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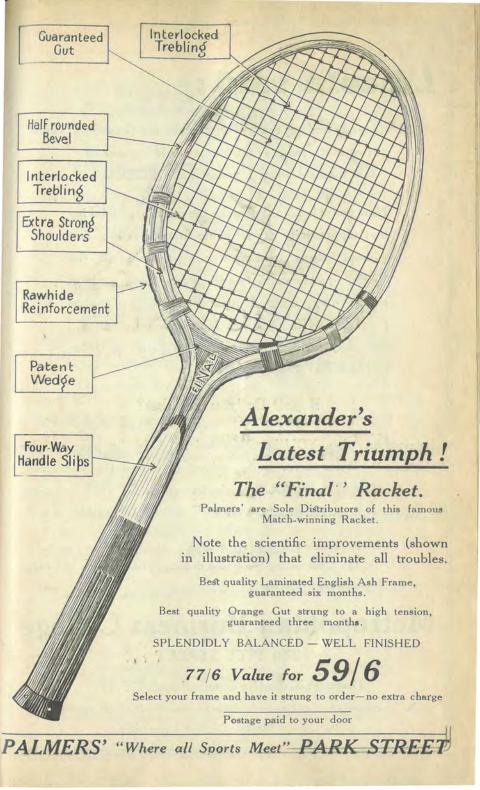
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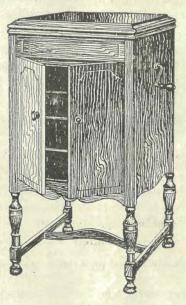
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EDITORIAL

To think well and to write well we must read widely. The fiction of the ancients is but little read to-day; yet it presents a wide field for learning and enjoyment. This fiction we shall briefly discuss here, and, if by reading this slight article, some one's interest in this corner of the world's literature is aroused, we shall feel that we have been well repaid.

All forms of creative literature first appear in verse: at Athens the drama is the vehicle. But if we except Homer, as being history, it is not until many years after Euripides that the narrative poem appears. The short verse tale is an Alexandrine creation, the best known specimen in Greek being the Argonautica of Appollonius Rhodius. Ovid, who was much read after the Renaissance, brought this short story writing in verse to perfection.

Greek prose fiction is to-day out of favour; to the average student the Greek is too late to repay over much study; to the reader accustomed to the master creations of modern novelists these romances seem crude and uninviting. But these same romances are the forerunners of the novel, and they throw no dim light upon the contemporary Grecian culture. The civilisation of the Greeks was purely national and wholly self-contained; yet it has been one of the greatest influences upon modern culture. The educated Greek rarely spoke any language but his own, and had a contemptuous disregard for anything not purely Greek, which he stigmatised as "barbarian." But in the novel the rule was broken, and we find oriental ideas expressed in Greek idiom and in the light of Greek thought.

The earliest prose romances are apparently not earlier than the first century B.C. They were probably pastorals, dealing with conventional themes such as had been treated by the pastoral poets. The plot is merely a succession of incidents, the characterization hopelessly weak, but the description uniformly good. Daphnis and Chloe (the story of two foundlings, brought up by shepherds, who fall in love with each other, and, after a series of adventures discover their true parentage and wed), is a typical Greek pastoral novel. These characteristics are perfectly natural considering the origin of the work.

Much of the same type are romances such as the Clitophon and Leucippe of Achilles Tatius, in which may be traced some resemblance to the picaresque novel.

The Love Romances of Parthenius (circa 50 A.D.), a series of short prose sketches, now generally regarded as notes of material for poems, and the Ninus fragments, are interesting as similar types of Greek prose fiction.

The most interesting and important of all the classical fiction we have is the Satyricon of Petronius. In its present state it is only a fragment (about one-eighth) of the complete work, but, despite the frequent lacunae, the symmetry and elegance of the whole are still apparent. The purpose and the origin of the tale are alike unimportant and obscure-some suppose it to be a satire on the Court of Nero, and trace it from the Menippean Satire, with its mixture of prose and verse. In reality it is a true adventure novel, and, even in its present state of mutilation, by no means formless. The unity depends on the same leading characters passing through a series of incidents (as in Smollett's novels). Where the state of the text allows us to judge, these incidents grow naturally out of each other. Prose and verse are mingled, but not indiscriminately, for Eumolpus is a poet quoting his own verses. The canvas must have been immense; the characters are varied and brilliantly drawn, especially in the cases of Trimalchio and Eumolpus. There may be exaggeration, but Petromius' exaggeration is far less objectionable than the overcharged caricature of Dickens. The dialogue is plentifully used and is excellent. The actors speak in character; some use colloquial Latin, others a mixture of bad Latin and worse Greek. while others again speak quite elegantly. The humour is marked; Trimalchio's dinner (a scene from which Smollet borrowed in Peregrine Pickle) is a good example.

About 100 A.D. we have Apuleius' Golden Ass. The work is merely a succession of short stories, any of which may be read independently, although to some extent it is an adventure novel. These stories are only connected by the

fact that Lucius is concerned in them. The tales are brilliantly told—so much so that Boccaccio transcribed some of them almost word for word. The characterisation is slight, and the dialogue, though fair in quality, is scanty. Apuleius called his book "A Milesian Tale," and these short stories were popular under the Eastern Empire, much later.

Petronius is of real importance to English literature, for he influenced Fielding, in Joseph Andrews, Smollett, especially in Peregrine Pickle; Swift; and indirectly Dickens. All these writers were more or less Satirists. Apuleius is more of an indirect influence; but he inspired Boccaccio who retold several of his stories in the "Decameron," and Anatole France, in the "Well of St. Clare."

THE NEW SCHOOL.

All well-conducted businesses take stock annually, while a removal of the business premises to a new building and site gives further opportunity for a thorough investigation. The possibilities of the new premises are considered from every angle, and plans are prepared to exploit the new opportunities to the fullest extent.

As education is the greatest of all businesses, and as Sydney High is about to remove to a new building and site, it is opportune to consider the possibilities offered by the removal, so that the school may be prepared to take the fullest advantage of its great opportunity.

The first great advantage is offered by the change of locality. The school will be a home school for the greater number of its pupils, while those who come from other centres will be but little inconvenienced by any differences in daily travel. Further, instead of the dirt, noise and restricted area with all the other disabilities consequent on an industrial city site, there will be the cleanliness, quiet and spaciousness of the new location, with the open park in front. Gone will be the days when the teacher's voice has been drowned by the endless rat-tat-tat-a-tat-tat . . . of the electric hammers, and the rumble and rattle of the passing street lorries.

The second great advantage will be in the buildings themselves. Their very attractiveness will be a stimulus to a loyal pride, and no boy will be a blot on the picture by presenting himself with dirty boots or unbrushed clothes. Each class will have sole possession of its own classroom, and will have that pride in

its care and preservation which ownership encourages. Provision is made for all modern educational activities. The physics and chemistry laboratories with two specially equipped demonstration rooms will provide a satisfactory science department, in which owing to the interest and generosity of the school Parents and Citizens' Association, there will be additional science equipment to the value of £100. On the first floor, immediately above the staff room, is the library, which is suitably furnished, and is fitted with specially designed continuous wall bookcases. In its inspiring atmosphere of intellectual adventure, it is anticipated that much original work will be done. The "piece de resistance" of the block of buildings is the school hall. Here the imagination can run riot, here the moving picture of the school's life will he screened as the years roll by. Here the school will unite in as-sembly for its social, artistic and public functions. Here the school heart beats, a school spirit will be created and fostered. The gymnasium next attracts our attention, a separate building of special interest to boys. Its architecture is in harmony with the general excellent scheme, while much attention has evidently been given to make it right up-to-date for its purpose. In view of the proposed extension of the present free period activities. a workshop and darkroom are incorporated in the gymnasium.

This description of the new school buildings surely suggests great possibilities in the change over. Such an environment and atmosphere should banish for ever such evil spirits as idleness, inattention, school slackness and neglect of home-work.

The Sydney Boys' High School will be, therefore, without doubt, as far as its buildings are concerned, the most modern and best equipped of the State Schools. This being so, on the material side, the removal from Mary Ann Street, Ultimo to Anzac Parade, Moore Park, gives the occasion to take stock on the academic and moral side, in order that any old bad habits acquired by reason of bad conditions—or otherwise—may be ticketed for the incinerator, while all the traditions of good, honest work and fair, gritty play may be carried over withou loss, and not only without loss, but rather with gain by the determination of the newer generations to enhance the reputation of "High" in the favourable environment of the new school.

"Floreat Schola."

The Headmaster

SCHOOL NOTES.

Fate dealt a hard blow to us this year, in the sad death of Mr. Wright, which occasioned great sorrow throughout the school. Many have sent their expressions of regret notably Messrs. J. H. Smairl, J. Waterhouse, and C. Prescott (headmaster of Newington), as well as the various branches of the Parents and Citizens' Association. To these we return our thanks for their kindness.

To our candidates for the Intermediate and Leaving Examinations, we proffer our best wishes for their success, and take this opportunity of saying farewell to those who are leaving this year.

Our success in football showed a marked improvement this season, especially in the C.H.S. competition, in which our 1st, 2nd and 3rd fifteens were premiers.

In the G.P.S. competition the same measure of success was not gained, but the school lived up to its reputation of making "the struggle keen and fast," and our seconds deserved their wins over Scots' College and Riverview. The thirds also played well.

Our congratulations are due to Ron. Mainwaring, for his excellent captaincy and plucky play in the 1st XV., and to Les. Hepper, who represented the School in the G.P.S. 1st XV.

Much of our success in football is the direct result of the work of Messrs. Perkins, Hallet, and Byrne, who were unceasing in their efforts to improve both the individual and team play. We extend to them our cordial thanks.

Under the capable organisation of Mr. Eddy, the cricket teams were soon in full swing, and Bailey (capt.), Morgan, Starr, Hepper, Clubb and Wines have our hearty congratulation.

The annual school athletic meeting was held at Sydney Cricket Ground on the 26th August. It was not an ideal day, but the meeting was a decided success.

H. Street and H. Wines tied for the Senior Cup, with 10 points each, while the Junior Cup was annexed by G. Walker.

Our sympathies are extended to J. Still, who had an injured ankle.

The Under 14 Cup was won by A. Blake, with Hyman a close second.

In the G.P.S. athletic meeting our congratulations are due to the King's School, who won the Senior, and the Scots' College, who annexed the Junior Cup.

We must also pay tribute to that fine athlete, J. Carlton, of St. Joseph's, who established new records in the 100 yards, 220, and 440, besides being second in the broad jump.

Of our own school, Moses ran very well, and gained all our points in the senior division.

Our juniors were more successful, and gained us second place to Scots'. We must congratulate J. Still, who made a new record of 10 3-5 seconds for the 100 yards, and missed breaking the 220 yards' record by 1-5 second. His time was 24.

Our congratulations are also due to G. Walker, 2nd in the junior 880, and Hyman, who ran well in the Under 14 events.

Tennis is becoming increasingly popular, and the players show great keenness. Still, more are yet required. Our thanks are due to Mr. Jones, the organiser for tennis.

Much interest has always been shown in rifles and rifle shooting, and this time we must congratulate Clayton (captain of Rifle Shooting Club) who gained the School Cup. The season has not been as successful as we could wish, but the team were runners-up in the Merris match, in which 40 teams competed.

Latterly two trips have been conducted to Armidale and Canberra, respectively, under the guidance of Mr. Byrne. We are in receipt of a letter of thanks from the Granite Town Progress Association for a contribution donated by the boys while camping there.

Armistice Day was celebrated in the usual manner this year. Mr. Drummond, Minister for Education, gave an address on the League of Nations, which aroused great interest among the boys.

September 9th-16th was Australian Authors' Week, the objective being to make more popular the works of Australian writers. An exhibition was given in the Turner Hall with daily lectures, and this was enhanced by the display of original MSS.

That Australian authors deserve this help is seen by the fact that, in the quatrain section of the Shakespeare Verse Competition, organised by the Poetry Society Incorporated, which attracted world-wide contributions, Mr. J. H. Smairl gained second place.

The boys of Sydney High School should take an especial interest in this, as Mr. Smairl was formerly a master of this school.

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We are now entering on our holidays, and wish that all may enjoy them.

We extend a welcome to the Hon. D. M. Smith, M.A., M.L.C., who has just joined our English staff. Mr. Smith comes from Goulburn High School, and we welcome him to "High."

The Prefects have inaugurated a movement to suitably commemorate the School's debt to the late Mr. Wright, and have already collected a sum of money. The nature of the memorial will be determined later.

The School Union is giving consideration to the question of the School Badge, and has practically finalised its deliberations, which will result in the selection of a particularly suitable and beautiful badge. This will be finalised early next year, when the new badge will be available to students.

The school library is at present undergoing renewal. Several new books have been received, and the present stock is being checked. The Coates library is much used by 4th year students. The modern languages library was started a few months ago by Mr. Perkins; it contains some 200 volumes already.

AWARD OF BLUES, 1927.

The following Blues have been awarded:-

Rowing: A. Watts, G. Walker, L. Hepper, E. Fielder, D. Duffy, R. Cook, C. Rubie, D. Robinson, A. McKibbin.

Cricket: N. Bailey, A. Clubb, H. Wines.

Football: R. Mainwaring, H. Wines, L. Hepper, J. Robinson, C. Rubie, J .Huxtable.

Athletics: B. Moses.

Rifle Shooting: A. .E. Clayton.

IT IS TO LAUGH (Sonnet) .

O hark! Incarnate sprite of bitter Jest, And ye, ye clefts of smoke-palled Acheron From ledge to crashing ledge withouten rest, The hellish peal reverberate for aye; and on, Into the horrid Void. O but to laugh As blind Maeonides of old did feign. The drinking Heroes roaring mock'd the staff And rags of that Avenger come from o'er the main. How many saints and sages have beheld

Their aim, their all, lie shattered, and have wept!

To me this solace is denied; 'twould weld

Full close the chains, now loosed, around my heart that crept. So I who all my days did nothing great,

With laughter soar my bitter soul to sate.

"ZU-DAMON," 5th Year.

THE UNIVERSITY EXHIBITION.

Friday, September 9th, was the occasion of the visit of a number of S.H.S. boys to the University Exhibition, that being "Schools' Day" of University Week. During this week the University grounds and buildings were thrown open to all interested to see them, and demonstrations and lectures were arranged for in all departments so that the public might see the University in working condition, and many availed themselves of the privilege of a glimpse into this seat of learning. Young and old, men and women, boys and girls from almost all classes of the community hurried from one exhibit to the next, eagerly seeking for yet another indication of what may be learnt in the great fields of knowledge.

The most interesting building was no doubt the great hall, whose "dim, religious light" quelled even the most turbulent spirits to awed contemplation. Finished as long ago as 1859, it is a very beautiful example of Gothic architecture, built of sandstone, with doors and ceiling of cedar. The beautifully carved angels decorating the arches of the roof and holding open books or scrolls were specially pointed out as founts of inspiration to needy students in December examinations. Some present had an uneasy feeling that they might be in need of such inspiration some day. The eastern and the western windows are specially beautiful, the former representing the founders of the colleges at the University of Cambridge, among whom Henry VIII. is easily discerned, and the latter those of Oxford, with Cardinal Wolsey conspicuously placed in the lower row. To the right of the dais is another large window which gives excellent portraits of the Kings and Queens of England from William the Conqueror to Queen Victoria; and high up in the side walls are still more richly coloured windows, but smaller, containing portraits of celebrities in Science, Art and Literature, calling to mind such names as Bede, Roger Bacon, Chaucer, Sir Thomas More, Milton, Pope, Burke and Sir Isaac Newton. Hung round the walls there are also fine portraits in oils of professors and those who have done signal service to the University. A fine piece of tapestry representing Joseph and his brethren also lends grace and dignity to the hall.

The building next in interest is perhaps the Fisher Library, also Gothic in style, with a lofty arched cedar roof and cedar panelling. The exterior carvings here are particularly rich, and gargoyles and grotesques glower and gibber from every possible corner and crevice. Two small purple windows set high up in the western wall were particularly noticed for the beautiful effect they produced. Very few books are to be seen from the Reading Room, these, 170,000 volumes in all, are kept in a fireproof stack seven storeys high, whose floors are of thick plate glass, whose fittings are of steel, and which is lighted and ventilated by electricity. A very fine exhibit was laid out here on the tables showing examples of ancient manuscripts written on goat skin, and early printed books; there were also publications illustrating the early history of Australia, and many art books.

The Nicholson Museum, situated under the Fisher Library, was very interesting too, containing many examples of Egyption sculpture, Etruscan and Roman lamps, and household utensils, and casts of many of the great Greek sculptures. It also contains specimens of Egyptian mummies and mummy wrappings, beads, coffins and a hundred other things interesting to the student of the past.

The Medical School was, of course, especially alluring to any with ambitions in that direction, and it is strange to remember that this large and flourishing school began its existence with four students. The dissecting-room, with its grisly trophies, was a veritable Mecca to many of the visitors. Skeletons, brains and lungs delighted the hearts and fired the imaginations of as yet unrevealed Harveys and Hunters. In other departments the analysis of milk and processes for making pills, plasters and emulsions were demonstrated.

The Engineering School was another field for hopeful investigators. Here were seen examples of students' work in engineering design and drawing, models of machines, and steam and petrol engines large and small, which are used for instruction purposes. There were also demonstrated a boiler plant and steam and electrically driven pumps.

In the Science Schools exhibits had been carefully prepared also. Flowers and ferns abounded in the Botany School, and interesting experiments had been set up in the Department of Chemistry. In the Geography School were exhibits ranging from models of the Pacific floor and Mt. Kosciusko to students' surveying apparatus and aboriginal weapons of our own land. In the Zoology School were insects and animals innumerable, and in the Geology School were seen minerals used in wireless and samples of marbles, granites, and other building stones. In the Physics Department the large X-ray machine and the demonstration of our artificial mirage were perhaps most understandable and interesting.

To those who had time to see them the Veterinary Science and Agriculture Schools showed much of interest also. The Veterinary Surgery and Hospital revealed the latest of modern methods, and the samples of wool and grain and the modes of identifying and treating insect pests and plant diseases brought home to the onlooker the importance of this, one of Australia's great primary industries.

Finally in the Architecture School were seen wonderfully detailed plans of University buildings and carefully executed student dreams of two halls and cathedrals in a "may-be" city of the future.

B.P.W.

THE "CULTURE" PERIOD.

For half an hour before lunch every Thursday morning it is the custom of the school to "cult." By "cult" we mean the enjoyment of a certain free period set aside for various forms of instruction, the original inventor of the activity probably having in mind the well-known quotation from Carlyle: "An educated man should know something of everything, and everything of something."

These culture period activities consist of numerous and widely varying sections, each section being presided over by a master, and the whole moving under the management of Mr. Harrison, Master of English.

At the beginning of the year each pupil was required to determine on his choice of a section, and, these choices being submitted to authority, no one was permitted an alternation except by special request, and then not always.

Dealing with the activities in order of their popularity among the pupils, we must begin with that known as "Popular Science," which consists of probably half the school, and is presided over by the Master of Science, Mr. Willmott. The main object of this section is to offer information on all manner of subjects, preferably those connected with any of the Sciences, to sustain incidently a large degree of interest, and thus to provide mental relaxation from the strain of constant study. There is, as may be expected-although it is difficult to understand why this is always the case—a "fly in the ointment," for, after unsuspecting pupils have joined up with the section, having ever before their eyes a vision fabricated by the last phrase in the above-quoted object of this section, they are to their horror and consternation called upon, in turn, to supply the means for the first.

However, the activity is doubtless of the highest value, for every member, no matter how lightly he may regard it, acquires—subconsciously and otherwise innumerable facts on still more innumerable subjects, and. I believe that, of all present activities in the school, the "Popular Science" is the one which affords by far the greatest means for proceeding further towards that far distant ideal of Carlyle's.

Nevertheless there are many pupils who have entered the various other sections; many budding politicians participate in the debating activities, under Mr. Byrne; other future photographers and wireless experts (?) in the sections set aside for their benefit, while in the French section under Mr. Perkins, and the dramatic section presided over by Mr. Peake, we have many enthusiasts.

Of these activities I think the most favoured is the wireless section, wherein all concerned enjoy relating their experiences of the preceding week to their credulous fellowmembers between the times in which they are instructed more deeply in the intricacies of the theory of radio.

The movements in the photographic section are analogous to those of the wireless section, except, perhaps, that instead of discussing the "wonders of wireless" and how they "got America" the night before "on two," the enthusiastic members are wont to speak of such things as the "snapping" of objects, and then of their being "developed" and "fixed."

The French section also must not be overlooked. In this activity, under the direction of the Modern Language Master, Mr. Perkins, those students who are in such an unfortunate—or fortunate—position as to consider that six periods a week are insufficient to supply them with the vast amount of knowledge that they feel competent to absorb, engage in discussions, debates, and lecturettes in French, which, doubtless, greatly increases their knowledge of that language.

Sometimes we are compelled to forego the privileges of our culture periods, but only to assemble together in the Hall for a half hour's enjoyment of a most interesting and instructive nature. On several occasions during the year lecturers from the Sydney Museum addressed us on various subjects, with the added novelty of lantern slides to illustrate. On all of these occasions the pupils have shown the greatest appreciation of the lecture both by the undivided attention and their hearty applause.

The lectures include such subjects as "Snakes and Snakebite," "Australian Aborigines," "A Naturalist on the Nepean," which are calculated to create an interest in Australian nature, and to the lecturers—Messrs. Tremaine, Thorpe, Musgrave, Hodge-Smith, Boardman, and Iredale, the school owes a hearty vote of thanks.

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"SCHOLIANA."

Were old boys of 20 years ago to revisit this school, they would scarcely recognise it—so many have the changes been—changes in numbers, in staff, in organisation, in general appearance, both internal and external. Its aim has alone remained constant.

In those days the enrolment was under 200—to-day it touches 500. The staff, which then consisted of eight, is now twenty-three. The accommodation in those days was adequate, the conditions pleasant; to-day it is inadequate, the conditions unpleasant. It is a consoling thought, however, that this latter disability will not last much longer.

The entrance standard was higher then than now. Most of the boys came equipped with some knowledge of the different branches of Maths., and some knowledge of Latin and French. The junior was taken after two years—the senior two years after that—provided the mental capacity was normal.

There was no Science lab. in the school grounds, so that boys were marched to the Tech. College Science rooms. Our present science buildings came much later.

The school grounds opened in the south-west side to Jones Street, and on the site of the present science building stood what was known as the "weather shed"—so called, on the principle of "lucus a non lucendo," because it allowed all sorts of weather to pass freely through it. Between this shed and the fence, out of sight of the school building, was a space of almost 10 feet in width. As the surface of this secluded area consisted of dust from 6 to 8 inches thick, it formed an ideal spot for the settlement of those disputes, which, as everyone knows, occur in all well regulated schools. There, surrounded by an admiring and enthusiastic cordon of supporters, many bloody battles were fought, as was frequently evidenced from the dilapidated and dishevelled appearance of the principals, at bell-time.

In the football season, in the dinner hour, Jones St. was often the scene of the most titanic struggles, between the boys on the one part, and the apprentices from the iron foundry on the other.

All traffic, for at least a mile, was suspended, the street was a living maelstrom of struggling humanity. The apprentices were the more hefty, but our fellows the more numerous. So the contests were not altogether unequal. Strange, the fascination which the sight of a football has for youth —somewhat akin to the effect of the scent of battle on Job's war horse.

It must be said that the encounters, although strenuous and willing, were in a friendly spirit, with an entire absence of ill-feeling (Ed.—We are not responsible for the accuracy of this statement).....

But I fear that I have been led away from my original intention, with regard to the nature of this article, into a wearisome and ill-assembled mass of more or less historical facts. For which transgression please be assured, that I have, in realisation, at once donned the "winter" garment of repentance." And now let us abandon sad old Il Penseroso and join hands with sprightlier l'Allegro.

The Flying Pies.

There was once a man known as the Flying Pieman. He had his name from the fact that he could walk 100 miles in 5 minutes, or 5 miles in 100 minutes, I forget which. Now this story deals with the remarkable speed with which about 100 pies disappeared in 5 minutes, or thereabouts.

A pieman asked for, and received, permission to sell his wares in the school grounds. In the weather shed he arranged a long bench, on which his stock was exposed for sale. He had only one assistant. This fact is important.

Now hot pies exert a powerful influence on the youthful human appetite. The demand was immediate and universal. The vendors found great difficulty in coping with the rush of customers. The goods were disposed of in more ways than one—in record time. But alas! When the receipts came to be estimated, a great discrepancy was discovered. The number of pies sold did not correspond to the number of pennies in the till. Many theories, more or less specious, were advanced to explain this phenomenon, but none seemed satisfactory. After much consultation between the proprietor and his assistant, it was decided that the business shou'd close down. When this was announced, a deep gloom seemed to settle on the pie-eaters. It was a nasty blow.

Of course, such an event as the above could never occur in these times—but then, those rough fellows of the past must not be compared with the nice young gentlemen of the present.

The School V. Bacchus.

After much thought, I have selected the above as the title for a memorable incident in our school history—an incident which brings out, strongly and clearly, the innate courage possessed by our boys. I should, perhaps, preface my story by stating that Bacchus himself was not engaged in the conflict, but was represented by his worshippers.

One fine day, a gentleman with vine leaves thickly strewn throughout his hair, walked with hesitating step past the school gate.

Some passing thought of his own innocent youth must have crossed his mind when he saw our own dear young innocents, for he stopped, and began to address—somewhat incoherently—a little band near the fence. Something in his speech must have hurt the sensitive feelings of our dear boys—an argument arose. They began "verba dare," as Caesar would say.

Further remarks of the enemies within the gates seemed to exasperate the enemy without the gates to such an extent, that he felt the time for words had passed, and the time for action had arrived. He stooped to the ground, ruthlessly tore up a tuft of grass from the edge of our sacred garden, a tuft, I say, to which about 1 lb. (avoirdupois) of our virgin earth was attached, and hurled it with surprising vigour and accuracy towards the aforesaid enemy within the gates.

It happened, at the critical moment, that one of the masters, a man most conscientious in the execution of his playground duty—as indeed all High School masters are seeing the trouble, was advancing at the double towards the opposing forces. Happened then a sad event. The missile, hurled with deadly aim, struck the unfortunate master, where the boy, "straight up from Clare," struck the French master, that is to say, between the eyes.

Now only one who has had the misfortune to be struck between the eyes with a lump of earth—our virgin soil weighing about 1 lb. avoirdupois, can truly appreciate the feelings thereby engendered—the effect of the blow was startling. For one, who was—if I may coin the phrase—"the scion of a warlike stock," this was too much; no, rather, it was enough. Seizing the spent missile, he returned it with great violence and accuracy.

Now boys are the most loyal creatures to those whom they love, i.e., their masters. Did they stand by and see their loved master being ill-treated??? Not one instant! The unprovoked assault was the signal for a general engagement—the whole line will advance! The air was thick with grass and flying earth. Our beautiful garden, as flourishing even then, as it is now, which hedges round the sombrecoloured, yet beautifully level asphalt with verdant beauty, suffered considerably. So did the disciple of Bacchus, and, realising that the opposing force was too strong, he meandered, moodily muttering, toward the shrine of his master, situated some little distance down the street. It was rather one-sided—but it was a glorious victory.

Mysterious Disappearance of a German Class.

To have to narrate this mournful tale is painful indeed. I hope my readers will bear with me, and perhaps, it may be, weep with me.

The German class consisted of as fine, strapping fellows as one could see in a day's walk, aye, in many days' walk (of course the density of the population must be allowed for). Full of spirits (not the bottled variety) and eager to acquire a mastery over the glorious and gutteral language of the Fatherland. They were only few in number, but what was lacking in quantity, was made up in quality.

One fine day, the German master arrived downstairs, with the disconcerting news that his class had not arrived in their room. As it was already late, this was serious. He was told to go up again (like the bold Sir Bevidere) and see what he would see. He reported a second time that he saw nothing or, as he put it, "noddings." Matters were looking worse. The Headmaster determined to look into the affair himself. Behold, then, the two, H.M. and G.M., marching up the stairs to sift this dreadful matter to the bottom. They arrived in the room, looked carefully around—nothing. Waited some little time—nothing. But, yes—a slight scratching in the ceiling—but that was the rats, which were known to strew the building far and wide, like the fragments of Casabianca's ship strewed the ocean. The class had disappeared.

The building and curtilage thereof were searched, but with no success. Various explanations were put forth, but none seemed satisfying. But why prolong the harrowing tale? These noble young fellows had disappeared forever.

(Some misunderstanding may arise with regard of the connotation of the word "forever." In this instance the meaning is limited to the German period.—Editor).

Now the Headmaster—a man of a very suspicious nature—thought fit to again visit the scene. Whilst gazing sadly into the room, something occurred—mystic, wonderful.

The board which covered the man-hole in the ceiling, moved slowly until the man-hole was disclosed—a pair of dust-covered boots appeared, followed by a pair of ditto legs, then a ditto body, followed by a ditto ditto head. This miracle was repeated five successive times, and lo! the solution of the mystery—the missing five stood revealed before the astonished eyes of the H.M.

The faithful fellows were marched down to the office single file—there to receive their well-merited reward.

It is held by some learned commentators that this incident is the origin of the Latin proverb, "Ruat coelum, fiat iustitia," which, as every third-year boy knows, signifies. "When noises occur in the ceiling, punishment follows."

MICHAELMAS VACATION.

Canberra—Duntroon—Moruya—Granite City, Bateman's Bay—Nowra.

During Michaelmas holidays a party of 30 boys from 1st and 2nd years spent an enjoyable and instructive six days in travelling by motor bus about 550 miles—calling at the various places mentioned above. The main objective was Canberra, via Main South road, to be in time for the historic opening of the first business session of Federal Parliament, in their own beautiful building. Then followed a cross-country trip to Moruya for an instructive and highly interesting visit to Messrs. Dorman Long's Sydney Harbour bridge quarry—and then three days fun on the return coast trip to Sydney.

The party, in the charge of Mr. J. K. Byrne, left Central Railway at 7.15 a.m., on Tuesday, 25th September last, proposing to reach Queanbeyan about 8 p.m. But "the best laid plans of mice and men gang aft agley," and at Liverpool engine trouble arose, causing a delay of over two hours. The defect having been partially rectified, progress was slow, and it was not till the wee small hours that Queanbeyan Public Schoo! was reached.

Thanks to the courtesy of the Department of Public Instruction, the teacher (Mr. Ridley) was prepared for the arrival of the boys, who were soon asleep, tucked in their blankets in one of the class-rooms.

Despite the late turn-in, all were up early on 28th (Wednesday), getting breakfast ready, and preparing for a good day at Canberra, which was reached at 9 a.m. A visit was paid to the office of the Federal Capital Commission, where Sir John Butters, in charge of the Commission, was met. An official of the Commission's educational staff joined us here to point out the various places of interest. The party then traversed the capital site on a visit to the Duntroon Military College, previously arranged through the Department of Defence. The morning was spent in a very interesting inspection of the College, guns, &c., at this vital unit in the defence of Australia, and in visiting historical points, as the old homesteads at Duntroon and Yarralumla (Government House), where His Excellency the Governor-General had just arrived that morning for the opening of Parliament.

After lunch, near Yarralumla, the party arrived at Parliament House for an introduction to Federal Parliamentary procedure on the historic occasion of the first business session at Canberra.

Owing to the presence of visitors from all parts of Australia and the limited accommodation in both the Senate and the House of Representatives, the party was lucky in having enlisted the kindly offices of the Right Honorable W. M. Hughes, P.C., M.H.R. That gentleman took a keen personal interest in the lads' desire to get a first-hand knowledge of the governing body of their country.

Through an introduction by Mr. Hughes to the Speaker, Hon. Littleton-Groom, the Usher of the Black Rod assigned the lads front seats in one of the galleries in the Senate for the opening ceremony in that chamber. The scheme of colouring of seats, &c—even to the blotting paper—(red as in the House of Lords), at once caught the eyes of the lads, who were soon interested in the procedure of opening the session, introduction to new members, &c.

Owing to the recent decease of a Senator, the proceedings were rather short, and then the lads were met by Mr. Hughes, who personally introduced them into the Press gallery in the House of Representatives, just in time to listen to what had been anticipated before leaving Sydney, viz., the delivery of the Budget speech, by the Treasurer (Dr. Earle Page).

In their history study they had gained a knowledge of the vital importance of this speech, and were further interested in seeing all the notabilities of Parliament, including the Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce), who just preceded Dr. Page with a formal motion.

As the lads had experienced a long first day, followed by an early rising and a full forenoon's tour of inspection, a long stay was not made in the House of Representatives before a return to Queanbeyan School for a night's wellearned rest—lights going out at 8 p.m.

An early start was made on Thursday morning, through Bungendore and Braidwood for Moruya, and, despite the rain, the glorious scenery passed through quite stirred the enthusiasm of the lads, who were also keenly interested in the historic old-time gold fields of Araluen Valley—the scenes bringing home to them the pictures painted in Lawson's "Roaring Days."

Passing through Moruya to Granite City (the site of Dorman Long's Harbour bridge quarry), the lads found good camping quarters in a new hall kindly lent by the local Progress Association.

As the lads had inspected North Shore Bridge on the Saturday prior to their departure from Sydney, they appreciated a visit next morning to the splendidly equipped quarry whence all the granite (admitted even by the Aberdeen Scots, who are the chief hewers, to have no equal) for the harbour bridge is obtained, as is also all the concrete.

The lads were shown over the works by Mr. Morrison, of the firm's local office, and were much impressed by the methodical handling of the stone—from the blasting out at the face of the quarry through the different sheds and sets of workmen, till the original rough block was finished to a nicety and duly numbered for its exact position as to row and place in that row in each assigned pier in Sydney being then put on board the company's steamer alongside the quarry.

The lads were agreeably surprised to be welcomed at the quarry by a shout of our school motto from an old High boy who seems to be doing well in the company's office.

Leaving Granite City, Bateman's Bay was reached about noon on Friday, where the Fisheries Department had made available two launches, under Inspector Maloney, for a fishing expedition. Heavy rain delayed starting, but each of the party experienced a lad's delight in having a line down, and great was the delight when one fair-sized flathead came aboard almost as soon as lines were in. Perhaps the sad fate of that fish was warning to others, as, although several experienced fishers met with success when they could find room to get their lines out, there was no fear of a glut next day in Sydney Fish Markets, if it had depended on the party's efforts.



The party on tour, with Mr. J. Byrnes in charge. 25

Friday night will long be spoken of by the lads, as a party of local Scouts and Cubs under the Scoutmaster, kindly turned up at the camping hall, to provide some amusement, and the fun waxed fast and furious, with games, chiefly boxing—a particularly good "go" being that between the local champion and Robinson (2A), who will not be easily forgotten, either, by the local man. At the conclusion the lads entertained their visitors, and turned in after a good pillow fight, about 10.30 p.m.

Saturday was spent in enjoying the beautiful coast trip through Ulladulla and Milton (associated with Australia's greatest poet, Kendall), to Nowra—time not permitting of a visit, authorised by the Naval Department, to the Naval College at Jervis Bay.

At Nowra the local Show Ground luncheon rooms were kindly lent to the lads, for their final camp, which was celebrated by a dinner at which the gastronomical theorem that any four boys are equal to any one fowl (baked or boiled) was proved very conclusively. After dinner the local picture show was visited.

Inquiries had been made, before leaving Sydney, as to holding a Church parade at Nowra, but the church services were found to be held too late to permit of a certain arrival in Sydney in time for the lads to reach home when expected by their parents.

On Sunday the last stage from Nowra was covered via the Bulli Pass, the magnificent view from Sublime Point being duly appreciated—thence via Appin and Campbelltown (to avoid possible delay at Tom Ugly's Point)—to Central Railway Station, which was reached at 5.15 p.m. (three-quarters of an hour ahead of schedule time).

Apart from the first day's mishap, the bus, under the careful control of Mr. J. Iffland, carried the trip through without a single accident.

The cooking arrangements worked so satisfactorily, that it would not be surprising if old High School boys are found in such highly-paid positions as chef. to the Australia. or other great hotels, although the cook for one group of four will have to speed up, in frying eggs and bacon. The ration system appeared to work well—each group of four working amicably—the quarter-master not being called upon to arbitrate in any case, as to the equal division of the issue. Later on a patent may be taken out for the portable stoves used. Altogether, as a picnic outing, the trip was thoroughly enjoyed by the lads, to most of whom it was quite a new experience.

The thanks of the lads are due to Mr. McClelland, who arranged to receive a long-distance message or wire each night for the information of any parent anxious as to the progress of the trip. Mr. McClelland also met the party on the return trip at Bulli Pass, with information which had been sought from the traffic office, before leaving Sydney, as to the possibility of crossing Tom Ugly's Point, during the usual Sunday afternoon rush, in time to reach Sydney at the hour arranged. The thanks of the lads are also due to the various local bodies, and others, who helped by granting the free use of their hall, etc., not forgetting the Town Clerk at Nowra, who had plotted with the quarter-master the murder of eight harmless fowls, butchered to make a High School holiday.

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THE RIFLE CLUB.

The Rifle Club has just completed a season which has not been so successful as it might have been. In fact, the performances of the club's teams have fallen short, by far, of the standard which they were expected to attain towards the end of the year. However, despite the defeats which have been suffered, the club has made a successful showing in a few of the matches in which it has taken part.

During the annual prize-meeting matches, held in June, under the auspices of the Citizen Forces' Rifle Association, the names of members of the school's club figured prominently in the prize list, while in the Merris match (a teams' match) the team representing the school gained second place. Considering that about forty teams competed in this match, this was no mean performance.

At the end of August, a school team visited the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, in order to fire off a match against the College Club. Although the school team did better than was expected, nevertheless it was defeated by the College team.

This year, for the first time, the C.F.R.A. has done away with their well-known and popular monthly competition shoots and has instituted in their place quarterly shoots, carried out under much the same conditions as the old competitions. The first of these quarterly matches was held at the beginning of September, and in this competition the school entered two teams, both of which did exceptionally well, each gaining a position in its respective grade.

Towards the end of September, the G.P.S. rifle-shooting competitions took place. In these matches, the school teams (as teams) seemed to crumble away as far as team work was concerned, with the result that the performances registered during these matches were far below expectations. No doubt lack of practice was responsible for this state of affairs.

At the beginning of October, the N.R.A. Trainees' meeting took place. The school was well represented in these matches and several excellent scores were returned by individual members of the school club.

During the course of the year it has been noticed that the enthusiasm for this section of the school's activities has been growing gradually colder. If, then, this sport is to continue to be a section of the school's activities in future years, this waning interest will have to give place to enthusiasm for the club's future success. Also, in view of

future success, the number of members in the club will have to be augmented considerably in order that practice may diligently be carried out every available Wednesday, so that, when the time comes for selecting a team, there will be the makings of a team which will be capable of upholding the school's name in any contest in which it may take part.

In conclusion, Mr. Bealin, the master in charge of this activity, is to be complimented upon the interest which he has displayed at all times, with regard to our success, and which only the members of the club themselves can fully appreciate.

A. E. CLAYTON,

(Capt., 1927).

SOUTH KENSINGTON PARENTS AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION:

The inaugural meeting was held in the School Hall, Church of Christ, South Kensington. Mr. S. J. Southgate, Minister of the above Church, presided. There was a good attendance, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Moses and Mr. Gardiner represented the Central Association.

Mr. J. W. Metcalfe was elected President, and Mr. A. R. Sullivan, Secretary.

The Association moved a vote of thanks to the Church for placing the hall at their disposa' on the 2nd Monday of each month, free of charge.

A dance held in the Masonic Hall on 14th of October was a social and financial success, and £9/16/- was forwarded for school purposes.

A. R. SULLIVAN,

Secretary.

"THE MEMORY OF OUR SCHOOL."

Salubrious odour, dust and greasy mud -

'Neath hissing wheels of motors—tramway cars— Now swelt'ring heat, now all too sudden flood— And countless boots and shoes the footway tars.

Who, cares for these whose face is ever turned Towards those classrooms old, of wide renown? Where boys innumerable sat and sometimes learned; Whose books first taught to-day's great bards to frown.

Dear School! Oh, must we leave thee ere thou fall? Thou wondrous shrine of sacred memories—

Such memories will ever me enthrall,

Yet ne'er can I my sorrow great appease, Except by holding to thy motto fast— And say: "Be ye ashamed to come in last!"

FRANK N. LITTLE.

ON HEARING THE AIR, CORONACH.

(A Highland Lament.) 'Tis Sunset! O'er the firth the dying sun His parting beams displays, And o'er the clear and sparkling waters, Amethyst and gorgeous scarlet blend Ere o'er the purpling clouds Sweet Night her gloomy curtain 'gins to draw.

Lo! on the bosom of the placid deep A boat! Within, a maiden, marvellous fair, Beneath a bright-starred coverlet reclines. Her eyes are limpid pools of brooding night, Her hair an aureole of waving locks Toss'd by the gentle wind. She sleeps.

Calm lies the sea; and in its depths The rugged hills their forms enpurpled see; The wavelets plash the misty giants' feet. And wheeling gulls Their cries with laughing waters join.

Now have the clouds with inky pall The golden orb's bright face obscured. And the wild west is squally furies loosed Across the deep.

Loud crash heaven's thunders, Loud the main its hoarse, deep-sounding billows swiftly rolls On the re-echoing shore. Around the rocks and o'er the boat the wind Hurls up the flying spray, A filmy veil on the dark face of night! She wakes ! A voice ! As of the whip-poor-will sounds thin and low! A form ! Clad in the driving spray and wreathed about With salt sea-mist it whirls aloft!

Loud grows the sound!

Now shrieks as when the wind throughout the forest howls.

Now roars, as the deep organ's voice,

And shrieks again, and speaks in fatal tones the waterwraith.

She starts in fear! Cold sweat her fair limbs bathes. What is't! A flash! A deep-resounding crash! The bolt with jagged fire the heavens illumes And falls and flashes through the vibrant air, As does the cruel hawk upon the dove. A cry! An answering wail! 'Tis o'er ! 'Tis Dawn ! The morning sun now rises bright Upon the dewy woods and heaving main. The rolling billows wash the mountains' feet With boiling surge. All else is calm, And wheeling gulls

Their cries with laughing waters join. The tempest's o'er. -IV.A.

VALETE.

Farewell, old friend, The scene of happy days, Which made me bend To manhood's ways.

Farewell, dear school, The scene of many games Upon whose stool Are honourable names.

Your yard so small, For such a joyous crowd. And, too, the wall Which look'd stern-browed

Upon the lads Who played beneath its eave Who were not glad, But loth to leave.

So fare you well, And think not ill of those Who say "Farewell," So you must close. to brief there a CALLS TROUGHLESS AND

II.C.

HARBOUR AND CONCERT TRIP.

Recently a party of 60 from various classes boarded the launch "Liberty" at Man-o'-War Steps, on pleasure and business bent.

Leaving at 9.20 a.m., a course was steered for the Government Wheat Elevators, passing en route the wharves at which were berthed the huge inter-state and over-sea liners which have made Sydney the greatest shipping and commercial centre in the Commonwealth.

On arrival at the elevators, the party, in five sections under guides, made a thorough inspection of this vast pivot of the system of handling wheat in bulk, which means so much to the farmer in enabling him to compete in the markets of the world with Australia's chief rivals—U.S.A., Canada, and Argentine.

Leaving the elevators, the lads had a pleasant cruise round the foreshores of the Harbour as far as the Heads, with a short introduction to Father Neptune—not long encugh, however, to cause any uneasiness as to the enjoyment of lunch.

The launch returned along the southern shore, past Camp Cove (Governor Phillip's first landing place), and Vaucluse, with its present sad recollections of Mr. Wright.

Garden Island was encircled for a close-up view of the Royal Naval establishment, and the relics of the Great War in the small fleet of now obsolete destroyers, as well as our own cruisers "Melbourne" and "Adelaide."

The party then landed at Messrs. Dorman Long's steps at Dawes Point,—the site of the first land defence works in Australia—for an inspection of the Sydney Harbour Bridge works.

The progress of this great work was noted with interest by the lads, some of whom were able to give the others the benefit of their experience during a recent trip to the quarry at Moruya, whence the granite and concrete are obtained.

The party then lunched in the small park at Miller's Point—a little known, yet historic, part of old Sydney, with the Observatory towering above, and the streets lined with early official quarters in the old style of architecture.

Bound for the Conservatorium of Music, the return was made through the picturesque Argyle Cut, past many places associated with the early days—Governor Macquarie's building, the point of exit in the Cove of the Tank Stream, Macquarie Place—with its historic associations of Governor Phillip and the first landing—the "Sirius" monument. and

the Obelish, erected by that other great Governor, Macquarie, the evidence of whose work as to building and road construction was plain to all the party.

Other points of interest were a'so noted—T. S. Mort's statue, the two fine buildings, the Education Department and Lands Office (with its niches occupied by statues of all the great explorers), the site of the first Government House, and the statues of Governor Bourke and Flinders.

Due reverence was then paid to the memory of our Shakespeare at his statue, with the reliefs of Falstaff, Portia, Hamlet, and Romeo and Juliet.

The imposing group of statuary, with the great founder of Australia, Phillip, as the central figure (calling to mind the early struggles of the infant colony) was then visited, before proceeding to the Conservatorium, where the party arrived at 2.30 p.m.

Here seats had been booked for the party for what proved to be a most de ightful concert by the State Orchestra of 60 first-class artists, conducted by Mr. Arundel Orchard.

The beautiful items were specially selected by a vote of previous attendants at these concerts, and were thoroughly enjoyed by the lads, who quite appreciated the work of this splendid orchestra and its able conductor.

The music was, perhaps, a surprise to some few who may have had secret fears that it would be "dry," and the audience was helped in their appreciation by short introductory remarks by Mr. Orchard.

Our party had also the advantage of having heard several of the items on the gramaphone during the luncheon hours of the previous week—the records being obtained by Mr. James, who pointed out in a very interesting way the various movements of each item, giving some details as to the composer.

At the conclusion of the concert, the party dispersed after a pleasant and instructive day's outing, which, no doubt, will be succeeded by similar ones next year.

ON THE SINGING IN THE WOOD

With heart-felt apologies to De Quincey.

There was a certain passage in Horace over which I used to spend many a troubled hour—not in the translation, but because it produced in me an effect for which I could not, no matter how I might apply my powers of reason, supply a satisfactory solution.

At this stage I take the liberty of exhorting my reader never to permit a "crib" to stand in his way if he thinks he has a better translation—and pay the dreaded penalty in the examination.

Returning from this digression, of countless instances I will cite but one which aided me to believe and to ultimately prove that there was more in this passage in Horace than that which appeared on the surface. This instance I found in "Julius Caesar," where the mighty Julius himself states:—

> "Caesar shall forth: the things that threaten me Ne'er look'd but on my back; when they shall see The face of Caesar, they are vanished."

On seeing the play acted, I noticed that the above passage produced in me the same effect which I have experienced on reading the passage in Horace. The solution in this case, however, was quite plain—as you will see:

Now every time I read this speech, my mind turned to the slight-of-hand trickster and I could thus imagine Caesar waiting for the dangers to "look upon his face," whereupon he promptly performed a few mystic passes, thereby causing the aforesaid dangers to vanish. Of course, this idea is absurd to anyone who, like myself (?), understands the austere Caesarean type, and I waited patiently till a solution should offer itself.

It was offered and accepted not long after, when I saw the play acted, for when Julius pronounced the words "when they shall look upon the face of Caesar," I, too, gazed on his visage and therein I could without difficulty perceive the reason why the dangers vanished, since the spectacle was quite sufficient to scare even the conventional serenading roof-dweller.

Now apply this idea to the passage from Horace, which reads:-

"Namque me silva lupus in Sabina, dum meam canto Lalagen et ultra terminum curis vagor expeditis fugit inermem

"For whilst, my cares dispelled, as I wandered beyond my domains in the Sabine Wood, singing of my Lalage, a wolf fled from me, unarmed though I was."

The peculiar force of this passage was revealed to me when I was striving to translate it at home, at which precise moment a member of the household burst forth with some melodious (?) song about a baby's face or the like. My first natural impulse, seeing that (luckily for the vocalist) I was not in possesion of an instrument of death, was to flee from the spot with all speed and lose myself in oblivion till the strains had subsided.

Similarly with the case of Horace and the wolf. The latter, no doubt in pursuit of nutriment, was suddenly scared to flight by the former exercising his vocal capacity. "Unarmed," Horace calls himself; why, if he had only known it, he was making use of the most effective means of arming himself and causing distress that have yet been invented; he had the power, not merely to turn a wolf to flight, but also to drive any innocent being to the Gap. Anyone who wishes to verify the last statement is cordially invited to hearken to some of the latest phonograph records, whereupon he will be forcibly impressed by the moving powers inspired by a singer who persists in singing although he cannot sing.

F. LITTLE, 5A.

TERMS OF THE SEA

"Say, John, where were you on Saturday?" a sailor messmate asked me one day.

"Oh, I had shore leave, so I went to the football match. It was very exciting. One young feller was a good player, Bill. "He was cruising about when the ball dropped just near him, co he hauled it aboard, and crowding every inch of canvas on the yards, showed a clean pair of heels to a heavy frigate which was bearing up on the port side."

"He raced up the field to where the main body of the enemy fleet was stationed. One after another the enemy strove to stave him in amidships, but by careful navigation he came clear.

"Once he fouled a hole, but it did not quite put him out of action. He sailed up the field under his heavy press of canvas, with only the enemy vanguard to beat. The enemy rushed at him head on. For the moment he seemed sure to be struck amidships on the port side, but he swung his nose round to port and passed unharmed on the enemy's starboard.

"With a clear run ahead of him he made his desired port in record time."

VALETE.

L. HEPPER.—I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1926; Captain of School, 1927; 1st XV., 1926-7; 3rd, G.P.S. XV., 1926; 1st, G.P.S. XV., 1927; 2nd IV., 1926; Champ. VIII., 1927.

R. MAINWARING.—I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; Captain 1st XV., 1927; 3rd; G.P.S., XV., 1927; Cox., 1st IV., 1924 (winners of Yaralla Cup); Cox. Champ. VIII., 1925-6; 1st XI., 1927.

E. R. FIELDER.—I.C. 1925; Prefect 1926-7; 1st XV. 1927; Stroke 1st IV. 1925; Captain of Rowing 1927, Champion VIII 1926-7.

J. HUXTABLE—I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; 1st XV., 1927; 1st Tennis, 1923-4-5-6-7; 1st XI., 1926-7.

C. E. H. RUBIE—I.C., 1924; 1st IV., 1925; Champ. VIII., 1927; Athletics, 1927; 1st XV., 1925-7.

D. ROBINSON—I.C., 1924; 1st XI., 1926; Champ. VIII., 1927; 1st XV., 1926-7.

D. WAINE-I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; 1st IV., 1927; 1st XV., 1927.

H. PEACH—I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; 1st XV., 1927; 2na IV., 1926; 1st IV., 1927.

N. BAILEY-I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; Captain 1st XI., 1927; 1st XI., 1924-5-6-7.

B. MOSES-I.C., 1924; L.C., 1926; Prefect, 1927; Athletics, 1924-5-6-7.

R. COOK—I.C., 1925; Prefect, 1927; Champ. VIII., 1927; Athletics, 1926-7; 1st Tennis, ⁰1927.

J. HANNON—I.C., 1925; 1st XV., 1927; 1st XI., 1926-7; Athletics, 1926.

THE FOOL TO HIS SOUL (Sonnet)

Life is an obscene jest and Love the sleek

Foul glabrous laughter of the group that breaks, Their teeth ashine, all furtive-eyed. Then seek,

Or ere the old delicious hunger reawakes, By pain now rapt from suffering, to snatch

At Joy's bright mantle as at eve she takes Her mazy way amid the throng, and catch

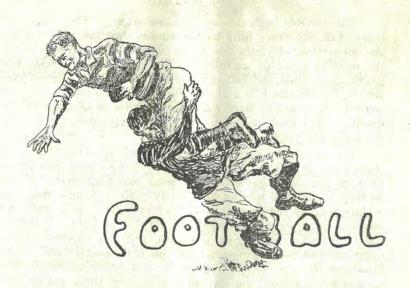
Sweet nothing—All! At worst thy fires to-day she slakes And in thy hand a thread of scarlet leaves

To mark her passage. This to thee, O fool, Is a red clue to lead thee from thy life

As from a labyrinthine dream. Who grieves ? On the strait road to Death leave all the strife,

The pain. Unnumbered kingdoms shalt thou rule!

"ZU-DAMON," 5th Year.



Now that our football season is ended, we are in a position to view our performances in a truer perspective than was possible at any earlier time. In this brief review, we would like to point out our strength and weakness, the working conditions of our opponents, the good and bad individual contributions of our players, and a few lessons that should lead to improvement next season.

In the High School Competition we had a very fair measure of success. The first, second and third grade teams are *premiers* in their respective classes. The fourths are runners up. Had they not had the misfortune of "getting mixed up" in an exhibition of "Bung rule" in the last match against Fort Street, they would in all probability have done better. However, congratulations to Canterbury. The fifths were about third or fourth in their grade. The winners, Fort Street, deserved their victory. They were a class above all the opposition.

I think our third grade team was our best team. Segal, Gerrard and Sheppard were the best players of this grade. There were several others almost as good. I expect to see some of these boys winning first-grade honours next year. The success of the thirds was due to several factors, the chief being—pace, nippy movements, combination, quick thinking, good handling, *esprit de corps*, good leadership by Segal, and the *will to win* in every member of the team. This was our only attacking team, and any man was a possible scorer. In the G.P.S. this team always met heavier teams. It is probable that the 3rds could beat any G.P.S. team of equal weight next year.

The seconds began as our weakest team. They improved more than any other team as the season went on. Munro was the outstanding player in this grade. Rees, Clark and Starr were the next in order of usefulness. The seconds won their H.S. grade competition and had two wins in the G.P.S. competition which, I understand, is a record for S.H.S. seconds in any one season. It would be hardly an exaggeration to say that all the qualities attributed above to the thirds were absent from the seconds—and yet they won.

The firsts gave early promise, but made no improvement as they went on. They played better at King's and Newington than in any later game. Their final matches against North Sydney High were worthy of a lesser grade. Mainwaring was a class apart in the general play. Wines kicked fairly well, and was our most prolific scorer, chiefly on that account. J. Robinson (full back), on his good days, was probably superior to any opposing full back we met. But he had several "off" days. Huxtable was our outstanding tackler and defensive player. But he was too light, and too slow in attack. Our three-quarter line was our weak spot throughout the season. Hannon took weeks to learn to catch a ball and months to keep on side. Clubbe has not yet learnt to catch a ball, cannot or will not tackle, and has no self-confidence in attack. Wines is a very patchy player. In some matches he is brilliant, in others he is seldom seen. Sometimes he kicks goals from all angles; on other days he can't kick them from any angle. We did not have a good allround forward. We expected much from D. Robinson and Rubie. The former played well in the open, but because of certain physical troubles had to keep out of the "rucks." Rubie would have been a valuable man had he learnt to keep "on side" and catch the ball. I predict that when he reaches the status of grand-"father" he will find at least the former of these operations easier to manage. Hepper had the spirit to be an excellent forward, but the flesh was weak for a large proportion of the season. The rest of the forwards seldom showed any brilliance, and generally neglected to use their pace. Our raking was fair, our line-out was as bad as possible, but there was a sort of combination in "rucks" and in open work, that made our forwards an effective in almost every match.

In the H.S. competition our first team was put to more inconvenience than should have been necessary owing to my personal desire to organise for victory in the first, second and third grades. This was very irritating to the firsts the day we lost to North Sydney. Perhaps, as we can see it is all perspective now the sacrifice was worth while. I think we would have done much better in the G.P.S. matches, if "luck" had not let us down so badly at Newington.

Bad luck dogged us again at Scots, when two unfortunate "decisions" cost us nine points and the game. Apart from this game, I don't think we can blame the referee for any of our downfalls. "Shore" beat us badly. Our collapse there was due to an early moral shock; it was the only occasion during the season when the team became demoralised. The Grammar match was even. We had the better of the first half. In the second half, unfortunately, our "rake" was silenced by an opponent who was apparently more skilled in "Marquis of Queensbury" rules than Rugby Union Rules. In the first half we got the ball nearly every time. In the second half we hardly got it at all. Therefore, in the first half we got more points, and in the second half our opponents got the majority of points. Our match with Riverview was fairly even. We would probably have done better but for staleness. St. Joseph's outclassed us. In a way we played our most admirable match against St. Joseph's. In our three-quarter line we had a third grader and a second grader, several others were far from well, yet the defence got stronger as the game proceeded, and the rate of scoring slowed down towards the end. ITRO

The conditions in the G.P. Schools are widely different, "o far as football is concerned. St. Joseph's is ideally placed. That college has large numbers, no day boys, plenty of grounds, and a staff whose life is wholly devoted to the college. King's School is second best in its conditions. Riverview would equal St. Joseph's, but its numbers are much smaller. Newington and Scots' I would place next in that order. Then Grammar, Shore and High. We have the additional disadvantage of always playing on the other fellow's ground. The Newington-King's match and the King's-St. Joseph's match show that this factor is not unimportant.

Next year I expect to do much better. If I am asked to direct your football again, I think I can do so with much more effective "generalship" owing to the season's experience. The rest of the business depends on you. We must have a first, second and third G.P.S. team up to full strength or overflowing. If a few will sacrifice themselves and practise, even though not regularly picked, that is the greatest demand I make on the boys. I do not think the "time is ripe" for withdrawing from the H.S. Competition, although two games a week keep our players constantly "sore." We shall have better conditions next year. I think if players will carry out my instructions to the utmost of their ability next season, that results will soon follow. Before concluding, I would like to express my appreciation of the strenuous efforts of Mr. Gray in getting the teams in shape.

Mr. Gray spared neither time nor trouble in a task that made great demands on his patience. We are thankful, too, to Mr. Hallett and Mr. Byrne for the work put in and interest shown in the various grade teams this year. In conclusion, I would like to congratulate the winning teams on their success, and all the teams on their sportsmanship during the season that has just ended. —G.W.H.P.

On behalf of the boys who played football for S.H.S. during the season 1927, we would like to express thanks to Mr. Perkins for his unwavering interest shown in them during this last successful season. Also to Mr. Hallet, Mr. Byrne and Mr. Wright, who showed great interest throughout the season.

—SPORTS EDITORS.



4th XV., 1927. Runners-up to Canterbury High School in High School Competition.

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SCENES IN JERUSALEM.

The Holy Sepulchre.

Once every year at Easter a large crowd of worshippers come together to the Holy Sepulchre to join in the ceremony of the "Holy Fire." The fire in the Holy Sepulchre is supposed to have lighted itself on the grave of our Lord; every man held a candle, lighted by that fire. On that day we visited the Holy Sepulchre, and had an extensive view of all that was proceeding below from one of the top ga'leries.

In the centre of the huge hall was a raised stone platform, with a stone pillar at each of the corners; this was the supposed grave itself. Around this dais more than five thousand men were moving in one living mass, each of them holding his large candle high above his head; the hall was thus strangely illuminated. The veiled Arab women sat together, making a peculiar shrill noise with their mouths. Then we saw one man being hoisted on the shoulders of a few others, and the whole procession slowly moved out of the building.

Many people believe the Holy Sepulchre to be the burying-place of our Lord, but, according to Biblical record, this is wrong. The "Garden Tomb," a likelier spot, is situated outside the city, and looks more like a tomb than the Holy Sepulchre does.

The Garden Tomb.

The tomb itself was cut out of the solid rock, and is about ten feet square inside. There is room for two bodies to be placed side by side, in places specially cut out of the rock for the purpose. Outside the tomb we were shown a narrow trough, where the Crusaders used to water their horses.

A few hundred yards from this place was Mount Calvary, also called "Golgotha," which, in Hebrew, means a "skull," from a certain position we saw the rock, which had the appearance of a skull.

The Mount of Olives.

The Mount of Olives, which stands East of Jerusalem, has many places of interest.

An excellent view can be obtained of most of Palestine from the top of the Russian tower, part of the Church of Ascension. We also visited the place which is also supposed to be the place of the Ascension. We were led into a little building, in the centre of which was a rock about a foot high, surrounded by a little iron railing. On the top of this rock was imprinted the mark of a foot, supposed to be the last imprint of Christ's foot on earth before He ascended into Heaven.

Mostly Arabs live on the Mount of Olives, and they are very hospitable to strangers.

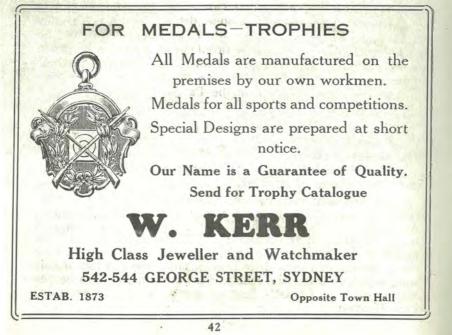
Left of the building with the imprinted foot stands an ancient, roofless building, on whose walls the "Lord's Prayer" is written in thirty-four different languages. There, also, we saw a beautiful marble statue of Queen Helena of Greece, lying on a couch, also carved out of marble. This beautiful Queen was supposed to have discovered the original Cross and nails with which our Lord was crucified. Scarcity of Water in Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem there has always been a great scarcity of water, which has to be bought, and sometimes dearly, too. On an average a kerosene-tin-full of water would cost about sixpence in English money. Water-carriers are frequently seen in the city, selling water out of a sheep or goat-skins. Three of the legs are sealed up, but the fourth is used as a "tap."

In some parts of Jerusalem they have a public well, or cistern, where, every morning, the women may be seen standing in long queues, waiting to get some water.

But now, thanks to the end of the long strife between the Jews and Arabs in Jerusalem, water is being drawn through huge pipes from Ein-Farah, a large spring about ten miles north of the city. Many of the streets are being tarred, modern buildings erected, and, in time, Jerusalem will have the appearance of a European town.

B.E. (IA.)



LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Society had a very successful year, the results of which should be a stimulus for the budding speakers of next year, of whom there appears to be several showing much promise.

The second team, comprising Messrs. Rathborne (leader), Rodgers and Moses, made a good beginning by securing the verdict over Fort Street High School team, whose leader made a very fine opening. Our team, however, responded well, Rathborne's reply being very effective.

The second team had also arranged a debate with a team from Sydney Girls' High School, but owing to an accident to the fair leader of the enemy, the debate was abandoned.

To give the new blood an opportunity, the challenge of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College will be accepted, the debate to take place before the vacation, when an outing to the College may be arranged for the Society and its supporters.

The first team, Messrs. Cfay, Crawford and Dunnett, had a very successful year, although the main objective—winning the Louat Shield—was not reached. We were drawn to compete in a group consisting of St. Ignatius, Scots, Newington, and High.

The executive of the G.P.S. Debating Association is to be congratulated on the subjects chosen, as they were not of the character all too common in some debates, viz., dry as dust and trivial. They were questions which, possibly, and in some cases very probably, will have to be faced in real earnest by the debaters and their contemporaries at school, e.g., problems arising from the rise of the Russian Soviet as a World Power, and questions from Australia's position in the Pacific.

Our first team, ably led by Clay, and well supported by Crawford and Dunnett, acquitted themselves very well.

Against St. Ignatius, at Riverveiw, they scored their first win, although Riverview's leader made a very good effort.

The debate against Scots was also a win for us against a good, even team.

At Newington we had a rather easy talk, as that school was trying out a young team, which put up a creditable effort, but found our seasoned men too good.

Having won our way without defeat through our class, we were pitted for the final against the King's School, who had been similarly successful in their class.

In this clash the debating rose to a level which was stated to be much above that of Parliamentary Debate. Our opponents had a good leader, whose reply the Adjudicators considered to be the prime factor in the winning of their decision. For us, as usual, Clay made a fine opening, dealing with the ethical aspect of the case. He made his best speech of the series, and received great praise from a leading daily newspaper for his eloquence. The political side of the question was entrusted to Crawford, who was greatly assisted by having had the privilege of listening to the views of the Rt. Hon. W. M. Hughes on that matter. This was Crawford's finest speech, and his effort fell very little, if anything, short of Clay's. Dunnett was not quite up to the high standard which he displayed in all the previous debates, but it must be admitted that he had the most difficult part of our case. However, we heartily congratulate King's on their well earned victory.

The whole series of debates has proved very interesting, and we hope that victory will crown our next year's efforts.

J.K.B.

SCHOOL BADGES.

The School badge and motto has been altered by the Union Committee after consultation with the Old Boys' Union.

The new hat band will be of chocolate with two fine blue lines-top and bottom with the present crown and scroll woven in gold upon it. A new blazer pocket badge has been chosen. It consists of a shield shaped as that of the City of Sydney divided into two parts—the upper blue upon which the letters S.H.S. are embroidered in chocolate, and the lower of chocolate with an open book embroidered thereon.

Above the shield is a gold crown, and below the shield a scroll with the motto:

"Veritate et Virtute."

*Prefects will wear the new badge upon the hat band with the word "Prefect" added.

These will be the only badges allowed in future, and they will be available early next year.

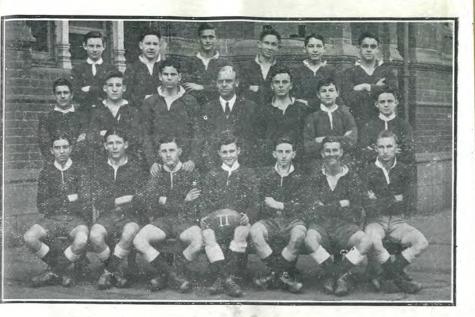


Since 1891 the Sydney High School has been located in the above building. It is with feelings of mingled gladness and regret that we say farewell to our old home to move into our newer and more imposing quarters at Moore Park.

May we, in circumstances more advantageous, uphold, even improve, the glorious tradition of the School.



1st XV., 1927. Back Row: H. REES, G. SHAPPERE, D. ROBINSON, Mr. PERKINS, T. SELLERS, A. CLUBBE, J. ROBINSON, E. GARDINER, 2nd Row: D. WAINE, F. MUNRO, J. HANNON, R. MAINWARING (Capt.), C. RUBIE, L. HEPPER, H. PEACH. Front: J. HUXTABLE, H. WINES.



2nd XV., 1927. Back Row: K. GOLDING, A. CLAY, C. HUGHES, F. MUNRO, W. DE VOS, G. WALKER. 2nd Row: W. STANDING, W. O'ONNELL, W. STONE, Mr. P. HALLETT, H. STREET, B. WALES, H. SPRING. Sitting: M. JONES, R. FINLAY, J. MILLER, H. BRYCE (Capt.), V. SIMMS, J. CLARK, F. MASTERS.



3rd XV., 1927. Back Row: C. GERRARD, J. GREAVES, N. GRIFFEN, N. BAILEY, A. MORGAN. Second Row: N. WEBE, A. RICHARDS, E. SHEPHERD, I. FULTON, Mr. J. BYRNE, J. MILLER, A. BALKIND, W. MUNDAY. Sitting: H. FAIRWEATHER, J. SKILLEN, E. GILDING, F. HATCHER. A. SEGAL (Capt.), J. HINGEE, A. MCKIBBIN, K. MOWAT, J. METCALF.



THE LATE MR. R. C. J. WRIGHT, A.T.C.

It is with deep sorrow that we record the passing of one of the most respected members of our staff, in the person of Mr. R. C. J. Wright.

Mr. Wright was a victim of the dreadful ha bour disaster on November 3rd, and his death is very keenly felt by our school. Joining the staff eleven years ago, he rendered devoted, efficient service and endeared himself to hundreds of students past and present by his genial manner and unfailing interest in each one's welfare. The school has suffered a great loss, in losing not only a brilliant teacher and scientist, but one whose presence was an inspiration, and whose cheery manner stimulated each one to do better.

We convey to Mrs. Wright and her family our deepest sympathy, and this expression of our grief and esteem for our late master and friend.

MEMORIES OF MR. R. C. J. WRIGHT.

"Right ho! friends," was the general cheery announcement on entering the class rooms, ready to begin the lesson of the day, and the boys felt that they and he were friends. The greeting was followed by a glance at the windows, and if they were closed the order "Put up the slip rails" followed upon which several boys would spring up and open the windows to let in the fresh air, so necessary for a bright, breezy lesson.

His lessons were always well prepared, no time being wasted in merely using words, so that the boys, keen on doing the best for themselves (and most boys in his classes became keen), were able to distinguish between the corn and the husk, the important and the unimportant parts of the subject in hand. He had a thorough knowledge of his subject, having taken his A.T.C. in Chemistry, with firstclass honors, at the same time gaining the medal. He was very modest about his attainments, and shunned the limelight.

He had the happy knack of being able to get down to the level of the pupils, to be able to see matters from their point of view, and it was a very rare occasion on which his explanations did not clear up the difficulties met with by the members of his classes.

Naturally the discipline in classes under his control was excellent.

It was a delight to watch him in front of a class, which he wou'd keep in good humour with flashes of wit from time to time, never overdoing it, but always holding the control of the boys in his own hands.

His was the power to have a class bursting into spontaneous laughter, and then continuing work without loss of time.

The ringing of the bell at the end of a lesson generally brought forth the remark, "The Curfew tolls."

He was keenly interested in the sport of the school, and was always well posted with the results of the various grades, and class teams.

When acting as referee for class teams in the football season, he would at times find the pace too hot, then he would blow his whistle. "What's that for, Sir?" the boys would ask. "You were running too fast," he would tell them with a smile.

He was known to all boys of the school of his time, past and present as "Jasper," a nickname used in quite a kindly and respectful way.

Amongst the staff he was a beloved comrade. His cheerfulness and good nature endeared him to all. "Well, friends, what's wrong with the life?" was a frequent greeting of his, when he detected a sign of gloom, and his optimism was a tonic to anyone inclined to be downhearted.

Amongst a large staff there must necessarily be divers opinions upon a number of matters, and many lively discussions arise from time to time, sometimes rising to the level of debates. Reg., as he was known amongst the staff, had strong opinions on certain subjects, and had the courage to defend them against all comers. At such times he would become very fiery, but would temper his heat with flashes of wit and humour.

For the past eight years there have been three brothers on the Science staff of Sydney Boys' High School, now one has gone up higher.

He was the salt of the earth; boys and men were the better for their contact with him.

The world is a better, brighter place because he lived in it.

J.P.W.

MR. R. C. J. WRIGHT.

A Student's Appreciation.

Words cannot express the love which both masters and boys bore to this sunny-natured man or the heartfelt sorrow that stirred us at the news of the tragic death of our master and friend, Mr. R. C. J. Wright, who was known to hundreds of students by the affectionate name of "Jasper."

Always ready to help "the lame dog over the stile," ever with a cheery and helpful word on his lips, calm and equable, Mr. Wright can never be replaced for us. The charm of his personality will always be lacking.

At the school on Friday, November 4th, the sense of his loss was poignant, his absence only too apparent. Lessons were at a standstill, voices hushed to a whisper, and every face was sad.

At the Assembly held at noon, the boys trooped solemnly to their places, and the first low hum of conversation died suddenly away to a tense silence.

In a low voice Mr. Saxby spoke of the sad occasion, and extolled the virtues of our friend. Mr. Willmott voiced the feelings of the Science staff who had worked with Mr. Wright as a happy family for eight years, and who feit their colleague's loss as of that of a brother.

The Assembly closed in hushed silence, and the school was closed in memory of our departed friend, for he was more than a master to all of us.

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RESULTS G.P.S. FOOTBALL.

FIRST ROUND—S.H.S. v. KING'S. LOST, 31-0. KING'S TOO FAST.

The King's School backs were too fast for Sydney High at Parramatta, and after some fine passing bursts, won by 31-0, after leading by 8-0 at half-time. For King's, Sayle, Whytt, Campbell 2, Coventry, Morey and Silvester tries, and Sayle 2 goals.

Robinson, the High School full back, handled and kicked with great precision and repeatedly made ground for his side, but was poorly supported by his backs. Campbell, the stalwart wing three-quarter, was in rare form for King's, and handled welland finished off his dashes determinedly. Whytt also played capitally. All the forwards were good, and in the second half several passing rushes by them had the High School boys badly rattled.

SECOND ROUND—S.H.S. v. NEWINGTON. LOST, 9-8. Newington College had a good deal the better of play in the first half at Stanmore, as their defence was effective; Porter and Smith scored tries while Cowper kicked a penalty, giving Newington the lead by 9-0 at half time.

In the second half High School tackled with determination and held their heavier opponents. After some hard attacks during which Robinson, the full back, failed with an attempt to kick a field goal, High were awarded a penalty, and Wines scored with a fine kick. Newington College 9-3.

Then a forward rush, with Rubie and Hepper prominent, carried ball to Newington's line, to be picked up by Wines, who scored, and converted his try, making the scores 9-8, with only a few minutes to go. Intense was the excitement, as Robinson was brought down on Newington's line, and almost at once a strong rush by the home players was well stopped by Huxtable tackling Smith when looking very dangerous. Time then went.

Wines, five-eighth for Sydney High School, besides kicking with judgment, was in very good all round form, running and tackling well.

Robinson, the full back, repeatedly saved his team, and his handling and general all round play were good. Robinson and Hepper were the best forwards, though the whole eight played pluckily and well against their heavier opponents.

Cowper was in splendid form all round for the winners, and Carter and Smith also did well. L. Webster, the tall forward, who performed so finely in the cricket season, was prominent in the line outs throughout the game and tackled very thoroughly

THIRD ROUND-S.H.S. v. SCOTS. LOST, 18-11.

Although Sydney High were leading Scots at half time at Bellevue Hill by 11-9, yet the play had been most even. High were the first to score; Wines, their five-eighth, when close to Scots' line, got a nice pass out to Robinson, who touched down, for Wines to convert. High, 5-0.

A penalty try for interference when Kendall broke away and got near High's line was awarded Scots, and Miller kicked the goal, and soon after landed a wonderful field goal. Scots 9-5.

Before the interval, Wines kicked two well-judged penalties, thus giving Sydney High the lead by 11-9.

Scots attacked hard on the resumption, but for a long time were unable to score, until their scrum half, Miller, who had been kicking very consistently throughout the season, landed a penalty A. Kennedy toed the ball from near half way after a long spell and fell over the line to score.

Miller could not goal, but shortly afterwards landed another penalty, making the scores Scots 18-11. Sydney High were attacking when the final whistle went, and were very little behind on the general play. Wines, the five-eighth, was in good form. but his handling was not up to standard. Mainwaring, the halfback, tackled solidly, and was very quick in getting rid of the ball.

Full-back Robinson handled cleverly, and repeatedly saved his side with long line kicks. The forwards tackled solidly, and more than held Scots, but did not have sufficient dash to score themselves.

FOURTH ROUND-S.H.S. v. SHORE. LOST, 32-3.

With a representative team at last in the field, Shore played a very enterprising game at Northbridge against Sydney High School, and eventually won by 32-3.

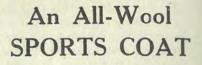
Most of their tries were scored by brilliant individual efforts though, and the combination is not yet working at its best. Cooper, recruited from the seconds, was one of the star players on the field, and Keirath, Kater, Bell, Vernon and Begbie were the pick of his comrades.

Wines, the versatile and consistent five-eighth, again showed best form for Sydney High. Mainwaring and Robinson also played pluckily.

FIFTH ROUND-S.H.S. v. GRAMMAR. LOST, 19-16.

Both sides scored two tries in the first half at Weigall ground, but Wines converted both and landed a penalty goal, giving his side the lead by 13-8 at the interval. Immediately on

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the resumption, however, Grammar attacked with dash, and soon added two tries, one of which was converted, giving them the lead. High School then tightened up their defence, but although they prevented Grammar crossing their line again, were not able to score themselves, except for an excellent penalty goal by Wines.

For the winners Gould, Brown, Moore and Caldwell tries, Gould converted two and kicked a penalty goal. For High, Robinson and Shappere tries, Wines converted both and kicked two penalties. Grammar won by 19-16.

For Grammar, Gould, the centre three-quarter, was in rare defensive mood; Caldwell and Brown, too, played finely in the other backs, and in Brown, a sturdily built boy, Grammar have a fine attacking winger. Stone was the best forward and kept up with the play very well, besides bringing off some good tackles.

Mainwaring and Wines, the halves, and Shappere and Robinson forwards, were the pick of Sydney High, who, except for that short period immediately following the interval, really had the better of play, and were unfortunate to lose.

SIXTH ROUND-S.H.S. v. ST. IGNATIUS. LOST 13-6.

The St. Ignatius' forwards had been consistently good right throughout the season, until the match against Shore; in this they were greatly altered, but on resuming their original positions, showed greatly improved form and were too good for Sydney High. Each side scored two tries, but High School only added theirs late in the second half, when Riverview had a comfortable lead by 13-3.

The only score in the first half, in which High School were awarded numerous penalties, was obtained by Parsonage for St. Ignatius' with a fine kick from a long way out.

Soon after resuming O'Riordan showed pace after snapping up the ball in a handy position, and scored near the posts, for Parsonage to add the extras. 'View, 8-o.

Hannon then added a try for Sydney High after a good dash. Wines failed at the goal. Robinson just before had been unfortunate when he tried to kick a field goal, the ball just missing the post.

Riverview then had a turn at attack, and after O'Riordan had brought play close to High's line, Roach wormed his way over the scrum in a handy position, and Parsonage goaled. Just on time, Hannon made a very good individual effort from hatf way, and after a good sprint, scored his second try in the corner.

Scott, the full back, did a tremendous amount of work and did it well. His handling and kicking were alike of a high order,

O'Sullivan, playing in the centre instead of the wing, in which position he did so well against Scots and Grammar, was also in fine form, and repeatedly had High in trouble with his hard straight running.

In the forwards, Tully and Parsonage were outstanding.

Mainwaring and Hannon showed the best form for High School, who, like Riverview, have played very in and out football this year. Against Grammar and Newington they were only defeated by 16-19 and 8-9 respectively, yet are decisively beaten by St. Ignatius' by 13-6.

SEVENTH ROUND—S.H.S. v. ST. JOSEPH'S. LOST 59-3. At Hunter's Hill the St. Joseph's College backs were far too elusive and nippy, and combined too well for High School. The forwards were fairly evenly matched in the rucks and line outs, but in the loose St. Joseph's were much faster on to High School's rear division, and gave them very little room in which to move. Wines and Mainwaring were both in good form, but so quickly were they smothered by Elias and Co, that they were not given a chance to show their skill in attack. Shappere, Sellars and Hepper pluckily kept plugging on in the forwards, and were not to be blamed for their side's defeat.

G.P.S. SCORES FOR S.H.S.

	Т	G	Р	Pts.
Wines, H	2	4	6	32
Robinson, D.	2	the last		6
Hannon, J	2	4	-	6
Mainwaring, R.			1 <u>6-11</u>	3

FIRST GRADE C.H.S. COMPETITION.

The premiership of the First Grade C.H.S. Football was won by S.H.S. after two sterling battles with North Sydney H.S.

Being level in points at the conclusion of the season with one loss each, a final was arranged at the Agricultural Ground on 11th August. The result, after a patchy, yet hard, game, confined mostly to the forwards, was a scoreless draw.

However, the re-play was fixed for the following Wednesday, 18th August, at University Oval, and after a hard game, in which some good movements were started on both sides, was won by S.H.S. by 6 points to 3. (Wines, 2 penalties).

Rees at half, Mainwaring and Robinson, J., played well in the backs, while Rubie, Hepper, Waine and Peach were noticed in the forwards.

SECOND GRADE-RESULTS G.P.S.

King's v. S.H.S.-Lost 58-0.

Newts. v. S.H.S.-Lost 22-3 (Jones try).

Scots v. S.H.S.-Won 6-3 (Starr try, O' Donnelly a penalty)

Shore v. S.H.S.-Lost 22-0.

Grammar v S.H.S.-Lost 34-0.

St. Ignatius v. S.H.S.—Won 13-6 (Street 2, Munro 1 tri-s. Munro 2 goals).

St. Joseph's v. S.H.S.-Lost 43-0.

The performance of the second grade in G.P.S. was very good. In defeating Scots and 'View they created a record, and they performed to that standard in each case.

Starr, Spring, Hughes and Golding were always noticed, in the backs, while Munro, Clarke, Miller and Jones were hard workers in the forwards. Mr. Hallett is to be congratulated for his team's success.

THIRD GRADE—RESULTS G.P.S. King's (under 9 stone) v. S.H.S.—won 36-8. Newts. (under 9 stone) v. S.H.S.—won 13-8. Scots 3rd v. S.H.S.—lost 14-10. Shore 3rd v. S.H.S.—lost 27-0. Grammar 3rd v. S.H.S.—lost 9-c. St. Ignatius 3rd v. S.H.S.—won 19-3. St. Josephs 3rd v. S.H.S.—lost 24-0.

The performance of the 3rd Grade team which is an under 8st. 7lb. team, was very creditable to the school. Their games v. King's and Newts. were well won, but v. Scots' 3rd team, which is 10 stone team, they fought very bravely but were overwhelmed by the opponents' weight. The game v. Ignatius' was also very creditable.

They were unbeaten premiers in C.H.S. competition and well deserved their honor.

Segal at half was always consistent, while Shepherd, Gilding and Bailey were outstanding in the Backs. Gerrard and Webb led the forwards.

Mr. Burns is to be congratulated for his teams' success.

FOURTH GRADE-RESULTS C.H.S.

Ist Series.—S.H.S. v. Tech., won 33-0; S.H.S. v. Parra, won 14-3; S.H.S v. Fort St., won 9-6; S. H. S. v. Canterbury, 10st 3-15; S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S., won 3-0; S.H.S. v. H.A.C., won 15-6.

2nd Series.—S.H.S. v. Tech., won 6-5; S.H.S. v. Parra., won forfeit; S.H.S. v. Fort St., lost 10-14; S.H.S. v. Canterbury, lost 3-6.

The 4th Grade did fairly well this year, though they did not win the competition. Hinchy and Pratt played consistently in backs, while Trevenan and Hunter were hard workers in the forwards.

FIFTH GRADE .-- RESULTS C.H.S

FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v. Tech—Lost 8.5. S.H.S. v. Randwick—Won 33.-0 SH.S. v. Fort Street.—Lost 15.0. SH.S. v. Parramatta.—Won 29-0. SH.S. v. Canterbury—Draw 6-6. S.H.S. v. North Sydney—Lost 12-10. S.H.S. v Hurlstone—Won 35-nil

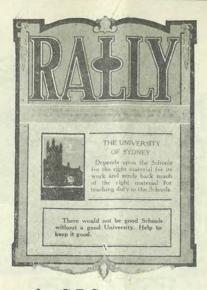
SECOND SERIES.

S.H.S. v. Tech.—Won 5-0. S.H.S. v. Randwick—Won 52-0. S.H.S. v. Fost Street—Lost 20-0. S.H.S. v. Parramatta—Won forfeit. S.H.S. v. Canterbury—Lost 13-8.

This year fifth grade was a great improvement on last year's team, which didn't win a match. Kellick, Cartwright, and R. White were the best in the sturdy back line, and Sinclair, Morgan and Stewart were most consistent in the forwards.



5th XV., 1927.



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OLD BOYS CORNER

OLD BOYS NOTES.

Rugby Union Football.

A Rugby Union Team consisting chiefly of Old Boys of the School was formed at the opening of 1927 Season and played in the competition matches of the Metropolitan Junior Rugby Union. The team gave a most creditable performance despite many difficulties.

Several members of the team were selected to go with a combined junior team to Bathurst, and we understand they acquitted themselves most worthily.

It is urged that all Boys who may be leaving School this year should join up with this Club, or if possible form teams in their districts, and so keep up the good understanding that they have learnt whilst at School. Don't drop the good work that our enthusiastic coaches built up at School.

Any boys wishing to join and desiring further information are asked to communicate with the Acting Secretaries—E. A. Mertel, 207, Albion St., Sydney, C. J. Mullins, Division Court, Division St., Clovelly.

SCHOOL ROWING.

As mentioned in the last issue of "The Record," the Council of the Old Boys Union was arranging for presentation of Miniature Oars and Rudder to members of the School Eight. These mementoes have since been presented to the members of the Crew, the Headmaster having arranged for this to be done at the School at the conclusion of school hours.

The Council have given much consideration to the question of the provision of a suitable and efficient launch for coaching purposes next year; and has held a conference with members of the Glebe Rowing Club, and obtained useful information from them on the matter.

It has been decided that the launch "Sunbeam," which was purchased by the Old Boys Union shall be disposed of, and efforts made to obtain a more suitable launch.

All Old Boys who particularly desire to assist the rowing branch of school sport and to assist in making the crews as efficient as in previous years are invited to assist our funds for this particular effort.

SPORTS GROUND FOR THE SCHOOL.

The Council has been active in its endeavours to obtain a suitable area for the School near Moore Park, and we are hopeful that a ground will be available that will provide ample accommodation for both Footbail and Cricket activities. We are

in touch with authorities who control a most suitable area, and it is expected that very shortly a decision will be arrived at which will enable the Council to see that a good playing field is available for the School.

It will be remembered that Old Boys made a promise to the Hon. T. D. Mutch, as Minister for Education, that Old Boys would assist in the provision of a playing field for the School. A number of Old Boys responded to the appeal of the Minister and promised financial assistance towards this object.

Now a further appeal is made for donations towards the expense of fitting out such an area, as there will be turf cricket pitches to be laid and a Dressing Room to be built.

It is expected that there will be available space in the actual School Ground on the Old Zoo Site for practice Cricket pitches, and these should be ready for the Cricket Season commencing October, 1928.

OLD BOYS ANNUAL DANCE.

This event was most successfully carried out on Wednesday, 29th June, there being an attendance of over 300, the result was that the Union Funds benefited to a satisfactory extent.

Mr. H. C. Wilson, who controlled the arrangements for this successful function, is to be congratulated on the good result obtained.

APPEAL TO BOYS WHO ARE LEAVING SCHOOL THIS YEAR.

Opportunity is taken to make an appeal to all Boys who may now be leaving school to become members of the Old Boys' Union on the first opportunity. This year it was decided that the first year's subscription should be 3/6, which entitles such members to all privileges.

We are particularly pleased that so many of the Boys who left School at the close of 1926 joined up this year.

You are all therefore urged to keep up by your membership with the Old Boys' Union all possible association with your Old School and thus assist in its welfare.

It is desired to express the appreciation of the Old Boys to those who have recently been appointed to the School Teaching Staff, for their keen interest in the development of the various Sports activities, and the work of Messrs. Perkins, Hallett and Byrne in relation to the Football coaching, and Mr. Eddy to Cricket has come under particular notice.

A Football match was played between a team of Old Boys and the School fifteen, and the School won after a most in-

teresting and good game. But in the Cricket Match played on the 2nd November, the Old Boys were victorious.

Old Boys are asked to keep in mind that the Annual Meeting of the Union takes place in January, date yet to be fixed, and we look forward to a good attendance. There will be ample opportunity for all those interested in their Old School to find openings for their activities as the new building that will be occupied early in 1928 will bring many new features for our interest and support.

Arthur Eedy has put the Mutual Life and Citizens to the expense of a new rubber stamp—but it is only a very small one. And renewal notices, which used to go out signed Arthur M. Eedy, General Secretary, are now embellished with a stamp "Managing Director." Sydney had few more able business men than the late Managing Director, John Garvan, also a High Old Boy, and the M.L.C. suffered a big loss when he passed away. However, the big Life office was extremely fortunate in having a man like Arthur Eedy to step into the chair. Congratulations to Mr Eedy on the appointment.

All old boys will join with the Council in offering their sincere sympathy to Mr. W. H. Paradice, one of the very earliest pupils at the school, on the loss of his distinguished son Surgeon Lieut.-Com. W. E. J. Paradice, who lost his life in the Greyeliffe disaster. The hand of sympathy is also extended to the relatives of Mr. R. C. J. Wright, late Science Master, who was lost on the same occasion.

Duncan Hall, an old boy, now a Professor at the Syracuse (U.S.A.) University, has been appointed to the Secretariat of the League of Nations in Geneva, and will be Deputy Chief of the Social Questions Section of the League.

Are you having no luck with those cauliflowers you planted last month, or are those tomatoes which promised so well keeping their promise? If they are not, drop a line to the new Government Biologist. He'll put you right. He's an old S.H.S. Boy, Dr. Bob Noble, and he's a glutton for work, especially if it's going to help any one else.

Hard luck Johnny Nield! But at the same time congratulations on the wonderful fight you put up. Every old boy watched your splendid fight in the Hurstville electorate, and everyone, irrespective of party, wished you luck. To be beaten on your first try by 37 votes (7039 to 7002) is nothing to be ashamed of. We're all proud of you, so don't disappoint us next time.

Hard luck also, V. W. E. Goodin, ex-M.L.A., who was beaten in the fight for the Albury seat. As one who made history

over the famous Goodin-Gillies pact, and was one of the factors in bringing about the elections, he deserved a better fate.

H. E. Neal has just been transferred to Fremantle as Collector of Customs for Western Australia. A handy man to know is the Collector of Customs, but Fremantle is a long way away. Still some of us have hopes that he may later come back to Sydney.

A. W. V. King is the Sydney Morning Herald's new London representative—quite a responsible position on a paper like the Herald. Congratulations and good luck.

And the acting honorary editor of this column can't let King have all the limelight in the Press world, so he blushes profusely and admits that he has just been elected a Director of "The Bulletin," of which he has been Manager since he helped Foch and a few others win the War.

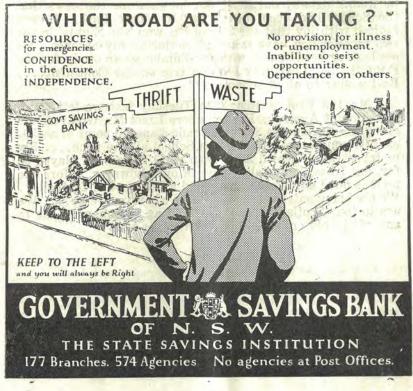
THE OLD BOYS v. SCHOOL.

During the second week of the Mid-Winter Holidays, the annual Old Boys v. School football match was played. The Old Boys turned up in full force, there being almost two teams present, while the School was poorly represented, several players being either absent or sick. The score, 29-16, did not represent a true indication of the play, for although the Old Boys had a very fine side in both halves, the School played admirably, hard tackling being a feature of their game, as it was noticed that several of the Old Boys limped off the field at the conclusion of play, while the game was stopped at times for some of them to recover their senses. As this match was the only hard match we experienced before King's, it afforded us excellent practice. This was noticeable till a quarter of an hour before time in this match, as the School held a team, which after eventually won the competition, to 8-o, but condition telling, were eventually overrun.

There were many fine players amongst the Old Boys, notably Sid. King, one of the best footballers the State has turned out, and who is now touring with the Waratahs in England, and is one of the successes of the tour in his position as one of the centres. Another member of the Waratahs, Tarleton, also played, but, unfortunately, was only able to play in the first half. However, we had an exhibition of first-class hooking, and were shown why he was chosen as second hooker to tour England. Another Old Boy, though not quite so famous as those mentioned, ably demonstrated the good form which he has been showing for Randwick's first XV., namely, "Pud" Hardy, fast year's captain, and it will not be long before we see him touring England with future Waratahs. Selby Burt also showed fine

form in the centre, while F. King (Wests' 1st XV.) gave us a first-class exhibition of wing play. Another to show form at half was Allan Newton (Easts' 1st XV.). Fin Cook, who is at present playing for Teachers' College, was another to show up, and it will not be long before we see him in first-grade football. Many other Old Boys were present, and showed that they have not forgotten the football education which they received at "High." The game was very ably refereed by Mr. C. A. Fairland. After the match, the Old Boys treated the present to a "feed" in the dressing room, which, it seems, was very much appreciated, milk at length running out under the thirst of the boys.

Speeches were made by Mr. Fairland, "Sid" King and "Ron" Mainwaring, and a very agreeable function was ended. This match is an annual one, and is one of the means by which Old Boys are kept in touch with the school, and of renewing old friendships, while it also serves to test the mettle of the present calibre of football as compared with the old. Offers of coaching were made by Messrs. King and Tarleton, and as these players are receiving great experience in England with the Waratahs, it is hoped that the School will take advantage of such a generous offer in the new school.



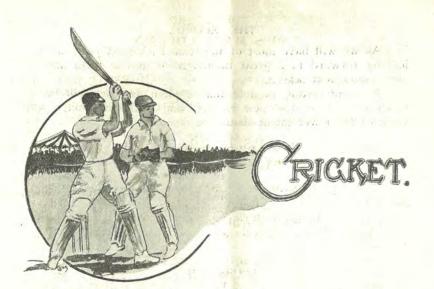
THE RECORD. MISS MAC'S COLUMN.

Many of the Old Boys of the High School may have read the announcement of the death of Dr. G. T. Moroney, and never connected it with our "old Gerry," always a solid supporter of sport, though not an athlete himself. Only 24 years of age (he had graduated with honors in medicine at 21, and had been appointed to the staff of the Prince Alfred Hospital) his death is lamented by all who knew him.

Ken Hardy has been doing some good work in the Glebe Rowing Club, of which he is a member. He is in the "Maiden Eights." The race eventuated last Saturday afternoon. Ken occupied the position of bow. The crew gained an easy victory.

I had a very interesting letter from Dr. Fred. Stayner, who has been one of the resident medical staff at North Middlesex Hospital. He writes: "Surgery is my forte. Before getting this appointment I held a post at St. Paul's Hospital, Covent Garden....I was very pleased to see Mr. Greaves who used to teach us history. I do not know how he found his way out here, but he gave me the news that the School had been moved out to Moore Park. I have noticed with joy that the School has won 'the Eights' in the two races which have taken place during my absence....I am leaving here next month for Edinburgh to study for my F.R.C.S. Last year I had a trip on the Continent.... Best wishes to all at school...."

Mr. Sid King writes: "On Tuesday last we left for a reception at Australia House, where I met Mr. Greaves. He knew our movements, and had made a special point of seeing us. Of course, we talked High School all the time.... Six matches (all of which have been won) have been played so far, but I have only taken part in one; however, before the team is out I am likely to have had a full issue of football... We are being entertained splendidly wherever we go.... We are to tour Scotland.... Be so kind as to remember me to any of the old crowd who happen to see you."



S.H.S. FIRST XI.

The record of the 1st XI. for the second half of the season 1927 is rather depressing, but by no means disappointing.

The fielding of the team was a most unsatisfactory factor, the Scots match being the only time when individuals showed flashes of brilliance. This weakness was doubtless due to the lack of practice, the fielding at King's and Grammar being very weak.

However, the batting performances have been fair, and they fully compensate for the errors of fielding. There is born talent in some of the players, but at different times, just as a big score was predicted, they would get out. This was, no doubt, due to the anxiety to get runs quickly. This was evidenced at Scots, when Morgan, Clubb, Starr, and Hepper got going. In this match two records for S.H.S. were broken, viz., first wicket partnership of 113 by Bailey and Clubb, at Newington, was bettered by Morgan and Hepper with 137; and also the highest score made by S.H.S. in G.P.S. cricket was eclipsed by the total of 334.

The bowling has improved quite a lot in this half—the performances of Clubb and Wines, who took 5-21 and 5-23 at Scots, being worth mentioning. Bailey also bowled well with his medium pace style, while Morgan, though expensive, got many a good wicket.

As we will have most of the team back next year, we are looking forward to a great improvement in our form and 'n our results next season.

It is interesting to note that a pitch and net will be in existence out at the new school, and with this extra aid some of the lower talent should be discovered.

G.P.S. RESULTS.

S.H.S. v. KING'S.

Played at Parramatta. King's won by three wickets and 521 runs.

Bailey, c Terry, b Royle	16	5
Clubb, b Campbell	I2	2
Morgan, b Royle		5.
Wines, c Elliott, b Campbell	12	2
McKibbin, c Royle, b Campbell)
Starr, b Elliot)
Hepper, c Terry, b Royle	3	3
Gilding, c Terry, b Royle	· · · · 6	5
Williams, not out	••• 4	4
Huxtable, l.b.w., b Royle)
Semmons, c Terry, b Royle	3	3
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S.H.S. v. T.G.S.

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Played S.C.G. No. 1. T.G.S. won by 8 wickets and 6 runs.

S.H.S.-First Innings.

Clubb, b McDowell	5
Bailey, c Michlemone, b Bryant	16
Wines, c Binns, b McDowell	19
Morgan, c Binns, b McDowell	12
McKibbin, b McDowell	4
Chesher, c McDowell, b Bryant	5
Gilding, b Guest	19
Starr, st. McLean, b Guest	5
Semmons, c Barton, b Binns	6
Shepherd, b Guest	9
Hepper, not out	15
Sundries	II
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Total	126

Bowling: S.H.S.: Clubb 1-57, Wines 1-36, Bailey 1-2.1, Morgan 0-7.

Played at Bellevue Hill. S.H.S. won by 289 runs.

Hepper, run out	61
Morgan, b Fleming	76
Wines, c Kennedy, b Hall	0
Bailey, c Martel, b Kennedy	23
Starr, c Simpson, b Fleming	65
McKibbin, b Fleming	0
Semmons, c Rickett, b Fleming	7
Chesher, c Ricket, b Fleming	2
Gilding, c Fleming, b Taylor	23
Shepherd, not out	6
Clubb, b Fleming	62
Sundries	19
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Total	344

Bowling :- S.H.S.: Clubb 5-21, Wines 5-23.

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

Played ot Riverview.

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S.H.S.-First Innings.

Hepper, b T. Parsonage	6
Morgan, c and b Antill	14
Bailey, b Antill	19
Clubb, l.b.w., b T. Parsonage	24
Starr, not out	20
Shepherd, l.b.w., b Antill	0
Gilding, b T. Parsonage	4
Chesher, b T. Parsonage	0
Semmons, l.b.w., b Antill	8
Simenson, b T. Parsonage	0
McKibbin, c Jorson, b T. Parsonage	0
Sundries	3
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Total	98

Bowling—S.H.S.: Club 2-52, Bailey 4-55, Shepherd 2-31, Morgan 2-0, Simenson 0-2.

OLD BOYS v. PRESENT.

The annual cricket match between the old and present scholars was held at Wentworth Oval, on Wednesday, 2nd November.

The Old Boys won the toss, and elected to bat on a good wicket. Golding and Austin opened the innings, but the former left early, succumbing to the bowling of Wines for the moderate sum of 5. Austin was then joined by Davies, who did not last long, Gilding subsequently catching him off Wines. The score

was then 2 for 19. Disaster, however, still pursued the Old Boys, McCredie, Carter, and Austin falling in quick succession. Things now looked bad for the batting team, but Fairland and Cook came to the rescue, carrying the score from 58 to 119, the former compiling 22 and the latter 38 n.o. The innings closed at 127. Bailey and Wines shared the bowling honours for School.

Hepper and Morgan opened the innings for the Present Boys, but disaster came early, Hepper being bowled by McCredie for o. Burt was bowling very well indeed, Morgan, Wines, and Clubb falling to him in quick succession. Bailey and Starr then continued quietly—runs thus came very slowly. After a determined stand, Bailey was bowled by McCredie. Then a rot set in, the only man tending to stop the debacle being Starr, who was unconquered for 38. School comprised 96, thus falling 31 short of the Old Boys.. Burt and Carter shared the bowling honours, the former trundling remarkably well.

During the afternoon tea interval, Mr. Fairland gave a short speech on behalf of the Old Boys, offering the boys as much assistance as was in their power, also thanking Mr. Eddy for his keen interest in the school cricket. In reply, Mr. Eddy apologised for the unavoidable absence of Mr. Saxby, and also thanked the Old Boys, on behalf of the School, in a short but appropriate speech, stating also that any assistance on his behalf was rendered most willingly.

All unanimously agreed that it was a most enjoyable game, and the Old Boys are most eager for another.

Scores:

Old Boys 127 (Cook 35 n.o., Fairland 22). Bowling: Bailey 3 for 10, Wines 4 for 16.

School 96 (Starr 38 n.o.). (Bowling: Burt 5 wickets, Carter 3 wickets). —A. W. McK.

G.P.S. RESULTS.

FIRST GRADE.

S.H.S. v. T.K.S0-31.	SH.S. v. T.G.S.—16-19.
S.H.S. v. N.S8-9.	S.H.S. v. S.C.E.G.S3-34.
S.H.S. v. T.S.C11-18	S.H.S. v. S.I.C6-13.
S.H.S. v	. S.J.C.—3-59.

SECOND GRADE.

S.H.S. v. T.K.S0-58.	S.H.S. v. T.G.S0-34.
S.H.S. v. N.C3-22.	S.H.S. v. S.C.E.G.S0-22.
S.H.S. v. T.S.C6-3.	S.H.S. v. S.I.C.—13-6.
S.H.S. v	v. S.J.C.—0-43.

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THIRD GRADE.

S.H.S. v. T.K.S36-8.	S.H.S. v. T.G.S0-9.
S.H.S. v. N.C13-8.	S.H.S. v. S.C.E.G.S0-27.
S.H.S. v. T.S.G.—10-14.	S.H.Ś. v. S.I.C.—19-3.
S.H.S.	v. S.J.C.—0-24.

C.H.S.

FIRST GRADE. FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v. S.T.C24-3.	S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—27-0.
S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S9-0.	S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—14-3.

SECOND SERIES.

S.H.S. v. J.T.C.—44-0. S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.—8-12. S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—27-0. S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—19-8. First Final-S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.-0-0. Second Final-S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.-6-3.

SECOND GRADE.

FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v.	L.T.C24-0.	S.H.S. v.	H.A.C.—11-6.
S.H.S. v.	P.H.S64-0.	S.H.S. v.	F.S.H.S3-12.
S.H.S. v.	N.S.H.S15-0.	S.H.S. v.	B.H.S33-0.
	S.H.S. v.	C.H.S11	-0.

SECOND SERIES.

S.H.S. v. L.T.S.—21-0.	S.H.S. v. H.A.C6-6.
S.H.S. v. P.H.SForfeit.	S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S23-c.
S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S39-0.	S.H.S. v. B.H.S33-0.
	C.H.S.—24-3.

THIRD GRADE.

FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v. S.T.C.-21-0. S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.-44-0. S.H.S. v. C.H.S.—16-3. S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—18-6. SH.S. v.

SECOND SERIES. S.H.S. v. S.T.C.—22-0. S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.—Forfeit. S.H.S. v. C.H.S.—17-3. S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—22-3.

S.H.S. v. T.S.C.

FOURTH GRADE.

FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v. T.T.C33-0.	SH.S. v. C.H.S3-15.
S.H.S. v. P.H.S14.3.	S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S3-0.
S.H.S. v . F.S.H.S9-6.	S.H.S. v. H.A.C15-6.

SECOND SERIES.

S.H.S. v. T.T.C.—6-5. S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—10-14. S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—Won forfeit. S.H.S. v. C.H.S.—3-6.

FIFTH GRADE. FIRST SERIES.

S.H.S. v. S.T.C.—5-8. S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—29-0. S.H.S. v. Randwick—33-0. S.H.S. v. C.H.S.—6-6. S.H.S. v. F.S.H.S.—0-15. S.H.S. v. N.S.H.S.—10-12. S.H.S. v. H.A.C.—35-0.

SECOND SERIES.

S.H.S. v. S.T.C.—5-0. S.H.S. v. aRndwick—52-0. S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—6-20. S.H.S. v. P.H.S.—Forfeit. S.H.S. v. C.H.S.—8-13.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL PILGRIMAGE.

(C. A. Rodgers, 5th Year.)

"Tis Autumn. Our pilgrim sets forth from the noisy bustling city to Nature, calm and free. His Eden stands on a high plateau where the air—"the wonderful clean, pure, air—wells into your lungs the while by voluptuous inhalations and makes the eyes bright, and sets the heart tinkling to a new tune."—It is thus with Pilgrim—but O Snare! Delusion that lures the unwary!

Onward strides Christian. Soon he meets the denizens of Eden, who do not appreciate the true heroism of the Ione pilgrim. They stare, goggle-eyed, at the wanderer struggling up the highway pledged to a noble pursuit of Nature. Her constant companions know her not, and the brave city rebel must alone discover her beauteous treasures.

Bivouacs of the pilgrimage are the mirages of the desert. The one is cool and delightful in the distance, the other is cool and delightful in the fancy, but the cold reality is a biting wind, a heavy pack, and a tribe of ants. Nature is alive and moving, her red and black battalions are marshalled, and the intruder is forced to retreat at the first charge—exeat bivouac.

Night approaches, and the weary pilgrim, caught 'twixt sunset and dark, hurries to rest. No soft restful bed on warm snug bedclothes for him; a light blanket over him, the cold earth beneath, and the starry sky is his canopy. Bathed in moonlight, the unfortunate youth—unlike Endymion—is not lulled to eternal sleep, but is moved to shivering misery, as his members slowly numb and the dews of the evening descend upon the earth. Sweet rest, where hidest thou thy store? Chilled and miserable our Christian must watch through the long, still hours.

Dawn at last blushes in the east. The dark blues of night retreat before the purples, pinks, and golds of Dawn, and in one instant the sun has entered the lists and has carried his master, Day, triumphant in the sky.

Satan storms our inner Christian. He continues his way, but dark are his thoughts, and great his suffering—the glowing picture is changed to the cold reality—the scene is fine—a mental spa—but bodily wants are, alas, strong in our Christian—he yearns for rest, for food, for comfort. Satan, ever ready, pereives an opportunity, and disguised as a benevolent carrier armed with a motor truck, tempts Christian, saying, "O pitiable young man, come unto me and I will take you to your destination." A right cunning and seducing invitation, and, alas! our Christian is perverted, and a happy sinner is led from the path of truth and beauty, Nature, back to the wickedness and evil of the city.

C.A.R.

ROWING PROSPECTS FOR 1928.

The rowing prospects for the coming season are somewhat brighter than they were at this stage last year. The club was then faced with the difficulty of selecting practically a new crew, only one member remaining of the champion 1926 eight that so distinguished itself on the River. This also involved the discovery of a worthy successor to our brilliant stroke, K. Robinson, the responsibility of whom was shouldered by A. Watts, who brought our famous crew to victory at the last regatta.

Fortunately, he will be available for next year's crew, together with another member of the eight, D. Duffy. There is also some very promising material from the fours: J. Robinson, 1st IV., and B. Gardiner, A. Crabbe, C. Hughes, 2nd IV.

The conditions under which the crews trained last year were far from ideal, and steps are being taken to greatly improve the conveniences and comforts of the camp in general. In addition, the reserve crews will be eliminated, thus considerably reducing the number in camp.

With these prospects in view, we have every reason to hope that the S.H.S. Eight will once again prove victorious; at the same time performing the phenomenal feat of winning the coveted trophy for the fourth time in succession.

J.F.

AN AFRICAN NIGHT.

There was a deep brooding silence, the slightest movement of the air would make the dry parched leaves rattle. Then came the loud, foreboding cry of a jackal, and, once again—silence. The air was hot and clammy, and most of the men were tossing in their sleep. Down the dry, sun-baked watercourse the frogs were lying half dead. Through the gloomy woods the animals were creeping, aware of something in the air.

The birds had flown into the deepest glades of the forest, and crouched chattering in the branches of the trees. Suddenly the birds stopped chattering and all the animals cowered under cover.

Then came a vivid flash of lightning that illumined the sky with a wierd, transient gleam; then down poured the rain in torrents.

This heavy deluge continued throughout the night. When dawned, what had been a dry watercourse was now a broad, swift-running stream.

C. GILBERT, I.B.

SWIMMING.

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Two swimming events of the year are of outstanding importance to the school—the school's own carnival and the Combined High Schools' Carnival.

Our own carnival was held in March, and was well organized and supported. The Combined High Carnival is being held early in December, and swimmers desirous of representing the school are asked to prepare training. For the last three years we have not lived up to the splendid performance registered by the school in 1923, when we were C.H.S. swimming premiers. Our lack of success may be traced to two reasons:— 1. We have not had the actual swimming material. This is irremediable, but it is not the only reason why we have not had more success. Whatever may be our swimming talent, support is necessary to give our representatives confidence, and confidence plus talent means success. 2. Lack of support from non-competitors is much to blame for our past performances. Therefore it behoves us to attend the carnival (for which we are allowed a holiday) and to cheer our representatives on that day.

It is not expected that we will carry off the swimming premiership this year, but on present indications, given support, it appears that the school will by no means be disgraced. C. Gerrard and R. Houston should acquit themselves creditably in the longer senior races, whilst F. Williams has an excellent chance in the 50 yards free style.

If anything, the juniors appear to have a better chance of success in their class than the seniors. On his performances in winning the Junior Cup, N. Griffen should do well in each of the free style events. Griffen, together with Walker, Robinson, and Jones in the breaststroke, backstroke and diving events respectively, should form a team with excellent chances of winning the Junior Championship.

J. Miller and W. Robinson are likely to perform well in the junior cadet division. As in previous years, Mr. Jones has rendered great assistance to swimming, and we wish to extend to him sincere thanks for his work.

C. H. RODGERS, Secretary.

LIFE SAVING.

The usual life-saving classes are being held by Mr. Cropley, and have received better support than in past years.

Last year about 50 candidates were successful in securing various awards of the Royal Life-Saving Society—15 boys secured the Bronze Medallion, and the remainder the Elementary and Proficiency Certificates.

It is proposed to hold classes during the coming year for instruction in the methods of Resuscitation, and these will be open to non-swimmers.

The recent harbour disaster has shown that it is essential that all boys should learn to swim, and then to learn, at least, the elements of live-saving.

"High" boys have every opportunity of learning the correct methods of release and rescue, and every boy should avail himself of the opportunity of acquiring the ability of rendering assistance, if the necessity ever arises, to anyone in difficulties in the water.

The Royal Life-Saving Society holds annual examinations, not only in life-saving methods, but in Resuscitation methods for the apparently drowned. This examination is open to non-swimmers, and next year special classes will be held by Mr. Cropley in the new Gymnasium.

Swimmers: See to it that you equip yourself to be able to render assistance to any one in difficulties in the water.

Non-swimmers: Learn to swim without delay. If you desire to be taught correctly, join one of the Education Department's Vacation Swimming Classes, to be held during the Christmas vacation.

ATHLETICS.

On Friday, 27th August, the forty-second annual Athletic Carnival was held at the S.C.G.

The attendance was the best we have had for a long time, both as regards senior school pupils and parents and friends of the boys.

It was pleasing to note that all competitors wore standard costumes, and that the carnival looked like a "school" one.

The weather was fine all the morning, but towards the end of the day a thunderstorm forced the postponement of the mile, the 90 yards' junior hurdles, and several handicaps.

The best senior performers were H. Wines and H. Street, who tied for the Senior Cup, with $11\frac{1}{2}$ points each.

G. Walker won the Junior Cup by two points, from J. Robinson, with F. Hatcher third, and proved himself a good "all-round" athlete.

The Junior Cadet Cup was won by L. Blake, while great promise was shown by E. Hyman, who won the 100 and 220 yards championships.

In the C.H.S. carnival the seniors showed little form, mainly cwing to the lack of training, but H. Wines gained fifth place in both the 100 and 220 yards championships.

The juniors performed well, gaining second place in the shield. G. Walker won the 440 yards, while J. Still and J. Robinson gained 2nd places in the 220 yards, and 90 yards hurdles respectively.

The junior cadet, E. Hyman, also ran into fifth place in the 100 and 220 yards.

The G.P.S. results this year are the most pleasing we have obtained for some time.

The juniors were a particularly fine team. Gaining 37‡ points, they came second, being beaten by S C.E.G.S.

J. Still is the best sprinter we have seen for many years. He now holds the junior 100 vards G P.S. record of 10 3-5 secs., with J. Carlton, of St. Josephs, and was only 1-5 second outside the record for the 220 yards.

The relay team are also to be congratulated on their splendid victory. They were only 2-5 secs. outside the record.

G. Walker and E. Hyman also ran well.

The seniors were outclassed, scoring 7 points, and finishing in seventh place. It is, however, better than previous years.

B. Moses ran well in the 880 yards, finishing second. He also came fifth in the 440 yards.

H. Wines ran we'l in the 100 and 220 yards, but the pace was too hot for him.

Jumpers, both senior and junior, were weak. We were un'ucky, however, as J. Metcalfe, an excellent iumper for a junior, met with an accident the day before the event, and a substitute had to be found.

Ralph Farrell, F. Collins and Selby Burt, well known old boys of the School, must be thanked for the valuable work done by them, and the great deal of time which they expended in training the All-Schools' representatives.

Many thanks are also due to Mr. Harrison, who took an active interest in the school athletics.

These results will stir the school on to still greater efforts in this direction, and so we may confidently expect better results next year, especially in the seniors.

S.H.S. 42nd ANNUAL ATHLETIC CARNIVAL.

August 26th, 1927.

Championships, Senior.

- 100 yards: 1st, H. Wines; 2nd, R. Cook; 3rd, W. Norman. Time, 11 1-5.
- 220 yards: 1st, H. Wines; 2nd, R. Cook; 3rd, G. Shappere. Time, 24 3-5.
- 440 yards: 1st, B. Moses; 2nd, G. Shappere; 3rd, H. Wines. Time, 57 2-5.
- 880 yards: 1st, B. Moses; 2nd, H. Street; 3rd, G. Shappere. Time, 2.13 2-5.

1 mile: 1st, S. Segal; 2nd, W. Standing; 3rd, A. Clubb. Time, 5.4 2-5.

120 yards hurdles: 1st, R. Cook; 2nd, H. Street; 3rd, H. Wines. Time, 20 2-5.

Broad Jump: 1st, H. Street; 2nd, H. Wines; 3rd, M. Dunnett. 18ft. 5³/₄in.

High Jump: 1st, H. Street; 2nd, G. Shappere; 3rd, D. Robinson. 4ft. 11in.

Shot Putt: 1st, D. Robinson; 2nd, C. Rubie; 3rd, G. Shappere. 29ft. 1in.

Championships, Junior.

- 100 yards: 1st, G. Walker; 2nd, J. Still; 3rd, J. Robinson. Time, 11 3-5.
- 220 yards: 1st, J. Still; 2nd, G. Walker; 3rd, J. Robinson. Time, 24 4-5.
- 440 yards: 1st, J. Robinson; 2nd, G. Walker; 3rd, F. Hatcher. Time, 58 1-5.
- 880 yards: 1st, G. Walker; 2nd, F. Hatcher; 3rd, J. Robinson. Time, 2.20.
- 90 yards hurdles (not run).
- Broad Jump: 1st, F. Hatcher; 2nd, G. Henry; 3rd, E. Greaves. 17ft. 8³/₄in.
- High Jump: 1st, J. Metcalfe; 2nd, K. Oliver; 3rd, E. Greaves. 4ft. 10in.

Championships, under 14.

- 100 yards: 1st, E. Hyman; 2nd, R. White; 3rd, L. Blake. Time, 12 3-5.
- 220 yards: 1st, E. Hyman; 2nd, R. White; 3rd, L. Blake. Time, 28 1-5.
- Broad Jump: 1st, L. Blake; 2nd, R. White; 3rd Morgan and Farrow. 14ft. 51in.
- High Jump: 1st, L. Blake; 2nd, Farrow; 3rd, R. White. 4ft. 5in.

Handicaps.

Senior-

- 220 yards: 1st, H. Wines; 2nd, R. Cook; 3rd, G. Shappere. Time, 24 3-5.
- 440 yards: 1st, A. Wallace; 2nd, J. Mellor; 3rd, L. Basser.
- Time, 57 3-5. 880 yards: 1st, A. Wallace; 2nd, J. Crawford; 3rd, W. Standing. Time, 2.17 1-5. Junior-
- 220 yards: 1st, Quinlan; 2nd, Thorpe; 3rd, Pritchard. Time, 25.
- 440 yards: 1st. J. Greaves; 2nd, E. Greaves; 3rd, C. Gerrard. Time, 60 2-5.
- 880 yards: 1st, C. Gerrard; 2nd, J. Gould; 3rd, G. Henry. Time, 2.22 3-5.

Under 14.

75 yards: 1st, Edgerton; 2nd, E. Hyman; 3rd, P. Trickett. Time, 9 3-5.

- Open Mile: 1st, J. Gould; 2nd, B. Smythe; 3rd, C. Gerrard. Time, 6.0 1-5.
- Open 120 yards: 1st, M. Balkind; 2nd, A. Mellor; 3rd, C. Rubie. Time, 13 1-5.
- Mile Walk: 1st, M. Dunnett; 2nd, O. Best; 3rd, K. Mowat. Time, 8.50.
- 1st Year Handicap: 1st, M. Power; 2nd, E. Hyman; 3rd, P. Trickett. Time, 12 1-5.
- 2nd Year Handicap: 1st, J. Roden; 2nd, A. Bamford; 3rd, Pritchard. Time, 12 2-5.
- 3rd Year Handicap: 1st, L. Munday; 2nd, J. Metcalfe; 3rd, A. Cushney. Time, 12 1-5. 4th Year Handicap: 1st, F. Munro; 2nd, M. Balkind; 3rd,
- J. Greaves. Time, 11 1-5.
- 5th Year Handicap: 1st, C. Rubie; 2nd, J. Mellor; 3rd. J. Clarke, 11 1-5.
- Obstacle Race: 1st, Peters; 2nd, J. Edgerton; 3rd, C. Gerrard.

Sack Race: 1st, J. Sandford; 2nd, B. Bowler; 3rd, C. Dandie. Sigmese Race: 1st. M. Power and Chiplin: 2nd. Stoneham and Chessell; 3rd, C. Rubie and M. Bailey."

1st Year Relay: 1A, 1C, 1B.

1st Year Relay: 1A, 1C, 1B. 2nd and 3rd Year Relay: 3A, 2A, 3C.

4th and 5th Year Relay: 4th year, 5th year.

1st Year Tug-o'-war: 1A, 1; 1C, 2.

2nd and 3rd Year Tug-o'-war: 3rd Year, 1; 2nd Year, 2.

4th and 5th Year Tug-o'-war: 5th Year, 1; 4th Year, 2. Cup Winners.

Senior: H. Wines and H. Street (equal).

Junior: G. Walker.

Under 14: L. Blake.

COMBINED G.P.S. A.A. CARNIVAL, HELD 13th

OCTOBER, 1927.

Open Championships-100 Yards.

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Record: 10 3.10, by J. B. Sandlands, Armidale, 1902;
N. R. Burns, King's, 1922; R. M. Moore, King's, 1924; and
I Carlton St Joseph's 1926
J. Carlton (St. Joseph's)
W S E Dodg (King's)
T. D. E. Dous (Kings)
D. S. Hicks (Grammar)
A. J. Porter (Newington), 4; C. O'Riordan (St. Ig-
natius), 5. Won by five yards. Time, 10secrecord. Wind
assisted.
220 Yards.
Record, 22 3-5 sec., by J. Carlton, St. Joseph's, 1926.
J. Carlton (St. Joseph's) 1
W. S. E .Dods (King's) 2
C. O'Riordan (St. Ignatius) 3
D. S. Hicks (Grammar), 4; L. H. Dodwell (Armidale),
5. Won by five yards. Time, 21 4-5 secrecord.

440 Yards.

Record, 51 1-5 sec., by J. Carlton, St. Joseph's, 1925. Winner, 1926, J. Carlton, 51 2-5.

J. Carlton (St. Joseph's)	
F. A. Coventry (King's)	
A. B. Boazman (S.C.E.G.)	
L. H. Dodwell (Armidale), 4	
by ten yards. Time, 50 4-5-red	

First Division-D. K. Whytt (King's), 1; J. M. Vernon (S.C.E.G.), 2; A. J. Porter (Newington), 3; T. W. White (St. Joseph's), 4; D. S. Stewart (Grammar), 5.

Second Division-B. Rowe (St. Joseph's), 1; C. P. Ayres (S.C.E.G.), 2; G. G. Dangar (King's), 3; A. L. Parton (New-ington), 4; M. T. Copp (Scots), 5. Time, 55 1-5. Third Division—W. S. E. Dods (King's), 1; P. L. Carter (Newington), 2; F. R. Cooper (S.C.E.G.), 3; T. Gibson

(Scots), 4; W. S. Brown (Grammar), 5. Time, 54 4-5.

Teams' Championship-King's, 1; St. Joseph's, 2; Newington, 3; Armidale, 4; High, 5.

880 Yards.

Records, 1 min. 59 3-5 sec., by C. S. Stuart, Sydney Church of England Grammar School, 1925. Winner, 1926, T. F. Cowdroy, S.C.E.G., 2.4 4-5).

S. M. Wansey (King's) 1 B. Moses (High) 2 J. L. Macdonald (Armidale) 3 C. P. Ayers (S.C.E.G.), 4; E. Trevor-Jones (Grammar),

5. Won by eight yards. Time, 2 min. 5 2-5 sec. J. S. Smith (Newington) finished third, but was disqualified.

One Mile.

(Records, 4 min. 41 sec., by B. Maguire, St. Joseph's, 1916. Winner, 1926, A. H. Gibson, Sydney Church of England Grammar School (Shore), 4.53).

M. Duffy (St. Joseph's)	12	1
S. M. Wansey (King's)		2
M. Harrold (Armidale)		3

P. White (Grammar), 4; R. Stuckey (Scots), 5. Won by three yards. Time, 4 min. 54 sec.

First Division-T. H. Carlisle (King's), 1; A. L. Spring (Grammar), 2; T. Gleeson (St. Joseph's), 3; A. S. Du Vernet (S.C.E.G.), 4; J. Clarke (High), 5. Time, 5.4. Second Division—E. O. N. Daly (King's), 1; A. E. Brien

(Grammar), 2; E. W. Love (Newington), 3; C. D. Allen (Scots), 4; T. Byrnes (St. Joseph's), 5. Time, 5.4. Third Division—J. D. Cargill (Armidale), 1; S. Mc-

Mahon (Grammar), 2; A. R. Cullen-Ward (King's), 3; R. Swift (S.C.E.G.), 4; K. S. Jones (Newington), 5. Won by 40 yards. Time, 4.51.

Teams' Championship-King's 1, Grammar 2, Armidale 3, St. Joseph's 4, Scots' 5.

120 Yards Hurdles.

(Record, 16 1-5 sec., by C. P. Stewart. Grammar, 1903. Winner, 1926, H. M. Stewart, Scots, 16 4-5) .

D. L. Cowper (Newington) 1
W. White (St. Joseph's) 2
C. S. Rowntree (King's) 3
D. Rossel (Grammar), 4; D. A. H. White (Armidale), 5.
Time, 16 2-5.

Running High Jump.

(Record, 5ft. 84in., by W. F. Wiseman, Newington, 1922. Winners, 1926, T. F. Cowdroy, S.C.E.G.S. (Shore), and H. M. Stewart, Scots, equal at 5.61).

J. L. Wassell (Grammar),	5ft.	5in.			 				 1
H. Wiseman (Newington),	5.4		 		 				 x
T. T. Lyne (S.C.E.G.), 5.4			 	• •	 			• •	 X
R. Holdsworth (Armidale),	5.4		 		 				 X
C. S. Rowntree (King's	s), 5	.3, 5							

x Tied for second place.

Running Broad Jump.

(Record, 21ft. 11in., by A. C	Cunningham, St. Joseph's,
1923. Winner, 1926, K. G. Mazou	idier, King's, 21.11.)
D. L. Cowper (Newington), 21st	$.9\frac{1}{2}$ in 1
J. Carlton (St. Joseph's), 21.1	
M. Levitus (Scots), $20.2\frac{1}{2}$	X
	X
P. White (Grammar), $18.1\frac{1}{2}$,	5.

x Tied for third place. The winner's four efforts were: $20.11\frac{1}{2}$, $21.9\frac{1}{2}$, 20.8, and 20.11.

Putting 12lb. Shot.

(Record, 43ft. 9 ¹ / ₂ in., by H. Pannifex, S.C.E.G. (Shore),
1922. Winner, 1926, A. B. Gould, Grammar, 42.2 ¹ / ₂).
A. B. Gould (Grammar), 42ft. $9\frac{1}{2}$ in 1
D. L. Cowper (Newington), $41.2\frac{1}{2}$
F. N. Bell (S.C.E.G.), 38.6 3
G. G. Dangar (King's), 37.10 ¹ / ₂ , 4; J. Carlton (St.
Joseph's), 35.8, 5.

Junior Championships (Under 16 Years).

100 Yards.

(Record, 10 3-5 sec., by J. Carlton, St. Joseph's, 1924. Winner, 1926, H. H. Allen, Scots, 11 1-5).
J. Still (High) 1
E. S. Horder (S.C.E.G.)
J. H. Byrnes (King's) 3
K. P. Storey (Grammar), 4; K. C. Roberts (Newington),
5. Won by one yard and a half. Time, 10 3-5-equals re-
cord. Wind assisted.
220 Yards.
(Record, 23 4-5 sec., by J. Carlton, St. Joseph's, 1924.

Winner, 1926, M. T. Copp, Scots, 25 2-5).	•
J. Still (High) 1	L
K. C. Roberts (Newington) 2	2
J. H. Byrnes (King's) 3	3

E. S. Horder (S.C.E.G.), 4; S. Law (Scots), 5. Time, 24 sec.

880 Yards.

(Record, 2 min. 9 3-5 sec., by S. M. Wansey, 1925.
Winner, 1926, G. Shappere, High, 2.12).
J. M. Lyne (S.C.E.G.) 1
G. Walker (High) · 2
H. D. Raffan (King's) 3
A. M. Gollan (Grammar), 4; A. Benn (Newington), 5.
Time, 2.12.

90 Yards Hurdles.

(Record, 13 1-5 sec., by S. Burt, High, 1919; R. H. Wood,
Newington, 1922; and E. W. Love, Newington, 1925. Win-
ner 1926, J. R B. eucknell, S.C.E.G., 13 2-5).
B. C. Rylance (King's) 1
C. G. Hodgson (Newington) 2
G. W. Ormiston (S.C.E.G.) 3
K. P. Storey (Grammar), 4; J. Simpson (Scots), 5.
Won by a yard. Time, 13 1-5-equals record. Wind as-
sisted.

Running High Jump.

Record, 5ft. $4\frac{3}{4}$ in., by E. L. Jones, Grammar, 1924. Winner 1926, R. G. Smith, Scots, $5.3\frac{1}{4}$.
J. Simpson (Scots), 5ft. 24in 1
J. Simpson (Scots), 5ft. $2\frac{1}{4}$ in x
N. F. Babbage (Grammar), $5.2\frac{1}{4}$ x
C. F. McWilliam (King's), and H. H. Braund (S.C.E.G.),
equal, $5.1\frac{1}{4}$ 3
J. Metcalfe (High), J. A. Smith (Newington), R. H.
Everingham (Armidale), and T. Rooke (St. Ignatius), all
equal at $4.9\frac{1}{2}$, 5.

x Equal for first place.

Running Broad Jump.

(Record, 20ft. 1 ¹ / ₂ in., by H. H. Allen, Scots, 1926).
K. E. Pilcher (King's), 18ft. $7\frac{1}{2}$ in 1
F. J. A. Pockley (S.C.E.G.), 18.1 2
J. Simpson (Scots), 17.5 3
A. Carrigan (St. Joseph's), 17.24, 4; H. G. McConnell
(Grammar), 16.11, 5.

Team Race.

(Record	d, Gramm	ar, 3min.	21 3-58	sec., 1926).	
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100 Yards.

(Record, 11 2-5 sec., by W. W. Walker, King's, 1922. Winner, 1926, P. C. Taylor, S.C.E.G., 12 1-5 sec.).

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B. W. L. Jones (King's), 4; L. Lees (Newington), and N. Mottershead (Armidale), dead-heat, 5. Won by four yards. Time, 11 2-5—equals record. Wind assisted.

220 Yards.

(Record, 25 4-5 sec., by J. H. Byrnes, King's, 1925. Winner, 1926, P. C. Taylor, S.C.E.G., 27 sec.).

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B. W. L. Jones (King's), 4; O. K. Elliott (Scots), 5. Time, 24 4-5—record (wind assisted).

Running High Jump.

(Record, 4ft. $11\frac{1}{2}$ in., by F. Bayliss, S.C.E.G., 1924. Winner, 1926, B. Rooke, St. Ignatius', 4.9.).

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S.	Wilkinson	$(Scots), 4.8\frac{3}{4}$	 	 • •	• •	• •	•	• •	•	• •	Х

B. Rooke (St. Ignatius'), 4.6, 4; C. M. Hall (King's), F. McMaster (Newington), J. D. Mobbs (Armidale), and J. Mc-Intyre (St. Joseph's), all equal, 5.

Championship Points.

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Senior.	
King's (holders)	$52\frac{1}{2}$
St. Joseph's	50
	32 1-3
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Armidale	16 1-3
Sydney Church of England Grammar	10 1-3
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TENNIS REPORT.

Despite the fact that the number of tennis enthusiasts has been greatly augmented, what gave early indications of being a most successful season ended as a comparative failure.

This year, and this procedure is no innovation, the Tennis Club has acted as a mere convenience for a few boys until they are prepared to play football. At the beginning of the year, it will be remembered, every boy had to inform the Sport's Master what game he intended to take up, and it was emphasised that changing from one sport to another would not be tolerated. Nevertheless just as our grade teams were developing fair, if not strong, combination, some members gracefully retired and were next heard of playing football. While we realise that football is the principal winter pastime at the school we consider it unsportsmanlike to treat tennis in the way that a few have used it.

However, 1927 has some pleasing features of which not the least is the state of the finances. It was indeed gratifying to everyone connected with the Union that the Tennis Club absorbed less money than was usual for it, at the same time giving all participants in the game much more play then they have had in previous years. Either eight or nine courts were hired each week, and some attempt was made to bring together any junior boys showing promise.

Next year we will know more about the capabilities of our juniors, and this should be a strong factor in upraising the standard of play in this game. It will also be possible perhaps to arrange for practice next year, as we will have courts within reasonable reach.

H. W. RATHBORNE,

Secretary.

EDITOR'S REMARKS.

It is necessary that a High School magazine should have some pretensions as a literary production; for by it alone can the literary ability of the members of the school be judged. As one of the leading Public Schools in this State we ought to produce a magazine worthy in all ways of the institution to which we belong. In the new school at Moore Park we hope to produce a paper more befitting our rank—it remains for the school in general to supply the matter on which we are to work.

The number of the contributions to this issue is more than satisfactory, but we are sure that they are not a fair specimen of the literary talent of this school. If, in the verse, more attention were paid to technique and style better results would ensure. In the prose, too, much more consideration could be given to style and polish. Let us ever remember that to produce anything worthy we must think deeply upon the subject, and then spend much time and thought upon the composition of our article, for

"True ease in writing comes from art, not chance,

As those move easiest who have learned to dance."

Bloode (4a.): Your archaic diction in "Old Memoryies" is hopeless; read some Spenser. "Utopia" is unsuitable, it is too far-fetched; as for your "Wife Sketches," we also read the "Sunday Telegraph."

Sand (1.a): Your article on slang lacks a definite viewpoint; it is too self-contradictory, and you indulge the licenses which you yourself disapprove."

Bloode and Sand (4a.): The pompous and simple are not well mixed in your sonnet. Too many cooks spoil the broth.

E.G. (4.b): Your sonnet is absolutely deficient in versification.

Boz. (5.a): A fair attempt, but your mythology is confused.

Halidom (1.c): Fair attempt, but there is too much burlesque and cheap wit. Try again.

A. Fisher (1.a): A very good attempt. Your subject is hardly suitable for an imitation of Longfellow. Try again.

EXCHANGES.

We have to acknowledge the following exchanges:—The Hawkesbury Agricultural College Journal, The Melburnian, The Bindyite, The King's School Magazine, The Chronicle, The Newingtonian, The Parramatta High School Magazine, The Magazine of the Presbyterian Ladies' College, The Glasgow High School Magazine, The Log, The Armidalian, The Sydneian (S.G.S.), The Triangle (Trinity Grammar School), The Koola (Tamworth H.S.), Taree High School Magazine, The Pegasus (Geelong College, Melbourne), The Quondong (Broken Hill H.S.), The Fortian, The Chronicle.

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