camp by stretcher. There with difficulty they extricated themselves from the miles of bandages in which they were swathed, and made their way back to their lines.

Camp was not, however, all work and no play. Someone even found time to put rocks in the company commander's bed (he later found that there is some truth in the saying 'after hubris comes nemesis'); films were shown and there was a canteen near at hand. The last night brought with it the usual round of parties, which were not without much singing and eating.

We arrived back at Central a much more soldierly lot, tired, a little grimy, but happy. For this vast transformation I would like to thank my platoon commanders, C.S.M. and

N.C.O's. whose efforts and enthusiasm have made this camp truly memorable. Finally, I would like to thank the cadets themselves, for their cheerful spirit and co-operation. R.M.K.

HQ Coy Notes

H.Q. Coy enjoyed a successful camp in which the standard was raised in most departments of training.

The Intelligence Section spent most of their time in making maps; it is understood that they are still looking for some compasses. The O.C. lectured them once in what seemed a never-ending talk. Medical Section hid themselves in the R.A.P. most of the time.

Signals laid communications well but unfortunately the lines, once laid, did not seem to work well because of cutting and other mishaps.

The Band was really excellent. Their Ceremonial Retreat on the last night of camp was terrific. The cadets of other sub-units responded with 'three cheers' after the ceremony. Only one mistake was made on this parade, and that by a certain officer (no names, please!).

The cadets of the Company would like to thank Capt. Silcock for taking them for joyrides in his Bren carrier.

The Owen shoot was a welcome innovation for all concerned.

Finally, I would like to thank the officers, N.C.O's. and cadets of the Company for their efforts during the year and at camp.

R.E.B.

Sp. Coy Notes

THE training in Second Term was directed towards obtaining a high standard for Camp. The cadets' interest increased as Camp approached, and it was with high hopes that we de-trained at Whittingham.

In the specialist training some notable achievements were recorded. The M.G. Platoon performed its advanced handling so successfully, that on two occasions an 'enemy' scout crawled within four yards of a gun position and saw and heard nothing. The Mortar Platoon reached a particularly high standard and great rivalry developed between the various sections. One section performed the amazing feat of carrying out Cease

Firing in thirteen seconds — the time prescribed for trained soldiers being thirty seconds. The Anti-Tankers were as usual right in the forefront of all happenings at Camp. Their training was done extremely well, and was aided by American training films, which made the hair stand on end.

On Sunday, the Company played the rest of the Cadet Corps at football on a nearby airfield. Both the ground and the match were hard from the first whistle. Support was defeated by a narrow margin, but managed to come out on top with more jumpers left whole than the opposition.

Monday and Tuesday saw the Support Platoons complete their field training. The number of hits showed how well the boys had absorbed their instruction and was a credit to their leaders.

On Monday night a Relief in the Line was carried out and proceedings were enlivened for the Anti-Tankers by the appearance of Capt. Silcock in a carrier, armed with dummy grenades and large smoke bombs. The Anti-Tankers said he was a dead duck from the time he appeared.

Altogether everyone seemed to combine good training with plenty of laughter, and as pictures were shown on free nights nobody suffered from boredom.

I wish to thank the Officers and N.C.O.'s of the Company who worked very hard and always were willing to do extra work to keep things moving. To the cadets in Support Company my thanks and congratulations for their hard work and co-operation.

M.P.A.

A.T.C.

NO. 6 FLIGHT, AIR TRAINING CORPS, under the command of Flt./Lt. L. W. Webster, E.D., has had a busy and profitable year.

At the annual Drill Competition for flights of N.S.W. Squadron, the School Flight again won two trophies, and F/Sgt. Smith was awarded the pennant for the most outstanding N.C.O.

Our congratulations go to Cpl. Obrart and Cpl. Thurkettle on their promotion to N.C.O. rank; and to Cpl. Obrart again for topping his junior N.C.O. course and gaining second

place in his senior N.C.O. course.

During second term the flight held a field day at Long Bay rifle range, in the course of which cadets shot with .303 rifles Thompson sub-machine guns, and Bren automatic rifles.

During the August-September holidays, cadets attended camps at Canberra, Richmond, Williamstown and Uranquinty R.A.A.F. Stations. In the course of these camps cadets flew in a variety of service aircraft, including Vampire jets, Winjeels, Wirraways, and Dakotas — to say nothing of hundreds of 'operational' hours in Link trainers! The flight is deeply appreciative of the splendid efforts made by members of the permanent R.A.A.F. to ensure that camps are both enjoyable and interesting.

These are the highlights which illumine a steady course of lectures in Aircraft Recognition (an increasingly complex study these days), Theory of Flight, and organisation and Administration of the R.A.A.F. And of course there is a satisfying diet of foot and rifle drill.

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EXCHANGES

GREAT BRITAIN: *The Firefly*, Newcastle High School, Newcastle-under-Tyne, Staffordshire; *Marlburnian*, Marlborough College, Wiltshire; *The Radleian*, Radley College, Abingdon, Berkshire.

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 College, Wanganui.

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: *Brisbane Grammar School Magazine*, Brisbane Grammar School, Brisbane; *Capricornus*, Rockhampton Grammar School, Rockhampton.

VICTORIA: *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;

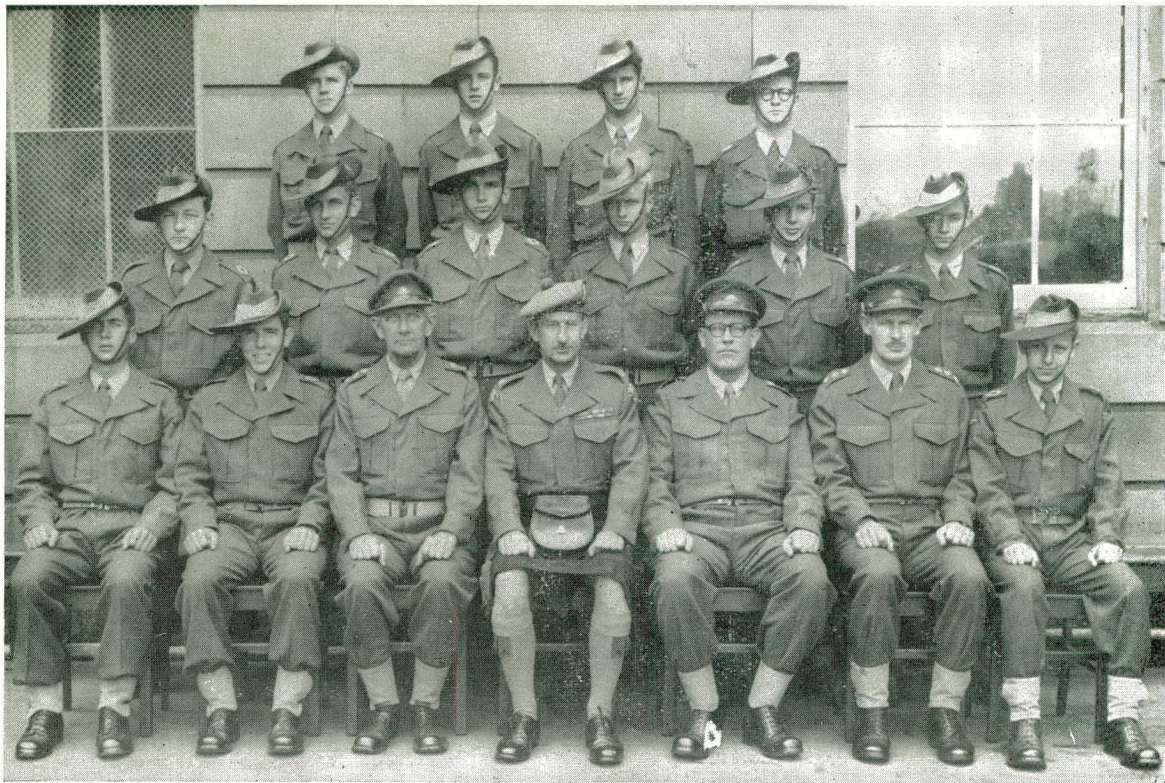
A.C.T.: *The Canberran*, Canberra Grammar School, Canberra;

NEW SOUTH WALES: *The Falcon*, North Sydney High School, Falcon Street, North Sydney; *The Cranbrookian*, Cranbrook School, Bellevue Hill, Sydney; *The Hawkesbury Agricultural Journal*, Hawkesbury Agricultural College, Richmond; *The Wyvern*, Wallaroi College, Orange; *The Triangle*, Trinity Grammar School, Summer Hill; *The Magazine of P.L.C. Pymble*, P.L.C., Pymble; *The Newingtonian*, Newington College, Stanmore; *The Waverlian*, Waverley College, Waverley; *The Tudorian*, Tudor House, Moss Vale; *NEGS Chronicle*, New England Girls' School, Armidale; *The Aloysian*, St. Aloysius' College, Milson's Point; *Our Alma Mater*, St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney; *St. Joseph's College Magazine*, St. Joseph's College, Hunter's Hill; *The Record*, Sydney High School, Moore Park, Sydney; *The Armidalian*, The Armidale School, Armidale; *The King's School Magazine*, The King's School, Parramatta; *The Torchbearer*, S.C.E.G.S., Blue Street, North Sydney; *The College Barker*, Barker College, Hornsby; *Magazine of P.L.C.*, P.L.C., Burwood; *The Scotsman*, The Scot's College, Bellevue Hill, Sydney; *The Graftonian*, Grafton High School, Grafton.

FIJI: *The Magazine of the Queen Victoria School*, Matavatuou.

COLOMBO: *Royal College Magazine*, Royal College, Colombo.

HONG KONG: *King's College Magazine*, King's College, Hong Kong.



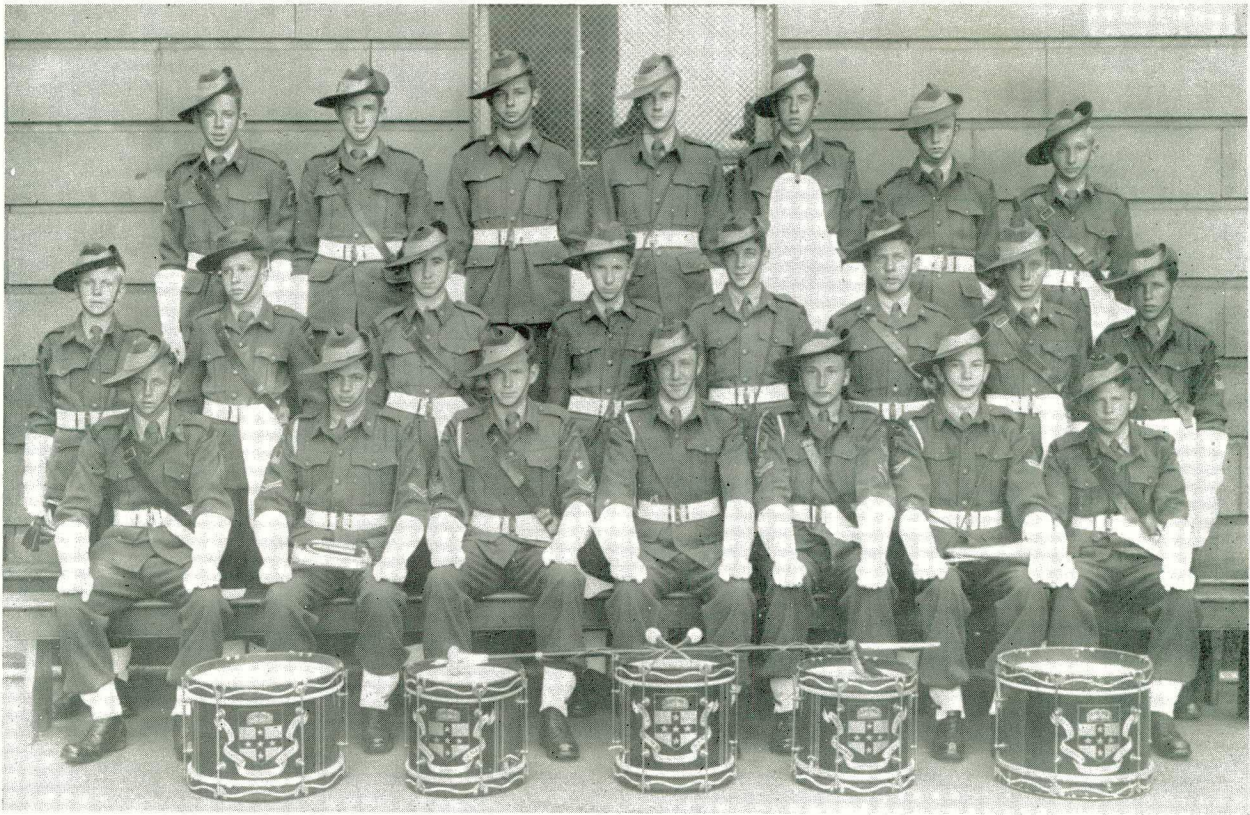
CADET CORPS — OFFICERS 1956

Back Row: CUO's JA GOULDING, RCS COZENS, GL THORBURN, BK D.CKEY. *Centre:* CUC'S OF ROACH, GF WALKER, PDR ISHERWOOD, JB WINDEYER, CK LAXTON, JN MILLER. *Front Row:* CUO's RM KEEP, MP ADDISON (SENIOR UNDER OFFICER), CAPT AP SCOTT, MAJ AJ HILL, CAPT RL ROPE, CAI T DE LLOYD, CUO RSM WITHCOMBE. *Absent:* CUO's RE BUTTFIELD, J. GREATHEAD, CD WALKER.



CADET CORPS — WO's AND SGTs 1956

Back Row: C SGT JF BARLOW, SGTs BJ McINTOSH, THB COWPER, WP BIRKETT, DF BOOTH, MR WIGNALL. *Centre:* DRUM MAJOR JF GREY, SGTs D TOVEY, MHR DENT, HWG CAVILL, RT LATHAM, BC BROWN, RH MARTIN. *Front Row:* WO's II GK LINDLEY MC WILLIS, LF GLEN, (RSM), MAJ AJ HILL, WO's II LF ROFE, JN MATHESON, RW MATHESON. *Absent:* WO's I G DANKS, SGTs R MICHAEL, TK MIDELTON.



CADET CORPS — BAND 1956

Back Row: CDTS. JENNINGS, GOURLAY, MULFORD, THOMPSON, MIDDLETON, MACQUEEN, DOWLING. *Centre Row:* CDTS ARMITAGE, DEZARNAULDS, MAGEE, BRETT, WARBURTON, GLASSON, LARCOMBE, FALCONER. *Front Row:* LCPL GARLAND, CPL COMINOS, SGT TOVEY, DRM MAJ GREY, CPL KEATS, CPL PHILLIPS, CDT COX.



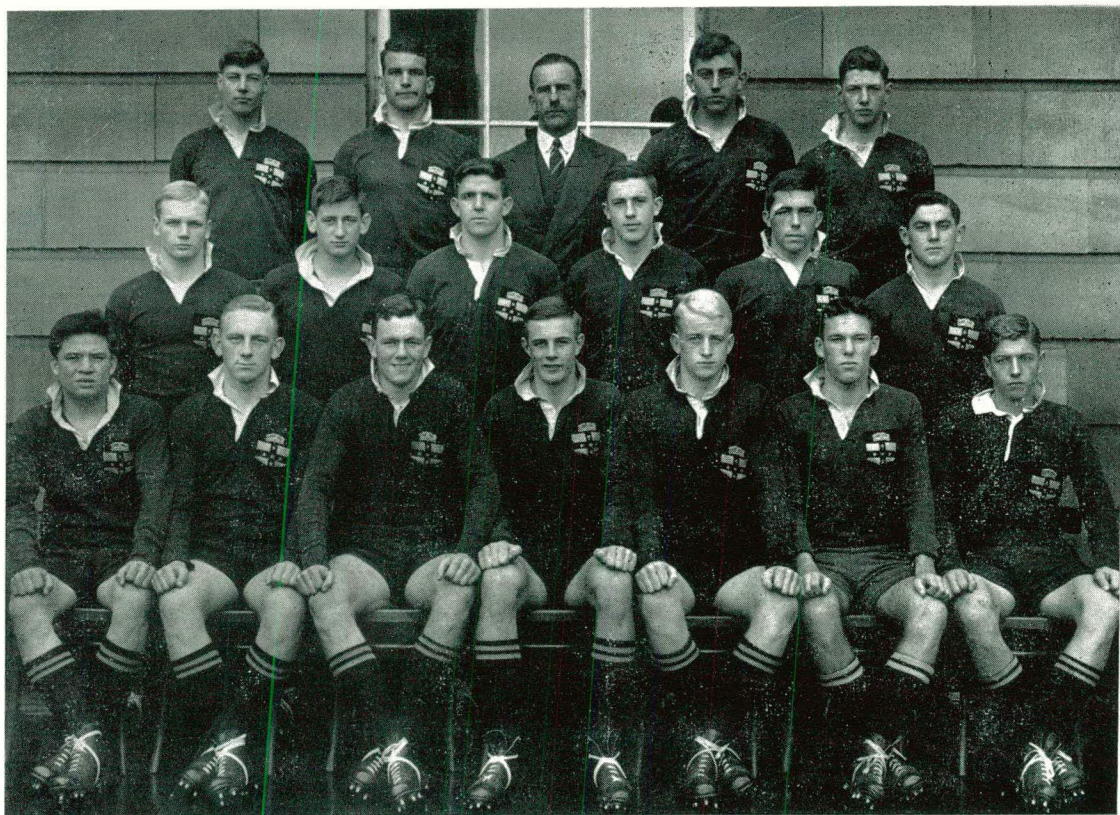
OFFICERS AND N.C.O.s — AIR TRAINING CORPS (R.A.A.F.) 1956

Back Row: SGT. R. REES, CPL. W. H. WATTS, FLT. SGT. R. S. SMITH, SGT. K. J. BOS, CPL. D. L. BROWN
Seated: C.P.O. D. WHITEHEAD, FLT. LT. L. O. SCOTT, FLT. LT. WEBSTER o.c.), C.P.O. R. F. DOBSON.



DRILL FLIGHT — WINNERS RIFLE DRILL COMPETITION 1956

Back Row: J. KNIGHT, K. J. THURKETTLE, B. S. PARKER, R. S. VEIT, P. R. J. DIVE, P. WHITEHEAD, W. M. CAISLEY, D. STEDMAN, P. DE LAMBERT. *Centre Row:* S. D. CUMMING, J. FOX, G. B. SEGAL, R. HALL, K. A. LUCAN, J. B. EPSTENI, L. R. BLANTON, B. CLEARY, B. L. POOLE. *Front Row:* J. J. BOURKE, B. R. FIGTREE, CPL. WATT'S, FLT. LT. L. O. SCOTT, FLT. LT. L. WEBSTER, FLT. SGT. R. SMITH, CPL. D. L. BROWN, K. V. NEWMAN, A. OBRART.



S.G.S. FIRST FIFTEEN 1930

Back Row: W. J. HURT, P. D. ISHERWOOD, I. M. EDWARDS, ESQ., P. R. FALK, M. J. IVES. Middle Row: M. B. CAMPBELL, B. WALKER, A. R. MURPHY, W. M. CAISLEY, L. F. GLEN, P. H. VAMVAS. Front Row: R. CHAINE, R. J. HAYHOW, R. D. PERRETT (VICE-CAPTAIN), D. M. WHITEHEAD (CAPTAIN), A. R. MCGILVRAY, R. F. GRIFFITHS, J. S. BOAG.

SPORTING

SPORTSMASTER'S NOTES

As these lines go to press, in early October, there is a busy year in retrospect though no major triumphs on view, a wide area worked on rather than high peaks attained. Growing needs have led to an overflow of teams practising, to Rushcutters Bay Oval and Park — for which, our thanks to the City Council — and we look forward to good use of the new section at the eastern end of Weigall in the near future. The Prep. Schools, St. Ives and Edgecliff, have played matches against the School and against each other; Edgecliff enjoys occasional use of Weigall as its home ground. After an interval of thirty years, cricket matches have been revived with All Saint's College, Bathurst, an excitingly even match resulting in a win for a scratch Second Eleven by eight runs. New masters and other friends on sporting strength have been welcomed in other notes. School auxiliary bodies flourish more than ever — witness the vigorous programme of the Boat Club Association, the perennial help of the Women's Association, the impressive Annual Report of the O.S. Cricket Club. The attendances of Grammar supporters at matches and the Athletics Meeting have been very heartening.

With the new summer season now beginning, we record the retirement from Rowing of Mr. A. P. Scott, whose six years term of activity has seen great development in our Club and whose hard working and popular person, to be remembered by many, is permanently honoured by the giving of his name to the coaches' speed-boat. If rowing establishments have tended to produce distinctive personalities, half piratical and greatly esteemed, our Mr. Scott takes place among the number. In this capacity, we welcome Mr. E. J. Blau and his assistant Mr. D. Smith, now keenly embarked on their duties. Mr. H. A. Ritchie's celebration of his fortieth year on the staff enables us to recall that he played in the School First Fifteen, at five-eighth, in 1908-9, that he has since done notable work in coaching teams including the Firsts, in 1926 and 1941, and

that he may be met with undiminished pleasure at Weigall on current Saturday afternoons. The retirement of Mr. A. S. Sams now compels us to mention the strong encouragement he has given to sport in the House during his long reign and the strong performances by House boys which have resulted.

Following our interest in Jim Burke's strong performances with the Australian Eleven in England, the next Old Sydneian international appeared as a Springbok, in the person of Will Rosenberg who left Grammar as a promising junior eight years ago and who played in tests in New Zealand on the recent tour though injuries unluckily kept him out of the games in Australia. Congratulations, here, to David Emanuel (1st XV, 1951) who won this year's Rugby Union award for 'the best and fairest player' and to Dr. Roger Vanderfield on refereeing the test match: his assumption of this mantle so soon after its being laid aside by Mr. Lewis Tomalin gives special pleasure. And congratulations to Mr. Jack Chegwyn on his completion of thirty years continuously in first grade cricket, his many services to the game and his appointment as a state selector.

The approach of the Olympic Games has seen Old Sydneians in prominence, Gary Bromhead as a leading sprinter until he had an unfortunate injury and Bill Butchart among the leading half-milers. As officials have already been selected, we can now congratulate Mr. F. F. Buchanan, Chairman of the Sports Fund Committee, and Mr. D. Adamson, a firm friend of the School in Athletics, on being selected in this capacity, in the fields of yachting and athletics respectively.

Of Old Sydneians whose deaths are now recorded, we recall the receiving of a telegram of congratulations from Sir Samuel Hordern on the occasion of our winning the Regatta last year; the name of Harry Donnan is mentioned each year at the match of the A.A.G.P.S. Eleven and the N.S.W. Cricket Association.

Dr. Lindon Wing, at work more than ever now on the sporting history of the School, has, with the generous help of the Women's Association, provided the Ground with an extra chest of medical supplies. To them and to all helpers, including those tireless al fresco painters, Messrs. Buchanan and Marshall, our very warm thanks.

FOOTBALL

Notes.



THE season was substantial and more matches would have been played if opponents could have been found more frequently. On one Saturday a record number of twenty-nine teams took the field, twenty-eight of them at Hunter's Hill against St. Joseph's. Weigall usually had its share of a dozen or more matches a day. A new senior team, the Eighths, appeared; the number of seniors coming up for games proved useful as their division lost most in the chance of injuries. Middle and Lower School teams moved their games about with a better yield of successes. A summary is as follows:

	No. of Teams	Matches			Points	
		Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
Upper School	8	32	4	51	734	764
Middle School	12	53	8	45	899	617
Lower School	9	42	5	27	698	391
Totals	29	127	17	123	2331	1772

New coaches welcomed this year were Mr. P. I. Young (a Blue of New College, Oxford) who with Bob Watson (1st XV, 1954) took Under 15 C and D; Mr. Oswald Alsop, father of present boys and an Old Armidalian, who took the Under 13 C and E (the midget A's graded as Under 13 D); John Neeld (School football captain of 1955) who took the Seconds for much of the season; and David Emanuel (1st XV, 1951) who gave coaching at times to senior forwards. Dr. Alec Ross (1st XV, 1921-23 and later Australian captain) was a welcome visitor at practices and at a meeting of coaches. All of last year's coaches were again with teams. Senior boys who also acted usefully in this department were B. Dickey, J. Grey, G. Walker, D. Moppett, D. Lesnie, D. Button, D.

Bone, P. Isherwood, R. Chaine, J. O'Regan and perhaps others.

A full list of current 'home' referees appeared in these notes last year. We now are glad to add Commander M. P. Reed R.A.N., Don Carney (1st XV, 1950) and Kerry Burrow (an old boy of Shore), the last two sharing their appearances between Weigall and Northbridge. Mr. David Phippard (O.S.) again conducted Junior Referees coaching classes and badges were gained by B. Dickey, M. Rolfe, G. Lindley, D. McGilvray, R. Vincent and K. Rich who, with some other present boys, refereed junior matches at Weigall.

Congratulations to Dr. Roger Vanderfield on refereeing his first test match. Old Sydneians who were promoted to first grade teams were Phillip Harry (School football captain, 1954) with University and Ian Mackay (1st XV 1950-1 and lately captain of R.M.C., Duntroon) with Randwick.

An honour badge was again awarded in football this year, to D. M. Whitehead, the 1st XV captain and an exceptionally lively player and keen leader. The Ian Anderson Memorial Cup was awarded, out of many considered, to another captain, I. M. Abbott (Under 15 A's) who appeared to carry out a bigger lion's share of the game than even the best of the others, whose presences were always greatly felt where they played. Mrs. R. J. French, President of the Women's Association, accompanied by Mrs. W. Moppett, kindly attended and made the end-of-season presentations.

Our annual warm thanks, now, to the season's helpers: to all the ladies at the Ground, to the St. John's Ambulance officers and cadets, to the groundsman Les and Alby whose season was weighted with periods in hospital and to all ready friends of various services.

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First Fifteen

As the season began to develop, the team's potential looked quite fair. The practice began with two defeats: by Riverview whose three-quarters were fast and rugged and by a well-conditioned Armidale side which, though light, showed the effectiveness of essential quickness. There followed a draw with Newington and, to begin second term, a win over Shore

which showed promise. Better play and a win over Old Boys followed. Our forwards, though lacking physical quickness, showed robustness which wore well through a game; the backs, when intact, were becoming smart enough to give a good start to Perrett and one or two other potential scorers. Whitehead at lock always played a lively captain's game as well as attending keenly to the needs of training. The practice rounds ended, however, with a defeat by St. Joseph's whose very fast three-quarters sometimes put them a class ahead and the further defeat of a depleted team by C.B.C., Waverley. Results of practice matches were:

v. S.I.C.	at Riverview	Lost	8-17
v. T.A.S.	at Weigall	Lost	6-18
v. N.C.	at Weigall	Drawn	3-3
v. S.C.E.G.G.S.	at Northbridge	Won	11-8
v. OLD SYDNEIANS'	at Weigall	Won	18-16
v. S.J.C.	at Weigall	Lost	6-20
v. C.B.C.	at Queen's Park	Lost	8-14

The competition began and continued with injuries in vital places: to Perrett who was either out or not in good form and to the halves, Walker and Chaine, who could not properly be replaced. Glen, exclusively a forward, struggled stoutly at half and Caisley, a promising out-centre, improved consistently at five-eighth; Boag replaced wherever required and confirmed himself at in-centre. The forwards drew on eight replacements. As a result, movement became uncertain as well as slow and, short of playing effectively, this team seldom got beyond the stage merely of struggling hard. However, poorer teams have been seen which have had their wins. Our match against S.H.S. saw the side in very poor plight. On the other hand, against the two strongest teams, St. Joseph's and King's, resistance was very strong indeed.

Awards for the season were:

HONOUR BADGE and the HAZELL SHIELD: D. M. Whitehead.

COLOURS (with playing positions): A. R. Murphy, P. Vamvas, A. R. McGilvray (front row); P. Isherwood, P. Falk (second row); R. F. Griffiths, L. F. Glen (breakaways), D. M. Whitehead (lock and captain); B. Walker, R. Chaine, W. M. Caisley (halves); J. S. Boag, R. D. Perrett (centres);

M. B. Campbell, R. J. Hayhow (wings); M. J. Ives (full-back).

Others (with competition matches played) were: W. J. Hurt (4), R. F. Bruwel (3), N. Slack-Smith (2), A. A. Wood (2), K. V. Newman (1), M. R. Wignall (1). Pennants were awarded to Hurt, Slack-Smith and Wood.

G.P.S. representation, with Whitehead, Falk and Chaine unavailable, was: Perrett (2nd XV), McGilvray and Griffiths (3rd XV).

J. Niesche acted well as linesman throughout the season.

The following accounts of the competition matches are indebted to careful notes by R. Latham.

v. N.C., AT STANMORE — LOST 3-11

Early play by both sides appeared serious only, not full-blooded as expected. Ives stopped a strong thrust with a deadly tackle, Campbell went in full career on the right wing, Glen was conspicuous in a solo dribbling effort and Griffiths with a strong relieving kick. Otherwise the first half was rather restrained — and scoreless. Perrett had injured an ankle early, to be ineffective for the rest of the game and out for several following.

The second half was more spirited and eventful. Newington kicked two penalty goals in ten minutes from costly Grammar off-sides. Score: 0-6.

Grammar did a good share of attacking and appeared to score when Hayhow finished a three-quarters movement by diving over strongly in the left corner, but he was ruled out by a linesman. Newington then scored through their out-centre who was enjoying wide latitude and a goal was kicked from near touch. Score: 0-11.

Grammar pressed frequently with Whitehead in the van of strongly playing forwards. Caisley and Hurt made initial breaks which were, however, not carried on. Of a few possible goals from penalties, one was achieved, by Ives. The game was played out hard but the final score remained 3-11.

v. S.J.C., AT HUNTER'S HILL — LOST 5-18

The sky was dull, the air keen and play was vigorous from the beginning. St. Joseph's attacked with suddenness and speed but excellent defence, from Chaine at half to Ives at full-back, mainly kept this in check. Firm refereeing gave

frequent penalties to Grammar and the St. Joseph's full-back was often saving with good line-kicks against the breeze.

After twenty minutes of very hard play Griffiths, receiving from a mid-field ruck, evaded the first defenders, ran strongly for fifty yards and grounded well near the posts while fending off some final tackles — a very determined effort. Ives goaled: 5-0. Ten minutes later, a 'blue-print' three-quarters movement, with all men moving fast, gave St. Joseph's right-winger room to score in the corner. Half-time score: 5-3.

Playing with the wind, St. Joseph's unfolded brilliant form. Grammar forwards, not relenting; were worn down inevitably by tougher opponents, while quick switches of play by St. Joseph's put our cover defenders at a loss. Our backs were not quick at moving up in defence every time; nevertheless. St. Joseph's three-quarters were quicker in their variations and swifter in sweeping runs than any school side has been able to be for quite some years. At regular intervals they added five tries, with our three-quarters and full-back at full stretch but usually unable to get within tackling distance. Our forwards battled strongly throughout and the backs made every possible tackle effective. St. Joseph's were eventual undefeated premiers. Final score of this match: 5-18.

v. S.C.E.G.S., AT WEIGALL — LOST 0-11

Playing with a breeze in the first half, Grammar initiated attacks, with Falk and Whitehead gaining well in line-outs, Caisley making one deep penetrating run and Campbell showing full of life. But our supporting was not alert enough, while Shore scored a try through quickly snapping up a dropped pass near the line. Half-time score: 0-3.

Chaine, injured and not to play again, was replaced by moving Griffiths from breakaway. Shore used their advantage to effect and their full-back, Jacobs, was in good evidence in attack. Boag's defence was particularly good and Newman played creditably at full-back. A few Grammar attacks were promising but failed through misjudgment at critical points. However, Shore scored a quick blind-side try after a line-out ruck and added two penalty goals. Grammar were attacking keenly to the end but the final score was 0-11.

v. S.H.S., AT MCKAY OVAL — LOST 3-8

There were now four replacements and Whitehead was playing under effects of illness. Grammar's play showed determination in bursts but was generally ragged. Falk, Isherwood and McGilvray were strong in the forwards but a penalty goal was given away for off-side without effective quickness being shown. High's scrum-half was allowed to score a quick try which was converted from near the posts. Grammar scored a penalty goal to make the half-time score 3-8. The second half saw no further score or play worth special mention.

v. T.K.S., AT PARRAMATTA — LOST 3-20

Strong play from the outset was marred by the fatal ability of a player or two to get off-side. King's kicked two penalty goals in the first ten minutes. Score 0-6.:

Griffiths, Caisley, Perrett and Campbell ran strongly at times, but mainly King's did the attacking against a tenacious Grammar defence. King's scored a try, after pressing considerably, by quickness in a close movement on their right wing. Grammar followed with a strong sustained drive of forty yards, nearly all forwards taking part, Whitehead finally giving to McGilvray who made certain of scoring. Half-time score: 3-9.

Play was very vigorous on resuming. After ten minutes of fast movement, Grammar defence lapsed when a quick three-quarter change from right to left gave King's a man unmarked and a try resulted: 3-12. In general, Grammar's cover and back defence was quick and effective so that King's resorted to kicking in attack, following fast enough on one occasion to score and convert. King's were awarded another try after Grammar had seemed to force. In spite of injuries to Griffiths and Slack-Smith, Grammar, though making little impression in attack, compelled their stronger and faster opponents to work exceedingly hard all the way. Final score: 3-20.

v. T.S.C., AT WEIGALL — LOST 5-12

Whitehead, Griffiths, Falk and Slack-Smith were new injuries, Walker now appearing at half and Wood, Bruwel, and Wignall in the forwards.

Play was fairly quick all round without either side showing good confidence. Grammar missed possible goals from penalties early, as Scots did later. Lively movements which profited from Walker's presence were however not conclusive. Scots did score a try at outside-centre. Half-time score: 0-3.

The second half began with a Grammar player allowing a penalty goal. Score: 0-6.

Caisley was kicking to good effect in attack, Boag regaining on one occasion and passing to Campbell and on to Perrett who scored, for Campbell to convert: 5-6.

Scots followed soon with a well arranged field-goal from a five-yard scrum. Score: 5-9.

In hard play, Scots gained more ball and Grammar defended strongly, Glen revelling in his return to the forwards. Grammar backs were making some fulfilment of early promise, but the issue was finally put beyond doubt when Scot's half, Catchlove, cleared quickly away in loose play and outpaced our full-back to score in the corner. Final score: 5-12.

v. S.I.C., AT WEIGALL — LOST 6-20

Play was spirited at all points and after fifteen minutes Riverview backs, using their greater share of the ball, scored in a quick blind-side movement and converted. Grammar backs combined quite well and Caisley, Boag and Campbell showed well in individual runs. Glen was conspicuous in the forwards where Wood's good play helped make up for the absence of Whitehead and Falk. The fairly even first half resulted: 0-5.

In the next ten minutes, Riverview's strong attacking backs, with their full-back Lenchan a strong factor, scored two tries: 0-11.

From good Grammar attacks, Hayhow all but scored on the left wing. Campbell kicked a penalty goal from the touch line followed by another good one from forty yards back. Riverview also kicked two more penalty goals and scored another convincing three-quarter try. Interchange of attacks continued, Grammar backs being quick to go forward at opportunity but mainly defending against their better supplied and strong opponents. Final score: 6-20. A spirited and interesting game.

On this final day, St. Joseph's defeated King's at Hunter's Hill to decide the competition.

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Second Fifteen

TEAM: A. Wood, C. Prince, D. Moppett, R. Bruwel, R. Smith (*Vice-Captain*), N. Slack-Smith, M. Wignall, B. Allen, M. Addison (*Captain*), A. Mayo, J. Stone, W. Hurt, G. Chadwick, D. Button, K. Newman.

Also played: G. Pallister, B. Porteous, P. Gleeson, M. Brownrigg, H. Williams, G. Chegwyn.

The team steadily developed good form and had good wins in the last two practices, 12-9 over St. Joseph's and 25-nil over C.B.C. Except for two phases, competition form was good. 'Webby' Neeld's coaching and Addison's captaincy inspired keenness. The team finished third in the competition and the season ended with a most enjoyable dance kindly given by Mrs. Brownrigg. Competition matches were played as follows:

v. N.C. — Newington played with more aggression and Grammar's form, not its best, suffered further when Addison was lost through injury. Newington were to be undefeated premiers and Grammar lost this match: 6-13.

v. S.J.C. — St. Joseph's were at first superior but Grammar established a lead, 11-10, with two hard-running tries by Chadwick. However, a lapse in defence allowed St. Joseph's to score on the bell and win 13-11.

v. S.C.E.G.S. — This match was mainly a hard forward battle and Shore led 5-3 till ten minutes before time. However, Grammar pressed home with another try and then defended well to win 6-5.

v. S.H.S. — In the second half, good play led to two tries, by Button and Smith and Grammar proved the better side, winning 9-5.

v. T.K.S. — After a slow beginning, Grammar found ways through the King's defence and led 13-3 at half-time. With fast play and good goal-kicking by Smith, the final score in our favour was 26-6.

v. T.S.C. — This was a very hard match, in which better condition told and Grammar had a useful win: 10-nil.

v. S.I.C. — After four successive wins, there were signs of over-confidence. Grammar movement was strong but mistakes lost the advantage and Riverview won 10-0.

Third Fifteen

TEAM: G. Walker, W. Herron, E. Trainer, R. Thornton, D. Gibson, H. Cavill, J. Cavill, T. Midelton, P. Whitehead, C.

Walker (*Captain*), R. Maybury, R. Cozens, M. Brownrigg, P. Karnasuta, H. Williams, D. Lesnie, G. Chegwyn, N. Grundie, L. Pulley.

Mr. J. Merbach coached and the side went strongly through the practice matches undefeated, scoring 89 points to 21. Throughout the competition, loss of players to higher teams affected the strength. This was evident in the first match which was lost to Newington: 8-14. A good recovery was made in the next match, against St. Joseph's. Grammar scored first, with a useful goal by Pulley from forty yards and a try by St. Joseph's made the score 3-all till near time when Lesnie scored after a seventy-yards run and also converted, for Grammar to win: 8-3. There followed a win against Shore: 16-9, but a weakened team then suffered close defeats in hard-fought matches: 3-8 v. Kings, 3-8 v. Scots' and 3-9 v. River-view.

The usual good matches were played with All Saints, both at Bathurst and at home, All Saints this year winning both. The team's thanks go to Mr. Merbach for his coaching throughout and to Mrs. Thornton for the very enjoyable dance which ended the season.

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Fourth Fifteen

PLAYERS: G. Spring (*Captain*), L. Pulley, W. Lesnie, J. Nicholas, N. Grundie, J. Gourlay, K. Rich, C. Brangwyn (*Vice-Captain*), G. Thorburn, D. Bone, G. Balchin, P. Hyman, J. Pittman, H. Doran, R. Martin, R. West, A. Allen, D. Fitzgerald.

The Fourths tried conclusions with the Thirds at most practices and, towards the end, were running with D. Lesnie. The record shows four matches won and eight lost. The best matches were against Shore, Scots and King's. Rich kicked very well and the captain selects Pulley, Gourlay, Brangwyn and Bone for special mention.

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Fifth and Sixth Fifteens

FIFTHS: I. Mackertich (*Captain*), E. Nobbs (*Vice-Captain*), R. Martin, G. Browne, J. Grey, W. Murray, B. Robins, R. West, W. Withers, D. Booth, R. Doran, H. Doran, L. Gurton, K. Thurkettle, S. Kirkham, G. Eggleton, W. Watts, D. Dare,

G. Bayliss, J. Hennessy, G. Thorburn.

SIXTHS: F. Alcock (*Captain*), K. Tyson, D. Commins, R. Vincent, A. Robinson, A. Vickery, H. Hess, J. Baldwin, J. Richards, W. Birkett, D. Stephens, D. McGilvray, G. Boyce, M. Andrew, S. Cumming, R. P. Murphie, G. Garland, G. Cox.

Mr. D. E. Lloyd, coach, reports that these teams were of higher standard than usual, making particular mention of the captaincy of Mackertich, the capacity of the Fifths for hard second halves and the good tackling of both teams. Booth, Nobbs, Murray and Gurton are especially mentioned for consistently good play. On the other hand, strong opposition was encountered. The Fifths won 2 matches, drew 2 and lost 7. The Sixths won 4 and lost 6.

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Seventh Fifteen

Mr. R. C. Knock commends this team for hard play in the five matches lost as well as for success in the other four; and 116 points to 78 looks a good total for the season. Captain and vice-captain are specially mentioned in the team: P. Phillips, T. Carson, C. Phillips, A. Obrart, P. McEwen, P. Nixey (*Captain*), R. Murphie, R. Macready, J. Richards (*Vice-Captain*), J. Epstein, J. Quilter, R. de Lambert, G. Glasson, J. Philips, J. Keats, G. Boyce, W. Nix, F. Lane, J. Laver, N. Mulford.

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Eighth Fifteen

It should be admitted that this team was something of a secret weapon. Untrained, uncoached and consisting of citizens who were variously given to play-acting, studying for honours, rifle-shooting on Saturday morning, or occasional games in higher teams, this side was distinguished by playing only at the singular hour of 1 p.m. and by taking the field only three times and for three wins. These details are now offered for their value as a success formula. The players were: M. Lawson (*Captain*), M. Wayland, M. McLennan, J. Hooton, J. Goulding, P. Heath, A. Mant, J. Horsfield, G. Donald, J. Gleeson, T. Cowper, J. Niesche, G. Balchin, R. Martin, H. Hess and one or two others of mention supra.

Middle School

UNDER 15 A and B (Mr. R. M. Glenvale, *coach*) had strong seasons and were formidable combinations by the time they met C.B.C. in the final practice round. In the main series, the A's won six matches, losing one; 14-nil v. N.C., 6-3 v. S.J.C., 5-3 v. Shore, 9-3 v. S.H.S., 9-nil v. T.K.S., 3-10 v. T.S.C., 16-6 v. S.I.C.; the B's won three, drew one and lost three. Chief mentions are of the A's tightly playing and mobile pack, the combination of their forwards and backs in attack as the season developed and the leadership of Abbot. Both teams played aggressively, the B's rather unluckily in some of their results, some of their players giving promise of as good futures as players in the A's. All will make their presence felt in senior teams next season.

UNDER 15A: I. Abbott (*Captain*), D. Longhurst (*Vice-Captain*), K. Falconer, R. Davies, R. Palmer, J. Hindmarsh, R. Starkie, A. Town, H. Munro, J. Dezarnaulds, J. Brownrigg, J. Seale, B. Henry, P. Lane, H. Turner, C. Gay, J. Cooney, G. Stephenson.

UNDER 15B: R. Reilly (*Captain*), M. Elder (*Vice-Captain*), D. Collier, I. Tomalin, J. Vote, F. O'Brien, P. Walker, W. James, P. Middleton, J. Bos, D. Fussell, W. George, A. Moore. Reserves: A. Freeman, R. Yates, A. Knevitt, I. Watson.

UNDER 15 C and D (*Coach*: Mr. P. I. Young, assisted by R. Watson, O.S., and B. Dickey) won thirteen matches, drew two and lost five. The C's scored 206 points to 39, winning all main matches except v. S.J.C. (3-5) and Shore (3-all); captain and vice-captain are special mentions in a team of good forwards and good individuals in a changing line of backs. The D's were not far behind and several replaced well in the C's.

UNDER 15 C. D. Yates (*Vice-Captain*), I. Watson, P. Knevitt, A. Freeman, P. Stanahan, G. Scharer, W. Cutcliffe, T. Greenaway, P. Kaleski, R. Hogarth (*Captain*), G. Cox, A. Leadley, G. Harvey, H. Brook, V. McAlister, R. Grant.

UNDER 15 D: T. Heath (*Captain*), R. Kells, P. Bullard, C. Dormey, G. Isaacs, P. Barcham, R. Gray, D. Warburton, M. Gourlay, B. Cleary, T. Layton, G. Hunt, J. Burke, G. Lambert, M. Storey, B. Poole.

UNDER 15 E and F (*Coach*: Mr. P. Trimble): The E's won eight and lost one, for 181 points to 29. The F's drew one and lost two. The E's played quite a series of matches against Shore, almost swapping jerseys when the season ended.

UNDER 15 E: M. Mortimer, D. Stedman, D. Cohen, M. Weber, P. Yates, M. Dowling, P. Wilson, R. Backhouse, R. Russell, C. Davies, J. Edwards, B. Catchlove, I. Barrett, L. Gole, R. Nash, K. Lucan.

UNDER 15F: D. Maxwell, A. Walker, W. Berman, A. Smith, R. Wood, A. Brown, J. Lehane, G. Clarke, J. Park, L. Gyles, J. Graham, B. Odling, N. Gordon, A. Chandler, G. Dutton, R. Bingham.

UNDER 14 A and B (*Coach*: Mr. F. C. Earle) won more than lost, the A's scoring 127 points to 35 and having their line crossed only twice in the main seven matches. Galland at half and Scutt in the forwards were leading players in the strong and skilful A's and Gibb was the forceful captain of the improving B's.

UNDER 14 A: D. Doust, J. Sample, J. Gerrand, A. Ross, R. Hearn, P. Johnston, P. Rundle, M. Webster, J. Scutt (*Vice-Captain*), M. Galland (*Captain*), A. Corban, D. Sims, P. Kyle, R. Bath, W. Zines, T. Spring.

UNDER 14 B: W. Service, H. Wilson, G. Daly, M. South, W. Yudaeff, R. Riordan, G. Gay, J. Shenstone, J. Hill, D. McChesney, C. Peacock (*Vice-Captain*), J. Jagelman, M. Eisdell, R. Gibb (*Captain*), K. Henecke, P. Keogh, J. Jameson, B. Rooke, J. Bird, I. Storey.

UNDER 14 C and D. The coach, Mr. R. C. Knock, who was assisted by D. Bone and D. Button, commends these teams for vigorous football. Teams included some beginners, there were five wins and fourteen losses, but spirit was good.

UNDER 14C: I. Bramwell, J. Verschner, J. Bellanto, W. Teece, P. Halloran, T. Phillips, B. Pollock, G. Stevenson, D. McKay (*Captain*), J. Rourke, E. McKeown, M. Baldwin, N. Byrne, W. Bridges, J. Munro.

UNDER 14D: A. Rofe, D. Hardie, J. Antill, D. Thomas, A. Alsop, W. Ferris, B. Gorman, R. Rac, G. Connah, S. Gain, J. Higginbotham, I. Roberts, M. Beckett, P. Bond, P. Welch, D. Price, J. Nicol, M. Glasson, A. Harris, A. Watson,

J. Armitage.

UNDER 14 E and F won two (one each) and between them lost six. Players maintained keenness though matches were few. Mr. N. Dollard supervised during his all too brief time with us, with assistance by Mr. Knock and senior boys. From the following lists, some boys will make their way into higher grades in future seasons.

UNDER 14E: R. Harris, M. Myers, J. Lee, J. Newman, B. Johnson, J. Bright, J. Killen, S. Ferguson, P. Nash, W. Gray, A. Robinson (*Captain*), P. Grice, D. Leslie, G. Hunter, K. Russell, W. Martin, W. Dunn.

UNDER 14F: W. Warburton (*Captain*), G. Hunter, K. Blundsen, H. Dick, I. Hottes, T. Karsai, D. Middleton, P. Walsh, D. Kessey, F. Buttfield, R. Dive, R. Shearer, A. Hesslein, P. Butler, D. Munro.

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Lower School

UNDER 13 A and B (*Coach*: Mr. H. A. Macdonald), although including some Third Form players, were often out-weighted. However, each had an impressive period, the A's losing only two of the main matches (3-6 v. S.J.C. and 0-3 v. N.C.) and running up 120 points to 46; the B's scored 124-53. Both teams developed well with vigorous combined work and a number of talented players, including Pigott the A captain and Cornwell a beginner.

UNDER 13 A: J. Pigott (*Captain*), J. Chadwick, A. Duke, P. Kelly, R. Segart, R. Thomas, D. Freeman, L. Childs, H. Herron, G. Kells, J. Wayland, J. Gleeson, R. Carleton, R. Tanner, C. Freestone.

UNDER 13 B: T. Hinchcliffe (*Captain*), L. McCaughey, K. Foreman, S. Chapman, R. Cornwell, P. Magnus, W. Phillips, W. Martin, M. Ireland, S. Chambers, J. Blackwell, T. McGee, B. Anderson, C. Rowling, B. Short, J. Bishop, P. Tout.

UNDER 13 C and E (MIDGETS A graded as D.): Messrs. O. H. Alsop and A. K. Swan were in charge. After many trials the teams settled down, doing well in winning a balance of matches and scoring 207 points against 113. Matches were played against both Grammar Preps., St. Ives and Edgecliff.

UNDER 13 C: R. Brain, C. Bullard, R. Bennett, D. Hobbs, R. Robinson, D. Aitken, A. Cameron, M. Ross, N. Layton, R. Barkell, J. LeQuerne (*Captain*), W. Grimshaw (*Vice-Captain*), D. Craig, R. Thompson, J. Boyce, R. Galland, R. Hartmann.

UNDER 13 E: R. Turner, P. Eather, K. Schauer, P. McKeown, H. Williams, G. Green, P. Lewis, J. Cox, R. Halliday, I. Terrey, A. Wilton (*Captain*), M. Alsop, R. Dight, J. Blair, P. Boyce, H. Gray, P. Hawthorne, R. Armstrong.

MIDGETS A and B (*Coach*: Mr. R. J. Stevenson) had their usual weight qualification and their usual victorious season. In the A's, the backs were effective enough to redeem any weakness forward, matches were won 11-1 and points scored were 178-18. The B's won three and lost three, for 55 points to 23. Spirit of these teams was obviously very keen and the coach commends the captains and some other players in particular.

MIDGETS A: I. Blair, R. Michael, P. Vrachnas, C. Mountford, W. Lyon, A. Knevitt, D. Birkett (*Vice-Captain*), V. Schreiber, B. O'Brien (*Captain*), J. Ancher, G. Conomos, M. Turner, K. Stratton, W. Knight, J. Brett, R. Levy, D. Gain.

MIDGETS B: D. Townsend (*Captain*), C. Boag, D. Watson, J. McEwen, H. Meixner, J. Wood, J. Berry, K. George, S. Pittman, G. Cooney, R. Drummond, R. Middleton, D. Duke, J. Johnson, P. Arden, R. Hield, R. Dayman, B. Falconer, N. McDonald-Gill, J. Barry.

UNDER 13 G and H must have met worthy opposition. Between them, they won three, drew one and lost five. Mr. L. Scott, coach, commends in the G's the captaincy of Bayliss and the play of Needham and Samer. May many ascend the alphabet next year.

UNDER 13 G: J. Mater, C. Orton (*Vice-Captain*), R. Needham, N. Samer, I. Downing, R. Patrick, R. Bayliss (*Captain*), M. Farrar, D. Jamieson, A. Cox, S. Cuddy, R. Doe, M. de Groen, A. Nicholls, T. Cox.

UNDER 13 H: F. Bush (*Captain*), S. Martin (*Vice-Captain*), M. Ronald, G. Wright, A. Niel, M. Payne, P. Marich, A. Carr, A. Mawer, P. Kerr, P. Cranmer, R. Gastineau-Hills.

RESERVES (*Coach*: Mr. F. C. Earle) ran to the strength of several teams, all with distinguishing local names known to

zoology or some such reputable science. Reserves A played two matches with Edgecliff with equal results. These teams mainly trained beginners and were of very good service.

ATHLETICS

The Annual Meeting

THE 83RD MEETING, held on 11th August, saw more competitors in action probably than ever before. All championship finals were strongly contested by full fields and the Mile Handicap attracted a throng which no one attempted to number but which must have reached two hundred. J. Antill, the only record-breaker at this meeting last year, repeated his record-breaking feat with 5 feet 3 inches in the High Jump under 14; and D. Fussell made the new figures of 5 minutes 36 seconds for the One Mile Cross Country under 15.

In the Group Competition, for the Macpherson Shield, Group 8, withstood a very strong corporate effort, by School House. Results were: 1st, Group 8 — 391 points; 2nd, School House — 348 points; 3rd, Group 7 — 317 points; 4th, Group 2 — 306 points; 5th, Group 1 — 241 points.

Championship competitions resulted as follows:

OPEN: 1. R. D. Perrett (24), 2. B. R. Allen (21), 3. A. D. Mant (19).

UNDER 17: 1. W. A. Smallhorn (13), 2. G. R. Danks (12), 3. R. S. Smith (11).

UNDER 16: 1. G. M. Chadwick (14), 2. R. F. Bruwel (9), 3. D. C. Collier (3).

UNDER 15: 1. H. R. Brook (11), 2. R. C. Bath (5), 3. G. D. Treleaven (4).

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Results of Events

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 YARDS: 1. R. Perrett, 2. M. Campbell, 3. J. O'Regan. *Time: 10.4 secs.*

220 YARDS: 1. R. Perrett, 2. J. O'Regan, 3. J. Boag. *Time: 24.2 secs.*

440 YARDS: 1. J. O'Regan, 2. A. Mant, 3. J. Boag. *Time: 54.4 secs.*

880 YARDS: 1. A. Mant, 2. H. Hess, 3. M. Campbell. *Time: 2 mins. 13.5 secs.*

ONE MILE: 1. H. Hess; 2. A. Mant, 3. M. Addison. *Time: 5 mins. 8.4 secs.*

- 2½ MILES CROSS-COUNTRY: 1. H. Hess, 2. M. Campbell, 3. C. Dent.
Time: 14 mins. 14 secs.
- 120 YARDS HURDLES: 1. A. Murphy, 2. B. Allen, 3. R. Hayhow. *Time: 17.2 secs.*
- BROAD JUMP: 1. R. Perrett, 2. G. Chadwick, 3. L. Pulley. *Distance: 21ft. 3ins.*
- HIGH JUMP: 1. B. Allen, 2. J. Boag, 3. A. Allen. *Height: 5ft. 4ins.*
- SHOT PUTT: 1. B. Allen, 2. A. Murphy, 3. R. Hayhow. *Distance: 41ft. 11ins.*

UNDER 17 — CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 100 YARDS: 1. G. Danks, 2. D. Bone, 3. B. Robins. *Time: 10.8 secs.*
- 220 YARDS: 1. D. Bone, 2. P. Wallace-Jones, 3. G. Danks. *Time: 24.7 secs.*
- 440 YARDS: 1. D. Collier, 2. W. Smallhorn, 3. L. Pulley. *Time: 55.1 secs.*
- 880 YARDS: 1. W. Smallhorn, 2. G. Pallister, 3. R. Smith. *Time: 2 mins. 16 secs.*
- ONE MILE: 1. W. Smallhorn, 2. S. Kirkham, 3. R. Smith. *Time: 5 mins. 6.5 secs.*
- 2 MILES CROSS-COUNTRY: 1. W. Smallhorn, 2. S. Kirkham, 3. G. Dick. *Time: 11 mins. 16 secs. RECORD.*
- 120 YARDS HURDLES: 1. G. Danks, 2. L. Pulley, 3. R. Smith. *Time: 16.4 secs.*
- SHOT PUTT: 1. R. Smith, 2. R. Bruwel, 3. P. Fyfe. *Distance: 38 ft. 5½ ins.*

UNDER 16 — CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 100 YARDS: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. R. Bruwel, 3. W. Lesnie. *Time: 10.7 secs.*
- 220 YARDS: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. G. Chadwick, 3. P. Shanahan. *Time: 24.8 secs.*
- 880 YARDS: 1. D. Collier, 2. P. Lane, 3. C. Gay. *Time: 2 mins. 16.4 secs.*
- 90 YARDS HURDLES: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. J. Matheson, 3. P. Whitehead. *Time: 12.5 secs.*
- HIGH JUMP: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. G. Boyce, 3. E. Starkey. *Height: 5 ft. 2 ins.*
- BROAD JUMP: 1. G. Chadwick, 2. A. Wood and R. Bruwel, *Distance: 20 ft. 4½ ins.*
- SHOT PUTT: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. P. Longhurst, 3. N. Mulford. *Distance: 43 ft. 6 ins.*
- 1½ MILES CROSS-COUNTRY: 1. C. Gay, 2. D. Collier, 3. J. Baldwin. *Time: 8 mins. 42 secs.*

UNDER 15 — CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 100 YARDS: 1. H. Brook, 2. G. Davison, 3. R. Bath. *Time: 11.1 secs.*
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220 YARDS: 1. H. Brook, 2. R. Bath, 3. P. Kyle and B. Henry. *Time: 26.6 secs.*

880 YARDS: 1. B. Henry, 2. H. Brook, 3. D. Fussell. *Time: 2 mins. 21.6 secs.*

90 YARDS HURDLES: 1. P. Kyle, 2. R. Bath, 3. P. Rundle. *Time: 13.9 secs.*

1 MILE CROSS-COUNTRY: 1. D. Fussell, 2. H. Brook, 3. P. Rundle. *Time: 5 mins. 36 secs. RECORD.*

BROAD JUMP: 1. H. Brook, 2. G. Treleven, 3. G. Davison. *Distance: 17 ft. 1 in.*

HIGH JUMP: 1. J. Antill, 2. G. Treleven, 3. G. Davison. *Height: 5 ft. 3 ins.*

UNDER 14 — CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 YARDS: 1. R. Gibb, 2. R. Segaert, 3. B. Johnson. *Time: 12.1 secs.*

220 YARDS: 1. R. Gibb, 2. R. Segaert, 3. B. Johnson. *Time: 28.2 secs.*

60 YARDS HURDLES: 1. R. Hearn, 2. J. Antill, 3. D. Freeman. *Time: 10.5 secs.*

BROAD JUMP: 1. J. Antill, 2. R. Segaert, 3. R. Brain. *Distance: 16 ft. 7 ins.*

HIGH JUMP: 1. J. Antill, 2. P. Headland and R. Segcart. *Height: 5 ft 3 ins. RECORD.*

UNDER 13 — CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 YARDS: 1. J. Chadwick, 2. W. Phillips, 3. R. Bennett. *Time: 11.9 secs.*

60 YARDS HURDLES: 1. R. Bennett, 2. A. Knevitt, 3. P. Vrachnas. *Time: 10.6 secs.*

HIGH JUMP: 1. R. Bennett, 2. J. Chadwick, 3. I. Downing. *Height: 4 ft. 5 ins.*

BROAD JUMP: 1. I. Downing, 2. D. Watson, 3. A. Knevitt. *Distance: 15 ft. 2 ins.*

SECOND DIVISION EVENTS

OPEN — 100 YARDS: 1. H. Williams, 2. P. Heath, 3. I. Niesche. *Time: 11.3 secs.*

220 YARDS: 1. P. Heath, 2. M. Addison, 3. D. Fitzgerald. *Time: 25.6 secs.*

UNDER 17 — 100 YARDS: 1. R. Smith, 2. K. Rich, 3. T. Gurton. *Time: 11.3 secs.*

220 YARDS: 1. P. Vamvas, 2. R. Smith, 3. K. Rich. *Time: 26.2 secs.*

UNDER 16 — 100 YARDS: 1. J. Alcock, 2. P. Lane, 3. P. Fyfe. *Time: 11.1 secs.*

220 YARDS: 1. P. Whitehead, 2. G. Brown, 3. I. Tomalin. *Time: 26.2 secs.*

UNDER 15 — 100 YARDS: 1. H. Turner, 2. R. Noble, 3. W. Cutcliffe. *Time: 12.2 secs.*

- 220 YARDS: 1. H. Turner, 2. S. Cumming, 3. P. Rundle. *Time: 28.5 secs.*
 HURDLES: 1. M. Galland, 2. W. Bridges, 3. J. Pigott. *Time: 15.8 secs.*
 UNDER 14 — 100 YARDS: 1. J. Berry, 2. A. Alsop, 3. H. Deck. *Time: 12.8 secs.*
 220 YARDS: 1. D. Hardie, 2. I. Sample, 3. W. Teece. *Time: 29.3 secs.*
 HURDLES: 1. D. Hardie, 2. R. Segaert, 3. A. Rofe. *Time: 10.8 secs.*
 UNDER 13 — 100 YARDS: 1. B. Falconer, 2. P. Vrachnas, 3. J. Large. *Time: 13.1 secs.*
 HURDLES: 1. I. Ross, 2. D. Watson, 3. I. Downing. *Time: 11 secs.*

LOWER SCHOOL EVENTS

- UNDER 12 — 75 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. D. Hillary and R. Butler, 3. J. Willis. *Time: 10.2 secs.*
 UNDER 12, 75 YARDS DIVISION: 1. J. Wickham, 2. J. Eisman, *Time: 10.8 secs.*
 UNDER 11 — 50 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. G. Wilson, 2. T. Helsby, 3. B. Fox. *Time: 7.1 secs.*
 UNDER 10, 50 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. T. Rybak, 2. J. Wintraaker, 3. P. Samer. *Time: 7.7 secs.*
 2R — 50 YARDS HANDICAP: 1. R. Butler, 2. J. Keith, 3. D. Gain.
 PREPARATORY — 50 YARDS HANDICAP: 1. G. Wilson, 2. R. Harker, 3. T. Rybak.

OTHER EVENTS

- ALL-AGE — 100 Yards: 1. R. Bruwel, 2. G. Chadwick, 3. H. Brook. *Time: 9.9 secs.*
 LOWER SCHOOL AGE — 100 YARDS: 1. K. Stratton, 2. W. Phillips, 3. H. Thomas. *Time: 11.12 secs.*
 ALL-AGE — ONE MILE: 1. K. Stratton, 2. J. McEwen, *Time: 4 mins. 33 secs.*
 OLD SYDNEIANS' — 100 YARDS: 1. G. Marks, 2. M. Kafalias, 3. A. Cox. *Time: 10 secs.*
 MIDDLE SCHOOL — SIAMESE: B. Falconer and P. Vrachnas.
 LOWER SCHOOL — SIAMESE: C. Mountford and C. Frost.
 OPEN — RELAY: 1. House, 2. Gp. 7, 3. Gp. 4 *Time: 47.4 secs.*
 UNDER 16 — RELAY: 1. Gp. 2, 2. House, 3. Gp. 8. *Time: 49.6 secs.*
 UNDER 15 — RELAY: 1. Gp. 7, 2. Gp. 1, 3. Gp. 11. *Time: 53 secs.*
 UNDER 14 — RELAY: 1. Gp. 1, 2. Gp. 7, 3. Gp. 8. *Time: 57.5 secs.*
 LOWER SCHOOL — RELAY: 1. 2A Upper, 2. Prep., 3. 2A Lower. *Time: 64.7 secs.*

The G.P.S. Meeting

THE Sixty-First Combined Meeting took place in fast conditions, on a warm day following fine weather and with a
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slight assisting breeze in the down run. Performances were singularly good. Not only were fifteen records broken, but in a number of these events the finishes were close or the record-breaking margin considerable. Two very outstanding performers were J. McCann (St. Joseph's) who equalled or bettered the Olympic standard in three events, breaking the sprint records established by J. Carlton (S.J.C.) in 1927 and the Broad Jump record by J. Wall (S.H.S.) of 1935; and J. Lenehan (S.I.C.) who smashed two records and was placed in other events. Five Grammar records were among the fifteen which disappeared in the whirlwind, while three Grammar juniors gave their best performances so far to create records in other events. In the very strong field of seniors, Grammar finished in eighth position, with St. Joseph's first. Grammar juniors did well to score third place, Scots winning there.

NEW OPEN RECORDS OLD RECORDS

100 YARDS:	J. McCann (J) 9.8 secs.	5 Holders, 10 secs.
220 YARDS:	J. McCann (J) 21.21.6 secs.	J. Carlton (J), 21.8 secs.
880 YARDS:	P. Hatcher (J), 1m. 54.6s.	P. Hatcher (J), 1m. 56.3s.
HURDLES:	J. Lenehan (I), 14.5 secs.	B. Stubbs (G), 14.9 secs.
BROAD JUMP:	J. McCann (J), 23ft. 9ins.	J. Wall (H), 22ft. 10ins.
SHOT PUTT:	J. Lenehan (I), 57ft. 2ins.	J. Lenehan (I), 50ft. 3ins.

UNDER 16: BROAD JUMP: G. M. Chadwick — 21ft. 7ins.

UNDER 15, HIGH JUMP: J. Antill — 5 ft. 7 ins.

UNDER 13, 60 YARDS HURDLES (new event): R. Bennett — 9 secs.

OTHER GRAMMAR PLACE-WINNERS WERE:

J. B. O'Regan: 3rd in Open 440 Yards.

R. D. Perrett: 4th in Open Broad Jump.

Open Relay Team: 5th.

D. Bone: 4th in Under 17 220 Yards.

W. Smallhorn: 2nd in Under 17 One Mile.

R. Bruwel: 1st in Under 16 100 Yards, 2nd in 220 Yards.

G. Chadwick: 2nd in High Jump, 1st in 100 Yards, 2nd Div.

Under 16 Relay Team: 2nd.

G. Treleaven: 4th in Under 15 Broad Jump.

P. Kyle: 4th in Under 15 Hurdles.

P. Headlands: 1st in Under 14 High Jump.

M. Thomas: 3rd in Under 14 Hurdles.

B. Falconer: 3rd in Under 13 100 Yards, 2nd Division.

RIFLE SHOOTING

OWING to the large number of applicants for membership to the Club, it was necessary this year to enrol pupils from sixth and fifth forms only. Early practices commenced during second term, at which the following were selected for final practice for the G.P.S. Competition. Murphy, A. R. (*Captain*); Phillips, I. R. (*Vice-Captain and Secretary*); Allen, A. R.; Allen, B. P.; Barnett, R. L.; Burt, A.; Campbell, M. B.; Dempsey, L. G.; Dendle, A. C.; Goulding, J. A.; Lawson, M. J.; Malouf, M.; Roach, O.; Rofe, L.; Walker, C. D.; Warburton, P.; Wayland, M. E.; Taylor, J. D.; Walker, G. F.; Sloan, R. W.

Members for the final practices travelled out to Long Bay each day. Firing in the first week was carried out in perfect conditions, and scores were impressive. The second week held precarious weather, and some of the less experienced marksmen found these new conditions difficult.

Mr. Taylor was again in charge of us. During the first week of firing Mr. Cowdery assisted as Mr. Hill was unavailable. We are indebted to these gentlemen for their patience and guidance.

A Grammar team of ten, under Mr. Hill, visited Duntroon again, and we had a most enjoyable excursion. We were fortunate enough to be there for the 'Revue' and here we witnessed some excellent entertainment, much of which was prepared by Old Sydneians. We also visited parts of Canberra, and Helmut Hess entertained some of us at the German Embassy. The Shooting match against R.M.C., the main purpose of our visit, resulted in a win for Grammar. Our top scorers filled the first three places: Murphy 157; Lawson 136; Goulding 134 out of 190.

The first day of the G.P.S. Competition, September 12, was exceptionally windy and firers found difficulty in picking up an aiming mark. On the day, our Rawson Cup shoot was perhaps the worst we have ever done. King's won the match with Grammar fifth.

The N.R.A. Shield was won by Shore, Grammar being fourth. The Buchanan Shield proved to be a keen contest: King's and Armidale both broke the previous Buchanan record. King's won by a narrow margin. This year was marked

by the first appearance of St. Ignatius College. Our congratulations go to The King's School, and also on the fine performance of T.A.S.

The Second Teams Match proved to be the closest finish for years with Shore first, 506 points, Scots 2nd, 505; King's 3rd, 504; Grammar 4th, 484.

A.R.M.

	RAWSON <i>2 x 7</i> <i>300 x 500</i> <i>yards</i> <i>(70)</i>	N.R.A. <i>2 x 10</i> <i>500</i> <i>yards</i> <i>(50)</i>	BUCHANAN		SECONDS <i>2 x 7</i> <i>200 x 500</i> <i>yards</i> <i>(70)</i>
			<i>Rapid</i> <i>200 yards</i> <i>(30)</i>	<i>Snap</i> <i>300 yards</i> <i>(32)</i>	
Murphy	60	48	29	16	—
Allen B.	59	48	24	16	—
Phillips	50	—	15	24	—
Dindle	62	42	—	—	—
Goulding	65	42	21	8	—
Roach	47	—	—	—	—
Walker, C.	53	—	—	—	—
Lawson	60	43	22	24	—
Warburton	—	45	—	—	68
Dempsey	—	41	25	8	—
Rofe	—	33	—	—	54
Malouf	—	—	22	16	59
Wayland	—	—	—	—	56
Allen, A.	—	—	—	—	64
Burt	—	—	—	—	58
Taylor	—	—	—	—	64
Barnett	—	—	17	16	61

MARKS SHIELD (highest aggregate) — A. R. Murphy.

VENNOR NATHAN SHIELD (highest score in N.R.A.) — B. P. Allen.

CHISHOLM CUP (highest score in 2nds) — P. Warburton.

COLOURS FOR 1956 to — Murphy, Phillips, Allen B., Lawson, Goulding, Dindle, Dempsey, Warburton.

Results of Matches

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

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

BUCHANAN SHIELD: 1st, T.K.S.; 2nd, T.A.S.; 3rd, S.C.E.G.S.; 4th, N.C.; 5th, S.G.S.

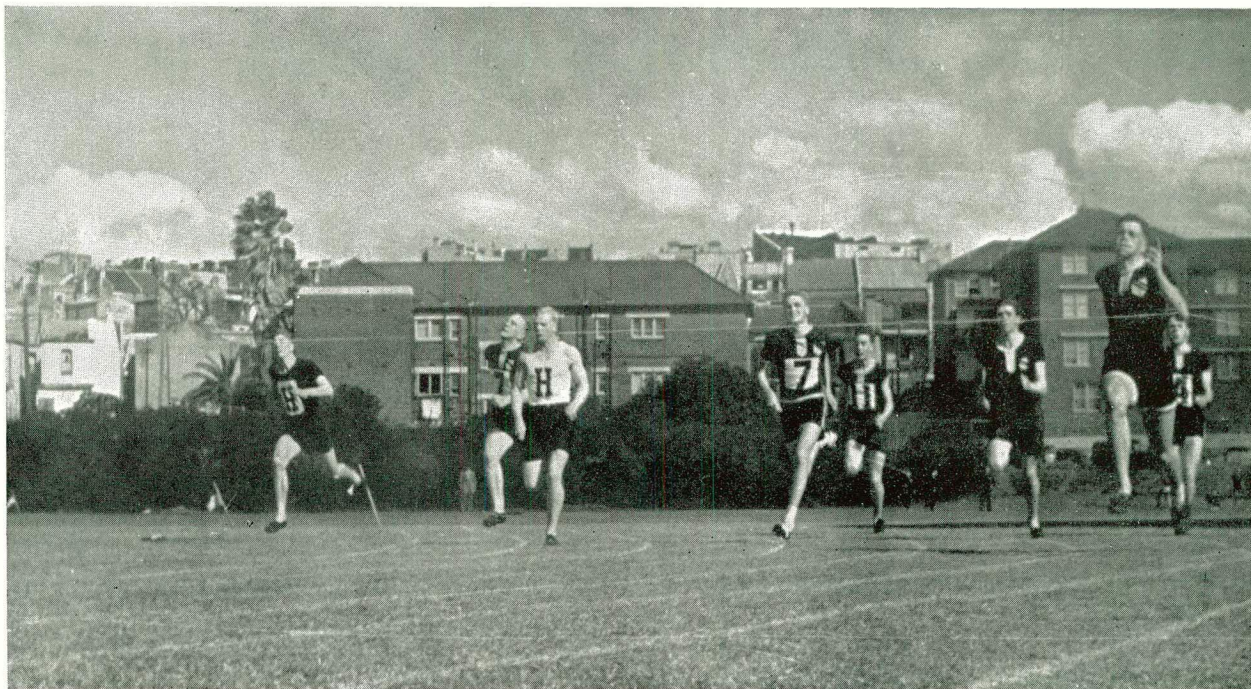
SECOND TEAMS MATCH: 1st, S.C.E.G.S.; 2nd, T.S.C.; 3rd, T.K.S.; 4th, S.G.S.

G.P.S. COMPETITION: 1st, T.K.S. (19); 2nd, S.C.E.G.S. (16); 3rd, T.A.S. (13); 4th, N.C. (1), S.G.S. (1).



SENIOR ATHLETICS TEAM 1956

Back Row: W. A. LAYTON, R. S. SMITH, L. M. PULLEY, G. R. DANKS, *Middle Row:* K. P. HARDIE, ESQ., D. R. BONE, W. A. SMALLHORN, D. C. COLLIER, C. O. HEALEY, ESQ. *Seated:* M. B. CAMPBELL, R. J. HAYHOW, L. P. ROY, R. D. PERRETT, J. B. O'REGAN, A. D. MANT, B. R. ALLEN.



ANNUAL ATHLETICS MEETING — OPEN 100 YARDS FINISH



ANNUAL ATHLETICS MEETING — R. PERRETT'S WINNING BROAD JUMP



RIFLE CAMP 1956

Back Row: M. E. WAYLAND, M. B. CAMBELL, C. O. WALKER, M. MALOUF, P. WARBURTON, A. BURT. *Centre Row:* R. L. BARNETT, O. F. ROACH, J. TAYLOR, L. G. DEMPSEY, L. F. ROFE, A. ALLEN, A. C. DENDLE. *Front Row:* C. D. TAYLOR, ESQ., B. R. ALLEN, M. J. LAWSON, A. R. MURPHY (CAPTAIN), J. R. PHILLIPS (VICE-CAPTAIN), J. A. GOULDING, A. J. HILL, ESQ.

NOTES FROM ST. IVES

A thing of beauty is a joy forever;

Its loveliness increases;

It will never pass into nothingness

FROM the Mona Vale Road the first evidence of the School is a row of box brush trees — splendid, stately tall creatures whose very being is a reflection on the beauty of nature. Behind these a grassy bank rolls away from the tennis courts and softball pitch to the level stretches of the playing fields. Here, in springtime, the first break — slender nodding pines — contrasts vividly with the blossom of the nearby pear trees. Still further the grass rises again to the classrooms and loses itself below among the remaining orange trees.

Set against this background is the work of man. The buildings, symmetrical, in outline, give glimpses of pastel colours that enhance their natural setting. The meandering paths recently enlarged, the embryonic avenue of trees, the colourful flower beds and the homely touch of the Headmaster's Residence all add their charm. Aiding these is the turf wicket, newly laid by the generous efforts of Old Sydneians under the direction of Mr. W. Watt of the Sydney Cricket Ground, and the completion of the tennis courts. These courts are worthy of their setting. The yellows of the surface, the shadows, the gleam of the surrounding netting and the flashes of multi-coloured racquets wielded by white clad boys paint an exhilarating picture. This beauty must surely produce an appreciation of the finer things in life, both natural and man made. It is this inheritance that is the School's first gift to its pupils and such of it as is imbibed in youthful zest must enrich matured man.

On the practical side an entrance culvert on the far end of the School has been made for the turning of cars. The garden which produces many of our fresh vegetables supplied us with potatoes during the recent shortage.

Apart from the visual changes the School has developed considerably. There has been a widening of interest. We were able to use our playing fields for the first time, Mr. Lingard has introduced softball and basketball competitions, boxing

and tennis coaching have become established features of school life. Cultural activities, too, have increased. Mr. and Mrs. Conolly have spent many hours in preparing *Toad of Toad Hall*. Mr. J. Leeson has started a Chess Club, the Carpentry Class is flourishing and the Library goes from strength to strength. For this we are again indebted to Mrs. Sylvia Chase. There has also been internal reorganisation with the growth of a new class early in the year and the formation of Houses later in the year. The Preparatory Schools' Art Exhibition which we displayed last term and the generous donation by the Women's Association of a series of coloured prints illustrating the history of Art have aroused wide interest.

We have appreciated the visits paid to us. Mr. and Mrs. N. Cowper have come frequently to site trees and to talk informally with the boys. Mr. C. O. Healey, Headmaster of Sydney Grammar School, accompanied by his prefects, came to speak to us at Assembly. The Senior Prefect outlined life at Grammar in a most interesting manner. Policewoman Emery came to talk about 'Safety' and her address was followed by the erection of signs at the school crossing. We thank these for their courtesies in coming and hope that we shall see them again in the near future.

Despite these activities we have not neglected our first job. There have been changes in the realm of work. Early last term the Headmaster presented a pennant for class competition. This is awarded on the results of the weekly tests. The Mistresses and their respective grades are to be especially congratulated on winning it so often. It has also had the important result of raising the all round standard. The other change has been the introduction of Italic Writing to replace Cursive.

As a reminder that we are as yet still very young the School again echoed to workmen's tools during the May holidays and we returned to find a new look about the inside. The floors had been sanded and polished, the small room next to The Tuckshop was fitted out as a Sportsroom and the Staff-room has been furnished with wall desks, carpets, reading lamps and a radiator.

We thank Mr. A. G. Lennox and Mr. Owen Martin for useful books, charts and maps.

We welcome two new members.

Mr. A. Taylor comes to instruct the boxing class on Thursday morning. He comes with a great past having boxed and wrestled for both Australia and England.

Mr. H. Lindo takes the tennis classes on Tuesdays and Fridays. Here again we are fortunate in securing the services of a man who played in the State team.

Our congratulations are offered to Mrs. Draffin, who was our Matron at the beginning of the year, on her marriage to Mr. H. Bode. We welcome in her place Mrs. F. Sullivan. Two recent past pupils are also to be congratulated. Peter Nell, a foundation scholar, has passed the entrance examination to Highgate School, England. John Newcombe, who won the Preparatory Schools' Tennis for us last year, has become the State U14 Hardcourt champion.

S.H-W.

Sports Notes

FOOTBALL — *Captain*, J. Taylor; *Vice-Captain*, G. Chapple.

There was a bright note to the opening of the football season. We were able to use our playing fields for the first time. As a result of their position a great deal of practice was done and this led to vastly improved handling and kicking. We hope that with the aid of the tackling bag, for which we thank Mr. J. G. Wilson, that our defence will make as much progress next year.

Though neither of the senior teams enjoyed much success, it was pleasing to see the scores of our opponents reduced and the School occasionally crossing the line.

We reorganised the junior XV's into age groups and both the Colts and U10 teams had successful seasons, whilst the U9's played furiously in their match.

The House Competition produced the keenest football of the season. *Results*: 1, Gold; 2, Blue; 3, Green.

It was with great pleasure that we were able to welcome 'the other half' of our Preparatory School when two teams from Edgecliff came to play us. What better result could have been possible than for each to win one game. The fact that there was some confusion in the cheering — the call 'Grammar' being used by both — was all to the good as it served to re-

mind us that we are all part of the same School. We hope that this most pleasant occasion will become a termly feature.

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ATHLETICS — The School Athletic Meeting was again held on a reduced scale due to the turfing of the wicket. This year it was run on House lines though there were restricted events for those not running for their Houses. The competition retained its excitement as the result was in doubt to the end. 1, Blue; 2, Green; 3, Gold.

St. Aloysius and Barker Colleges were our guests at a triangular sports meeting held on 22nd. September A point system was used and the final placing was: 1, Barker; 2, St. Aloysius; 3, Grammar.

D. Muir and I Dickson did very well to win their events.

Our thanks are due to Mr. T. E. Schilizzi and Mr. C. O. Menck for acting as judge, to Barker for providing two judges and to St. Aloysius for providing judges and for lending us their starting gun and stop watches. W. Edmonds did an excellent job as recorder and all the boarders performed their tasks well.

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MINOR TEAM GAMES — *Captain*, R. Schilizzi.

Although Rugby and Cricket are the main games played, it has been found that the introduction of Softball and Basketball, as extra activities, has created considerable interest among many of the senior boys. Softball is part of the House competition and we are fielding a Softball Team and two Basketball Teams against Barker.

J.L.

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TENNIS — *Captain*, G. Chapple.

Now that we have courts of our own, Mr. H. Lindo is conducting coaching classes. Judging by the amount of practice and the number of boys who want the courts this is a great success. The School Team had an enjoyable time when they entertained Barker in a friendly match.

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BOXING — We are now in our second term of boxing. The classes are very large and if the boys' ability were equal to their enthusiasm we would have many champions. However,

we have boys in both classes who show promise. The School provides enough gloves for all the boys to box thus avoiding standing about. The boys are taught to box with a variety of opponents. The gloves are new, particularly soft and weigh 8 ounces which makes it very hard for the boys to hurt one another. The boy who learns boxing learns not only to look after himself but learns the inner confidence that ability gives. If a boy is to obtain value from boxing, he should have fun, exercise and learn something worthwhile. W.T.

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THE TURF WICKET — At the end of last term, through the holidays and during the first few weeks of this term work has been progressing on the new wicket. It is being put down by voluntary labour supplied by Old Sydneians. The job involved digging out the area to a depth of a foot, breaking and cleaning the soil which arrived in trucks, spreading it, planting shoots and smoothing it. Throughout the operation we had the benefit of the vast experience of Mr. Bill Watt, Curator of the S.C.G. whose personal supervision was much appreciated. Our thanks are due to the following Old Boys who gave so generously of their time: J. Buckle, M. Burnham, J. C. Crawford, J. Crawford, B. Mason, A. Mason, C. Killip, J. Perry, E. C. Close, G. Furlong, C. Hall, R. Haggett, N. McGilvray, D. Stevens and D. Hum (an Old Boy of S.C.E.G.S.). The President of the O.S.U. Cricket Club wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dent and Christopher Dent for assistance.

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Our thanks are due to Mr. K. Smithers for refereeing so many matches, to Commander Reed, R.A.N., who also helped in this respect, to Mr. J. G. Wilson for the tackling bag, to Mr. K. Foscett for flags and bunting, to Mr. W. E. R. Francis for tennis balls and to The Womens' Association for equipping the tennis courts so generously and for supplying the goal posts, fourteen sets of boxing gloves and the blue jerseys (particularly appreciated by the Blue House). They are also due to those parents who entertained our visitors with tea and to those, too numerous to name, who supported us by supplying transport and with their presence at sporting fixtures. No sport note would be complete without mention of the excellent

work being done by the Mistresses — Misses Barnett, Glover and Pickering — in laying the foundations in the lower grades.

S.H-W.

Activities

CARPENTRY — The Carpentry Class, on Tuesday afternoons, has been making good progress recently and we hope that it will keep on doing so. The boys have made forms to provide outside seating around the trees, benches and sawing stools and are now working on a stage for the coming play *Toad of Toad Hall*. The class has been working well under the supervision of Mr. E. Mazlin but the need for more tools has occasionally slowed us down.

M.K.S.

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LIBRARY — *Librarians*: W. Allen, S. Berts, J. Thornthwaite.

Our Library has once again increased. Some boys have donated books and although most of our 500 books are works of fiction we are gradually building up the reference section. Once again Mrs. Sylvia Chase has given us books and the teachers and boys owe her their greatest appreciation.

W.A.

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'TOAD OF TOAD HALL — Rehearsals for *Toad of Toad Hall* have started. All the boys have been most enthusiastic. N. Robson has on the stage been just that arrogant yet likeable character demanded by Milne and Grahame. The austere Badger played by W. Edmonds has, sorrowfully but persistently, guided his recalcitrant friend ably abetted by the dashing Rat and the shy Mole (F. Walker and T. Healey).

All other players in the cast have shown great enthusiasm, arriving at rehearsals in spite of the attractions of weekends and holidays.

The Fourth Grade is providing the choir for the musical side of the play. We are very lucky to have a class which puts itself so wholeheartedly into its singing.

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ART — We have this term been able to use the Assembly Hall as an Art Centre. This has enabled us to paint in a much more informal atmosphere.

Much interest was shown in the exhibition of paintings collected and distributed by the Preparatory Schools' Art Committee. The rivalry here was great and twenty paintings were selected to be sent to S.C.E.G.S. for allocation into the various boxes. Much interest was shown by our boys when the paintings were exhibited on the walls of our classrooms, and many were the heated discussions on the merits or demerits of the individual paintings. Much was learned by the healthy criticism and discussion and a new impetus was given to the Art Classes.

We will hold other exhibitions of our own this term.

Once again the Women's Association has demonstrated its continued interest by donating ten pounds for the purchase of prints for Art Appreciation lessons. The boys have shown great interest in these and they will prove to be very useful.

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P.G.C.

CHESS CLUB — *Captain*, T. Theeman.

A small nucleus of boys have formed an active Chess Club. Games have been played against Barker College and in the near future we hope to play against Lindfield Public School who have a strong team. We practise every Tuesday and our knowledge of the classical moves is slowly growing. D.T.

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ITALIC WRITING — Italic writing which is based on the old Italian script which came into being during the Renaissance was used almost exclusively in the writing of historic manuscripts. With slight alterations it has been modified to meet our modern need for a dignified running hand.

Possibly the advent of Queen Elizabeth II reawoke the memories of her famous ancestor's handwriting and it has gradually gained support and is now used by many of the great Public Schools of England. Tests have shown that not only is it the fastest writing but that it retains its beauty under speed far better than any other style.

S.H-W.

House Notes

About the middle of last term the House system was introduced. There are three Houses, each under the guidance of one of the masters.

GOLD HOUSE — S. A. Houghton-Williams, Esq. *Captain*, J. Bennett.

During last term it was decided that three Houses should be formed and great interest has been shown in all activities connected with them. Our House consists of those boys whose names begin with the letters from A to H. T. Healey is the Vice-Captain and G. Huggins, G. Chapple and W. Edmonds are on the committee.

In the field of sport our House has put up a good performance and won the football competition. In work and conduct, however, we did not do so well but we are determined to buck up next term and not let the House down in this respect.

This term the activities of the House will be extended and we look forward to the chess tournaments, tennis matches, cricket matches and softball matches very much. W.E.

BLUE HOUSE — P. G. Conolly, Esq. *Captain*, C. Piggott.

After the Houses were formed last term a meeting was held. All the members wrote the name of a boy in Sixth Grade on a slip of paper and the boy with most votes was made Captain. D. Muir was made Vice-Captain. In the other meeting this term the names of boys who play chess, softball and tennis were taken. Some of these will represent their House this term. The House won the Sports well and played hard to come second in the Football. P.L.

GREEN HOUSE — J. Lingard, Esq. *Captain*, J. Taylor.

Green House is at present leading in points for schoolwork, and this is rather better than its sporting performance.

In the recent Sports Carnival, after leading most of the way, we were forced into second place by Blue because we lost three out of the four relays. Our earlier lead was due to winning the jumps which gave a fine starting boost to our runners. Our Football record is not as pleasing as might have been hoped, having met both of the other Houses without success. We had better luck in the first Chess Match winning against Blue. Unfortunately Gold stepped in and playing brilliant chess defeated us.

We are experiencing tough competition from the opposing Houses. The struggle is a keen one that promises an exciting finish.

N.R.

Boarders' Notes

EMPIRE DAY — We were reminded that Empire Day is more than Bonfire Night by listening to an excellent broadcast and being given Flag Badges.

On Bonfire Night all the boarders went to the highest part of the School grounds. They took their crackers in paper bags. The day before the bonfire had been built with old branches. Most of the boys had crackers and those who did not were given some by other boys. Then small boys ran round with sparklers and bangers went off everywhere. We put the sky rockets in bottles and two or three would go up at once. When the fire died down we returned to our dormitories, showered, went to bed and fell asleep. G.C.

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A DAY AT THE CREEK — Last term Mr. J. Lingard and Matron took us on a hike. We went down to the creek. Before lunch we played hide and seek among the rocks. It was one o'clock when we lined up for chops and steak which three boys had cooked. In the afternoon we played more games and bathed. We returned to School tired and happy. P.L.

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FILMS — Every Saturday night we have films in the Assembly Hall. All the boys like them very much. We change before tea and take our rugs down to lie on. Some of the films are exciting but most of them are funny. We have to thank Mr. A. P. North for giving us a film of The Visit of His Excellency, the Governor of New South Wales, which is a most interesting and valuable record and to Mr. R. Spike for the loan of some very amusing reels. B.V.

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THE TEST MATCH — Last Term we went to the S.C.G. to see the First Test. We arrived at the grounds with our lunches. Our party of twenty-three was lost in the big crowd. The Springboks played very well and we have tried to copy them. Everyone enjoyed it and we were very pleased that Christopher and Malcolm Dent were able to come with us. G.H.

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THE SAND PIT — At the beginning of this Term a sand pit was constructed for the use of the small boys. This has proved

to be a leading attraction. Not only has it been used as a play area in which to build those lands of fancy so dear to their hearts but it has also been used in imitation of the jumping pit.

P.G.C.

EDGECLIFF PREPARATORY SCHOOL

OUR SCHOOL is now showing a healthy growth, and is beginning to make its mark both on the Sportsfield and in the Classroom.

We had a very exhilarating Football Season in spite of our small numbers. The 1st XV played a number of games, and although we did not win all games, the boys played with great enthusiasm, and were very willing to learn.

The outstanding players of the season were: C. Stevens (*Captain*), a hard working back; P. Dezernaulds, a most reliable kicker; W. Carson, His sure tackle and fast running saves the situation many times; R. Pennock, R. Smith, hard working forwards.

A number of the younger boys will be with us again next year and we look forward to their progress.

Results of Games were:

v. St. Aloysius	Lost	v. St. Andrews Cathedral Sch.	Won
v. Under 13 E	Won	v. L. S. Reserves	Won
v. Barker	Lost	v. King's	Lost
v. St. Ives	Won	v. Riverview	Lost

On Thursday, 20th September, we held our Sports Day at Weigall and were delighted to have Mrs. Chase, Mr. Healey and Mr. Ritchie as our guests. The occasion was well supported by parents, and everyone enjoyed the day. Mr. Polkinghorne, who was in charge of proceedings did an excellent job.

One or two boys did very well — 'Have we a future champion?'

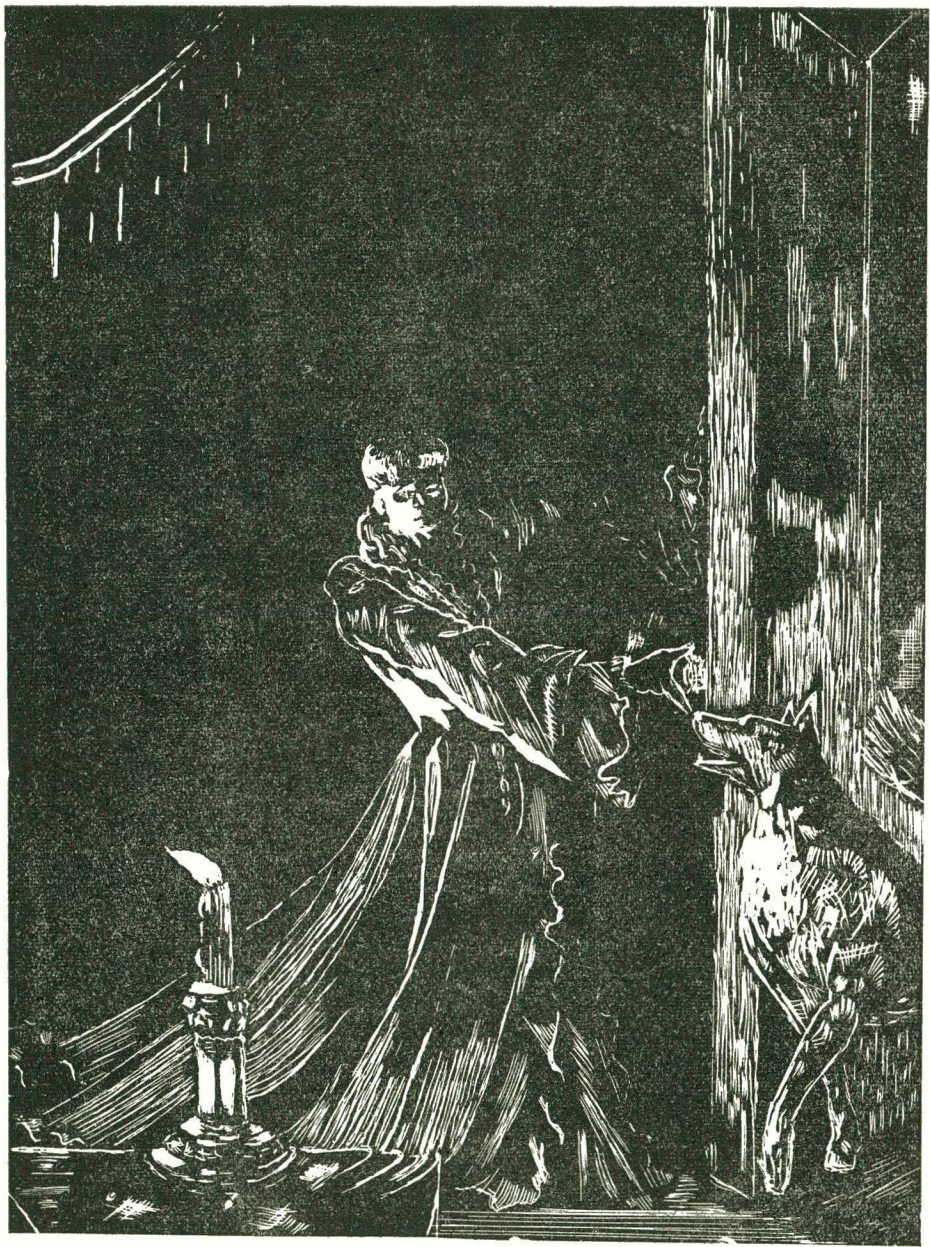
J. P. Bushby (aged 10) won many events including the 880 yards in 2:50.2 P. Lever (aged 10) won his broad jump — jumping 12 feet 5 inches.

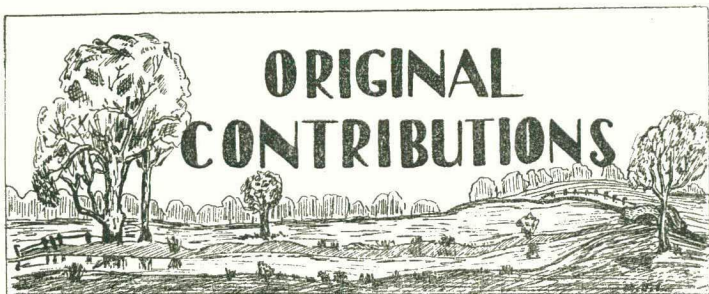
Not only did the 'experts' have a Field Day, but many boys enjoyed themselves in the novelty races. The Obstacle Race was a great source of amusement.

We have not been able to play many Cricket Fixtures, unseasonable weather and lack of playing fields being our main problems.

Mr. Healey talked to Edgecliff mothers on the 27th September and tea was provided by our most active Women's Association, led by Mrs. Gilchrist, our Chairman. Our Association is thriving and many kind acts have been done by our mothers. Not least of all, the gift of a radio for our School with extension speaker in each classroom.

Mrs. Chase visits us as our School Librarian and friend, and the library is a most popular feature of the School. Her generosity is always uppermost in our minds. R.W.B.





SUNSET AND SILENCE, THE HARBOUR BELOW

THE sky now glows as though on fire. The sun has passed on behind the mountains, which now stand out against the sky sharply with clear-cut precision. Resting against the side of the Bridge, I gaze at it, contemplating it in silent absorption. The water is grey; I see it before and below me. I see it farther off as it pervades the inlets and surrounds the dark islands, the black silhouettes of resting ships with its pearly paleness. Yet it is strange, for though the land is covered with specks of light, it is not really night. Detail and perspective are perceptible, though only with a hazy clarity. Only westward before me, where all is black and fiery red, does all detail disappear. Tall chimneys, their sooty plumes now gone, stand like watchtowers on the black mountains, thin and straight-edged, against such a chaotic sky-line.

Below a ferry glides, with quiet murmur, a whispering bow wave, and silvery wake, its rail lined with pale faces of wearied workers. The deep throated grunt of a tug, coming round the point, echoes and re-echoes up the harbour. Small launches scuttle from point to point. Beneath two big ships nestle; their decks and the docks beside bathed in the cerie glow of a sodium light.

Slowly, I turn my head to one side. A building's mass attracts my eye. As though on fire, the sunset light glows orange-red in its reflecting windows. I turn, survey the city or as much of it as before me lies, rising up in rectangular shapes from the harbour side. Even now at such an hour, their

shapes and sizes and their colour are still clearly able to be seen. But it was not the buildings themselves which my eye sees first of all, it is the electrical signs, climbing and crawling on their roofs and walls. Now they disappear to reappear, shrink and expand, dribble, telescope, peel off and then are thrown back in your face. Bewildering it is, a vista, changing colour, flashing, blinking, displaying names to those who seek to be, at least for the night, free from such thoughts and factories.

Behind and eastward now the sky is black, very black, and up above the sky is grey, then westward, mauve and pink, and that is all. The sun has set completely. What were mountains are now clouds — tomorrow it will be a westerly. The shore-line is hard to see, at times it can't be seen at all. The street lights are much brighter; all detail merges into the growing gloom. The water has a duller line, ruffled by a chilling breeze from the sea. I shiver — I must get back. My companion, who has been so patient, turns, blinks her eyes at me, glad at last that I return my attention to her. The sun has gone, the wind groans cold; my dog and I continue on our evening stroll.

R.S.M.W.— 6A — GP.7

HOME SICKNESS

No more the winter winds with fury flare,
For spring brings back a soothing tepid warmth
And pleasant Zephyr breezes fill the air.

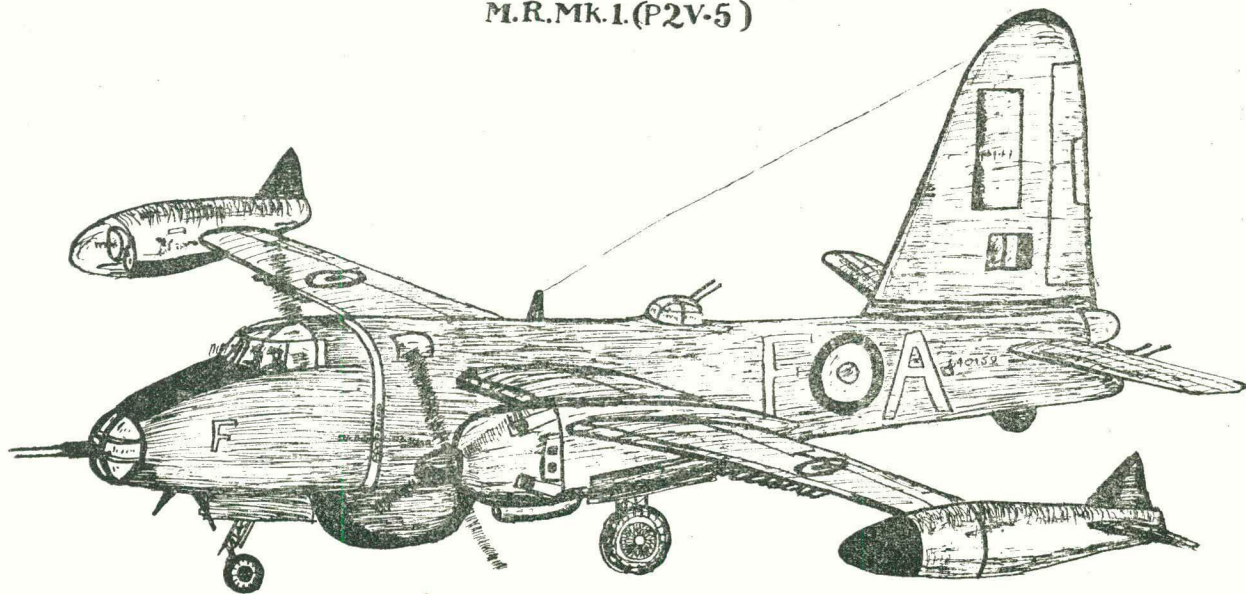
Farewell, O steamy Asian plains and skies,
With an impatient zeal and heart a-glow
Through many fertile fields Catullus flies
To see his lake and long-lost Sirmio.

By devious paths a homesick man returns,
At last to see the friends for whom he yearns.

(Adaptation from Catullus)

M.H.M.— 6A — GP. II

LOCKHEED NEPTUNE
M.R.Mk.1.(P2V-5)



THE DESPERATE STRUGGLE

OLD NAMAKOO stood on the cliff face and watched the scene below him. He had seen it many times before, the life and death battle between the kangaroo and the dingo.

The pursued kangaroo bounded across the plain with the dingoes not far behind, trying to reach the river a good half mile in front before his pursuers considered him tired enough to close in on the attack, for although the kangaroo is faster than the dingo he tires quicker and in his haste to escape becomes flustered and panics. In the event of panic he is likely to run into a fence or go around in circles enabling the dingoes to close in on either side of him. Even when completely at bay he is far from helpless as his razor sharp claws and powerful hind legs are formidable weapons.

Exhausting nearly all his great strength the kangaroo reached the river before the dingoes and waded chest deep into the refreshing water. Here he would make a stand.

The dingoes knew he was dangerous in the water so they waited knowing that their prey would not remain there. After half an hour passing without incident, the younger and less experienced of the dingoes became impatient and suddenly without warning plunged into the cool depths and swam towards the kangaroo. Upon seeing this the other dingo growled deeply and followed his mate's example, intending to attack his adversary from behind. The two circled the kangaroo who eyed them meekly. He was almost fully recovered now and he would put up a good fight. The young dingo was the first to make a move. Unable to stand the tension, it dived, to the best of its ability from a water take off, at the kangaroo's neck. But it was not a koala bear at bay. It was a full grown, male Great Red Kangaroo and due to this under estimation the dingo lost its life, for razor sharp claws were waiting for it, and with one swipe its belly was completely cut open. Meanwhile the other dingo had not been idle for while the fight was going on he had got around the back of the kangaroo and just as his mate had been put out of the way he sprang and his sharp teeth sank into the 'roo's neck and out of reach of his claws. The kangaroo's action was simultaneous: he submerged himself forcing the dingo's head underwater. He

stayed there for almost a minute and then gasping for air he rose to the surface. But the dingo was still there. The kangaroo with nearly all its strength gone hopped slowly out of the river unable to shake off the dingo who was hanging desperately from his neck. Then the 'roo' tried his last move. Lumbering up to a tree near the bank he pressed the dingo against it and with a yelp of pain it let go and fell to the ground. Before it could make a move the kangaroo claws had cut it deeply from head to foot. This time the 'roo' had escaped but one lesser than he would have died before the cunning tricks of the dingo.

J.A.— 2A LOWER

' THE SWAGMAN '

He squatted on the burning sand,
Billy and pannikin in hand.
A swagman he, with clothes like rag,
And across his back a heavy swag.

But was he lonely? No, not he,
He had no thoughts of misery.
His life was free, his face was bright,
He did not care about his plight.

All day he wandered to and fro,
Completely free to come and go
From town to town, up hill or down,
O'er dusty road of red or brown.

But time soon told and he grew old,
And numb from biting winds and cold.
Smiling he lay down in the sand
And died with the strap of his swag in his hand.

D.M.S.— 3A UPPER — GP.3

A COFFEE PLANTATION IN NEW GUINEA

IN New Guinea we have a coffee plantation at Wau, which is in the Mandated Territory, ninety-three miles from Lae by road, and forty by air.

Wau is principally a gold mining town and tourist resort. But because of our plantation we also get our share of important visitors, whom we are always ready to show around (although it is somewhat tiring).

On the plantation we have two hundred boys (natives) working for us. The majority come from the central highlands but the rest are local or from the coast. They are divided into three sections, No. 1, 2 and 3 lines.

The coffee tree begins to mature at the age of three and is fully matured at five. Each tree bears a number of small white blossoms which are pollinated by the variety of insects found on the plantation. When the flower dies and drops off it leaves in its place a small green berry which grows to about the size of a small marble. This ripens by turning red.

When it is ripe it is picked and sent to the factory. The boys are issued with four gallon drums to put the coffee they pick in. Each berry is picked by hand.

These berries come to the factory where the outer skin is removed by a pulper. They are now fermented and washed. After this the beans (as they are now called) are dried first by the sun to remove the excess water, then by an artificial dryer.

After drying the brittle translucent skin is removed in a huller, then if for export the beans are bagged and sent to Lae where they are loaded in ships and sent south. If for local consumption they are roasted and ground and sold to the stores requiring coffee. The natives have to be supervised to see that the job is done properly. Otherwise they do it without care, and promptly sit and loaf or eat barbecued rats and other such rodents the moment you turn your back.

The success of a plantation depends on the way the labour is treated. Treat them softly and they become arrogant and treat you with contempt and insolence. Treat them too hard and you will find yourself reported to the Department of Native Affairs. Treat them firmly but not harshly and you

will get the results you require. If they are treated fairly when working and punished when loafing, they treat you with respect and faithfulness.

You need to be able to read the native's mind and be able to think as he does to be able to clear up the thefts and the minor mysteries around the plantation.

If they are supplied with ample food of a good quality and good living quarters, and are made to keep these quarters clean, they take a pride in them, stick up for you, and get mad at visiting natives who drop litter and rubbish about.

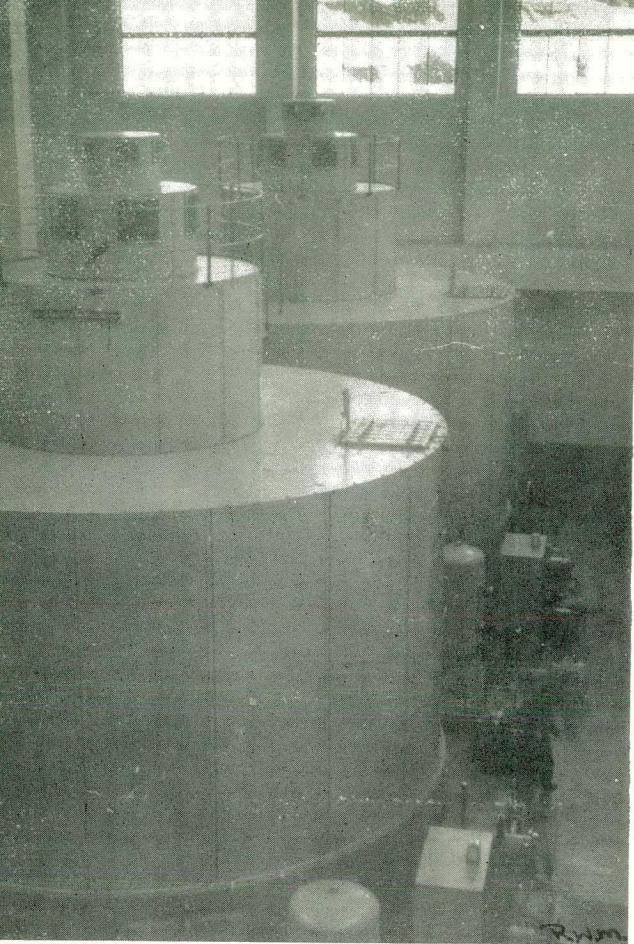
People not of the Islands say it is unfair to pay the native low wages (twenty-five shillings a month). They do not realise that the native has very little use for money. What he does get he usually saves or sometimes buys a shilling's worth of beads to make belts and other decorations: everything he wants is supplied.

The employer spends over £200 to charter a plane to transport them to his plantation, the same to return them to their villages, feeds, clothes, supplies living quarters and all other accessories.

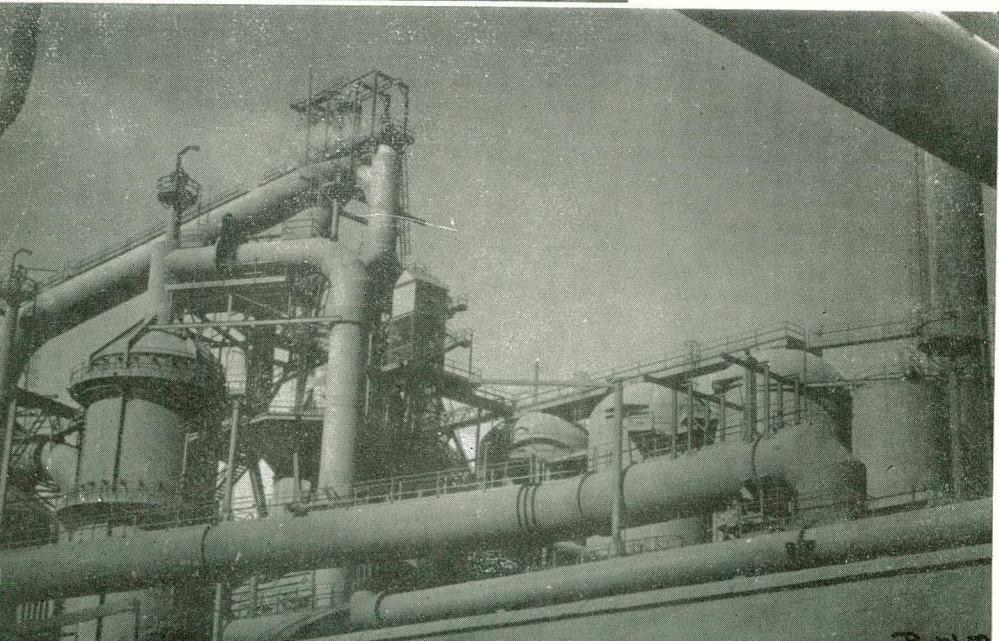
I saw a comparison between one lot of natives going home to their villages and a line of new arrivals. The latter had nothing but the lap-laps they wore, while a few of them carried bundles of cane specially for arrows. The old hands returning home had drums, clothing, cases, beads, knives, different coloured paints, footballs and money from fifty to one hundred pounds, which they did not know what to do with. They also had enough food to last them the journey.

After the new recruits arrive they are issued, examined by a doctor, and signed onto contract. At the end of each month they are paid ten shillings, while fifteen shillings is put into a bank account to be given to them at the end of their contract. They are then put to cleaning the coffee and cutting the grass around the trees. At regular intervals around the trees are shade trees to stop the coffee trees from being burnt by the sun which can destroy the crop altogether. If a native shows exceptional intelligence he is appointed Boss Boy (foreman) and paid thirty shillings instead of twenty-five shillings.

P.J.S.—4C—HOUSE



AT LEFT:
TURBO-GENERATORS
IN GUTHEGA POWER
HOUSE



BELOW:
BLAST FURNACE AT
PORT KEMBLA



ABOVE:
OVERLOOKING
KOSCIUSKO CHALET

AT RIGHT:
'THE ABOMINABLE
SNOWMAN



THE PORT KEMBLA — SNOWY MOUNTAINS GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION

THIS year's trip, true to last year's tradition, proved to be an outstanding success, thanks to the interesting itinerary arranged by Mr. Young.

The first day, Monday August 27, was spent in inspecting the steel works at Port Kembla, the new hot stripmill, Nebo Colliery, and thence on to Nowra where we stayed the night.

Next day a milk and butter factory was inspected and we spent the rest of the day travelling down the coast and through to Nimmitabel. The third day we set off bright and early to spend a full day inspecting the Snowy Mountain project. After another night at Nimmitabel we drove to Canberra where Parliament was in session and arrived home on the Thursday night.

Early on the Monday morning, the five cars left Liverpool Crossroads and headed towards Port Kembla. Here the morning was spent in two groups under guides inspecting the steel works where we saw seamless steel pipes being made and also had a very good view of the large red-hot ingots being rolled and cut into smaller slabs. After viewing the blast-furnaces and other aspects of the works and being nearly cooked in the process we proceeded to the mess hall where we were provided with an enjoyable lunch by the Australian Iron and Steel Co.

After lunch we moved to the new hot strip mill where we saw the five inch thick, ten feet long slabs of steel after being heated to nearly white heat, pass through the many rollers in the mill, to emerge at the other end after being cooled, no less than a quarter to half a mile long and only about three-sixteenths of an inch thick.

Time was getting on and so we bade our guides farewell and made for Nebo Colliery. Time was too short to go underground but we saw the men returning from the day's work, and were very interested by the electric locos, which take the men and trucks to and from the face. Automation was apparent, for the loaded trucks were emptied, turned around, and returned down the line without the use of manpower. We then saw a

plan of the mine and the economic, technical, and geographical aspects of mining were explained by an engineer. The machine shops were then visited and we were able to see a cutter and a mechanical loader at close quarters. It was interesting to note the excellent showers and changing rooms for the miners.

An excellent view of the Wollongong area was seen from the colliery and we moved on our way to Nowra where we enjoyed a very good dinner. Some visited the local cinema and we were all pleased to wash the pounds of Port Kembla coal dust from our hair.

After a good sleep and breakfast we left next morning to see the milk and butter factory at Bomaderry a few miles out of Nowra. An interesting feature was the man who smelt all incoming milk for freshness. We saw the automatic can washer in operation. After seeing the large storage vats for milk and having had the transport of chilled milk explained, we were fortunate enough to see the butter being churned, also an intriguing machine which squeezed out and wrapped exactly one pound of butter at each operation. It was explained that this machine was quite new and could wrap hundreds of pounds of butter an hour.

The cream pasteurizing machinery was not working so we then passed on to the huge refrigeration plant supplying cold brine to the rest of the factory and later the laboratory where the milk and other products were tested for quality.

Moving on we crossed the road to inspect (or rather smell) a casein factory. The skim milk from the butter factory was allowed to ferment here and the coagulated solid of the milk was pressed to get rid of excess moisture. This solid, casein, was then placed on racks on trolleys to be dried in a heated tunnel.

The produce factory next door was a welcome change from the smell and we were interested to see how such things as dairy and calf meal and laying mash were made from the various grains.

We were grateful for the feast of scones, sandwiches and milk thoughtfully provided by the Nowra Co-Operative Dairy Co. Ltd.

We were soon on our way to Bega and passed through

rich timber and dairying country which appeared to have endless resources when the railway continues as far south as this. We bought petrol at Bega and as we passed over Brown Mountain the temperature was falling and we saw a few patches of snow remaining from a fall a few days previously. We arrived at the small township of Nimmitabel and at dinner were greeted with: 'Are youse 'avin' soup?' — which we did.

A good sleep was had despite the cramped accommodation and early next morning we drove to Cooma where at the Snowy Mountains Authority we saw a film on the Snowy System. Then our guide from the Snowy Authority showed the party around the laboratories where geological samples and models were seen. A model of one of the dams and the laboratory where the strength and stress tests were carried out on blocks of sample concrete for the dams were of particular interest.

Our guide led a convoy of nearly twenty cars in an Authority Land-Rover and we took the road for Island Bend past Jindabyne. Soon snow was encountered and for miles it was piled up to eight feet deep by the sides of the road where the snow-plough had been through that morning.

On a hill overlooking the Kosciusko Chalet we stopped and there had a snow-fight — masters and prefects included. Our games in the snow had to be stopped too soon and we continued to Island Bend where we had lunch in the Snowy Authority canteen.

After lunch we were to have visited Guthega Dam on the Snowy River, but snow-drifts made the road impassable so we moved on to the completed power-house at Mungyang. This power house was built by a Norwegian company and is operating as a 'run-of-the-river' station with a capacity of 60,000kW but on completion of a large regulating storage at Spencer's Creek, a third turbo-generator will be installed, stepping the station's capacity up to 90,000kW. This station is the first of the seven power projects to be completed in the Snowy-Murray development which will have a thirty-mile tunnel through the Dividing Range.

The convoy then drove back past the Jindabyne Reservoir

site and along a rough road to the Adaminaby Dam. We saw many trucks and 'dozers at work making the huge earth and rock fill dam, one of the largest in the world. It was explained, as we saw a small model of the dam, that the wall on completion will be nearly half a mile thick at the base and over twice as high as the Sydney Town Hall, whereas the dam will hold 3,860,000 acre feet — over eight times the volume in Sydney Harbour. This dam will supply water through a fourteen mile tunnel to the five hydro-electric stations in the Eucumbene-Tumut system.

We then drove back through Cooma and upon arrival at Nimmitabel one car was found to be missing. They however arrived back hours later and we found out they had made no less than five wrong turnings! A naval film was seen that night in the local hall and one could actually hear one word in five. After bidding good-night to two Newington hitchhikers met earlier in the day, we turned in, leaving our fellow G.P.S. members with some advice as to where they might spend the night.

Next day we were all sorry to have to leave the snow country as we moved towards the Australian Capital Territory. In Canberra we visited the Houses of Parliament and were shown over the Senate Chamber. In the House of Representatives, which was in session at the time, a member reading the day's news competed with another's crew-cut for principal attraction. Later the President of the Senate spoke to us in his rooms on the significance of Parliament.

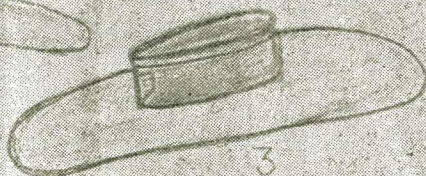
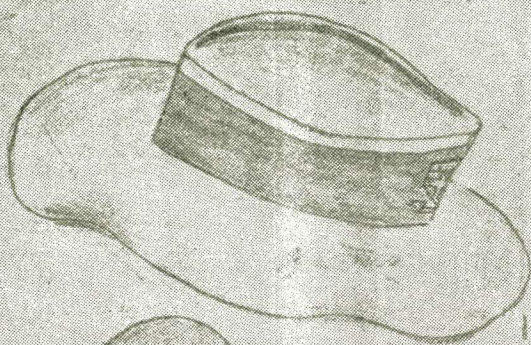
When the Treasurer had fixed the drivers up with petrol, we said our farewells and turned towards Sydney. Lake George was seen on the way and when we reached home, the enjoyable trip, although nearly nine hundred miles seemed too short.

Our thanks go to Messrs. Parr and Young without whose organization the trip would not have been possible. Our thanks go also to Messrs. Kinkade, Fraser, Thorburn, Williams and Murray who so willingly provided their cars, and to the members of the party who made the trip such a success.

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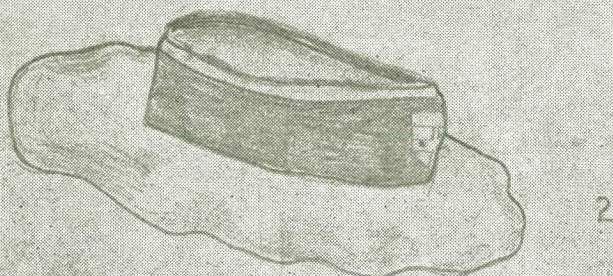
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GRAMMAR'S HATS



1. NORMAL HAT. NOTE GRAMMAR BASHES AND NEPEAN MUD (NORMULUS GRAMMULUS)
2. THE DOME. COMMONLY FOUND ON THE HEADS OF 3rd FORMERS (HATUS DOMEII)
3. SOMBRERO TYPE (GTH FORM) (HATUS SKITSKII)
4. THE SPEED CORDON TYPE CHARACTERISTICS ARE NARROW BRIM AND TURNED REAR (HATUS GORDIEN)

1. IF Y'SEE ME COMING JUST STEP ASIDE
(PREFECTUS PREFECTORIUS)
2. HATUS NORMALUS AFTER A WEEK WITH A PRER KID



3. THE SLOUCH CROUCH OR WHY DOES IT ALWAYS RAIN ON SUNDAY
AND NEVER ON MONDAY. (SLOUCHUS CROUCHUS QUENUS)
4. A COMMON SIGHT ON MONDAYS

TO A PREFECT A THOUSAND YEARS HENCE

I who am dead a thousand years,
And unto you give this advice,
Send you my words for messengers
The way that is not travelled twice.

I care not if you win the prize,
Or kick the goal that wins the match,
Or score a dozen centuries,
Or win the quarter-mile from scratch.

But art thou kind and patient too,
And hast thou sympathy and love,
Unto thine own self art thou true,
And dost thou pray to those above?

How will success be yours, you ask;
I cannot judge, but this I say:
Work hard, try hard, in every task
In classroom and on field of play.

O friend unborn, unseen, unknown,
Whose praises are as yet unsung,
Read out my words, in peace, alone:
I was a prefect, I was young.

Since we can never meet on earth,
Nor shake each other by the hand,
I send these words for what they're worth
To give you help. You'll understand.

DONJON (AFTER FLECKER) — 6A

THE LIBRARY — OR WHY YOU NEVER GET ATTENTION

ONCE upon a time there were eleven boys and a large man in a tiny room — nobody worried about the library. Now there are fifty boys and the large man and several hangers-on in a huge room, and everybody is going crazy.

Between eighty-thirty and nine o'clock there are a few borrowers and hoards of librarians. Before school in the library is a chatty time. The office, especially in winter, is very popular — it has a radiator. A few librarians get the borrowers out of strife then return to their cosy room; while Dutch cigarettes are smoked — ashtray by courtesy of the Library.

By break, things are warming up. The scene in the office has changed. The large man (see above) occupies the seat of honour, children buzz round him, questions fly.

'Sir! A boy wants to join the Staff.'

'Er'

'Here's the mail.'

'Um, thank you.'

'Where's the rubber?'

'Sir, what about buying the *Caine Mutiny*?'

'Sir, a new pencil for the desk please.'

Meanwhile the Stack Room (room in the corner you wouldn't want to see anyway) has been invaded by a boy with foul smelly book lacquer.

Everybody else moves out.

The work (?) room (where the repairs — or wreckers — staff work) is full, mainly of people drinking water.

The reading room? Don't ask silly questions. With nobody at the desk, the rest in the office, the poor borrower just gets along by himself.

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Interlude: Third and fourth periods or — the Masters' Corner.

The stack room resounds to the click click of a one-fingered typist — very useful for Colts A football notices.

By now the espresso coffee bar is open for business — (remember the work room). Apparently the navy must have a cup of coffee before lunch.

At the office door: 'I say! could I borrow this vast pile of magazines? Oh, bye the bye, I think the library needs another book on military uniforms' — guess who!

Lunch time — the roaring crescendo of toil, the milling crowds of hard-pressed students, the efficient, hardworking library staff — (background music please).

This time the workroom is full. The large man, three or four

smaller librarians, and a couple of tiny ones, all eating. A knock at the door — Daly wants his glass of water.

Question: What happens when two stout people stand in a narrow place and a third wishes to get past?

Answer: Spectators beware!

The reading room is haunted by a couple of librarians; they prod others to work, walk up and down, and . . . do no work.

12.55 hours — zero hour.

'All out'. No prizes for the best imitation.

The masses crush to the door, librarians fizz everywhere. A few books are put away, some magazines are put (or thrown) into the boxes. More masses crush to the door; the 'fellas' enjoyed their lunchtime in the library.

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Many librarians return to the library after school. Most come to survey the destruction wrought by two geography forms and a history form, then to flee. A few stalwarts (?) stay on, thus:

'Are you rostered?'

'Yes'.

'Well, put some books away.'

Or:

'Are you rostered.'

'No!'

'Well, how about putting some books away?'

During the afternoon a few things occur: a more virile member of the staff suns himself on the library roof — who?; a very inquisitive one has been told to mind his own business three times — who?; some little work has been done in the reading room.

At last the blinds are let down, the library is closed, "and so (American accent), we say farewell to that magnificent institution the library"

Note: any reference to more than one librarian working at any time is purely fictitious.

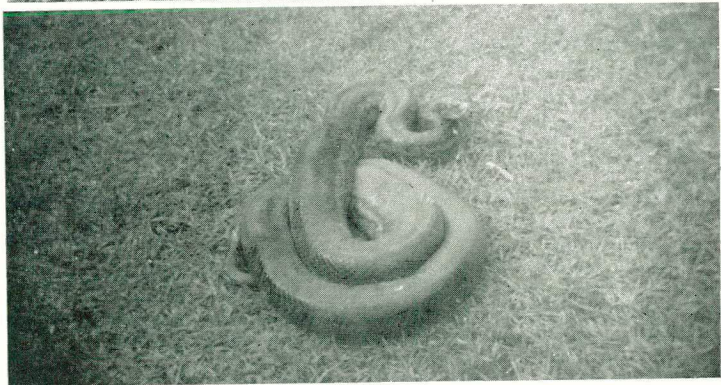
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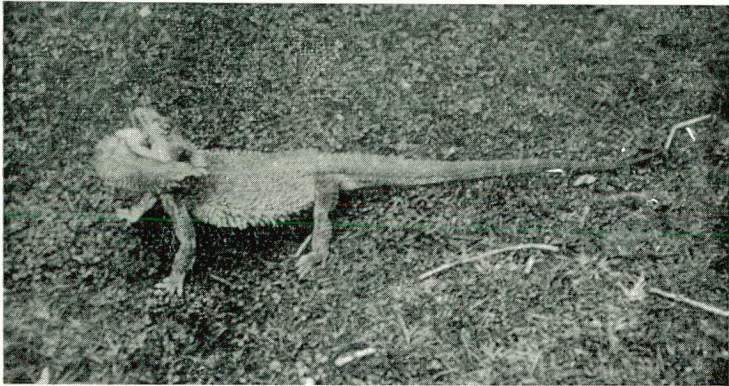
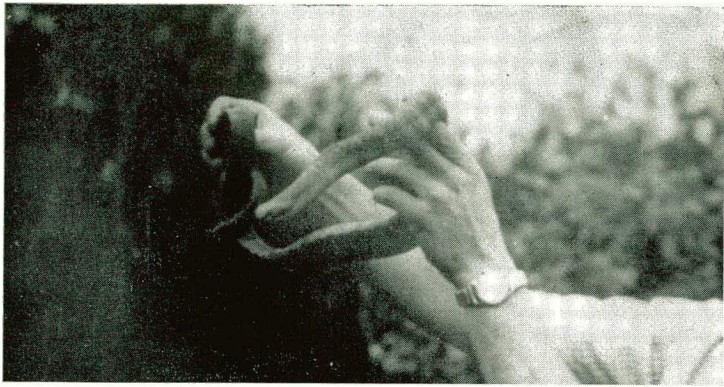


At Left: **BLACK SNAKE**
NOT DEADLY

Centre: **CARPET SNAKE**
— RODENT
EXTERMINATOR

Below:
AMETHYSTINE
PYTHON —
WANT A FIGHT?





Top: TIGER SNAKE — WORLD'S MOST POISONOUS SNAKE
Centre: BEARDED DRAGON — ALL BLUFF
Bottom: BLACK HEADED PYTHON — ITCHING TO BITE

SNAKES: FACT AND FALLACY



BLACK SNAKE — IN NATURAL HABITAT

PEOPLE have nourished a grudge against snakes ever since the Biblical serpent talked Eve into eating forbidden fruit. For in all nature there is no group of animals about which so many superstitious stories have arisen.

So before discussing our Australian species here are some of the most popular fallacies held against snakes. You'll find some of them quite surprising!

Snakes do not swallow their young to protect them although they may eat other species for food. A bite from the bandy bandy is not fatal although the snake is venomous, nor will a bite cause a fit for every ring on the snake's body. Snakes do not have a 'sting', the organ popularly believed to be the 'sting' is the forked tongue which is sensory and absolutely harmless. A snake skin belt will not cause a rash on the body of the wearer, nor will it gradually tighten and kill its owner. If one of a pair is killed its mate does not follow its killer to avenge the death.

Snakes **will** die before sundown, in fact any time at all. Cobras aren't charmed by the music of fakirs, the limiting factor being that snakes just don't have ears. The music is

merely a prop, and the swaying cobra is awaiting an opening to strike, which the charmer rarely lets happen. Soon, the usually defanged serpent tires and drops into his basket whereupon the charmer ceases his dirge. However, it is interesting to note that India has a snakebite deathrate of some 20,000 annually.

Probably the most interesting of all snake fallacies is the one which gives Irish soil the power to ward off snakes. This myth is founded on the absence of snakes from Ireland, and, contrary to popular belief St. Patrick had nothing to do with it. The truth being that when the Ice Age began and reptiles started to move over vast distances, Ireland was cut off from the land mass of Europe and England, consequently the snakes could not migrate to the land of the shamrock. Only three species of snake managed to reach England. 'Ridiculous!', you say?

Then indeed it is interesting to note that Sir Henry Hayes, after building Vacluse House, became so alarmed at the number of black-snakes residing in the area, that he dug a moat six feet wide around the building. This he filled with five hundred tons of Irish soil especially imported for that purpose. It is there to this day!

All species of lizards in Australia are harmless, and a bite sustained from a frightened lizard will not cause a recurring sore each year. Most outlying suburban homes harbour a bearded dragon or a blue-tongue lizard. The latter is generally feared because of its snake-like appearance and is often killed under the pretext that it eats fowl eggs. True, it will eat a broken egg, but it has never been known to break the shell itself. The staple diet being snails — gardeners take note! This lizard is easily tamed in captivity.

Of the 2,500 different kinds of serpents comprising the world's snake population Australia possesses about 120, most of which are comparatively harmless. Of the non-venomous snakes the pythons usually prove the most interesting and contrary to popular belief do not crush their victims to death.

A man or animal seized by a snake is thrown into a panic and struggles violently to escape. This makes his body call for a lot of oxygen. The snake merely takes advantage of its victim's heavy breathing by throwing several coils snugly

around the chest. Each time the prey expels its breath, the renewed snugness of the coils prevents expansion. Suffocation is inevitable.

Australia's most common pythons are the carpet and diamond snakes. The carpet snake in the photograph being quite tame can be handled freely. It is ten feet three inches long and could eat four fully grown rabbits in one sitting. Another fallacy which exists about these good natured pythons is that as they are non-venomous they will not bite. This is false, and their three rows of curved teeth can make a nasty laceration.

The largest snake in Australia is the Amethystine python which hails from North Queensland. The specimen shown came from the Atherton Tablelands and measures seventeen feet six inches in length, as the expression indicates, it is by no means tame. Maximum length is about twenty-two feet and such a snake was measured at thirty-two inches around the section containing a wallaby.

One of the rarer pythons of Northern Australia is the black-headed. This is not evident in the snake shown as it was a bit 'frisky' and hence had to be held by the head. An interesting point is that this reptile has a remarkable immunity to the venoms of most Australian snakes.

Snakes can live side by side with man without either getting in each other's way. Evidence of this is the fact that around the Sydney district many venomous snakes exist without the inhabitants being aware of their presence.

Death adders with a fifty per cent. deathrate to their credit have been caught recently together with tiger snakes, at Castle-crag, indeed the largest specimen on record (thirty-six and a half inches) was captured at the Spit. An odd characteristic of this reptile is, that if it is encountered, it is unlikely to move or strike unless it is actually touched, whereupon it does so with lightning rapidity.

The Brown snake is one of our fastest moving, being able to almost keep up with a man under ideal conditions, and, like the death adder can never be tamed in captivity. Once aroused this snake will strike repeatedly and should be branded as dangerous. While it is evenly distributed on the east coast it

is interesting to note that large specimens have been caught in the Roseville and Lane Cove districts.

In the southern states the Tiger snake is considered our most dangerous snake, since it is common, but actually it is one of the most inoffensive of the venomous snakes unless aroused. Like the death adder it is nocturnal and the main danger lies in treading on it at night, since it would be cold and hence sluggish and slow to move.

It is generally believed and unusually publicised that this snake will attack on sight. This is entirely wrong; like any other Australian snake (including the Taipan) it will not attack unless provoked and usually prefers to slide out of the way of approaching humans.

The photograph shown is a unique one of what is undoubtedly the tamest Tiger snake in captivity. It will be seen that no attempt is being made to hold its head. However before handling this snake in such a fashion it is worth remembering that it is the world's most poisonous land snake, the venom being twenty-five times as toxic as that of a King Cobra while the amount injected with one bite would be sufficient to kill about forty adults.

The comparatively low deathrate (forty per cent.) of this snake is due to two factors. Firstly the relative shortness of the fangs (about one-eighth inch long compared with the half inch fang of a Taipan), and secondly the existence of a very effective antivenene. These snakes may be found in French's Forest while several have been caught recently in the suburbs of St. Ives and Kingsgrove.

One of the least dangerous of our venomous snakes is the Red-Bellied Black. A very shy species it will strike only as a last resort, however popular belief has it that this snake is deadly. **It isn't.** Proof of this lies in the fact that there has been only one recorded death from its bite, and this it is believed was due rather to shock than the effect of the venom. Caught as close to the city as Maroubra, this snake becomes quite tame in captivity and as can be seen from the accompanying photograph is making no attempt to bite its captor.

Probably, having glanced at the photographs you have decided that the venomous snakes have been defanged. This

is not the case, however, since defanging or 'milking' a snake of its venom, besides being a cruel practice invariably causes mouth canker — a disease fatal to snakes.

A fallacy which exists concerning the handling of snakes is such that if a snake is grasped by the tail it cannot recoil and strike, owing to the lack of 'muscle' in the tail. This is entirely false. If you don't believe it, try picking up a tiger snake thus, then ring for the doctor — if you're still conscious.

Although this is the method employed in capturing snakes, it requires experience to prevent the snake climbing and biting.

As the season of summer and snakes is approaching a few words of advice may not be amiss here, for the old axiom that prevention is better than cure can well be applied to snake-bite. So, when in the bush always remember to: wear boots and thick woollen socks, watch where you walk, do not reach into rabbit burrows or hollow logs (snakes therein may take exception to it) and do not follow a venomous snake into thick scrub in an attempt to kill it; since ninety per cent of bites occur when an attempt is made to kill or capture a snake.

If you make a lot of noise in your travels, you are unlikely to see snakes; remember they are timid creatures. However, if a snake is encountered, stand perfectly still, it will slither away, if it doesn't walk the other way — there is plenty of bush.

Although the chances of death from snakebite in Australia are about 1 in 1,600,000, it is an emergency and requires emergency treatment. So if a person is bitten:

1. Tie a ligature on a single-boned part of the limb, e.g. thigh or upper-arm.
2. Wash away the surplus venom from the skin, but do not use condy's crystals. Although it is true that a 1 per cent solution will neutralise any snake venom, a stronger solution can cause gangrene.
3. Cut through the fang punctures at least one-eighth inch deep. If the snake responsible is a Death Adder the incision should be one-quarter inch deep (Taipan one-half inch).
4. Apply suction and under no circumstances use the affected limb.
5. Keep the patient calm and summon a doctor immediately,

meanwhile loosening the ligature after thirty minutes for thirty seconds, then every ten minutes thereafter.

If you remember what you have read, you may have lost a lot of fears about snakes and be convinced that they are not all deadly and that many of the stories you have heard of them are untrue.

A.A.G.—GP.5

'ARRY

(From *Catullus*)

Poor 'Arry said hextras
But really meant extras,
And often said hambush,
But meant, of course, ambush.
For thus spoke his mother,
And even her brother,
Grandfather, grandmother,
And many another.
But our ears had a rest
When by common request,
He went Syria bound
Out of sight and of sound.
Oh, imagine our thoughts
When we heard the reports:
With the passage of 'Arry,
Who perforce could not tarry,
That Ionia was now called Hionia.

R.M.K.—6A—GP. 3

STAMPS AND THEIR USES

THERE are two main types of stamps; firstly, the revenue or duty stamp. These stamps are used for several purposes: to pay stamp duty on receipts, or contracts. In New South Wales they range in value from one halfpenny to five hundred pounds. Usually philatelists do not collect these stamps, but occasionally they are used for postage purposes. This was usually at the end of the nineteenth century when Australia, and the rest

of the British Colonies had to rely on England to provide postage stamps and other similar articles. Thus if a ship was overdue, there was sometimes a shortage of postage stamps. Then, official permission would be given, usually by the governor, to use duty stamps for postage purposes. These duty stamps, when postmarked with a postmarker, and not with pen and ink as they usually are on receipt, are highly prized by philatelists. In Hong Kong in 1938 there was a shortage of five cent postage stamps and duty stamps were used for ten days. These stamps are now worth ten shillings used and one pound unused.

The second group, the ordinary postage stamp, is much larger, and there is a greater variety of stamps. Some of the more interesting types are: Air Stamps, Special Delivery, Floating Safe, Charity Stamps, Personal Delivery and Commemorative Stamps

Air stamps, as their name implies, are used for mail carried by air. They often have designs showing aeroplanes, birds and other things connected with the air. In some countries they are also used on mail not carried by air, and so some other indication must be put on the letter if it is to travel by air.

In many countries, the payment of an additional fee secures more speedy delivery. A few countries have issued special stamps for this fee. The designs often typify the rapidity (?) with which delivery is made, a motor-bicycle or a running postman !

The floating safe was an experiment carried out by Holland and the Dutch Colonies. The main idea was that ordinary registration would not cover valuables lost in the event of shipwreck, so special buoyant safes were installed on the decks of ships, and these were supposed to float if the ship sank. Although the experiment did not prove successful, the stamps have remained as souvenirs.

Charity stamps are stamps which have a premium on them, and this is used in anti-T.B. campaigns in some countries, for child-welfare in Switzerland, and in New Zealand a set is issued every year to help finance Health Camps for children.

The Personal Delivery stamps are used by some South American countries, and they ensure that the letter is delivered

only to the person it is addressed to.

Commemorative stamps form the largest group of special stamps and are issued to commemorate almost every kind of historic occasion, such as: coronations, royal silver weddings, victory in wars, centenaries of foundations of cities and countries, military occupations, and even the death of a president's wife.

B.S.P.— CHASE — 5A UPPER

HOW THE OTHER HALF LIVES

A CERTAIN small room is well known to all. Now that winter has fled and Spring spreads joyfully over the landscape, one does not mind so much. But in the bleakness of a winter's day, to see the warmth and cosiness, is a great frustration.

One day I went my way to the 'room' with one of my frequent essays. There in an atmosphere of toasted crumpets and dazzling blue walls, sat a member of the select band. With the warmth of the gas heater and the comfort of a just-eaten repast, the body moved not. Its feet remained on the mantel-piece, whilst it continued to stare at my gallant but cold figure in the doorway.

'For X', I said.

'Uh', came the answer, so I hastily removed myself from his presence, lest his wrath be aroused. The usual reply is a door in one's face.

Now this is all past and forgotten; spring is here: yet I often wonder what it would be like, bone-idle in an armchair, too well-fed to move.

INCONNU — 3A UPPER

(With apologies to all prefects.)

ON THE DEATH OF LESBIA'S SPARROW

(From *Catullus*)

Oh all ye Loves and Cupids mourn
And every finer being,
The sparrow of my lady's dead,
The sparrow of my sweetheart's dead,
Whom she loved more than seeing.

For he was sweet as honey-comb
Knew her as girls their mother,
Nor moved he from her lap at all,
But jumping round, to her he'd call,
To her and to no other.

But now he treads that gloomy path,
Return he'll not be making,
Oh evil on your, Evil Shades,
Beneath whom all that's lovely fades:
A lovely bird you're taking!

Alas, fell dead, alas, poor bird,
Alas, without your cheeping,
The eyes of my poor little girl,
The little eyes of my poor girl,
Are red and sore with weeping.

R.M.K.—6A—GP.3

LOST

'Here, puss, puss, puss . . .'
'Here, kitty, kitty, kitty . . .'

The family was panic-stricken. Charles, our mascot, our pride and joy, was missing. 'Have you looked in the garage?' queried Mum faintly.

'Yes,' replied Dad irritably, 'and in the process I bruised my shin and spilt half the kerosene'.

'Is he in any of the bedrooms?' called my sister from somewhere in amongst the honeycomb of foundations under the house.

'I've looked there too,' I almost screamed, running my hand over a lump on the back of my head. This I had received by simply trying to stand up underneath my bed.

By this time the search had become more extensive. Dad was on the roof, cursing audibly. Mum was softly cursing Dad for cursing too audibly. A dull thud and a yell from under the house told me that Joyce had found the headroom limited, as I had. She came out from the catacombs, rubbing her forehead tenderly. A sliding sound on the roof made everyone scatter, then down came seven roof tiles, quickly followed by Dad, who managed to grasp the gutter. Only this too gave

way, and tiles and guttering and Dad ended in a tangled heap in the middle of his tomato patch.

In the ensuing silence, the 'lady next door' stuck her not too lovely head over the fence.

'Hello', she said, 'have an accident? Anyway, I just wanted to tell you not to worry about your cat, he's playing with little Freddie in the front garden'.

I.L.B.— 3A UPPER — GP.4

SNAKES ALIVE !

THE REPTILE EXHIBITION which took place at the School Fete in May resulted in a clear profit of over £40 being taken and handed over to the S.G.S. Women's Association. The show was presented by the courtesy of the Secretary of the Australian Reptile Club, which has two active members at Grammar, the largest membership of any school in Australia (as reported in the *Herald* a few days after the fete). Group 4 and 5 members assisted by selling tickets and collecting on the door.

By the time the show was ready to commence a crowd of fans was clamouring outside the room, waving tickets and demanding admittance to the display.

Although the carpet snakes were loose on a tree the visitors seemed to decline strongly to approach the branch. Could it be that they were nervous of the pythons?

The reptiles on display included death adders, black, brown, tiger, marsh diamond and carpet snakes, bluetongues, various dragons, legless lizards and skinks. The reptiles were mostly displayed in cases arranged on tables around the room. The show on the whole went smoothly but there were some dramatic turns. The brown snake struck suddenly and often, like the postal workers, the death adder squirmed, and the carpet snakes slithered about their branch. As a result of joint co-operation of all those concerned — including the specimens — the show was doubtless an outstanding success. The most dramatic part of the show was as ever the final bagging of the specimens, which a small group of people watched. After a good deal of manoeuvring in the case of the brown and tiger snakes all specimens were duly bagged and removed to their place of abode.

J.A.B.— 5A UPPER — GP.4



VISITORS AT CENTENARY FETE 1956



C.K.L. — 6C1 — GP. I

A TRIP TO TANGALOOMA WHALING STATION

It was a good trip by launch out to Tangalooma, which is situated on Moreton Island and many of us were allowed to steer the launch.

We arrived a few hours later. Eight of us were to sleep on the launch and the remainder on shore.

Next we were taken up onto the flensing deck, where the whales are cut up. The blubber is put down one hole in the deck where it is processed for the oil. The rest of the meat is processed into livestock food. We were shown over the works and the details were explained to us by the foreman. There was a terrible smell on the flensing deck and most of us breathed through our mouths. The men worked in two twelve hour shifts from noon to midnight and midnight to noon. They used long sticks, like hockey sticks, with a razor-sharp blade on the end. Each man had about eight.

We had dinner in the canteen, saw a film, which had been specially brought for us, and then retired to bed. Eight of us were rowed out to the launch.

We were awakened the next morning about eight o'clock and after a quick breakfast, we boarded the whalers Kos II and Kos VII at six o'clock, still in the same 'eights' as for sleeping arrangements. I was on Kos VII (the launch party).

We reached the whaling grounds in about two-and-a-half to three-and-a-half hours and almost immediately sighted a whale blowing in the distance. Some boys who had not been sick before looked a little green as the whaler, at full speed, steamed after the whale. When we were close enough, the captain was at the harpoon gun and with a great bang the whale was caught! The rope attached to the harpoon was let out and when the whale had tired a bit, big winches went into action and when at length the whale was close enough, a killer harpoon did its work. The whale was hauled in and immediately an air hose was put into the whale. The whale was blown up so that it would float, it was then chained to the side.

We quickly caught another whale and then we steamed over to another chaser who was to be a 'carrier'. It was Kos

I. It finally left an hour later with six whales, three from each whaler.

I had not had the misfortune to be sick yet and I had felt quite well. After the lunch, I began to feel a little sick and I was green (I was later told) but I soon became better up on the bridge.

We caught two more whales in the afternoon, having the misfortune to miss two. The first when a harpoon bounced off a whale and the second when a whale sank, breaking the rope, before air could be pumped in.

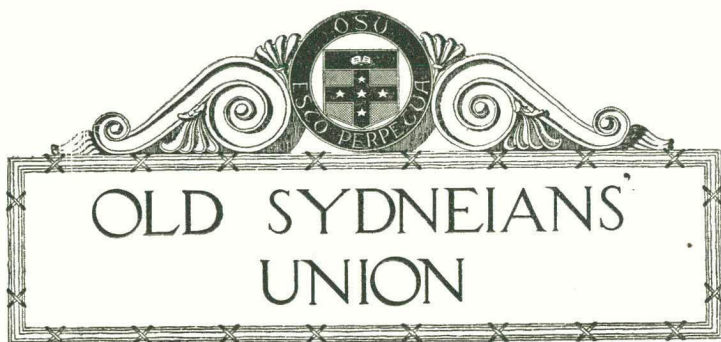
We started back at about five o'clock with two whales in tow and arrived about eight o'clock. The other whaler arrived about nine o'clock with four whales. We had a short dinner and were rowed out to the launch again, just as the other chaser came in.

The next morning, we got up at seven o'clock and after a short breakfast, we went up onto the flensing deck again for a last look.

We left about nine o'clock in the *Norman* and arrived at about eleven-thirty. We were then shown around part of Brisbane for an hour in taxis.

We had lunch at Eagle Farm and then, took off back to Sydney in a T.A.A. Vicsount. It was a very smooth trip and we arrived back in Sydney one hour and forty-five minutes later.

I.S.— 3A UPPER — CHASE



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NINETY-NINE — NOT OUT

IN history — and in cricket — it has become the custom to regard the 'Century' as a unit of measurement in years, and in runs.

It is easy enough to suggest that this system of calculation has something artificial about it. The nineteenth century may have had features different from those of the eighteenth, but nobody believes that the year 1800 brought in an age of manners, or habits, or dress, or literature, or politics, or anything else distinct from those of the year 1799, because on New Year's Day the figure 'seventeen' changed to 'eighteen'. Nor will any true followers of the game of cricket accept the proposition that one hundred runs scored by a batsman is essentially better than ninety-nine because there is some magic about the word 'century'.

But in the passing of time one hundred years is a goodly span, and when an institution reaches the end of its first century it is a convenient and fitting moment for looking back at its record, for giving honour to those who founded and built and worked for it, for looking forward with eager eyes into the next cycle, and above all — for seeing in its past, inspiration for its future.

The year 1957 will mark the centenary of the opening of Sydney Grammar School, and Old Sydneians will rejoice in the opportunity of joining in the celebration of the School's first One Hundred Years. During the early part of the year there will be ceremonies in which the present boys will participate. Later in the year Old Sydneians will do honour in their own way. But it will be their particular privilege to make the Centenary Year the occasion for providing for the future material needs of the School.

The Centenary Fund, which was opened last year, already has nearly £4,000 to its credit. The aim for next year will be to have every Old Sydneian as a subscriber.

OLD SYDNEIANS' SCHOLARSHIP

The Sydneian congratulates R. E. Buttfield (son of an Old Sydneian) who has been awarded the Old Sydneians' Scholarship for 1956.

JOURNALISM AS A VOCATION

The writer of this article, who was at School from 1931 to 1936, is a graduate in Arts and Economics of the University of Sydney and is a member of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of New South Wales. He has inherited a family tradition of journalism and occupies a distinguished position in the Press world. As Chairman of the Press Committee for UNESCO in Australia he recently attended a meeting in Paris to discuss Professional Training for Journalism,

I HAVE used the word 'vocation' deliberately in the title of this article, because the shining lights of journalism have looked upon their profession as more than just a livelihood. They have looked upon it as a calling, a challenge, an opportunity to lead and to influence, and to leave their mark on the community they have served.

Let me quote one of the most famous of men in British journalism, Henry Wickham Steed, one time editor of the *London Times*. Looking back on his long career in the press, he said:

'From the first I conceived journalism as something larger than the getting and the publication of news, bound up though these be with the journalist's work. I looked for and found in it a means of working out and applying a philosophy of life, a chance to help things forward on the road I thought right, a quest taxing to the point of exhaustion every energy of heart and brain.'

Although a newspaper career has many attractions, much interest and often a dash of glamour about it, there is much more hard routine and monotonous work than the hopeful recruit imagines. In city journalism, there are many frustrations, many a dull meeting that doesn't yield an inch of copy and many a story written that never gets into print.

Not many journalists have the thrilling experiences of the 'crime reporters' we see in American films, and our newspaper offices have no recognisable resemblance to the type depicted so graphically by Hollywood. But there are many satisfying rewards for the newspaperman — from the thrill of the novice on seeing his first report in print to the triumph of the editor in exposing an evil or inspiring the public toward some worthy community achievement.

In Australia, the opportunities for entering journalism are restricted and only a proportion of those seeking employment as cadets gain selection. Boys between sixteen and eighteen

may find an opening on metropolitan or country newspapers, the Australian Broadcasting Commission, a Press Agency or some specialist publication. Although the city newspaper jobs are most sought after, country papers in many ways provide more satisfying training grounds.

With very few exceptions, the journalist must start his career with a four-year cadetship, after which he graduates to a graded position. Experience or special ability will win him senior and well-paid gradings, special writing and feature assignments and eventually, perhaps executive position on the news staff.

On country newspapers, with their small staffs (and incidentally their more limited opportunity for specialist writing) progress is frequently more rapid. Many young men have occupied the editor's chair of a provincial paper and experienced the power and exercised the responsibility of leadership in a community which regards its local paper with affection and respect.

Training for journalism in Australia, is undertaken almost exclusively 'on the job'. Shorthand and typing are two indispensable qualifications and should be the first objective of the trainee. The techniques of newspaper writing are acquired through practice, correction and example. During the early training stages, the copy submitted by cadets is revised by experienced journalists and the reasons for the alterations explained. Sydney daily papers also conduct a series of lectures on a variety of subjects relating to journalism and newspaper production for the benefit of their cadet reporters.

This year, the first international meeting on journalism training was conducted by U.N.E.S.C.O. and I was privileged to represent Australia. What impressed me most was the wide recognition that education for journalism involved a broad general knowledge rather than just mastery of the writing craft. Other countries place much greater emphasis on this aspect than Australia, and in the United States particularly, it is usual to do a full academic course at a University or School of Journalism before commencing practical newspaper work.

In our country, if a boy wants to graduate at the University before starting work, he will probably find that the door to

journalism is closed, because he is considered too old to commence his cadetship. The only alternatives open to him in Sydney are to do an evening course in Arts or Economics or to attempt by correspondence the Diploma of Journalism course of the University of Queensland.

If you interpret journalism as the responsibility, not only of reporting news, but also of explaining it, of educating and leading public opinion, then you will agree that the journalist himself must be well-informed. That is why a sound general education is so important. As the U.N.E.S.C.O. meeting put it in one of its resolutions.

‘In order to provide a background for accurate interpretation of international news and events, training programmes should include a study of current affairs and of the history and culture of other peoples. Foreign language teaching should be extended and encouraged.’

Unfortunately, some sections of the press today, do not excite our admiration. Their standards are, perhaps, only a reflection of public taste, but they give no satisfaction to those who have a pride in their profession. But there is still plenty of room in journalism for men with ideals, looking for a vocation that richly repays all they put into it. Let me conclude by quoting again Henry Wickham Steed:

‘The press will endure and deserve to endure as long as it can discharge, in free communities, its function of public criticism and its wardenship of the public conscience. As an industry the Press may be profitable or unprofitable. As a profession it may be noble or ignoble. As an art it may offer scope to the finest brains and characters — and to journalistic harlotry. As a vocation it may be exalted or contemptible. As a ministry it may be the loftiest any layman can enter, or a cloak for depravity. But as an opening for those who can take it and are minded to use it without counting the cost to themselves journalism has hardly a peer.’

E. LLOYD SOMMERLAD

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE OLD SYDNEIANS' UNION

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING of the Union was held at Schools' Club Limited on the evening of the 31st July 1956.

The retiring President, Mr. Lyle H. Moore, C.B.E., was in the Chair. In moving the adoption of the Annual Report

Mr. Moore briefly outlined the activities of the Union during the year and on being duly seconded the adoption of the Annual Report and Financial Statement was carried.

As Mr. Moore had served the usual period of two years it was necessary in accordance with the Constitution to elect a new President, and Mr. W. E. R. Francis was unanimously chosen to fill this position.

Mr. Francis was the President for the term immediately prior to Mr. Moore's appointment and in view of the admirable manner in which he carried out his duties during this period and the fact that it was considered very desirable to appoint a President with comparatively recent experience in the affairs of the Union to handle the position during the Centenary period, the Union is glad that Mr. Francis was able to accept the position.

A number of members expressed their appreciation of the untiring efforts of Mr. Moore to further the affairs of the Union while he was in office.

The President informed the meeting that the Honourable Sir Kenneth Whistler Street, K.C.M.G., Lieutenant Governor and Chief Justice of New South Wales had graciously consented to accept the position of Patron following the vacancy created by the death of the Right Honourable Sir George Rich, P.C., K.C.M.G.

Mr. Frank H. Leverrier was elected a Vice-President, his election being a fitting recognition of service rendered to the Union. Votes of thanks were passed to the Perpetual Trustee Company Limited, the Sydney Grammar School Women's Association for their invaluable help at Union functions, members of the Younger Set, those who served on the Committee last year and did not seek re-election, viz. Messrs. A. N. Finlay and A. D. McGilvray, the Schools' Club Limited for allowing the Union to hold their meetings in the Common Room of the Club and also to the Honorary Secretaries and the Office Staff.

Mr. Justice Herron suggested to the meeting that the problem of raising money for the Centenary Fund should be placed in the hands of a professional organisation which could advise the Committee on more efficient means of reaching the

Centenary Appeal target, than have hitherto been employed. He suggested that the Wells organisation, an American firm at present doing this work for the Churches, be approached. Mr. M. D. Finlay supported this suggestion and gave particulars of the means employed by this organisation.

Mr. R. S. Murray-Prior gave notice of his intention to recommend to the incoming Committee that arrangements be made in the near future for the portrait of the Headmaster Mr. C. O. Healey, to be painted.

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Meeting of the Old Sydneians Union held immediately after the Sixty-Third Annual Meeting on the 31st July 1956 to discuss the question of the Incorporation of the Union

Mr. W. E. R. Francis, President of the Union, was in the Chair. Mr. Justice Herron moved and Mr. Lyle Moore seconded a motion to incorporate the Union as a Company (limited by guarantee). Mr. Justice Herron outlined the effect that such incorporation would have and he and the President replied to several queries raised by members relating thereto.

The motion was unanimously approved in the following form:

1. That a Company limited by guarantee be formed to be known as the Old Sydneians' Union and that application be made to the Governor to dispense with the use of the word 'Limited' as part of the name.
2. That the draft Memorandum and Articles of Association now before the meeting and which are identified by the signature of the Chairman thereon be adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, subject to such amendments as the Committee may consider desirable in order to meet the requirements of the Minister of Justice in connection with the application to be made in pursuance of Resolution.
3. That the President, Vice-Presidents, Joint Honorary Secretaries, and Ordinary Members of the Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union be appointed by the Articles of Association to be the Officers of the Company and constitute the Committee referred to in the Articles.

4. That all present members of the Old Sydneians' Union be invited to become members of the Company forthwith.
5. That the assets and liabilities of the Old Sydneians' Union be transferred to the Company when it has been registered and that the Old Sydneians' Union be then wound up.

CRICKET — THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND

MUCH has been said and written about the failure of the Australian team in England this year. There is little for me to say except that our fellows were not good enough to match England under the conditions in which they played. The worst Summer in memory did great damage to the wickets and often prevented adequate preparation. On these wickets Australia failed for the simple reason that they could not handle the superb bowling combination of Laker and Lock, and I am certain that many former cricketers with better reputations than those of our present players would not have enjoyed facing these two great bowlers under similar conditions.

Since my return to Australia I have often been asked the question, 'Would Laker bowl as well out here on harder wickets?' I doubt it, for he would not spin the ball so much, but he is a clever bowler with admirable control of length and flight, and I would be the last one to under-estimate his ability.

I should add that Jim Laker is a grand fellow and I have not met a player who takes his success more modestly or who is so ready to give full credit to a batsman. He made some very pleasant references to many of our players, particularly Jim Burke, and he always emphasised that conditions were ideal for his type of bowling. He had high praise for Burke's performance in the First Test at Nottingham when throughout the afternoon in a fine display of batting, he defied England's attack, to remain unconquered and saved Australia from defeat. You can imagine how proud I felt of our 'Grammar' representative, not only in following this innings, but when afterwards I heard Laker's comments. I consider that Jim Burke is the best batsman in Australia at present, and the experience he has gained on fast-turning wickets in England this year will

help him. My only regret is that Ian Johnson did not give him more opportunities with his bowling, because with more practice in County matches he would have been a great asset in the Australian Test attack. I am not being critical of Ian Johnson. I think that he was a good captain and I admired his efforts with this side. The team was beaten because it was not good enough, but there is no disgrace in that. Memories of some critics are often very short, and during my experience in broadcasting fifty-five Test Matches I have seen shortcomings in many sides. Should we say that England was disgraced in 1946 and 1948 when Australia routed them, principally through the great bowling combination of Lindwall and Miller? I can recall Lindwall bowling England out at Surrey in the Fifth Test in 1948, for 52 runs, on a perfect wicket which England used first after winning the toss.

This year Australia was dismissed for 84 at Manchester on a very difficult wicket, and yet England's captains in those earlier years did not have to suffer such criticism as did Ian Johnson in 1956. He suffered more than any other Australian captain within my memory, and although he took the criticism well it hurt him. He admitted that some of it was justified but much of it was not, and I did not envy him. His side was affected badly by injuries, and three of these were a serious influence on the playing of the team. Davidson broke an ankle bone in the First Test, and this kept him out of the side for most of the tour. Lindwall was unavailable for the Second Test through injury, and his substitute, Crawford, broke down in his first bowling spell in that Test. Miller was injured during the Third Test when Archer had taken 3 wickets to put England in the desperate position of being 3 down for 17 in their first innings, and Johnson being obliged to rest Archer, had to use Mackay as first change bowler. At that stage Australia were one up in the series, and had Miller been able to bowl and dismiss either Washbrook or May, the last two of the recognised English batsmen, who knows what would have been the result. Although Australia lost the series, for my own part I had a most enjoyable experience, and although I could not tell the news of Australia's success, I can certainly say that I enjoyed the fluctuations of the game and the experience

of trying to give to Australians an accurate description of the Test matches.

In my work I was fortunate in again renewing my association with Arthur Gilligan and Freddie Brown, two splendid fellows, both former Captains of England, and I felt that in their company, and in the company of Peter May and Ian Johnson, I was always among 'cricketers' and after all, what more could one want?

ALAN MCGILVRAY

OLD SYDNEIANS' DINNER

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the Union for 1956 was held at the Royal Sydney Golf Club on August the 3rd. The President, Mr. W. E. R. Francis presided, and there were about 126 present. They included His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of New South Wales, Sir Kenneth Street, and Justices Leslie Herron, W. J. Dovey, Keith Ferguson and Kenneth Manning, and Acting-Justice Alan Lloyd of the Supreme Court Bench.

The former Headmaster, Mr. F. G. Phillips, was greeted by many old friends. The Trustees present were Norman Cowper (Chairman) W. J. V. Windeyer (Vice-Chairman) and Walter MacCallum. Mr. Fred Lemann was a guest in his capacity as President of the New South Wales branch of the Old Melburnians. Amongst the older men were Richard Windeyer, Q.C., R. Clive Teece, Q.C., Professor Keith Inglis, Rex Rabett, Dr. Byron Ruse, Dr. W. M. C. MacDonald, Dr. Cotter Harvey, Dr. Tim Lamrock, Lyle Moore (who had just retired from the Presidency of the Union after two years of fine service), Dr. Victor Coppelson and his brother Lionel, E. R. Mann, Mervyn Finlay, Frank Broughton, Dr. Grant Lindeman, Harry Crouch, W. H. Cowper, M. G. Cater and Frank Buchanan.

The Lieutenant-Governor was the Guest of Honour, and his health was proposed in spirited fashion by R. S. Murray-Prior; and in his response he spoke amusingly of his own time spent at the School. The President, Wilfrid Francis, in an admirable speech proposed the toast of the School, to which the Headmaster replied in his quiet, but interesting and inspiring way. Messrs. Fred Lemann, on behalf of Old Melburnians, and Mr. Clive Teece also spoke.

The dinner was a great success, and those who were present enjoyed the good food and wine and pleasant surroundings of the Golf Club. It was gratifying to see how many of the older generations of Sydneians attended, although there was some falling off in the attendance of younger men. Perhaps the lesson to be drawn is that it would be wise to have the Dinner in alternate years at the School and at the Golf Club if it should be available.

The success of the Dinner was due to the efforts of the Dinner Sub-Committee, headed by Frank Leverrier, whose work cannot be too highly praised.

‘SCHOOL IS OUT’

WHEN MR. F. G. PHILLIPS retired as Headmaster of the School six years ago, many Old Sydneians hoped that he would spend part of his leisure in writing of some of his experiences as a schoolmaster. Now the book has been written, and will be published early in 1957 under the title, *School is Out*. It will deal largely with the affairs of Sydney Grammar School over the last half century, with emphasis on events of more recent years. It will also tell of student days in Berlin, Leipzig and Paris, and contain extracts from speeches, articles and broadcast talks. The book should have an eager public among Old Sydneians.

NEWS AND NOTES OF OLD SYDNEIANS

The Sydneian has the honour of recording the bestowal by Her Majesty of the distinction of Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George on the Honourable Kenneth Whistler Street, Chief Justice and Lieutenant-Governor of New South Wales. During recent months Sir Kenneth has been serving Her Majesty in the active administration of the office of Lieutenant Governor while His Excellency Sir John Northcott has acted as Administrator of the Commonwealth.

Sir Kenneth Street graciously accepted the office of patron of the Old Sydneians' Union at the Annual Meeting of the Union in July last.

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ANOTHER Old Sydneian, distinguished in a different field, whose name was included in the Queen's birthday honours, was Sir Edward Knox, who became a Knight Bachelor. Sir Edward's record in industry and commerce over a long span of years is a matter of common knowledge. It is interesting to note that several of the commercial institutions, notably the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited, with which he has been associated, have provided many Old Sydneians with careers.

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LLOYD SOMMERLAD, one of our Old Sydneians in the Legislative Council, was recently described by a country newspaper as 'the leading figure of the Australian Provincial Press'. He is Chairman of the Press Committee for UNESCO in Australia. An article, in which he writes of a recent visit to an international gathering in Paris, appears in this issue.

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BERNARD FRENCH, brother of Vice-President W. Russell French has come to Sydney from abroad, and intends to settle here again. He is looking forward to meeting former School friends.

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A SHORT time ago the Headmaster received an interesting letter from Demetrius Comino who left School in 1920. He has reached a successful place in the printing industry in England and is said to have revolutionised industry by the invention of the 'Dexion Slotted Angle'. In his letter to the Headmaster Mr. Comino pays a tribute to the standard of education which he received at the School and speaks of Mr. Lucas as 'a charming little man with a very pink face, white hair and beard, and whom I very much respected' — a fairly accurate lightning sketch. The writer supported his appreciation of the School and its former Headmaster with a cheque for £50 for the Centenary Fund.

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KEN GILKES has just returned from a trip to England as a member of 'The Guinea Pig Club', a group of airmen who assemble in London each year to meet Sir Archibald McIndoe, a famous British surgeon who was responsible for restoring by plastic

surgery their injuries suffered in air crashes during the War.

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ALAN MCGILVRAY is back in Sydney after his trip to England in the cause of cricket. Followers of the game were sorry that so much of his broadcasting time was taken up in describing weather and groundsmen at work.

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OLD SYDNEIAN Melbourne representative, C. G. Pura, recently paid a short visit to Sydney. He is anxious to hear from all Old Sydneians when they visit Melbourne.

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The Sydneian was glad to note that Malcolm Law whose singing voice has been heard at Old Sydneian functions, was among the eight finalists in the annual 'Sun' aria contest.

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DOUGLAS ROCHESTER, who left School last year and was successful in an application for entrance to Cornell University has written to the Headmaster very enthusiastically. He writes: 'I feel that I owe my acceptance completely to Sydney Grammar School'.

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DURING the winter a team of schoolboy footballers from St. George's School in Canada came to this country to play the Royal Military College Duntroon. The team was in charge of Russell Palfreyman, who was at School from 1924-1928.

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THOSE thousands of Old Sydneians who are members of that estimable institution the N.R.M.A., will be glad to hear that its Managing Director is now W. L. Shortland, who left School about 1926.

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SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL was represented in the South African Rugby Union football team which visited Australia earlier in the year. The representative was Wilfred Rosenberg whom some will remember at School. The Committee of the Old Sydneians' Union arranged for the gift to him of an Old Sydneians tie, and Mr. Justice Herron represented the Committee for this purpose.

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THERE are many keen 'watermen' amongst Old Sydneians. Some use sail, others more modern methods. One keen Old Sydneian has asked the Union to authorise the flying of an Old Sydneian pennant on private boats. Such pennants will require manufacture and it will be necessary for the manufacturer to estimate the likely demand for them. Will those who are interested please tell the Assistant Secretary?

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SINCE the comment in the last issue about Bill Fesq, it was subsequently decided, as a result of success in the trials held on Sydney Harbour and Botany Bay that his Dragon Class yacht *Pel* should comprise one of the team of three New South Wales yachts to compete in the National Trials in Melbourne, with a view to determine the yacht of this Class to represent Australia in the Olympic Series. As a competitor Bill was naturally debarred from acting as a race official.

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Two other Old Sydneians who have been selected to take part in the Olympic Trials are Bill Butchart to run in the 800 metres, thus realizing the promise given by his schoolboy performances, and Alan Clark as a member of the crew of the 5.5 metre yacht *Kirribilli*. Alan, who was a prefect in 1940, stroked the Grammar VIII which won the Head of the River race in that year.

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SQUADRON LEADER RODNEY NOBLE, R.A.A.F. (son of the late M. A. Noble, famous Australian cricketer) and himself a Prefect and a member of the 1st XI and G.P.S. 1st XI in 1938-1939 was Officer in Charge of special ground team, which accompanied the Canberra Jet Bombers to America on a goodwill flight. This was known as 'Operation Goodwill'.

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O. E. (MICK) PHILLIPS has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Architects.

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IAN HALES, who played with the 1st XV in 1942 and later with Gordon 1st XV, is now in England doing post-graduate study. He has become M.R.C.P. (London) and M.R.C.P.

(Edinburgh). He is at present Medical Registrar at Paddington Hospital, London.

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HAROLD NETTHEIM, our enthusiastic Representative in Brisbane, writes:

Our annual dinner — postponed from April — was held 17th July and, as always, was a very enjoyable and interesting function. Amongst the thirty-eight (38) present, Old Sydneians included David Barnett, John Scott, Doug Murchison, A. A. Delohery, myself, and — last but not be any means least — George Barbour, son of the late Dr. Eric Barbour, who made his initial appearance with us.

Office bearers elected at the meeting held in conjunction with the dinner, include Rod Colquhoun (Shore), President; Harry Luken (Shore) and Sam Joseph (St. Ignatius), Vice-Presidents; and Doug Murchison (S.G.S.), Secretary.

Derek Gadski recently joined our ranks but his sojourn with us was short-lived and I understand he has gone to America.

OLD SYDNEIANS' CRICKET CLUB

DURING the course of the Eight Hour Day weekend the Club enjoyed the hospitality of the Royal Military College at Duntroon, Canberra, and a match kindly organised by Major Phil Greville. The best performances in the game against the College were registered by Jim Crawford and Alan McGilvray. Alan's total of seven wickets equalled the club record for the most wickets in an innings. A very nice lunch was provided in barbecue style by Phil and his worthy assistants.

A second match played against G.P.S. Old Boys resident in the Canberra District was a very pleasant one where many old School acquaintances were renewed. This season the Club has matches against the School XI and other Old Boys' teams. On the 27th October next a barbecue will be held at Max Burnham's home at Whale Beach.

During the year club members laid a turf wicket at St. Ives Preparatory School with the assistance of Mr. Bill Watt, Curator of the Sydney Cricket Ground. The Club is looking forward to accepting Mr. Dent's invitation to open the St.

Ives Ground with a match between two teams from the Club on the 28th January next.

COCKTAIL PARTY

THE ANNUAL COCKTAIL PARTY was again held in the Big Schoolroom after the G.P.S. Sports on 13th October 1956. Close on three hundred guests were welcomed by the President of the O.S.U. Wilfrid Francis and Mrs. Francis and by the Headmaster and Mrs. Healey. Frank Leverrier and his committee had taken great care to see that the food provided was something extra special and the ladies had used the flowers from a bountiful season to make the old room look its brightest.

The same representatives of last century were again present with Richard Windeyer, Dr. E. Ludowici and our old friend Marco leading the field. Everyone could find contemporaries whom they had not seen for a long time and with whom they were glad to renew acquaintance.

This is a happy function which is thoroughly enjoyable and for which the Social Committee of the O.S.U. and the Womens' Association deserve our warmest thanks.

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SCHOOLS' CLUB LIMITED

THE premises of Schools' Club at 15 Hamilton Street, Sydney have recently been redecorated and recarpeted throughout and membership is approximately 1,600. Membership is confined to old boys of Grammar, Shore, Kings, Scots and Newington. Reciprocity exists with the Public Schools' Clubs of Victoria and of London and with the British Universities and Schools' Club in New York. Nomination for membership must be made by two existing members and each candidate (except a candidate for country membership) must be personally interviewed by the Selection Committee before his nomination is referred to the General Committee.

Subscriptions are as follows:

Junior Membership	£1 11 6	per annum
Senior Membership	£8 8 0	per annum
Senior Country Membership	£3 3 0	per annum

Junior Membership is available as a privilege attaching to membership of the Old Sydneians' Club, information on which may be obtained from the Secretary of the Club or from Mr. H. A. Ritchie. The Entrance Fee is £12-12-0. However, an applicant for Junior Membership is not charged any Entrance Fee on election as a Junior Member and he will not be charged the Entrance Fee, if subsequently elected to membership of the Senior Club on attaining twenty-one years, provided his application for junior membership was lodged on or before the 31st December in the year succeeding the year he left school. Candidates names are placed on the Waiting List according to date of lodgment of the nomination form. Mr. H. A. Ritchie is the Club's representative at the School.

UNIVERSITY LETTER

Dear *Sydneian*,

The University is now going ahead with plans for expansion to provide for the expected increase in numbers over the next ten years. This term the University Union announced plans for a new theatre which will be one of the best in Australia. The Senate has completed extensions to the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, and has started the construction of a new Chemistry School. Sporting facilities have also been improved, and the University Boat Club may have a shed in the near future. Other new buildings, including a library, will soon be built, and these improvements will, we hope, be enjoyed by many of those still at Grammar.

For most of us the annual examinations are a few weeks ahead at the time of writing, but Med. III, Med. IV, and Engineering III already have some results. In fourth-year Medicine Andrew Munster and Peter Baume were both awarded a distinction and two credits. Tony Thomson passed Med. III and John Saw, Peter North, and Dick Whitfeld passed Engineering III. John Buzacott has interrupted his engineering course to take a science degree. Among those who graduated earlier in the year was John Tankard, with first-class honours in Mining Engineering.

Robin Mackenzie continues to serve on the University staff in the Anthropology Department; he is also an officer in the Regiment. A dinner was given at the University in

May to celebrate the birthday of Emeritus Professor Waterhouse, who at one time was a master at Grammar.

Jim McLeod is continuing in Medicine after a stay at Oxford, where he gained a Doctorate of Philosophy. David Nelson left in August for Yale, where he is studying bacteriology.

John Walker visited Japan earlier this year, as a member of the Australian Universities football team. He and Graham White played outstandingly in the First XV during the last season.

Congratulations to St. Paul's College, which scooped the pool in intercollegiate sport this year. Several Old Sydneians played in the various college teams.

Harley Canvin and Michael Burgess, who are in their first year at the University, rowed in the University VIII in the intervarsity boat race: a remarkable achievement, even though they had been among Grammar's best oarsmen. Congratulations also to Bob Diamond, who was recently awarded a University Blue in boxing. In cricket, Don Carney and Cam Dezarnaulds are active as usual. We also hear of Norton Whitmont in the Fencing Club and David Hillyar in the newly-formed Judo Club.

Many Old Sydneians serve on the committees of the various university societies. Malcolm Broun is President of the Arts Society, which is an undergraduate society; incidentally, the President of the Arts Association, the graduate body, is Mr. Norman Cowper, Chairman of Trustees of the School. Malcolm Broun is also a member of the Students' Representative Council the undergraduate governing body, and secretary of the Religion Society. John Caldwell is Transport Officer of the S.R.C., and Bob Pridham Faculty Bureaux Director. Richard Rowe is secretary of the Architectural Society; Geoffrey Winterton is Electoral Officer of the S.R.C. and serves on the committee of the Science Association and the Swimming Club. These people are doing valuable work in organizing university activities.

Thus Old Sydneians cannot be reproached for 'student apathy'; as the number of Old Sydneians at the university rises, one finds more and more of them taking part in sport and student affairs. It must be remembered that participation

in the varied life of a university is an important factor in a truly balanced tertiary education.

Yours, UNDERGRAD.

OBITUARY

Sir George Rich

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR GEORGE RICH, P.C., K.C.M.G., who died on 14th May last at the age of ninety-three, was perhaps the oldest, and was certainly one of the most distinguished of Sydneians. He was born at Braidwood in 1863, the son of a clergyman of the Church of England. He came to the School about 1875, that is during the early years of Mr. Weigall's headmastership. In London on a visit in 1950, he was among the first Sydneians to greet Mr. Healey on his appointment as Headmaster. So that his association with the School extended over a very long period. He succeeded Sir John Peden in the office of Patron of the Old Sydneians' Union in 1946 — and attended regularly at Speech Days until only a year or two ago.

After leaving the School George Edward Rich entered the University and graduated in Arts in 1883. He was one of the founders of the University Boat Club. He was admitted to the bar in 1887 and practised with distinction mainly in the equity jurisdiction. He was for a long time Lecturer in Equity at the University Law School. In 1911 he became a King's Counsel and a Judge of the Supreme Court in the same year. In 1913 he was appointed one of the Justices of the High Court of Australia. He resigned in 1950. To have held high judicial office for thirty-nine years is a remarkable record. He was a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council and an Honorary Bencher of the Inner Temple.

The written judgments he delivered were usually short and never laboured. He wrote no more than the minimum needed to explain the reasons for his conclusion. Indeed sometimes he did no more than express his concurrence in views given at length by one or other of his brother judges. His judgments are distinguished by their graceful style, aptness of phrase and lucid statement of principle. He would have been pleased if his style were called laconic; for he knew what words meant and whence they came. He was an inveterate letter writer, many of his correspondents being, by many decades, younger than himself. If he could introduce some Latin sentence or allusion into a letter, the better he was pleased.

None of this, however, really gives a picture of Sir George; for his whole outlook was far removed from any kind of pedantry. He was essentially a sociable man, who enjoyed company as much as his friends enjoyed his company. An almost youthful gaiety and a zest for living remained with him into his old age, when to most of his acquaintances he belonged to an earlier generation.

The Chief Justice of Australia said of him not long ago that, 'he

has given by example a lesson in the place that humanity, urbanity and wit may take in a court of ultimate appeal'. And these qualities, for which he could always find room in the midst of the gravity and learning proper to his place on the bench, were very marked when he was off the bench. It is not everyone who can get the fame of a genial wit, but avoid completely gaining the reputation of a jester. The qualities which Sir George had, and which gained him the affectionate regard of those who knew him, especially among lawyers, were the product of his upbringing and his education — and in this the School had a place which he acknowledged. His two sons were also Sydneians. The elder was killed in action in 1916; and his name is commemorated by the prize Sir George founded in his memory.

W.J.V.W.

Sir Samuel Hordern

SIR SAMUEL HORDERN, who attended Sydney Grammar School from 1890-1894, died after a long illness on the 2nd of June 1956 at the age of seventy-nine. On leaving Grammar he proceeded to England to complete his education at Bath College. On his return to Australia he entered the family business of Anthony Hordern and Sons and after the death of his father in 1908 he assumed control of the business. He later became governing director when in 1912 it was formed into a private Company. He retired from this post in 1916 when the business was sold to a public company and then devoted most of his time to the breeding of Jersey cattle on his property near Bowral. He was associated with many important organisations in Sydney as Chairman and Director including the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Australian Mutual Provident Society, Perpetual Trustee Company Limited and the Commonwealth Bank Board. He was Chairman of the Royal Agricultural Society for twenty-six years and was honoured with Knighthood in 1919. He was President of the Old Sydneians' Union from 1928 to 1930 and had been for many years a member of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron and the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.

Dr. T. D. Hughes

THOMAS DIXON HUGHES, M.B., CH.M., F.R.A.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., who died on 12th October 1956, was at Grammar from 1910 to 1914. He left from the fourth form and matriculated with the assistance of a private coach. He interrupted his medical course to join the University Company in 1918 but returned later and graduated in 1922.

Soon his interest focussed on obstetrics to which he contributed so much during his long association with Crown Street Womens' Hospital. He was largely responsible for the high standard of work at this Hospital and he made a valuable addition to the practice of his specialty by evolving a method of treatment of toxæmia of pregnancy which almost banished the appearance of that condition from Crown Street Hospital. The method has now been generally adopted.

Tommy was a splendid character in his profession, never sparing himself to do the utmost for his patients and fearless in condemning inferior work. He was an ideal consultant who helped many colleagues in City and Country who had a difficult problem with which they could not cope.

The likeable little fiend we knew in the Lower School forty-five years ago developed into a man of whom any school or profession could be proud. He had just reached the stage where he could relinquish his professional work and devote himself to the breeding of sheep on his property. His two sons are Old Sydneians, Thomas in Commerce and John, a Doctor.

Henry Donnan

HARRY DONNAN, as he was generally known amongst the cricketing fraternity, was at Grammar from 1880-1882 and died on the 13th August 1956 aged ninety-two. He was always keenly interested in cricket and played with the 1st XI during his period at the School. He subsequently played first class cricket for many years and was selected as a member of the Ninth Australian XI which toured England in 1896. On leaving School he joined the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in whose service he remained until his retirement nearly thirty years ago.

Sir Henry Milne Scott

SIR HENRY MILNE SCOTT, Q.C., who was at the School from 1890-1893, died in Fiji where he was born and practiced the law for many years. He had kept in touch with the Union ever since he left School and was a generous supporter of both the Union and the School.

Richard John Yeomans

RICHARD JOHN YEOMANS, who was educated at Grammar from 1891-1895, died on the 21st August 1956 at the age of seventy-eight. He was the second generation of the Yeomans family to attend the School. He was the eldest son of the late Allan Yeomans, who was at Grammar from 1858-1864. He was admitted as a Solicitor in 1901 and had practiced in Sydney for many years. Four brothers and one nephew were Old Sydneians.

'The Sydneian' regrets to record also the deaths of the following Old Sydneians

HAROLD LESLIE TANGE (1886-1891) on the 2nd September, at the age of eighty-three.

NORMAN HOWARD ROBERTSON (1912-1915) on the 1st October 1956.

One brother is an Old Sydneian.

HAROLD PATTERSON BRADFORD, B.D.S., D.M.D. 28th May 1956.

HENRY JAMES ALDER CHORLEY (1897-1899).

GUY PARKES MCLROY (1941-1942) on the 17th May 1956, aged thirty.

WILLIAM G. E. HALL.

JOHN C. WEBSTER, on the 22nd April 1956.

HENRY CARTER PERDRIAU, on the 5th February 1956.

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 Assistant 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

- ADAMSON — GALLOWAY: Richard Adamson to Miss Ann Galloway, of Glenelg.
GRAHAM — MANNERS: Ken Graham to Miss Elizabeth Manners.
HAZARD — STRANGER: Allistair Hazard to Miss Di Stranger, of Point Piper.
MURAS — FLETT: Doug Muras to Miss Mary Flett.
MUNDEN — EVITT: John Frederick Munden to Miss Beryl Claudia Evitt, of Mosman.

Marriages

- ARNOTT — SPURRETT: Dr. Noel Arnott to Miss Anne Nola Spurrett, of Lane Cove. 29th September 1956.
ASHBY — ALEXANDER: Douglas Ashby to Miss Betty Alexander of Brisbane, 24th September, 1955.
COOKE — TURNER: George Cooke to Miss Fleur Turner.
DOVEY — DE SALIS. Bill Dovey to Miss Susan de Salis.
DOWNES — WHITE: Neville Downes to Miss Edith White, formerly of London. 13th October 1956.
EDWARDS — RAWLINSON: Stanley R. Edwards to Miss Margaret Rawlinson. January 1956.
NOAKE — HALLAM: Bruce Noake to Miss Pauline Hallam, of Doncaster, England. 24th March 1956.

Births

- BULLEN — Arthur and Audrey Bullen, a son, 15th May 1956.
GLASSOP — Rollo and Judith Glassop, a son, 10th June, 1956.
MARR — Jim and Elizabeth Marr, a son, 21st February 1956.
MARSHALL — Ted and Meryl Marshall, a son, June 1956.
MILES — John and Wendy Miles, a son, 16th April 1956.
MUNRO — Bill and Hermie Munro, a daughter, 4th July 1956.
PHILLIPS — Mick and Vanda Phillips, a son, 8th June 1956.
WOOD — Robert and Shirley Wood, a daughter, 19th September 1956.

NEW MEMBERS OF OLD SYDNEIANS' UNION

* Denotes Life Member

- *C. F. AMBROSOLI, 10 The Avenue, Linley Point, Lane Cove.
V. H. BARNES, 32 Beach Street, Coogee.
*G. H. BARTLETT, 7 Archbold Road, Roseville.

- B. A. BASHIR, Peter Street, Narrandera.
- *A. R. BLAIR, 3 Milray Avenue, Wollstonecraft.
- J. BOLTON, Post Office, Nandi Airport, Fiji.
- R. C. CASWELL, 42 Flood Street, Bondi.
- G. A. R. CHAPMAN, 16 Kardella Avenue, Killara.
- J. G. CLARKE, 19 Bunibirra Avenue, Vacluse.
- J. COLLINS, 62a Garden Street, Maroubra.
- *H. R. COWDERY, Invermien, Scone, N.S.W.
- R. A. DELOHERY, 23 Vista Avenue, Wellers Hill, Brisbane, Q'ld.
- W. R. DIGBY, 3 Glenore Road, Canterbury.
- DR. M. FRIZELL, 135 Wentworth Road, Burwood.
- DR. GEORGE GENOS, 17 Birdwood Avenue, Killara.
- P. G. HAMILTON, 41 Fairlight Street, Fairlight.
- *G. D. IRELAND, 1 Bradley Street, Randwick.
- B. G. JACKSON, 24 Beatrice Street, Balgowlah.
- J. M. KENDALL, 630 Pacific Highway, Chatswood.
- K. C. LAWRENCE, 45 Byron Street, Coogee.
- J. LARCOMBE, 47 Duntroon Avenue, Roseville.
- T. LEE, 4 Malga Avenue, East Roseville.
- J. LISTER, 61 Milray Avenue, Kensington.
- R. LITTLEFAIR, Glen-rowan, Mimosh Road, St. John's Park.
- C. H. OSWALD-SEALY, 8 Patterson Street, Double Bay.
- M. J. PETTIGREW, 'Whitegates', Mona Vale Road, St. Ives.
- *R. S. PFEIFFER, 34 Norman Street, Waratah West, Newcastle.
- *A. L. POOLE, 15 Samora Avenue, Cremorne.
- C. G. PURA, 14 Nepean Highway, Elsternwick, S.4.
- K. D. RICHARDSON, 47 Vista Street, Sans Souci.
- R. E. SAUNDERS, 13 Bulkara Road, Bellevue Hill.
- R. E. TALBOT, 66 Peacock Street, Seaforth.
- J. C. THOMPSON, 90 Holt Avenue, Cremorne.
- G. W. THORNTON, 26 Delecta Avenue, Mosman.
- *A. D. C. TUTHILL, 124 Merrigang Street, Bowral.
- M. WATTS, 54 Chelmsford Avenue, Lindfield.
- G. R. WRAY, 95 Duntroon Avenue, Roseville.

ADDRESSES REQUIRED

The Sydneian would appreciate information as to the present addresses of the following Old Sydneians:

- J. D. ALEXANDER, 72 Boronia Road, Bellevue Hill.
- T. BAIN, 102 Miller Street, North Sydney.
- J. R. H. BARTLETT, Bogota Avenue, Cremorne.
- G. S. BOOTHROYD, c/o Australia House, The Strand, London, England.
- D. J. CAMERON, Bank of New South Wales, Hurstville.
- J. A. CAMPBELL, 65 Chelmsford Avenue, Epping.
- A. P. CHINN, 1 Gladswood Gardens, Double Bay.
- G. CRISP, 50 Eddy Road, Chatswood.

- A. B. CUNNINGHAM, 74 Terry Street, Blakehurst.
 J. P. CURETON, 2c Woodside Avenue, Burwood.
 J. DANSEY, Box 51, P.O., Bathurst, N.S.W.
 W. E. DAY, 60 Crawford Road, Brighton-Le-Sands.
 K. R. DEANE, 139 Spencer Road, Cremorne.
 N. T. DUDLEY, 51 Arthur Street, Toowoomba.
 L. V. FILLMORE, 4 Osborne Road, Manly.
 J. B. FINNEY, 84 Pitt Street, Sydney.
 N. J. FORSYTH, 42 Cheltenham Avenue, Kensington.
 F. G. FOSTER, 39 English Street, Kogarah.
 N. N. HEATH, Gloucester, Harriott Street, Waverton.
 W. S. HINTON, Glentop, Delungra, N.S.W.
 P. C. HIRST, 2 Beaconsfield Road, Chatswood.
 R. N. HOWES, Buloto, via Lae, New Guinea.
 R. L. HUDSON, 26 Gladstone Street, Bexley.
 R. B. HUNTER, Tarindale Station, Meningie, S.A.
 J. T. HUTCHINSON, c/o Cooe, Boronia Avenue, Cheltenham.
 P. C. JACKSON, 686 Old South Head Road, Rose Bay.
 G. H. JOHNSON, c/o Bank of New South Wales, Berkeley Square,
 London.
 R. KEEGAN, Grand View Hotel, Wentworth Falls.
 A. J. LAMBETH, 51 Smith Street, Wollongong.
 W. L. LANGDON, 84 Pitt Street, Sydney.
 W. J. LEMON, 12 Princess Street, Rose Bay.
 C. R. LEWIS, P.O. Box 71, Warwick, Queensland.
 N. W. D. LUMBY, c/o Shute, Bell, Badgery, Lumby, 1-7 Bent Street,
 Sydney.
 J. H. MCKENZIE, 15 Cheltenham Road, Cheltenham.
 D. W. MCPHEE, 568 Oxford Street, Bondi Junction.
 D. C. MACINTYRE, 319 Mowbray Road, Chatswood.
 J. S. MACKENZIE, 14 Mount Street, Coogee.
 H. H. MANNING, Carrawarra, Warrawee.
 C. B. MARTELL, Corner Quilkie and Thomas Street, North Manly.
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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.

THE CENTENARY OF SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1957

First Notice of some anticipated events.

* 1. On either Wednesday March 6th or Wednesday March 13th there will be a celebration at 11 a.m. at the Town Hall, Sydney, which all Old Sydneians and Friends of the School will be invited to attend. The School will march across the city to the Town Hall. The Hall holds about 2,400; seating accommodation cannot be reserved.

* 2. On either Friday March 8th or Friday March 15th there will be an 'Open Day' at College Street: visitors will be able to see an exhibition of historical documents and objects connected with the School, exhibitions of work done by the boys, and a modified form of the annual 'Science Evening'.

The dates of these two functions depend upon the acceptance of invitations by distinguished visitors, who, we hope, will open the proceedings on the two days, which will be in the same week. Every effort will be made to announce these dates through the press, radio and other means. Please send in the slip printed below if you wish for cards of entry.

3. On Tuesday 16th April there will be an entertainment for Country Visitors and for 'Over Sixty-five' Old Sydneians at Sydney Grammar Preparatory School, St. Ives.

Morning tea at 11 a.m.

Lunch in School Dining-Room at 12.30 p.m.

Cars will meet trains at Pymble Station in the morning and will take visitors back to Pymble at 1.30 p.m.

Please write to the Headmaster, Sydney Grammar Preparatory School, Ayres Road, St. Ives, if you wish to attend; please say if you wish to be met at Pymble Station.

4. There will be a special Centenary Number of *The Sydneian*, containing a brief account of the School's history, together with a large number of pictures. Its cost will be 10s.0d. per copy, including postage.

Please fill in and send the slip printed below, if you wish to receive a copy.

5. Certain entertainments will also be arranged for the boys of the School. These will be announced later.

6. An official programme will be published as soon as possible.

The Secretary,
The Old Sydneians' Union,
16 Barrack Street,
Sydney.

Please send me copies of the special 'Centenary
Number' of 'The Sydneian'. I enclose to cover cost and
postage.

Signed

Name (Block Capitals).....

Address (Block Capitals).....
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*- The Headmaster,
Sydney Grammar School,
College Street,
Sydney.

Please send me cards of entry for the functions at
the Town Hall and College Street and the Official Programme. I enclose
a stamped and addressed envelope.

Signed

Name (Block Capitals).....

Address.....
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