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EDITORIAL.

Is the location of our motto, "extremos pudeat rediisse." known throughout the School?

The motto was selected before the idea of participating in rowing activities had ever entered one solitary mind, perhaps, so it is incidental that it forms the very words of encouragement to a crew as it raced for the winning post in Aeneid V., 195, sqq.

The passage certainly seems prophetic—Sydney High School is "Head of the River" once more.

This fact gives rise to a vital question, however—why do we really hold this all-important G.P.S. premiership when our football and our cricket as a whole have not reached a sufficiently high standard? It cannot be wholly and solely that these teams are too light and too young, for tactics on the part of a light side can and often do overwhelm a heavy opposition.

The reason seems to be, "*miserabile dictu*," that the necessary school spirit and enthusiasm is lacking. The school is what we make it, and the esteem in which it is to be held depends on, and will be the result of our own efforts to make it worthy of esteem. Love of school engenders interest, and interest can be manifested in many and varied ways to the betterment of school activities.

Among the foremost is attendance at matches. We have been for many years in the unfortunate situation of having no ground of our own for Saturday matches—this difficulty, we are pleased to say, will soon be eradicated—but, even then, if the footballers can spare the time to play, why cannot others do the same to watch and encourage them? There is nothing more disheartening to a team than to hear the incessant roar of opposition barrackers, while there is nothing of greater encouragement than a cheer of "High!" from out the deep recesses of a timid throat, in opposition, however feeble it may be. It is to be admitted that there are a loyal few who make strenuous efforts to be present at every match. It appears to be the same with all departments of the community—the responsibilities are left to a few who are willing to bear them and who do so without interruption.

But would it not be better to help the "loyal few"? The trend of argument now seems to be, "There's hardly a chance of a win, I don't think I'll go"; or, "Well, to-day's should be the easiest match of the season—I'll go"; whereas it is in the first case that the encouragement is needed to the greater degree. A striking example of the results obtained from such sentiments may be had from a comparison between the crowd (?) of supporters at the King's, or even the Joeys' match last year and that at Grammar or Scots'.

It is not playing the game.

Then, the Debating Society is in the same position. Do you want to see it abandoned? Evidently so. Now this is an important branch of school life and, as well, an inter-G.P.S. competition; for the honour of the School—perhaps that does not appeal to some—it cannot be let slide as we are one of two schools which have won the Louat Shield twice during the six years since its presentation.

Debating is one of the best means of literary development and delivery. Perhaps the revelation that most enjoyable evenings are spent at these debates will lure some on?

The support received by the editorial staff of the *Record* in this issue is evidently a genuine reflection of the interest taken in it. This sordid, disinterested spirit which prevails must be extirpated. Everyone must do his part and *not* leave all to a chosen few. By no means the least of the offenders is Fifth Year itself, who should set the example for the Junior School to follow! What a noble example! For, after all, we are yet training for the race of life, and just as in training we must give of our best, so now we should lay the foundations on which we are to build as we grow older.

By entertaining a pride, by no means false, in our School, by showing our interest in its activities, by helping to bear its burdens, we are developing a character which should not be found wanting in its entirety in later life.

REGATTA AFTERMATH.

All the pent-up excitement and enthusiasm which the week before had been concealed by so much suspense and anxiety, all the respect which was secretly held for the crew before Saturday, May 1st, found renewed expression in its varied forms in the throats of each and every boy on Monday, May 3rd—just such another morning as the corresponding one of last year. For it was the first personal recognition and welcome of the Eight on the part of the boys themselves.

As usual, a photographer and reporter made their appearance in eagerness to gather for the public something of the excitement within the School itself.

At 11.30 an assembly was held in the Main Hall—the third assembly, which shall go down in School history on account of the extraordinary vim displayed in the singing of the classic, "For They are Jolly Good Fellows," the School song, and the National Anthem.

In congratulating the Eight on behalf of numerous schools and personages, the Headmaster stressed the value of the help afforded by the coach, Mr. Hancock, his self-denial and interest, and by the rowing master, Mr. Towns, whose efforts in bringing along the beginners and teaching them the first principles have been invaluable. He urged intending rowers to give Mr. Towns all the help they can by according with his wishes and beginning early.

Mr. Saxby also emphasised the value of school spirit, as our school life is but preparation for the time when we shall step into the shoes of our elders and take our places as loyal citizens of the Empire. He then read congratulatory letters and telegrams received even so soon. Enthusiasm reached its height when a letter from Mr. S. H. Smith proclaimed a half-holiday in honour of the triumph.

After lusty renderings of the "classics" the School was dismissed.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Welcome to Mr. Shaw, our new teacher on the English staff. We trust that he may find the companionship of the boys and masters congenial, even though the surroundings are not the most inspiring.

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Welcome also to Mr. Suleau, who has come from Bathurst to take Mr. Gibson's place on the Modern Languages staff.

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We are very sorry that Mr. Gibson has had to leave us. His health has necessitated removal to North Sydney High School. Mr. Gibson, outside his interest in modern languages, has materially helped the Debating Society; while, as regards the academic side, the Lithgow Scholarship for four years in succession speaks volumes for his ability as a German teacher.

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We wish him the best of luck in his new school, where we know he will uphold his grand qualifications.

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Congratulations are extended to the King's School on their brilliant wins in both the First (Yaralla Cup) and Second Fours. A very grand performance!

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Also to St. Joseph's College on their fine showing in the Eights. Hard luck to have trained for so long and be beaten by a bare two feet!

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In the last week of the School year a very successful concert was held in the King's Hall. A feature was the successful staging of the farce, "All in a Fog," by members of the Dramatic

Society. Much credit is due to Mr. Peake, who directed the comedy and was mainly responsible for its success.

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We must express our appreciation of the work done by Mr. James in conducting and training the School Choir. It acquitted itself admirably at the above-mentioned concert and received its reward—its items were broadcasted. Congratulations, Mr. James!

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Heartiest congratulations to Ralph Farrell on gaining the Lithgow Scholarship for Modern Languages. (See elsewhere.) This is the fourth successive occasion on which the scholarship has been won by a boy of this School.

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Previous to this it had not been awarded for eight years, as a sufficiently high standard was not reached by any candidate. For these results Mr. Murphy and Mr. Gibson are largely responsible. We congratulate them.

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Also to E. Pont, who was the only boy in the State to gain honours in both Physics and Chemistry.

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Congratulations also to those who won bursaries or exhibitions in the last Leaving Certificate Exam.

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We feel that the opportunity cannot be passed of thanking the Parents and Citizens' Association for their untiring efforts in the interests of the School; and we rejoice that their efforts in agitating for a new school have been crowned with success.

Old Boys' efforts

Congratulations to our own Eight for their grand performance in annexing the coveted title for the second time in succession.

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Also, to the Second Four, who succeeded in qualifying for the final.

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Hard luck, First Four! You rowed well, but the opposition afforded by King's was exceptional.

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The following Prefects were elected for the year 1926:—Hardy (Captain), Broadhurst, Cook, Davies, Fielder, Fretwell, Hargreaves, Henry, Hepper, Hodgkins, MacDonnell, McMillan, Robinson.

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Congratulations to rifle shooting team, which has handsomely won the Anderson and Pacific Cups at the Long Bay shoots during the past year.

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Heartiest congratulations to Pelham on his brilliant graduation. His scholastic career has been one long, unbroken success, and the fact that in his final exam. he has won more scholarships than he can hold speaks volumes for his ability.

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As the Life Saving classes will soon be formed, Mr. Cropley wishes to remind all classes of the importance of a knowledge of life-saving, and requests a much larger attendance than on previous occasions. Intending aspirants, please note.

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Next issue of the *Record* will not contain so much sport, and as there will be much more scope, a larger inflow of contributions is requested.

EMPIRE DAY.

This year's Empire Day celebrations took a much different form and provided a much larger variety in the programme than of other years. It was purely a private affair.

Long speeches were cut out, and through the efforts of Mr. Harrison an innovation was staged. The usual speeches were displaced by speeches delivered to the School by the boys themselves—all volunteers. The subjects chosen bore not so much on the significance of Empire Day itself as upon the different phases of empire and empire-building. As shown by applause, the speeches gained worthy appreciation from the audience. The speakers themselves are to be congratulated on their willingness and their success; they showed that it is not only grown-ups who reflect on matters of vital importance to empire, and that it is not only grown-ups who think loyally of and for their empire.

It is to be hoped that this practice is followed in years to come, and on all appearances, its success this year will warrant that.

The ceremony was opened with the singing of "Advance, Australia." Then the Headmaster delivered a short address, in the course of which he appropriately reproduced Lord Forster's farewell message and emphasised its contents as a fitting guidance for the youth of Australia.

This was followed by speeches from the Fourth Year boys, Dunnet, Crawford and R. Cook, all of whom acquitted themselves in admirable fashion.

Mr. McKay, President of the Old Boys' Union, then presented the members of last year's Eight with silver oars, the gifts of the Old Boys, congratulating each on their behalf. He also mentioned how pleased the Old Boys' Union were to hear that a new school and plan had been definitely decided upon.

This was followed by the singing of the School song, with Ronald Cook at the piano. Fretwell and Butler then delivered stirring addresses and quite upheld the honour of Fifth Year.

On the platform with the Headmaster and Mr. McKay were Mr. A. M. Eedy, whose name was first on the School roll at its foundation, and Mr. Cook.

The celebrations were brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

OBITUARY.

Harold W. Packham.

It was with the deepest of sorrow that the School learnt of the death of Harold Packham so soon after hearing that he had been well enough to attend the regatta. We had all rejoiced at his wonderful progress and hoped to see him once again in good health.

Harold Packham entered the School in 1921. The following year he won the Under 14 Athletic Cup at our meeting, and represented the School in the G.P.S. sprints of his division.

During his following school years he held places in various football and cricket teams.

In 1924 he gained his Intermediate Certificate and entered Fourth Year. When the rowing season arrived he participated in that activity and rowed in our victorious Second Four at the G.P.S. Regatta.

A few months later we were shocked to hear that Harold had broken his back whilst engaged in a gymnasium display. His life was at first despaired of, but a marvellous operation placed him well on the road to recovery. All the time he maintained his accustomed brightness and cheerfulness. His wonderful spirit and powers of recuperation astonished doctors, nurses and friends.

When the regatta came round once more, he asked and was granted permission to view the races—a reflection of his interest in the School. But a bleak westerly wind did its cruel work; Harold contracted pneumonia and died a few days later.

Only those who knew him intimately can realise what we have lost—a sport in every sense of the word, ever ready to help his mates, a splendid athlete, good-natured, and always smiling. It was a sad band of schoolfellows that gathered round the grave at his burial.

The Record, on behalf of the whole School, extends its very sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Packham and family on their sad bereavement.

“Go straight, be good to father and mother, play the game,” were some of Harold’s last words to his brother. Let us apply them to ourselves, if only for the memory of a very dear friend.

RALPH FARRELL.

Ralph Farrell has ended a brilliant career at school by winning the Lithgow Scholarship, No. 1 for French and German, topping the State in French and gaining fifth place in German.

He entered the School in 1921 and plunged into athletics as his speciality. In the under 14 section of the Combined G.P. Schools' Sports of that year he demonstrated his prowess by winning the 100 yards and 200 yards championships, the latter in record time.



RALPH FARRELL.

By courtesy of the Daily Telegraph.

In 1923 he increased his successes by equalling the record for the 100 yards championship in the under 16 section and by gaining second place in the 220 yards. In the same year also he passed the Intermediate with 5 A's and a B.

Last year, despite the work which the scholarship entailed, he devoted some time to athletics in the senior section, and ran second in the third division of the 440 yards teams race.

Apart from sport and scholarship, Farrell was Editor of the *Record* and School representative on the Old Boys' Union.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE, 1925.

Key:—(1) English, (2) Latin, (3) French, (4) German, (5) Mathematics I., (6) Mathematics II., (7) Mechanics, (8) History, (10) Physics, (11) Chemistry, (14) Geography, (16) English and Geography (Eng.), (17) Lower Standard Mathematics, (18) Economics, (20) Physiology, (22) Greek.

Abrahams, Harold, 1B 2A 3H 4H 5A 6A (x).
 Ackland, Frederick M'Neill, 1B 2B 5B 6B 11B.
 Ada, William M., 1H 2B 3A 5B 11B.
 Bate, Richard T., 1B 2B 3B 6B 8H.
 Cassar, Philip, 1A 2A 3A 5B 6B 22B.
 Colefax, Allan N., 1B 3A 4H 10B 11A 17 Pass.
 Crumlin, Sydney S., 1B 2B 3A 4B 11B 17 Pass.
 Duff, Gordon A., 1B 2B 3B 5A 6B 7B 10B.
 Eizenberg, Hyman, 1B 2L 3B 5B 6B 8B 11B.
 Farrell, Ralph, 1H 2A 3H 4H 17 Pass 22B.
 Forbes, William R. N., 1B 5B 6B 8B.
 Freeman, Irmand J., 1B 2B 3A 4B 17 Pass.
 Gentle, Bruce, 1H 5B 6A 8B 11A 14B 18B.
 Greig, Douglas, 1B 3B 5B 6B 8A.
 Grout-Smith, Charles T., 1B 3B 5A 6A 7B 10B.
 Hardy, Kenneth C., 3B 5B 6B 11A.
 Henry, Arthur G., 5B 6B 7B 10B 11B.
 Hirst, Sydney G., 1A 3B 5B 6B 7B 8A.
 Johnson, Donald, 1B 3B 5B 6B 7B 10H 11A.
 Loudon, Robert H., 3B 6B 10B 11A.
 Mathews, Raleigh H., 1B 3B 5B 6B 8B 14B 18B.
 M'Cubben, John W., 5A 6A 8B 11B 18B.
 M'Eachern, Ivan P., 1B 2B 3A 4B 17 Pass.
 Pilkington, Edward L., 1B 2B 5B 6A 7B 8A 11B.
 Pont, Edwin G., 1B 2A 3A 5B 10H 11H.
 Putland, Vincent M., 1A 2A 3B 5A 6A (x) 8H.
 Ratner, David S., 1B 2B 3A 4B 17 Pass.
 Saxby, Colin A., 1B 3B 5A 6A (x) 7B 10H 11A 16 Pass.
 Southwell-Keely, Terence H., 1B 5B 6B 8H 18B 20B.
 Vernon-Taylor, Arthur C., 1B 3B 6B 8A.
 Weatherstone, Frank, 1A 3B 5B 6B 8H 14A 18A.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP.

Lithgow Scholarship No. 1 for French and German: R. Farrell.

HONOURS LIST.

English: Ada, W. M.; Farrell, R.; Gentle, B.

French: Abrahams, H.; Farrell, R. D.

German: Abrahams, H.; Farrell, R. D.; Colefax, A. N.

Maths.: Abrahams, H.; Putland, O. M.; Saxby, C. A.

History: Bate, R. T.; Southwell-Keely, T. H.; Weatherstone, F.; Putland, V. M..

Physics: Johnson, D.; Pont, E. G.; Saxby, C. A.

Chemistry: Pont, E. G.

EXHIBITIONS.

E. Pilkington, W. M. Ada, C. A. Saxby, V. M. Putland, R. Farrell.

BURSARY.

H. Abrahams.

TEACHERS' COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

H. Abrahams, V. M. Putland, W. M. Ada, R. H. Matthews, D. Johnson, B. Gentle, S. S. Crumlin, E. Pilkington, P. Cassar, F. Weatherstone, A. Taylor, R. H. Loudon, D. Grieg, R. N. Forbes, J. W. McCubben, A. Fleming.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE, 1925.

Key:—(1) English, (2) History, (3) Geography, (4) Mathematics I., (5) Mathematics II., (6) Latin, (7) French, (8) German, (9) Physics, (10) Chemistry, (11) Elementary Science, (14) Business Principles, (15) Shorthand, (21) Greek.

Abigail, Lewis C., 1A 2B 4B 6B 7B.
 Abramovich, Hyman, 1A 2A 4A 5B 7A 8B 10B.
 Aiken, Douglas G., 1A 2B 4B 6B 7B 9B.
 Alexander, William G., 1B 2B 4B 5B 7B 11B 15B.
 Allan, William F., 1B 4A 7B 21B.
 Bailey, Noel L., 1A, 2B 4B 5B 7A 11B.
 Baldwin, Arthur J., 1A 2B 4A 5B 6B 7A 9B 10B.
 Ball, Arthur S., 1A 2B 3B 11B 14B.
 Baxter, William A., 1B 2B 4A 5A 6B 7B.
 Beckenham, Alwyn, 1B 4B 5B 6B 7B.
 Booth, Norman L., 1A 2B 4B 5B 6A 7A.
 Brook, Ernest Goodridge, 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7A 9B.
 Bryce, Horace R., 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7A 11B.
 Burnett, Dennis J., 1B 4B 5B 6A 7A 11B 21B.
 Calder, George C., 2B 4B 11B 14B 15A.
 Carruthers, Henry G., 1A 2B 4B 5B 14B.
 Clark, John F., 1B 2B 4B 7B 9B 10B.
 Clark, John Allan, 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B.
 Commolly, Oscar J., 1A 4A 5B 6A 7A 9B 10B 21B.
 Cook, Ronald M., 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7A 11B.
 Coutts, Harold T., 1B 3B 4B 5B 7B 11B 15A.
 Crawford, J. G., 1A 2A 3A 4B 5B 7A 9B 10A 14B 15B.
 Crockett, Alec W., 1B 4B 7B 11B.
 Dahlhelm, Ellis G., 1B 5B 7B 11B.
 Dandie, Eric B., 1A 2B 4A 5B 6A 7A 9B 21B.
 De Vos, William E. L., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 9B 21B.
 Dunnet, Matthew J., 1B 2B 4A 5B 6B 7A 9B 10B 15B.
 Fielder, Edwin Percy, 1B 2B 3B 4B 5B 7A 11B 15A.
 Friezer, Victor Paul, 1B 2B 4B 11B.
 Hall, Norman C., 1B 4B 5B 7B 11B.
 Hartley, Kelter H., 1B 2A 4B 5B 6A 7A 9B 10B.
 Hatcher, Frank, 1B 4B 6B 7A 8B 9B 10A.

Howitt, Kenneth, W., 1B 2B 4A 5B 7B 9B.
Hugh, Victor N., 1A 2B 4A 5B 7B 9B 10B.
Hughes, Clarence, 1B 4B 5B 6B 7B 9B.
Huxtable, Jack, A., 1B 2B 4A 5B 7B 15A.
Jones, Maxwell, A., 1A 2B 4A 5B 7B 9B 10B.
King, Herbert W. H., 1B 2B 6B 7A 11B.
Knight, Thomas S. B., 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7B 9B.
Mainwaring, Ronald, 1B 4A 5B 9B.
Malor, Ronald L., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 9B 10B 21B.
McGuinness, Alan E., 1A 2A 4A 3B 5B 7A.
Mellor, Albert W., 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7A 11B.
Millikin, E. C., 1A 2B 3B 4B 5B 7B 9B 10B 14B 15A.
Moses, Hubert P., 1B 4B 5B 7B 11B.
Munro, Frank, 1B 2B 4B 7B.
Neve, John T., 1B 2B 3B 4A 6B 7A 9A 10B 19A.
Norman, William, 1B 2B 5B 7B 11B.
Peach, Hugh, 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7B 11B.
Randall, Allan M. V., 1B 2B 4B 11B.
Rayner, Leslie A., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 8B.
Riley, Douglas L., 4B 5B 6B 7A 11B.
Roberts, George D., 1B 2B 4B 7B 11B 14B 15A.
Rodgers, Cecil A., 1A 2A 3B 4A 5A 7A 10A 14B 15B.
Schroder, Norman McK., 1B 2B 4A 5B 6B 7A 9B.
Segal, Abraham, 1B 4B 5B 6B 7A 11B.
Sellers, Trevor, 1B 4B 5B 6A 7A 8A 9B 10A.
Sinclair, Philip P., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 8B.
Sinclair, Kenneth L., 1B 4B 5B 7B.
Spaull, Laurence T., 1A 6B 7B 11B.
Spencer, John L., 1B 2B 4B 5B 7B 11B.
Spring, Aubrey E., 1B 2B 6A 7B 11B.
Standing, Walter J., 1B 2B 4B 5B 6B 7B 11B.
Stone, Walter Alexander, 1A 2B 5B 7B 9B 10A.
Street, Henry E., 1B 2B 4B 5B 9B 10B.
Taylor, Edward R., 1A 2B 4B 7B 11B.
Thomas, Douglas R., 1B 2B 3B 4B 5B 9B 10B.
Tweedie, Errol R., 1B 2B 4B 5B 11B 14B.
Waine, Donald, 1B 2B 4B 5B 7A 11B.
Walker, William H. G., 1B 2B 7B 11B.
Wearne, Frederick, 1B 4B 5B 7B.
Webb, Harry J., 1B 2B 3A 4A 5B 11B 14B 15A.
Werry, Kenneth P. V., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 9B 10B 21B.
Wiedersehn, H. H. 1A 2B 3B 4B 7B 11B 14B 15B.
Wright, James A., 1B 4A 5B 6A 7A 8B 9B 10A.

THE TREASURE OF SAN REMO.

One bright summer's morning of the year of our Lord 1586 two men sat talking in a rather disreputable inn in a more disreputable corner of Southampton.

After another drink the taller of the two commenced to speak again. "Well, John," he said, "Mr. Babington's plot has fallen through and he has been taken with fourteen of our comrades, and I am afraid the Queen of the Scots will never sit on the throne of England, even if Bess does die; so we must turn our minds to other business." "Right, Will," replied the other, "for are we not soldiers of fortune?" "Yes," said Will.

At that moment mine host and another young man walked up to the table where the friends sat. "As you are adventurers," said the former, "I think I can find a post that will suit you well; so let me introduce to you, Alan Carfett."

Having shaken hands and mine host having departed, the last-named commenced to speak. "Would you gentlemen," he began, "like to help me on a dangerous, very dangerous, mission, but very profitable to us all if we should succeed?" "Aha!" said William and John simultaneously; "you are just the man we've been hoping for." "Well," continued Carfett, "I have accidentally discovered a chart, stating that there is enormous treasure in a cave in the Island of San Remo, in the West Indies. But it has been seen and copied by a servant of mine, who has turned out unfaithful; hence, others are in the race for gold, and I know them to be unscrupulous as they are notorious pirates of the Main." At the end of that statement the two adventurers jumped up and declared that the three were comrades henceforth.

Early one morning of the following winter found the treasure-seekers about to land on the rocky, uninhabited isle of San Remo. For four months they had buffeted their way through evil seas and equally evil men, and although they had beaten the former, the latter still doggedly followed them. And as Will sagely remarked, the gold was not theirs until it was home in safe keeping.

Our heroes anchored their ship and, with the greater part of the crew and some provisions, they rowed ashore, through treacherous waves, between treacherous rocks, and thence on to

the treacherous land beyond, for nobody knew if the pirates were lurking there—and, I might say, very few cared, for their thoughts were of the gold. To them the sand appeared golden, and the trees like golden statues, and even the very rocks like golden gates. They walked until they were well up off the beach, and there commenced to make a camping place. As the treasure had to be obtained as soon as possible, the three young men, with four of the crew, set out to search, whilst the others stayed at the camp to protect it from the pirates. Nor were their fears groundless, however, for, as the searchers rounded a bend in the rock, they were set upon by a handful of pirates, and a scuffle ensued. As there were more of the crew than the pirates expected, most of the latter were soon killed, whilst the wounded were taken prisoners and forced to march back to the camp, where they were guarded, whilst the search for the treasure went on. At last, aided by the map, they located what they thought to be the right cave, and in one corner of it commenced to dig. When they had dug four feet, which was the directed distance, and no metallic clink of their implements striking another metal had reached their ears, their hearts sank; but they determined to dig a little farther, and their efforts were soon rewarded with success, as the desired sound met their ears. On hearing this they seized an iron ring which had come to light, and lifted out the trunk attached to it. How golden it seemed to them then! Without waiting to open it, they carried it off to the camp, and thence to the ship. Immediately they set sail for home and saw the pirates no more.

It was a bright summer's morning in the gracious year of our Lord, 1587, in a much less disreputable inn, in a much less disreputable corner of Southampton, that the three comrades could have been seen opening a large iron chest. At last they got it open, and, to their utter dismay, no gold met their eyes—merely a piece of paper. How dirty it seemed to them! Nearly as rusty as that awful old trunk! With fast-sinking hearts they read its message:

“He who hath come this far
Can go still farther yet,
Unto the Island of the Spar—
There shall my gold be met.”

Perhaps the comrades sailed to the island of the Spar, or perhaps they stayed in England; but that is another story.

OLD BALLAD (2A).

THE COATES MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

On looking through an edition of the *Record* which appeared a few years ago we notice a suggestion and appeal for more books in the Coates Library. Every member of 5th year and a few of 4th realise what a great asset this library is in History and English generally. Its value may be estimated by a glance at the register. But there are not enough books. At present it depends for support largely upon contributions from the Old Boys, but these cannot be expected to run a library from which they derive no benefit other than the satisfaction that they are doing their best to help the School along.

Now there is no better way for senior boys to show their appreciation of what the library has done for them than to present a volume as they leave School. If from some outside source a boy obtains a book from which he derives an appreciable amount of knowledge and interest, why not act in a sportsmanlike manner by donating the book to the library, so that those who come after may share his good fortune and knowledge with less trouble and research? Or, if no such good fortune befalls, a list of books the library is in need of can be obtained from Mr. Harrison. In any case, anyone who considers making a donation should refer to Mr. Harrison and so avoid unnecessary duplications. Augmented in this way the library would become more valuable year by year.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

"Bene dicere haud absurdum est."—Sallust.

In writing these few words about the Debating Society I would first like to remind all the pupils of the School that the art of debating—for art it is—is a very important one. If one has the confidence and ability to express himself in good language in conversation, or to make a speech if called upon to do so, the path through life is rendered much smoother. I think it also fitting to remark that boys who pursue sports, such as football and cricket, can be debaters at the same time and attend our meetings. In fact, the majority of our members at present are either football, cricket or tennis players. Our meetings are held every Thursday in Room 2 at 3.20 p.m., and all can attend without any interference in their sport.

An interesting and entertaining programme has been mapped out for this season; the meetings will be well worth attending, even if one is not prepared to speak.

The Society held a Mock Trial in the Assembly Hall a few weeks ago, and, considering the fact that it was entirely impromptu, was an entire success. It was especially gratifying to see such a large audience, nearly half the School being sufficiently interested to attend.

Our G.P.S. opponents this year will be King's, Shore and Newington. We are looking forward to such enjoyable evenings as we have spent in the past. The subjects for these G.P.S. debates and other particulars may be obtained from the Secretary.

The Society has also accepted a kind invitation from Hawkesbury Agricultural College to meet them in debate and spend a night at the College. Five boys will make the trip—four speakers and a member of the adjudicating committee.

I might mention that the Society is greatly handicapped by the fact that there is not enough competition for positions in the team. This is the only way to produce a really good team; and therefore a further interest is needed. Personally, I know of several boys who could well afford the time and would probably develop into fine debaters if their interest in the School in general were, as it should be, greater than their own private and selfish interests.

I sincerely hope that this article will bear fruit and that there will be an increase in Thursday afternoon attendances. I am sure that if you come once you'll come again; so just give it a trial.

D. F. JONES,
Hon. Secretary.

EXCELSIOR.

The waters of Parramatta River were choppy; they glistened and danced under a western sun, while a cold, penetrating wind blew and whistled round hundreds of boats laden with beribboned partisans of the eight Great Public Schools.

There was intense excitement in the air; noisy clamours from thousands of lusty throats rent the atmosphere, and the neigh-

bouring hills reverberated over and over again—for the Head of the River race in the G.P.S. Regatta was being rowed.

Hundreds of glasses were turned expectantly up the river, waiting for a glimpse of the speeding boats; hundreds of arms were raised to shade twice the number of eyes from the rays of the setting sun as they gazed with might and main to sight the flash of oars.

Suddenly a loud shriek of "Here they come!" from a small boy with enormous lungs instilled vigour in listless figures and electrified the atmosphere. Hasty scrambles into advantageous positions, competitions in neck-stretching and bending, pushing and struggling into crowded places, and races from one end of the ship to the other were the order for a while, and then a silence—the silence before a storm—settled on board.

At last the same lusty voice called, "Hurrah! High's leading!" and broke the spell which released the storm. Wave upon wave of cheers, war-cries and "High's" rolled and tumbled on the air, which resounded tenfold in sympathy. The hurricane created enveloped and drowned the voices of rival partisans who endeavoured in vain to penetrate the wall of sounds upholding Sydney High School.

The boats were speeding up with "High" first and "Joeys" a good length behind. As they passed our ferry our cheers reached a higher volume and maintained it all the way that the boats had yet to row—a quarter of a mile of course.

We had won, of course. How we knew, we did not know, but we had the conviction that we *had* won, and therefore, went mad with joy. No one, no matter how disinterested he may be, could have witnessed our joyousness and be not infected with the same spirit.

They told me later that we had only won by three feet, but I verily believe that, had our ferry been stationed at the winning post, we would have retained that length—nay, we would have increased it by two.

The sun had sunk behind the horizon, thus drawing the curtain; the audience was departing under chugging motors, creaking rowlocks, or bellying sails, while the soft twilight lit the way; but this soon merged into darker night, and twinkling lights were all that one could see of the exhilarating G.P.S. Regatta; but, now and then, cheers and war-cries would float across the water as a sign that it had not yet finished.



OLD BOYS' UNION OFFICE-BEARERS, 1925-26.

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OBITUARY.

Worthington John Crawford, who entered the school in 1914, and left it at the end of 1919, died late in May, aged 24 years. His life since his schooldays had been a continued struggle against ill-health—ill-health which would never have been predicted of the wiry, bronzed youth who played several matches with the 1919 XV. Best of comrades and, till illness claimed him, most devoted of old boys, he will be mourned by all men of his generation.

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Harold Packham fought sternly against the physical consequences of the gymnastic accident which befell him last September. Recovery, however, was not his lot. On boat-race day, carefully wrapped and gently handled, he was placed aboard a launch which took station near the finish of the course. He was participant in the rejoicings that greeted the School's second victory in the "eights." A chill then caught him and developed to pneumonia on the following day. A few days later, he was dead. Packham was prominent throughout the whole of his school life, as under-age running representative at the Combined Schools' Sports in 1921 and 1922, as back for the 2nd XV. of 1924, and as a member of the winning 2nd IV. of 1925. He fought his last struggle against overpowering physical odds with the courage that can be the finest attribute of man. His death has come as a personal sadness to hundreds of old boys of senior generation.

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"HEAD OF THE RIVER."

For the second year in succession, the school claims headship of the river. Again chief credit lies outside the School. The work of Mr. George Hancock, captain of the Glebe Rowing Club, was again responsible for the placing of a winning crew upon the river. It was unfortunate that the swamping of the boat halfway along the course prevented the crew's demonstration of the form it had attained in practice.

Old boys entertained the rowing camp at dinner at Adam's Hotel, and a following theatre party on the second Thursday after the race.

Four old boys were in camp with the crews during their training. A. T. Harvey and J. A. R. MacKellar had charge during the earlier weeks of training, and later gave place to M. W. Flannery and J. Reddish. To each of the four is owed the thanks of each other old boy for work not always pleasant but always well done.

K. C. Robinson left school in June. He had stroked the school in six races (heats and finals of the fours in 1924, and of the eights in the two following years). Each time, he had won. His record will remain a unique one.

A record also unique is that of K. C. Hardy, who rowed seven in the eight. This year he is captain of the school, of boats, of cricket, and of football.

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ANNUAL DANCE.

The Annual Dance will be held at "The Wentworth" on Wednesday, August 25th, at 8 p.m. Tickets, 10/6 each, may be obtained from the dance secretary, H. C. Wilson, 16 Bridge Street, Sydney, or any member of the Council.

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UNIVERSITY GRADUATES.

At the University's Conferring of Degrees Ceremony, held on Saturday, April 24, degrees were conferred on old boys as follows:—

Master of Arts (M.A.): William Hursthouse Stanger (Honours, Class II., in English).

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.): Albert Henry Pelham (Honours, Class I., in Latin, Greek, and English; University Medals for Classics and English; James Coutts Scholarship for English; Cooper Graduate Scholarship), Ian Allan Henning (Honours, Class I., in French and German; University Medal for French and German; French Government Travelling Scholarship).

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.): Frederick Charles Bryant, B.A., Francis Joseph Sheed, B.A.

Doctor of Medicine (M.D.): Archibald James Cunningham.

Bachelor of Medicine (M.B.): Kenneth Charles Trineman Rawle (Honours, Class I., and University Medal; Professor Sandes' Prize), John Gordon Sandrey (Honours, Class II.), Charles Crawford McKellar (Honours, Class II.), Hyman Barnett Lieberman (Honours, Class II.), George Frederick Lumley (Honours, Class II.; Hinder Memorial Prize), James Michael

Byrne, B.Sc., James Verner Garner, Arthur Alexander Moon, Glanville Jeffries Rawle, Joseph Steigrad.

Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.): Leonard Samuel Calvert Tippet, B.Sc. (Honours, Class I., in, and University Medal (ex. aeq.) for Mechanical and Electrical Engineering), Frank Morrice Chapman (Honours, Class II.), Errol Muir Redshaw.

Bachelor of Dental Surgery (B.D.S.): Ronald Gordon Bain, Keith Bertram Williams.

Bachelor of Veterinary Science (B.V.Sc.): Reginald Charles Cramp (William Cooper and Nephews' Prize for Veterinary Parasitology).

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (B.Sc. Agr.): Harold Ambrose Jaques Pittman (Honours, Class II.), Stanley Garthside (Honours, Class II.), Clarence Galbraith James.

Bachelor of Economics (B.Ec.): Selby John Wright Burt (Honours, Class II.).

Diploma in Education: Robert Maxwell, B.A., Jack Theobald Simpson, B.Sc., Frederick Charles Douglas Wootton, B.A.

To all, honour is due. The academic record of one, however, stands out as has stood out that of no man sent up by the school to the University in the last ten years. A. H. Pelham has, year by year, won the classical and English scholarships open to his competition, and now has graduated as a triple first and a dual medallist. Since C. K. Allen, in 1910, no graduate in Arts has had such distinction.

Pelham was first in the honours lists in English, Latin, and Greek; Henning, first in those in French and German. In no other year have prime honours in all five languages fallen to the account of old boys.

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SPORTING.

The Western Suburbs Club again claims the chief interest of those who follow senior club football with the adequate representation of the school closest to their hearts. Of the first fifteen, the King brothers are regular members, Syd. again doing great things as centre three-quarter, and Frank defying the onslaughts of age upon the wing. One William Dutton, who rose to school fame as a junior high-jumper in 1917, has returned to Sydney after long seclusion in bush schoolhouses, and now begins to find regular place in the same team. Selby Burt, whose University graduation—elsewhere recorded—has made possible a participation in sport forbidden him since schooldays, captains the Club's reserves.

E. A. Newton, demonstrating some of the brilliancy of his schooldays as five-eighth for Eastern Suburbs, H. E. Harper (the Lachmund of yester-year), occasional full-back for Randwick, and K. Tarleton, now of Y.M.C.A.'s forward pack, are amongst those playing with other clubs.

In the official trial match for probables for selection in the State team to meet the "All Blacks" Syd. King played with and captained the State 2nd XV. His team made an unexpectedly close game with the State 1st XV. and, on his handling of the team, he received the congratulations of the selectors.

Tarleton played with the Metropolitan team that played the Country XV. For the same team Alan Newton was a reserve back.

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E. L. Pilkington, last year's captain of the school and of boats, was first reserve for the University VIII., which won this year's inter-varsity championship, rowed in Tasmania. He had previously rowed 5 in the trial crew which defeated St. Paul's College, inter-collegiate champions.

A pleasing feature of summer rowing was the presence of several old boys in Glebe Club crews. To the work of the Glebe Club is due all the rowing success the school has had in the past three years. Old boys will do well to remember the fact.

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The inter-'varsity cricket match played between Sydney and Melbourne on the University Oval in December last, was the setting for the most notable triumph of an old boy—Jimmy Garner, who captained school cricket in 1912. The match began on a good wicket. Sydney scored only 218. On the next day Melbourne batted before lunch on a wet wicket. Having lost six wickets for 38, it closed its innings, in the hope that Sydney would suffer equal disadvantage. Early Sydney wickets fell cheaply, but later batsmen made free scoring, and Melbourne was set 516 to win. More rain fell and Garner, who had taken two wickets for 11 in the first innings, came on as first change. In the words of "Hermes," the University magazine, "the wicket, though not at its worst, was difficult. Garner took full advantage of it and was almost unplayable. It is sufficient to say of his great performance that he bowled seventeen overs, fourteen of which were maidens, for nine runs and eight wickets. Melbourne could only total 79."

The cricket season lacked anything else of very great interest to the school.

Swimming saw Owen Griffiths, and athletics Tommy McNamara again our most prominent representatives.

ROWING.

This year's rowing prospects were considerably brighter than those of last year. Of our victorious Eight five members and the cox remained, two from the first Four, one from the reserve crews, while we were fortunate in obtaining Bagby, a heavy man with previous rowing experience. We also had the coxswains of last year's Fours. As would be expected, the Eight consisted of our five old hands, the remaining two members of the old first Four, Bagby and Mainwaring. Our Fours necessarily had to be drawn from raw material. The School generally was far more interested in rowing than on previous occasions.

Our efforts in this activity were greatly augmented by the interest, enthusiasm and generosity displayed by the Glebe Rowing Club. They lent us boats in which to train, supplied us with coaches, and accommodated us in their shed. Without their assistance our ambitions would have been impossibilities, our aspirations would have been dreams.

We tender our thanks to Messrs. Hancock, Smith, O'Leary, Hutchinson, who coached our 'Eight, first, second and reserve Fours respectively. No discomfiture was too much for them; they attended the shed at all hours in all weathers. Congratulations to them all, especially Mr. Hancock, who has now obtained the "hat-trick," in that he has coached our first crew to victory on the three occasions that we have entered. We sincerely hope that he will coach our Eight to victory again next year, thereby creating records for himself and glory for the School. The School holds the view that the only effective method of repaying the Glebe Club is for our rowers to join it and take an active part in its activities. We ask them to do so on leaving School.

Our standard of rowing has greatly improved, and it almost seems as though our last year's crew has raised the standard of G.P.S. rowing.

The keenness of the crews in camp was almost astounding, and, at the least, extremely pleasing to their well-wishers. Credit is due to the reserve crews, who, though they were almost out of the regatta, spent just as much time, suffered just as many discomforts and trained just as hard as the higher crews. A rower is not made in a day, no more than Rome was built in one; it is good to notice that our reserve rowers understood this. Boys intending to take up rowing should attend Glebe Rowing Shed once a week regularly with Mr. Towns, in order to learn the rudiments of the sport and get the rough edges knocked off them.

Had it not been for our Old Boys we would still be a nonentity in rowing circles, and once again we have to thank them for their spontaneous assistance. The product of their enthusiasm

this year was the present of a speed boat to the School to help in the training of crews. The launch has been leased to the Glebe Rowing Club. Once again they made camp possible, and Messrs. Harvey, McKellar, Reddish, Flannery and Mainwaring took charge of the camp, working hard in the interests of both School and coaches. We thank them sincerely.

G.P.S. REGATTA.

On Wednesday, 28th April, the A.A.G.P.S. commenced their thirty-fourth annual regatta.

It was a perfect day for such a pageant; conditions favoured the crews, the wind came lightly from the north-west, and the tide was receding.

The opening event was the first heat of the Second Fours, waged between Sydney High School 1, The Scots' College 2, St. Ignatius' 3, The King's School 4. From a good start King's went to the front, closely followed by Scots' and High, and as they were passing the gasworks the leaders had a quarter of a length advantage. King's, now rowing with splendid length, increased their lead to a length; Scots' and High were fighting for second place, and Riverview had dropped back. At Cabarita King's had further established their lead, while Scots' and High were level. As the crews passed Gladesville King's had several lengths to spare and High were a length ahead of Scots'. These positions were unaltered at the post, King's winning by four lengths from High, a length to the advantage of Scots', who finished ten lengths ahead of Riverview.

T.K.S. 1, S.H.S. 2, T.S.C. 3. Time, 6m. 8 2-5s.

SECOND HEAT.

The crews in the order of Newington College 1, St. Joseph's 2, Sydney Grammar School 3, Church of England Grammar School 4, got away well. All were level at the gasworks, but shortly afterwards St. Joseph's established a slight lead. Passing Tennyson, Shore and Grammar spurted, pushed ahead of St. Joseph's, and struggled hard to gain the lead. Newington had dropped back, with St. Joseph's a length behind the leaders. Shore now showed out and, rowing in good time, passed Cabarita a length ahead of Grammar. Grammar now spurted, but Shore retaliated, and, increasing their advantage, crossed the line a length and a half in front of Grammar, the same distance separating Grammar and St. Joseph's, with Newington a length further back.

Shore 1, Grammar 2, St. Joseph's 3. Time, 6m. 21 2-5s.

Schools' Championship.

The competitors in the first heat were St. Ignatius, The Scots' College, Newington College and Sydney Church of England Grammar, their positions being in that order. The tide was now very low, but was still in favour of the crews, as was the wind. From an excellent start Scots' and Newington took the lead, but the former were soon displaced by Shore. Newington and Shore rowing at the same rate were level at Putney and showing excellent form. Scots' were a few feet behind the leaders, while Riverview had fallen right back. In the run to the gasworks Newington obtained about three-quarters of a length lead, but Shore, rowing with a long, steady stroke, reduced this to a quarter of a length, while Scots' were handy. At Tennyson, Shore were level with Newington, each crew fighting its hardest for supremacy. Shore now spurted and obtained a length's lead. Newington retaliated determinedly, and by Gladesville had reduced this distance to half a length. Shore, however, finished strongly, winning by three-quarters of a length from Newington, with Scots' six lengths away.

Shore 1, Newington 2, Scots' 3. Time, 8m. 40 1-5s.

SECOND HEAT.

The King's School, St. Joseph's College, Sydney High School and Sydney Grammar School contested this heat, occupying first, second third and fourth positions respectively. The wind had dropped somewhat by now, and the tide was probably a little against the crews. From the commencement, King's hit a high rate, which sent them to the fore, but the other crews quickly overhauled them, and St. Joseph's and High obtained the lead a little later. King's maintained a high rate and drew level again. At Putney, High had a slight advantage on King's, with St. Joseph's third. Approaching the gasworks Grammar displaced King's, while St. Joseph's pulled up on High, who passed Tennyson with a quarter of a length to spare. High now increased their speed, obtaining a lead of three-quarters of a length. St. Joseph's now challenged the leaders, and, rowing strongly, had lowered High's advantage by two-thirds when Gladesville was passed. They now spurted, but High responded and won a well-judged race by three feet.

High 1, St. Joseph's 2, Grammar 3. Time, 8m. 43 3-5s.

Second Crews.

FIRST HEAT.

The positions at the start were: Newington College 1, Sydney High School 2, Sydney Church of England Grammar 3, St. Ignatius' 4. The start was good and Shore gained a slight lead, with Newington well up. At Tennyson, Shore were three-quarters

of a length in front, but Newington, rowing splendidly and with a slower stroke, overtook the leaders and displaced them at Cabarita. High were at this stage two lengths behind Shore, while St. Ignatius' were several lengths behind. When passing Gladesville Newington held a lead of two lengths, with the positions still unchanged. Shortly afterwards Newington's stroke slipped from his seat, but recovering his position and the stroke, smartly crossed the line half a length in front of Shore, with High a length away third.

- Newington 1, Shore 2, High 3. Time, 6m. 32 2-5s.

SECOND HEAT.

Sydney Grammar School, The Scots' College, St. Joseph's College, The King's School, starting in these positions, contested this heat. King's obtained the best start and were still ahead at the gasworks, with St. Joseph's, Scots' and Grammar following in that order. At Tennyson, King's led St. Joseph's by half a length, who in turn were two lengths ahead of Scots'. King's, rowing with good length and leg-drive, increased their lead and passing Cabarita were a length and a half ahead of St. Joseph's. Grammar was now on equal terms with Scots. At Gladesville King's opened out, left the other crews behind, and won by over three lengths from St. Joseph's, and Grammar, who had fought their way into third place, were three lengths behind the latter.

- King's 1, St. Joseph's 2, Grammar 3. Time, 6m. 33 3-5s.

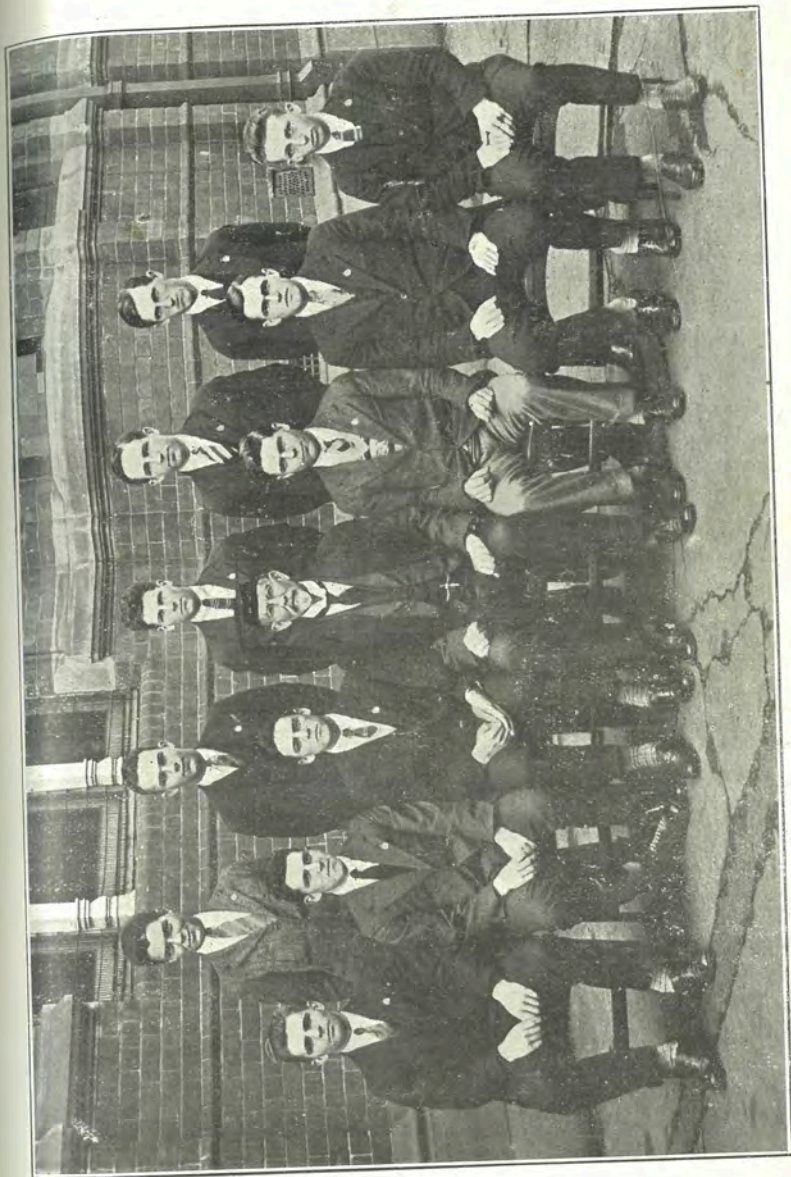
The Finals.

On this occasion the gods of the weather failed to favour us as they had done on the previous Wednesday. A strong, gusty westerly wind churned up the waters of the Parramatta in a most uncomfortable fashion. The tide, however, favoured the crews.

Second Fours' Final.

Positions: Sydney High School 1, The King's School 2, Sydney Grammar School 3, Sydney Church of England Grammar School 4. The crews got away to an even start, but King's quickly asserted themselves and had obtained the lead at the gasworks. In the run to Tennyson, King's established a length's lead from High, who in turn were a length ahead of Shore and Grammar. High's light crew were seriously handicapped by the adverse weather conditions, and at Cabarita had fallen into third place, Grammar being second. The latter were presently hindered by a ferry boat which had dragged its anchor, and though they made a great effort to overhaul the leaders, could make little impression upon them. High now challenged Grammar, and after a strenuous tussle Grammar gained second place by half a length.

- King's 1, Grammar 2, High 3. Time, 6m. 9½s.



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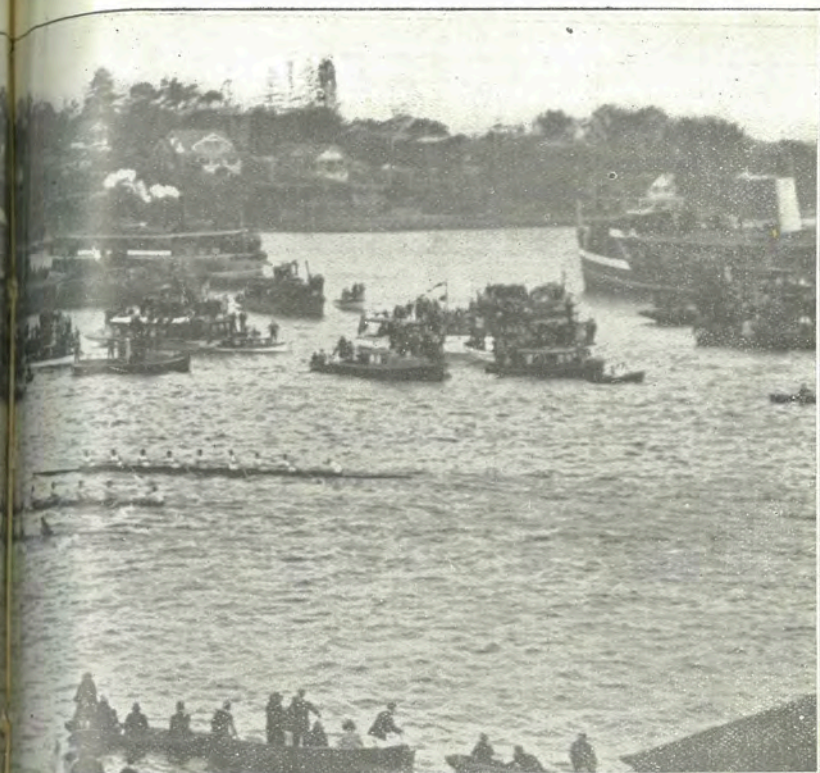
Back row: A. Broadhurst, L. Hepper, F. Cook, J. Davies, J. Hodgkins.
 Sitting: E. Fielder, R. Fretwell, K. Hardy, (Captain), G. C. Saxby, Esq., B.A., (Headmaster),
 B. MacMillan, A. Henry, C. Hargreaves.
 Absent: L. MacDonnel, L. Robinson.



FINISH OF



S.H. 1908
(bow) B. MacMillan, (2) E. Fielder, (3) A. Broadhurst, (4) G. R. (cox) R.



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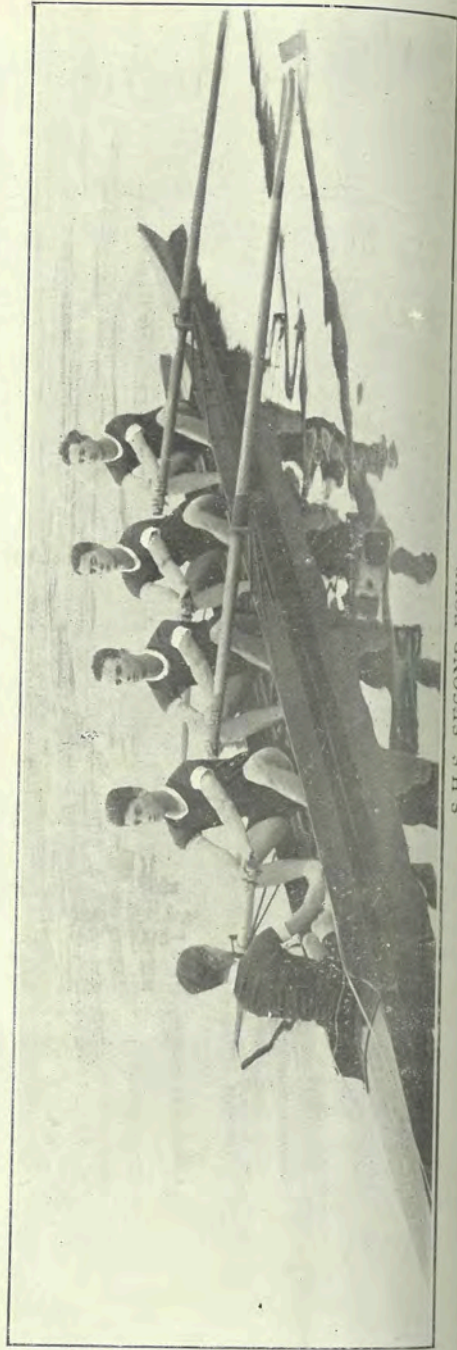


RIGHT.
(5) D. Cook, (6) L. Bagby, (7) K. Hardy, (stroke) K. Robinson,



S.H.S. FIRST FOUR.

(bow) C. Morton, (2) D. Robinson, (3) S. Stening, (stroke) J. Hodgkins, (cox) A. Hodge.



S.H.S. SECOND FOUR.

(bow) A. Crowther, (2) H. Peach, (3) L. Hepper, (stroke) H. Walker, (cox) G. Smith.

First Fours' Final.

Positions: St. Joseph's College 1, The King's School 2, Sydney Church of England Grammar School 3. The King's were first away and soon led by half a length. Although the other schools all remained level, King's increased their advantage, and at the gasworks were a length in the lead, rowing with a steady stroke. Newington now showed out from the others, but did not endanger King's, who passed Tennyson two lengths ahead of Newington, who were a length to the good of Shore. At Cabarita the places were unchanged, and King's could be seen increasing their lead. At Gladesville the course was almost blocked by launches and other craft which had drifted in spite of their anchors, and the competitors were seriously handicapped. King's, though they had altered their course, were two lengths ahead of Newington, who were closely followed by St. Joseph's. Shore, now in third position, had their chances spoilt by the drifting craft.

King's 1, Newington 2, St. Joseph's 3. Time, 6m. 17s.

Schools' Championship.

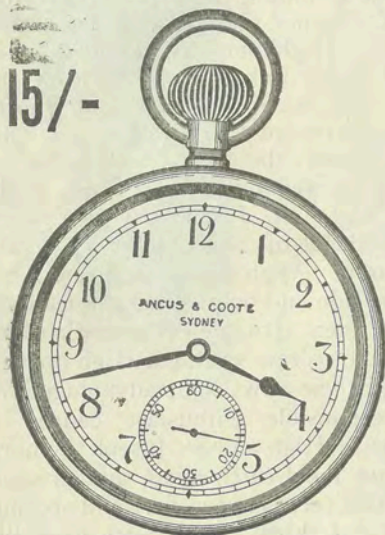
Positions at start: Sydney Church of England Grammar School 1, St. Joseph's College 2, Sydney High School 3, Newington College 4. The tide was still running strongly behind the crews, and though the wind had dropped considerably, the water remained in a choppy condition. High obtained the best start and had a slight advantage. At Bottle Point, High still led from Newington, who had a short lead on St. Joseph's and Shore. High, rowing in splendid style, increased their lead to a length and a quarter as they rounded Putney, the other crews being on equal terms. St. Joseph's now showed out from Shore, while High was two lengths in the lead. St. Joseph's were rowing excellently; they were a length ahead of Shore, who were half a length in front of Newington. Approaching Cabarita, St. Joseph's seemed to benefit by the tide and overhauled the leaders, closely followed by Shore. In a great struggle between Cabarita and Gladesville the challengers almost drew level, but High opened out determinedly and maintained their now slight advantage. A cracker exploded by some irresponsible enthusiast caused a momentary hesitation on the part of High and St. Joseph's. Shore drew up, but the other crews got their catch again and crossed the line in their previous order, two feet between first and second, with three feet between second and third. High were most ill-advised to start without splash boards, this mistake nearly costing them the race.

High 1, St. Joseph's 2, Shore 3. Time, 8m. 38½s.

G.P.S. REGATTA.

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Once again the popularity of our victory was emphasised by the numerous congratulatory letters and telegrams. Congratulations in person were received from Mr. Waterhouse, M.A., and Mr. C. R. Smith, M.A. (ex-Headmasters). We wish to acknowledge receipt of letters of congratulation from Mr. S. H. Smith (Director of Education), Mr. Mutch (Minister for Education), Mr. W. Porter (Captain of School, 1902), Mr. Golding and Rev. H. E. Hulme (on behalf of Sydney High School Parents and Citizens' Association), Mr. A. Caldwell, Mr. G. Gardiner, Mr. Emanuel (on behalf of the Old Boys' Union), Messrs. D. Guthrie and W. Hutchinson (Parkes High School), Mr. Nairn (Newcastle High School), Mr. E. J. Rourke (Headmaster, Canterbury High School), Mr. H. H. Wilkinson, Mr. R. F. H. Green, Miss E. Martin, Grafton High School, Brother Bernard (Director, St. Joseph's College), Mr. R. S. Bush, Mr. Hughes (on behalf of Riverview's Old Boys' Union). Two 'phone messages of congratulation were received from Fort Street.

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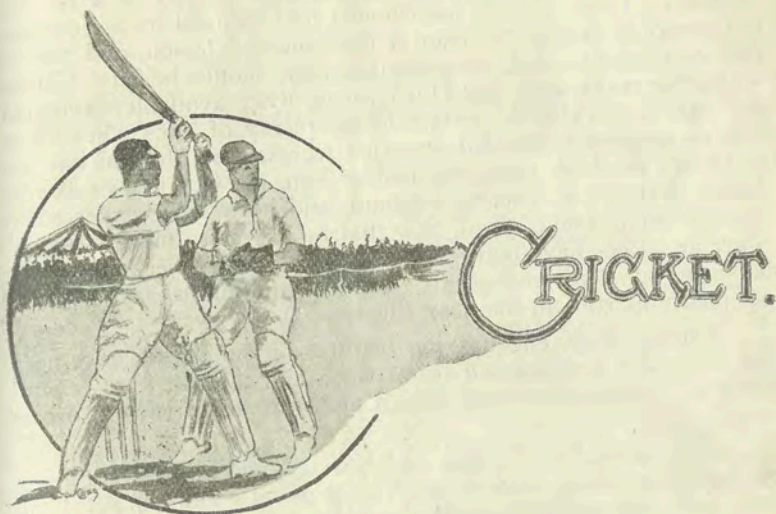
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The season opened with gloomy prospects. The team which had represented us in the last term of 1925 was the worst which we had had for some years, and of those apparently the best had left us at Xmas. In the circumstances it seemed as if our cricket would be several degrees worse than bad, and this impression was partly confirmed by our showing against St. Joseph's and Riverview. Then came the matches against Shore and Grammar, both of which were lost only by the narrowest of margins and a fine batting recovery against King's. The abandonment of the Scots' match owing to wet weather and the enforced idleness of the Easter holidays were responsible for our bad showing against Newington, where Davies alone showed good form; but, judging by our showing in the three matches in March, we should be able to turn out quite a good team for the second half of the season. At its best, the fielding of the team was very good indeed, both on the ground and in the air, some of the men, noticeably Davies, Hardy and Starr, being brilliant, while Cook, despite a few mistakes, kept wickets thoroughly well. The bowling was not really dangerous, but was steady and very rarely loose. Of the bowlers, Davies was perhaps the best, though his figures do not show it; but Bailey showed marked improvement and was certainly our most successful trundler. Challoner appeared to have gone off, but Rees shows much promise and met with a fair measure of success, and Morgan bowled well without luck.

The most marked improvement, however, was shown in the batting. Davies is the first man we have had for three years

who has been able to make runs in a style worthy of a 1st XI cricketer. Cook, though unorthodox and inclined to be reckless, has certainly taught the team a much-needed lesson, and that is that bowling can and, to a great extent, should be hit. Clubbe is shaping really well, and Hardy, who, when available, captained the team admirably, is certain to get plenty of runs when he is able to give his undivided attention to cricket. Morgan has yet to justify the high hopes formed of him, but his time is sure to come. Bailey's defence is splendid, and he may be expected to develop some strokes soon, now that he is getting more strength. Starr and Rees have both some way to go before becoming great batsmen, but both have plenty of ability and enthusiasm and will get plenty of runs in the near future.

The two most encouraging features of the cricket have been the admirable fielding and team work, and the fact that several members of the team have shown ability to score runs at a fair rate.

Our thanks are due both to Riverview and King's for giving us junior matches. Six teams visited King's and one of them won its match—a sufficiently rare occurrence—while four teams went to Riverview and did fairly well.

Class Cricket.

In regard to the number of players, the position is not satisfactory—ten teams taking part in the junior competition and six in the senior competition.

In the junior competition the 2C team has been quite the most successful, having gained 19 points out of a possible 20; while the second team has done quite well, also. The 2B first team has also done well, and 1C have kept up the prestige of the first year splendidly, and are now running third in the competition.

The senior competition does not seem to evoke the same enthusiasm in the players, some of whom are regrettably casual in their attitude and methods. As class cricket is the nursery for our grade teams, keenness is essential if our cricket is to emerge from the slough into which it has fallen. Players should take to heart the lessons gained on their trips to King's.

3B, who are undefeated, are bright exceptions and owe their good record mainly to the enthusiasm displayed. 3A's first team have done well, but have hardly maintained the standard set by them in their first and second years. This, however, is mainly due to the fact that their best players have gone into the grade teams.

Captains of teams should make a point of handing in results and material on Thursday morning; if this is not done during Xmas term, drastic action will have to be taken in the case of offending teams.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

S.H.S. v. S.I.C.

Played at Riverview. Lost by 129 runs on first innings.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Fretwell, l.b.w., b McEvoy ..	0
Davies, c Veech, b Parsonage ..	27
Morgan, c McEvoy, b O'Sullivan ..	5
Bailey, c McEvoy, b Veech ..	10
Cook, b Veech ..	20
Eizenberg, b Parsonage ..	36
Clubbe, b Veech ..	9
Hodgkins, c Parsonage, b McEvoy ..	9
Starr, c Hughes, b Veech ..	6
Rees, not out ..	4
Challoner, c Leahy, b Veech ..	4
Sundries ..	4
Total ..	134

Bowling: McEvoy, 2 for 40; Parsonage, 2 for 23; O'Sullivan, 1 for 25; Veech, 5 for 35; Ward, 0 for 7.

S.I.C.—First Innings.

Burfitt, l.b.w., b Bailey ..	43
Lipscombe, b Bailey ..	24
Leahy, stp. Cook, b Fretwell ..	6
Hughes, b Bailey ..	8
Catip, stp. Cook, b Challoner ..	1
O'Sullivan, b Morgan ..	4
Ward, not out ..	100
Parsonage, b Bailey ..	48
Johnson, c Davies, b Challoner ..	1
Sundries ..	28

Total .. 263
Bowling: Davies, 0 for 53; Challoner, 2 for 21; Bailey, 4 for 53; Fretwell, 1 for 52; Morgan, 1 for 22; Hodgkins, 0 for 29.

S.H.S.—Second Innings.

Davies, c Ward, b Parsonage ..	40	Morgan, c Burfitt, b Lipscombe ..	25
Eizenberg, b Veech ..	11	Sundries ..	3
Fretwell, b Veech ..	0		
Bailey, not out ..	30	Four wickets for ..	119
Cook, not out ..	10		

S.H.S. v. S.J.C.

Played at Wentworth Oval. Lost by an innings and 53 runs.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Davies, h.w., b Byrnes ..	0
Bailey, c McCabe, b Cheshier ..	17
Hardy, c Cullen, b Byrnes ..	3
Fretwell, b McCabe ..	5
Cook, c and b McCabe ..	24
Morgan, c Cheshier, b Cullen ..	10
Clubbe, c Bull, b Byrnes ..	4
Hodgkins, c Smith, b Byrnes ..	3
Starr, l.b.w., b Cullen ..	1
Rees, not out ..	10
Challoner, run out ..	5
Sundries ..	4

Total .. 86

Bowling: Byrnes, 4 for 46; McCabe, 2 for 16; Cheshier, 1 for 11; Cullen, 2 for 9.

S.J.C.—First Innings.

Bull, c Bailey, b Morgan ..	29
Cheshier, b Davies ..	8
Cullen, c Morgan, b Bailey ..	92
McCabe, not out ..	67
Bryson, c Davies, b Bailey ..	17
Reid, b Challoner ..	5
Boland, c and b Challoner ..	0
Smith, not out ..	5
Sundries ..	10

Six wickets for .. 233

Bowling: Challoner, 2 for 23; Davies, 1 for 53; Fretwell, 0 for 24; Bailey, 2 for 79; Morgan, 1 for 44.

S.H.S.—Second Innings.

Davies, h.w., b Cheshier	6	Starr, not out	17
Bailey, b Byrnes	2	Challoner, c Flanagan, b Cul-	
Hardy, b Cheshier	0	len	5
Fretwell, c Bull, b Byrnes	0	Sundries	12
Cook, stp. Bull, b Cullen	46		
Morgan, b Byrnes	0	Total	94
Clubbe, l.b.w., b Byrnes	0	Bowling: Byrnes, 5 for 41; Mc-	
Hodgkins, c Byrnes, b Cheshier	1	Cabe, 0 for 4; Cheshier, 3 for 11;	
Rees, c Bryson, b Byrnes	4	Bryson, 0 for 15; Cullen, 2 for 10.	

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

Played at Northbridge. Lost by 25 runs.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Bailey, not out	41
Davies, stp. Bennett, b Alex-	
ander	82
Hardy, b Begbie	3
Fretwell, b Begbie	1
Cook, c J. Alexander, b G.	
Alexander	15
Morgan, c Hattersley, b Alex-	
ander	0
Clubbe, c Begbie, b Goddard	6
Rees, b Begbie	0
Starr, b Alexander	5
Gee, l.b.w., b Begbie	3
Challoner, stp. Bennett, b Beg-	
bie	13
Sundries	5

Total 174

Bowling: Vernon, 0 for 72; Sheaffe, 0 for 25; J. Alexander, 0 for 14; G. Alexander, 4 for 53; Goddard, 1 for 27; Begbie, 5 for 28.

S.C.E.G.S.—First Innings.

Murdoch, c Clubbe, b Bailey	10
Sheaffe, c and b Fretwell	19
Hattersley, c Hardy, b Davies	18
Neville, b Bailey	1
Goddard, not out	88
Vernon, c Starr, b Fretwell	7
Foulsham, l.b.w., b Challoner	16
J. Alexander, b Bailey	0
G. Alexander, c Hardy, b	
Challenor	6
Bennett, c Cook, b Rees	17
Begbie, l.b.w., b Rees	11
Sundries	6

Total 199

Bowling: Challoner, 2 for 43; Davies, 1 for 37; Bailey, 3 for 51; Fretwell, 2 for 20; Morgan, 0 for 33; Starr, 0 for 8; Rees, 2 for 1.

S.H.S. v. T.K.S.

Played at Parramatta. Lost by 84 runs.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Davies, b Jones	1
Bailey, c Jones, b Forsayth	3
Fretwell, c Sale, b Jones	0
Hardy, c Hogg, b Jones	5
Cook, c Jones, b Hogg	59
Clubbe, c Stitt, b Hogg	39
Morgan, c Dangar, b Jones	17
Rees, c Hogg, b Forsayth	3
Starr, run out	10
Gee, c Campbell, b Hogg	20
Challoner, not out	18
Sundries	7

Total 182

Bowling: Jones, 4 for 39; Forsayth, 2 for 54; Egan, 0 for 36; Hogg, 3 for 51; Sale, 0 for 23; Rouse, 0 for 2.

T.K.S.—First Innings.

Egan, b Rees	18
Jones, c Challoner, b Morgan	74
Hogg, c Cook, b Challoner	76
Lampott, b Davies	28
Rouse, c Davies, b Rees	47
Campbell, c Bailey, b Rees	0
Whytt, c Gee, b Challoner	0
Dangar, b Rees	2
Forsayth, not out	6
Sundries	15

Eight wickets for 266

Bowling: Challoner, 2 for 45; Davies, 1 for 26; Rees, 4 for 45; Bailey, 0 for 52; Fretwell, 0 for 17; Morgan, 1 for 50; Starr, 0 for 16.

S.H.S.—Second Innings.

Davies, b Forsayth	7	ron	10
Bailey, not out	6	Morgan, not out	4
Fretwell, run out	0	Sundries	2
Hardy, c Rouse, b Forsayth ..	3		
Cook, c Egan, b Jones	0	Five wickets for	32
Clubbe, stp. Whytt, b Came-			

S.H.S. v. S.G.S.

Played at Weigall Ground. Lost by 9 runs.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Bailey, c McGilvray, b Grill ..	5
Davies, run out	48
Clubbe, run out	18
Cook, b Edwards	0
Fretwell, c Evans, b Grill ..	17
Morgan, c Caldwell, b Ed-	
wards	7
Starr, l.b.w., b Grill	14
Rees, c McLean, b Chegwyn	11
Gee, c Evans, b Grill	2
Challoner, c Evans, b Cheg-	
wyn	7
Vine, not out	1
Sundries	4

Total 134

Bowling: Edwards, 2 for 34;
Grill, 4 for 26; Evans, 0 for 21;
Chegwyn, 2 for 28; Bryant, 0 for
7; Grant, 0 for 14.

S.G.S.—First Innings.

Evans, c and b Davies	1
McLean, l.b.w., b Davies	30
Grant, c and b Davies	8
McGilvray, stp. Cook, b Bailey	25
Chegwyn, c Cook, b Starr ..	21
Daley, run out	14
Mitchell, c Gee, b Starr	0
Edwards, l.b.w., b Rees	2
Caldwell, b Davies	20
Bryant, not out	4
Grill, b Rees	11
Sundries	6

Total 143

Bowling: Rees, 2 for 15;
Davies, 4 for 26; Challoner, 0 for
21; Bailey, 1 for 39; Fretwell, 0
for 5; Starr, 2 for 23; Morgan, 0
for 7.

S.H.S. v. N.C.

Played at Stanmore. Lost by an innings, 5 wickets and 51 runs.

S.H.S.—First Innings.

Davies, b Webster	7
Bailey, c R. Webster, b L.	
Webster	4
Fretwell, c Carter, b Camp-	
bell	1
Clubbe, l.b.w., b Campbell ..	2
Cook, b Webster	21
Morgan, c and b Campbell ..	1
Starr, l.b.w., b Cowper	10
Rees, b Webster	1
Gee, l.b.w., b Webster	0
Challoner, not out	19
Vine, run out	1

Total 67

Bowling: L. Webster, 5 for 16;
Campbell, 3 for 31; Helps, 0 for
6; Cowper, 1 for 14.

N.C.—First Innings.

R. Webster, c Rees, b Davies ..	6
S. Asprey, b Bailey	16
Campbell, c Cook, b Bailey ..	14
L. Webster, not out	67
Windon, b Rees	8
Dunn, b Morgan	24
Carter, not out	46
Sundries	44

Five wickets for .. 225

Bowling: Davies, 1 for 56; Rees,
1 for 27; Bailey, 2 for 28; Chal-
loner, 0 for 18; Fretwell, 0 for 6;
Morgan, 1 for 33; Starr, 0 for 11.

S.H.S.—Second Innings.

Davies, b McCallum	58	Gee, c Cowper, b Webster ..	6
Bailey, l.b.w., b Campbell ..	2	Vine, not out	3
Clubbe, c Helps, b Cowper ..	2	Sundries	19
Cook, c Windon, b Helps .. .	0		
Fretwell, b McCallum	4	Total	107
Morgan, b Campbell	0	Bowling: Webster, 1 for 21;	
Challoner, c Cowper, b Mc-		Campbell, 2 for 29; Helps, 1 for	
Callum	9	14; Cowper, 1 for 15; McCallum,	
Starr, c Carter, b McCallum	4	4 for 5; Dunn, 1 for 4.	
Rees, l.b.w., b Webster	0		

S.H.S. v. T.S.C. Not played.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Name	R.	I.	H.S.	Av.
J. Davies .	276	10	82	27.6
F. Cook ..	195	10	59	21.6
N. Bailey	140	10	41 n.o.	20.0

Runs for.
1,129

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Name	R.	W.	Av.
G. Rees	87	9	9.6
N. Bailey	203	12	16.9
N. Challoner .. .	171	8	21.4

Runs against.
1,297

OTHER MATCHES.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street. Won by 7 wickets and 15 runs.

F.S.H.S., first innings, 96 (Hawkins, 17; Bailey, 3 for 27; Morgan, 2 for 5).

F.S.H.S., second innings, 72 (Hawkins, 22; Bailey, 4 for 23; Fretwell, 4 for 19).

S.H.S., first innings, 78 (Cook, 17; Smith, 7 for 32).

S.H.S., second innings, 3 for 105 (Davies, 25; Fretwell, 21; Furzer, 2 for 23).

S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S. Lost on first innings by 29 runs.

S.H.S., first innings, 74 (Davies, 18; Hellmrich, 4 for 31).

S.H.S., second innings, 5 for 165 (Cook, 53 not out; Clubbe, 39 not out).

N.S.H.S., first innings, 103 (Wilson, 43 not out; Morgan, 4 for 17; Davies, 3 for 24).

N.S.H.S., second innings, 5 for 107 (Vaughan, 22; Challoner, 2 for 22).

SWIMMING.

The Summer Cinderella Club had, in spite of circumstances, a fairly successful season. By reason of those circumstances, success cannot be attained in any positive way. It is our earnest desire that every boy in the School be able to swim. That there is a boy of the age of secondary school pupils who cannot is little short of a disgrace in this city of ours. Not only is swimming the most beneficial of sports from the physical point of view, but it is also the one that can be put to most practical use. I use the word "practical" advisedly, for in a city where everybody, at some time or other, crosses water there is always the chance that through inability to swim a person may lose his own life or the opportunity of saving that of someone else. However, apparently because it caters little for the competitive spirit, this clean sport

is regarded pharisaically by the School in general. We believe that no one should be *permitted* to indulge in any other summer sport until he can swim. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to support aggressively that opinion. Numerous as the baths are round the city, they are not enough to cater adequately for the needs of the many schools which need them at the same time. As a result we have only the use of the Domain Baths for one hour, and there are so many other boys present that we cannot do what we would like to encourage the sport.

We are thus unable, at present, to undertake to teach swimming, but would remind parents that classes are held every Xmas holidays for this purpose, a merely nominal fee being charged.

So it is that our activities have been mainly confined to general visits to the baths and to our carnival. Relay teams were sent to the carnivals of Fort Street and S.C.E.G.S., the High Schools race at the former being won by our representatives. In the Combined High Schools Carnival we were not very successful, Thicknesse, second in the junior diving and first in the senior, Walker second in the junior 100 yards, and Gerrard second in the under 16 backstroke being our only point-getters.

One particular grievance we have. Hitherto no "blues" have been given for this sport. This is an absurdity. If the noble sport of rifle shooting is deemed worthy of them, it is an utter insult to sport in general to refuse them to our aquatic representatives in combined and other schools' carnivals merely because the activity is not favoured by the A.A.G.P.S. It is up to the Union Council to give us some recognition.

As for our carnival, while it was a success, it was not as markedly so as it should have been. All efforts were made to get a record-breaking entry by having lower entrance fees and more handicap events. Encouragement was given to the medium swimmers; but the result was disappointing. Particularly was this so in the 1st and 5th Years. For the former there is some excuse; for the latter, none. It appeared that those who did not consider they had a chance in the championship events were afraid of losing their dignity by entering for the handicaps. There was a difficulty in getting senior non-competitors to even put in an appearance. Those who did enter made up for much by their enthusiasm, and there was good, close racing. The function passed off quickly and smoothly, for which our thanks are due to most of the committee and the executive members of the staff.

Winners of championships should remember that the Combined H.S. Carnival is held in December, and that we are looking to them to get into training again as soon as the season permits, and regain some of our lost laurels in this sport.

The whole School should remember that our own carnival is held in March, and that it behoves almost every boy to enter for the next one and swim in at least one event. That is what we would consider our greatest success.

Swimming Carnival, March 19th, 1926.

Championships.

220 G.P.S.—Dickson (S.C.E.G.S.) 1, Daly (S.G.S.) 2, Morton (S.H.S.) 3. Time, 2m. 44s.

50 Yards, Senior.—Coutts 1, Crowther 2, Gee 3. Time, 30 1-5s.

100 Yards, Senior.—Morton 1, Coutts 2, Crowther 3. Time, 1m. 11s.

220 Yards, Senior.—Morton 1, Coutts 2, Bailey 3. Time, 3m. 3 1-5s.

440 Yards, Senior.—Morton 1, Coutts 2, Bailey 3. Time, 6m. 40s.

100 Yards Breaststroke, Senior.—Morton 1, Coutts 2, Standing 3. Time, 1m. 43s.

50 Yards Backstroke, Senior.—Crowther 1, Morton 2, Rodgers 3. Time, 41 1-5s.

Diving, Senior.—Thicknesse 1, Crawford 2, Gee 3.

50 Yards, Junior.—Stening 1, Walker 2, Street 3. Time, 30s.

100 Yards, Junior.—Walker 1, Stening 2, Street 3. Time, 1m. 18½s.

220 Yards, Junior.—Thicknesse 1, Houston 2, Wright 3. Time, 3m. 24 2-5s.

440 Yards, Junior.—Thicknesse 1, Jago 2, Cauldwell 3. Time, 7m. 37s.

50 Yards Breaststroke, Junior.—Shappere 1, Rees 2, Reynolds 3. Time, 43s.

50 Yards Backstroke, Junior.—Thicknesse 1, Rodgers 2, Walker 3. Time, 43 4-5s.

Diving, Junior.—Thicknesse 1, White 2, Ferguson 3.

50 Yards, Junior Cadet.—Buxton 1, Lander 2, Munro 3.

100 Yards, Junior Cadet.—Munro 1, Lander 2, Buxton 3. Time, 1m. 27 2-5s.

220 Yards, Junior Cadet.—Lander 1, Munro 2, Buxton 3. Time, 3m. 38s.

33 Yards Breaststroke, Junior Cadet.—Munro 1, Thorpe 2, Parfett 3. Time, 28s.

33 Yards Backstroke, Junior Cadet.—Thorpe 1, Chessell 2, Lander 3.

*Handicaps.**5th Year.*—Gee 1, Henry 2, Bellmaine 3.*4th Year.*—Spence 1, Bryce 2, McTavish 3.*3rd Year.*—Robinson 1, Finlay 2, Sparkes 3.*2nd Year.*—Heaton 1, Wilson 2, Uebel 3.*1st Year.*—Robinson 1, Winter 2, Unger 3.*100 Yards, Open.*—Lester 1, Bryce 2, Bellmaine 3.*Old Boys.*—Griffiths 1, Hirst 2, G. Stening 3.*Life Saving Race.*—Hepper and Henry 1, Huxtable and Crawford 2.*Relays, Senior.*—5A 1, 4A 2, 5B 3.*Relays, Junior.*—3C 1, 3A 2, 2B 3.*Beginners.*—Henry 1, Riley 2, Roby 3.*Novelty.**Chasing the Bellman.*—Chessell.*Cup Winners.**Senior.*—C. Morton.*Junior.*—V. Thicknesse.*Junior Cadet.*—Munro.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

The school Rifle Club has just completed a very successful year. The school has had throughout the year two rifle teams, each comprising ten men. These have participated in the Citizen Forces Rifle Association fixtures consisting of a series of monthly competitions open to all trainee units in the Metropolitan area. There are two trophies presented each year, and the Sydney High School's first team, although it was the youngest team in the competition, succeeded in winning both prizes. These are the Anderson Cup, awarded for the greatest number of points gained in the monthly shoots throughout the year, and the Pacific Cup for snapshooting and rapid-fire. In these same matches, one of our first team, D. Johnson succeeded in winning the gold medal for the highest aggregate throughout the year. As there are between 300 and 400 participants in these matches, Johnson is to be congratulated on his performance. The first team was as follows:—

E. Pont (Capt.)

P. Crumlin

H. Cooper

B. Grout-Smith

A. Clayton

B. Harvey

D. Saxton

B. Gentle

P. Millard

D. Johnson

A. Tillott

The most important fixture in the year, however, is the G.P.S. shoot, and although we were not successful in winning the premiership, we by no means came last.

The credit for our success in the past year lies with our excellent captain, E. Pont, who filled that office admirably, and our esteemed coach, "Bill" Wilson. The former has unfortunately left the school, but the latter cheery soul, we fortunately still have with us. We are also indebted to Mr. Greaves who has looked after the school side of our activities.

The series of monthly competitions for the coming year, 1926-27, commences early in July, and we are hoping to repeat our former success.

The opening fixture of this year took place on Saturday and Monday, June 5th and 7th, when the big annual prize meeting was held, a function which is attended by teams from all over New South Wales. Our team did not win any match, although in the "Merris" it came fifth out of 40 teams.

We have received an invitation from Hawkesbury College to visit them and to shoot against their team, and, of course, we are looking forward to the visit.

With regard to the rifle shooting, Sydney High is in a different position to the other G.P. Schools in which the Rifle Club owns all the rifles. We, on the other hand, rely upon the military authorities for the issue of rifles, and they insist that those with rifles attend practices throughout the whole year. This debars from the club those who cannot, owing to other sports, devote their whole attention to it, and whereas at the other G.P. Schools many members of the XV. and XI. are also in the rifle team, our team can only contain those who play neither cricket nor football. This is unfortunate since we thus lose many who would make good shots, and it also leads to a certain amount of apathy and disinterest on the part of those who know nothing of our activities, but it is quite unavoidable.

Since the matches for the G.P.S. trophies take place in September, we want as many new members as possible, and boys, particularly those in third and fourth years, wishing to join, should see Clayton in fifth year. It must be understood, however, that those joining *must* come regularly to practices.

—P.T.M.

Congratulations.

The Headmaster has received the following letter from General Brand, who has always shown a great interest in the school rifle team.

Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne, 11th June, 1926.

Dear Sir,—

It was with great satisfaction and pride that I learnt of the Sydney High School's success in the competitions for the Anderson Cup and the "Pacific" Trophy. Considering that the school has only during the past 12

or 18 months taken up rifle shooting in earnest, the results must be gratifying to you, Captain Greaves, Cadet Pont and the lads generally.

We at Army Headquarters will closely follow the achievements of the School's new team, and hope the members will apply themselves as assiduously as the winners of the abovementioned trophies, one of which—the Anderson—has been in competitions for over 30 years.

May I also congratulate the Sydney High School on winning the Great Public Schools' eights.—Yours sincerely,

C. H. BRAND,

Brigadier-General.

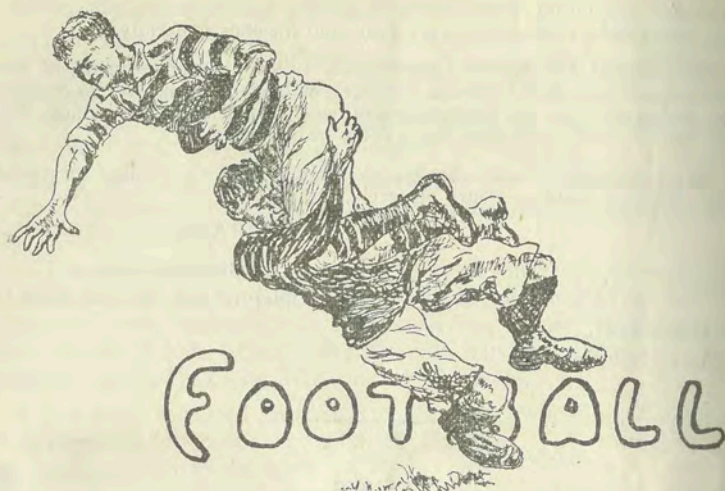
Second Chief of the General Staff.

The Headmaster,
Sydney High School.

TENNIS.

In spite of active discouragement, the Tennis Club grows numerically. Our courts are at Undercliffe, a rather long distance away, but as our requirements vary, and as we often need six courts, we have difficulty in improving the matter. The School has entered one first grade team and two second, but sickness and the sapping influence of football have made inroads on our teams. In addition to our grade teams, from forty to fifty boys play at Undercliffe. It will thus be seen that the interest taken by the boys justifies better treatment from the Union and the School in general. As things are, this branch of School sport is looked upon as a fill-up, as a temporary diversion when places in football teams are not available. This must cease. Those joining the Tennis Club must do so with the idea of adopting the game as their winter sport. We must also ask that the open disparagement of the game from high places cease. Members of the Union are at liberty to choose their sport, and no one branch deserves more consideration than another. It cannot be a question of expense when the bills of the Cricket Club are considered, and personal prejudices are out of place. As to lack of success, other teams which are in the same boat might be quoted. As a first recognition, "blues" or "half-blues" might be granted, and as far as we can see, no reasonable arguments could be opposed to this suggestion.

In spite of all, the Club flourishes, and if this year's enthusiasm is continued we can hope for better times, when we shall come into our own and the opposition be forced into the oblivion it deserves.



The standard of football generally in the School is still unsatisfactory, and in point of numbers actually playing the position is still worse. The 1st XV., with seven of last year's members still with us, should make a really good side. At present the work of the backs lacks a bit of finish, and the forwards have a good deal to learn; but the material is quite good, and we have hopes that Mr. Smith will be able to make a pack at least equal to last year's. At Armidale the showing was a great improvement on that of previous matches, both back and forward, the advance in ruck work being particularly noticeable.

The 2nd XV. seems to suffer every year from lack of backs. There appears, however, to be plenty of material for a pack, and a decent set of forwards, if made, should be able to gain at least a respectable record for the team. Of the underweight teams, the 6st. 7lbs. XV. is very weak; nearly all of last year's members have gone into higher grades. The 7st. 7lbs. is showing splendid form in the backs and is at present undefeated. The forwards, however, must improve if this record is to be maintained. The 8st. 7lbs. team has won only one match to date, but is improving rapidly, and the introduction of new blood to the pack should make them a formidable combination.

The class competition seems to lack keenness—a very serious matter when one considers the restrictions on the grade teams. There are several promising players, and if more boys would go and learn the game our prospects would be bright, but we can never expect football to be in a healthy condition throughout the School if our nursery is to be confined to weight grades.

Results of Matches.

- S.H.S. v. P.H.S., Won 20—10.
 S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S., Lost 12—24.
 S.H.S. v. Hawkesbury College 2nd XV., Won 12—6.
 S.H.S. v. Faculty of Agriculture, Lost 6—9.
 S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S., Won 40—3.
 S.H.S. v. P.H.S., Won 24—10.
 S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S., Won 11—8.

G.P.S. Football Calendar.

- July 3rd—Grammar.
 July 10th—Riverview.
 July 17th—St. Joseph's.
 July 24th—Shore.
 July 31st—King's.
 August 7th—Newington.
 August 14th—Scots'.
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THE ARMIDALE TRIP.

The trip to Armidale has ever been the long-looked-for event of our football year.

Miss Mac., who never fails to farewell us on these occasions, was present with a large box of cakes. We, of compartments 1 and 3 can vouchsafe as to their quality from the fact that no cake left compartment 2. It was rumoured that the gentleman with the chimney ate all those cakes containing cream. It was also noticed that a unique grill was served him at Tamworth.

A night journey always hold pitfalls for the unwary and inexperienced, and a certain member of our party, who has appropriated a name equivalent to "Bootblack," was compelled to travel third class for some distance.

The rowing camp seems to have had such an effect on those who participated as to make its customs indelible; leastways one gathers so from that most exciting and interesting—when you are on the top—game of "pile on," made more exciting by the movements of the train. Lusty throats poured out the latest rowing and jazz songs, amidst which the weary vainly tried to gather glimpses of the realms of sleep. The coolness of the morning was only intensified by the coffee and pies obtained at Werris Creek and Tamworth.

One grand advantage of a swiftly-moving train is the additional impetus it imparts to water and apple cores moving in the direction of the next compartment. Apple cores take no

exception as to whom they hit, and sometimes water chooses to be conveyed in bags.

Though happenings such as these did not prevent the train from reaching Armidale, it is almost positive that they caused it to be an hour late. But once there we were motored to the school, where we renewed old acquaintances and made new ones. After dinner we went down town, where we renewed some more old acquaintances and also made some more new ones.

If you say please, our captain will tell you all about a hoar-frost and an enjoyable stroll of about six miles on Friday night. Late home-comers inconvenienced by the darkness and the absence of matches emitted many unusual threats, noises and sounds among which could be distinguished a melody on a mouth-organ. A notable battle then ensued, being waged with boots, fruit and pillows, while the aggressors fought right nobly with cardboard corner-posts. Though some of these latter weapons were lined with wood, the invaders were finally driven out by a volley of the above-said missiles, leaving a black, curly-haired defender bewailing his bruised shins. Another fortunate person had his bed belaboured when he was standing behind the door, and on another occasion had his life saved only by the assistance of the fanlight.

An armistice was then signed, and they were allowed to enter. With these reinforcements, beds were inverted, lost and spiked with thorns. An amiable person termed "Doughnuts" took a leading part in these procedures.

It is admitted that scarves were necessary during the day, but when the scarfless improvise them for night attire, are they justified in choosing football apparel? To counteract the effect of a white frost on the following morning, the unenterprising revelled beneath hot showers.

A very even, clean match was played that afternoon, and at the tea table Mr. Gibbes and our captain were provided with an opportunity to practise oratory, and each gratefully expressed the sentiments of the whole team.

Any allusions which the casual reader may not understand will, on asking, be explained by the writers.

C.H. and R.F.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION.

The first annual meeting of the Association was held on February 18th. Officers were elected as follows:—President, Rev. H. E. Hulme; Vice-Presidents, Mr. Phillip Moses and Mr. C. E. F. Hughes; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. E. Aiken; Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. R. Golding; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr.

G. L. Gardiner; Committee, Mrs. Pilkington, Mrs. Harrod, Miss E. Rathborne, Mr. C. A. Fairland, Mr. S. M. Butler.

To each parent has been addressed a circular letter urging a larger membership. The School gains strength through a strong Association, therefore as the Association grows stronger so more help it gives to the School. Ordinary meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, 8 p.m., at the School. Membership fee is 1/- per year. Attention is directed to an innovation in Parents and Citizens' Associations, viz., the institution of branch associations. The first branch formed was at Bondi, and meets at Mr. Gardiner's residence, "Coo-ee," 8 Denham Street, Bondi, on the Thursday preceding the meeting of the parent association. A second was formed at Rockdale on June 8, just as the *Record* was going to press. These branch associations were instituted so as to afford easier facilities for larger numbers of well-wishers of the School to link up and thereby become welded into the vital force of a great association.

The Parents and Citizens' Association's article in the last *Record* states its "main aim—the erection of a new building at Moore Park, on the site set apart since 1906." During the last six months much has been accomplished towards this "main aim," and there is now the probable realisation of the promise of 20 years ago. The site at Moore Park was strenuously opposed, the opposition including even the City Council. The Minister of Education (Hon. T. Mutch, M.L.A.) received a deputation, and, despite vigorous opposition, he decided to continue the original proposal and erect the new High School at Moore Park. Plans for this are prepared; they were on view at the last meeting of the Association. It will be a magnificent structure. Tenders are to be called next month. For the boys' sake it is imperative that somebody should hold more than a mere watching brief in this immediate matter of school development and expansion; the Parents and Citizens' Association is trying to do this. Parents can supplement the equipment of the new School and in this way make the education of their boys a brighter and more attractive scheme. (A country High School placed several thousand pounds at the disposal of the Minister.) The Association is arranging for a monster fete at an early date to assist on this financial side.

So far the Old Boys' Union has stood behind the School as it stands a member of the G.P.S. Union. Our thanks are due to the Old Boys, but parents should help their boys more. It was a real pleasure for the Association to make subscriptions to the 1925 Prize Fund, the Sports Union, and particularly to the rowing section of that Union. Hats off to the boys who pulled the School for the second time to the Head of the River!

Head of the River
20/1

THE REPUBLICAN CRICKET TEAM.

(Continued from last issue.)

Having a remarkably good memory for most things (?), I was reminded that I had promised to continue the adventures of that remarkable and illustrious organisation, the Republican Cricket Team.

On the Wednesday following that described in last issue, the R.C.T. was drawn to play the leading team in the competition, viz., 4th Year's representative team, which was as yet unbeaten, and in addition had won every match outright.

When the committee called for volunteers, in the first half-hour, there was a remarkable number of tenders for the game, which on the morning of the fateful day had dwindled to a meagre 8. In addition, the speaker of the committee (Brother R—e) had unavoidably been detained, having an important engagement—the pictures, most likely. But not in the least disheartened, the committee, in conjunction with its eminent President and eminentissimus Vice-President, selected a team which was composed of 10 men, of whom 9 only turned out to play.

At the given hour our opponents assembled and awaited our arrival. About half an hour later we arrived and stripped, or nearly stripped, for action.

As usual, the most formidable opening pair of modern times, opened for the R.C.T. (The President, being a friend of Mr. C—n's, had borrowed his lucky penny for the occasion.)

The bowling was collared before the start, and the President making five, obligingly made way for the colts and ambled away in a direction W.N.W. The Vice., feeling energetic, scored freely, and with the help of the committee and the remaining under-committeemen carried our score to the awe-inspiring total of 68 (*Honi soit qui mal y pense.*)

It was noticed that the R.C.T.'s batting was not as good as the previous week, and that the ardour with which the batsmen attacked the bowling was somewhat lessened. Most of the batsmen displayed more caution than was necessary, and this was supplemented by the score-book showing 29 "one-ers."

Then the premier team of the competition went in to bat. To uphold the traditions, ancient and otherwise, of the R.C.T., the President opened. The opening batsmen were Messrs. J—s and C—k, the former well-known in chatty circles, and the latter a prominent figure in the sportive section of the community. The said Mr. C—k, needing practice for the — XI., had refused to play with the R.C.T. and had consented to vice-captain the other team.

At this juncture two of the masters, Mr. C——y and Mr. J——s, on their weekly tour of inspection, kindly put in an appearance.

The President began to bowl, as is his wont, with a run of nearly fifty yards, and hurled the ball at the wicket in a manner both effective and dangerous to all within a ten-yard sector of his person. Manifestations of delight (?) emanated from the aforesaid teachers at this exhibition of bowling. Then up spake bold O——o to Sir M——s, and thuswise ran the conversation:

"Take that bowler off!"

"He must finish his over."

"Where is the captain?"

"None."

"Where is the vice-captain?"

"None."

"Then who the ——, who is there?"

"President, Vice., and Committee."

"Who is President?"

"The bowler, sir." (Sundry explosions and oaths under the breath.)

"Henceforth let him bowl no more."

The next day we learnt that the R.C.T. had to be disbanded by the orders of the "powers that be."

Well, to make a short story long, the whole of the opposition could only muster 49 runs between them. The R.C.T., returning to the field of battle, quickly ran up the score of 71, which the scorers considered marvellous, hardly crediting their eyes.

Five "ducks" in the total exhibited a marked improvement in the batting.

After letting off steam in a manner well known to most of us, we proceeded to polish off the rest of the opposition—a comparatively easy proposition, as they could only (by all possible means and inventions, and Honours Maths.) raise the total of 53.

Thus ends the "Affair of the Republican Cricket Team," as the chroniclers hath it, and I intend to make no more rash promises in future.

S.E.L.S.

OUR COMMUNISTIC ROWERS.

Behold! The Communistic spirit entered into our midst and the redoubtable sextet banded together under the red flag to revolutionise the law, customs and manners of the newly-formed assembly.

The New Government consisted of the leaders and most enterprising personages of the company, in fact, the élite.

The Most High and Mighty Prince le Curé Hardy, Brother Pud; The Marquis of Glade, Brother Doughnuts; Earl Beth, Brother Mac.; Professor Cigtric, Brother George; Rt. Honourable John de Calypso, Brother Mussles, and Sir Malcolm de Communiste, Brother Dud, were the innovators of the new régime and the most sacred rites of the Festivities of the Communists.

To celebrate the innovation of this most High and Esteemed body, a Bacchanalian feast was held in the dining chambers of the gorgeous and novel palace, Le Château de Beauglêbe.

Preparations for the feast were commenced at an early hour on the seventh morn of the first week of the new régime, and a sacramental pile was erected under the directions of the party, from the timber of the plenteous pine forests in the parks of the château.

With due ceremony the offerings were laid on the pile, and to the accompaniment of a lengthy chant the feast was prepared. Tasty viands were placed on the festive board amidst much enthusiasm. The meal was commenced with much difficulty, as both the manners and implements of attack were not of the most suitable to grace such a board as that of the Communists.

But to revert to reality. In dress suit, shirts and otherwise (?)—mostly otherwise—the party gathered or sat on the festive board, and immediately Brother Y addressed Brother X in most kind and gentle language, requesting him to pass the — beurre or “I’ll knock your silly head off, etc.,” while Brother X relieves Brother A of a dainty morsel to the accompaniment of “What’s mine is yours,” and Brother A gives vent to much fluent language; in fact, he exceeds himself. Brother Y, by means of one “canif,” demands the ????? bread by pigstabbing it, and so obtaining the last dainty morsel about which many hands hover, held in suspense by the marvellous accuracy of Brother Y.

Brother Q ladles out beverages consisting of pine sawdust, sand and Blackwattle Bay water, hot, cold or mixed, as required, guaranteed to stick in one’s throat or poison him five minutes before drinking.

Finally, Brother Z falls loudly on to the nearest sofa, reclining himself—full and content; and with three cheers for the Communists the party resorts to sleep to overcome the effects of “gorging.”

Thus all the party carry on week by week, and all the company look up and revere their leaders, for is not their slogan “Sing or swim,” at 6 o’clock in the morning, just at the break of day, and are not manners taught free of charge, and do they not envy their exalted elders as those who know how to obey?

Thus the new régime held sway over the country, and never has nor will say “Die” until the shed gives up its boats.

G.R.

THOSE "HOWLERS."

Fellow students, as one who has reached his fifth year at the old School, I just wish to offer you a few words of advice: "Don't day-dream in class, especially in French periods." I myself have joined in the laugh against those who have made some slip in translation when abruptly awakened from a blissful reverie. I myself, too, have been in a similar plight and know how it feels. Invariably the translation throws light upon one's private life or personal characteristics, much to the enjoyment of the rest of the class.

I offer the following as examples:

The teacher's attention, on entering the room, was, of course, first attracted by "Scotty Mac's" fiery topnot, especially as the latter was gazing steadfastly into thin air, evidently wandering "Mid the braes and heather." Mac., of course, was thrown into confusion when called upon to translate "*Il se rendit au presbytère*," and naturally gave the first rendering which occurred to his mind: "He gave himself up to the Presbyterian."

Scotch spirit!

On another occasion various sounds more in keeping with a farmyard or a bedroom than a classroom were issuing from the fat boy of the class. His broad face was wreathed in a happy smile; one could imagine the visions of meat pies and jam tarts floating before his contented mind. "Fatty," being awakened with some trouble by the aid of pins, pens and various other sundries, thought that "*Ils sortirent en voiture des grilles de la gare*" meant "They came out of the Railway Grill Rooms in a carriage."

The upkempt, slovenly looking individual naturally rendered "*Victor ne lève plus le nez*" by "Victor no longer washes his nose."

He evidently dimly remembered the last time his own nasal organ had undergone that unique ceremony.

That "sheiky" looking fellow, evidently dreaming of the girl he left behind him, aroused the class to mirth and caused a crimson flush to extend to the roots of his sleekly placed hair when he translated "*Il était cupide lui-même*" by "He was cupid himself."

The class, however, was ordered to proceed with private study when "Flinty," a good Australian, suddenly aroused from a day-dream, triumphantly negotiated the hurdle of that exclamation "*Bédame*" by a singularly choice Australian translation. As good citizens, you can guess the rendering yourself. No prizes!

D.F.J. (5A).

ROWING MEMOIRS.

Important as is the seriousness of the sport itself, the annals of rowing shall always be interspersed with the many incidents of camp life which grey-haired old age can never eradicate from the memory of those who had the pleasure to be among the happy family.

Although they were happy days—days of hard training and of happiness, there were occasions when everything was not quite what it might be. At times the atmosphere was not too hygienic, with the smell from the Council's garbage punt tied up outside, which certainly would not add to the purity of the air. Another peculiarity belonging solely to this shed, and at times causing great inconvenience and unpleasantness, was the result which immediately followed a heavy shower of rain.

The shed, notwithstanding that it is a relic of antiquity which would do justice to any collection, contained many famous articles, most prominent being "Father's bed," which, because of the number of "pile-ups" that it had held without showing any signs of breaking, received the name of the "unbreakable," and upheld that honour till about the last week, when, with twenty-five on it, it came to the same end as the others. Another treasure of note was "Crow's hammock," which had one peculiarity—the moment lights were turned out the supporting ropes would either accidentally or mysteriously snap.

The most memorable incident in the camp was the ceremonial farewell of Fleming. On this occasion oil, grease, and paint were plied freely, and when finished, before he was thrown into the bay, one must admit that, on the whole, he looked rather picturesque. Another happening not less memorable than the preceding one took place when "Pud," while doing his usual run down the pontoon, forgot to stop when he came to the end, and consequently took a neat dive into the water. It recalls to mind the time, a year previous, when "Kennie Dear" gave a somewhat similar performance. Then another event which will remain in the memories of all present for many a long year happened on the night when the bolts were removed from "One Skin's" bed and frail sticks substituted.

One of the usual occurrences at the shed must have appeared very extraordinary to an onlooker. Several members of the eight and the stroke of the first four could always find someone to wave to when leaving or returning to the pontoon.

The boys developed a great appreciation for good music, and consequently quenched their desire on cold mornings by their usual saying "sing or swim." "Caruso," needless to say, always preferred to sing, but the majority had to swim.

The latest fashions were always in vogue among the boys long before Paris even thought of them, for example, the red

hat of Mac's, which has seen three camps and is highly prized by the owner, would at present be in the height of fashion among the feminine sex. Dan developed a fashion of his own by wearing several pairs of socks at a time, while "Stone's" wet weather outfit was quite sensational in its peculiarity.

A communistic party came into being at the hands of the elite of the camp. Their weekly dinners became quite renowned, courses of steak, jam and bread being heartily welcomed. A new code of politeness at the table was used and the meal was a babel of noise sounding, from the distance, as follows: "Pass me the ——!!——? You ——!! Butter ——!! Jam —— You ——! ——! hog. It is as much mine as yours——!!?? Shut up!! The orgy of eating was, as a rule, suddenly interrupted by the combined chorus of "Phew, where's Johnnie W——?" A second communistic party was formed, but proved to be a miserable imitation of the first, for the "s—s" of the shed failed to live up to the high standard set by the original party.

Now the shed is silent, the water ripples where once it was churned by the paddles of the school eight. A void remains which can only be filled in future years by those who are expected to uphold the traditions of their predecessors.

"Doughnuts."

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Mr. Editor,—

Although we are hoping for improvements in every section of school life when the new school is erected, yet I think that it is already high time that library arrangements were changed throughout the school. Apart from the School Library, which is almost entirely a fiction library, there is only the Coates Memorial. This caters only for English and History students. What of the other subjects? Why not a library for them too? At the present time any advanced information has always to be delved for, "down town." Of course, I realise that the institution of such a library would not wholly eliminate such necessary seeking, but it would be of immense benefit and would partly do so. Hoping to see some efforts in this direction,

I am, etc.,

"INQUIRER."

EDITOR'S NOTES TO CONTRIBUTORS.

As usual, failure on the part of contributors to commence early has resulted in a failure to produce articles at all. Of course, this issue, on account of the amount of sporting material and the limited space, is devoted almost entirely to sport. Still, there should have been much more literary work.

A school paper should be a mirror of school life in general—school life represented in all its phases. There are phases of seriousness which should be dealt with seriously. We all have ideas or thoughts of our own in literature—write of them.

Then there is a place for levity and humour—but not too much on the same lines, please.

The articles, as a whole, should be bright, attractive, interesting, and expressed in a literary way. No Third Class compositions, by request.

Class notes sent in for this issue were deplorable. In some cases they were *not* class notes, but individual jottings. Attempts should be made by each member of the class, and these then should be combined and "boiled down." If a higher standard cannot be attained for the December issue, class notes will have to be cut out altogether.

They should be written in a rather light vein, and in addition be a résumé of class activities, but *not* a medium for insulting remarks, either to persons or to other classes.

2A's and 4th Year's were the only notes worthy of recognition, but these have been held over.

Some classes even omitted to send any in at all. Brilliant!

More poetry is needed. This form is an outlet for various humorous incidents which could not be dealt with adequately in prose.

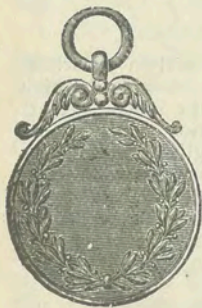
Sport cannot be neglected, however, for the paper serves as a condensed report of all school activities.

Contributors are requested to begin early for the December issue and remember that the *Record* is a school paper and *not* an Editors' paper.

"John Bunion," 4th Year.—"The Pilgrim's Progress" shows hardly enough knowledge of Bunyan's style. In articles of this kind, the similarity must be very marked. Cf. article in last issue in imitation of Malory. Try again.

W. Hingee, 2A.—The "No Surrender" rather too long and exaggerated for this paper. "The Treasure of San Remo" takes precedence on account of length. Well written, nevertheless.

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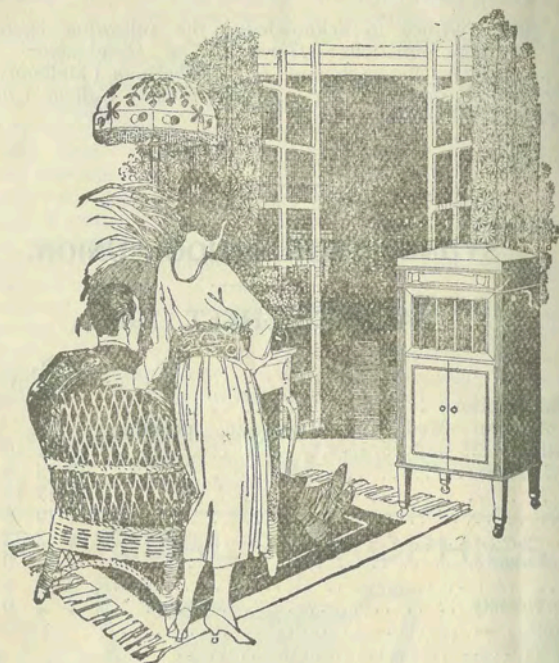
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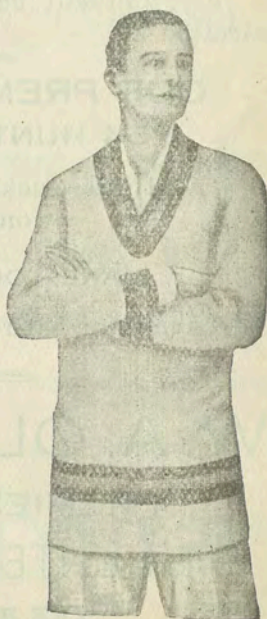
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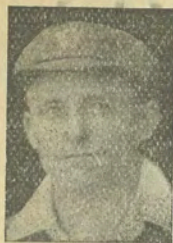
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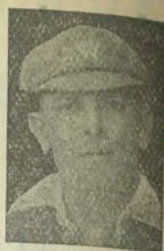
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