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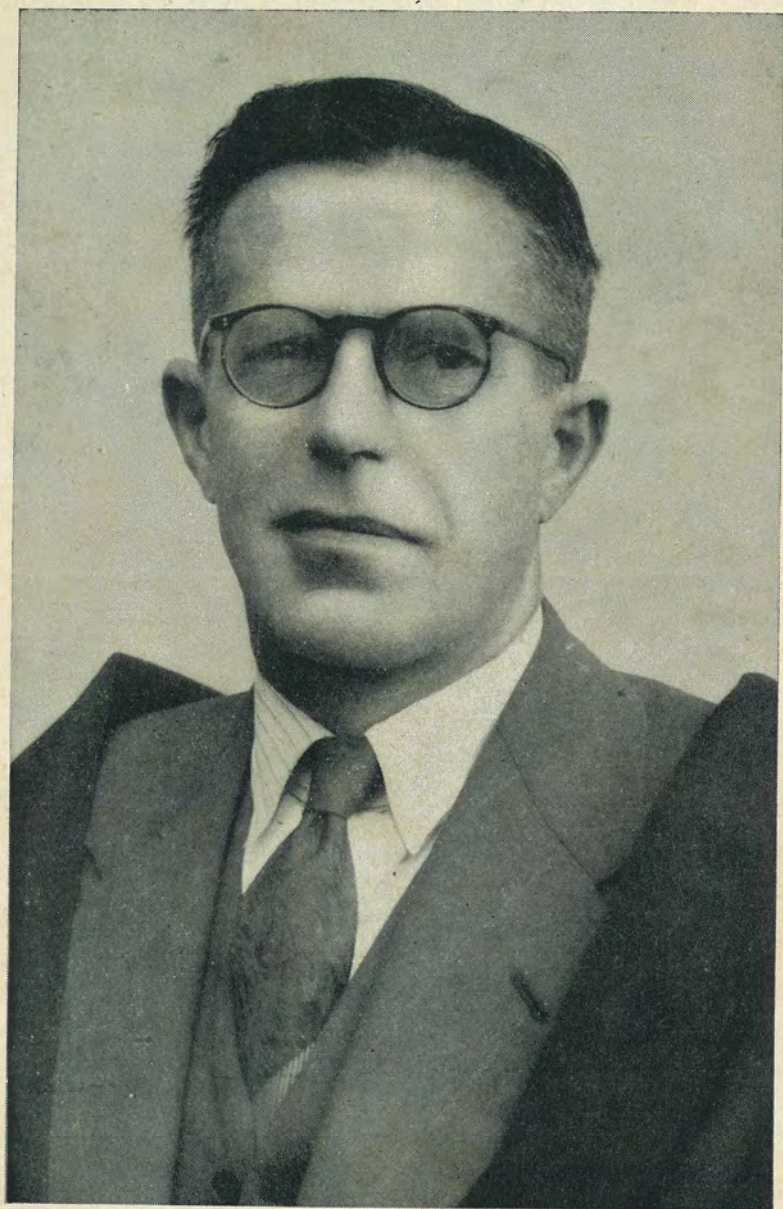
*Committee:* J. Cope, D. Hislop, J. Hodes, B. King, A. Nicholls (Union Representative).

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*Headmaster:* FA 4904.

*Staff and Sportsmaster:* FA 1808.

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Our New Deputy — MR. J. BROWNIE, B.A.

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*This number of "The Record" gives rather more space than usual to the Old Boys of the School. There is news of Hans Freeman in California, William Glen-Doepel in Germany, J. W. Cornforth in England, Frank Lions in various parts of Europe, Keith Cross and John Bosler in South Africa, and many others; there is an article by Phil Davenport, who, with his brother Keith, made history by piloting the fifteen-ton yacht "Waltzing Matilda" across the Pacific and the Atlantic to England, and another article by R. N. Kershaw, which he sent us from England. Scientists, scholars, economists, international sportsmen—the School is proud of them all.*

*We make no apology for the space we give our Old Boys, but rather take pleasure in helping to keep them in touch with one another and with the School. Nor can we forget that the prestige which the School has built up stems as much from the achievements of its Old Boys in the world at large as from the prowess with bat, ball or blade of its present pupils. In our Old Boys lie our traditions.*

*While we acknowledge our debt to our Old Boys, however, let us not forget that traditions may die and that the prestige of to-morrow lies with the pupil of to-day.*

**TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS**

*Changes effected in the School Staff over the 1952-53 vacation were considerable.*

*Of Mr. Hallett's retirement at the end of 1952 we had been forewarned and we were able to review in the last "Record" his energetic and valuable service to the School for a period of a quarter of a century. After a holiday spent in Tasmania early this year Mr. Hallett has now returned to Sydney and, we are glad to report, is in excellent health.*

*Other losses were more in the nature of a surprise. Mr. F. A. Beck was transferred to Manly High School, Mr. R. T. Macrae to Belmont High School, and Mr. D. W. Rowe to Kogarah Intermediate High School. Mr. E. Paterson, after a lengthy period as sports-master, is enjoying long service leave. Mr. K. W. Bromham has gone into Head Office as Assistant Supervisor of Physical Education. Mr. A. W. Dalby resigned from the Education Department to take up a position as Modern Languages Master at Newington College.*

*To all those who have been transferred or have embarked on a new sphere of activity the School extends its very good wishes.*

*In place of Mr. Hallett we wish to welcome Mr. J. Brownie, who comes to us from Hay High School.*

*Other newcomers whom we wish to welcome are Messrs. M. N. Kelly and J. O. Rigby (Dept. of Classics), B. A. Bolt and D. G. Thompson (Dept. of Mathematics), R. G. Blue and T. M. Knight (Dept. of Commerce), J. McMahon (Dept. of Modern Languages), and L. G. Levick (Dept. of Physical Education).*

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**MR. O. A. TAYLOR**

*At the end of Second Term we received with surprise the news of Mr. O. A. Taylor's resignation. Mr. Taylor had so identified himself with the activities of the School that it is difficult to see how any one person can replace him. For eighteen years he had been an efficient treasurer of the School Union. For many years he had been a coach of the First XI, and it may be said here that few people knew the game of cricket as did "Ol" Taylor. In the Staff Room his quiet dignity, his readiness to assist and advise, his politeness and equanimity made him respected by all his colleagues. The natural gentleness of Ol Taylor was perhaps seen at its best when he was asked to do someone a favour; he always contrived to do it in such a way as to give the impression that it was no trouble to him. Though the staff and pupils both wished Mr. Taylor bon voyage on the occasion of his resignation, they would like to record here once more their appreciation of everything he has done for the School and to extend to him every good wish for the future years.*

J. H.

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**LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1952**

The following candidates from the School passed the examination:—

Key: 1, English; 2, Latin; 3, French; 4, German, 5, Mathematics I; 6, Mathematics II; 7, General Mathematics; 9, Modern History; 12, Physics; 13, Chemistry; 17, Geography; 18, Economics; 19, Theory and Practice of Music; 32, Hebrew.

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| Balzer, N. E., 1A 2H(1) 5B 6B 12B 13A.         | Hill, A. F., 1B 2A 7A 9H(1) 13A 18B.                 |
| Barnwell, R., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13B 18B.             | Hollebone, E. F., 1B 3B(o) 5B 9B 13A.                |
| Beresford, M. C., 1B 3B(o) 5H(2) 6A 12A 13A.   | Hughes, R., 1B 2B 3A(o) 7B 9B.                       |
| Beveridge, M. C., 1B 3B 7B 9B 13A 18B.         | Hunter, W. G., 1A 3A(o) 5A 6A 13A 18A.               |
| Bradley, D. J., 1B 2A 4A(o) 7A 12A 13B.        | Isenberg, P., 2B 5B 6B 9A 12B.                       |
| Carrall, R. J., 1B 3B 6B 13B 17B.              | Jefferson, C. P., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12A 13A.               |
| Cashman, R., 1B 7B 9A 17B.                     | Jenes, N. F., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12A 13A.                   |
| Cherny, M., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13A 17B.               | Kelly, G. D., 1B 2B 7B 9H(2) 13B 18B.                |
| Cole, F. K., 1B 5B 12B 13B.                    | Kinstler, J. R., 1A 3B 5A 6B 12A 13A.                |
| Comino, C., 1B 3B 7B 9B 13B 17B.               | Leonard, M. J., 1B 6B 12B 13B.                       |
| Crouch, A. B., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12A 13B.            | Letts, R. A., 1B 5B 6B 12B 18B.                      |
| Curnow, G. R., 1A 2B 7B 9H(1) 13B 18B.         | Littlewood, V. R., 1B 3B 7B 9A 18B.                  |
| Curran, D. A., 1B 3B 7B 9A 18B.                | Loudon, R. M., 1H(2) 2B 3H(2) (o) 4A(o) 7B.          |
| Cusack, B. F., 1B 3B 6B 9B.                    | Lucas, N. M., 1B 5B 6B 12B 13A.                      |
| Dadd, G. H., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B 13B.              | Lyons, G. J., 1B 3B 7B 9A 13B.                       |
| Davies, G. F., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B.                | McEwan, W., 1B 3B(o) 7B 9A 19B.                      |
| Davy, K., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13B.                     | May, R. McC., 1A 5H(1) 6H(1) 12A 13H(1).             |
| Denham, A. J., 1A 5H(1) 6H(2) 12H(1) 13A.      | Medcalf, S. J., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B 13B.                 |
| Diamond, M., 1B 2A 3H(2) (o) 4H(2) (o) 7A 13A. | Moutzouris, S. J., 1B 2A 3H(2) (o) 4H(2) (o) 7A 13B. |
| Dudman, V. H., 1B 3B 5B 12B 13B.               | Noble, P. J., 1A 2A 3A(o) 4A(o) 7A 13B.              |
| Duncan, B. H., 1B 3B(o) 5B 6B 12B 13A.         | O'Neill, T. J., 1B 5B 6B 12A 13A.                    |
| Dunn, G. R., 1A 3A(o) 5B 6B 12A 13A.           | Owers, R. C., 5B 6B 12A 13B.                         |
| Eckert, J., 1B 2A 5A 6A 12A 13A.               | Paix, D., 1A 3A(o) 5A 6B 12H(2) 13B.                 |
| Engdahl, S. L., 1B 5B 6B 13A 17B.              | Payne, W. L., 1B 3A(o) 4A(o) 7B 12B 13B.             |
| Fabian, P., 1B 3H(2) (o) 7B 9A.                | Polyblank, A. H., 1B 3A(o) 5H(2) 6H(2) 12A 13B.      |
| Ford, F. J., 1B 3B 7B 9A 17B.                  | Prince, E. K., 1B 3B 7B 9B 12B.                      |
| Freeman, P. L., 1B 5H(1) 6A 12H(1) 13H(1).     | Quigley, W. B., 1A 3A(o) 7B 9A 18B.                  |
| Fry, C. J., 1B 3B(o) 5H(1) 6A 12A 13B.         | Revai, E. I., 1B 5B 6B 12A.                          |
| Fuggle, C. J., 1B 3B 7B 9A 17B.                | Rileigh, R. H., 1B 2B 3A(o) 7B 9B.                   |
| Fuller, B. J., 1B 3B 5A 6H(2) 12A 13A.         | Rosewell, A. H., 1B 3A(o) 5B 6B 9A 13A.              |
| Furey, P. M., 1B 3A(o) 4B(o) 7A 12B 13B.       | Rosing, D., 1B 3H(1) (o) 7A 9H(2) 12B 32B.           |
| Harman, R. L., 1B 3B 7B 9A 12B 13B.            | Saravanos, C., 3B 6B 12B 13B.                        |
| Havilah, W. B., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B 18B.           |  |
| Hearne, C. J., 1B 3B 5A 6A 12B 13A.            |  |
| Hendry, F., 1A 2A 5A 6A 12A 13A.               |  |

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Sharp, B. J., 1A 3A(o) 7B 9A 18B.	Stephens, B., 1A 2A 5H(2) 6B 12B 13B.
Sherrard, J. M., 1B 3B 5B 6A 12A 13A.	Stewart, G. R., 1B 3B(o) 7B 9A 12A 13B.
Singer, D., 1B 2A 3A(o) 4H(2)(o) 7A 13B.	Stoddart, J. S., 1A 3B 5B 6B 9A.
Sperling, A. M., 1B 2B 5B 6B 9A.	Taylor, P. B., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12A 13A.
Sperling, H. D., 1A 2A 7A 9A 12A 13A.	Thomas, C. J., 1B 3B 5B 6A 12A 18B.
Squires, B., 1B 3B 5B 6B 9A 12B.	Treble, G. F., 1B 7B 9A 13B 17B.
Stanhope, J. M., 1B 2H(2) 5A 6A 12A 13A.	Watson, J. D., 1B 2A 5B 6B 12H(1) 13H(2).
Stead, D. J., 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B 13B.	Webster, N. F., 1B 2B 3A(o) 7B 9B.
	Wilson, R. J., 3B(o) 5B 6B 12B 18B.
	Wotherspoon, R. R., 1A 3B(o) 5B 9A.

### Honours and Awards

Phillip L. Freemar who was third in the State in the Physics Honours List, second in the State in Chemistry, and whose name also appeared in the Mathematics I Honours List, was awarded a half-share in the Liversidge Scholarship No. 2 for Chemistry. He was also awarded the Grafton Elliot Smith Prize. This prize is provided from an endowment in the will of the late Miss Lily Elliot Smith, "awarded annually to the student of the Sydney Boys' High School who shall obtain the highest aggregate marks in the subjects Chemistry and Physics (Pass and Honours) at the Leaving Certificate Examination."

Bob May shared the first place in the Mathematics I Honours List with a candidate from Newcastle Boys' High School and was placed third in the Mathematics II List. His name also appeared in the Chemistry List. He was awarded the Horner Exhibition for Mathematics.

Anthony Hill shared first place in Modern History Honours with a candidate from Sydney Grammar School.

Ross Curnow headed the Australian History Honours List and was awarded the S. H. Smith Memorial Prize. This is a companion prize to the Grafton Elliot Smith Prize and is "awarded annually to the student of the Sydney Boys' High School who shall obtain the highest aggregate marks in the subject of Australian History (Honours Paper) at the Leaving Certificate Examination." Ross was also awarded the C. J. Leowenthal Prize for Australian History and the Brendan-Lane-Mullins Memorial Medal. These two prizes are awarded each year by the Royal Australian Historical Society.

Though some have since been relinquished by the recipients, Commonwealth Scholarships were awarded to the following:— N. Balzer, M. Beresford, D. Bradley, M. Cherny, G. Curnow, A. Denham, M. Diamond, G. Dunn, J. Eckert, P. Fabian, P. Freeman, C. Fry, B. Fuller, P. Furey, C. Hearne, F. Hendry, A. Hill, W. Hunter, N. Jones, C. Jeffreson, G. Kelly, G. King, J. Kinstler, R. Loudon, R. May, S. Moutzouris, P. Noble, D. Paix, W. Payne, A. Polyblank, A. Rosewell, D. Rosing, J. Sherrard, D. Singer, H. Sperling, J. Stanhope, B. Stephens, G. Stewart, C. Thomas, J. Watson.

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INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1952

The following boys were awarded the Intermediate Certificate last year:—

Abbott, G. R.	Fiddes, G. D.	Mayson, J. S.
Allan, W. R.	Findlay, I. H.	Meade, T. J.
Allen, J. V.	Fisher, F. G.	Merrick, R. W.
Armstrong, J. W.	Ford, M. W.	Middlemiss, R. F.
Arnold, R. G.	Gates, W. R.	Middleton, R. K.
Aston, M. J.	Gillett, D. A.	Milne, N. D.
Barnsdall, D. G.	Gilroy, J. S.	Milson, J. E.
Bennett, J. P.	Gluck, G.	Miner, M. J.
Bennett, J. H.	Gordon, A. B.	Murphy, J. R.
Bennett, K. S.	Gorman, W. J.	Murray, P. R.
Benson, J. C.	Green, N. S.	Nicholls, A. G.
Blackstock, W. G.	Gregor, D. G.	Norris, D. W.
Bond, C. F.	Hackett, H. D.	O'Brien, D. J.
Borrott, D. D.	Hagner, B. L.	Osborne, A. W. B.
Browne, J. H.	Hampson, R.	Pascoe, K. D.
Bubb, D. R.	Hancock, R. G.	Payne, J.
Butters, M. S.	Hardy, R. B.	Peryman, M. L.
Buttriss, I. W.	Hargreaves, W. W.	Philcox, R.
Callaghan, R. F.	Havilah, J. C.	Phillips, R. J.
Callaway, I. A.	Haworth, R.	Pilling, J. W.
Campbell, R. J.	Hefferman, R. J.	Post, J. S.
Cann, R.	Henry, G. C.	Powditch, M. R.
Cartwright, D. F.	Hislop, D. J.	Prentice, R. J.
Casey, R. L.	Hodes, J. E.	Pretty, S. C.
Chamberlain, B.	Humphrey, F. G.	Protos, A.
Chamberlain, C.	Huxley, R. F.	Rawlings, P. A.
Clarkson, K. R.	Indlekofer, R. A.	Rhodes, E. A.
Coad, R. W.	Jenkin, M. J.	Richardson, K. M.
Cohen, B. F.	Jobbins, M. D.	Rickards, A. J.
Coker, B. D.	Johnson, P. G.	Rudd, J. W.
Compton, P. G.	Johnstone, D. H.	Ryan, E. A.
Cope, J. A.	Jones, P. E.	Safran, S. E. J.
Corry, G. G. H.	Jordan, J. A.	Sampson, B. J.
Costello, R. F.	Kane, F. C. J.	Schiller, P. F. J.
Coulson, G. H.	King, B. F. V.	Scrivener, B.
Court, A. W.	Kinstler, B. G.	Seal, R. H.
Cowdroy, A. F.	Kool, E. G. K.	Searle, J. E.
Cox, A. L.	Lennon, J. P.	See, B. A.
Craigie, T. A.	Lillyman, W. J.	Segal, R. H.
Cram, G. J.	Louis, W. A.	Sharkey, R.
Crittler, P. C.	McAlpine, R. G.	Shaw, R. W.
Croucher, R. C.	McAndrew, I. A.	Sheedy, E. V.
Curley, M. J.	McDowall, G. R.	Simons, R. G.
Cutler, A.	McFarlane, R. T.	Smith, C. T.
Davies, G. A.	Mackay, T. J.	Smith, I. A.
Davies, R. A.	McLaughlin, W. J.	Smith, M. A.
Davy, I. J.	Macleay, H. S.	Smith, W. L.
Demas, B. W.	Mahaffy, B. C.	Steel, J. H.
Dixon, G. W.	Maiden, P. H.	Stelzer, P. L.
Downie, R.	Main, J. H.	Strasser, S.
Dures, R. G.	Manion, P.	Sutherland, D. D.
Dutton, K. R.	Mann, I. G.	Taylor, A. R.
Egan, J. W.	Martin, L. H.	Taylor, R. W.
Elfick, J. W.	Mashman, G. McI.	Taylor, R. C.
Ellis, R. A.	Maxwell, R. A.	Thomson, W. K.
Evans, J. A.		



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Thornhill, W. J.	Wadsworth, J. E.	Willmott, R.
Tuckwell, B. F.	Walker, P. E.	Woodley, R. S.
Turkington, R. C.	Watt, M. J.	Worrall, R. R.
Turnbull, B. D.	Wickes, P. J.	Wrench, M. C.
Turner, P. J.	Wildon, D. C.	
Vass, L. D.	Williams, P. J.	Young, D. A.

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### ALLIANCE FRANCAISE EXAMINATIONS

The following pupils gained passes in the above examinations in the grades indicated:—

*Grade 2:* Laurence Dudman (5A).

*Grade 3:* Kenneth Dutton (4A), Kevin Pascoe (4A), Robert Merrick (4A), Robert Stock (5A), Alan Nichols (5A).

*Grade 4:* William Avery (3A), Richard Fear (3A), Lionel Freeman (3A), Richard Bradshaw (3A).

In addition to the above, Laurence Dudman gained eighth place in the Concours Général, an examination open to all school students of French in Australia.

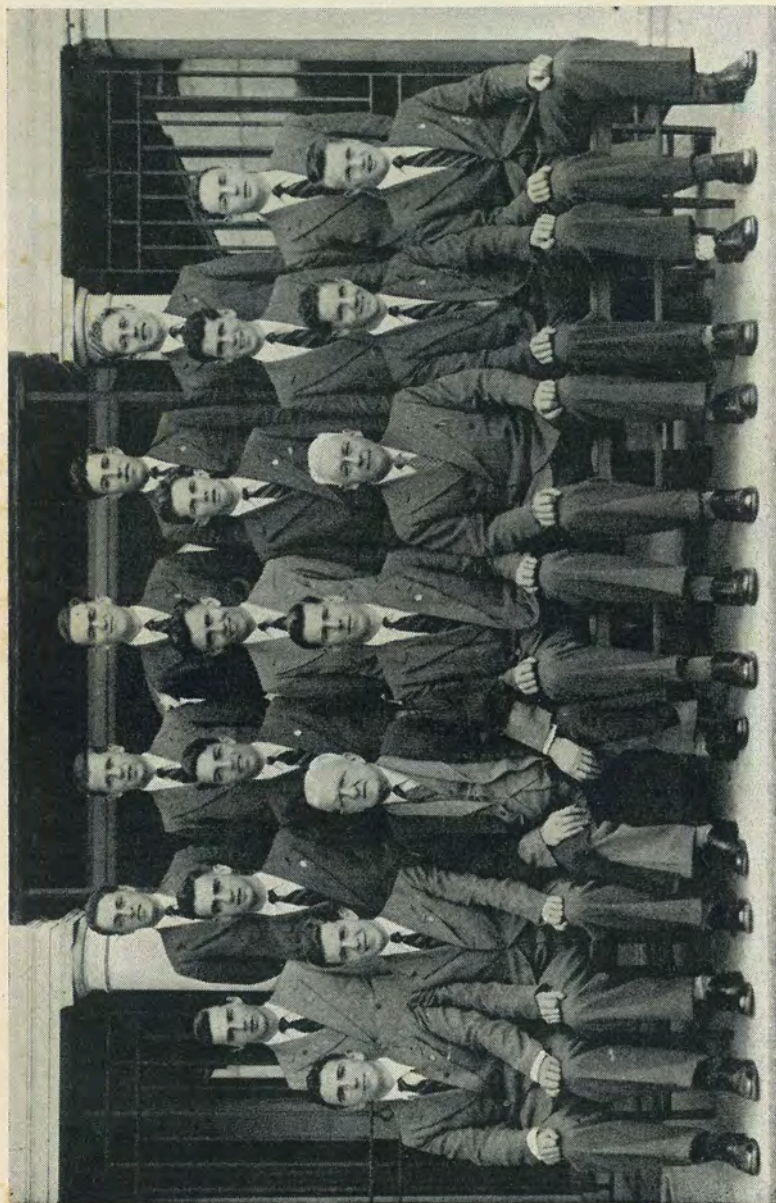
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### THE SCHOOL CAPTAIN

The highest single honour which the School can bestow on any of its members is the captaincy, an honour which few would not covet. The qualities sought in those who are to fill this position, powers of leadership, popularity, prowess in sport and success in scholarship, are only rarely found in one person. There is no doubt, however, that these qualities are all found, and to an outstanding degree, in this year's captain, Malcolm Stuart, who has excelled both in games and studies ever since he entered the School in 1949. In that year he played with the Fourth XI, captaining that team in the following year. Since then he has been a member of the First XI. In 1950 also he first represented the School in athletics, and it is interesting to note that, both in 1949 and 1950, he established a new School Under 14 Shot Put record, which still stands. The next year marked his advent into competition football, and in that year he received a remarkable series of promotions, from Fourth Grade to Second Grade, and finally to First Grade, in which team he has remained ever since and of which he is now Vice-Captain. Nor has the part he has played on the sporting fields been Malcolm's only contribution to the maintenance of the School's prestige. Besides being an excellent scholar, he has represented the School at chess since 1950, and has given valuable service as a librarian for four years. The School feels confident that no better choice of a leader could have been made.

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PREFECTS.

Back Row: J. DONOGHUE, J. WOODCOCK, B. LLOYD, D. DENNY, E. COLEMAN,  
 Second Row: A. TAYLOR, L. BRANDON, W. HAZELL, H. SMITH, W. LEROY, J. McCABE, R. CLARK,  
 Front Row: R. BOLTON, S. HALL (Vice-Captain), G. BARR (Headmaster), M. STUART (Captain), H. J. HAMNETT (Master-in-Charge),  
 R. JENKIN, W. TAYLOR.  
 Absent: C. SMEE.

### OPENING OF THE FAIRLAND PAVILION

On 29th November last an important ceremony took place at the McKay Sports Oval—the Fairland Pavilion was officially opened.

The Headmaster presided at a very happy function. Short congratulatory speeches were made by Mr. W. B. Nehl (President of the P. and C. Association), Mr. K. C. Cameron (President of O.B.U.) and the Hon. T. D. Mutch (a former Minister for Education).

Mr. C. A. Fairland, a very prominent and enthusiastic Old Boy, in declaring the Pavilion open, spoke of the pride he felt in that his name was associated with the new building. He gave a review of the early negotiations for the project and paid tribute to the enthusiasm and work of Old Boys and parents over the years.

The occasion provided the opportunity for a cricket match between the Old Boys and members of the P. and C. Association. The cricket itself was not over-serious, but the players enjoyed every moment of the game. An attractive afternoon tea was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The School desires to express appreciation of the voluntary work and monetary contributions that made this venture possible. We now possess a building quite attractive in appearance and adequate in amenities. We look forward to the next project—the beautification of the grounds.

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### OLD BOYS ABROAD

John Bosler (S.H.S. 1945-50) won fame as a half-back in the Australian Rugby Union Team which toured South Africa during the year. John had an excellent record at school: he was twice a prefect, played with the First XV and the First XI, and represented High several times in both C.H.S. and G.P.S. teams. He achieved the distinction of being the only person to captain both the C.H.S. First XI and First XV in the same year. Before sailing for South Africa, John was playing as half-back for the Eastern Suburbs Rugby Union Club.

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Another Old Boy of High chosen for the South African tour was Keith Cross (1941-1945). Keith was Captain of the School in 1945 and won the high honour of a triple-blue, in rowing, football and swimming. After leaving school he played with the Randwick Rugby Union Club, with which he has played over a hundred games.

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Mr. Hans C. Freeman has almost completed his second year as a special graduate research student in chemistry at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena. Mr. Freeman took his Leaving Certificate with honours in the sciences in 1945. He proceeded to Sydney University, where he graduated B.Sc. in 1949 with First Class

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Honours and the University Medal in Chemistry. In 1951 he graduated M.Sc. and became a lecturer at the University. In 1952 he was awarded a Rotary Foundation Fellowship for Advanced Study and a Fulbright Travel Grant for 1952-53.

The California Institute of Technology is recognised as one of the world's leading educational and research institutions. It recently announced successful operation of its electron synchrotron, most powerful of its kind, at more than 500 million electron volts for studies in nuclear physics. Among the other facilities for which the Institute is noted are the first plant research laboratory affording complete climate control; a comprehensive centre for geochemical research; the Seismological Laboratory; and the Palomar Observatory, home of the 200-inch Hale Telescope. It also is the site of the only continuously operating hypersonic wind tunnel for basic research at velocities up to ten times the speed of sound.

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Alan McLeod returned from America early in Second Term. For twelve months he was attached to Pennsylvania State College, where he lectured in Public Speaking. In a letter to the Editor just before his return he described the College: "It has 12,000 students (11,000 of them own cars), has a campus of 300 acres, dormitories for 5,000 students, own indoor swimming pool, stadium that seats 15-20,000, own power plant, etc. The campus is really beautiful, and the buildings make Melbourne and Sydney Universities look like ruins and barns."

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The Royal Society of Britain has awarded a fellowship to Mr. John Warcup Cornforth, M.Sc.

"Mr. Cornforth, who is in England, went to Sydney Boys' High School and was Dux of the School in 1933. He won an exhibition to the University and was awarded the University Medal in organic chemistry with first class honours. He gained his Master of Science degree in 1938, and won the 1851 Exhibition Scholarship in 1939. Mr. Cornforth worked on the synthesis of penicillin and is now with the British Institute of Medical Research, concentrating on research into cortisone." ("S.M. Herald.")

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In December of this year William Glen-Doepel will leave Sydney for Europe, having been granted a scholarship to study for his Doctorate of Philosophy at Munich University. He expects to be away for two years. William Glen-Doepel was one of the brilliant language scholars of S.H.S. In the 1947 Leaving Certificate Examination he gained a "triple first"—first class honours in English, French and German—and gained A's in the remaining subjects. He completed his B.A. Degree with Honours in 1951, and was awarded the University Medal for German. During 1952 and 1953 he has been a lecturer in the Department of German at Sydney University. Miss Josephine Glen-Doepel, an article by whom appears in the Literary Section, is his sister.

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Peter Cole and Fredrick Cole help each other with their studies at the Royal Military College, Duntroon. Both Coles are former pupils of S.H.S.

The following is an extract from a letter from Dr. Frank Lions, B.Sc., Ph.D., dated 29th August, 1953. On the following day he flew to the U.S.A., where he will spend about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  months. Dr. Lions left with Mrs. Lions by Qantas plane in February and has spent six months in England and on the Continent, visiting nearly every country not behind the Iron Curtain.

Thirty-five years ago the name of Frank Lions was one to conjure with at Sydney High School. After spending his first year, mostly reading "penny dreadfuls," he settled down to work and has so blended success in study and sport that it is hard to explain how he was not a Rhodes Scholar. At school he was Dux in the Leaving Certificate and topped the Honours Lists in both Physics and Chemistry. He played second row in the First XV, and set record times in the 440 and 880 Swimming Championships of the Combined High Schools, and ran second in the C.H.S. Open Mile (Athletics). He graduated B.Sc. in 1921 with three University Medals—and three First Class Honours—a feat never done before or since. Proceeding on a travelling Scholarship to Manchester University, he studied under Professor Rutherford, and gained his Doctorate of Philosophy, and engaged in work aimed at splitting the atom, and then went on to Oxford University. Whilst there he swam second in the All England 440 Yards Championship. On returning to Sydney University he again took up football, playing First Grade until in his mid-thirties and being leader of the N.S.W. Amateur Swimming Association's Diving Troupe. He is now "Reader" in Organic Chemistry at the Sydney University and is regarded as being one of the leading three or four Organic Chemists in the world. Both of his sons, John and Robert, are at "High".

"We scampered round Norway—magnificent scenery and people—in six days, had a look at Sundsvall, Stockholm and Uppsala in Sweden, attending a Conference of the International Union of Chemistry at Stockholm, and spent four days in Copenhagen, where I joined in another conference, this time on Co-ordination Chemistry. Nice city, Copenhagen, and the Danes are nice people. They brew a really good beer at the great Carlsbad brewery, and they do the right thing with all the profits from the beer. They are all used to finance scientific and artistic studies. Imagine our breweries having that on! From Copenhagen we had a night-day trip, first to Cologne and then on to Wetzlar, where I visited the optical works of E. Leitz and Company, who make very fine scientific instruments. Then we went down to Coblenz, on the Rhine, and fought our way on to a Rhine steamer through 2,000 Germans out for a day's excursion to Bingen. They all ate sausages and drank beer. The Rhine trip was quite interesting—lots of barges with enormous loads, vineyards everywhere, castles and ruined castles and pretty little towns. The river is very wide and runs quite fast, especially in narrow places like the Lorelei. Still, the scenery doesn't compare with Norway. We stopped in Frankfurt three nights. It must have been a lovely city before the war. German towns, incidentally, have to be seen

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to be believed. The R.A.F. and the Yanks between them just about eliminated half to two-thirds of each city. The Germans are working like mad re-building (two or three shifts a day), but they've got enough work in hand to keep them busy for another generation or two! We had a day in Heidelberg. The Germans think a lot of Heidelberg as a university town. Personally, I think it is just a town, located on the Neckar just where it runs out of the hills on to the plains.

"We went to Mannheim, then Brussels for a couple of days, and finally, taking a chance, flew into Paris (the strike was still on) discovering we'd forgotten to renew our visas en route. Still, the passport bloke didn't notice it and we got in for four days into Europe's loveliest city. That's another story."

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Keith McLellan (L.C., 1946) writes that he has settled down in his own home at Leeds, and is the proud father of a sturdy son, Michael. Keith is teaching under the Leeds Education Authority, playing professional football with the Leeds Rugby League Club, and doing a B.Sc. Degree externally at London University.

Keith has just returned from a long holiday in Cornwall and Devon, "where we had a marvellous time sight-seeing and swimming on beaches comparable with many of those in Sydney."

Keith is vice-captain of the Leeds Club, which is led by another distinguished Australian, Arthur Clues.

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David K. Stout, who passed his L.C. in 1947 with First Class Honours in English, has been awarded a Rhodes Scholarship, and will shortly take up residence at Oxford. This is the fifth occasion on which a Rhodes Scholar has been an Old Boy of S.H.S.

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## DEBATING SOCIETY

### Office-bearers, 1953

*Patron:* The Headmaster. *President:* Mr. J. M. Howard.

*Vice-Presidents:* S. Hall and I. Kennedy.

*Secretary:* J. Hislop. *Assistant Secretary:* R. Bolton.

The Society had a very successful season this year. After-school meetings, held on Tuesday afternoons during the First Term, were later changed to Thursday. The attendance of many First and Second Year boys gives promise of strong teams in future years.

In the annual debate against the Girls' High School the senior team began the year well by gaining a victory by one point.

In the inter-school competitions both teams performed creditably. The junior team won its zone of the K. R. Cramp Competition, only to be defeated in a semi-final by North Sydney High School, the eventual winner of the trophy. Our team consisted of W. Lillyman and K. Dutton, who spoke in all debates, J. Hamilton, who spoke in two debates, and G. Biro and R. Derham, who took part in one debate each.

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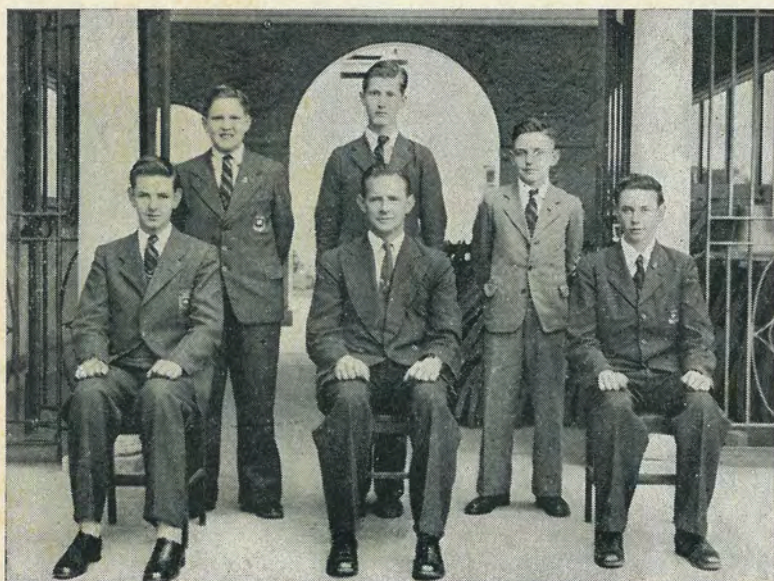


### SENIOR DEBATING TEAM.

Winners of the Hume-Barbour Trophy (Combined High Schools Competition).

Back Row: S. HALL, J. HISLOP.

Front Row: I. KENNEDY, MR. J. M. HOWARD, R. BOLTON.



### JUNIOR DEBATING TEAM.

Zone Champions, K. R. Cramp Competition.

Back Row: J. HAMILTON, G. BIRO, R. DERHAM.

Front Row: W. LILLYMAN, MR. J. M. HOWARD, K. DUTTON.



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The senior team consisted of J. Hislop, R. Bolton and I. Kennedy. S. Hall, the reserve, also spoke in two debates. These boys were successful in winning the Hume-Barbour trophy, defeating Fort Street in the final, on the topic "That unification is a more desirable form of government for Australia than federation."

In the G.P.S. Competition we lost to Scots College, but defeated The King's School. As King's defeated Scots, however, we still had a chance of winning, until defeated by St. Ignatius College in a debate which the adjudicator declared to have reached the highest standard he had heard for several years. Our congratulations go to St. Joseph's, the winners of the Louart Shield.

Later in the year a team of Fourth Year boys, W. Lillyman, K. Dutton and J. Hislop, entered for the Junior Debating section of the City of Sydney Eisteddfod. They won three debates, but were narrowly defeated by St. Joseph's College in the final.

The Society expresses thanks to Mr. Howard, to whom our successes were largely due.

J. H.

### ROYAL EMPIRE SOCIETY'S ORATORY COMPETITION

The Royal Empire Society sponsored another very successful school pupils' public speaking competition this year. The S.H.S. team was quite well up in the field of place-getters, obtaining the second highest marks in the total point score.



**BRITISH EMPIRE ORATORY TEAM.**

Back Row: R. DERHAM, J. HAMILTON, G. BIRO, P. FREEMAN, T. STANLEY.  
Second Row: R. BOLTON, W. LILLYMAN, H. G. SMITH, J. LIONS, C. HOGUE, P. FRY.  
Front Row: R. MAY, K. DUTTON, J. HISLOP, MR. P. ALLSOPP (Master-in-Charge),  
J. DONOGHUE, S. HALL, I. KENNEDY.

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John Donoghue was the winner of the Over 16 Section, and Stephen Hall was placed third. Ian Kennedy and John Lions also scored high marks in this section.

John Hislop tied for first place in the Under 16 Section, Kenneth Dutton and Ronald May coming second.

Donoghue and Hislop delivered their speeches at a function held by the Society at its rooms on the 22nd September.

The team's sincere thanks are due to Mr. Allsopp for his co-operation and arrangement of the team.

The first five places in the point score were filled by the following teams:—

Sydney Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	140	points
Sydney Boys' High School	..	..	..	..	112	„
Burwood Home Science School	..	..	..	..	54	„
The Scots College	..	..	..	..	44	„
Gosford High School	..	..	..	..	36	„

K. D.

## DRAMATIC SOCIETY

There has been a remarkable return of interest in the drama in schools following a very lean period. The Education Department has established a division under the direction of Messrs. Yelland and Dempsey, which is doing a great deal to foster drama in the school and to lend assistance by seeing that the schools are supplied with sufficient printed scripts to meet the needs. The drama medium provides the most adequate means for the boy and girl to express him or herself.

The Society at this school has a membership of more than sixty, and it is hoped that by the end of the year the greater number of these will have appeared in a school production. As was the case last year, the Society was asked to present a play at the Conservatorium for the Secondary School Drama Festival. The production of scenes from "The Taming of the Shrew" was very successful, and the lads acquitted themselves well at the four performances in the three days of the Festival. They were asked to repeat this play at the Poetry Festival presented at the Assembly Hall, and again they were very successful.

At a lunch-hour concert to raise funds for stage lighting the group presented "Admiral Peters" by Jacobs, and will in last term be presenting another play for the same purpose. The purchase of two floodlights and one spotlight for our stage has already proved a boon to dramatic work, and the Society hopes to increase the amount of lighting so that every facility will be available for the work.

"The Centurion's Billet at Swacking Bulphen," produced for the Annual Concert, has paved the way for a great deal of work in the period play. The greater part of the clothing worn and all the stage properties employed are the work of the group's own members. It is to be hoped that the work of the past will form a solid foundation for still better presentations in the future.



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## CHESS CLUB

This year the Chess Club, under the able supervision of Mr. Kelly, completed a year which augurs well for the restoration of the School to its former high place amongst the schools who play chess. These hopes are prompted rather by the pleasing interest shown by so many of the junior boys than by the results of the inter-school competition, which were far below those of former years. However, many of these youngsters have shown exceeding promise and will probably put the School on top again if they continue to participate with this year's vigour.

One cannot but deplore, however, the attitude of those who, never having tried the game themselves, mock the gallant spirits who have braved their derision for the sake of the game and the School. Contrary to the opinion of many, chess is a fascinating pastime which may be enjoyed by anyone not afraid to think a little. Those who wish to learn might come to Room 9 one Friday afternoon at 3.30, where ample opportunity will be provided for them. This opportunity has already been taken by a few seniors (including Messrs. Kelly and Hamnett), who occasionally turn up for the sheer love of the game.

The "A" Grade team—M. Stuart (Capt.), J. Seemann, J. Rosen, R. Simons, and R. Cann—came third to a remarkably strong team from Trinity. The "B" Grade team—J. Raleigh (Capt.), P. Lambert, L. Hovev, R. Graves and P. Seamonds—came fourth in its division, which was won by Homebush. The "C" team—R. Derham (Capt.), P. Illidge, M. Houseman, K. Campbell, and R. Freyer—and the "C(2)" team—G. Biro (Capt.), B. Selinger, D. Anderson, D. Goldberg, and R. Coles—came third and seventh respectively in a competition which Scots won.

We might mention also that in the State Championships this year three of our members took part, J. Raleigh, D. Anderson and R. Freyer, and that Raleigh came fifth in the under 16 division. Also our president, Stuart, has been chosen to play in the Combined Schools Team against the University.

The game's increased popularity portends a bright future for the Chess Club, but we are always pleased to see new blood, so why not come along some time in the near future and see what you can do?

J. SEEMANN (5A), *Secretary.*

## INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

*Leader:* R. Blackett.

*Assistant Leader:* A. Taylor.

This year a keen interest has been shown in the I.S.C.F. by many boys of the School, the average attendance having grown from under thirty-five to well over eighty. The I.S.C.F. aims to provide boys of the School with the opportunity of hearing the message of the Gospel and of meeting in Christian fellowship.

The I.S.C.F. is run by boys of the School for boys of the School. Meetings are held every Tuesday during the lunch-hour in Room 4. We extend a hearty invitation to all, regardless of denomination, to come along to our meetings.

During the year many interesting talks have been given both by visiting speakers and pupils. Mr. Owen Spencer, a medical student, who was Vice-Captain of North Sydney High School and Captain of their First XV, spoke on "The Christian as Sportsman," and Mr. Barry Thiering, an old Captain of Sydney High School, was also another recent visitor.

Towards the end of June I.S.C.F. began advertising its meetings by means of coloured posters, prepared by two Fifth Year pupils, Richard Blackett and Bob Clark. These notices were placed in each of the classrooms prior to the weekly meetings. We thank Mr. Barr for his support, and again we extend an invitation to all boys to come to our meetings.

F. LUMLEY (5D), *Secretary.*

### GLENDALE RAILWAY CLUB

"The objects of the Society shall be to bring together those persons who are interested in railways and model railways" (Club Rules).

The Club, primarily formed for the pupils of S.H.S., has now entered its third year. It is regretted that owing to limited space (our clubrooms only being large enough for six people to work at once), and in order to allow present members to become proficient at model-making, a limit has had to be placed on membership. It is hoped that this restriction will be lifted early next year, when the layout will be in operation, although incomplete.

The Club's model railway layout, designed to consist of four hundred feet of track, has just been started. Until now the members have been experimenting with different methods of construction, etc., and there has not been a great deal of track laid. The layout will be electrically operated, i.e., trains, points, signals, etc., will all work by remote control. Some controls will be sixty-five feet from the trains. The planned layout is expected to take some years to complete. Members have commenced to make trains to run on the layout. The models are all made by members themselves.

Another branch of the Club's activities consists of various trips to places of interest. A complete round of all the main workshops in the metropolitan area has just been completed. Places of interest visited included Eveleigh Passenger Loco. Depot and Workshops and Enfield Goods Loco. Depot and Marshalling Yards. Occasional picnic trips are held to nearby places on the South Coast.

A file of our monthly bulletin, the "Monthly Notice," is now in the School Library for the benefit of those who are interested in the activities of the Club.

J. HENDERSON (4C), *President.*

P. TURNER (3C), *Hon. Secretary.*

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### LIBRARY

This year the Library is indebted for their kind donations of books, pamphlets and periodicals to Captain R. Lloyd Jones, of U.S.A.; the Hemingway Robertson Institute; the Press Attaché to The High Commissioner for Pakistan in Australia; and the U.S. Information Library; also to J. Phillips, P. Carey, R. Cann and J. Henderson of S.H.S. Along with other purchases, the additions comprised 147 books and 25 pamphlets, bringing the total number of books to 5,244 and of pamphlets to 270. The School is much indebted to the P. and C. Association for its continued support of the Library.

Notable among the new reference books are: "The Gramophone Handbook," by S. Speight; "The Oxford Junior Encyclopædia," Vols. VI and X; "Australian Seashores," by W. J. Dakin; "Aircraft of To-day and To-morrow," by J. D. and W. D. Martin; "Who's Who in Australia" (1950); "Queensland," by Frank Hurley; "The Oxford Song Book," Vols. I and II; "The World's Best Photographs"; "Queen Elizabeth's Coronation Book"; "Wisden Cricketers' Almanac"; "The Gilbert and Sullivan Book," by L. Bailey; Jane's "All the World's Aircraft"; "The Boys' Book of Model Making," by S. Abbey; Vols. I and II of The Official Army and Civil History, "Australia in the War of 1939-1945."

Among the books purchased are: Vol. V of Churchill's account of the Second World War, "Closing the Ring"; "Dangerous Snakes of Australia," by E. Worrell; "Towards an Australian Drama," by L. Rees; "Teach Yourself Swimming," by F. Watermann; "Modern Chess Openings," by W. Korn; "The Face of Australia," by C. F. Laseron; "The Bab Ballads," by W. S. Gilbert; "Exploration Fawcett," by P. H. Fawcett; and many others of interest.

The majority of the new pamphlets were donated by the U.S. Information Library and proved particularly useful in connection with the pupils' work in economics, history and geography.

The Library now receives regularly 35 periodicals, of which 19 are donated. The three new additions are "Réalités," "The Australian Library Journal," and "Radio and Hobbies."

Additional accommodation has been provided by the purchase of three small bookcases, which now stand beneath the windows, forming an attractive addition to the Library furniture.

Although the Library has reached the stage where further expansion is highly desirable because the present accommodation is inadequate for both pupils and books, the actual library material is extensive and embraces a very comprehensive range of subjects, while pupils employ it to its full capacity. The Library Committee consists of twelve Fifth Year boys with thirty-two assistants from Second, Third and Fourth Years, under the supervision of the Librarian, Miss Laurence.

The School is indebted to the Librarians for the efficient handling of the large number of books which are issued and returned each week.

J. LIONS, *Union Representative.*



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### THE CHOIR

This year the Choir has attained a very high standard and is well up to those of previous years. It has been under the capable leadership of Mr. Arnold. Mr. Arnold comes to us from England, where he was the Adviser of Instrumental Music to the County Borough of Hastings Education Committee.

The system was adopted of holding practices on Mondays for the Junior Choir—consisting of altos and sopranos from First and Second Years—and on Fridays for the Senior Choir—the tenors and basses from Fourth Year. These practices commenced very informally as a group around the piano, but as a performance drew near the practices became more formal. The Junior Choir consisted of about sixty members and the Senior Choir of about forty.

In June the Senior Choir represented the School at the Combined Schools Concert held in the Sydney Town Hall. Items sung included excerpts from the operetta "Merrie England," by Edward German. The choir also played a very prominent part in the annual School Concert, and the audiences on both nights thoroughly enjoyed the performances.

At the present time the Choir is practising for its final appearance of the year at Speech Day.

We are greatly indebted to Mr. Arnold for his capable leadership and the great amount of voluntary time which he has given to the Choir; also, we would like to record our appreciation of the interest taken by the Headmaster.

J. HENDERSON (4D).

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### THE ORCHESTRA

At the annual Music and Drama Evenings on the 17th and 18th of August the Orchestra played a suite of five pieces by Handel—1, March; 2, Andante Pastorale; 3, Minuet I; 4, Minuet II; 5, Gavotte.

This year we aimed at developing a string ensemble instead of a mixed group of players. The music chosen by Mr. Arnold was written by Handel specifically for a string ensemble. The Orchestra's intonation was very good, and the nuances of string colour were well marked. The Orchestra consisted of: Violins, P. Boone (leader), S. Strasser, P. Schiller, R. Merrick, J. Robb, G. Philpot, T. Landecker; violoncello, B. Fitzgerald; flute, R. May; piano, M. Dudman; conductor, Mr. C. Arnold.

Two members of the Orchestra played solos. They were P. Boone (violin) and R. May (flute). Boone played Sonata in D, No. 4 (1st and 2nd movements) by Handel, and May played "Blondinette" by Krantz. The two solos were accompanied by Albert Landa.

We are very thankful to Mr. Arnold for the work and time he has devoted to the perfection of the Orchestra.

P. S.





RIFLE SHOOTING TEAMS.

Back Row: P. GLASSER, M. JENKIN, E. CLAY, M. BINDLEY, D. GREIG, K. BENNET, W. WATSON, G. BIRRELL, T. HUNT.  
Second Row: J. FACE, A. CUNNINGHAM, M. ASTON, K. PORTER, W. WATSON, G. BIRRELL, T. HUNT.  
Front Row: R. WOODLANDS, M. PERYMAN, J. THORNTON, MR. CRACKNELL (Master-in-Charge), G. QUIGLEY, W. THORNHILL, M. FORSTER.

## S.H.S. CADET CORPS

This year the Unit strength reached the 100 mark, being divided into four platoons—two platoons of first year cadets, a signals platoon and a mortar platoon.

After successfully completing the Officers' Training Course at Singleton in December, 1952, Sergeants Thornton, Tilley, Caddy and Quigley were promoted to the rank of Under-Officer. Corporal Porter attained the rank of Sergeant-Major. Other cadets, through their keenness and hard work, rose to the rank of N.C.O. At the specialist camp, held at North Head in May, N.C.O.'s from the Signals and Mortar platoons passed with credit their respective courses.

The object of cadet training is to give mental, moral and physical training to each boy and thus form his character so as to enable him to make a good start in life. There are 31,123 school cadets in Australia, derived from 277 Units. Although it is not known when our Unit was established, we have proof that it was in existence in 1888. This places Sydney High School as the fourth oldest Cadet Unit in New South Wales. This is something to be proud of, and it is disappointing that our numbers are so few.

When the cadets paraded for the first time this year the results of the Officers' Course and N.C.O. Course were made known. The new recruits were then conveyed to South Head by special 'bus, where they were issued with their full uniform. Since then there have been regular weekly parades in which the cadets have learned the basic principles—holding, aiming, firing and cleaning of the .303 rifle and Bren Light Machine-gun. Second year cadets have continued training in either signals or mortar platoons. The mortar platoon has reached a high standard of efficiency, and the signallers have completed training on field telephones, cable laying, switchboards and wireless transmitters. Rifle drill was maintained throughout the year and was supplemented by range practices with the .22 rifle on the School's miniature range, and visits to the Long Bay Rifle Range, where the .303 rifle was used.

The most enjoyable part of the year's training was the annual camp, held again at Singleton in August. At this camp the techniques learned at school were employed in manœuvres and mock-battles. Despite the conditions, all the "troops" had a good time and presented themselves well at a ceremonial parade at which Lt.-General Berryman took the salute.

An honour afforded Sydney High School cadets this year was the Guard of Honour for the State Governor, Lt.-General Sir John Northcott, at the opening of the annual congress of the R.S.L. at North Sydney. The cadets acquitted themselves well and are to be congratulated on their fine bearing.

The cadets would like to thank the Headmaster for his co-operation and their O.C., Captain Cracknell, for his untiring efforts and assistance throughout the year.

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I would urge all boys to join the Cadet Corps, and I assure them they will gain much knowledge in their association with the Corps.

J. A. THORNTON (Cadet U/O.).

### THE CADET CAMP

On August 14 the School Cadet Corps left Sydney for Singleton, where the Annual Camp was to be held. The Corps entrained without any fuss, although the Army (in its well-known manner) was late in arriving with the lunches for the journey. When they did arrive they were placed in the officers' compartment to be distributed at the first opportunity.

Being in non-communicating (commonly known as "dog box") carriages, the boys could not collect the lunches during the trip, and had to wait until they reached Gosford, the first stop.

Imagine the consternation when the train did not stop at Gosford, and, as the hours went on, imagine the worried looks! What made things worse was the steady flow of grease-proof paper and orange peels flying out of the officers' compartment.

Luckily the train stopped at Broadmeadow, and the remnants of the lunches were retrieved.

The first night in camp was suffered in good cheer by the first year cadets, who kept the older boys awake with their incessant chatter. The following day the boys, looking resplendent in their giggle jackets (working dress) were taught the fundamentals of field-craft by red-eyed instructors.

The Army could not supply Regular Army Instructors, so the Officers and N.C.O.'s of the School Corps had to prepare and give the lessons themselves, a task which they performed very ably.

Sunday at the camp was spent writing letters and tightening guy-ropes on the tents, as there was a fierce dust storm raging. The members of the band spent a difficult afternoon trying to teach the C.S.M. and a very old Platoon Sergeant how to play the side-drums. Although they succeeded in teaching them only two tunes, I am sure the Company spent a pleasant afternoon listening to the delightful rhythm of the School Drum Band.

All of Monday was spent doing various kinds of manœuvres demonstrating to the boys the fundamentals of fighting and reconnaissance patrols.

On the following day the Company was shown how to operate the Bren L.M.G., and in the afternoon the boys went down to the miniature range to fire this remarkable weapon.

Wednesday was the School's Duty Day, and in the morning the boys had to do Kitchen Duty, while a special squad planted some fig trees on the camp area. In the afternoon the whole camp had to attend a field firing demonstration, in which some three-inch mortars, six-pounder anti-tank guns, and Vickers Medium Machine Guns were used. The demonstration proved quite successful, and

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two mortar crews (fresh on leave from Korea) managed to frighten the life out of a herd of cows half a mile away. I am still not certain if it was a piece of shrapnel that I found in my beef some days later.

On Thursday normal training continued, and in the afternoon the School took part in a ceremonial parade inspected by Lieutenant-General Berryman. Over four thousand school cadets took part in that parade, which was the largest I have ever seen. The precision of the boys was perfect. Their marching, rifle drill, and discipline were a credit to the schools that they so strikingly represented. On that parade there were no fewer than eighteen cadet bands.

After the parade our Company Commander, an Old Boy of the School, said that he was proud to lead Sydney High in the March Past and spoke highly of the creditable bearing of the boys in the ranks.

At 19.00 hours that evening the Company, on its final training parade, went on a mock night manœuvre, at which everybody enjoyed themselves and benefited from the exercise.

With sorry hearts the boys packed their gear that night and bedded down to sleep under canvas for the last time this year. The camp was a short one, the cadets had to put up with their own instructors, and the amenities were few; but it maintained the same cheerfulness and morale that was common to previous camps. The boys were lucky to have such a fine bunch of officers, aided, as they were, by capable N.C.O.'s.

W.O.II K. PORTER (3E).

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### GIFT TO THE SCHOOL

The School is indebted to the parents of Mr. Arthur Clarke for a gift of several valuable French and German texts, the property of their late son. Most of these books will be placed in the Library, where they will serve to commemorate the service and sacrifice of an honoured Old Boy. Besides being a sportsman of considerable prowess, Arthur Clarke was an outstanding scholar: in the 1929 Leaving Examination he gained First Class Honours in both French and German, and was awarded the Lithgow Scholarship. After graduating from Sydney University he embarked on a teaching career. His scholarship was such that the highest honours waited him. After the outbreak of the War of 1939-45, however, he joined the Royal Australian Air Force and, after he had been sent out on a mission over Germany, failed to return. We take this opportunity of recording our respect for another "very gallant gentleman."

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### SPEECH DAY

The Sixty-ninth Annual Speech Day of the School, and the first experienced by its new Headmaster, Mr. Barr, at least was an indication to him that he suffered no lack of supporters in his new office. Prominent among the official guests were Mr. W. B. Nehl,

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President of a keen and vigorous Parents and Citizens' Association; Mr. K. C. Cameron, President of an equally keen Old Boys' Union; Mr. R. L. Craig, Worshipful Master of Lodge Sydney High School; and Mr. G. C. Saxby, B.A., past Headmaster of the School. The very great assistance given to the School by such people in the past was sufficient guarantee of ample support in the near future. The School was also pleased to welcome Mr. P. G. Price, B.Sc., Director of Education, who attended to distribute the prizes, and Josephine Glen-Doepel, Captain of Sydney Girls' High School, who presented the S.G.H.S. Cup for Games and Sportsmanship.

The Headmaster's report showed a year of steady progress in academic as well as sporting spheres.

The Choir's rendering, under the baton of Mr. D. W. Rowe, B.A., Dip.Ed., A. Mus. A., of "John Cook's Little Grey Mare" (Norman Gilbert) and the traditional songs "Drink to Me Only" and "The Miller of Dee," was much appreciated by the audience and remarked on by more than one of the speakers. Another feature of the musical programme was the singing of the School song, "Come, Rally Round, Boys, Young and Old." It was so many years since that song was sung that it was the fathers rather than the sons of the audience who warmed to its recognition.

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FIFTH YEAR

Dux (Frank Albert Cup and Headmaster's Prize), G. C. Saxby Prize for Maths. I and II, Henry F. Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry: **R. M. May**.  
 A. B. Piddington Prize for English, Best Poem in "Record": **R. Loudon**.  
 Dr. F. W. Doak Prize for Latin: **J. M. Stanhope**.  
 Earle Page Prize for French: **P. Fabian**.  
 Earle Page Prize for German: **S. J. Moutzouris**.  
 Alan C. Corner Prize for Physics: **A. Denham**.  
 History (aeq.), Economics (aeq.): **R. Curnow**.  
 History (aeq.): **A. Hill**.  
 Geography: **R. Cashman, M. Cherny** (aeq.).  
 Economics (aeq.): **W. Hunter**.  
 Oratory, Declamation: **H. D. Spurling**.  
 General Proficiency: **F. Hendry, P. Freeman**.

FOURTH YEAR

Dux (Mrs. Ethel Killip Memorial Prize), English, Latin: **L. Dudman**.  
 K. Saxby Prize for Mathematics and Physics (aeq.), General Proficiency: **T. Kopp**.  
 K. Saxby Prize for Mathematics and Physics (aeq.): **I. Kern**.  
 French, German, General Proficiency: **R. Stock**.  
 Physics: **B. Lloyd**.  
 Chemistry, General Proficiency: **R. Penny**.  
 History: **J. Claridge**.  
 Geography: **J. Bilton**.  
 Economics: **R. Bolton**.  
 Oratory: **J. Donoghue, S. Hall** (aeq.).  
 Declamation: **R. T. M. Clark**.  
 Best Prose in "Record": **J. Paul**.  
 General Proficiency: **M. Stuart**.

THIRD YEAR

Dux (Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize), Latin, Mathematics I: **J. Post**.  
 H. A. Coss Prize for English: **J. Hodes**.  
 Greek: **R. Casey**.  
 French: **K. Dutton**.  
 German, Oratory: **W. Lillyman**.  
 Mathematics II: **R. Merrick**.  
 Science, General Proficiency: **A. Nicholls**.  
 History: **J. Havilah**.  
 Geography: **W. Gates**.  
 Business Principles: **R. Philcox**.  
 Declamation: **I. McAndrew**.  
 General Proficiency: **J. Mayson, B. King, J. Browne**.

SECOND YEAR

Dux, English, Maths. I, Maths II, Science, Latin (aeq.): **L. Freeman**.  
 French (aeq.), Latin (aeq.): **D. Clines**.  
 Greek (aeq.), General Proficiency: **G. Caisley**.

French (aeq.), Greek (aeq.): **N. Gabriel**.  
 German: **P. Seamonds**.  
 History, General Proficiency: **L. Brown**.  
 Geography: **J. Hirst**.  
 Business Principles: **R. Hudson**.  
 Oratory: **R. Derham**.  
 Declamation: **J. Reid**.  
 General Proficiency: **L. Hovev**.

FIRST YEAR

Dux, English, Latin, French, Oratory, Science (aeq.): **J. Hamilton**.  
 Mathematics I: **B. Curry**.  
 Mathematics II: **S. Tzannes**.  
 Science (aeq.): **D. Gibb**.  
 History, General Proficiency: **A. May**.  
 Geography, General Proficiency: **P. Bailey**.  
 Manual Training: **S. McCarthy**.  
 Music: **R. Hall**.  
 Declamation: **A. Acher, D. Anderson**.  
 General Proficiency: **A. Yuen**.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize: **A. J. Denham**.  
 1950 Ladies' Auxiliary Prize: **R. Curnow**.  
 P. & C. Association Prizes for General Proficiency:  
 Year V: **J. Watson**.  
 Year IV: **T. Biegler**.  
 Year III: **G. Gluck**.  
 Year II: **W. Williams**.  
 Year I: **R. Cruikshank**.  
 The Old Boys' Union Prize: **V. R. Littlewood**.  
 The John Waterhouse Prize: **J. M. Eckert**.  
 The John Skyring Cross Memorial Cup: **V. R. Littlewood**.  
 The John Francis Bush Memorial Prize: **M. Stuart**.  
 J. and E. Saxby Bequest Prize: **C. Chamberlain**.  
 Lodge Sydney High School Prize: **S. Hall**.  
 J. W. Gibbs Memorial Prize for Latin and Sport: **N. Balzer**.

SPORTS PRIZES

Sydney Girls' High School Cup for Games and Sportsmanship: **C. Smeed**.  
 Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Championship: **J. Eckert**.  
 A. C. McKibbin Cup for Best All-round Cricketer: **D. Lindsay**.

AWARD OF BLUES, 1952

Athletics: **J. Eckert**.  
 Cricket: **D. Lindsay, V. Littlewood, J. McCabe**.  
 Football: **V. Littlewood, A. Rosewell, C. Smeed, G. Treble**.  
 Swimming: **C. Smeed**.  
 Tennis: **M. McEwan**.

\* Re-award.

### INDUCTION OF PREFECTS

The induction ceremony of the prefects elect for 1953 was held on March 26 in the Great Hall. The new prefects were presented to the Headmaster by Mr. Hamnett, and after taking the Prefect's Pledge of Allegiance to the School they were sworn in. Mr. Hamnett pinned on their badges of office, and Mr. Barr congratulated them on attaining such an office of honour. Addressing the assembled school, the Headmaster expressed his confidence in the prefects, but stressed the need for co-operation between masters, prefects and students if the prefect system was to function smoothly. Later, in the Headmaster's office, the new prefects signed the Register of Prefects.

J. D.

### NOUMEAN STUDENTS' VISIT

Early in the First Term several members of 5A had what was probably the most novel French lesson of their school careers when they had the privilege of entertaining a party of some two dozen French girls and boys from Noumea.

Their task was no easy one, as only one or two of the party had any but the slightest knowledge of English conversation. However, our boys acquitted themselves well, and in spite of some rather lengthy breaks in the conversation at times a very successful tour of the School was made, methods of teaching studied, and the various sports which we play discussed.

The visit came to a close all too soon, but not before many new friendships had been made, and our boys had received a practical lesson in the conducting of a conversation in French.

S. H.

### ANZAC DAY

The School could have had no more fitting visitor on Anzac Day than Senator J. A. Macallum, the guest speaker on that occasion, for Senator Macallum is an ex-pupil and an ex-master of Sydney High School, a member of the First A.I.F., and at present a respected member of the Upper House of the National Parliament. In his address Senator Macallum recalled his own school-days when, on occasions of national importance, reference was made to great deeds like Trafalgar and Thermopylae: prior to Anzac there was no great feat of arms that was peculiarly that of Australia; but Anzac did more than give her a feat of arms of which she could justly be proud: it proved to the world that Australia had attained her national manhood and was ready to take her place beside the older nations. Senator Macallum stressed throughout his speech that the First A.I.F. was a volunteer force, and—contrary to a belief popularly held—a completely disciplined army.

A short address by the Headmaster while the School stood facing the Honour Roll, the reading by the School Captain of the lines "They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old," and the sounding of the Last Post from the Quadrangle were impressive features of the ceremony.

## EMPIRE DAY

This year's Empire Day celebrations consisted of two separate ceremonies, one for the Junior School and one for the Senior School. This arrangement provided an opportunity for four of the School's promising young speakers to address large audiences. John Hamilton (2A) addressed the Junior Assembly on "The Growth of the Monarchy in the Affections of the People" and Ross Derham (3B) on "The Effect of the Empire on the Reigning Queen." To the Senior Assembly Robert Bolton (5C) spoke on "The Empire: Past History and Present Significance," and Stephen Hall (5E) on "The Monarchy as a Binding Force in the Empire." To both assemblies the School Captain read Lord Gowrie's Empire Day Message.

A further feature of these ceremonies was the playing by Mr. Arnold of a spirited pianoforte medley incorporating some of the traditional tunes of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, and ending with the well-known "Land of Hope and Glory."

The text of John Hamilton's address appears below.

## AN EMPIRE DAY ADDRESS

To-day is a very special Empire Day, for in a few days' time our new Queen, Elizabeth II, whom we all hold in such high regard, will be crowned in Westminster Abbey. This will occasion universal rejoicing amongst her subjects.

But coronations have not always occasioned such rejoicing.

Let us go back to the time of William the Conqueror, the founder of our present line of monarchs. Hated by the people as their conqueror, envied by his rebellious barons, he marched to London to be crowned on Christmas Day, 1066, amid scenes of bloodshed and slaughter.

From then on through the Middle Ages no king of England was ever popular with all his subjects. If he was popular with the people he certainly was not popular with the barons. Even in the first flush of England's national awakening the great King Henry VIII was always disliked by some large sections of the community.

Then came Good Queen Bess, the most popular, most widely acclaimed, and greatest monarch of England up to her time. She lifted England to a peak of national strength never before reached.

In the century following Elizabeth's death England's government, after much wrangling and bloodshed, changed from an absolute monarchy to a constitutional monarchy. That is to say, the ruling power shifted from the king to the parliament.

With the Georges there came a time when the crown again fell into disrepute, till in the crucial period after the Napoleonic Wars rebellion was openly discussed. When George IV died "The London Times" wrote: "There never was an individual less regretted by his fellow creatures than the deceased king."

It was under conditions such as these that Victoria, an inexperienced girl of eighteen, came to the throne. In fifty years she raised



the monarchy to a pinnacle of popular esteem never before attained. To-day we celebrate her birthday. Her uncles, George IV and William IV, died despised. She died venerated. Yes, venerated, for the peoples of the Empire placed her in a position of exalted honour, and regarded her with awe. Yet she remained a person apart.

To-day our Queen is not a person apart, but is rather the loved and respected head of a large family.

How has this change come about?

It has been helped much by the progress of science. First came the common use of photography. This brought true likenesses of the monarchs into the homes of all the people. No longer did they have to rely upon a distant glimpse of their ruler, or upon doubtful sketches in expensive magazines, which could only be afforded by the middle and upper classes, anyhow. Next came wireless, bringing Royalty's voice into the home, with messages and greetings in times of rejoicing, and reassurances in times of crisis. Now we have films and television, which show us Royalty at work or play. The World Wars, too, brought the Royal Family closer to their people. King George VI showed great courage by staying in London during the Blitz. He and the Queen visited, and did their best to comfort, victims of the War throughout the country. Their own home, Buckingham Palace, was damaged by bombs.

Through these and many similar incidents the warm humanity of their monarchs was brought fully home to the people.

George VI was the first king who opened his family life to the public. This was something that brought the Royal family much closer to the people; especially those who had brought up, or were bringing up families of their own. Everyone took an interest in the Royal children at that time, our present Queen, then Princess Elizabeth, and her sister, Princess Margaret, and now the interest has moved to our Queen's own children, Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

These factors, added to her personal charm, her steadfastness of purpose and her devotion to duty, have given a depth and warmth to our feelings for our Monarch never before experienced in the course of our history.

And so, let us, as her coronation approaches, draw from Elizabeth II that inspiration which will make this new Elizabethan era even greater and more glorious than the last.

God save the Queen! Long may she reign!

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### CORONATION ASSEMBLY

One of the most memorable assemblies of the year was that held on 1st June, coinciding, as it did, almost exactly with the crowning of Her Majesty the Queen in Westminster Abbey. While the School stood as a mark of loyalty to the Queen, the Headmaster delivered a brief but impressive address in the following words:—

Very soon—now a matter of hours—our young Queen will be

crowned in Westminster Abbey by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The ceremony itself is rich in the tradition of a thousand years; and it is peculiarly British. In the crowns and jewels that will adorn the distinguished participants, in the resplendent robes of notable persons from home and abroad, in the stately movements as the ceremony proceeds strictly in accord with precedent, will be presented a scene of colour and splendour and beauty unsurpassable.

But the Coronation is something more than a pageant. It is essentially a solemn religious ceremony—a drama of dedication to service. Therein lies its greatest appeal and its greatest significance. The British monarchy has survived many crises, and to-day it is more strongly established in the hearts of the people than ever before. The joyful manifestations of the people generally at this time of Coronation are inspired basically by deep loyalty to the throne. The Queen herself is the embodiment of those qualities which British people esteem. Her love of home and family, her devotion to service, and her trust in God, evoke from her people an affectionate response.

In their various forms of celebration the British people proclaim to the world that it is a good thing to look up to so loved a Queen. She dedicates her life to her people. May we as her loyal subjects dedicate ourselves to God and the Queen.

We feel we are on the threshold of a new era. A new Elizabethan period dawns. May this magnificent festival of coronation mean in the fullest sense the inauguration of national and international goodwill.

God save the Queen!

### SCHOOL CONCERT

Once again the members of the School Dramatic Society, Choir and Orchestra joined forces to present a concert of music and drama, which was held on the School Assembly Hall on both August 17th and 18th.

The programme was opened by an excellent rendering by the School Massed Choir of Edward Elgar's setting of the National Anthem. The Junior Choir, consisting of sixty First Year boys, then gave a pleasant account of themselves by singing "Mister Sailor-man," "The Flight of the Earls" and "The Dandelion." In the last item of the first half the Junior Choir gave a very good rendition of two well-known songs, "In Derry Vale" (Danny Boy) and "Come to the Fair." The Massed Choir, consisting of one hundred boys, then gave a stirring performance of three excerpts from Edward German's "Merrie England." Mr. Arnold is to be complimented on training such a large number of boys to sing so harmoniously, and special mention should be made of the competent manner in which Albert Landa accompanied the Choir.

Peter Boone (violin) and Ron May (flute) presented solos and performed their pieces with ease and confidence, and maintained the audience's interest with very creditable performances.

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Petruchio argues with the tailor while the haberdasher and Katherine watch.  
Left to Right: P. CRITTLE, R. WILMOTT, M. WATT and K. DUTTON  
in "Taming of the Shrew."



'Queen Boadicea has been seized!' A scene from "The Centurion's Billet at Swacking Bulphen."  
Left to Right: K. BELL, N. MOSES, P. PRYOR, R. ACHER, L. NUNN, C. HUGHES.

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A Verse Speaking Group of forty boys under the guidance of Mr. Short gave a selection of two negro poems. This group provided a bright form of entertainment, and Mr. Short must be congratulated on the high standard reached by the boys.

The School Orchestra presented a suite of five pieces by Handel, and although the Orchestra was made up of only ten players, it was a hard-working and sweet-sounding group and gave a creditable performance and fully deserved the applause which it received. Once again Mr. Arnold as conductor did a fine job, and Michael Dudman as accompanist carried out his task very well.

The first item provided by the Dramatic Society was "The Centurion's Billet at Swacking Bulphen," the setting for which is the Second Roman Invasion. The junior players who presented this play must be congratulated on a fine performance, especially John Fox as Balbus, the centurion's servant, Ronald Acher as Astel, a female slave, and Laurence Nunn, who played the part of Cadwol's wife. The second item by the Dramatic Society was a play entitled "Kiss Me, Kate," from Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," presented by the senior players. These boys gave an excellent performance, with perhaps Peter Crittle as Petruchio, a young man who undertakes the job of wooing Katherine, Ken Dutton as Katherine, the fiery shrew, and John Milson as Baptista, Katherine's father, stealing the limelight from a particularly good supporting cast. Once again Mr. Short did a magnificent job in producing these plays and brought the act to one of very high standard.

No account of the achievements of the participants would be complete without a special word of thanks to our producer, Mr. Short, our musical director, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Pfitzner, who was in charge of the lighting, and Michael Watt, who was in charge of the stage properties. The hard work of these people made the concert a tremendous success, which was indicated by the very good attendances on both nights and by the fact that profits amounted to more than £100.

J. COPE (4A).

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## FOOTBALL LUNCHEON

The annual Football Luncheon, given by the Ladies' Auxiliary, was held in the School Hall on Wednesday, 19th August. It was attended by representatives of all school football activities. The official party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Brownie, Mrs. Smee (representing Mrs. Tilley of the Ladies' Auxiliary) and Mr. Leroy, President of the P. and C. Association.

An excellent meal, which included ice-cream footballs made in the School colours, was served, after which Mr. Barr gave a short address. In it he praised the fine spirit shown by all associated with the School's football throughout the season. Colin Smee, the Captain of the First Fifteen, was then called upon to give a speech.

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The M.B.C. is beginning a campaign to try and attract the attention of suitable young men to the desirability of entering the field of Administration at the highest levels. That will necessitate the learning of Shorthand, preferably Summerhayes SHORTERhand, and will mean that for some 4 or 5 years you will be sitting at the side of great Australian Administrators, learning the secrets of that high Profession. A first-class education is necessary, and those young men to be eligible and welcome among high-ranking executives would need a Leaving Certificate and a willingness to take advanced studies of whatever kind are required by individual employers.

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Mr. T. Stanley Summerhayes, Principal of the M.B.C., would be glad to talk over the matter with anyone requiring information and/or advice.

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He extended the team's thanks to their coach, Mr. Short, for his valuable assistance during the season. He also paid tribute to the mothers who prepared the afternoon teas for the players after the Saturday G.P.S. games. The captains then each said a few words about their respective teams, and finally Mr. Allsopp replied on behalf of the coaches. The proceedings were concluded when all the boys present rose and gave three hearty cheers for the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who had made the luncheon possible.

A. N.

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### LODGE SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL, No. 631. U.G.L. OF N.S.W.

#### 25th Anniversary of Foundation (1929-1953)

This Masonic Lodge, which was founded in 1929, has the proud record of being the first of the Schools' Lodges under the United Grand Lodge of N.S.W. There are now eight School Lodges, and Lodge Sydney High School ranks as the senior. The first master of the Lodge was Wor. Bro. John Leaver, who was a master at the School. To mark the occasion of the commencement of our twenty-fifth year, honorary life membership has been bestowed on Wor. Bro. Leaver, also Wor. Bro. Frank Lions, who had a great deal to do with the founding of the Lodge, and on our esteemed Bro. Charlie Fairland, who was Foundation Chaplain and still holds that office.

In the Coronation Honours conferred by the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. His Excellency Sir John Northcott, two of our members were given Grand Lodge rank. Firstly, V. Wor. Bro. Geoff. Leroy, P.D.G.I.W., had the rank of Past Junior Grand Warden conferred on him, and Wor. Bro. Francis Lions received the rank of Past District Grand Inspector of Workings. Congratulations to these members on their well-deserved advancement.

On 12th August, 1953, Wor. Bro. Les Craig installed his successor in the chair of the Lodge, Wor. Bro. Len Swan.

It was a brilliant occasion, for the Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. Harry Maas, attended with a delegation of 25 Grand Lodge officers.

Les Craig's year of office was marked by his sincerity and by the quiet but firm manner in which he conducted the affairs of the Lodge. We must congratulate Les on his work for the year, and we look forward to a year equally successful under the guidance of Len Swan.

During the year we initiated Bruce Pyke, Ron Sinclair, Dick White, Ken Burley, Garry Nehl, Alan Willsford, Albert Letts, Ray Smee and Lee Ruth, and accepted as affiliates Bros. Bob Golding, Harold Clay and Bill Dutton.

At the election of office-bearers this year V. Wor. Bro. Harry Young, P.D.G.I.W., announced that he would not stand for re-election, as his health would not permit him to continue carrying

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on the arduous duties of Secretary of the Lodge. This was a great loss to the Lodge, for Harry has not only carried out the multifarious duties of Secretary for many years in a most capable manner, but has also endeared himself to the hearts of all the brethren with his cheerful goodfellowship, and the many kindnesses he has performed in his usual unassuming style. The Lodge owes much to Harry Young, and as this goes to press arrangements are in hand for a presentation to be made to Harry as a mark of esteem and affection from all members of the Lodge.

Lodge Sydney High School is a Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons which is open to Old Boys and Masters of the School who conform to the standards of strict morals and sound judgment. There are many Old Boys who have joined other lodges in their own districts, in many cases because they did not know of the existence of this Lodge. These brethren are always welcome at our meetings, which are held on the second Friday of every month at the Castlereagh Street Masonic Hall.

It is suggested that if any Old Boy or master at any time in his life considers joining a Masonic Lodge he might keep in mind his "Old School Lodge," and we feel sure that, if accepted, he will enjoy the dual goodfellowship of old school friends and Masons.

The present secretary is Keith Cameron, and his address 73 Glenayr Ave., North Bondi (FU 9648). He would particularly like to hear from any Old Boys who are members of the craft who may be visiting Sydney from other States or from the country, and would be pleased to arrange for them to visit our Lodge.

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H. Willmott, M. Clark, S. Nicholls, G. E. May.

*Public Relations Officer and Fete Organiser:* Mr. T. W. Rushall.

*Hon. Auditors:* Mr. W. W. Vick, Mr. H. V. Quinton.

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The Annual Meeting of the Association was held on 19th March last, and it is interesting to note that, for the first time, an Old Boy of the School occupies the position of President.

The retiring President, Mr. W. B. Nehl, did not seek re-election and opportunity is taken to place on record appreciation of his services to the School over a number of years.

In addition to the office-bearers listed above, the following Committees were elected:—

*Representatives to the School Council:* Mr. A. G. Leroy, Mrs. A. Tilley, Mr. W. H. Wilson, Mr. C. W. Watt.

*McKay Sports Ground:* Messrs. A. W. Rawlings, S. Nicholls, E. McEwan.

*Rowing:* Messrs. M. Clark, G. E. May, J. R. Woodcock.

*Dances:* Messrs. A. Beckhouse, T. W. Rushall, C. Mahaffy, J. E. Bilton, G. E. May, A. T. Denny, S. Tzannes.

*Fete:* Mrs. A. Tilley, Messrs. T. W. Rushall, C. W. Watt, R. W. Beath, J. Nixon, S. Nicholls.

*School Grounds:* Messrs. J. E. Bilton, A. Beckhouse, D. Maisey, H. R. Hazell, E. Thomas, S. Donnan, E. Sheedy.

*Tennis:* Mr. B. W. Soothill, Mrs. E. Hendry, Mrs. Shaw.

*Swimming:* Mrs. A. Smee, Messrs. A. T. Denny, S. Donnan, E. Sheedy, A. Curran.

After meeting expenses incurred in supporting the various activities of the School and discharging our responsibility to the School Council in connection with the Fairland Pavilion and Boatshed projects, it was to be expected that during a year of such progress and achievement our financial resources would be severely strained. This is confirmed by details given in the Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December, 1952, when the accumulated funds were reduced to £421.



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Income for 1953 is estimated at £1,700. The estimated expenditure is £1,810, and it is proposed to disburse this amount as follows:—

	£
Rowing .. .. .	400
McKay Sports Ground .. .. .	400
Tennis .. .. .	300
School Equipment and Library .. .. .	130
Cricket, Football and Gymnasium .. .. .	100
Fairland Pavilion (Part repayment of Loan)	100
Prizes .. .. .	80
Subsidy for the "Record" .. .. .	80
Rates (Boatshed Land) .. .. .	20
Reunion Expenses .. .. .	40
Christmas Dance .. .. .	40
Printing, Stationery and Postages .. .. .	120
	£1,810

With the co-operation and support of all members of the Association, particularly those actively associated with the Ladies' Auxiliary, Fete Committee and Dance Committee, and supported by the Headmaster, Mr. Barr, it can now be reported that revenue from all sources will exceed this amount, and we believe that the £2,000 mark will have been passed before the end of the financial year.

More than 600 guests attended the annual reunion on 6th March, when we were privileged to have as Guest Speaker Mr. Preston G. Saywell, President of the Old Boys' Union. The artistic arrangement of the beautiful flowers and the supper served by the Ladies' Auxiliary contributed to the success of this important social function.

During the year a close liaison has been maintained with the Old Boys' Union, particularly through the School Council. The Council, which consists of four representatives from each organisation under the chairmanship of the Headmaster, has done excellent work in co-ordinating the major activities undertaken in the interests of the School.

The Ladies' Auxiliary has once more given splendid support throughout the year. In addition to catering for the many activities of the Association, the Auxiliary has arranged a number of social functions which have raised considerable sums and, under the leadership of an experienced Executive Committee, it is anticipated that their financial contribution will be an all-time record. Further details of the work of the Auxiliary are reported elsewhere in this issue.

The Rowing Committee has been actively engaged in renovating the newly acquired boatshed at Abbotsford, and with the assistance

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of many of our enthusiastic members a considerable amount of work has been done. However, the amenities are still inadequate, and it is desirable that our attention should be directed in the immediate future to the obvious need of a kitchen, dining-room and additional toilet facilities.

The benefits which the boys have derived through rowing from their own boatshed was reflected in their performances in the various regattas and culminated in winning the "Head of the River." Over 750 attended the School dance on Regatta Night, when the successes were celebrated in traditional style. Many well-deserved tributes were paid to the coaches, crews and Rowing Master, who, accompanied by their wives and friends, were guests at a delightful supper arranged by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The maintenance and upkeep of the McKay Sports Ground is a heavy and costly responsibility. The present perfect condition of the grounds is a credit to the Committee, whose persistent efforts in organising working-bees have resulted in the School having the use of two full-sized ovals during the current year, whilst the recently completed additions to the Fairland Pavilion are appreciated by our own and visiting players. A start has been made to improve the whole area by planting ornamental trees and shrubs. When this scheme is completed, the Sports Ground will be one of the attractions of Centennial Park.

Approximately £360 will be spent this year in renovating the four tennis courts in the School grounds. This work is now in progress, and in the near future the boys will be able to enjoy their sport under ideal conditions.

Visitors to the School will have noticed the garden seats, all of which have been repaired and painted in attractive colours by members of the Grounds Committee. Representations made by the Committee to the Education Department have succeeded in the water service being renewed, the drainage system improved and other urgent repairs effected. The Gymnasium is in a very bad state of repair, and we are at present negotiating with the Department, through the Headmaster, to have this building completely renovated and painted.

One of the features of our organisation is the dances which are held regularly in the attractive surroundings of the Great Hall at the School. Parents are reminded that whilst the dances are a source of income to the Association, they also provide ideal entertainment and an appropriate social atmosphere for the senior boys, their friends and teenagers generally. It is pleasing to record that the efforts of the Dance Committee have been rewarded by a steady increase in attendances since the beginning of the year, and it is certain that the estimated revenue from this source will be considerably exceeded.

The Hon. Organiser and an enthusiastic Fete Committee, ably supported by many members, has done excellent work in the pro-

motion of the Annual Fete, which was held on 26th September. The Fete was officially opened by Rear-Admiral Sir Leighton Bracegirdle, K.C.V.O., C.M.G., D.S.O., a distinguished Old Boy of the School. The Association acknowledges with gratitude the many donations received, which contributed largely to the financial success of the function.

It would be generally agreed that the number of swimming baths in Sydney is wholly inadequate to meet the needs of schools. During the year the Swimming Committee has been exploring the possibilities of providing baths in the School grounds.

The Association extends a warm welcome to Mr. J. Brownie, B.A., the newly appointed Deputy Headmaster, and it has been noted with appreciation that he is taking a keen interest in all activities and organisations connected with the School.

We convey our deep appreciation and thanks to the Headmaster, Mr. Gordon Barr, B.A., and the Staff for their continued interest and their co-operation and support throughout the year.

The best wishes of all members of the Association are also extended to those boys sitting for the Leaving and Intermediate Certificate examinations, as the results are so important to their future.

We might all be well excused for thinking that education in our schools is the responsibility of the Government and the Education Department. In the first instance this is, of course, true, but the responsibility does not end there. Parents individually and Parents and Citizens' Associations are called upon to-day to bear a very important responsibility in the sphere of education.

Our organisation has spent over £20,000 during the past ten years in promoting the traditional interests of Sydney High School and the welfare of its students; but a perusal of this report will indicate that much remains to be done.

We know, by the enthusiasm you reveal in the welfare of your own sons, that we may look forward with confidence to your generous support of these worthy aims.

W. H. WILSON, *Hon. Secretary.*

## LADIES' AUXILIARY

### Office-bearers, 1953

*President:* Mrs. A. L. Tilley.

*Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. E. A. Sheedy.

*Hon. Treasurer:* Mrs. J. T. Gray.

The first pleasing duty of the Ladies' Auxiliary, at the beginning of the year, was to welcome and serve morning tea to parents of new students.

The meetings have been well attended, despite the fact that many have to travel a great distance to be present.

Musical programmes and interesting talks have been enjoyed after the meetings.

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The Auxiliary have been very happy to have had the co-operation of so many mothers of ex-students.

All committees have worked very well and are to be commended for the success of such major functions as the Reunion Function, the Regatta Supper, the Football Luncheon, the Fete, the Auxiliary Ball, and many other activities throughout the year.

Special mention should be made of the Appeal Secretary and her helpers, who have this year exceeded the previous year's figure for the annual appeal.

Several house parties with delightful musical items, theatre parties, and other forms of entertainment have been held, which have all been most successful, socially as well as financially, and the Auxiliary extends its thanks to the ladies responsible for arranging such functions.

The Annual Football Luncheon in the Great Hall was attended by two hundred students and members of the staff. Chocolate and blue football ice-creams and special cakes decorated the tables.

It is anticipated that 1953 will be another excellent year. Last year the final figure was £856/18/9.

The President and her executive express their thanks to all members and helpers for their invaluable support, particularly Mr. Clark for the service he gave in connection with printing.

(Mrs.) E. A. SHEEDY,  
*Hon. Secretary.*

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### SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' UNION Founded 1892

#### Office-bearers, 1953

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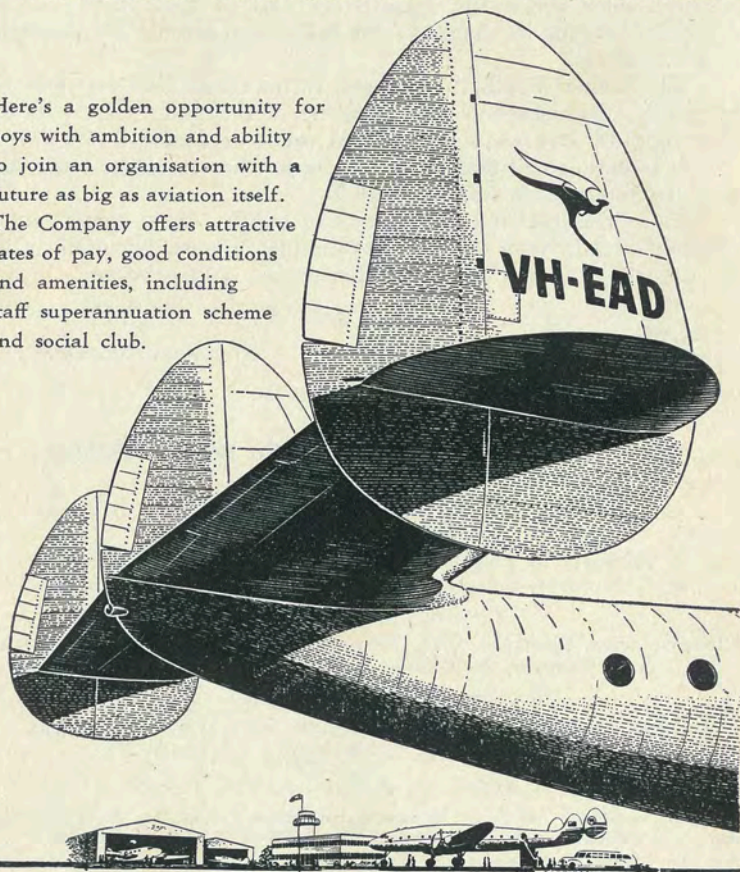
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Wolfenden, A. R. Cutler, V.C., Brigadier J. Reddish.

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P. A. Wallis, J. Budge, A. Geoghegan, G. Pilger, J. Thornett, S. A. Willsher,  
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## **A Special Message to Boys Leaving School This Year**

These notes should be of particular interest to you as potential members for 1954. We in the Old Boys' Union would like to see a 100 per cent. membership for your year, which calls for each of you to subscribe the nominal sum of 7/6. Payment can be made to Mr. Bembrick, who is well known to you, Malcolm Stuart, your School Captain of 1953, or the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. K. Shields of Jamieson, Paterson & Company, 10 Martin Place, Sydney. Make a point of paying your subscription before you pass out of the precincts of the School to which you owe so much in return for the many privileges bestowed on you during the past five years.

This is your real chance to do something in return. You are only asked to pay a nominal subscription, so designed to keep you in touch during those difficult post-school years when you are either dependent on your parents or trying to live on a very low wage.

Your subscription will entitle you to receive all mail, including regular bi-monthly news sheets concerning social events to be held, news of other Old Boys and school news, and a copy of "The Record." The active Younger Set Committee organised quite a number of cheap social functions during 1953, and there is every indication of another full programme for 1954. The Old Boys' Union will help you to continue the many friendships you have made during your term at High.

### **Social News**

The "High" Ball, run in conjunction with the Old Girls' Union, was held in May at the Trocadero, and by previous years' standards was well attended. Sir Leighton and Lady Bracegirdle, as guests of honour, made their entrance through an imposing archway of oars festooned in chocolate and blue to mark the School's fine victory in winning the Head of the River for the first time for over twenty years. Debutantes were presented to our guests of honour by Mrs. Hart of the Old Girls' Union. Other official guests included representatives from the other G.P.S. Old Boys' Unions and various affiliated secondary schools.

The Annual Dinner at the "Savarin" in August was socially a great success, although numbers could have been better. Some 85 attended and had a most enjoyable evening. The White City Dance is set down for October, and we expect a capacity crowd.

### **Younger Set Activities**

Added to the above social events, the Younger Set, this year under the leadership of Viv Littlewood (Captain of the School for 1952), held a number of social events of their own, including a Head of the River Dance at the "Savarin," a Winter Dance at the School, and Spring Cabaret Dance at Woollahra Golf Club, with a Christmas Dance still to come. We are hoping that a number of the

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boys leaving school this year will assist our present enthusiastic group in organising these functions, and that the remainder of our new Old Boys will patronise them by their attendance.

### Ladies' Auxiliary

Mrs. Napper (FX 4590) and her executive continued to work miracles during this year in organising the womenfolk (mothers and wives of Old Boys) into a strong auxiliary group. Meetings are held regularly at 2 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at 201 Castlereagh Street (C.E.N.E.F. Building). Business agenda is dealt with promptly, and everyone who comes along has a most enjoyable afternoon's entertainment. Regular theatre parties are arranged and occasional garden parties at private homes. In these various ways the auxiliary has been able to give us substantial financial support during the year, which is very much appreciated.

### Luncheon Club

Mr. A. T. Harvey and Mr. A. Ferguson, both loyal members of our membership committee and two of the prime movers in the formation of the scheme to found a High Club, this year, decided to convene a luncheon club during the year. The rendezvous is the Regal Cafe, 56 Pitt Street (near Bridge Street), at 1 p.m. each Thursday. Attendances are gradually building up as the news spreads. The idea of the luncheon club is to give Old Boys a common meeting place to have lunch and carry on informal discussions with contemporary friends and acquaintances. The latest information available on the formation of the High Club is encouraging, as the committee are at present investigating leasing premises which seem quite suitable for the needs of the club project.

### Football Club

The Old Boys' Football Club team had a very successful season and were premiers of the 2nd Division of the New South Wales Junior Rugby Union competition. After two early defeats the team was unbeaten for the remainder of the season. Unfortunately, they were eliminated in the first round of their major objective, the Fairland Cup, being beaten by the strong Randwick team. The Club hopes to have two teams in next year's competition and extends an open invitation to footballers leaving school this year to play in the 1954 season.

### Cricket Club

Barry Lewis, who can be contacted at the Singer Sewing Machine Company, is still organising this Club, which will again be entering a team in the City and Suburban Association this season.

### Head of the River Regatta

All Old Boys were very proud to see the School win the coveted Eights this year and the title of Head of the River that goes with

it. Our warmest congratulations to the crew and to all those associated with this outstanding success, particularly the coach, Mr. Frank Nichols, and Rowing Master, Mr. Sam Cracknell, who gave up a great deal of their leisure time to make the win possible. Full marks, too, to Jim Budge, who was responsible for the crews rowing from their own shed for the first time in the School's history.

Arising from the Head of the River success this Union has placed an order with Greens Racing Boats Pty. Ltd. for the construction of a new "Four" for the School, and this should be ready for presentation before the end of the year.

### **General News**

It has been our pleasure to be associated with the P. & C. Association again this year in our joint aims to make the School a better place for our boys. As in the past, our associations this year have been most cordial.

The active Sportsground and Rowing Committees, with delegates from both organisations, have put a lot of hard work in at McKay Oval and the Abbotsford Boat Shed. Our Union has been able to fulfil its financial commitments in the upkeep of McKay Oval and the payment on the Fairland Pavilion to reduce the debt, and has also helped the P. & C. with rowing costs.

On the School Council, also, we have met the delegates from the P. & C. We would like to pay a special tribute to their fine record of achievements for 1953.

Our membership figures for the year showed a marked increase—thanks to the time and effort of a capable committee.

Please make a note that all Annual Subscriptions fall due on the 1st of January, and you will greatly assist the Membership Committee (and save the Union unnecessary expense in forwarding reminders to you) by forwarding your subscription early in the New Year. Thank you!

We are looking forward to a very successful year again in 1954 and urge all Old Boys, both new and old alike, to actively associate with our activities, firstly by becoming financial members, secondly by attending the various social functions arranged with their friends and, thirdly, by offering their services to assist in organising the affairs of the Union by coming forward and signifying their willingness to serve in the Executive Council for 1954.

The Union takes this opportunity of wishing you all the compliments of the season.

### **Personal Jottings**

Old Boys of the School again played a prominent part in Rugby Union this year, outstanding being Keith Cross and John Bosler, at present with the touring side in South Africa. Both were privileged to wear the coveted green and gold of Australia.

In the club competitions the Old Boys were also prominent. In the various grades of the Eastern Suburbs Club Old Boys of



High between them constituted a complete team. In the first grade side of this club were Bob Morrow, Bernie Webb, N. Ellison, S. Banwell. In Randwick the first grade team contained John Emerson, Keith Gordon, and C. Galea, and the University team John Thornett and Mark Hudson.

Amongst the non-players in Rugby Union we were represented by Bernie Walsh, who coached the polished University side, Tom Pauling, again Australian Selector, and Charlie Fairland, patron of the New South Wales Junior Rugby Union.

Keith Paterson again very kindly consented to let us have the use of his office during 1953. To him we extend our sincere appreciation.

Philip Davenport returned from overseas in August, after selling yacht "Waltzing Matilda" in Florida following his Atlantic crossing with Keith as "crew". Keith returned to London via New York.

Derek Gilder can be found at Western Machinery Coy., Perth.

Les Nichols, Athlete and Outside Centre First XV's, 1930-31, is Director of Research in the Queensland Department of Agriculture. At present he is overseas at the Hague, Holland—a world conference on "Dairy Matters"—no bull.

Arthur Jarrett is General Manager of C.S.R. Chemicals Ltd.

Ken Robinson won £1,000 in the lottery. This is surely the regard of giving his original "oar" to the School! (Ken, you don't know what you might win if you donated that £1,000!)

Brian Cotton and Charlie Lindsell have recently become engaged. Congratulations.

Ken Hardy, Captain of School, Boats, Football, etc., etc., 1926, is now Advertising Manager of the Brisbane "Telegraph" and retains his pleasant schoolday smile and modesty, despite his job. (Note: There are managers we know who are "MAN—AGERS".)

Anderson's Industries finds Gordon Walker (stroke, 1929), while "No. 4" Frank Bolton is running the Weights and Measures Department in Newcastle.

"Digger" Higham is in Korea.

Johnnie Adair is in Behrein for the next few years with "Caltex."

Old Boys seen at football matches—Centennial Park and elsewhere—this year: Gordon Barr, Geoff. Leroy (President, P. & C.), Sid Willsher, John Proctor, Don Stewart, Bruce Downie, Arch Harvey, Keith Cameron, Cosh Oag, Harold Hardy, Jack Thompson, Alan Beveridge, Ray Smee, Garry Nehl, Albert Letts, Ken Shields, Bob Hazell—Frank Lions was missing, being oversease for ten months on a Carnegie Grant.

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Alf (A.W.V.) King of "A.A.P.", 229 West 43rd Street, New York, writes to say that he is going on a month's vacation. With staff on vacation, U.N. Assembly dealing with Korean Peace, and U.S. Tennis Championships at Forest Hills, this former Old Boys' prize-winner must need a rest.

Harry McLoskey is back at hard toil at the "Macquarie Street Gas Works." His fellow editor of the "Record" (1913), Frank J. Sheed, counts himself lucky to have been in New York and so missed the Fifth Test at The Oval. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Frank in the recent loss of his mother.

Raymond N. Kershaw, a name to conjure with in the highest financial circles overseas, has retired from the Bank of England. An article from his pen appears in the pages of this issue of the "Record." He advises that Ralph Shiress and David Sachs are located in London.

The Annual Dinner at the "Savarin" was a "wow." Those who missed it missed a really fine night's fun.

In Old Boys' Councils 1952-53 represents a unique period. Our O.B.U. supplied the Presidents of both the G.P.S. Old Boys' Union' Council and the Combined High Schools' Ex-Students' Council. As these offices are now in strict order of rotation, P. W. ("Pop") Hallett reckons that it will be about 640 years before this coincidence happens again.

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### O.B.U. BRANCH AT NEWCASTLE

On October 16th the history of the O.B.U. was carried a step further forward when its first branch was formed—at Newcastle.

It is gratifying to record that the Headmaster was one of the 26 Old Boys who were present at the inaugural meeting. The first President is Dr. C. E. Brake (Senior Prefect, 1915) and the Secretary Mr. Frank Bolton (who rowed No. 4 in the 1929 Champion Eight). Communications and inquiries may be addressed to the Secretary at 63 Lambton Road, Waratah.

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### OBITUARY

We regret to learn of the death of Henry F. Halloran, the last of the School's first pupils. Mr. Halloran was one of the original forty pupils who were enrolled in 1883, of whom there are now no survivors. A Past President of the O.B.U., Mr. Halloran was regularly present on Speech Day and, in fact, was seldom absent from any School or O.B.U. function.

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## SPORT

## FOOTBALL

The football season this year proved most satisfactory from several points of view. Teams participating in the C.H.S. and G.P.S. competitions performed most creditably, and their behaviour on and off the field won them a great deal of respect.

As has often been the case, the teams faced the season with a shortage of numbers for the higher grades and the injuries incurred in the early matches placed a further burden on the players. But the teams stuck to their task well and the results speak for themselves.

Sydney High gained the High Schools' Football Championship by a margin of 37 points from North Sydney High. The Third XV were co-premiers in their division and the Firsts, Seconds and Fourths were runners-up in theirs. The competition was keenly fought this year and the congratulations of the School go to the respective winners of the six grades.

An interesting feature of the season has been the growth of interest in the participation of the junior grades in Saturday afternoon games against other G.P.S. schools. Some activity in this direction is bound to prove valuable by giving the younger boys experience and thus laying the foundations for good teams in the future. Congratulations are due to the boys who did take part in these games, but, above all, to the members of the staff who voluntarily gave their time.

The steady growth of the House Football under the excellent guidance of Mr. Mitchell and Sportsmaster Mr. Jessep, has proved a tonic to the football of the School. The competition has been both interesting and fruitful, and its smooth operation has been a credit to the masters-in-charge and the boys who were active on the executive side. A high spot was reached when house teams competed against teams from other C.H.S. and G.P.S. schools. The furtherance of this successful venture will be a boon to the School's football development.

A football camp, of which there is a full report in another part of this magazine, was conducted at North Narrabeen and proved a marked success. Activities along this line could do much to relieve the strain of an arduous season, and it is to be hoped that there will be more.

The members of the Ladies' Auxiliary were very active in providing afternoon teas for the Saturday game. These ladies perform a noble task and are to be congratulated for the high quality of the meals they supply and for the tireless efforts that they expend.



FIRST XV — C.H.S. RUNNERS-UP.

Back Row: R. CLARK, J. BLOOM, N. HEYWOOD, P. JOHNSON, A. TAYLOR, E. COLEMAN.  
 Middle Row: W. TAYLOR, K. SINCLAIR, C. CHAMBERLAIN, R. JENKIN, D. HEALEY, L. BRANDON.  
 Front Row: MR. D. SHORT (Master-in-Charge), M. JOBBINS, C. SMEE (Captain), MR. G. BARR (Headmaster), M. STUART (Vice-Captain), B. ALLSOP, MR. F. J. ALLSOPP (Football Master).

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Our new pavilion, with its vastly improved conditions and appearance, has proved a credit to all who have been responsible for its erection. Thanks are due to the Old Boys who have met half the cost of the new jumpers that the First Grade wore this season. The players met the other half and are to keep the jumpers they wore.



High School defenders fight to keep out a St. Joseph's attacker in their game at McKay Oval.—"S.M. Herald" Photo.

Despite the fact that, because of the game's team nature, it is not usual to make reference to particular players, we must give space to the mention of a boy who has given yeoman service to the School in its football. This is Colin Smee. This boy entered the First Grade at fourteen years of age and has proved himself among the best schoolboy players. This year he gained G.P.S. representation for the third time and climaxed a great career in school football by being elected captain of the G.P.S. First XV to play the Royal



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Military College. Colin has always proved a wonderful example to his team both on and off the field, and we congratulate him on his efforts, which resulted in his fulfilling a great desire. The School will be sorry to lose him, even as it was to lose his brother, Ray. The Smee family has been a real influence in the shaping of Colin's career, and we wish him well in all he undertakes in the future.

Mr. Allsopp, after guiding the Second XV for a number of years, retired from active coaching this year and undertook the task of ensuring that arrangements and gear were in order for the various matches. We suspect that he will make a comeback in the near future and thank him for ably performing his work during the past season.

### FIRST XV

The First XV extends its congratulations to Fort Street, who won the division this year. Our team filled the runners-up position with Hurlstone, and feels a certain satisfaction at this since injuries prevented it from fielding a full team for any game of the season. But we were triers all the time and managed to avoid this year, more than last, the fatigue that overtakes our team from playing the two competitions.

In the second trial match of the C.H.S. Competition we lost full-back Tom Craigie with a broken collar-bone, and Colin Smee was forced to take the position until we decided to train Mick Jobbins to fill the role. Mick proved one of the outstanding full-backs of the competition and thrilled the crowds with his many saves and accurate kicking.

Injuries to Nev Heywood, who had developed into a sound centre, and to Col. Chamberlain on the wing, demanded a reorganised back-line. Ken Sinclair came from the Seconds to play half and Brian Allsop and Smee had to alternate the five-eighth and in-centre positions. "Sam" Bloom was brought from the Seconds to fill the out-centre position and proved a very sound defender. Tony Taylor moved from breakaway to the wing and played his part admirably, coming through the season with the addition of four stitches in his head. "Butch" Jenkin held out on the right wing.

In the forwards, Peter Johnson hooked well, occasionally fooling even the referees, and his growing frame was ably supported by "Monk" Healy, who applied himself to his task very well, and variously by Bob Clark and Warwick Taylor, both of whom proved themselves efficient and willing to profit by experience. Big Mal. Stuart was a good vice-captain, and with "Off-side" Saravanos formed the strong element of our scrum. "Pud" Coleman on his day was an outstanding lock, and if he persists with his football we will hear a great deal more of him when he leaves the School.

Len Brandon was a conscientious breakaway, and Mick Curley, "Fritz" Havilah and Dave ("any position") Furness ably formed replacements for us as occasion demanded.



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Although the team was successful in only two games of the G.P.S. Competition, it is proud of the fact that in each of its games it provided entertaining football and was never beaten by a margin greater than six points. The game in which it held the undefeated and worthy premiers to a 6-0 loss was one of the delights of the season. We extend our hearty congratulations to Newington on its fine record during the season and the fine, generous spirit their players demonstrated.

As in the previous year, Col. Smee showed grand captaincy and was a fine example to his team.

The School extends its congratulations to the six members of the First XV who were selected in the Combined G.P.S. representative teams. The boys were Col. Smee (First XV Captain), R. Clark and P. Johnson (Third XV), and M. Stuart, M. Jobbins, and C. Chamberlain (reserves).

The team, as a whole, is greatly indebted to Mr. Short, their coach, who has imparted valuable football knowledge, which will assist the boys throughout their football career; also the interest shown by Mr. Barr and various members of the School staff, the Old Boys, and the Ladies' Auxiliary is deeply appreciated.

### G.P.S. Scores.

S.H.S. *v.*—

St. Joseph's College—Lost, 0-6.

Scots College—Won, 11-3.

The King's School—Lost, 9-14.

Sydney Church of England Grammar School—Lost, 0-5.

Sydney Grammar School—Lost, 9-15.

Newington College—Lost, 0-6.

St. Ignatius' College—Won, 18-6.

### C.H.S. Scores.

S.H.S. *v.*—

Sydney Technical High—Won, 38-0.

North Sydney High—Won, 6-5.

Canterbury High—Won, 20-3.

Fort Street High—Lost, 5-6.

Parramatta High—Draw, 6-6.

Homebush High—Draw, 3-3.

Randwick High—Won, 36-5.

North Sydney Technical High—Won, 17-9.

Manly High—Won, 28-3.

Hurlstone Agricultural High—Won, 11-6.

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## SECOND XV

The second grade side finished the season as runners-up in the C.H.S. Competition and were one point behind the co-premiers, King's and St. Joseph's, in the G.P.S. Competition. The team was handicapped to some extent by the comparative lightness of its members. Still, the forwards and wingers made up for this by their ability to bustle and outrun the opposition. M. Curley, J. Havilah and B. Parsons made many breaks and frequently spear-headed forward attacks. J. Bland and J. Havilah, the regular breakaways,

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always harassed the opposing inside backs and proved mainstays in defence. J. Bloom, D. Furness and J. Goddard tightened up the forward play.

After an unsettled start our backs developed cohesion and speed, but towards the end of the season were upset by the loss of injured players. J. McCabe and R. Blackett developed into a very strong attacking combination, but both were injured in the later stages. Half, K. Richardson, and five-eighth, K. Sinclair combined well until Ken went up to First Grade. D. Carroll ably filled this vacancy and quickly fitted into the back line. We were fortunate to have the services of two good wingers, J. Brown and L. Rosenthal, who put the team in front on many occasions. Brown did not get as many opportunities as Rosenthal, who scored twenty-one tries during the season.



### SECOND XV — C.H.S. RUNNERS-UP.

**Back Row:** H. MacLEAY, J. BROWNE, J. HAVILAH, J. BLAND, D. CARROLL.  
**Middle Row:** R. HOLMES, R. CALLAGHAN, D. FURNESS, P. TILLEY, R. BLACKETT,  
J. GODDARD.  
**Front Row:** L. ROSENTHAL, K. RICHARDSON, J. BILTON (Capt.), MR. W. TOFT  
(Master-in-Charge), M. CURLEY, M. BRAITHWAITE, B. PARSONS.  
**Inset:** J. McCABE.

The team was captained by J. Bilton, whose defensive and attacking play at full-back was an inspiration. The team's goal-kickers, J. McCabe and later J. Holmes, kicked well and scored valuable points.

The only losses in the C.H.S. Competition were against Randwick and Fort Street, who proved too strong on the day. We congratulate the winning team, North Sydney, on its success.

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In the G.P.S. Competition, although the side was beaten by King's and Newington, it beat St. Joseph's for the first time in many years. The G.P.S. matches were always close and congratulations are due to King's and St. Joseph's on their joint win.

Afternoon tea served by the Ladies' Auxiliary was always much looked forward to, and the team would like to express its thanks to the ladies concerned. The increased attendance of pupils and friends was encouraging, and we hope this will continue. The team would also like to express sincere thanks to the coach, Mr. Toft, for his interest during the season.

### G.P.S. Scores.

S.H.S. v.—

St. Joseph's College—Won, 6-3.

Scots College—Drew, 3-3.

The King's School—Lost, 9-12.

Sydney Church of England Grammar School—Won, 16-9.

Sydney Grammar School—Won, 9-3.

Newington College—Lost, 3-17.

St. Ignatius' College—Won, 19-0.

### C.H.S. Scores.

S.H.S. v.—

Sydney Technical High—Won, 16-3.

North Sydney High—Drew, 3-3.

Canterbury High—Won, 17-0.

Fort Street High—Lost 3-9.

Parramatta High—Won, 8-6.

Randwick High—Lost, 0-9.

Homebush High—Won, 20-0.

North Sydney Technical High—Won, 23-8.

Hurlstone Agricultural High—Won, 16-0.

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## THIRD XV

Third Grade, joint premiers with Homebush and North Sydney, had a very successful season this year. The team, scoring 223 to its opponents' 15, had their line crossed only once and sustained only one defeat, 3-6 at the hands of North Sydney. This fine record was due largely to the excellent team spirit that prevailed throughout the season and to the keenness shown not only by the actual team, but also by the reserves.

In all the matches played the backs combined extremely well and made full use of the large share of the ball that the forwards gave them. Although the forwards played a little loosely in some matches, they proved to be a reliable and efficient pack, and towards the latter part of the year backed up the three-quarter line to finish off many fine scoring movements.

### Players:

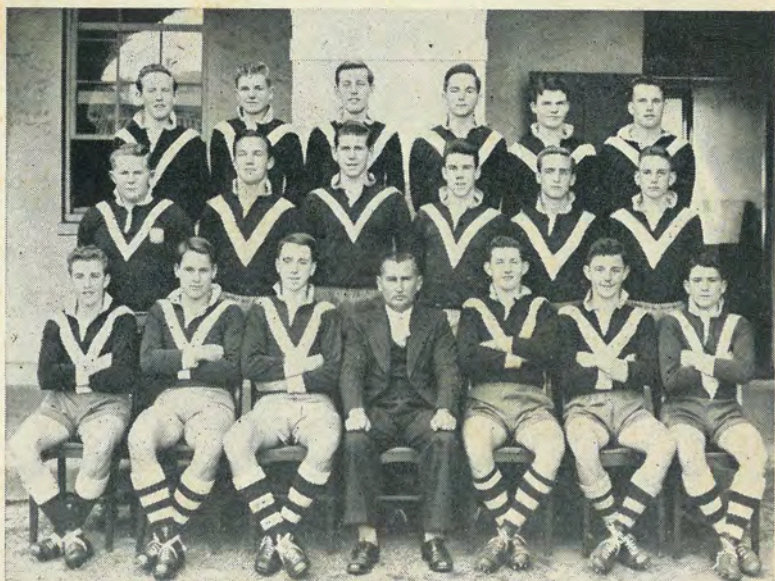
B. King, Captain and breakaway; played soundly throughout and inspired by consistent following of the ball.

D. Alderdice, hooker; secured large share of the ball.

M. Leonard, front row; worked hard in the rucks.

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- R. Cooke, second row; showed to advantage in open play and backed up well.
- M. Braithwaite, hard-working second row forward; always in the middle of the rucks.
- J. Elfick, front row and breakaway; tackled very well.
- B. Salt, second row; improved with every game and began to use his weight at end of season.
- G. Peake, lock; backed up well and ran determinedly with the ball.
- R. Donaldson, half; gave good service to his backs and combined well with forwards.
- D. Carroll, five-eighth; nippy and always dangerous; switched play rapidly from one side of the field to the other.
- J. Hislop, five-eighth when Carroll promoted to Second XV; showed attacking ability and should do well next year.
- J. Cope, centre; made some fine runs.
- A. Taylor, centre; ran hard and tackled solidly.
- W. Summers, winger; one of most promising in School; outstanding try-scorer.
- I. Schollbach and G. Mashman, wings; ran determinedly for corner; both showed improvement in centering the ball.
- J. Main, full-back; cool and heady player; sound positional play.
- J. Wise, centre; played soundly and kicked well.



### THIRD XV — C.H.S. CO-PREMIERS.

**Back Row:** D. ALDERDICE, J. ELFICK, J. MAIN, A. NICHOLLS, G. MASHMAN, M. BRAITHWAITE.

**Middle Row:** R. COOKE, M. LEONARD, B. SALT, G. PEAK, I. SCHOLLBACH, J. HISLOP.

**Front Row:** J. COPE, A. TAYLOR, B. KING (Capt.), MR. J. HUDSON (Master-in-Charge), D. CARROLL, W. SUMMERS, R. DONALDSON.

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### Scores.

S.H.S. v.—

Sydney Technical High—Won, 33-0.  
North Sydney High—Lost, 3-6.  
Canterbury High—Won, 22-0.  
Fort Street High—Won, 28-0.  
Parramatta High—Won, 22-3.  
Randwick High—Won, 28-3.  
Homebush High—Won, 11-3.  
North Sydney Technical High—Won, 27-0.  
Manly High—Won, 18-0.  
Hurlstone High—Won, 31-0.

### FOURTH XV

The Fourth XV finished the season as runners-up to Randwick, whom we congratulate on their success.



#### FOURTH XV—C.H.S. RUNNERS-UP.

Back Row: G. KING, E. FARQUHAR, R. FEAR, G. BURGE, G. STONE, I. LETTS.  
Middle Row: G. MELMAN, B. SCRIVENER, B. BARKER, D. BUBB, J. REID, A. HOLT,  
P. BOWER.  
Front Row: I. DAVY, G. MARR, P. CRITTLE (Capt.), MR. J. McMAHON  
(Master-in-Charge), D. FORD, R. CARRUTHERS, M. MacCOLL.  
In Front: L. ROBERDS.

The team benefited greatly by playing several unofficial games against G.P.S. schools. These games were played before the Second Grade games each Saturday. The hard games against these teams led to an all-round improvement in every department. We feel that the members will now be better fitted to take their places in the higher G.P.S. competitions.

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The forwards gradually developed into a strong pack, playing very good football towards the end of the season. The backs became a solid combination, whose speed and skill were a deciding factor. The team owes much to the fine leadership of P. Crittle.

The team would like to thank Mr. McMahon for his extremely enthusiastic coaching throughout the season. The boys are also greatly indebted to Mr. Short, whose help proved of great benefit.

### C.H.S. Scores.

#### S.H.S. v.—

Sydney Technical High—Won, 9-0.

North Sydney High—Won, 6-3.

Canterbury High—Won, 24-8.

Fort Street High—Lost, 11-17.

Parramatta High—Won, 11-6.

Randwick High—Lost, 0-6.

Homebush High—Won, 10-0.

North Sydney Technical High—Won, 9-8.

Manly High—Won, 6-3.

Hurlstone Agricultural High—Won, 15-0.

### G.P.S. Scores.

#### S.H.S. v.—

St. Joseph's College—Lost, 5-11.

The Scots College—Won, 5-0.

The King's School—Won, 5-3.

Sydney Church of England Grammar School—Lost, 8-20.

Sydney Grammar School—Lost, 0-6.

Newington College—Lost, 3-12.

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## FIFTH XV

This year the team had a fairly successful season, coming fourth in the competition, the co-premiers being North Sydney High and Sydney Technical High.

Our outstanding player was K. Redman, who scored twenty tries. Mention must also be made of E. Faulds, whose goal-kicking was responsible for many of the points scored. The backs played good football behind an excellent pack of forwards, who were always on the ball.

The team would like to thank Mr. O'Rourke for his invaluable service as coach.

### Scores.

#### S.H.S. v.—

Sydney Technical High—Drew, 3-3.

North Sydney High—Lost, 0-3.

Canterbury High—Won, 25-0.

Fort Street High—Won, 21-0.

Parramatta High—Won, 73-0.

Homebush High—Lost, 0-6.

Randwick High—Won, 11-6.

North Sydney Technical High—Won, 12-3.

Manly High—Lost, 5-6.

Hurlstone Agricultural High—Won, 8-0.

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### SIXTH XV

The Sixth Grade footballers finished the season quite creditably in third place. The players would like to offer their congratulations to Sydney Technical High on winning the competition and to Hurlstone on being runners-up.

Under the able leadership of George Evans and John Quick, the boys trained hard, and even in defeat were a credit to the School.

Worthy of special mention are Bob Kellick, our goal-kicker, and Ashley Jarman, the top-scorers for the season. Both these lads should do well in the higher grades next year.

The team would like to thank Mr. Rowlands for the interest he showed throughout the season.

#### Scores.

S.H.S. v.—

- Sydney Technical High—Won, 6-3.
- North Sydney High—Won, 12-0.
- Canterbury High—Won, 12-3.
- Fort Street High—Won, 20-3.
- Parramatta High—Won, 3-0.
- Randwick High—Lost, 0-3.
- Homebush High—Lost, 0-5.
- North Sydney Technical High—Won, 16-0.
- Manly High—Won, 11-6.
- Hurlstone Agricultural High—Lost, 3-16.

### C.H.S. FOOTBALL COMPETITION POINT SCORE

In the table below are shown the points won by each team in each school participating in the C.H.S. Competition. Points in each grade are calculated on the basis of two for a win and one for a draw. Total points, for the Schools' Championship, are calculated by multiplying First Grade points by 6, Second Grade by 4, and other grades by 3.

SCHOOL	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total Points
Canterbury H. ....	8	11	14	6	5	4	179
Fort Street H. ....	20	15	9	17	8	9	309
Homebush H. ....	10	10	20	16	16	10	286
Hurlstone A.H. ....	18	6	7	7	13	17	264
Manly H. ....	5	—	11	10	18	11	180
North Sydney H. ....	13	19	20	12	19	13	346
North Sydney Tech. H. ....	9	14	6	8	4	10	194
Parramatta H. ....	13	11	4	8	3	14	209
Randwick H. ....	13	16	12	21	12	10	307
Sydney H. ....	18	17	20	18	15	16	383
Sydney Tech. H. ....	5	11	9	9	19	18	239

CHAMPION SCHOOL: Sydney High, 1; North Sydney High, 2.

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In the following table are listed the winners and runners-up in each grade:—

GRADE.	WINNERS.	RUNNERS-UP.
1	Fort Street	S.H.S., Hurlstone
2	North Sydney	S.H.S.
3	S.H.S. } North Sydney } Homebush }	—
4	Randwick	S.H.S.
5	Sydney Tech. H. } North Sydney H. }	Manly
6	Sydney Tech. H.	Hurlstone

### HOUSE FOOTBALL

This year saw the re-introduction of the House Football Competition at the School, which replaced the former inter-class competitions. Each house formed six graded teams, which competed in three rounds, the rounds being followed by two knockout games, which decided the grand champion in each of the six grades of the competition.

The allotment of points to decide the Aggregate Points Competition was based on the results of the matches, along with service points. Each team scored six points for a win and three if the match was drawn. To gain service points the houses had to supply three referees which earned them two points each and six line umpires, worth one point each. One point was deducted from the weekly total if the notification of teams was not posted to the notice board by a stipulated date.

The result of the competition was as follows:—

#### 1. The Points Grade Competition:

Grade 1: Parkes, 42; Reid, 36; Wentworth, 21; Gordon, 9.

Grade 2: Reid, 54; Parkes, 33; Gordon, 15; Wentworth, 6.

Grade 4: Gordon, 51; Parkes, 33; Wentworth, 24; Reid, 0.

Grade 5: Parkes, 54; Reid, 24; Wentworth, 15; Gordon, 15.

Grade 6A: Reid, 51; Gordon, 36; Parkes, 18; Wentworth, 3.

Grade 6B: Gordon, 39; Reid, 36; Wentworth, 30; Parkes, 0.

#### 2. The Aggregate Points Competition:

Reid (296); Parkes (287); Gordon (271); Wentworth (203).

#### 3. Grand Championship Results:

Grade 1, Reid; Grade 2, Reid; Grade 4, Parkes; Grade 5, Parkes;

Grade 6A, Reid; Grade 6B, Wentworth.

Congratulations are due to Mr. Mitchell, the Master-in-charge, for the very efficient organisation and recording of this competition. To assist him, each house elected two managers. They were: P. Arnott (5c) and R. Bolton (5c) (Gordon); W. Hazell (5B) and J. Hardy (3c) (Parkes); M. Matthew (5A) and G. Mackie (1D) (Reid); M. Watt (4B) and L. Small (2E) (Wentworth).



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The referees supplied by the houses were J. Caddy (5E), T. Davis (5E), M. Aston (4C), J. Green (3C), G. Hughes (3D), J. Heyman (3D), R. Milson (5D), D. Mills (5E), J. Main (4D), J. Thornton (5E), B. Silenger (3A), W. Watson (3A), M. Chapman (3C).

This year there was a considerable improvement in the standard of play, probably due to the house system. This also resulted in a widespread keenness, and after-school training for the house teams was instituted to improve the respective teams. A growing competence in the referees was particularly noticeable.

Several of the Moore Park grounds were available for use, and the teams took turns to play there or at the Centennial Park grounds. McKay Oval (No. 2) did not come into use until the end of the season. The houses combined to produce teams for the annual matches against Sydney Technical High School, with favourable results. The greatly improved standards of the season, caused by the interest of the master-in-charge, the house masters and managers, warrants the continuation of this type of school competition.

R. BOLTON (5A).

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### FOOTBALL CAMP

On the Empire Day holiday week-end it was decided to work on an idea, conceived by Mr. Cracknell and supported by Mr. Short, to hold a camp at the National Fitness Centre on the edge of the Narrabeen Lakes. The aim was twofold: it was hoped, firstly, that the boys attending the camp would benefit from the coaching that they would receive and, secondly, that team members would get to know each other in a way that would foster greater team spirit.

Forty-seven boys left Wynyard by Government 'bus and sang their way to the camp under the tuneful leadership of Allsop, the basso accompaniment of Stuart and trills and trebles of Smee, Jobbins, Cooke and company. They reached camp at 2.15 p.m. Friday, where the camp supervisors, Messrs. Cracknell and Short, had made ready for their arrival.

When blankets had been drawn and the huts made ready, all players went to the ground, where they had a sound training run, coached by Mr. Short and an Old Boy of the School, John Bosler, who was selected to tour South Africa with the famous Wallabies this year. Tired but happy after a strenuous session, the boys went to their evening meal, at which Mal Stuart acted as mother to the juniors, ensuring that they obtained a third as much as he on their plates.

Later in the evening First Grade referee, Mr. Pat Phelan, lectured the lads on interpretation of the rules and supplied answers to the many and varied questions that the worried had to put forward. Brandon did not receive an answer to his question as to how blind a referee has to be.

On Saturday morning most of the boys were on the road at 6.45 for a three-mile run. One or two dodged this piece of work and, as far as we know, a few were only interested in getting round the corner. Most, however, benefited. After breakfast Ray Smee, brother of the popular Colin and an Old Boy of the School now playing with Easts, gave the teams an intensive preparation.



THE FOOTBALL CAMP—REFEREE P. PHELAN GIVES A TALK IN THE MESS HUT.

During the morning a diversion was created by the crash of a R.A.A.F. Mustang in the hills above the camp. While Mal Stuart and his offsiders operated the police wireless a number of boys went with Mr. Cracknell to lend assistance to the pilot and to maintain a watch on the wreckage until the authorities arrived. The rescue helicopter, which landed outside the mess hut, received plenty of attention from the boys who gathered round it.

In the afternoon famous international, Keith Cross, came to give the boys intensive work, with the emphasis on forward and breakaway play. By the evening some still had energy to attend the local theatre, some to take advantage of the study period set aside. Allsop was seen to take a stack of books to the mess hut, and some of the books were definitely connected with the Fourth Year course.



THE FOOTBALL CAMP — TRAINING IN PROGRESS.

On Sunday morning there was handling practice and general limbering-up exercises, followed by many with a swim in the Lakes. After luncheon the boys cleaned the camp and broke camp at three-thirty.

The camp was a marked success, and the thanks of all who attended are due to Mr. Short and Mr. Cracknell for their service as supervisors, and to Old Boys John Bosler, Ray Smee and Keith Cross, who, in conjunction with Mr. Pat Phelan, did their best to impart their knowledge to the players.

We trust that this camp will be the forerunner of many equally successful, and we are grateful to the National Fitness Council for their subsidising of the venture pound for pound and ensuring that all was well for the occasion.

E. COLEMAN.

## SCHOOL Versus OLD BOYS FOOTBALL

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The annual football match between the Old Boys and the School was played at McKay Oval on August 19, the Old Boys scoring four tries to the School's two and winning by 14 points to 9.

The game was marked by fierce rucking and hard tackling, with a few comic interludes bringing a light strain into an otherwise hard-fought tussle. Col. Smee, the School's captain, as usual, was playing at his best and was ably supported by both backs and forwards. The School XV's performance was all the more meritorious in that seven First Grade players were included in the Old Boys' team, notable among them being John Thornett and Nev. Ellison, but our boys, outweighed considerably, were not to be daunted and gave the Old Boys much harder opposition than they expected.

It was very gratifying to see Mr. Fairland among the spectators; the School owes to Mr. Fairland a very great debt for his part in securing McKay Oval for the School and in providing the various amenities which make the ground something of which the School can be proud. The latest of such amenities is the enlarged pavilion appropriately named after him.

The match was enjoyed immensely by both players and spectators and brought to a happy conclusion a very successful football season.

B. K.

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## FIRST XI

The experience gained in the early matches proved a large factor in the confidence shown by the boys at the commencement of the second half of the 1952 competition. In an exciting match the team defeated Fort Street and performed well in the G.P.S. games, defeating Grammar outright in the second last match.

The success of Lindsay, Allsop and last year's captain, Littlewood, was rewarded when they gained selection in combined teams. Littlewood and Lindsay represented in G.P.S. First and Second XI's respectively, while all three represented in the C.H.S. First XI.

With seven members of the last year's team back at school this year, the team began confidently and performed creditably in its early matches. The batting was of a very high standard and with comfortable victories in the first two G.P.S. matches, displayed the potentialities of a premiership-winning side. In the first G.P.S. game against Riverview the team gained an easy first innings victory, and when the position indicated a certain outright win for the School rain intervened and play was abandoned.

A comfortable outright victory in the second match against St. Joseph's was made possible by the side's general strong batting and by a magnificent 98 by Lindsay, who displayed his all-round ability in this match by taking 7 for 21 in St. Joseph's first innings.

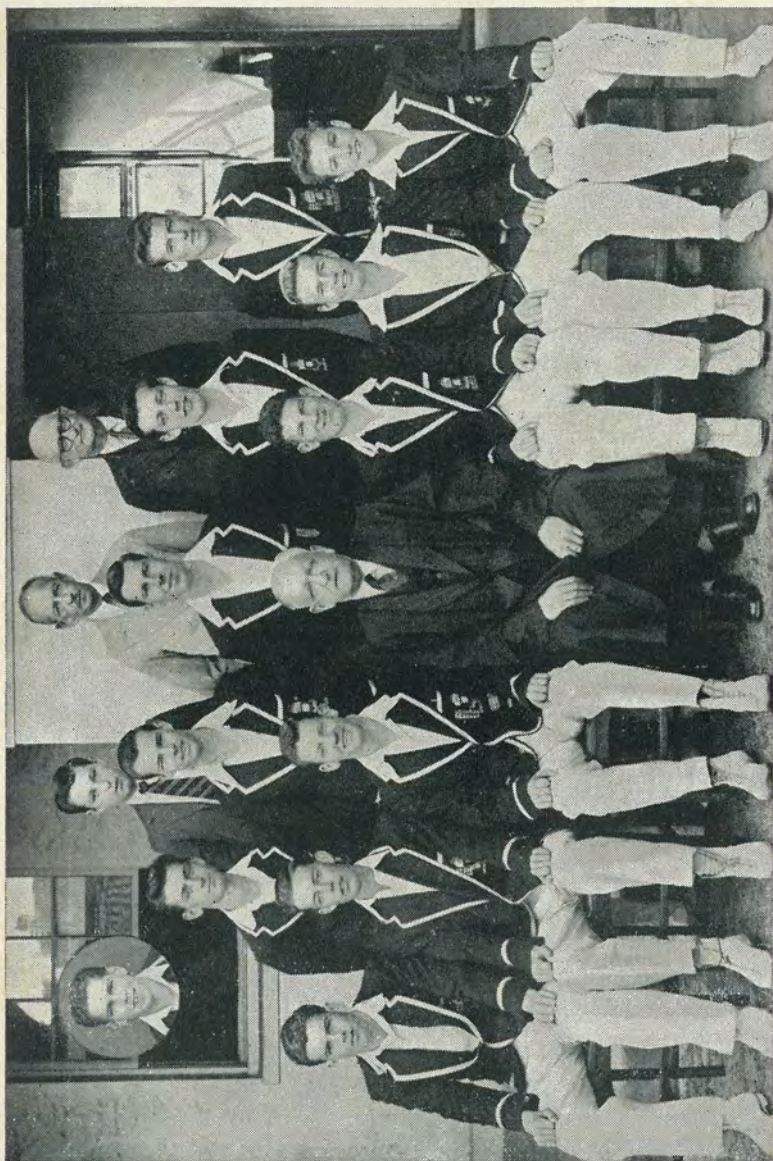
However, in the next match, against Shore, the team collapsed in both innings and lost outright to a very strong opposition.

Against King's, in the next round, the team regained much of the confidence it had lost in the previous match and, due mainly to a century partnership by McCabe (captain) and Allsop, forced a very close finish to a match whose fortune had changed hands several times. The result was an outright victory for King's.

After defeating Fort Street in the opening round of the C.H.S. Competition the team drew with Homebush, Canterbury, and Hurlstone, those matches being abandoned because of rain, and was narrowly defeated by Parramatta in the final match. Lindsay and Cope created a record against Homebush when they each scored magnificent centuries in their opening partnership of 195. Both boys were presented with inscribed bats for their fine performances.

In April McCabe, Lindsay and Allsop were selected in the C.H.S. representative team, which played Northern High Schools at Newcastle. McCabe captained the side and top-scored with 33. Lindsay was the second top scorer and Allsop performed splendidly behind the stumps.

The team's good wishes and thanks go out to its former C.H.S. coach, Mr. Taylor, who recently left the School. His absence will be felt by both pupils and staff. His attitude towards cricket and his likable nature made him exceedingly popular with the lads he coached. The team would also like to take this opportunity to



**FIRST XI.**

Back Row: E. COX (Scorer), MR. M. ADAMTHWAITE (Master-in-Charge, G.P.S.), MR. O. A. TAYLOR (Master-in-Charge, C.H.S.),  
 Second Row: J. PAUL, D. LINDSAY, M. STUART, J. MAIN, K. SINCLAIR, MR. G. BARR (Headmaster), J. HOLMES, M. JOBBINS, J. COPE.  
 Front Row: T. CRAIGIE, R. FRENCH, B. ALLSOP (Vice-Captain), MR. G. BARR (Headmaster), J. HOLMES, M. JOBBINS, J. COPE.  
 Inset: J. McCABE (Captain).

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welcome its new C.H.S. coach, Mr. Kahn, and also to thank its untiring G.P.S. coach, Mr. Adamthwaite, whose interest and assistance were greatly appreciated by each member. The team would like also to thank Mr. Barr, whose presence at the matches and words of encouragement were of undoubted benefit to the side, and to the ladies, who gave up their valuable time to prepare the delightful lunches at the G.P.S. home matches, the team extends its gratitude and appreciation.

### G.P.S. Scores.

S.H.S., 159 and 2 for 147 (Allsop 61, Lindsay 63, Cope 45), defeated Riverview College, 88 (Lindsay 5 for 32, Stuart 5 for 49), on the first innings.

S.H.S., 224 (Lindsay 98, Craigie 34), defeated St. Joseph's College, 70 and 118 (Lindsay 7 for 21, Saravanos 4 for 42), by an innings and 36 runs.

S.H.S., 8 and 41, lost outright to Shore, 92 (Saravanos 7 for 21).

S.H.S., 155 and 106 (McCabe 64, Allsop 57), lost outright to The King's School, 203 and 101 (Lindsay 4 for 56 and 7 for 41, Stuart 3 for 41).

### C.H.S. Scores.

S.H.S., 162 (Allsop 36, Cope 32), defeated Fort Street, 133 (Lindsay 5 for 30).

S.H.S., 1 for 216 (Lindsay 102, Cope 100 not out), drew with Homebush High, 0 for 15 (second day's play washed out).

S.H.S., 115 (McCabe 41), drew with Hurlstone Agricultural, 0 for 18 (rain washed out play).

S.H.S., 74, lost to Parramatta High, 85 and 3 for 43 (Stuart 3 for 12, McCabe 3 for 11, Allsop 4 for 21), on the first innings.

## SECOND XI

During the past season the Second XI has met with mixed success. Owing to the bad weather, only two of the five C.H.S. games were finished. The season started on a grim note against Fort Street, when the side managed to avert an outright defeat only by the solid batting of J. Holmes (44), and C. Chamberlain (26 not out). After promising starts against Homebush and Hurlstone, rain washed out play. There was no play whatsoever against Canterbury. In the only innings of the Hurlstone game J. Main and A. Wall batted attractively. In the final game, against Parramatta, the side had its first success, winning outright. The win was due mainly to the batting of J. Bloom and N. Banwell, and the magnificent bowling efforts of J. Main and R. Fear.

For the first time in the School's history the Second XI played in the G.P.S. Competition. Considering that they were new to G.P.S. cricket, the team did quite well, winning two of the four games played.

In the opening game against Riverview the team had a first innings win. Solid batting by F. Goodwin and N. Banwell and steady bowling by R. Fear and P. Wicks secured this victory.

In a very close game the side defeated St. Joseph's outright. On a soft wicket our batsmen failed, but solid defence by captain D. Furness saved a rout and the score reached 56. St. Joseph's did little better on the bad wicket, making 80. In the second innings



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J. Bilton, F. Goodwin, and B. King helped to put together a more creditable 138, leaving St. Joseph's 115 to make for a win, which, however, they failed to make by 40 runs. Bowling honours went to M. Jobbins (5 for 31) and J. Main (3 for 13).

Against Shore the team suffered its first defeat, and in another close game was defeated by King's. After a good first innings in which A. Wall scored 25, King's were dismissed for a modest 45, J. Main taking 7 for 22 and M. Jobbins taking 3 for 18. In the second innings the team failed and King's, though hard-pressed by accurate bowling by J. Main (4 for 48) and M. Jobbins (3 for 42), managed to score the required runs with one wicket still in hand.

Throughout the season the captain D. Furness, has received good support from the members of the team, and keenness has never been lacking. The team would like to thank the two coaches, Mr. Harris and Mr. Khan, for their untiring efforts, and also Mr. Adamthwaite for the interest he has shown in the team. Thanks also go to the Ladies' Auxiliary for the afternoon teas which they provided.

### G.P.S. Scores.

- S.H.S., 115 (Goodwin 43, Banwell 39), defeated Riverview, 95, on first innings. (Second day's play washed out by rain.)
- S.H.S., 56 and 138 (Goodwin 27, King 20), defeated St. Joseph's College, 80 and 75 (Jobbins 5 for 31).
- S.H.S., 60 and 117 (Wall 27 not out, Main 28, Chamberlain 25 not out), lost to Sydney Church of England Grammar School, 114 and 4 for 66 (Main 6 for 34).
- S.H.S., 123 and 48 (Wall 25, Main 21, Fear 21), lost to The King's School, 45 and 9 for 128 (Main 7 for 22).

### C.H.S. Scores.

- S.H.S., 76 and 6 for 117, lost to Fort Street, 4 for 177, on first innings.
- S.H.S. drew with Homebush High, 8 for 160. (Second day's play washed out by rain.)
- S.H.S. v. Canterbury (no play due to rain).
- S.H.S., 4 for 148 (Main 80, Wall 25), drew with Hurlstone Agricultural High, 0 for 15. (Second day's play abandoned due to rain.)
- S.H.S., 4 for 100 (Bloom 50), drew with Parramatta High, 38 (Fear 5 for 12, Main 5 for 19).

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## THIRD XI

In the first half of the season the Third XI, led by Bruce Day, scored an outright win over Hurlstone Agricultural High, but had to be content with draws in the other matches because of the inclemency of the weather.

The team fought hard to force a draw in the first match of the season against Fort Street. Rain washed out the match with Homebush when Sydney High needed one run to score a first innings win. The game with Canterbury was completely washed out. Sydney High defeated Hurlstone outright in one day and collapsed against Parramatta to score only 16 and suffer its first defeat.

## THE RECORD

Peter Mellish took the batting honours with 57 not out, and although not being able to play for two matches with a broken collar-bone, Dick Webb came back and played very well. The feature of the bowling was that 46 of the 50 wickets taken were by the fast deliveries of R. Fear (whom we lost after two matches), P. Bower and B. Scrivener. The bowling of these was steady and at times brilliant.

The team is grateful to Mr. Rigby and wishes to thank him for his time and valuable coaching.

### Scores.

- S.H.S., 8 for 33, drew with Fort Street, 65.
- S.H.S., 4 for 63, drew with Homebush High, 63 (Fear 7 for 19).
- S.H.S. v. Canterbury High—game washed out.
- S.H.S., 6 for 105, defeated Hurlstone Agricultural, 31 and 31.
- S.H.S., 16, lost to Parramatta High, 50 (Scrivener 6 for 17).

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## FOURTH XI

This year's Fourth XI, led by all-rounder Frank Pender, has taken fourth place in the competition.

After a convincing win over Fort Street, in which Bob Fisher captured the hat trick, the team drew with the strong Homebush team when rain stopped play. A similar state of affairs brought about a draw with Hurlstone. The most exciting game of the season was against Canterbury, as the teams were very evenly matched. High was unlucky to lose. In the game against Parramatta the Fourths showed overall superiority.

During the season D. O'Neill proved a reliable all-rounder. O'Neill and G. Paillas proved consistent fast bowlers, while G. Post and B. Fisher were outstanding spinners. The fielding of N. Thompson and A. Jakes should be commended.

The team's thanks go to Mr. Blue, whose coaching helped the younger members considerably.

### Scores.

- S.H.S., 5 for 109 (Pender 35), defeated Fort Street, 53 (Fisher 4 for 3).
- S.H.S., 6 for 31, drew with Homebush High, 7 for 156 (Jakes 3 for 24).
- S.H.S., 75 (Pender 33), lost to Canterbury High, 7 for 93 (O'Neill 5 for 19).
- S.H.S., 1 for 26, drew with Hurlstone Agricultural, 123 (Post 4 for 37, Paillas 3 for 18).
- S.H.S., 6 for 73 (O'Neill 23, Post 20), defeated Parramatta High, 53 (Paillas 5 for 11).

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## ROWING

The 1952 season, while somewhat disappointing from the point of view of results, had its value in providing a large percentage of experienced rowers in the strong 1953 crews. We look forward to this season with great confidence.

## THE RECORD

This year marked a new era in rowing, for the School now had, for the first time, its own rowing shed. Many thanks go to the Old Boys, who did so much to bring this about. We must also thank those members of the Parents and Citizens' Association who gave us their week-ends to make the sheds at Abbotsford habitable.

There were a few changes in the coaches this year, due to Lieut.-Colonel Duffy being transferred to Melbourne. Mr. Callaway took up the coaching of the First and Second Fours, while two new coaches, Mr. G. Pilger and Mr. R. White, Old Boys who rowed in the 1950 Eight, coached the Third and Fourth Fours respectively. The Eight still remained under the guidance of the irreplaceable Mr. Frank Nichols. The School is greatly indebted to these for the time, effort and skill they expend in its interest.

For the first time in several years the Eight entered in races prior to the G.P.S. Regatta. In the Anniversary Regatta the Eight came second in the Junior Eights, while the First and Second Fours gained second and fourth places respectively in the Novice Fours.

The next regatta was the J. B. Sharp Memorial Regatta, in which all crews entered. The Second and Fourth Fours gained second and third places respectively in the Novice Fours, the Third Four being unplaced. The First Four convincingly won the Maiden Fours. The Eight entered the Champion Junior Eights, which it won after a hard struggle from Haberfield and Shore. On these performances Sydney High gained the most points of any club competing in this Regatta.

At the Riverview Regatta the Fourth Four gained second place, the Third Four third place, and the Second Four first place, each in their respective events. The First Four entered in the Junior Fours and School Maiden Fours, gaining second and first places respectively in these races. The Eight won the Riverview Gold Cup from Haberfield and Shore.

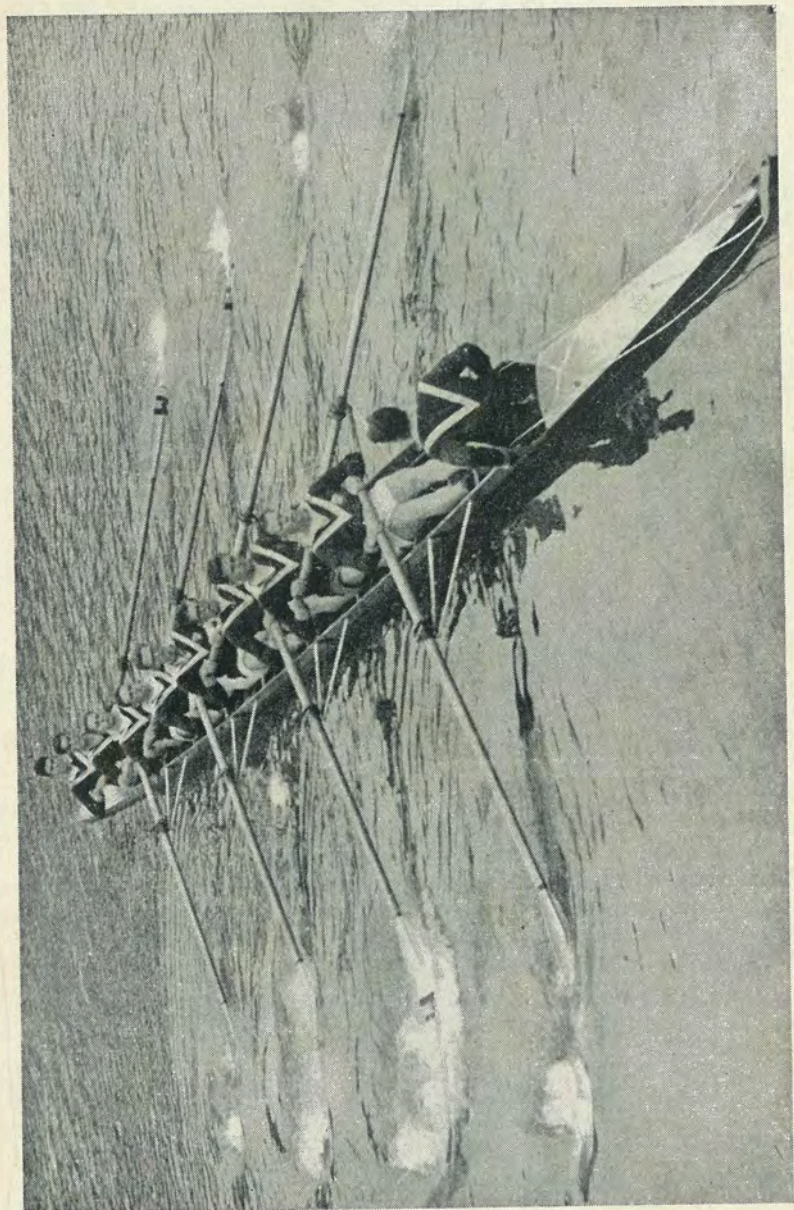
With this racing experience and some success behind them the coaches and rowers were feeling confident for the G.P.S. Regatta. The morning of the G.P.S. Regatta was fine with no wind. During the morning a new "four," which the Old Boys had bought at the beginning of the season, was christened the "A. R. Callaway," after the coach of this year's First and Second Fours.

The first event of the Regatta was the First Fours, which was won by High in the new "A. R. Callaway," from St. Joseph's and Newington.

The Second Fours was won by Shore, with St. Joseph's second and High, who had hung on tenaciously, in third place.

The Third Fours was a thrilling race, with High holding its slender lead to win from St. Joseph's and Newington. The win gave the "A. R. Callaway" its second win of the day. Shore and St. Joseph's dead-heated in the Fourth Fours to win from St. Ignatius, who was third. High was fourth in this event.

THE RECORD



THE EIGHT — HEAD OF THE RIVER.  
D. DENNY (bow), G. CORRY (2), E. COLEMAN (3), R. T. M. CLARK (4), J. CADDY (5), A. SALT (6), W. LEROY (7),  
J. WOODCOCK (stroke), R. DONALDSON (cox).

## THE RECORD

Finally came the Head of the River event. By this time a slight headwind had sprung up, giving a small advantage to the heavier crews. After an even start, Grammar School showed out from St. Joseph's, High and Shore. At the half-mile the positions were the same, with High and Shore rowing stroke for stroke. At the mile peg High went to the lead from Shore and retained that lead to win the race from Shore and St. Joseph's and deprived Shore of the coveted Head of the River title.



### FIRST FOUR — WINNERS.

R. CLARK (bow), M. BRAITHWAITE (2), B. LLOYD (3), R. JENKIN (stroke),  
G. GUEST (cox).



### THIRD FOUR — WINNERS.

B. MAY (bow), R. HARDY (2), M. CURLEY (3), R. DOWNIE (stroke),  
B. BOTTOMLEY (cox).

Special mention must be made here of those people who made the 1953 season a successful one for High. We owe a special debt to the Sydney Rowing Club for allowing us the use of their kitchen to prepare meals for boys in camp; the mothers who came and cooked for the boys during the last week, when Mr. Ranson, after his invaluable service as cook, had to return north to Hayman Island; the Old Boys' Union for supplying meat, biscuits and fruit for the boys in camp; Mr. White for his donation of soft drinks at Penrith, and Mrs. Mahony for making some delightful ice-cream

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cakes for the crews. We should specially like to thank the Rowing Master, Mr. Cracknell, and the coaches, Messrs. F. Nichols, A. Callaway, G. Pilger and R. White for their tireless and friendly service and co-operation throughout the season. Also, we must not fail to thank Mr. Cracknell for making his speed boat available to the crews.

Finally, I would like to say that there will be more vacancies in the crews for next year than there have been for several years, so if you are a bit above average height and of average build, or bigger, it is up to you to take up this fine sport and maintain the prestige of Sydney High School in the 1954 rowing season.

E. COLEMAN, *Captain of Boats.*

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### The Crews

*Eight:* D. Denny (bow), G. Corry (2), E. Coleman (3), R. Clark (4), J. Caddy (5), B. Salt (6), W. Leroy (7), J. Woodcock (stroke), R. Donaldson (cox).

*First Four:* R. Clark (bow), M. Braithwaite (2), B. Lloyd (3), R. Jenkin (stroke), G. Guest (cox).

*Second Four:* S. Hall (bow), R. Bolton (2), P. Arnott (3), J. Donoghue (stroke), J. Budge (cox).

*Third Four:* B. May (bow), R. Hardy (2), M. Curley (3), R. Downie (stroke), B. Bottomley (cox).

*Fourth Four:* G. Quigley (bow), L. Brandon (2), C. Henry (3), I. Smith (stroke), R. Derham (cox).

*Fifth Four:* W. Summers (bow), G. Coulson (2), K. Porter (3), G. Dixon (stroke), A. Lawrence (cox).

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## SWIMMING

### Results of the S.H.S. Carnival

#### Senior Championships:

880 Yards: 1, B. Parsons; 2, K. Quinton (11 mins. 57.1 secs.).

440 Yards: 1, D. Mills; 2, K. Quinton (5 mins. 49 secs.).

220 Yards: 1, C. Smee; 2, D. Mills (2 mins. 39 secs.).

100 Yards: 1, C. Smee; 2, D. Mills, K. Quinton (59.5 secs.).

50 Yards: 1, C. Smee; 2, D. Mills (26.1 secs.).

100 Yards Breaststroke: 1, C. Smee; 2, P. Johnson (81.4 secs.).

100 Yards Butterfly: 1, C. Smee; 2, P. Johnson (76 secs.).

50 Yards Backstroke: 1, C. Smee; 2, B. Cambourne (33.5 secs.).

Dive: 1, R. Donaldson; 2, D. Nelmes.

Senior Cup: 1, C. Smee; 2, D. Mills.

Claude Tressider Shield: C. Smee.

#### Under 16 Championships:

440 Yards: 1, B. Parsons; 2, J. Havilah (5 mins. 39 secs.).

220 Yards: 1, B. Parsons; 2, W. Egan (2 mins. 50 secs.).

100 Yards: 1, B. Parsons; 2, W. Egan (62 secs.).

50 Yards: 1, B. Parsons; 2, J. Havilah (28.1 secs.).

50 Yards Breaststroke: 1, B. Parsons; 2, M. Jobbins (40.1 secs.).

50 Yards Butterfly: 1, B. Parsons; 2, J. Havilah (35.3 secs.).

50 Yards Backstroke: 1, B. Parsons; 2, R. Hardy (35.5 secs.).

Junior Dive: 1, N. Widerberg; 2, G. Mashman.

Under 16 Cup: 1, B. Parsons; 2, J. Havilah.





**C.H.S. SWIMMING REPRESENTATIVES.**

**Back Row:** P. HAYES (Under 14 Champ.), P. CARRUTHERS (Under 15 Champ.), J. MCGILL (Under 13 Champ.),  
**Front Row:** Winners of G.P.S. Relay (Record Time: 1 min. 57.5 secs.)—B. PARSONS (Under 16 Champ.), C. SMEE (Senior Champ.),  
 MR. K. C. MENZIES (Master-in-Charge), D. MILLS, K. QUINTON.

## THE RECORD

### Under 15 Championships:

- 440 Yards: 1, R. Carruthers; 2, A. Cunningham (6 mins. 50 secs.).  
220 Yards: 1, A. Cunningham; 2, R. Carruthers (3 mins. 6 secs.).  
100 Yards: 1, A. Cunningham; 2, R. Carruthers (69.4 secs.).  
50 Yards: 1, R. Carruthers; 2, G. Burge (31.3 secs.).  
50 Yards Breaststroke: 1, P. Crittle; 2, R. Clulow (41.9 secs.).  
50 Yards Butterfly: 1, J. Reid; 2, R. Clulow (37.8 secs.).  
50 Yards Backstroke: 1, R. Carruthers; 2, G. Burge (36.4 secs.).  
Under 15 Cup: 1, R. Carruthers; 2, A. Cunningham.

### Under 14 Championships:

- 220 Yards: 1, P. Hayes; 2, F. Pender (3 mins. 18 secs.).  
100 Yards: 1, P. Hayes; 2, N. Walsh (74.6 secs.).  
50 Yards: 1, H. Langford; 2, P. Hayes (32.0 secs.).  
50 Yards Breaststroke: 1, J. Bolsdon; 2, N. Walsh (45 secs.).  
50 Yards Butterfly: 1, F. Pender; 2, H. Langford (45.1 secs.).  
50 Yards Backstroke: 1, P. Hayes; 2, F. Pender (39.8 secs.).  
Juvenile Dive: 1, P. Hayes; 2, F. Pender.  
Under 14 Cup: 1, P. Hayes; 2, F. Pender.

### Under 13 Championships:

- 100 Yards: 1, J. McGill; 2, M. Landau (80.2 secs.).  
50 Yards: 1, J. Pollock; 2, J. McGill (33.0 secs.).  
50 Yards Breaststroke: 1, J. McGill; 2, M. Landau (53 secs.).  
50 Yards Butterfly: 1, F. Smith; 2, Howard (50.1 secs.).  
50 Yards Backstroke: 1, J. Pollock; 2, A. Jarman (36.5 secs.). Record.  
Under 13 Cup: 1, J. McGill; 2, J. Pollock.

### House Relays:

- Senior: Gordon.  
Under 16: Parkes.  
Under 15: Gordon.  
Under 14: Wentworth.  
Under 13: Reid.  
House Point Score: 1, Reid; 2, Gordon.

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## Results of the C.H.S. Carnival

### Senior Championships:

- 110 Yards Breaststroke: 1, C. Smee.  
55 Yards Freestyle: 3, C. Smee.  
55 Yards Backstroke: 3, C. Smee.  
220 Yards Relay: S.H.S., 1 (D. Mills, B. Parsons, K. Quinton, C. Smee.  
Time: 1 min. 57.5 secs.—Record.)

### Under 16 Championships:

- 440 Yards Freestyle: 3, B. Parsons.  
220 Yards Freestyle: 3, B. Parsons.  
55 Yards Freestyle: 3, B. Parsons.

### Under 13 Championships:

- 55 Yards Backstroke: 2, J. Pollock.  
55 Yards Butterfly: 3, F. Smith.  
Medley Relay: S.H.S., 2 (A. Jarman, J. McGill, J. Pollock, F. Smith).

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## G.P.S. Swimming Events

- 220 Yards Relay: S.H.S. and S.C.E.G.S., 1 (1 min. 57.6 secs.—Record.)

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## ATHLETICS

### Results of S.H.S. Carnival

#### Senior Championships:

- 100 Yards: B. Allsop (10.4 secs.), 1; J. Browne, 2; P. Vig, 3.  
220 Yards: B. Allsop (23.6 secs.), 1; J. Browne, 2; L. Rosenthal, 3.

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440 Yards: D. Denny (55.4 secs.), 1; F. Lumley, 2; R. Jenkin, 3.  
880 Yards: D. Denny (2 mins. 11.1 secs.), 1; I. Smith, 2; M. Callaghan, 3.  
Mile: D. Denny (4 mins. 52.7 secs.), 1; M. Callaghan, 2; I. Smith, 3.  
120 Yards Hurdles: D. Denny (18.7 secs.), 1; P. Vig., 2; R. Cann, 3.  
Hop, Step and Jump: R. Hardy (41 ft. 11½ ins.—Record), 1; P. Vig, 2;  
H. Smith, 3.  
High Jump: H. Smith (5 ft. 4 ins.), 1; R. Jenkin, 2; A. Wall, 3.  
Broad Jump: P. Vig (21 ft. 2½ ins.), 1; R. Hardy, 2; D. Denny, 3.  
Shot Put: M. Stuart (38 ft. 4 ins.), 1; P. Vig, 2; G. Coulson, 3.  
SENIOR POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP: D. Denny.

### Junior Championships:

100 Yards: E. Sheedy (10.9 secs.), 1; J. Hodes, 2; J. Post, 3.  
220 Yards: E. Sheedy (24.7 secs.), 1; J. Hodes, 2; R. Casey, 3.  
440 Yards: E. Sheedy (57.4 secs.), 1; J. Hodes, 2; J. Post, 3.  
880 Yards: B. Scrivener (2 mins. 27.1 secs.), 1; R. Taylor, 2; W.  
Stamper, 3.  
90 Yards Hurdles: G. Wicks (13.8 secs.), 1; E. Sheedy, 2; B. Scrivener, 3.  
High Jump: J. Payne (5 ft. 1½ ins.), 1; B. Taylor, 2; R. Croucher, G.  
Wicks, D. Gregor, 3.  
Broad Jump: E. Sheedy (19 ft. 7 ins.), 1; J. Hodes, 2; G. Coulson, 3.  
Hop, Step and Jump: E. Sheedy (39 ft. 10 ins.), 1; G. Coulson, 2; D.  
Gregor, 3.  
Shot Put: G. Coulson (44 ft. 7 ins.), 1; R. Woodlands, 2; D. Baird, 3.  
JUNIOR POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP: E. Sheedy.

### Under 15 Championships:

100 Yards: R. Fear (11.2 secs.), 1; A. Ré, 2; J. Reid, 3.  
220 Yards: R. Fear (25.5 secs.), 1; W. Wynberg, 2; A. Ré, 3.  
90 Yards Hurdles: J. Reid (13.6 secs.), 1; R. Fear, 2; B. Barker, 3.  
High Jump: J. Reid (5 ft. 1½ ins.), 1; C. Bridge, 2; B. Day, 3.  
Broad Jump: R. Fear (18 ft. 8½ ins.), 1; J. Reid, 2; W. Wynberg, 3.  
Shot Put: A. Cunningham (35 ft. 5½ ins.), 1; G. Stone, 2; B. Barker, 3.  
UNDER 15 POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP: R. Fear.

### Juvenile Championships:

100 Yards: P. Kelly (11.5 secs.), 1; R. May, 2; B. Rushall, 3.  
220 Yards: P. Kelly (26.2 secs.), 1; R. May, 2; B. Rushall, 3.  
60 Yards Hurdles: B. Rushall (9.3 secs.), 1; R. Sample, 2; G. Pater-  
son, 3.  
High Jump: B. Rushall (4 ft. 7½ ins.), 1; R. Sample, 2; R. Cornwell, 3.  
Broad Jump: B. Rushall (17 ft. 10½ ins.), 1; R. May, 2; F. Pender, 3.  
Shot Put: B. Rushall (39 ft. 6½ ins.), 1; F. Pender, 2; R. Sample, 3.  
JUVENILE POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP: B. Rushall.

### Under 13 Championships:

100 Yards: J. Pollock (12.3 secs.), 1; D. Hinks, 2; D. Sligar, 3.  
220 Yards: D. Hinks (28.7 secs.), 1; J. Pollock, 2; R. Jennings, 3.  
60 Yards Hurdles: J. Cunningham (11.8 secs.), 1; G. Post, 2; D. Sherrard,  
3.  
High Jump: M. Williams (4 ft. 2 ins.), 1; O. Sherrard, 2; G. Gibson, 3.  
Broad Jump: J. Pollard (15 ft. 0 in.), 1; R. Potter, 2; D. Hinks, 3.  
UNDER 13 POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP: D. Hinks.  
HOUSE POINTS: Gordon, 400; Wentworth, 390; Reid, 366; Parkes, 343.

## C.H.S. Carnival

### Senior Championships:

100 Yards—Div. 1: B. Allsop, 2. Time: 10.2 secs. Div. 2: J. Browne, 3.  
Time: 10.6 secs.  
220 Yards: B. Allsop, 3. Time: 22.7 2secs.  
Mile—Div. 1: D. Denny, 4. Time: 4 mins. 40 secs. Div. 2: M. Callaghan,  
5. Time: 4 mins. 37.9 secs.

## THE RECORD

*High Jump:* H. Smith, 1. Height: 5 ft. 6 ins.

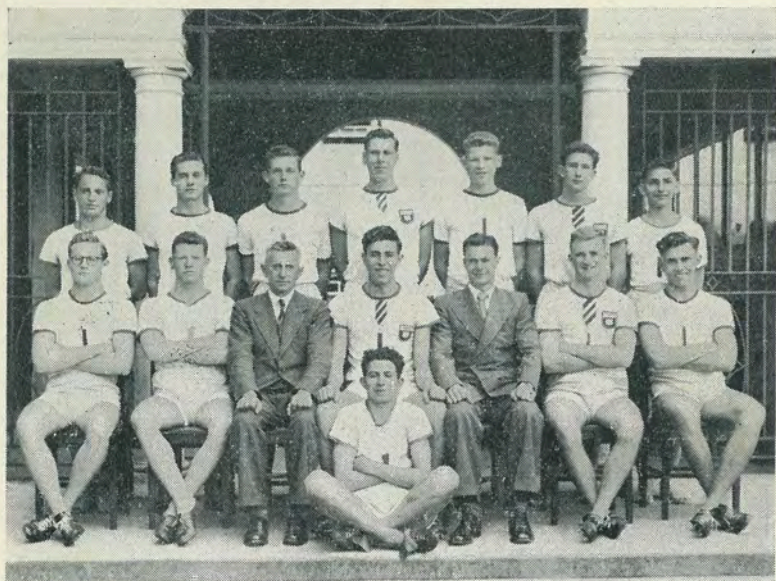
*Broad Jump:* R. Hardy, 1. Distance: 20 ft. 10½ ins.

*Shot Put:* M. Stuart, 4. Distance: 49 ft. 0½ ins.

*Relay:* S.H.S. (F. Lumley, J. Browne, P. Vig, B. Allsop), 1. Time: 45.0 secs.

*Hop, Step and Jump:* R. Hardy, 6. Distance: 42 ft. 6½ ins. (S.H.S. Record).

SENIOR POINT SCORE: Canterbury, 1; S.H.S., 2.



### SENIOR ATHLETICS TEAM—C.H.S. RUNNERS-UP.

**Back Row:** P. VIG, A. TAYLOR, R. HARDY, M. STUART, M. CALLAGHAN, I. SMITH, R. CANN.

**Front Row:** J. BROWNE, B. ALLSOP, MR. D. H. EDMONDS, D. DENNY, MR. D. G. THOMPSON, F. LUMLEY, H. G. SMITH.

**Sitting:** L. ROSENTHAL.

#### Under 16 Championships:

100 Yards—Div. 2: J. Hodes, 5. Time: 11.0 secs.

220 Yards: E. Sheedy, 5. Time: 23.8 secs.

90 Yards Hurdles—Div. 1: G. Wickes, 5. Time: 12.7 secs. Div. 2: G. Coulson, 5. Time: 12.9 secs.

*High Jump:* J. Payne, 5. Height: 5 ft. 6 ins.

*Broad Jump:* J. Hodes, 4. Distance: 20 ft. 4½ ins.

*Shot Put:* G. Coulson, 2. Distance: 49 ft. 8¼ ins.

*Relay:* S.H.S. (J. Hodes, G. Coulson, R. Casey, E. Sheedy), 1. Time: 47.0 secs.

#### Under 15 Championships:

100 Yards—Div. 1: R. Fear, 4. Time, 10.8 secs. Div. 2: J. Reid, 1. Time: 11.3 secs.

220 Yards: R. Fear, 3. Time: 24.2 secs.

90 Yards Hurdles—Div. 1: J. Reid, 1. Time: 13.5 secs. Div. 2: R. Fear, 1. Time: 12.9 secs.

*High Jump:* J. Reid, 5. Height: 5 ft. 4 ins.

*Relay:* S.H.S. (W. Wynberg, J. Reid, A. Ré, R. Fear), 2. Time: 48.6 secs.

JUNIOR POINT SCORE: S.H.S., 1.

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### Under 14 Championships:

100 Yards—Div. 1: P. Kelly, 2. Time: 11.4 secs. Div. 2: R. May, 1. Time: 11.5 secs.

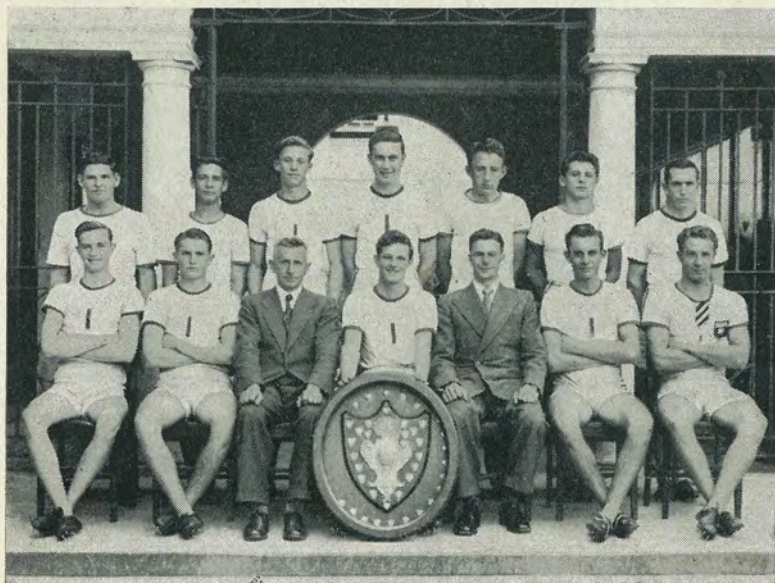
220 Yards: P. Kelly, 1. Time: 25.5 secs.

60 Yards Hurdles—Div. 1: B. Rushall, 1. Time: 9.1 secs. (9.0 secs. in heat—Record). Div. 2: F. Pender, 1. Time: 9.3 secs.

High Jump: B. Rushall, 3. Height: 4 ft. 10 ins.

Broad Jump: B. Rushall, 3. Distance: 18 ft. 10 ins.

Relay: S.H.S. (F. Pender, B. Rushall, R. May, P. Kelly), 2. Time: 50.4 secs.



### JUNIOR ATHLETICS TEAM—C.H.S. CHAMPIONS.

Back Row: G. STONE, A. RE, J. PAYNE, J. POST, W. WYNBERG, J. HODES, R. CASEY.

Front Row: J. REID, R. FEAR, MR. D. H. EDMONDS, E. SHEEDY, MR. D. G. THOMPSON, G. WICKS, G. COULSON.

### Under 13 Championships:

100 Yards—Div. 2: D. Hinks, 2. Time: 12.2 secs.

JUVENILE POINT SCORE: S.H.S., 1.

AGGREGATE POINT SCORE: S.H.S., 210 points, 1; Canterbury, 156 points, 2; Homebush, 140½ points, 3.

## G.P.S. Carnival

### Open Championships:

High Jump: H. Smith, 1. Height: 5 ft. 6 ins.

### Under 17 Championships:

Mile: D. Denny, 3. Time: 4 mins. 39.2 secs (Record).

100 Yards: C. Chamberlain, 2. Time: 10.5 secs.

### Under 16 Championships:

Shot Put: G. Coulson, 3. Distance: 48 ft. 9½ ins. (Record).

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### Under 15 Championships:

90 Yards Hurdles: R. Fear, 3. Time: 13 secs.

Broad Jump: J. Reid, 3. Distance: 20 ft. 8½ ins. (Record).

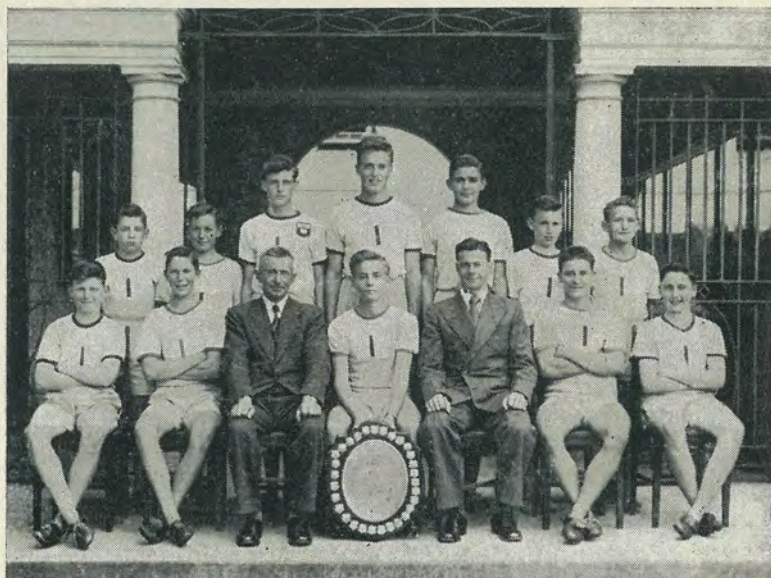
### Under 14 Championships:

100 Yards: P. Kelly, 1. Time: 11.4 secs.

220 Yards: P. Kelly, 1. Time: 25.5 secs.

100 Yards—Div. 2: R. May, 2. Time: 11.7 secs.

High Jump: R. Sample, 1. Height: 4 ft. 9 ins.



### JUVENILE ATHLETICS TEAM—C.H.S. CHAMPIONS.

Back Row: J. CUNNINGHAM, M. WILLIAMS, R. MAY, B. RUSHALL, G. SAMPLE,  
J. POLLARD, D. HINKS.

Front Row: D. SLIGAR, N. THOMPSON, MR. D. H. EDMONDS, P. KELLY,  
MR. D. G. THOMPSON, F. PENDER, G. POST.

## TENNIS

Tennis this year has been of a higher standard than for many years, as is revealed by the results of the C.H.S. Competition, the First and Third Grades being runners-up, Fourth Grade finishing fifth and Second Grade being co-premiers. It would appear that tennis has emerged from the rut into which it fell during the war and post-war years.

Features of this year's tennis can be enumerated briefly. The game has undergone an increased popularity, particularly in the Junior School. The representative teams have had a successful competitive year, the School having finished second in the combined totals of all grades. There has been an improvement in the standard of class tennis. This is a direct result of Mr. Hamnett's exclusion of raw beginners. Although not popular with those excluded, this policy has resulted in a definite overall improvement in the standard

of play. As the result of an arrangement with Dunlop Sports Co., the School received a visit from Old Boy Neville Snellgrove and Australian representative, Lewis Hoad. After a singles exhibition doubles were played with members of the School's First Grade Team, and all members of the School's class tennis squad received coaching in the basic strokes of the game. The good effects of this coaching were seen in a monster handicap tournament which was arranged at the conclusion of the Inter-school Competition. The surprise of the tournament was the defeat of C.H.S. representatives, M. Callaghan and T. Meakin, by promising second graders B. Cohen and A. Cowdroy in straight sets.

At the end of the season a combined C.H.S. team travelled to Newcastle to play against Combined Northern High Schools. The School was fortunate in having two representatives, T. Meakin, who was graded No. 4, and M. Callaghan, who was graded No. 8. Sydney ran out easy winners by thirty sets to fifteen.

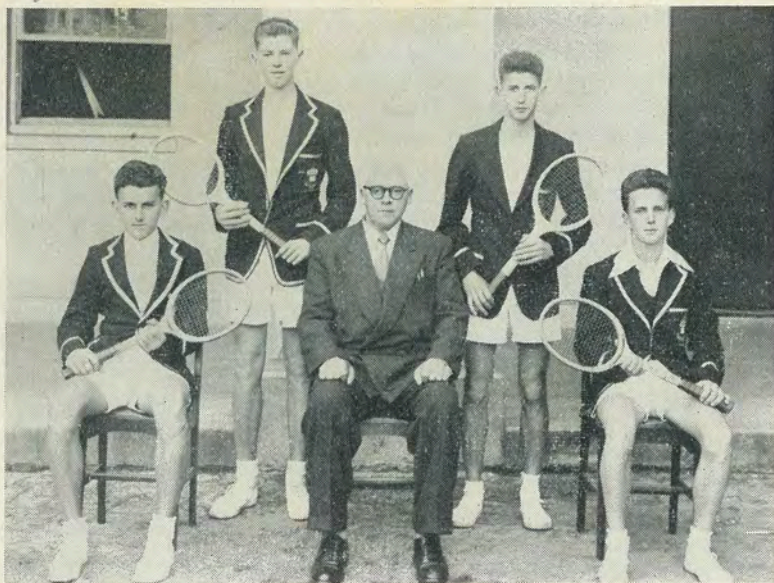
The First Grade Competition was of exceptionally high standard this year, and the School team performed well to finish second. In the first match against Fort Street, in the absence of R. Bailey, a non-grade player, R. Hampson, was selected to take his place, and it is to his credit that his game rose to the occasion. Our only loss was to the powerful Canterbury team, who eventually ran out winners of the competition. The team improved with every match, defeating last year's premiers, Homebush, in a hard-fought match. In a later match Homebush lost by a mere two games against Canterbury. The success of the team was due to the members playing as a team. S. Claridge and T. Meakin won the majority of sets and developed into a strong combination. After a shaky start R. Bailey settled down, and his unorthodox style was always found difficult to play against. With R. Bailey, B. Cohen, A. Cowdroy, D. O'Neill and W. Gates to choose from, next year's team should be difficult to beat.

The School's second team, after winning its first three matches, was changed, R. Hampson taking the place of R. Taylor. The team won all its matches, except that against Canterbury, but, due to an earlier defeat of Canterbury, the team finished as co-premiers. The team never relaxed its game, even when playing against weak opponents, as shown by its 8 sets 48 games to 0 sets 1 game against Randwick. Cohen and Cowdroy have developed into a strong combination and will be a force to reckon with next year.

After an uncertain start the Third Grade Team recovered well to finish in second place. The O'Neill-Thompson combination proved very strong throughout the season and their game has improved immeasurably as a result of this season's play. Their only defeat was against a powerful Canterbury side, who went on to win the competition.

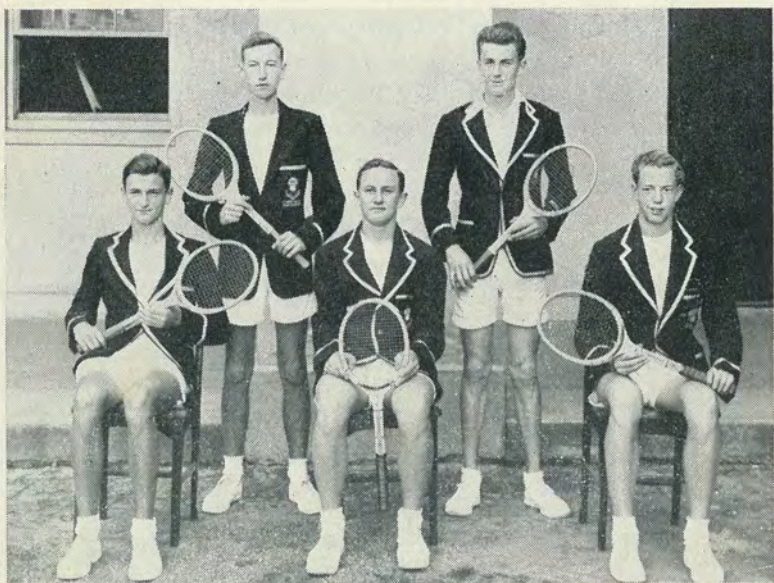
The Fourth Grade side was a little disappointing, being unable to settle down to form a solid combination. P. Seamonds and W. Firkin were the backbone of the team, holdi ¾ heir own agains' !!

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FIRST GRADE TENNIS TEAM—RUNNERS-UP.

Back Row: M. CALLAGHAN (Capt.), R. BAILEY.  
Front Row: I. MEAKIN, MR. H. J. HAMNETT, J. CLARIDGE.



SECOND GRADE TENNIS TEAM—CO-PREMIERS.

Back Row: W. GATES, R. TAYLOR.  
Front Row: B. COHEN, R. HAMPSON, A. COWDROY (Capt.).



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other pairs, but the second pair, due to inexperience, found the opposition more than their match.

Our congratulations go to Canterbury for their convincing wins in First, Second and Third Grades and their gaining of the School Championship point score.

Our success in the competition and the overall improvement in the standard of tennis is due to Mr. Hamnett's enthusiasm and advice on strategy, which proved particularly helpful to the younger players.

At the end of Second Term the top-dressing of the School courts was begun. This project was financed by the Parents and Citizens' Association, who allocated £380 for the purpose. All the players sincerely thank the P. and C. for their generous support.

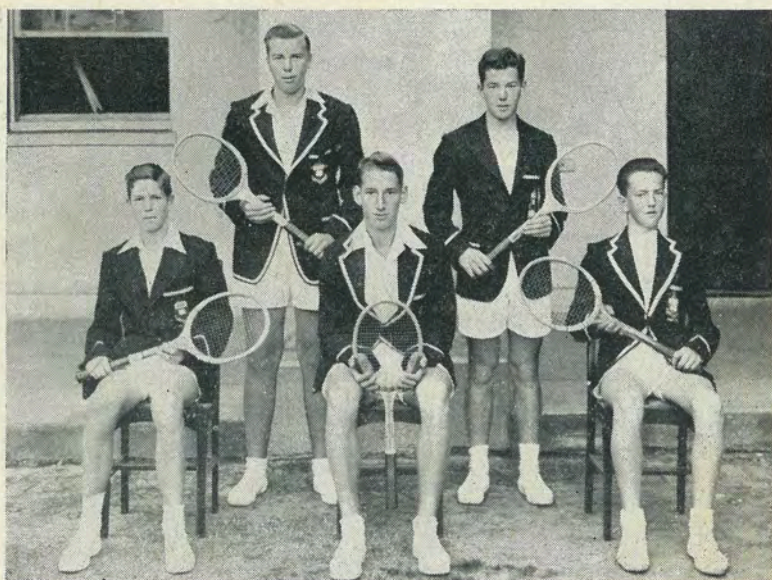
M. CALLAGHAN (5B).

### C.H.S. Tennis Competition

#### POINT SCORE

The following table sets out the points scored by the various teams in the C.H.S. Competition.

Points in each grade are calculated on the basis of two for a win, one for a draw. Total points are calculated by multiplying First Grade points by 6, Second Grade by 4, Third and Fourth Grades by 3.



THIRD GRADE TENNIS TEAM—RUNNERS-UP.

Back Row: R. WARREN, D. O'NEILL.

Front Row: N. THOMPSON, W. STAMPER (Capt.), P. STONEHAM.

T H E R E C O R D

SCHOOL.	First Grade.	Second Grade.	Third Grade.	Fourth Grade.	Total Points.
Canterbury H. . . . .	18	16	18	12	262
Sydney H. . . . .	16	16	14	8	226
Homebush H. . . . .	10	12	14	8	174
Fort Street H. . . . .	14	9	6	12	174
North Sydney H. . . . .	10	9	6	16	162
Sydney Tech. H. . . . .	5	14	14	5	143
Randwick H. . . . .	7	2	6	18	122
North Sydney Tech. H. . . . .	8	6	10	1	105
Manly H. . . . .	2	4	0	4	40
Hurlstone A.H. . . . .	0	2	2	6	32

CHAMPION SCHOOL: Canterbury High, 1; Sydney High, 2.

The following table shows the successful teams in each grade of the competition:—

Grade.	Winners.	Runners-up.
1	Canterbury	S.H.S.
2	S.H.S. Canterbury } Canterbury }	Sydney Tech.
3	Canterbury	{ S.H.S. Homebush Sydney Tech.
4	Randwick	North Sydney H.

**S.H.S. RIFLE CLUB**

This year, after twenty-six years without competitive activities, the S.H.S. Rifle Club again shot as a club. The revival of interest in competitive shooting is due mainly to Mr. Face, an Old Boy of the School and father of a Third Year pupil. In May this year he proposed a regular week-end shoot and also the entering of a team in the monthly Military Rifle Club's Union Matches. A team practised on Saturdays on the Miniature Range at Long Bay, and a month later entered their first competition. The two cadet spoons were won by two of our team members.

The next monthly competition was entered with equal success and again the two cadet spoons were won.

In the August Competition a team was again entered and, although only one spoon was won, the team returned the top cadet teams' aggregate. Also, of nineteen teams entered in the competition from all branches of the armed services, Sydney High gained tenth place.

On 29th August and 5th September members entered individually in a prize shoot. The shoot was from 500 yards application to 200 yards rapid, and was a very good practice for the G.P.S. Shoot.

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A team of six won as many spoons, and a share of the prize money was won by individuals.

The G.P.S. Shoot was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 15th and 16th September. The team showed good spirit, and even though it was unplaced, the scores recorded were very pleasing and much is expected of the team next year.

In preparation for next year's shoot a House Shoot is planned on the School Miniature Range.

The teams that represented the School this year were John Face (V.-Capt.), Kerry Porter, Ray Stuart, Warwick Thornhill, Ross Downie, Dan Shipway, Merv. Aston, and Geoff Quigley (Capt.).

This team shot in the Rawson Cup and the N.R.A. Shield, and also competed in the Buchanan Shield.

A team consisting of Ron Woodlands (Capt.), Michael Perryman, Edwin Clay, Ken Bennett, Michael Bindley, Allan Cunningham, Terry Hunt and David Grieg shot in the "B" teams match.

Finally, the very deepest thanks of the team go to Mr. Face and Mr. Cracknell, without whose help these results could not have been achieved.

G. Q.

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## LITERARY

## THE LATE ARTHUR M. EEDY

Many famous and prominent men have been scholars at the Sydney High School, but none can claim the record of popularity and achievement of Arthur Malcolm Eedy, who died on 25th November, 1951, at the age of 81.

In all things there must be a "first"—a "No. 1"—and just as he topped the Scholarship List of 1883, and just as he was the first boy to be enrolled at the Sydney High School, so also did "the merry, laughing Arthur Eedy" rank first in the hearts of his contemporaries and of those of us who knew him in later years.

The School was opened in October, 1883, and at the first examination held in June, 1884, Arthur Eedy was Dux. In December, 1884, he was "prox acc".

He was Captain of Football (and Hon. Treasurer), and Secretary of the first Athletic Meeting (1886), at which he won the 100 Yards Championship. The attendance of 7,000 people was eloquent tribute to the organising ability of the Secretary, and a glimpse of his genius for organisation, which was later to carry him to the top in business. He received an Honour Cap in 1884 and again in 1885.

It is recorded that when the School Cadet Corps was formed in 1883 he was created a Corporal (I can see him saying in later years, with a twinkle in his eye, "Napoleon and Hitler were Corporals, too"). He was one of the three Classical Students in 1886.

When questioned, his contemporary (and our one-time Headmaster), George Saxby, had this to say:—

"'Dump'—he brought this name with him from his primary school. He was inches shorter than Frank Doak and myself. We were each 6ft. But when 'Dump' was stripped for football or athletics he looked—and was—a real champion. . . . At social functions at the Girls' High School he was easily No. 1 in popularity—and so it was also with teachers and boys on account of his bright, happy and friendly disposition."

In 1892 an Ex-Students' Association was formed, with the Headmaster as President and Arthur Eedy as Hon. Secretary. Shortly afterwards he took a leading part in raising funds to perpetuate the name of the School's first Headmaster, and until his death he was a Trustee, and benefactor, of the Joseph Coates Memorial Library.

In 1902 the Sydney High School Old Boys' Union, as now constituted, was founded, with Arthur Eedy as its first President, a position he again filled with his usual distinction in 1924-1925. At the express request of the late Robert T. McKay (President, 1925-27), he became President in 1928 for the opening of the new School at Moore Park.

On leaving school, Arthur Eedy entered the business of Life Assurance as a Cadet in March, 1887. His business career saw the

fulfilment of the promise of his schooldays, and he rose on the stepping-stones of his own ability and drive to the highest executive positions of his organisation. For over 40 years he was General Secretary and later Managing Director of The Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Co. Ltd., and therefore took a great part in building that Company to its present high level.

He was regarded as one of the foremost financiers of his time, and his charitable nature, the importance of his name and his sound advice made him much sought after. Organisations valued the prestige and goodwill associated with the name of Arthur Eedy as President or Committeeman or Member.

From 1924 to 1944 he was a member of the University Senate and was a Foundation Member of the Rotary Club of Sydney. One of his fellow Rotarians in the person of Frank Firth, who had been at school with him, 1884-1886, says, "He was outstanding as a boy and as a man, and one of the most genial. . . . He was a most lovable man, one of those men with whom one never had a disagreement."

In 1937 he was created a Companion of the Order of the British Empire.

I will conclude with the words of our Charles A. Fairland:—

"His was a personality that drew others to him. He was filled with loyalty to his school and had the wonderful gift of imparting inspiration to others. All Old Boys who came into association with him were impressed with his wholesome influence for good.

"The name of Arthur M. Eedy cannot but be a highly honoured name at Sydney High School."

A. B.

### THE CHANGING CONCEPT OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

*An article contributed by Mr. R. N. Kershaw, B.Litt., M.C., C.M.G., a distinguished Old Boy, Editor of "The Record," 1914; Dux of School, 1914; Rhodes Scholar, 1918; one-time Economic Adviser to the Bank of England.*

When I was a boy at primary school in the northern suburbs of Sydney—nearer fifty than forty years ago—I was taught patriotism. This took two forms: Australian patriotism and Imperial patriotism. For the former I have nothing but gratitude; it was simply learning to know and love Australia, and the ordinary man who does not love his country is not likely to prove capable of loving much else.

The second aspect of patriotic teaching, in those days, was definitely imperial, or even imperialistic. At the ripe ages of seven to eleven we sang strident and combative songs, we were full of peaceful intentions, but terrible when aroused, and we still wanted more red places on the map. The monarchy was there, but rather remote, rather impersonal, and we felt of "the Empire" as one felt of a team or side.

The result of this second form of patriotic teaching was that when we grew to early manhood there was, in many of us, a definite reaction against imperialism. Somehow it did not seem good enough. We went eagerly into the First World War, but after that sobering experience we began to be conscious of new vistas and new queries. The younger generation wanted something different, something at the same time more and less than their fathers had sought.

I have mentioned these past and personal details because they help me now, after more than a quarter of a century of service to the British Commonwealth, to get into better focus what has been happening during those years. The cliché about our "living in an age of transition" is rightly greeted now with a grimace, even though it would be possible to adapt George Orwell and say that all ages are transitional but some are more transitional than others. But is it so fatuous to say that we live in an age of experiment, even if we recognise that at all times of human history there has been experiment? At what other time has there been so much experiment: in forms of government, in the organisation of society, in science, in art and literature, in industry, and indeed in every other human activity?

It is in this light that we should now look at the British Commonwealth of Nations. To-day that Commonwealth is an experimental association—and that in all its parts, whether independent or of Colonial status. Grouped with the United Kingdom are seven sovereign countries. Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Pakistan and Ceylon. Within a very few years it is likely that there will be three more sovereign members of the Commonwealth in Africa, without counting other subsequent "graduates".

Now it must be clear, in reading this list of States and thinking about their outlook and backgrounds, that it is no use trying to co-ordinate their international and still less their economic policies on the basis only of the ideas of forty, or even twenty years ago. What is their highest common factor of agreement in international terms? The Crown, with its brilliant resurgence as a unifying symbol, remains of prime significance; but deep as that significance is for many parts of the Commonwealth, it does not now apply universally. One need only recall the position of India to make this point clear.

What is it, then, that so far holds these diverse elements together? For some of us this question hardly needs an answer, but it obviously does need an answer when one thinks of the eight countries listed above, and of those still to emerge as self-governing entities. For us the Crown, kinship, a common language and cultural heritage give a large part of the answer. But what do we all share that is strong enough to be a basis for enduring co-operation?

I should put first a deep-seated common belief in the settlement of disputes without violence; second, I should put the influence of the British tradition of political and social administration; and, third, the established network of economic and financial ties. There are, of course, other things, but the above seem dominant.

Can these things hold the Commonwealth together? It is a question that cannot be answered with a categorical "yes"; there are circumstances not difficult to conceive in which one or other of the present members might drop away, even if new members appear. The best hope of permanence lies in enlightened and vigilant administration. It will work if it is made to work; it cannot any longer be taken for granted.

This leads me to the last thought which space allows me. We have in the British Commonwealth a remarkable area of agreed methods of consultation and action in many important matters. This may well be the pattern of the future in international life. We are the hard core of international co-operation, to be relied upon in that respect to a greater degree than any other association of States. Is this not a hopeful line of advance in international affairs? The more complex the British Commonwealth becomes the more difficult it will be to administer and hold together, but the greater will be the value of success, value not to us alone, but to the world at large. It is possible that this vast experiment will have shown our great-grandchildren how to become citizens of the world.

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#### AIM: ONE BILLION VOLTS

*This article was sent to "The Record" direct from The California Institute of Technology, where Mr. Hans Freeman, a brilliant S.H.S. Old Boy, is engaged in chemical research.*

Record electron and X-ray energies, as well as a speed never before attained by man-accelerated matter, have been reached in the synchrotron under construction at the California Institute of Technology for the past two years.

The machine, to be used in penetrating the mysteries of the atomic nucleus, has accelerated electrons to energies of 460 million electron volts in preliminary operation.

At this energy level the electrons were more than 900 times heavier than electrons at rest, in accordance with Einstein's relativity principle, and were travelling only one-tenth of a mile per second (or 60-millionths of one per cent.) slower than light. The velocity of light is roughly 186,000 miles a second; nothing can move faster.

When a  $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch thick lead plate was put in the path of the electron beam for test purposes, 460 million volt X-rays were created, the most energetic ever produced by man.

Next stages of work on the synchrotron will involve raising its output somewhat above 500 million volts and preparing it for research expected to begin some time this summer or fall. Later, its output is to be increased to around one billion volts. Two other high energy electron machines are under construction — a linear accelerator at Stanford University and a non-ferromagnetic synchrotron at the General Electric Co., Schenectady.

The previous high in electron energies was between 325 and 340 million volts produced by synchrotrons at the University of California at Berkeley, Cornell University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the University of Illinois betatron.

Electrons are tiny particles of matter carrying a negative charge of electricity. They must be taken to higher speeds than the 1,840 times heavier protons, which are positively charged, in order to reach great energies. The cosmotron at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, thus achieved energies of 2.2 billion volts last month by speeding up protons to 177,000 miles a second.

The synchrotron is located in what used to be the Astrophysics Optical Shop, where the 200-inch mirror for the Hale Telescope at the Palomar Observatory, world's largest, was ground and polished.

In brief, the synchrotron operates as follows: An electron gun shoots bursts of about 100 billion particles into the instrument at each pulse. The electrons travel clockwise around a roughly circular path, held there by a powerful magnetic field. Each time around their energy is kicked slightly higher in a radio frequency cavity, until the desired peak is reached.

For research, the electron beam will be used to bombard plates of platinum, tungsten or other heavy metals and thus produce X-rays. These X-rays, in turn, will be used to bombard various materials for experiments on atomic nuclei, the "cores" of atoms where most of their weight and energy are concentrated. The research will be aimed at a better understanding of the structure of these cores and the tremendous forces that keep their constituent protons and neutrons locked together. These are some of the greatest unknowns in physics to-day.

In particular, the Caltech scientists will try to find out what particles are created when nuclei are bombarded with very high energy X-rays. These may include a number of particles produced by cosmic radiation, which streams into earth from space.

One interesting research project will be an attempt to determine what physicists call the photo-meson cross-section for hydrogen—or the probability of meson production from hydrogen by energetic X-rays. The nucleus of ordinary hydrogen is known to consist of just one proton, which has long been considered a fundamental particle in nature. But mesons weighing about one-tenth as much as a proton can be produced by bombarding such nuclei, and a further study at higher energy promises to be illuminating in understanding the proton and its structure. The photo-meson cross-section for deuterons, or double-weight hydrogen nuclei, will also be studied.

The synchrotron will operate at the 500-million volt level for perhaps a year or two while the scientists put their major efforts into physical experiments at this stage. At the same time they will be conducting tests to determine what changes will be needed in their pioneering instrument to take it beyond 500 million volts toward their ultimate goal of one billion volts.



The machine is built in the shape of a race track whose outside diameter is 36 feet. The 140-ton electromagnet which keeps the high speed electrons in their orbit as they are accelerated to ever higher speeds is divided into four quadrants. Each quadrant contains 18 roughly rectangular segments weighing almost two tons apiece surrounding a one-by-three foot vacuum chamber.

The quadrants are separated by five-foot straight sections. In three of these are attachments for the pumping system that maintains an almost perfect vacuum in the chamber through which the electrons travel. In the fourth straight section is a radio frequency cavity.

Electrons are shot into the synchrotron by an external electron gun driven by a high voltage pulse transformer. They pass through an accelerating tube immersed in oil and are injected into the vacuum chamber (at one of the pump sections) with an energy of about one million volts. Their velocity then is roughly 175,000 miles a second, or about 94 per cent. that of light.

The electrons move clockwise around the synchrotron. Each time they reach the radio frequency cavity they get a 250-volt boost in energy. In one-fourth of a second they will have travelled some 46,000 miles—almost twice around the earth—to reach an energy of one-half billion volts.

At these speeds a powerful magnetic field which increases as their speed increases must be used to keep the electrons from flying out of their orbit. Power for the electromagnet which does this job is supplied by a 7,500 kilowatt motor-generator. As each burst of electrons is shot into the synchrotron the magnetic field is produced by a current which rises steadily from zero to 3,000 amperes in one-quarter second, then decays again to zero as the current flows back through mercury arc rectifiers. These convert electrical energy to mechanical energy which is stored in a large motor-driven flywheel until the process is repeated—at the rate of about 70 times a minute.

When the radio frequency cavity is turned off at peak magnetic field the electrons leave their orbit and strike the target.

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### THE VOYAGE OF "WALTZING MATILDA"

*When the 46-foot "Waltzing Matilda" left Sydney for a voyage that took it almost round the world it made sailing history. Two of its crew of four, Philip and Keith Davenport, are S.H.S. Old Boys of whom the School can afford to be proud. Their book describing the voyage has been ordered for our Library. This article, written by Philip Davenport, is not an extract from the book, but a foretaste of further good reading. It was written specially for the "Record."*

At four o'clock in the morning of October 29th, 1950, our weary crew and friends decided that the stowing of stores and gear on the 46-foot cutter *Waltzing Matilda* was completed, "near

enough," and turned in for a few hours' sleep. At midday we sailed through The Heads to start our voyage to England.

Until a few months before we left, my wife, Rosetta, had never been sailing. She thought sheets were to be found only on beds. Several well-meaning friends advised that ocean cruising was no life for a girl and there were times when we thought it wasn't much fun for men either. However, Roz turned out trumps. During weeks at sea a crew of men are inclined to become untidy and careless about making beds, folding and stowing clothes. In preparing meals, they are apt to throw everything into one pot so that meals become a series of dishes of hash—either fried or stewed, depending on what pots are clean. With Roz on board this sort of thing did not happen and we managed to maintain a reasonable standard of comfort, even when the weather was bad.

My brother, Keith, and I had been planning this cruise ever since our schooldays. Rowing, football and a huge appetite have given him the strength of two men. It saved us having extra sheet winches on deck, but caused us to run short of provisions on two or three occasions.

Don Brown, the fourth member of our crew, used to race with us in Sydney. He knew the boat and, what is more important when four people have to live so closely together, he knew us. If Don also ate a double share he, too, matched it in strength and ability.

We planned to follow a similar route to the old wool and grain windjammers which sailed around Cape Horn to England. They made the voyage without ports of call. We decided to see as many interesting places as possible. The Patagonian Archipelago—the chain of islands stretching from Cape Horn for a thousand miles northward along the Pacific coast of South America—intrigued us. We decided to visit Auckland. From there we would head south into the Roaring Forties, then follow a slightly curved track across the ocean in the prevailing following winds and current to make a landfall at 47° S.—at Golfo de Penas, 350 miles north of Magellan Strait. We discovered that there is an inland water route from Golfo de Penas (the Gulf of Pain) through the fiord-like Pantagonian Channels into Magellan Strait.

A week out from Sydney the boat was running before a hard gale, with two heavy warps over the stern to make steering easier and lessen the chance of the huge combers breaking on board.

That gale tested both boat and crew. *Waltzing Matilda* could take it. But it showed us the foolishness of throwing stores on board at the last moment without careful stowing. With the violent motion of the boat all the loosely stowed tins of fruit, meat, jam and condensed milk were crashing and banging about. Locker doors burst open and books, pots and pan, jars and foodstuffs crashed out on to the cabin floor. The din was worse than the gale howling outside.

A five weeks' stay in Auckland put us 'way behind schedule, but at least we were able to tackle the stowage problem. New lockers and bookshelves were built and gear and stores carefully stowed.

On New Year's Eve *Waltzing Matilda* sailed from Auckland's beautiful Hauraki Gulf into 5,000 miles of deserted ocean. A glowing half-moon rose out of the sea ahead. It was probably still shining for the lonely lighthouse-keepers we were to meet 46 days later at Golfo de Penas.

About 1,200 miles from New Zealand and hundreds of miles below the southernmost Pacific island we were caught in the centre of a hurricane—worse than the gale in the Tasman Sea. The seas looked as big as grandstands and were travelling fast with the gale glowing from the north-east. Then for a while the wind died altogether. Within an hour it was blowing hard again, but from the opposite direction—against the seas.

The confusion was frightening. Great lumps of water were blown off the wave crests and hurled back in horizontal sheets of spray. Cross seas seemed to come from all directions. The motion was so irregular and violent that it was impossible to get the boat hove-to in the normal way—that is, with a small sail set to steady her and keep the bow heading about 60 degrees out of wind. The boat was thrown in all directions. If she happened to be broadside on when a leaping wave crest thrust her up into the full blast of the gale, it would strike her down until the decks were under water.

All we could do was to lie-to under bare mast, trail a sea anchor over the stern and wait for the gale to blow itself out.

That night we had to lash strips of canvas over our bunks to prevent us being thrown out. It was like being strapped down in a butter churn.

On Monday, 12th February, everyone was tense in anticipation of our landfall next day. At dusk we were only 50 miles from the lighthouse near Golfo de Penas. During the night we expected to see the light or at least the loom of it—the reflection of the light beam showing against the low, heavy clouds.

There was more phosphorescence in the water than we had seen before. Every time a wave crest broke it would leave a glowing trail of phosphorescence in the water. At dawn we were not sure whether we had seen the coast or not, but there ahead was the mountainous coastline.

It was grim and lonely in the Patagonian Channels. The Pilot Book describes them as: “. . . about as inhospitable a land as is to be found in the globe . . . mountainous, presenting an alternation of matted forest, bare rock and deep bogs, and . . . intersected by many deep channels into peninsulas and islands as yet very imperfectly known. Glaciers . . . extend in many places nearly to the sea. (The area has) . . . a continuously tempestuous and rainy climate.”

On 21st February *Waltzing Matilda* was almost wrecked in a bleak, desolate anchorage called Gray Harbour. We hit a shelf of rock that wasn't marked on our chart. Don was look-out up the mast. He called a warning, but it was too late to turn away and the

boat ran hard on. The mast and rigging whipped violently and Don was almost thrown down. For a moment or two we were silent. Everyone felt that our little world had come to an end.

But we were lucky. Later it was found that the worst damage was a lump of lead gouged from the keel. Our small auxiliary engine was started and dragged the cutter off the sloping reef.

We jubilantly celebrated as we sailed through the last narrow twisting passage of the Channels into a wide stretch leading to the more open waters of Magellan Strait. Half an hour later we changed our tune at the grim sight of four wrecked steamers on one reef. The Chileans call the place the "Graveyard of Ships." It is near the western entrance to Magellan Strait.

On 9th March, with an offshore gale whitening the surface of Magellan Strait waters, *Waltzing Matilda* sailed into the Chilean port of Punta Arenas—our first inhabited port in 70 days, and the southernmost city in the world.

We stayed there eleven days, and when we cleared the Strait of Magellan *Walting Matilda* was baptized in a new ocean—the Atlantic.

As we sailed clear of the land it was calm and the afternoon changed into a lovely moonlit night. Don was on watch at 4 a.m.—probably crooning some of his sentimental songs—when he was suddenly startled by a terrific blast from close alongside. A great whale had surfaced near the boat. Don said he carefully estimated the distance as only eight feet from the side of the cutter. He judged the length of the whale as over fifty feet. I've often wondered what would happen if we rammed one. Most people I've asked say that whales will swim out of your way. But big ships have hit them. . .

We visited Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Rio, and Recife near the north-eastern tip of Brazil. On 18th June we set course on the last stage of our voyage, across the North Atlantic to England.

With the south-east tradewind abeam, the cutter ran steadily northwards until we crossed the equator into the doldrums. With no cooling breeze or spray flying over the decks, we felt the heat for the first time away from land. The decks became bone dry and hot underfoot a few moments after they were sluiced down with buckets of water. Then with the first breath of the north-east tradewind the sea and boat came to life.

Further north in the Azores Anticyclone we again drifted or idled along with days of calms and light airs. It was frustrating, but at least we were able to carry out a few repairs, as our sails and rigging were showing signs of wear.

On 3rd August *Waltzing Matilda* "waltzed up the Solent," as one newspaper reported, and we dropped anchor at Cowes among a fleet of beautiful yachts gathered for Cowes Week. We were 9½ months and 16,000 miles out of Sydney.

## A TRIP TO AMERICA

By Josephine Glen-Doepel

*(Miss Glen-Doepel, who was Captain of Sydney Girls' High in 1952, was nominated as the Australian representative to the "New York Herald Tribune" 1953 Youth Forum. In this article, written specially for the "Record," Miss Glen-Doepel gives some impressions of her trip.)*

No one could come back from a trip abroad without crowding memories of experiences and adventures. My trip to the U.S.A. seems in retrospect to be a kaleidoscope of colourful events long to be remembered.

In less than four days after leaving Sydney on December 23rd the plane landed in London, having traversed ten countries, including Indonesia, Malaya, with its magnificent Raffles Hotel at Singapore and the jungles beyond, Calcutta (which the Indians pronounce Kal-ka-tar), Karachi, where canals often take the place of roads, Egypt and Rome, where a four-hour tour of the city provided a glimpse of some famous landmarks of ancient and modern history: the Colosseum, the Roman Baths, the Vatican City, and the Seven Hills. From Italy the route lies over the Swiss Alps, gloriously tinted by the last rays of the setting sun, across France and the English Channel to touch down outside London. Here I found myself in the heart of the Empire with only a few days at my disposal and so much that I wanted to see, yet in that time it was possible to experience in reality many scenes that before were just picture postcards to me: Westminster Abbey, Changing of the Guard, Windsor Castle, the statue of Peter Pan in Kensington Gardens, Trafalgar Square, and 10 Downing Street.

On the third day at 9.30 p.m. the "Monarch" Stratocruiser whirred its way off the tarmac like a giant albatross and headed out over the Atlantic. We re-fuelled at Gander, Newfoundland, and landed next morning at New York. It was December 29th, in the depth of winter. The realisation that one had been flown 10,000 miles from home in a matter of seven days was almost enough to disturb one's mental equilibrium, but much more was to come in the next three months, packed, as they were, with excitement, entertainment, and unique experiences.

In all, there were thirty Forum delegates from twenty-eight different countries, including Belgium, Holland, the Scandinavian countries, France, Germany, Greece, Egypt, Malaya, Philippines, Brazil, Australia, Uruguay, U.S.A., and South Korea. The purpose of the Forum was to give the young people from these countries an opportunity to meet and discuss common problems, to attend American high schools and exchange ideas of their respective countries, to stay in American homes and learn of the American way of life. The culmination came with the Forum itself on March 21st, to which I shall refer later.

Each delegate was a guest for fortnightly periods in four differ-

ent homes and attended high school with their young host or hostess. The American families were kindness itself and, by accepting the delegate as one of the family, made the stay an extremely happy one.

The high schools in America differ somewhat from their Australian counterparts. For instance, the high school course of four years is the preparatory stage to college life of another four years before entering a University. The first-year students at high schools are called freshers; second-year, sophomores; third-year, juniors; and fourth-year, seniors. The four high schools I attended were all splendid institutions, and I received an equally warm welcome at each; they were Morris, Hillside, New Rochelle, and Regional High Schools.

Much attention is given by the student to extra-curricular activities, which are operated by various school clubs. In one school there were no fewer than forty-one different clubs, including a 120-member brass band, an orchestra, banking club, civic affairs club, business club, world affairs club, maths club, chemistry club, conversation club, riding club, athletics club, etc. Students organise, control, and raise money for these clubs from fêtes and from among the business community. They are efficiently run and well patronised. Perhaps one of the strangest clubs I saw functioning was the "motor car club," the members of which learned to drive a school car in school hours.

In class the discipline is much freer than in Australia, and students at times enter into unrestricted arguments and discussions with teachers. Perhaps the co-education system operating in these schools contributes to this attitude, which an onlooker regards more as a licence than a privilege.

The school year ends in July and re-commences in September, so that the annual holidays are taken, as in Australia, in mid-summer. After graduation from high school, students who wish to study further enter a college, which is sometimes 500 or even 1,000 miles from their home. Entrance to college is by approved application. Colleges are also co-educational, except specialised ones like West Point or women's colleges. Because four years' college study is necessary before taking a University course, Americans enter the University at a later age than Australian students, but I think Americans have gained much in organising ability and in human relationships that is missing in Australians at that age. Perhaps an education system which embodies part of the American and part of the Australian systems would be ideal.

The delegates spent a week in Canada, and there we visited schools, as well as Niagara Falls and the Toronto University. The climax of the Canadian visit was a reception given by the Lieutenant Governor-General of Canada and a Forum held at Massey Hall on the last day of our stay.

A trip to Washington and the meeting with President Eisenhower was the greatest of the many experiences I had in America. He received the delegates at White House, and I had the privilege of

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handing him a letter from our Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, and also a toy koala bear for his grandson, Dwight David. Later I received a personal letter of thanks from the President. While I was in Washington I was the guest for dinner of Lady Spender, the wife of the Australian Ambassador.

On this journey I also visited Williamsburg, Virginia, a place which immediately caught my imagination. Its shops are just as they were last century, and the shopkeepers and tavern personalities are dressed as were their forefathers generations ago. Needless to say, this place offers a great attraction to tourists.

New Jersey, south of New York, is linked with the capital by a great turnpike, or motor highway. This extends for about 160 miles without a single crossroad. There are curving "clover-leaf" by-roads which lead up to the main road and also down from it. Cars sweep up these by-roads and around into the main stream of traffic, which is travelling three cars abreast in each direction.

New York itself is like a gigantic magician's box, full of surprises and wonders. The enormous advertisements (one a figure of a man thirty feet high blowing smoke rings to advertise cigarettes), the twenty-foot replica of Niagara Falls, with its water cascading down from a rooftop fifty feet from the ground, the neon signs, the dense but well-controlled traffic, the skyscrapers are all breathtaking scenes to be remembered. To stand on the 102nd floor of the Empire State Building looking at New York City spread out below gives one the same feeling that one would have if flying over it in a plane.

While in New York I visited the Hayden Planetarium, the Museum of Natural History, the Statue of Liberty, the Metropolitan Opera House, where I heard "Tristan und Isolde" sung in German, and the famous music hall, Radio City. I attended receptions given by the Turkish Embassy, "Seventeen Magazine," and Pan-American Airways. We made several television appearances, talking on subjects such as education, national defence, religion, etc. Television is part of American home life. I saw baseball and football matches relayed over 1,000 miles to the screen, also news events, such as the New Year revels in Times Square, inauguration of President Eisenhower, political speeches, also variety shows, films, and numerous ingenious advertisements. Even at the end of my stay I could not believe the phenomenon of T.V., although I had appeared on it myself several times.

The Forum on March 21st was the really great event of the whole trip. All delegates gathered in the Waldorf Astoria Hotel Ballroom, and before an audience of 2,000 people gave their opinions on what they had seen and learned in America and on how American ways differed from those of their own country. Moreover, each delegate who spoke gave views on "The World We Want." These views, coming from the representatives of so many countries, were interesting indeed; but the undertone of all speeches was a declaration that peace will be assured when the peoples of this earth recognise the brotherhood of man, irrespective of race, creed or colour.



Two days after the Forum the American visit ended, and I travelled again on the "Monarch" Stratocruiser over the Atlantic, this time on my way home.

In London I was entertained by the Australian High Commissioner, Sir Thomas White, and Lady White, and spent the evening watching a new Christopher Fry play on their television set. Two days later I was winging my way to Australia again, with mind full of all the remarkable experiences that I had been fortunate enough to enjoy, and of appreciation and gratitude for the many friendships I had made on my Trip to America.

### A HARD RUN

Hardpaws awoke about ten o'clock on the morning of the big hunt. It was nearing the time of his mate's season, and Hardpaws knew that he would have to find a lair that the earth-stoppers (who came round, chased the foxes from their burrows and sealed the holes) could not get at. He lay thinking on the problems which this entailed for some time, then, stretching and shaking his brush clean of dew, he loped off towards the green, where he hoped to find a hare or rabbit. It did not take him long to reach it, and he sat on a hillock, reflecting on the past week's events.

A fox had been run down on Dartmoor, and there had been a great to-do in the village. Hardpaws had been chased by the dreaded Dartmoor pack once, but had eluded them when he swam down a stream and hid in the gorse.

Suddenly his thoughts were interrupted by the appearance of a young rabbit running over the furrows of a nearby field. Hardpaws was away in a flash. What could be better for a hungry stomach than a juicy rabbit, warm from the hill?

Over the furrows, under fences he raced, till with mouth watering he helped his mate to devour the quarry. After cleaning himself, Hardpaws set out for a nearby spinney where he knew he could find a suitable burrow.

After searching for some time he came upon a deserted badger's hole surrounded by bramble. An excellent lair for adult foxes, but dangerous for cubs, who might be scratched by thorns. Then he spied a hole around which were pine needles and soft-smelling leaves. It stood in question whether it was deserted or not, but it would be an excellent lair for Hardpaws and his mate. Cautiously he made his way into the burrow. There were not many foxes who would fight a cornered badger, and he was certainly not one of them. It was deserted, and Hardpaws began to look it over. The floor was covered with chips of wood and pine needles. Suddenly there was a scuffle at the entrance, and the owner of the hole entered.

He saw Hardpaws, and immediately jumped at him with a snarl. Hardpaws wheeled on his foe. He got in the first snap, as the badger was temporarily blinded by the darkness. Although the badger was a tough customer, Hardpaws was not going to give in

now, because a fox was also a tough customer when cornered. Round and round the two slunk. Hardpaws knew that the badger was aching to get his bite back, and he would have to work fast to win. He crouched and sprang at the badger, who dodged out of the way and returned his bite to Hardpaws' tail, but he wheeled and was on the badger's neck in a moment. The badger, frenzied, hurled himself and his intruder against the wall of the hole again and again, but Hardpaws would not shake off. Soon the badger was exhausted, and Hardpaws tightened his grip. Once more the badger threw his assailant against the wall, but he caught his head on a stump . . . there was a crack, and he slumped. Hardpaws pulled him out into the open as a warning to the badger's mate that she was not safe in the district, then he trotted off back to the place where he had left his mate.

Soon she was sleeping contentedly on the floor of the burrow, and Hardpaws lay at the opening, watching.

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It was in the afternoon when Hardpaws awoke. Refreshed, he trotted off to the nearby moor. He smelt around for some time, loping here and there, when he heard the call.

That call had nearly cost him his life many a time. The call of the hunting horn! Hardpaws pricked up his ears as it came again, followed by the baying of hounds. It came from the direction of the village. The pack was known as the "Dartmoor Pack," and was dreaded by foxes for many miles around.

Quickly he nosed the air. The wind was not in his favour, but maybe the smell would hang in the furrows and he would be able to run to their lee side where they would not be able to pick up his scent. He loped off around the field and then set off on a winding course towards the jail. But the pack picked up Hardpaws' trail. Unluckily they had not fallen for his trick in the furrows and were now after him in full cry.

He was not winded yet, so he decided to put on speed a bit, although the hounds were still a long way away. As they came to a hilltop Hardpaws knew he had been seen. The horn sounded again and the pack speeded up.

Now Hardpaws realised he was in for a run, and went away like a reddish-brown streak, racing to the hounds' lee side.

With Belinda in the lead, the hounds were keeping the pace. The only way to win his life from the bloodthirsty hounds was to outrun them, and Hardpaws immediately set about doing so. First he took them up a steep hill that he knew the horses would find hard, and next through some heavy brush beside a small stream. In front of him was a clear run. He pondered for a moment on whether he should trust his speed across it or veer off to his left and keep under cover. On the other side of the field there was a stream, and then heavy underbrush where he knew he would be safe, so out he ran.

The men gave a whoop as Hardpaws reappeared, and shot across the meadow. He gave a smile (the type a fox gives) as he

heard them laugh, and decided to wipe it off their faces for good by beating them to the thickets.

He could almost hear Belinda's panting, but just as he felt her breath the brush seemed to open before him . . . and he was safe!

P. THOMPSON (1E).

### ABORIGINAL MYTHS

In a book entitled "Some Myths and Legends of the Australian Aborigines," by W. J. Thomas, quite a number of the tales invented by aborigines to explain the characteristics of our native animals are to be found. The following is a condensed version of a story which explains how the kangaroo got a long tail and the wombat a flat forehead:—

Many years ago the kangaroo and wombat were great friends, but the wombat slept in a gunyah and the kangaroo was content to sleep under the stars with a fire nearby for warmth. One night a great storm arose. The kangaroo's fire was soon extinguished, so he asked the wombat could he sleep with him in the gunyah, but the selfish wombat said there was no room (but there really was). So the kangaroo went and obtained a huge stone, carried it into the gunyah and dropped it on the wombat's head. The blow did not kill him, but it left him with a very flat forehead. From then on he was always planning revenge for his injury. One day his chance came. He picked up a spear and threw it at the kangaroo with all his strength. The spear struck the kangaroo in the back. The wombat told the kangaroo that he would carry the spear wherever he went. After a good while the spear turned into a tail.

From that time the kangaroo has had a very long tail, which makes a low thudding noise as he wanders homeless through the bush, and the wombat still has a very flat forehead as an everlasting sign of selfishness.

Another story explains why the flying-fox sleeps upside down:—

The flying-fox and stripe-tailed lizard were once great friends, but the flying-fox played a mean trick on the stripe-tailed lizard, so they became enemies. The fox had forgotten all about the quarrel after a few weeks, but the lizard aimed at getting revenge. One night he thought of an ingenious way of doing so. Next morning he put the plan into operation. He collected a number of caterpillar-prickles and sprinkled them all over the beds of the fox and his family. That night the caterpillar-prickles set up a painful irritation in their backs. They scratched their backs, but only made them worse. Every time the flying-foxes lay on their backs they had to get up because of the irritation caused by the caterpillar-prickles.

Thenceforth they were compelled to sleep suspended from trees by their legs. That is how the flying-foxes came to hang from trees when they sleep.

K. TOWLE (1A).

## ASCENT OF MOUNT FUJIYAMA

My father went to Japan in the British Commonwealth Occupation Force. Later my mother, sister and myself went there. We went by ship to Kure, which is a big ship-building city, then we went seven miles to Niji Mura (Rainbow Village), which was where all the families of Australian soldiers were to live. There I became a member of the First Allied Troop of Scouts formed in the camp. One school holidays a group from this body of Scouts planned to climb Mount Fujiyama (known less respectfully as Fuji in Japan), and I was among the number.

Kure is in the south of the main island of Japan, while Mt. Fuji is in the north. It took us about nineteen hours to travel the five hundred miles to Tokyo, which is near Mt. Fuji. From here we caught an electric train, the remaining eighty miles to the foothills, and then a truck to the bottom of the mountain itself. Here there are shops to supply tourists and pilgrims with mountaineering gear, and from one of them we bought staves to assist in the climb. Between the bottom of the mountain and the top there are ten resting places called stations. These consist of a few houses which are inhabited for only four months of the year. The rest of the time it is too cold to climb, as the mountain is covered with snow. At each station it is customary to get a few Japanese words burnt on one's staff saying what station has been reached and what the altitude is. Up to the fifth station the mountain is covered with dense pine forests, but after that there are only slopes of ash long since thrown up from Mt. Fuji, which is now a dormant volcano. From the bottom we climbed from about two o'clock one Thursday afternoon all through the night until five o'clock the following Friday morning. We had stopped for only two hours' sleep at the eighth station during the night. We arrived on top just as the sun began to rise. As we looked down the mountain we noticed that we could not see the bottom through the sea of clouds. The clouds turned pale pink and then dark pink. We seemed to be in a ship sailing on a pink sea.

Mt. Fuji has not erupted since 1707. There have been fifteen known eruptions, and for miles around the hills and plains are covered with lava and ash. The mountain is owned by the Government, and in the forests at the bottom there is a wild bird sanctuary.

We met on the way many Japanese men in white robes with red cords around their waists and white cloths around their heads. They range a bell continuously as they climbed. They were pilgrims aiming to achieve something to which every Japanese aspires—to climb to the top of Mt. Fuji. Just as we arrived at the top an American in running shorts, sandshoes and a sweater arrived. What a contrast he made to the Japanese pilgrims!

We had a sleep for a few hours as soon as we had seen the sun rise. Then we went down into the crater, which is eight hundred and thirty feet deep. There is a staircase going down about two hundred feet into the crater, which we descended. There

were plenty of interesting things to observe, but a lot of us were feeling ill through the thin air, so we started back down the mountain. It took two hours going down, the volcano ash slopes being hard to climb up but easy to descend.

When we got back to Tokyo we read in the newspaper that the American who arrived at the same time as we did had climbed the mountain in just under two hours. He had broken the record by a few minutes.

R. DAY (4c).

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### O. HENRY

All of us, whether we have any interest in the short story or not, have heard of O. Henry. He has produced some of the finest and cleverest short stories in the English language. He was born William Sydney Porter in Greensboro, North Carolina, in 1862. He received very little education and began work as a young man in Texas, first in the General Land Office and later in a bank. He had already started out in the journalistic field when he was implicated in a questionable business deal and sent to prison. The normal reaction, one would think, of such a man would be the growth of a cynical attitude towards life. On the contrary, O. Henry stepped out after his short sentence a much more mature and sensible man than he had ever been. It was when writing stories in prison that his art turned from journalism to literature. He died in 1910 one of the most popular American short story writers of his time.

O. Henry was an acute observer of life, particularly in New York, about which city and whose inhabitants a great proportion of his 300-odd stories was written. His best stories are included in the collection "The Four Million," named after the total population of New York. In this collection are represented all strata of human society, from the tramp to the policeman, from the near-bankrupt artists to the wealthy "man-about-town," from the poor indebted but loving couple to the busiest and richest broker. His two best stories are "The Gift of the Magi" and "The Cop and the Anthem."

The first of these stories is a pathetic tale about a poor couple in New York. She had lovely golden hair; he had a golden watch. She was too poor to buy the rich Spanish comb she coveted; he was too poor to buy the watch-chain he desired. So without saying a word to each other, each decided on a sacrifice. She had her golden tresses cut off to pay for the watch-chain; he sold his watch to pay for the beautiful comb. This story is pure revelation of life. The second story, "The Cop and the Anthem," is an excellent example of O. Henry's mastery of the trick ending. He cleverly depicts the endeavours of a tramp to get himself arrested so that he could spend the cold winter season in the prison "on the Island" in New York. With admirable deftness he manages to keep "Soapy" unarrested after six attempts. "On an unusually quiet corner Soapy came to a standstill. Here was an old church, quaint and rambling and gabled. Through one violet-stained window a soft light glowed, where, no

doubt, the organist loitered over the keys, making sure of his mastery of the coming Sabbath anthem. For there drifted out to Soapy's ears sweet music that caught and held him transfixed against the convolutions of the iron fence." This music produced a sudden and wonderful change in his soul. He resolved to pull himself out of the pit into which he had fallen; he would seek work the next day. A fur importer had once offered him a place as driver. He would be somebody in the world. He would——.

Soapy felt a hand laid on his arm. He looked quickly around into the broad face of a policeman.

"What are you doin' here?" asked the officer.

"Nothin'," said Soapy.

"Then come along," said the policeman.

"Three months on the Island," said the Magistrate in the Police Court the next morning.

This extract perfectly exemplifies O. Henry's superb facility in the handling of the trick plot. When the reader finishes one of his stories he realises how completely the author has duped him in the twist at the end. O. Henry has been charged with writing "commercial" stories and with being too fond of telling a story for the sake of the point. He may be guilty of the first charge, yet in these days a writer who produces art for art's sake is very rare, if not unknown. The second charge may be answered by quoting Poe's definition of a short story: "a tale which, purposing to convey a single effect, or an impression of a situation, sets forth to secure this effect by an introduction which strikes the keynote, by skilful touches of suggestion which hint at the outcome without revealing it, by maintenance of atmosphere and unity, and by progress toward a climax which is unexpected and dramatic and which, with the addition at times of a few words to restore a quieter tone, abruptly ends the narrative." This definition could be a structural outline of any one of O. Henry's good short stories.

Another charge laid against this writer is that he uses a very limited scene in most of his stories, namely, New York. The obvious reason for this is that he possessed a strong love for New York and the people therein, a love so strong that at least one hundred stories flowed from his pen whose motive, or setting, or atmosphere, or spirit, is in that great city. His worst fault came from a fear and hatred of conventionality; he had such mortal terror of stock phrases that he often abandoned complete sentences for a dot, dash, telegraphic style of writing. A list of O. Henry's best stories could not exclude "The Furnished Room," "The Last Leaf," "Man About Town," "Supply and Demand," "The Clarion Call" and "Memoirs of a Yellow Dog."

William Lyon Phelps, in the foreword to "The Complete Works of O. Henry," best sums up his contribution to literature:

"The essential truthfulness of his art is what gave his work immediate recognition and accounts for his rise from journalism to literature. There is poignancy in his pathos; desolation in his tragedy; and his extraordinary humour is full of those sudden

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surprises that give us delight. Uncritical readers have never been so deeply impressed with O. Henry as have the professional jaded critics, weary of the old trick a thousand times repeated, who found in his writings a freshness and originality amounting to genius."

It is indeed very fitting that in 1937 a memorial to O. Henry was erected in North Carolina.

A. NICHOLS (5A).

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### TO MAKE A CAKE

Light oven.

Clean and prepare for use utensils and ingredients.

Remove blocks and toys from table.

Grease pan; crack nuts; measure three cups of flour.

Remove flour from Billy's reach; wash flour off him; re-measure flour.

Put flour, baking powder and salt in bowl.

Brush up pieces of broken measuring cup in dust-pan; bandage Billy's cut finger; procure new measuring cup.

Answer doorbell.

Return to kitchen; remove Billy's hands from bowl; wash Billy.

Remove heavy layer of salt from greased pan.

Look for Billy.

Answer telephone.

Return to kitchen.

Find and wash Billy.

Remove layer of nutshells from greased pan.

Pick up flour canister from floor; salvage clean flour; spank Billy; wash kitchen floor; clean down walls.

Ring cake shop.

Lie down.

Oh, yes! Get up and turn off gas.

R. RICHARDS (3E).

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### FRIDAY, 13TH

Mr. Pollock awoke, yawned, stretched luxuriously, pushed a hand through his sparse hair, and looked at the clock. "Ten o'clock," he mumbled drowsily. "Just a quarter of an hour to make that business appointment in town." He sank back into the pillow. Then, "Ten o'clock!" he exploded as realisation dawned on his sleep-drugged brain. "A quarter of an hour to get into town and a £50,000 contract to complete with two millionaires whose plane leaves at 10.45. Ye gods! The clock must have stopped." He picked up the clock. It was going.

Mr. Pollock jumped out of bed and began to dress feverishly, awaking his wife. "Isabelle!" he screamed, "didn't you set the alarm?"

"No, dear," she said drowsily. "I thought you did." Seeing the time and realising his predicament, she jumped out of bed and began to flutter around him, trying to help but actually hindering. At last he got her out of the road by asking her to collect his papers while he shaved.

Five minutes later, after a hurried shave, four cuts, and a quick kiss, Mr. Pollock was leaving the driveway of his garage.

He drove up to the end of the street, but when he was just at the tram stop his car's front tyre had a blow-out and spun him into a telegraph pole, smashing his front fender. He left his car and jumped on to a tram, which was just leaving the stop for the railway. Half way to the railway it collided with a truck.

He now hailed a passing taxi, which, though it took him to the railway, was held up for five minutes in a traffic jam.

Mr. Pollock dashed into the station and found he had missed the 10.25 train by a minute, and that there would not be another train until 10.40. He dashed out of the station and, after a three-minute delay, found a taxi driver, to whom he promised £5 if he could get him to the Hotel Sydney within ten minutes. The taxi driver duly did so, and relieved Mr. Pollock of his £5.

Mr. Pollock dashed into the Hotel Sydney and found that the two millionaires had just left for the airport.

Mr. Pollock dashed out of the Hotel Sydney and found another taxi driver, to whom he promised to give £5 if he could get him to the airport before the 10.45 left. Mr. Pollock was desperate. It was now 10.35.

Mr. Pollock dashed into the airport and rushed out on to the tarmac. Rushing past the barrier he was neatly intercepted by two Customs officials, who delayed him just long enough for the plane to take off with the millionaires.

Mr. Pollock walked dejectedly out of the airport. He was afraid to go to his office, so he sat in the park until three o'clock. Then he decided to go home. On the way to the station he bought a paper. Suddenly he looked at the date. It was Friday, the 13th.

Mr. Pollock decided to buy a lottery ticket and call it "Friday, 13th," under the belief that he couldn't have any more bad luck in one day.

Mr. Pollock read his paper in the train. A headline caught his eye.

It read, "City Train Derailed, 87 Lives Lost, 200 Injured." "Well," thought Mr. Pollock, as he noted with a queer feeling that it was the 10.25, the one he had missed, "perhaps I was lucky after all."

Mr. Pollock arrived home just in time to answer the telephone. "Hello! Who is it?" he asked.

"Hello! That you, Pollock? This is the boss. Did you get that contract? You didn't? Congratulations, Pollock! You've saved the firm £50,000. Those men were swindlers."

Mr. Pollock was greeted by his wife, who had seen the car smash and had taken it to the garage. "Dear, do you know what?





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You were lucky this morning. The garage man examined the car and told me if you had driven it over thirty miles per hour there would have been an explosion. It could have killed you."

Mr. Pollock digested this slowly, but did not comment.

Mr. Pollock, you might remember, bought a lottery ticket called "Friday, 13th." I suppose you expect to learn that he won first prize. Well, you are wrong; he won the second prize.

R. SUTTON (3E).

### THE RIDDLE

Long ago, in a distant eastern land, there lived a wise old sage who had many followers. He was renowned for his stories, fables and puzzles, which he often related to his flock while they sat watching the sunset, smoking silently from long pipes. On one such evening, as the sky changed from red to purple, the old man placed his pipe aside and began:

"This evening, my children, I am going to ask you a riddle. It concerns a King who lived in a faraway country. This was a very happy King, for he ruled a prosperous country, had loving subjects, and had been blessed by Allah with a lovely daughter. This daughter was of fair complexion and wondrous beauty, and every day fresh suitors appeared at the court to seek her hand. As may be expected, the King loved his daughter well and could not refuse her anything. This resulted in her growing up with a fiery temper and in her expecting to have her smallest desire fulfilled.

"One day there arrived at the King's palace a handsome young prince. He was famed for his courage and daring, and so it is no wonder that the princess fell in love with him and accepted his proposal of marriage. But the King warned his daughter that this man had a vicious side to his nature and possessed an uncontrollable temper. Despite this warning, his daughter waved aside any objections and demanded her father's consent to the marriage, which he was obliged to give.

"The ceremony was duly performed, amid trumpeting, singing, shouting and praying, and the happy couple settled down to their life together. But tragedy followed close behind, for these two strong-tempered people were continually quarrelling bitterly over trifles, and each was too stubborn to give way to the other. These quarrels increased in length and intensity until one night, during a fierce argument, the prince seized his wife and choked the breath from her body.

"He was summoned before the King, who locked himself away from the world, pondering over the case confronting him. On the one hand, his beloved daughter had been callously killed by a bad-tempered man who had done away with her during a trivial argument. It would seem from this that the prince was to blame for the incident. On the other hand, the princess had been headstrong and defiant, and had insisted on marrying the man, even when warned that his temper could have dreadful results. There-

fore, from this point of view the princess had brought all upon herself.

"The King ordered two litters to be brought to the palace. One of these was covered with cloth of gold and had inside it money and jewels. This litter was to conduct the prince to another land to start life anew if he was deemed innocent. The other was shrouded in black and had inside it a floor studded with sharp nails. It was in this that the prince was to be carried, if determined guilty, to the hangman. At last the King made his decision and the prince was taken to a litter and carried away.

"Now, the riddle I put to you is this: Into which litter was the prince made to climb? In other words, was he found guilty or innocent? Had the King found him guilty of taking his daughter's life in cold blood or had he freed the prince because his daughter had foolishly persisted in the marriage, knowing that it could have fatal results? Think carefully before you decide, my brethren."

The purple of the sky had changed to a velvet black, and as they set gazing over the sands the old man smiled at the company as they wondered.

J. MILSON (4A).

### THE STRING OF BLUE BEADS

Pete Richards' shop had come down to him from his grandfather. The little front window was strewn with a disarray of old-fashioned things: bracelets and locket worn a century ago, gold rings and silver boxes, images of jade and ivory, porcelain figurines.

On this winter's afternoon a child was standing there, her forehead against the glass, earnest and enormous eyes studying each discarded treasure, as if she were looking for something quite special. Finally she straightened up with a satisfied air and entered the shop.

The shadowy interior of Pete Richards' establishment was even more cluttered than his show window. Shelves were stacked with jewel caskets, duelling pistols, clocks and maps, and the floor was heaped with andirons, mandolins and things hard to find a name for.

Behind the counter stood Pete himself, a man not more than thirty, but with hair turning grey. There was a bleak air about him as he looked at the small customer who flattened her ungloved hands on the counter.

"Mister," she began, "would you please let me look at that string of blue beads in the window?"

Pete parted the curtains and lifted out a necklace. The turquoise stones gleamed brightly against the pallor of his palm as he spread the ornament before her.

"They're just perfect," said the child entirely to herself. "Will you wrap them up pretty for me, please?" Pete studied her with a stony air. "Are you buying these for someone?"

"They're for my big sister. She takes care of me. You see, this will be the first Christmas since Mother died. I've been looking for the most wonderful present for my sister."

"How much money do you have?" asked Pete warily.

She had been busily untying the knots in a handkerchief, and now she poured out a handful of pennies on the counter.

"I emptied my money-box," she explained simply.

Pete Richards looked at her thoughtfully. Then he carefully drew back the necklace. The price tag was visible to him, but not to her. How could he tell her? The trusting look of her blue eyes smote him like the pain of an old wound.

"Just a minute," he said, and turned towards the back of the store. Over his shoulder he called, "What's your name?" He was very busy about something.

"Jean Grace."

When Pete returned to where Jean waited a package lay in his hand, wrapped in scarlet paper and tied with a bow of green ribbon. "There you are," he said shortly. "Don't lose it on the way home."

She smiled happily at him over her shoulder as she ran out of the door. Through the window he watched her go, while memories of what might have been flooded his thoughts. Something about Jean Grace and her string of beads had stirred him to the depths of grief that would not stay buried. The child's hair was wheat yellow, her eyes sea blue, and once upon a time, not so long ago, Pete has been in love with a girl with hair of that same yellow and eyes just as blue. And the turquoise necklace was to have been hers. But there had come a rainy night, a lorry skidding on a wet road, and the life was crushed out of his dream.

Since then Pete Richards had lived too much with his grief in solitude. He was politely attentive to customers, but after business hours his world seemed irrevocably empty. He was trying to forget in a self-pitying haze that deepened day by day.

The blue eyes of Jean Grace had jolted him into acute remembrance of what he had lost. The pain of it made him recoil from the exuberance of holiday shoppers. During the next ten days trade was brisk; chattering women swarmed in, fingering trinkets, trying to bargain. When the last customer had gone, late on Christmas Eve, he sighed with relief. It was over for another year. But for Pete Richards the night was not quite over.

The door opened and a young woman hurried in. With an inexplicable start he realised that she looked familiar, yet he could not remember when or where he had seen her before. Her hair was golden yellow and her large eyes blue, and she had a long slender body. Without speaking she drew from her purse a package, undid its bow of green ribbon and unwrapped its red paper. Presently the string of blue beads lay gleaming again before him.

"Did this come from your shop?" she asked. Pete raised his eyes to hers and answered softly, "Yes, it did."

"Are the stones real?"

"Yes. Of the finest quality."



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"Can you remember who it was you sold them to?"

"Yes. She was a small girl. Her name was Jean. She bought them for her older sister's Christmas present."

"How much are they worth?"

"The price," he told her solemnly, "is always a confidential matter between the seller and the customer."

"But Jean has never had more than a few pennies of spending money. How could she pay for them?"

Just then there was a silence that filled the little curio shop. In some far-away steeple a bell began to ring. Pete was folding the gay paper back into its creases, re-wrapping the little package just as neatly as before.

"She paid a very high price," he said. "She gave all she had."

J. WRIGHT (3c).

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### FAIR TRY

"Remember, play to instructions and you'll walk off the field with a mortgage on the premiership. Good luck."

As the team ran on to the field there arose a tremendous roar from the followers of the Meadow Park High School side, a roar that had been familiar to the players since they had started their first match of the competition, seven weeks ago.

From the kick-off the home team's hooker took the ball cleanly and was about to send a long pass when suddenly he was hurled yards by the onslaught of the opposing forwards stampeding down the field.

The Meadow Park players quickly rallied and forced their way down the field to their opponents' line, only to be thrown back towards their own goal. Thus did the play see-saw up and down the full length of the field, and at half-time neither side had scored. The score-board still showed no scores three minutes before the final bell. The supporters of both teams were by now in a frenzy, and a drawn game seemed inevitable.

Then came the move that the Meadow Park team had been told to watch for, the move that had gained their opponents vital points in every game. The visitors had forced their way to within fifteen yards of the Meadow Park line. A scrum had gone down about twenty yards from the sideline. The defending blind side breakaway, who had been instructed to watch for the move, first became alert when he noticed the full-back moving towards his attacking three-quarter line. Hunching himself closer to the pack, the breakaway smiled wryly and awaited developments.

Sure enough, there it was, for as the attacking hooker locked the ball under his feet the blind side winger ran smartly from his position towards the defending goalposts. The small snowy-haired half-back gathered the ball and, without even glancing towards his packed three-quarter line, shot towards the blind side corner-post like a rabbit going for his burrow.

Then came the big moment. The breakaway crouched, every muscle tensed. Suddenly he dived full length. The timing was perfect and the half-back never knew what hit him. He grunted under the impact and the ball bounced towards the touch-line. In a flash the breakaway was up and, scooping up the loose ball, was away down the side-line towards the distant corner-post.

In a split second defence had been turned to attack. The full-back and winger were caught out of position and an open field lay ahead of the flying breakaway.

Playing to copybook tactics, the other winger had dropped back slightly as the half-back had commenced his run, and when the break was made he set off in hot pursuit.

Nearing his opponents' twenty-five, the breakaway glanced quickly over his shoulder and his pulse missed a beat as he saw the winger within yards of him. Straining every muscle, he put every ounce of his remaining strength into the last few yards of his run. Not daring to look back again, he threw himself towards the white chalky line. Simultaneously his pursuer dived at his ankles and, locked together, they skidded across the line, taking the corner-post with them. But the ball was safely grounded!

Yet, wait—the referee had signalled no try! He was pointing to the shattered corner-post and had ruled a twenty-five drop-out as the bell rang.

The linesman stared in blank amazement. There was a deathly silence before the full significance of the ruling became evident to the crowd. Immediately it did they gave vent to their feelings in no polite manner. As for the triumphant try-scorer, the happiness had drained from his face and a look of bewilderment took its place. Almost immediately there was another change of countenance and a pair of eyes, momentarily widened with surprise, now narrowed until they were no more than two dark slits. Anger and resentment swelled up in his now heaving chest as he pushed his way through the crowd towards the retreating back of the referee.

Placing a shaking hand on the tubby man's shoulder, he spun him round.

"You robber!" hissed the sweat-begrimed player through clenched teeth. "You—you dissallowed my try!"

"Now just a minute——," began the referee, but his sentence was never completed. His head jerked back as he received the full force of the tightly clenched fist on the point of his jaw.

"Robber! Robber!" screamed the youth, now in a frenzy. His head was spinning as a pair of firm hands pinned his flailing hands to his side.

"Ron, stop, stop!" came a voice close by.

Hundreds of faces were leering at him and shouting in his face, almost deafening him. Gradually they faded away and were suddenly replaced by a huge round face with golden hair tumbling over a pair of sparkling eyes. He tried to strike out, but his arms were held tight. Everything went black and then suddenly cleared.

"Ron, Ron, wake up! You've been dreaming!"

It was his mother.

"Oh, Mum," he sobbed, "I've had a terrible nightmare about the match to-morrow."

"You'd better calm down and get back to sleep, dear," his mother comforted him. "You'll be in no fit state to play to-morrow."

Ron didn't go right off to sleep, however. He lay awake in bed and his thoughts drifted back over the previous two months.

Since the first match the team had moulded into a powerful combination. Seven teams had suffered defeat at the hands of this human machine which had swept all and sundry before it.

Then came the eighth round, the most important match of the season. The Meadow Park team were to meet a strong side from Castle St. High School. This team was also undefeated and had shown a marked improvement in recent games. There had been a big article in the sporting section of the paper about the forthcoming match, and it had been hinted that the Castle St. side would prove strong opposition for the local boys.

It turned out to be an uncomfortable day for football—hot and dry. As the home team trotted out on to the field a small cloud of dust rose from the well-worn turf.

It was strange, thought Ron, how their coach had remarked that they would hold a mortgage on the premiership if they could win this game. That was just what he had said in the dream.

At the kick-off the same high kick came and the hooker was laid low by a full-blooded tackle. From that time on the events of the dream kept happening with such regularity that Ron felt dazed at the weird experience. At half-time neither side had scored.

The battle raged on until two minutes before full-time. The premiership would be decided, one way or another, in the course of the next few minutes.

Ron was not at all surprised when the scrum went down near their line.

By the time the full-back and winger had moved into position Ron was crouched—alert—waiting. Before he quite knew what had happened he had the ball tucked securely under his arm and was streaking for the distant line.

The line loomed up and he dived. The hot, dry earth raced up towards him as the winger, close on his heels, dived also. The pair of them crashed headlong over the line and the referee's call of "Fair try!" sounded with the clanging of the full-time bell.

But Ron didn't hear the call, for he was lying dazed and bruised on the ground. He staggered to his feet and reeled groggily, his numbed senses trying to halt the crazy rolling of the field and the myriad of stars and bright spots that danced before his eyes.

"The dream," he mumbled, "the dream came true. . . ."

He gazed around him, trying to pick out the bright pullover of the referee among the crowd of players and spectators. He stumbled forward, his brain whirling.

". . . but my try was disallowed—where's the ref.?" he cried—"if only these fool people would stop crowding me—ah!—"



there he is, coming towards me—you disallowed my try. . . .”

A thousand rockets burst overhead, sending a shimmering cascade of sparks across the ground.

The following morning the papers gave this account of the match which had evoked so much feeling:—

“The match of the season, at Mackxey Oval, concluded in a spectacular fashion yesterday. One of the Meadow Park players, after scoring a brilliant try in a line-to-line solo effort, walked up to the referee and knocked him senseless to the ground. The Headmaster of the school, Mr. Starr, announced after the game that he would withdraw the team from the remaining two rounds because of the disgraceful behaviour. This will inevitably mean that the premiership will pass to Castle St. High School for the third year in succession. Meadow Park High School has not held the premiership shield since 1911.

In the reserve grade. . . .”

L. BRANDON (5B).

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**BOYS' NOISE**

*Here are some things that a boy can do:  
He can whistle so loud that the air turns blue,  
He can make all sounds of beast and bird,  
And a thousand noises never heard.*

*He has all things at his command,  
He can make of himself a makeshift band,  
He can bark like a dog and low like a cow,  
And a cat itself can't beat his mee-ow!*

*You can tell if a boy is very ill:  
If he's wide awake, yet quiet and still,  
And the house is dull without his noise,  
God bless our home and its rowdy boys!*

R. COLMAN (3B).

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**PEACE**

*Where wagtails chirp among the gums,  
Where the bee to its busy comrade hums,  
And the rabbit from its burrow comes,  
There peace reigns.*

*Where bell-birds welcome us in Spring,  
And clear, sharp notes of the whip-birds ring,  
There is comfort and beauty fit for a king,  
And peace reigns.*

*In the cool, clear glen where the dew is wet,  
Where the bower bird's stage for the dance is set,  
And creek by gurgling creek is met,  
There peace reigns.*

R. BRENNAN (1A).

