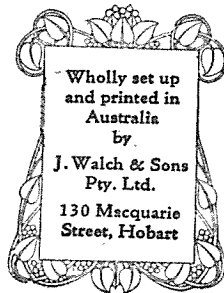


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The Hutchins School Song

Hutchins! Hutchins! grand and fair!
The only School we serve;
For thee till death we'll do and dar.,
And nought can make us swerve.

Refrain:

Let your voices ring, lads!
'Tis the old School's due;
Sing her praises, sing, lads—
Hutchins! Hutchins! tried and true.

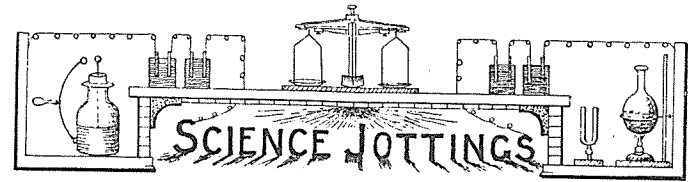
Thy name adown the ages past
Thy sons salute and cheer;
And so shall we while life doth last,
With lips and lives revere.

We learn thine ivied tower beneath
To play the game of life,
And know they only win the wreath
Who strive in honour's strife.

May all thy sons prove ever true,
Whate'er their gifts and powers,
That man may yield to thee thy du.,
Beloved School of ours.

Words by J. W. Bethune

Music by J. Scott-Power



THE ECLIPSE OF THE SUN

THE recent eclipse of the sun afforded a considerable amount of interest to the scientist and an opportunity to the amateur astronomer to indulge in his hobby. Unfortunately, in Australia, the eclipse was only partial and what made the position worse, the sun was, for the most part, obscured by clouds. Nevertheless, it is understood that some valuable measurements of various radiations from the sun were obtained, although, as this note is being written, the results are not yet published.

As everybody knows, an eclipse of the sun is caused by the moon in her revolution round the earth coming at certain periods between us and the sun. Owing to the fact that the plane of the orbit in which the moon revolves does not coincide with that in which the earth revolves round the sun, the eclipse, as it was in this case in Australia, is generally only partial. For a total eclipse, the moon must be in an exact line between the centres of the sun and the earth, and then some of the most magnificent of all natural phenomena are witnessed. But even in a partial eclipse, i.e., when only a certain portion of the sun's light is cut off, an observer, apart from the scientific investigation of solar emanations, may find interest in watching the dark moon projected upon the bright background of the sun.

The veriest novice can see that the moon, as it passes across the face of the sun, appears as a completely dark screen. This is a direct visual proof that our earth's satellite emits no light of its own. He can see also that the moon frequently appears jagged or serrated, which indicates the existence of lofty mountain ranges on its surface.

But it is when the eclipse is central and the moon is in such a position as to appear to present a diameter which is equal to or slightly greater than that of the sun that a picture of extraordinary

beauty reveals itself. As soon as the sun is covered the light known as the Corona flashes into view. An atmosphere of atoms and electrified particles surrounds the sun to a distance of hundreds of thousands of miles, and the Corona is this atmosphere seen by the light of the hidden sun.

At its inner margin this halo rests upon a ring of crimson fire known as the Chromosphere. This ring completely surrounds the sun, and, from time to time, throws up great columns of gas which rise to enormous heights at a speed which reaches many hundreds of thousands of miles per hour. These great jets of gas are called the Prominences of the sun.

It is recorded that, in 1880, one prominence when first seen at 10.30 a.m. was about 40,000 miles in height. During the next hour it continued to soar upwards until it reached an altitude of 350,000 miles. Then it broke into filaments and gradually faded away, until by 12.20 nothing was left.

Sir James Jeans gives a picture of a remarkable eruptive prominence seen in 1928 which in less than two hours attained a height of 567,000 miles above the surface of the sun. So that that mighty uprush must have travelled at the average rate of 300,000 miles per hour, or well up to 100 miles a second, and must surely have presented a spectacle both awe-inspiring and impressive.

There seems to be a very close analogy between these coronal streamers and the spots on the sun. From the streamers electrified particles are shot out and travel in all directions. After a journey of a day or two through space some of these reach the earth, penetrate the atmosphere and produce Auroral displays. Later, they form the electrified layer known as the Heaviside layer, which reflects our wireless waves earthward and enables us to hear wireless stations thousands of miles away.

HOW TO REACH THE MOON

Of the making of books on atomic energy there is no end. It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that the booksellers' shelves are packed with books bearing, directly or indirectly, on this subject or on subjects closely allied to it. Most of these books are written by men who are authorities on the branch of physics with which they deal; but some are written in more detail than others, and their interpretation of the facts of modern physical theory is more within the grasp of the average man.

From this standpoint the best we have seen is one entitled "Atomic Energy in Cosmic and Human Life," by the celebrated George Gamow. Dr. Gamow, born in Odessa, was educated in the Universities of Leningrad and Gottingen, and afterwards worked in Copenhagen under Niels Bohr and in Cambridge under Rutherford. He is now professor of Theoretical Physics in the George Washington University, U.S.A., and has done much pioneering work on the theory of the atomic nucleus. Many books on this and other scientific subjects have come from his pen, the most notable of which is "The Birth and Death of the Sun," reviewed in these pages in June, 1943.

Not the least interesting part of the present treatise is the clear and succinct account Gamow gives of how energy can be released from atoms, either suddenly in explosions or, for practical purposes, in a more gradual and steady stream. Our best method, he says, for using atomic energy lies in producing it from natural uranium at giant central power stations, and in delivering it to places where it is needed in atomic storage batteries made of radioactive elements. Though the high cost of this energy and the constant leakage of atomic storage batteries will probably never make it practicable to put such motors in passenger cars which spend most of their time parked in the street or standing in the garage, it will certainly be used in all cases where a constant supply of high power is needed regardless of cost.

One of the most exciting applications of atomic power to which we can look forward is the possibility of constructing a rocket ship which defies the forces of gravity and flies out into space for a visit to the moon or to the planets of our solar system. The main difficulty in

using ordinary chemical fuels in interplanetary communications lies in the fact that the energy of these fuels is not sufficiently concentrated. In order to fly out of the earth's gravitational field a rocket ship, like any other object, must acquire a speed of over six miles per second.

A rocket flies ahead because the gases ejected from its rear give it a reaction similar to that given to a gun when shooting out a fast projectile. The velocity of the gun is much smaller than that of the projectile, in the inverse ratio, in fact, of the weights of the gun and projectile. Thus, if a rocket ship ejecting gases is to have a speed of six miles per second, the total weight of ejected materials must be at least ten times the weight of the rocket. It is calculated, therefore, that at the start of the journey the fuel load must form more than 90 per cent. of the total weight of the ship.

But, if instead of chemical energy atomic energy is used, it is estimated that the velocity of self-repulsion of the reacting materials increases several thousand times and reduces the minimum amount of fuel in a space-rocket from over 90 per cent. of the total weight to less than one per cent. Thus, a rocket ship weighing, say, ten tons, can fly out into interplanetary space using only about 100 pounds of fuel, an amount comparable to that used in one atomic bomb. This gives a sufficiently condensed energy source, and, as Gamow points out, the total fuel needed could be carried aboard the ship by one man.

Of course, there are other obstacles to be surmounted before an excursion to the moon becomes feasible, but the control of atomic energy is a definite step forward in that direction.

A PROBLEM FOR THE SCIENTISTS

The cause of mental abnormality in children is one on which, up to the present, there has been no general agreement. Prodigies, for example, are sufficiently numerous to justify scientific investigation by doctors or psychiatrists into the physical origin of these strange deviations from type. Some members of the medical profession say that they are the outcome of abnormal glands, while certain other people believe that prodigies are reincarnations of the dead. But whatever may be the cause, authentic cases of marvellous feats of intellect

and memory in young people are well known. A few of these cases may be worth repeating.

Christian Heinecken, in 1721, talked within a few hours of his birth at Lubeck. When a year old he could repeat passages from the Bible. At two he could answer any question on geography, and could speak Latin and French at three. At four he was a student of philosophy, but he died at the age of five.

William James Sidis, the American wonder child, could read and write when only two years of age. At eight he was able to speak French, Russian, English, German and some Latin and Greek. At eleven he lectured on the fourth dimension in mathematics to a gathering of professors, but at 25 he was earning only £5 a week in an office, and he died at 46.

John Evelyn, the seventeenth century diarist, entertained a twelve-year old prodigy, the son of a Dr. Clench. Pepys was present to help to examine the boy, and Evelyn has recorded that the task utterly exhausted them. The boy answered the most erudite questions while admiring the parrot and the paintings in the room. The questions ranged over the subjects of law, history, geography, mathematics and astronomy, and the boy knew all the answers. But history does not record the fate of Dr. Clench's prodigy son.

John Philippe Baratier, born in 1721, could speak German, French and Latin at four. At five he translated the Greek Bible, and at six he became a member of the Ecclesiastical Synod and of the Royal Academy at Berlin. He became a doctor of philosophy at 14, and died at 19.

James Crichton, in the sixteenth century, took his M.A. degree when he was 15. While a boy he could answer his professors in any of twelve languages, but he was killed in a brawl at 22.

Musical prodigies, however, are probably the most numerous:

Mozart composed minuets before he was four, and at six was playing Bach before the Emperor Francis I. He lived only to 35.

Beethoven played in public at eight, and his work was published two years later; Hummel gave concerts at nine; Schubert was a composer at eleven;

Chopin played a concerto to an audience before he was nine; Samuel Wesley played the organ at three and wrote an oratorio at eight.

Mendelssohn, Brahms, Dvorak and Richard Strauss all showed remarkable musical genius at a very early age.

Equally astounding are many of the prodigious efforts of memory which history records. In this respect Lord Macaulay is an oft-quoted example. Once, when making an afternoon call with his father, Macaulay picked up Scott's "Lay of the Last Minstrel" for the first time and quietly read it when his elders were engaged in conversation. When they returned home he amazed his parents by reciting the whole of the poem without a single mistake.

Even obscure persons, otherwise unknown to the world, often perform remarkable feats of memory. For instance, it is said that a young miner who lived at Newcastle, in England, purchased a copy of Spenser's "Faerie Queene" in the morning, and before evening he was able to repeat the whole of the poem. Those who have read the Faerie Queene will appreciate the magnitude of the miner's achievement, though this story may be apocryphal.

OLD BOYS' SUCCESSES

Notable successes have recently been won by many old science students of the School. The following are a few of the most outstanding. The names are in alphabetical order.

F. P. Bowden, D.Sc., F.R.S., has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London. This is one of the highest honours that can be conferred on a scientist, and is granted only for eminently successful work in some branch of scientific research. As far as we know, Bowden is the first Tasmanian to achieve this distinction.

Brigadier E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C., is now State Military Commandant of Tasmania, one of the highest offices in the armed forces of Australia. This appointment is the crown of a successful military career. Incidentally, Dollery is now President of the Old Boys' Association, and takes great interest in the progress of the School.

L. G. H. Huxley, M.A., D.Phil., has been appointed Professor of Physics in the University of Adelaide. A former Rhodes Scholar, Huxley did a brilliant course at Oxford and has since done valuable researches into the structure of the atom.

Arthur Smithies, M.A., LL.B., Ph.D., has been appointed Professor of Economics in Harvard University, U.S.A. Harvard is generally considered the greatest university in America, and one of the leading universities in the world. Smithies did science at school, but later, as a Rhodes Scholar, switched over to Economics and had a great career as a student in this subject in England and America. He has for some time been head of the Economics Branch of the Bureau of the Budget, at Washington, and his promotion to Harvard marks him out as one of the chief economists of the United States.

E. C. R. Spooner, D.Phil., D.Sc., also a former Rhodes Scholar, is now Professor of Mining and Metallurgy in the University of Adelaide. As a student he distinguished himself in Chemistry, and has done much experimental investigation into sub-bituminous low-grade coal deposits.

H. C. Webster, D.Sc., Ph.D., F.Inst.P., some two years ago, became Professor of Radiation Physics in the University of Queensland. Webster was trained at Cambridge under some of England's most illustrious scientists, and his professorship is the reward of much successful research work in Radio-Physics.

The School offers its felicitations to all these gentlemen. They are nobly maintaining the traditions of Hutchins, and setting new standards for future generations.

H.D.E.



Hail!

Senior School: Brewster, R. G.; de Laine, R. J.; de Laine, I. M.; Russell, M. D.; Webster, K. A.

Junior and Preparatory School: Bryant, G. C.; de Laine, P. R.; Ferguson, D. R.; Grant, F. J.; Hamilton, J. W.; Jones, G. D.; Kelly, R. M.; McDowell, I. J.; Parsons, G. F.; Russell, A. J.

and Farewell!!

Dalco, B. A. (1947); Dargaville, P. J. (1946); de Laine, I. M. (1948); de Laine, P. R. (1948); Everett, R. J. (1941); Jack, I. H. (1944).

Exchanges

WE have to acknowledge receipt of the following magazines since June, 1948, and apologise if any have been inadvertently omitted.

Tasmania: Church Grammar School, Launceston.

Victoria: Scotch College, Hawthorn; Melbourne Church of England Grammar School; Trinity Grammar School, Kew (2); Geelong College; Geelong Grammar School; Ballarat College.

New South Wales: Sydney Church of England Grammar School; The Armidale School; Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga; The King's School, Parramatta.

West Australia: Guildford Grammar School; The Hale School, Perth.

South Australia: Collegiate School of St. Peter, Adelaide.

Overseas: Bedford Road Collegiate Institute, Saskatoon, Canada.



Library Notes

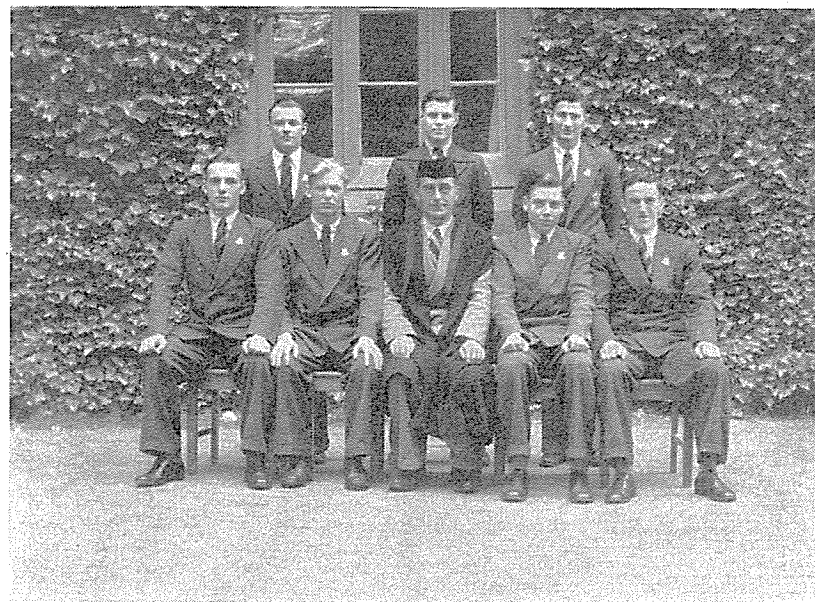
IT is disappointing to note that the lending library has not received as much use these last two terms as it deserves. The good reference library alone warrants more use. Perhaps it is because boys are too busy studying for the approaching exams to absorb any more knowledge. However, the magazine section continues to be very popular, and the library is never empty at lunch time.

New books added to the reference section this year include several books of collected essays by Hinner, Benson, Jones and Osbourne, several new historical books and a few war novels.

It is interesting to see that the novels of Johns, Byrne, Sabatini and Hatfield continue to top the popularity poll. There has also been great demand for "Jardine Justified" and "Getting Wickets" from our cricketers, and "Tales of Mystery and Imagination" and "Sea Prison and Shore Hell" by the more sombre minded.

It is to be hoped that the library continues to be built up by the addition of new reference books, and that soon the School may have as complete a reference library as possible.

D.E.S.



PREFECTS

Standing: M. J. Rush, G. Page-Hanify, J. W. Heckscher.
Seated: J. T. Renney, M. C. P. Courtney, The Headmaster, D. E. Scaife, C. R. Pearson.

Assembly Notes

SINCE the last issue of the Magazine we have been honoured by quite a large number of visiting speakers at Assembly. We derive great benefit from them, for they inform us on many aspects of life of which we would otherwise know very little.

Early in June we were fortunate in having a visit from Dr. Farrow, of the Egyptian Central Mission, who gave us a very interesting talk on Iran. During the stay in Hobart of "The Old Vic" Company we were extremely lucky in receiving a visit from one of the cast, Mr. Charles Heathcote. He told us of the history of "The Old Vic," and gave some very interesting advice in regard to acting. In the same month Mr. B. C. D. Jones, of the British Council, gave a vivid account of life in Iraq.

During the United Nations Week in July we were honoured by visits from two foreign representatives, Mrs. Alsate, wife of the Phillipines Consul in Sydney, and Dr. Ussmann, of the Republic of Indonesia. Both speakers gave very interesting talks on two countries which were very different from each other. Mr. Alsate himself was to have spoken, but, unfortunately, he was indisposed at the time.

On August 3rd Mr. Charles Walch gave an address at the special assembly for the Foundation Day of the School. In October Mr. R. Smith spoke on cricket. His advice was valuable, and was received with appreciation by all keen cricketers. Being a member of the Australian Board of Control, Mr. Smith was able to give first-hand information on certain Australian Test cricketers. Also in October we received a visit from Miss Hayman, Federal International Guide Commissioner, who spoke on the poverty and suffering which was being experienced in Germany, and especially the suffering of the children.

In November we were addressed by Rev. Coghlan, of the Christian Social Order Movement, who spoke on the work of the C.S.O.M., especially in regard to the raising of funds for the relief of disease. Later in the month the School was addressed by Mr. L. G. Murdoch, of the Board of Management, who spoke on the art of public speaking.

We would again, this year, like to express our appreciation to the Dean, Very Rev. H. P. Fewtrell, for giving an address in Assembly each Thursday morning.

J.P.M.

Beneath the Ivied Tower

Random Ramblings by a Staff Reporter

IN the recent French oral exams conducted by the Alliance Francaise, most of our boys passed well, and J. Biggs, G. Woodward, G. Southwell and J. Lake were prize winners.

Since the last issue of the Magazine there has been only one competition conducted by "Le Courrier Australien." This took the form of an essay in French on a famous French Composer. We were again successful. Prizes were won by J. Morris for an essay on Debussy, and G. Page-Hanify for an essay on Gounod. Our boys have now gained prizes in every in every competition conducted by this paper for a period of five years.

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The Parents' Association has recently purchased a fine Harmour and Heath sound projector for the School's use. Two screens are provided; one is to be installed permanently in the Hall, and the other is a collapsible type for use in the class-rooms. This 16mm. projector is all-Australian and up to world standards, including the lens by one of the world's best manufacturers—a local firm in Hobart. We are very grateful for this most generous gift.

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Mr. Len. Nettlefold, an Old Boy of the School, has generously defrayed the cost of a new racing four. We are indeed grateful for this gift, the formal presentation of which will take place either at the end of this term or at the beginning of the new year.

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The Boarders, in particular, are very grateful to Mr. Charles Walch for his Christmas present of a Batinton set. It will do much to enliven week-ends and provide healthy and vigorous exercise.

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We regret to announce the resignation of Mrs. E. J. Chapman from the staff of the Sub-Primary School. Her place will be taken by Miss Hilary Morgan, who comes with experience in Melbourne at Laverton, Scotch College and Ivanhoe

Grammar School. We extend a cordial welcome to her, and wish her every happiness with us.

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Following the resignation in September of our former Matron, Miss G. Hardy, O.B.E., the position has been filled by Miss L. Bailey, whilst Miss C. Matthews has been appointed Housekeeper. Miss Matthews comes from Adelaide, having had experience at the Presbyterian Girls' College and the Collegiate School of St. Peter.

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We were sorry to learn of the resignation of Miss M. Hough, our highly competent and co-operative typist, who has gone to Sydney to live. Her place has been taken by Mrs. J. R. Greene, to whom we extend a sincere welcome.

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At the beginning of the second term a Benevolent Fund was launched throughout the School. Every boy contributes each week, and the sum is collected by the Form captains to provide a large pool from which allocations to various charities are decided from time to time.

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It is very difficult to see into the lockers at the end of the top corridor in Christ College, so it is suggested that a powerful light be installed so that it would illuminate that very dark end, and save time which is spent in hunting for books in the dark.

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The stage in the Assembly Hall has been successfully remodelled and has proved to be more convenient and better, both from the point of view of the actors and stage hands and that of the audience. It was designed by G. Salmon, who is to be congratulated. The Parents' Association bore the cost of the work, and we express our sincere thanks to them for this great improvement.

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During United Nations' Week the School was well represented at the U.N.O. Mock Assembly at the Town Hall, in

both the Security Council and the General Assembly. It was a very interesting evening; the Security Council debated the Atomic Energy Control problem, while the General Assembly dealt with many other questions. Delegates from other nations were present, and there was a large audience.

On the Lighter Side

All the activities have been disbanded during the third term, and the period on Monday occupied by enterprising masters, while the one on Friday is floating with, what seems to us, the various teachers enacting a game of "grab." Maths. usually wins—enough said.

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The craze of fireworks, started in some of the lower forms, has necessitated awareness and correction by the Seniors, but when the position became desperate (with many close shaves with the Staff) the offenders were prohibited from continuing their cracker occupations.

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Care also had to be taken during the athletic season, when "athletes" were showing their form by hurtling recklessly around corners and taking their, and other people's, lives in their hands by making 100 yard dashes from assembly, through the crowd, to Christ College.

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The French orals for VIa and b were rather popular, after they were over, because Hutchins wasn't the only School represented, and they (whichever way you like it) took up some time. The public also complained about Hutchins boys streaking through town to get back to School, knocking many over in their eagerness.

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At the time of writing the whole School is cutting outside activities to a minimum (big though it may be) in preparation for the Mysickerlating, Fool's Floored and internal exams. The masters seem just as nervous as the students for the former two.

Hopes have been expressed that a certain new cream car, a frequent visitor to the School, would have an argument with the Old Tree on the way out, so that the car would resemble the owner's previous motorbike, which is very much missed about the School.

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On entering Christ College after dinner we are usually hit by an overwhelming smell—the result of some horrible experiment in the Chem. Lab., where de L., W. and P. concentrate on manufacturing hideous fumes, no doubt intended to "lay out" the whole Senior School.

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Everyone is getting a little annoyed at the people who keep on depriving the School of its fine tubular fence, on the corner of Barrack and Macquarie Streets, usually with a car or trolley bus.

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One member of the School claims to have suffered a badly sprained ankle from tripping over some object after crossing the road from the bus. On close inspection, however, the cause was found to be a minute car, from which one of the Staff extricated himself. Everyone is warned to watch where he is walking.

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Much to many experts' regret, sliding down the precarious banisters in Christ College was banned just when competition had started between the old hands and the newcomers, who were becoming adept at shooting around the hairpin bend.

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Full use was made of the two days' sunshine during the test exams, when the School was crowded with almost naked boys doing everything but "swot."

The Parents' Association

PARENTS have continued to take a lively interest in the activities of their Association and in the welfare of the School. Meetings of the Executives have been well attended, and members have had the benefit of full and frank discussion with the Headmaster on a variety of subjects, including the School curriculum, examinations, home-work and the method of awarding prizes.

The most important event in recent times was the fair, which was opened by Lady Binney on Friday, 19th August. For many weeks our Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Johnson, and a devoted band of helpers organised the stalls, and the final result of their efforts was most gratifying. The gross receipts amounted to £286, including £10 donations to Food for Britain and approximately £6 worth of equipment for Chauncy Vale. The support accorded to the fair by parents and friends is very much appreciated, and it was encouraging to see a number of new faces among the helpers.

As a result of the fair we have been able to purchase and present to the School a Harmour and Heath talking film projector, which cost £212. The Headmaster kindly arranged a demonstration of the projector at the conclusion of the last meeting of the Executive, and those present were convinced that the School now had a valuable asset, both for educational purposes and for increasing the amenities available to the boys. £20 has

been provided for screens for use with the projector, and we have contributed £20 for alterations and additions to the stage, £20 for additional School prizes and £36 for library books. These donations have cut deeply into our financial resources, so that in the forthcoming year we will not be able to relax our efforts. The Headmaster still has a formidable list of requirements which we consider it desirable to provide as funds become available; foremost in these is a portable film-strip projector, which can be purchased for £25.

A general meeting of the Association was held on 13th September, when the guest speaker was Mr. Phillips, of Wesley College, Melbourne, who spoke on "Frills of Education and are they Frills." Mr. Phillips gave us a most instructive and convincing talk.

The recent reduction in the petrol ration has caused considerable difficulty in providing transport to enable boys to take advantage of the facilities provided by this Association at Chauncy Vale. The Executive would welcome any assistance or suggestions by parents in overcoming this difficulty.

During the year our relations with the Board of Management, the Headmaster and Staff, and the Old Boys' Association have been marked by a spirit of confidence and cordiality.

E.J.C.S.

The Literary and Debating Society

Patron: Mr. W. H. Hudspeth

President: Mr. H. D. Erwin

Hon. Secretary: J. T. Renney

Committee: G. Page-Hanify, R. J. Thompson, P. Bloomfield, J. C. Morris, F. W. K. Hume, T. Edgerton.

AT the time of writing, the House competitions are not yet finished, there being one debate in both Senior and Junior sections to be completed; and as forecast in the June issue of the Magazine, the competition has been particularly keen, the result still being uncertain. The standard of debating in both sections has been higher than for several years, and the adjudicators, Mr. H. D. Erwin for the Senior, and Mr. Williams for the Junior, expressed pleasure on the fluency and arguments of the speakers. The first two debates in the Senior competition

have resulted in wins for School and Stephens over Buckland. Thus, the result of the Senior competition will not be known until after the final debate.

Near the end of second term, the annual debate between the Old Boys and the present scholars was held. The Old Boys were represented by Mr. J. Driscoll, Mr. D. Baker and Mr. J. McPhee. The School team was J. Renney, E. Butler and G. Page-Hanify. The debate resulted in a win for the Old Boys, 115 to 102.

Although the Society has not been overburdened with members, those who have taken part in its activities have shown interest and keenness to develop their public speaking, and it is to be hoped that those following on will realize the value of the training which the Society affords in this respect.

J.T.R.

Dramatic Society

Toad of Toad Hall

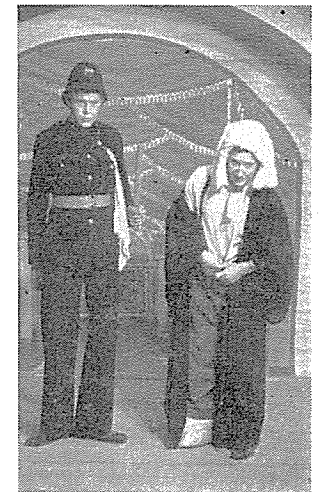
THIS term has seen the temporary abandonment of the Senior Society to enable members to pursue their "tedious tasks." However, Mr. Jarvis has been kind enough to allot some time to us. Every third Saturday night those who wish may attend extra dramatic classes, with practical demonstrations on "Stage Craft," "Voice Production" and "Make-up."

Before our major production, the stage was considerably altered. The proscenium was brought forward about five feet, leaving two feet protruding. This gave a large acting stage behind the curtain and considerably enlarged wings.



Above: Mole (J. R. Clark), Toad (G. Page-Hanify), Producer of the Play (Mr. K. A. Jarvis), Rat (D. B. Purvis), Badger (J. T. Renney).

Below: G. W. Salmon, who designed and executed stage decorations.



Above: Policeman (R. J. Thompson), Judge (J. W. Heckscher).

Below: Phoebe (H. M. Thompson), Marigold (A. Gibson), Washerwoman (D. U. Shepherd), Barge-woman (R. S. Valentine), Nurse (G. A. W. Renney).





Left: Weasels, Stoats, Rabbits and Ferrets.



Right: Stage and Property Hands: A. R. Cumming, G. T. Stilwell, S. Davis, D. Hume. In Front: K. H. Wood (Stage-manager), R. D. Cuthbert. Not in Photo: A. J. Hay (Prompt.).

play necessitated several extensive scene changes and a considerable number of props, notably a caravan, all of which were executed by members of the Society. G. L. Salmon must be highly commended for his perfect set designing and painting, while K. Wood and S. Davis were mainly responsible for prop. construction.

The play tells of four animals, each portraying a set human type. The curtain rises on Marigold sitting by the river bank, busy phoning her animal friends. She falls asleep and dreams the story which forms the play. It centres around the bombastic Toad, who is never content with what he has, and is always after the latest "craze." After a little trouble with the wildwooders he buys a motor car (several, in fact) and ultimately is brought before the tyrannical court for stealing a car, speeding and cheeking the police. He escapes from prison with the help of the jailer's daughter and a washerwoman, and after various escapades, emerges from the river to be taken in by the sympathetic Rat. His friends, who have failed to reform him, tell him that his house is over-run with weasels and other nondescript animals. The four, armed to the teeth, force an entrance by a secret tunnel,

and surprise the Weasel King and his confederates, who are all rounded up under the capable hands of Mole and Badger.

At the finale, the whole of the cast reappear in colourful pageantry, and the curtain falls on the cast silhouetted in the background, while Marigold is being awakened by her nurse.

The cast, including back-stage hands and outside helpers was:—

G. Renney, A. Gibson, J. Clark, B. Purvis, J. Renney, G. Page-Hanify, J. Golding, J. Morris, E. Butler, P. Lawrence, M. Gibson, D. Scaife, R. Thompson, J. Stopp, J. Heckscher, H. Thompson, D. Shepherd, D. King, D. Parkinson, P. Heckscher, W. Halley, R. Valentine, I. Hull, A. Kemp, R. Davis, P. Hay, P. Parsons, D. Gibb, W. Cooper, G. Radford, J. Rankin, P. Simpson, R. Jones, T. Keen, T. Loney, A. Goodfellow, G. Woodward, G. Stilwell, A. Hay, K. Wood, S. Davis, G. Salmon, B. Aherne, D. Uhr-Henry, T. Bowden, M. Clerk, A. Brown, J. Ferguson, J. McIntyre, A. Hirst, M. Chen, E. McDougall, J. Thompson, G. Perry and D. Walsh.

We are much indebted to Mr. Jarvis, who devoted his whole time in the production of this play, and without whose

efforts the success of the play would have been nil.

The Desire of all Nations

This term has been devoted to the Junior School production, "The Desire of all Nations," a play in a prologue and five acts.

The prologue commences with Angels telling of the downfall of Adam and Eve, and the entry of sin into the world—God, at this stage, seems to have deserted the world. The first act, entitled "God comes to Egypt," tells of Joseph's interpretation of the dreams of Pharaoh. In

the next acts, "God comes to Babylon," "God comes to Greece" and "God comes to the World," trace the evolution of our religion, culminating with the birth of Christ. The production is interspersed with Christmas Carols from the Junior choir.

Members of the Senior Society will assist with the make-up and stage management. The decorative panels are designed and painted by G. L. Salmon.

Miss Phoebe Batt is responsible for the musical direction, while Mr. Jarvis is the director and producer.

R.J.T.

Science Club

DURING the second term, work was carried on as usual in both the Physics and Chemistry laboratories. Early in the term we were addressed by a representative of Commonwealth Industrial Gases, and we were told of many interesting aspects of the work. The following week we were privileged to visit the works, and were shown many of the machines used in the production of individual atmospheric gases. In the welding and cutting room each member of the party was allowed to cut a piece of steel with the oxy-acetylene torch. Some interesting properties of liquid air were demonstrated, and we were then entertained to afternoon tea by members of the staff of

the factory. The whole afternoon proved most instructive and enjoyable.

Later in the year our progress was rather impeded by an influx of new members who "emigrated" from other clubs owing to cessation of activities.

The Hobbies Exhibition brought to light those of our large number who were really keen, and our thanks and appreciation go to them for their efforts.

With the proposed new set-up next year, and with a more carefully selected team of enthusiasts, we feel that the Club is headed for better things.

K.H.W.

Stamp Club

DURING the second half of the year eleven meetings have been held, at which exhibitions and talks have been given by the President, D. Pitt, C. Oliver, K. Tanner and B. Coombe. Coombe's exhibit, kindly made available by his father, was of special interest being a large collection of rarely seen miniature sheets. Too many of our members are content to let a few do the work, their sole interest, apparently, being to sell their duplicates at the weekly auction. This is not in the best interests of the hobby, and some changes in our organisation can be expected next year.

The Club was well represented at the Hobbies Exhibition, there being a wide variety of displays. These ranged from the general hotch-potch to sets of commemoratives and an almost complete set of Queen Victoria "Penny Red" plate numbers. There was also a good display of first-day covers.

We wish to thank the Board of Management for subscribing to the "Australian Stamp Monthly," four copies of each issue being received. These are freely circulated amongst our members and are greatly appreciated.

G.T.S.

CADET NOTES

SENIOR & JUNIOR

O.C. Detachment: Cdt.-Lieut. C. R. M. Pearson
 Platoon Commander: Cdt.-Lieut. K. W. H. Wood
 C.S.M.: W.O. ii J. T. Renney
 C.Q.M.S.: S/Sgt. R. B. Glover
 Platoon Sergeant: Sgt. B. T. Edgerton

DURING the year 1948 the Hutchins School Senior Cadet Detachment has grown, not only in size, but in enthusiasm and proficiency. At the beginning of the year the Detachment was very weak in numbers, but has now reached the very satisfactory total of forty-eight. The natural consequence of this increase has been that the majority of members are first-year recruits, the training of whom has required more than the normal concentrated effort of officers, warrant and non-commissioned officers, in order to fit them to take their place in the Detachment, and the visible result achieved is such that all concerned can look back with well-earned satisfaction on the result of their efforts. The present standard of efficiency in the Detachment proves conclusively that the instructors not only knew their job, but, what is of equal importance, could impart their knowledge to the recruits.

During the year the Detachment has not only been instructed in the Infantry Training Syllabus, which in normal circumstances takes the whole year, but also in specialised work, such as the 3-inch mortar, the Vickers gun and signals, and have a solid grounding in these subjects on which to build. This change has done much to instil and maintain greater interest. Many training days have been devoted entirely to training films which are provided by District Headquarters, and give more of a material outlook on the cadet's training. The cadets themselves are now beginning to take pride in their uniforms, and rigid inspections on all parades have emphasized the importance of this part of a cadet's training.

Cadet Camp, Brighton, 1948

The eight-day voluntary camp, 14th-21st August, was held at Brighton, at

which all members of the Detachment, with the exception of four who were granted leave of absence, were present.

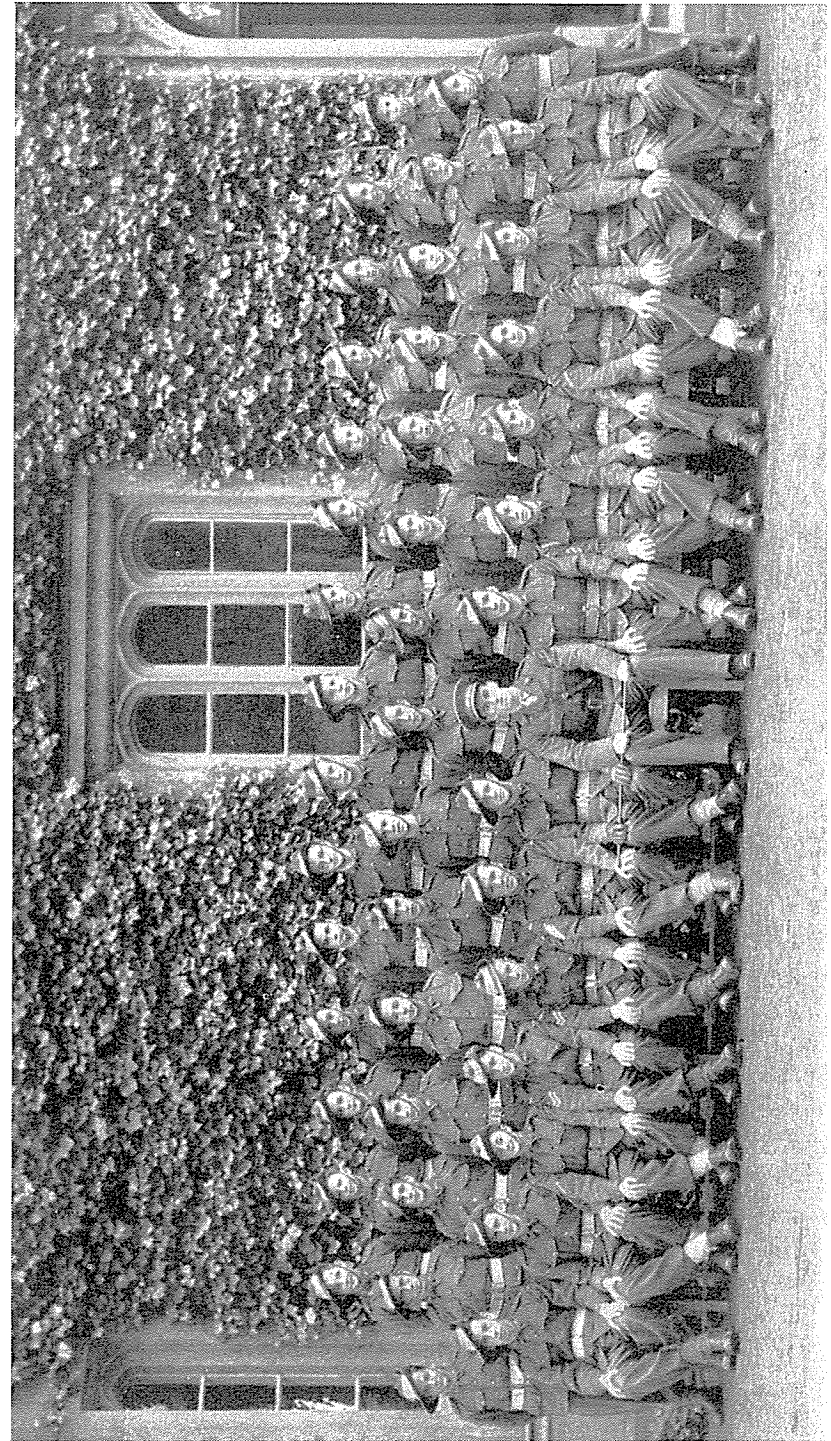
The training was of a varied nature, and included field exercises and night compass marches which met with general approval of the cadets. The Headmaster honoured the corps with a visit, and inspected the camp as a whole. Other visitors were Lieut.-Col. Pitt, D.A.A. and Q.M.G., and Major Barker (G.S.O.), H.Q., 6 M.D., who inspected the training and the camp closely.

On the Sunday morning the Hoad Trophy Competition was held, and our congratulations are extended to Queens-town Junior Technical School for winning it. Since the war the cadets have had included in their camp syllabus a sports period which is held every afternoon, and is very popular with all members.

The Officers' and N.C.O.s' School at Fort Direction, in January, 1949, is to be held for the purpose of fitting cadets who qualify for a promoted rank to instruct in the home training of the same and following years.

The Detachment was honoured and inspired by an inspection by the Commandant, 6th Military District, Brig. E. Dollery, who is an Old Boy of the School. He praised the Detachment on their fine display, but regretted the fact that there were so few in the Detachment.

Unfortunately, after having had a very successful year, the Detachment is losing all its officers, warrant and non-commissioned officers, and a number of cadets; this means that from the remaining cadets will have to come the leaders for the ensuing year. Those members of the Detachment who have given so much time and thought to the welfare of the unit during the past twelve months are naturally very much concerned with the future, and realise that unless a very concerted effort is made by the old members of the Detachment, and ably backed by the



THE CADET DETACHMENT (O.C.: Cdt.-Lieut. C. R. Pearson)

School staff when training commences in 1949, there is a possibility that the good work done during 1948 may be wasted.

All officers, warrant and non-commissioned officers and cadets who are leaving School at the end of 1948 look back with

Scout Notes

G.S.M.: Mr. E. J. Chapman

S.M.: Mr. T. A. S. Atkinson

A.S.M.: Mr. R. G. Read

Wingate Patrol: P.L. G. Page-Hanify; Second, J. R. Clark

P.L.s of Boy Scout Troop: Cooper, Madden, Hanslow

THE main topic of conversation among scouts all over Australia at present is the Pan-Pacific Jamboree to be held at Yarra Brae, Wonga Park, Victoria, from Wednesday, 28th December, to Sunday, 9th January. Nine of our Group, five Seniors and four Boy Scouts, hope to welcome the New Year from camp, and although our applications have not yet been formally accepted, we all expect to be able to attend. Unfortunately, the Troop will be somewhat split up; some travelling by L.S.T., others by S.S. "Taroon." Scouts from as far afield as Canada, India and Malaya will be there, not forgetting, of course, Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth and Empire. So those of us lucky enough to go should have an unforgettable time.

Over the November long weekend a Jamboree test camp was held at Berriedale for all Southern scouts, and, undaunted by rain, we enjoyed an excellent weekend, camping under Jamboree conditions. The

Natural History Club

TOWARDS the end of last term, owing to the overflow of the Dramatic Club, we gained many more members; this caused us to migrate, for one meeting, into a larger room than the little one which had accommodated us comfortably before.

This term we have, unfortunately, had very few Activity Periods. We spent most of these studying the life cycles of many different species of insects. The Headmaster kindly displayed to us some excellent examples of these various species from his own collection, and pointed out to us the ways they differed from each other.

pleasant memories of the good times they have had together as members of the Hutchins School Senior Cadet Detachment, and, in saying au-revoir, wish the Detachment every success in the future.

C. R. Pearson, Cdt.-Lieut.

O.C. Detachment

only person not to enjoy himself fully was probably the Q.M., who had a torrid time trying to collect our tents from amongst fifty or sixty identical ones.

One Friday night, recently, we were visited by our old S.M. and G.S.M., E. W. H. "Cubby" Stephens, M.B.E., who is doing great work with the Education Department. He is one visitor for whom the welcome mat is always spread, which reminds me that we are also glad to see any old scouts who would care to come.

It is pleasing to note that there are now over sixty boys in the scouting movement at Hutchins, and the re-formation of the Cub Pack last year has been such an outstanding success that we expect to do even better next year.

The Scout Notes this year, however, end in a tragic note. It is with deep regret that we record in our Log Book the accidental death of H. Warlow-Davies. He served the Troop, first as a scout, then as P.L., and for over a year as Act. S.M. Leaving the Troop, he joined the R.A.A.F., where he served with much distinction. After the war he joined A.N.A., only to meet his death in the ill-fated airliner which crashed into Mt. Macedon.

The remaining periods were spent deciding what we should put in the Hobbies Exhibition. We finally decided that the most interesting and successful way to collect the necessary exhibits would be to spend a weekend at Chauncy Vale, immediately preceding the Exhibition. This camp, unfortunately, was postponed, but in its place some of us hiked up the foothills of the mountain to the Junction Hut. Despite the weather, which was damp, we collected many interesting specimens of lichen, fungi and orchids, thus fulfilling our mission.

A.G.

Hobbies Exhibition

THE annual Exhibition of Hobbies was held at the School on Saturday, 9th October. The Exhibition opened with an impressive display by the School Cadet Detachment. Brigadier Dollery inspected the Detachment and in his address complimented them on their showing, and expressed regret that the Detachment was not larger. Brigadier Dollery then formally opened the Exhibition in the School Hall.

The exhibition of woodwork and leatherwork was of its usual high standard. The clay pottery was also excellent, especially that of the younger boys, but it was unfortunate that the pottery was unglazed, demonstrating the drastic need for a kiln at the School. An interesting exhibit demonstrating the three stages in moulding a plaster-of-paris figure, the heads carved from stone, and the other sculpture work were also quite good. On the stage in the hall there was a display of Junior School art which was of a very high standard, some of the paintings showing an artistic maturity beyond the young artists' years. Much admired was a beautifully embroidered stool made by Andrew Kemp. Much credit is due to Mr. Viney for his artistic arrangement of these exhibits.

A good display of stamps was exhibited by the Stamp Club. Russell showed a collection of stamps of St. Vincent and older British colonies; Pitt, a complete set of Australian commemorative stamps; Darcy, a set of first-day covers; and the President, Mr. Biggs, showed an almost complete set of Queen Victoria "Penny Reds." There was also a good general display of stamps of U.S.A., Germany, Great Britain and Norfolk Island.

The Natural History Club's exhibition aroused quite a lot of comment among visitors. A garden of well-selected mosses, lichens and fungi, as well as orchids, various types of leaf galls and fossils were among the exhibits.

Music Club

ALTHOUGH, in the third term, the Music Club was able to hold only three meetings, it did not prevent the Club from covering a great deal of ground in the musical world.

Unlike last year, a greater number of the lesser known works of the composers were heard. These included works of

There was the usual display of tents, signalling lamp, axes and other Scout equipment.

Remove A had a section displaying school work and hobbies, and there were some working models made from Meccano sets. Especially good were the aeroplane models of Philip Heckscher.

A centre of attraction in the hall was the model of the Theatre Royal, complete with scenery and props, which was used to stage a puppet show during the afternoon. The model was made and worked by Andrew Kemp.

Also much admired was the display of art by individual boys. Grahame Salmon showed a collection of excellent water-colours. These landscapes, of Hobart scenery, afforded yet another proof of this young artist's talent in this field. John Clark showed a group of surrealist pencil drawings which showed a lot of ability.

Interest in the Science Club's exhibition in the Physics laboratory centred mainly on Kyle Woods' attempt to produce sulphuric acid by the lead chamber process, and on Salmon's successful attempt to manufacture glass by striking an arc between two carbon electrodes in sand. The cathode ray tubes run by Turnbull also attracted much attention.

A display of school work, of exceptionally high standard, was shown in the Junior classrooms. This afforded the parents an idea of the work done by their younger children.

During the afternoon, at the back of the School, a physical education display was given by Junior boys. The boys were under the instruction of Mr. Nichol, and the exercises and games were not previously arranged.

Afternoon tea for the visitors was provided in the School library, and thanks are due to those parents and friends who helped to make this part of the function a success.

Dukas, Warlock, Grieg, Saint-Saens, Humperdinck, Schubert, Wagner, Ravel, Brahms and Chopin. However, major works played included a symphony of Beethoven, one of Haydn, "The Gondoliers," by Gilbert and Sullivan, "Peter and the Wolf," by Prokofiev, and the 1st Piano Concerto of Liszt.

The programmes were arranged by the President, and by Biggs Jr., Butler, Courtney, Lange, Morris, Rush, Shepherd and Scaife. In the way of informative talks, the President gave a lecture on the history of the modern piano, illustrated by records.

The Club was unable to exhibit at the Hobbies Exhibition, and after a long dis-

cussion it was thought inadvisable to play anything during the Exhibition itself.

During the year several more volumes of the Columbia History of Music were received, and the Club would like to thank the Parents' Association for financing this fine set of records.

A.B.C. Listening Group

WE have been asked by the Australian Broadcasting Commission to publish details of broadcast talks to be given during the next few weeks.

Second Series: "Heredity and Man."
Dec. 20—"The Application of Genetics to Domestic Animals."

Dec. 27—"The Application of Genetics to Man."

Jan. 3—"How Do Twins Come About?"

Third Series: "All Work and No Play?"
Jan. 10—"The Problem of Increased Leisure."

Jan. 17—"What Does Leisure Mean to You?"

Jan. 24—"What Leisure Could Mean to You."

Fourth Series: "Fuel?"

Jan. 31—"Coal Shortage—The Wolf at Industry's Door."

Feb. 7—"What Does the Coal Miner Want?"

Feb. 14—"Our Other Fuel Sources."

House Notes

STEPHENS HOUSE

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold

House Master: Mr. R. L. James

House Captain: J. T. Renney

Vice-Captain: C. R. Pearson

Captain Cricket: J. T. Renney

Captain Swimming and Football: A. J. Harris

Captain Athletics: C. R. Pearson

Captain Cross-Country: A. J. Hay

Captain Tennis: D. W. Strutt

Debating Representatives: H. Thompson and G. Page-Hanify

SINCE the last issue of the Magazine Stephens House has lost its advantage in the competition for "Cock House," and finally had to admit defeat at the hands of School House. Although the final results are not yet available, it is obvious

who has won the competition. Stephens House congratulates School on its win.

In the football we lost to both School and Buckland. The cross-country, this year, was marked by the number of entries, both in the Senior and Junior divisions. We congratulate A. Hay on winning the open race.

In the standard athletics, where the attendance of all is required, the response was far from good. Although School House won the day in the Inter-House athletics, we were heartened by the excellent performances of our under-age competitors. We look confidently to next year's sports.

So we say farewell to another year; and those who are returning next year, play hard, but fair, for the House.

SCHOOL HOUSE

Colours: Light Blue and Dark Blue

House Master: Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen

House Captain: M. C. P. Courtney

Vice-Captain: J. W. Heckscher

Captain Cricket, Football, Cross-Country, Tennis:
M. C. P. Courtney

Captain Swimming, Rifle-Shooting and Standard Athletics: B. T. Edgerton

Captain Athletics: J. T. Shelton

Captain Debating: J. W. Heckscher

BUCKLAND HOUSE

Colours: Maroon and White

House Master: Mr. Williams

House Captain: M. J. Rush

Vice-Captain: M. W. Clennett

Captain Football, Athletics and Cross-Country:
M. J. Rush

Captain Cricket and Tennis: M. W. Clennett

Captain Standards: J. Golding

Captain Swimming: M. Jolley

Captain Debating: J. P. Morris

Captain Rifle-Shooting: R. B. Glover

IN the last issue of the Magazine School were called on to make this a red-letter year by ALL boys giving of their best in the House competitions. It is pleasant to know that once again we are Cock House, but in the main this was due to efforts of the "A" House boys. This fact was born out by the result of the Standard Athletics, where we won the "A" but failed miserably in the "B."

The football, played in mud that nullified science, was the most notable of the "A" House contests. With only four members of the First XVIII, School did a grand job in defeating the big Buckland team. Stephs. offered little opposition, although they seemed quite powerful on paper. Our success was wholly due to everyone giving of his best, and teamwork.

The other "A" House contests showed School superior to both Bucks and Stephs. They were Cross-Country, in which Edgerton ran second; Athletics, in which Shelton, Heckscher and Firth covered themselves with glory; Tennis, in which three of the team were members of the School IV; and Rifle-Shooting.

In the "B" division, Bowden won the Cross-Country in fine style, otherwise, except for the Tennis and Rifle-Shooting, we were woefully weak.

This was not due to any lack of "stars," but a lack of keenness. So chaps, for the sake of those who put School on top this year, next year make a big effort to keep her in that position, as she would feel rather out of place in any other.

THIS year has not been a successful one for Bucks, but it has shown the fighting spirit possessed by many of us; it is our belief that, although not competitively strong, individually we proved our worthiness in many events. During the football season Buckland had seven playing members of the First XVIII, and several in the Seconds. Unfortunately, School House were a little too strong, but our presence was undoubtedly felt, for the final scores were:

School, 6.2 (38 points)

Bucks, 4.2 (26 points)

Cross-country runners to do well were Golding and Clennett; both were members of the inter-School team. Congratulations, chaps. Steves certainly surprised us in winning the Athletics, a most creditable effort; Bucks rallied well considering our limited number, and good performances were turned in by Rush, Golding and most of the younger runners. From the totals received in Rifle-shooting it is clear that Bucks were well off the target.

At the end of the year we will be losing most of the prominent members of the House, namely Rush, the House Captain, Clennett, his assistant, and most of the senior chaps, Glover, Jolley, Palfreyman. It is evident that most of the young athletes coming on will seriously threaten the opposition.

It is the belief of Mr. Williams, Rush and Clennett that all boys, whether they won or lost, gave of their best. To all those returning we say, "Come on, Bucks," and to those leaving, "Good luck from Bucks."

House Points

"A"			
School	Stephens	Buckland	
Cricket	18	10	2
Swimming	2	18	10
Football	18	2	10
Cross-Country	18	2	10
Athletics	18	10	2
Std. Athletics	18	10	2
Tennis	18	10	2
Rifle-Shooting	18	10	2
Totals	128	72	40

"B"			
School	Stephens	Buckland	
Cricket	12	1	6
Swimming	1	6	12
Football	6	12	1
Cross-Country	1	6	12
Athletics	1	12	6
Std. Athletics	1	6	12
Tennis	12	6	1
Rifle-Shooting	12	6	1
Totals	46	55	51

Grand Totals

School	174 points
Stephens	127 points
Buckland	91 points

Junior Cricket

A COLTS' team has been formed from promising junior boys who will be returning to School next year. It is hoped that these boys will form the nucleus of next year's Firsts. They already have one win to their credit, defeating St. Virgil's in a practice game. It is hoped to arrange more outside games to give these lads much-needed match practice.

Colour Awards

The following abbreviations are used: Cricket, C; Football, F; Tennis, T; Athletics, A; Swimming, S; Cross-Country, C-C.

First Colours—

M. Courtney: C, F, T, A; J. Heckscher: C, F, T, A; M. Rush: C, F, A; A. Harris: C, S, F; M. Clennett: C, S, F; T. Edgerton: F, C-C, A; A. Hay: F, C-C, A; D. Strutt: S, F, T; J. Golding: S, F, C-C; C. Pearson: F, A; J. Renney: F, C; G. Renney: S, F; M. Jolley: S, F; R. Read: C, F; M. Gibson: C, T; P. Mitchell: S, F; J. Vautin: C, F; R. J. Thompson: R; A. Cumming: R; D. Scaife: R; E. Cuthbert: R; M. Darcey: R; W. Hume: C; R. Smith: S; D. Fisher: S; B. Aherne: S; D. Hume: F; D. Pitt: F; A. Jack: F; J. Shelton: A; B. Johnson: A.

Second Colours—

Rowing.—E. Butler, K. Hughes, A. Hay, J. Morris and J. Biggs.

Cricket.—R. Read (1947), C. Pearson, B. Johnson, D. Hume, P. Bloomfield, T. Brain, M. Wills, P. Trethewey, D. Strutt and R. Hopwood.

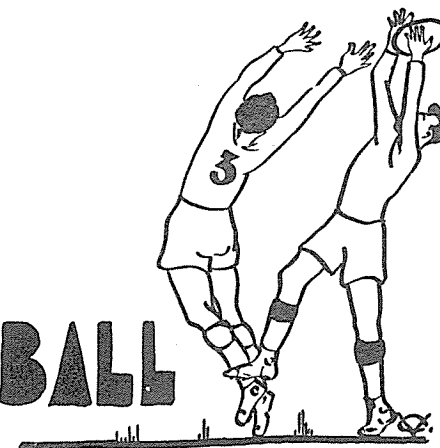
Swimming.—E. Stopp, M. Lucas, B. Brook, W. Halley, G. Salmon, R. Smyth, P. Jones, C. Smith, D. Jackson and D. Salter.

Football.—R. Glover, G. Page-Hanify, R. Thompson, A. Palfreyman, J. Clark, R. Hopwood, K. Hughes, W. Halley, B. Johnson, R. Evans, D. Fisher, D. Scaife, J. Thompson, T. Brain, R. Smyth, P. Trethewey and M. Douglas.

Cross-Country.—A. Cumming, I. Hadrill and M. Clennett.

Athletics.—R. Firth, G. Renney, A. Park, H. Shepherd, W. Ellis, J. Golding, J. Cooper, A. Graves, I. Madden, R. Terry, W. Hadley, J. Thompson, J. Millington, K. Smith, B. Coombe, A. Gibson and J. Lake.

FOOTBALL



Captain: M. C. P. Courtney
Vice-Captain: M. Rush

Second XVIII

Captain: G. Page-Hanify
Vice-Captain: Fisher

THIS has been a disappointing season for Hutchins, and one of fluctuating fortunes. In the first roster match against S.V.C. we were defeated by 10 points after a hard game in which we led for most of the time, but were unable to play through to the finish. In the second round, after a match in which the lead changed on several occasions, we were able to reverse this position and win by 3 points.

This success led us to think that we might win the premiership after all, especially if the team produced the football it had displayed. Unfortunately, in the next match against Friends', it played anything but the best, and was defeated fairly easily. This made it necessary for Friends' to defeat Saints in the remaining match if we were to have any chance at all. Had this happened, all teams would have been level and a further round would have been necessary. Saints made no mistake, however, and Hutchins had to be content with second place.

The last match of the season was a very enjoyable one against an Old Boys' XVIII in the annual Past v. Present match. At half time all players adjourned for afternoon tea. This was most enjoyable, but the ill-treated stomachs of the Past team could not recuperate as quickly as those of the Present boys, who thus finished off the season with an easy victory.

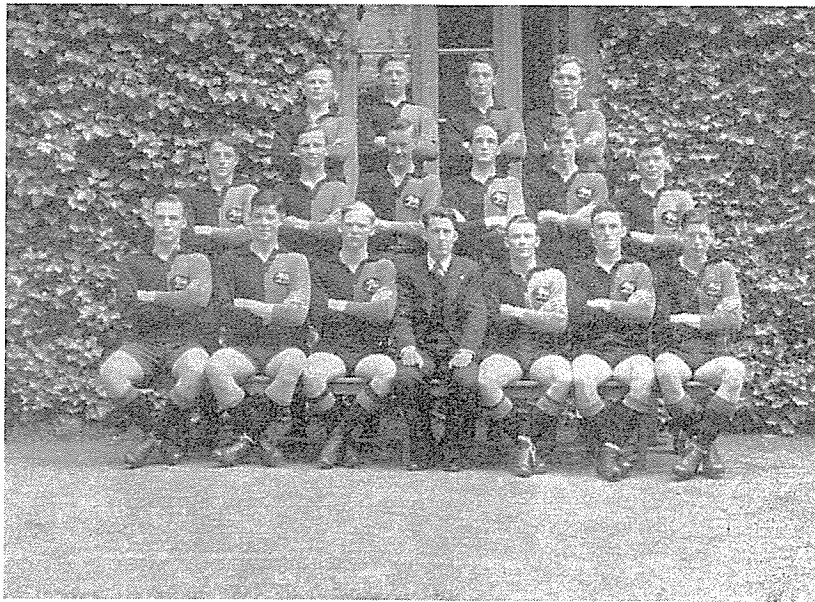
The season was a very patchy one for the Seconds, for one Saturday we would combine well, and the following match exhibit almost total lack of cohesion. Somewhat smaller in stature than Second XVIII's of other years, especially in the forward lines, we were immediately at a disadvantage, especially against the much larger S.V.C. team.

However, even if we were not always successful, it was pleasing to note that the will to win was ever present, and keenness never abated. The team, on an average, was also younger than usual, which augurs well for, if not next season, then the following one.

HOUSE FOOTBALL

In the "A" House matches, which were played at the Queenborough Oval, School House easily won both of their matches and Bucks won the third game, giving School the victory over Bucks, with Stephens third.

In "B" House, School were again favourites. They met Stephens in the third match, both having defeated Bucks. Stephens played very well to snatch a one-point victory from School, giving them the win in "B" House, with School second and Bucks third.



FOOTBALL TEAM
(Master-in-charge: Mr. G. A. McKay)

Tennis

AFTER a series of elimination matches the team for the inter-School competition was finalised to Courtney, Strutt, Gibson and Heckscher, with Shelton as reserve. The second pair were having their first season as members of the School team, and possibly through lack of experience were unable to clinch vital rubbers in the matches against Friends' School.

Finding a weakness in Forster's play, Strutt adopted very sound tactics in exploiting it, with the result that he won his singles matches. Courtney, the captain, made too many mistakes in his singles matches, but dominated the play in the doubles. The School, suffering defeat by Friends', gained second place in the competition. Results:

Hutchins v. St. Virgil's

Courtney and Strutt defeated Connelly and Jefferys, 6—5, 6—1.

Gibson and Heckscher defeated Cunningham and Kennedy, 6—2, 6—2.

Courtney lost to Connelly, 6—1, 5—6, 3—6.

Strutt lost to Jefferys, 5—6, 6—2, 4—6.

Gibson defeated Cunningham, 6—4, 6—5.

Heckscher defeated Kennedy, 6—3, 6—4.

Hutchins, 4 rubbers, 10 sets, 77 games.

St. Virgil's, 2 rubbers, 4 sets, 53 games.

Hutchins v. Friends'

Courtney and Strutt lost to Traill and Forster, 4—6, 3—6.

Gibson and Heckscher defeated Grimwade and Macdonald, 6—5, 6—5.

Courtney lost to Traill, 2—6, 5—6.

Strutt defeated Forster, 2—6, 6—4, 6—3.

Gibson lost to Grimwade, 6—4, 2—6, 1—6.

Heckscher lost to Macdonald, 4—6, 1—6.

Friends', 4 rubbers, 9 sets, 75 games.

Hutchins, 2 rubbers, 5 sets, 54 games.

Hutchins v. Friends'

Courtney and Strutt defeated Traill and Forster, 6—5, 6—5.

Gibson and Heckscher lost to Grimwade and Macdonald, 2—6, 3—6.

Courtney lost to Traill, 2—6, 0—6.

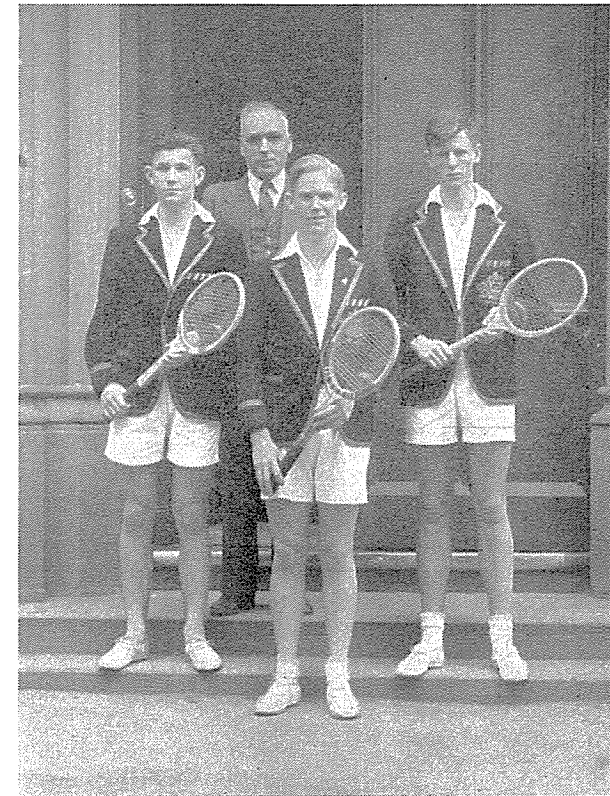
Strutt defeated Forster, 6—4, 6—2.

Gibson lost to Grimwade, 3—6, 3—6.

Heckscher lost to Macdonald, 6—4, 4—6, 4—6.

Friends', 4 rubbers, 8 sets, 68 games.

Hutchins, 2 rubbers, 5 sets, 51 games.



TENNIS TEAM
(Master-in-charge: Mr. W. J. Gerlach) Absent: J. W. Heckscher

Hutchins v. St. Virgil's

Courtney and Strutt lost to Connelly and Jefferys, 1—6 3—6.

Gibson and Heckscher defeated Murray and Cunningham, 6—2, 6—1.

Courtney defeated Connelly, 6—3, 6—5.

Strutt defeated Jefferys, 6—4, 6—5.

Gibson defeated Murray, 6—4, 6—3.

Heckscher v. Cunningham, 6—5, 3—6 (unfinished).

Hutchins, 4 rubbers, 9 sets, 61 games.

St. Virgil's, 1 rubber, 3 sets, 50 games.

HOUSE MATCHES

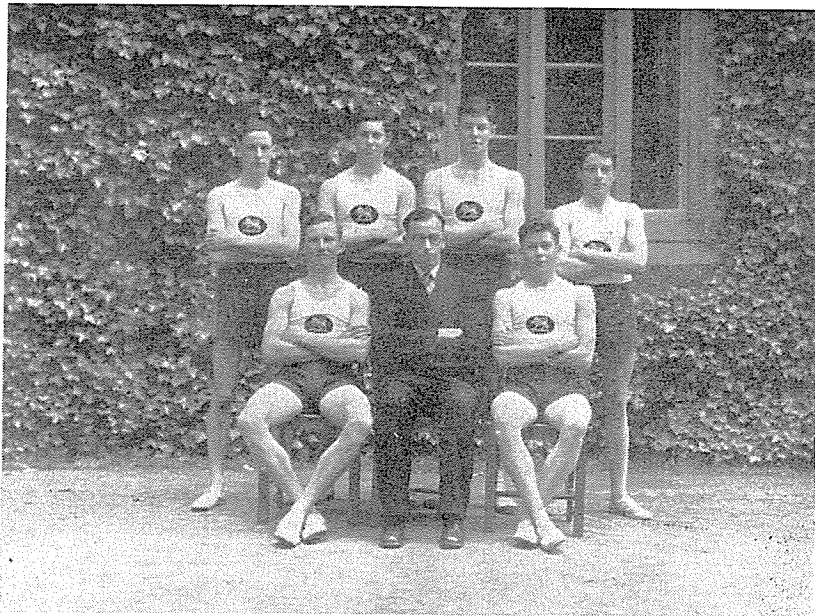
This year School showed superiority and by winning both "A" and "B" divisions, comfortably secured the Chas. Davis Cup for House tennis. Stephens secured second position in both competitions.

SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The sixteen entrants in the Under 15 championship provided some close matches. P. Trethewey, who accounted for a strong contender in P. Jones, suc-

cumbed to the greater steadiness of A. Gibson in one semi-final. In the other half, Terry and Bowden emerged to contest the semi-final, the former winning at 6—5, 6—5. The final between Gibson and Terry was a match of long rallies. Gibson made less mistakes and won, the score being 6—3, 5—6, 6—2. Congratulations, Gibson.

A major upset occurred in the first round of the open championship when Heckscher, playing soon after a bout of flu, was comfortably beaten by Vautin. The other "seeded" members of the School team reached the semi-finals though Gibson only gained victory over Shelton at 6—3, 5—6, 6—4. Courtney easily accounted for Vautin and Strutt for Gibson. The final provided some good tennis, but Courtney, wisely selecting the opportunities for a net attack, ably volleyed his way to victory at 6—4, 6—4. Congratulations to Courtney, 1948 School captain and champion.



CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM
(Master-in-charge: Mr. C. C. Bayes)

Cross-Country

WEATHER conditions were much more favourable this year for the running of the House Cross-Country race, and both Senior and Junior events provided excellent fields and close contests. In the Senior event School were first, Buckland second and Stephens third. In the Junior event the result was Buckland, Stephens and School. The Senior championship was won by Hay, of Stephens, with Edgerton, of School, second, and Courtney, of School, third. In the Junior event Bowden, of School, was first, Smyth, of Buckland, second, and J. Thompson, of Buckland, third.

ALL-SCHOOLS

The team trained assiduously for the All-School event, which was run over the new course at Elwick, and finished second in the teams' race to a well-balanced St. Virgil's College team, to whom we offer our congratulations. Due to a heavy sporting programme, Courtney, Heckscher and Gibson withdrew from the original team selected; this was unfor-

tunate but inevitable. First colours have been awarded to Edgerton, Hay and Golding, and Hadrill, Cumming and Clennett have received Second colours.

Standard Athletics

STANDARD Athletics is one sport in which every boy can earn at least one point for his House. Results, however, show that there are still far too many boys not pulling their weight for their respective Houses. Results:

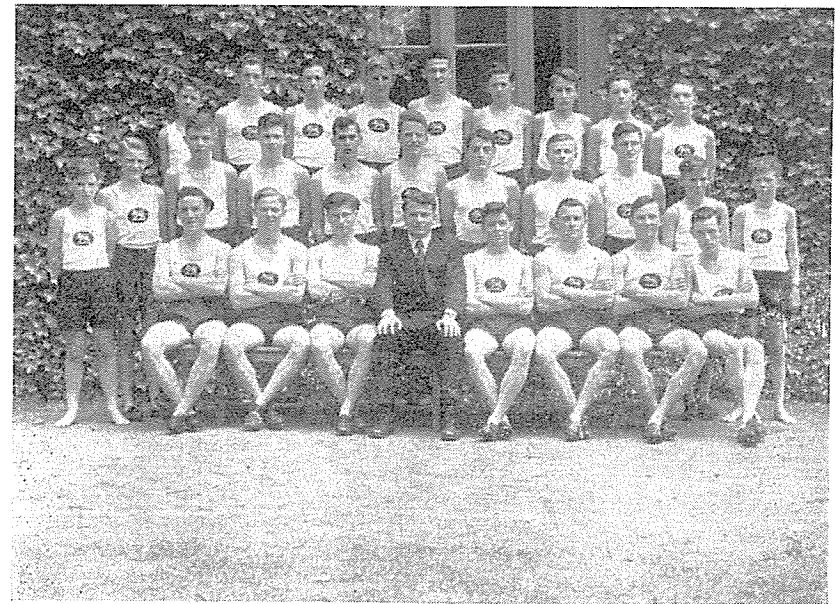
"A"

School	18 (7.94 points per boy)
Stephens	10 (5.8 " " ")
Buckland	2 (5.0 " " ")

"B"

School	1 (4.78 points per boy)
Stephens	6 (5.0 " " ")
Buckland	12 (6.5 " " ")

The possible number of points per boy in "A" House is 13, and in "B" House, 12.



SENIOR ATHLETICS TEAM
(Master-in-charge: Mr. B. G. Nichol)

House Athletics

THE House sports were held on Tuesday, 19th October, at the North Hobart Ground. Rain on the previous day had made the tracks heavy, but this did not deter Stephens House, whose yellow singlets seemed to be consistently out in front, especially in the under-age events.

Final results were:

	Open	Under-age	Total
Stephens	10	12	22
School	18	1	19
Buckland	2	6	8

Our thanks go to Mr. H. D. Erwin, who kindly consented to present the W. J. Parker Memorial Cup to the winning House.

Results:

Under 14 High Jump: R. Firth (Sc.), 1; B. Madden (B.), 2; B. Coombe (B.), 3; D. Lord (Sc.), 4; W. Ellis (St.), 5. Height, 4ft. 11½in.

Open 100yds.: J. Shelton (Sc.), 1; J. Heckscher (Sc.), 2; M. Rush (B.), 3; C. Pearson (St.), 4; S. R. Valentine (St.), 5. Time, 10 3-5 secs.

Under 16 100yds.: G. Renney (St.), 1; J. Cooper (St.), 2; I. Madden (B.), 3;

R. Smyth (B.), 4; R. Johnson (Sc.), 5. Time, 11 3-5 secs.

Under 15 100yds.: A. Park (Sc.), 1; R. Terry (St.), 2; W. Halley (St.), 3; R. Bowden (Sc.), 4; J. Thompson (B.), 5. Time, 11 3-5 secs.

Open 880yds.: M. Courtney (Sc.), 1; D. Pitt (St.), 2; A. Hay (St.), 3; T. Edgerton (Sc.), 4; M. Rush (B.), 5. Time, 2.12 3-5.

Under 16 Shot Putt: G. Renney (St.), 1; J. Golding (B.), 2; D. Hume (Sc.), 3; H. Shepherd (St.), 4; R. Smyth (B.), 5. Distance, 32ft. 9½in.

Open High Jump: A. Hay (St.), 1; P. Mitchell (B.), 2; D. Strutt (St.), 3; R. Read (St.), 4; M. Jolley (B.), 5. Height 5ft. 2in.

Under 16 Long Jump: H. Shepherd (St.), 1; G. Renney (St.), 2; I. Madden (B.), 3; R. Johnson (Sc.), 4; D. Tinning (B.), 5. Distance, 16ft. 2in.

Open Hurdles: J. Heckscher (Sc.), 1; R. Read (Sc.), 2; M. Jolley (B.), 3; G. Page-Hanify (St.), 4; M. Clennett (B.), 5. Time, 17 secs.

Under 14 100yds.: W. Ellis (St.), 1; J. Millington (B.), 2; K. Smith (B.), 3; J. Biggs (St.), 4; R. Firth (Sc.), 5. Time, 13 secs.

Under 13 100yds.: A. Gibson (St.), 1; J. Lake (B.), 2; D. Lord (Sc.), 3; N. Levis (B.), 4; R. Latham (Sc.), 5. Time, 13 2-5 secs.

Open 440yds.: M. Rush (B.), 1; C. Pearson (St.), 2; M. Courtney (Sc.), 3; D. Pitt (St.), 4; A. Palfreyman (B.), 5. Time, 55 secs.

Under 16 Hurdles: J. Golding (B.), 1; B. Purvis (St.), 2; D. Hume (Sc.), 3; R. Smyth (B.), 4; R. Johnson (Sc.), 5. Time, 15 2-5 secs.

Open Long Jump: B. Johnson (Sc.), 1; J. Heckscher (Sc.), 2; P. Mitchell (B.), 3; G. Page-Hanify (St.), 4; D. Pitt (St.), 5. Distance, 18ft. 9in.

Under 15 Hurdles: W. Halley (St.), 1; R. Terry (St.), 2; A. Park (Sc.), 3; G. Southwell (Sc.), 4; M. Douglas (B.), 5. Time, 12 2-5 secs.

Under 16 High Jump: J. Golding (B.), 1; D. King (St.), 2; D. Purvis (St.), 3; D. Hume (Sc.), 4; J. Lord (Sc.), 5. Height, 4ft. 8in.

Open 220yds.: J. Shelton (Sc.), 1; J. Heckscher (Sc.), 2; C. Pearson (St.), 3; R. Valentine (St.), 4; P. Mitchell (B.), 5. Time, 23 2-5 secs.

Under 16 220yds.: J. Cooper (St.), 1; G. Renney (St.), 2; J. Golding (B.), 3; I. Madden (B.), 4; D. Kirby (Sc.), 5. Time, 25 4-5 secs.

Under 15 220yds.: A. Park (Sc.), 1; R. Terry (St.), 2; W. Halley (St.), 3; J. Thompson (B.), 4; H. Calvert (Sc.), 5. Time, 26 secs.

Open Shot Putt: M. Rush (B.), 1; G. Renney (St.), 2; W. Hume (Sc.), 3; K. Wood (Sc.), 4; M. Clennett (B.), 5. Distance, 33ft. 4in.

Under 14 Hurdles: R. Firth (Sc.), 1; J. Millington (B.), 2; B. Madden (B.), 3; A. Gibson (St.), 4; D. Lord (Sc.), 5. Time, 12 1-5 secs.

Under 15 High Jump: G. McCreary (St.), 1; J. Thompson (B.), 2; G. Southwell (Sc.), 3; P. Trethewey (St.), 4; P. Jones (B.), 5. Height, 4ft. 6in.

Open Mile: T. Edgerton (Sc.), 1; M. Courtney (Sc.), 2; A. Hay (St.), 3; R. de Laine (B.), 4; M. Clennett (B.), 5. Time, 5 min. 1 sec.

Relays—

Under 15 (4 x 110yds.): Stephens, 1; School, 2; Buckland, 3. Time, 54 2-5 secs.

Under 14 (4 x 110yds.): Buckland, 1; Stephens, 2; School, 3. Time, 59 secs.

Under 16 (4 x 110yds.): Stephens, 1; Buckland, 2; School, 3. Time, 51 secs.

Open (4 x 220yds.): School, 1; Stephens, 2; Buckland, 3. Time, 1 min. 43 secs.

COMBINED SPORTS

This year saw the revival of the Combined North and South Athletic Competition after a lapse of 27 years. As only one competitor could be selected for each event, as compared with two in previous years, competition to gain a place in the team was very keen.

The sports were held on Saturday, 6th November, at the North Hobart Oval, under almost perfect conditions, although rain the previous day had made the tracks slightly holding.

Final points were:

Launceston Grammar School	142
St. Virgil's College	136
Hutchins School	104½
Friends' School	104
Scotch College	29½
St. Patrick's College	24

No one can deny the success of these sports, and it is hoped that the privilege of a trip North next year will give added zest to training.

Best individual efforts from a Hutchins point of view were those of J. Shelton, in the Open 100yds. (equal record) and 220yds.; J. Heckscher, in the Open 120 yds. Hurdles; and R. Firth, in the Under 14 High Jump (record). The Hutchins Open 4 x 200yds. Relay Team broke the record. Results:

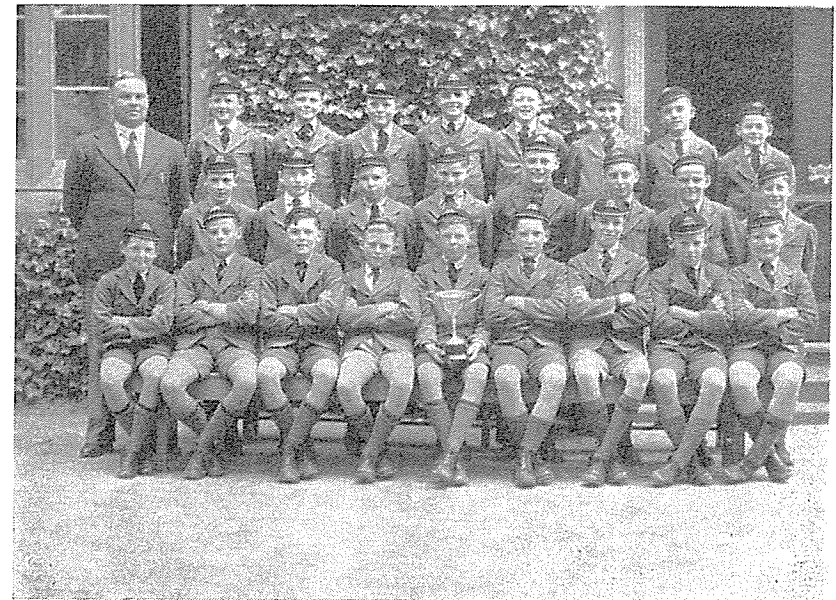
Under 14 High Jump: R. Firth (H.S.), 1; Lucke (G.S.), 2; G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 3; B. Turner (S.P.C.), 4; H. May (F.S.), 5. Height, 4ft. 11½ins. (record).

Open 100yds.: J. Shelton (H.S.), 1; W. Murphy (G.S.), 2; A. Hartnett (S.V.C.), 3; G. Dawson (S.C.), 4; P. Russell (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 10 2-5 secs. (equal record).

Under 16 100yds.: R. Hood (G.S.), 1; A. McGuinness (F.S.), 2; M. Bresnehan (S.V.C.), 3; G. Phillips (S.P.C.), 4; G. Phillips (S.V.C.) and G. Renney (H.S.), 5. Time, 11secs. (equal record).

Under 15 100yds.: R. Chapman (S.V.C.), 1; J. Scott (G.S.), 2; A. Park (H.S.), 3; G. Peacock (S.C.), 4; K. Turner (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 11 secs. (equal record).

Open 88yds.: J. Street (S.V.C.), 1; Grimwade (F.S.), 2; M. Courtney (H.S.), 3; R. Griffin (G.S.), 4; J. Currie (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 2 min. 5 1-5 secs.



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(Master-in-charge: Mr. E. J. Chapman)

Open High Jump: D. Kirkwood (S.V.C.), 1; A. Hay (H.S.), 2; A. Walton (F.S.), 3; W. Craig (G.S.), 4; J. Lyons (S.P.C.), 5. Height, 5ft. 4 ins.

Under 16 Broad Jump: A. McGuinness (F.S.), 1; H. Shepherd (H.S.), 2; R. Hood (G.S.), 3; G. Phillips (S.P.C.), 4; A. Stewart (S.V.C.), 5. Distance, 17ft. 8ins.

Open 120yds. Hurdles: J. Heckscher (H.S.), 1; N. Counsel (G.S.), 2; A. Walton (F.S.), 3; Cox (S.P.C.), 4; P. Millburn (S.V.C.), 5. Time 16 2-5 secs.

Under 14 100yds.: A. Gunther (G.S.), 1; G. Benjafield (S.V.C.), 2; W. Norquay (S.P.C.), 3; H. May (F.S.), 4; W. Ellis (H.S.), 5. Time, 11 4-5 secs.

Under 13 100yds.: B. Cullen (S.C.), 1; B. McCann (S.V.C.), 2; J. Munnings (F.S.), 3; P. Grierson (G.S.), 4; R. Cornish (H.S.), 5. Time, 12 1-5 secs.

Under 16 100yds. Hurdles: M. Bresnehan (S.V.C.), 1; J. Golding (H.S.), 2; M. Read (F.S.), 3; I. Trethewey (G.S.),

4; J. Connolly (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 14 2-5 secs. (record).

Open Broad Jump: R. Noble (F.S.), 1; W. Craig (G.S.), 2; D. Kirkwood (S.V.C.), 3; J. Lyons (S.P.C.), 4; B. Johnson (H.S.), 5. Distance, 19ft. 6ins.

Under 16 High Jump: B. Scott (G.S.), 1; P. O'Brien (S.V.C.), 2; J. Golding (H.S.), 3; M. Read (F.S.), 4; G. Kirkwood (S.P.C.), 5. Height, 5ft.

Open 220yds.: J. Shelton (H.S.), 1; W. Murphy (G.S.), 2; A. Hartnett (S.V.C.), 3; R. Noble (F.S.), 4; M. Kerslake (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 23 secs.

Under 16 220 yds.: R. Hood (G.S.), 1; A. McGuinness (F.S.), 2; M. Bresnehan (S.V.C.), 3; B. Gibbs (S.C.), 4; J. Cooper (H.S.), 5. Time, 23 3-5 secs. (record).

Under 15 220 yds.: R. Chapman (S.V.C.), 1; J. Scott (G.S.), 2; A. Park (H.S.), 3; A. Clennett (F.S.), 4; R.

Cousins (S.P.C.) and Peacock (S.C.), 5. Time, 23 3-5 secs. (record).

Open Shot Putt: J. Burn (G.S.), 1; P. Hindrum (F.S.), 2; M. Rush (H.S.), 3; P. Milburn (S.V.C.), 4; S. Grubb (S.P.C.), 5. Distance, 36ft. 1½ ins.

Under 12 100yds.: P. Grierson (G.S.), 1; J. Wilmshurst (S.V.C.), 2; D. Bennett (F.S.), 3; J. Sorell (H.S.), 4; G. Currie (S.P.C.), 5. Time, 13 secs. (equal record).

Open 440yds.: B. Forster (F.S.), 1; M. Rush (H.S.), 2; N. Counsel (G.S.), 3; L. Emery (S.V.C.), 4; G. Dawson (S.C.), 5. Time, 53 4-5 secs.

Open Mile: J. Street (S.V.C.), 1; T. Edgerton (H.S.), 2; J. Grimwade (F.S.), 3; D. Hardstaff (S.P.C.), 4; P. Rae (G.S.), 5. Time, 4 min. 54 2-5 secs.

ROWING

TRAINING for the 1949 Firsts got away to a good start early in May, and we have already covered over two hundred miles. Enthusiasm has run high despite the weather, which has been freezing, as only those who have ventured out on the Derwent at five o'clock in mid-winter know. Even a forced swim about June did not dampen our zeal—perhaps it was the consolation of knowing that we were accompanied by one who was fully dressed—shoes, socks, hat . . . and even the pipe. We covered about fifteen miles on a very enjoyable day's outing with this year's Firsts when we rowed up to Risdon.

Perhaps the greatest event was when we towed the new racing four down from the wharves to the shed. It has been on order since 1939, and is a beautiful craft. We are very anxious to take it out, but will not do so till next year.



Relays—

Under 13 (4 x 110yds.): S.V.C., 1; G.S., 2; F.S., 3; S.C., 4; H.S., 5. Time, 56 3-5 secs. (record).

Under 15 (4 x 110yds.): G.S., 1; S.V.C., 2; H.S., 3; F.S., 4; S.P.C., 5. Time 51 secs. (record).

Open (4 x 220yds.): H.S., 1; F.S., 2; G.S., 3; S.V.C., 4; S.P.C., 5. Time, 1 min. 35 3-5 secs. (record).

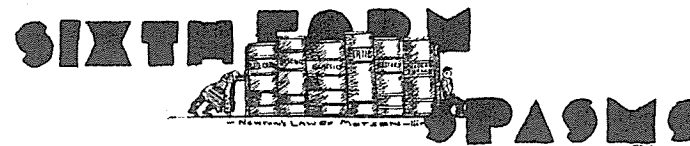
Under 14 (4 x 110yds.): G.S., 1; S.V.C., 2; F.S., 3; H.S., 4; S.C., 5. Time, 52 3-5 secs. (record).

Under 16 (4 x 110yds.): S.V.C., 1; F.S., 2; G.S., 3; S.C., 4; H.S., 5. Time, 48 secs. (record).

Plans for our training were mapped out this term and include a race at the New Norfolk Regatta and a training camp for both crews.

The crew would like to thank all those '48 rowers who have given us so much help in filling vacancies at a moment's notice and generally aiding us. We would also like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the time set aside for us by Mr. Keon-Cohen, who was with us all through the winter for over a hundred miles. We also wish to thank Mr. T. Darcey, who has coxed us out and given us many important tips.

The Seconds started well this term and are very enthusiastic. Not to be outdone, they also "bottled," in November off Wrest Point, but have settled down well and are now eagerly anticipating a transfer into the "Argo II" from the "tub."



"What, thou speak'st drowsily?

Poor knave, I blame thee not; thou art o'er-work'd."

Only when more contributions for the "Spasms" are asked for is the full significance of this quotation brought out.

The year has been a varied one for the Sixth. As usual, we are to the fore in the realm of sport, but with such dashing athletes as "Mick," "Max," "Jacky" and, of course, "Buddy," this is more or less to be expected. We have provided seven of the First XI, seven of the First XVIII, three of the First crew, two of the Cross-Country team, two of the First Tennis team, five of the Aths. team and we must not forget our solitary swimmer. No mention will be made here of our achievements at our studies, as our results at the end of the year can be depended upon to speak for themselves. We might add, however, that we have learnt our share of very neat and elegant—nay, artistic—in fact, beautiful proofs during the year, but seldom do we try them the way "youse" did them.

We are informed that an excellent example of antithesis is, "Black men fought one another on the coasts of Coromandel and red men scalped each other by the Great Lakes of North America," but we should like confirmation of this. Also, after much research, one of our scientists wishes to report that bromine has an extremely beneficial effect on handkerchiefs, and recommends it for the removal of all stains. Results, unfortunately, are not guaranteed.

Intermediate Reflections

HERE we are at the end of yet another year. Someone has mentioned that examinations will be held soon, so that our former good intentions to do some real work have now resulted in frantic efforts to gain the necessary knowledge for promotion to the next class. To a certain master, most of us appear to be "boneless wonders," while another master has termed us "oojahs," yet despite these remarks and the teasing of another master, we live quite happily.

Like most boys, we enjoy sport better

We pride ourselves on the most unique rubbish-tin in the School. Speaking from experience, it can be used for any purpose except holding rubbish. I have it from a reliable source that the great improvement in goal-kicking shown by some of our number was mainly due to the tin, as was also the fine fielding of the First XI. Amongst its varied list of accomplishments the tin seems to possess a strong attraction for blackboard dusters, whilst it usually manages to mystify certain of the staff as to its whereabouts.

Thanks to our weekly Biology lesson, we are now in a position to explain why streptomycin grows on the top of the VIA bookcase. We can even guess why grasshoppers in the Gregorian phase cause a plague in New South Wales and not Tasmania, though doubtless Bass Strait has something to do with it.

The blessings of this basely mechanical age are making themselves felt in the form of a diesel engine which regularly interrupts our work. One of our number remarked that it reminded him of Mari-byrnong, whilst another vehemently denied that it in any way resembled the exposition of "Woodie" Herman's Ebony Concerto.

Once more the exams. draw perilously closer, so "come dear children, let us away." We must return to the grindstone.

As always,

"Vivit Post Funera Spasmus"

—or do they?

than work, and in that department take a prominent part. Golding ran well in the inter-school cross-country and secured First colours for his effort. Several boys figured in the inter-school athletics. We congratulate Golding and Shepherd on their performances. 'Tis rumoured the class has a Seconds crew enjoying training and other things.

Rainy weather and sickness have handicapped our sport this term. Most have managed to overcome the sickness in a short period at home, but to Barrie

Purvis, who was forced to hospital for an operation, we extend our sympathy and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Finally, we would like to ask the following questions:—

1. Who is the Queen?
2. How does one wash for gold in N.S.W.?

Fifth Form Frolics

ANOTHER School year is drawing to its close, and most of us are sorry. for, in spite of lessons, exams, D.T.'s and other plagues, we have really had quite a good time. We are grateful to our Form Master, Mr. Hickman, for his interest in our welfare, and his readiness at all times to do anything for the "Form." Our thanks are also due to our Captain, J. Lord, and our Vice-Captain, R. Bowden, for the kindly yet efficient way they have managed us.

We were very sorry to say good-bye to Peter Dargaville, who went to live in Melbourne. One master is believed to have been almost inconsolable, though it is rumoured that "Benny" tries hard to make it up to him for Dargie's loss.

A hearty welcome to Michael Russell, who comes to us from England. We hope he will be very happy here. Keep on going, Russ.!

We are proud of our sporting prowess this year. Don Hume got his First colours for football and cricket, and R. Pitt, running seventh in the House sports, was chosen as an emergency for the Combined cross-country team. In the Inter-House sports, Bowden was the Junior cross-country and J. Thompson came third; W. Halley broke the School record for hurdles under 15; R. Firth won the high jump under 14, and in the Combined sports he broke a ten years' record by jumping 4ft. 11½ ins. W. Ellis won the 100yds. under 14, and G. McCreary the under 15 high jump.

Congratulations to M. Lucas on passing an entrance exam. to the Flinders Naval College. We hope he will be among those finally selected.

At the end of last term the Fifth played Inter. at football. This was a most exciting match. An 80 m.p.h. gale was blowing, and most of us kicked amazing distances. Every few minutes the ball lodged in the tallest trees surrounding the ground. However, thanks to Jackson's tree-climbing skill, the game was never interrupted for very long. In spite

3. Why is the Inter. such a good swimming class?
4. Are most of Shakespeare's plays terrible tragedies?
5. What master is liable to have fruit placed on his desk in November?
6. Are the English fair copies written in Greek or double-Dutch?
7. Will the Inter. class have a picnic?

of all our efforts and J. Heckscher's friendly umpiring, the Inter. were too good for us by seven goals, although we had them worried several times during the game.

Our class-room is surely one of the noisiest in the School—the noises coming from outside, bien entendu. What with lawn mowers and Mr. Jackson's lorries running very slowly down hill with a long drawn-out scream of brakes, the din at times is terrific. Recently, a driver decided to park his lorry full of livestock just outside our windows. A certain calf in that lorry registered in no uncertain terms its unqualified disapproval of everything we were being taught.

It grieves us to report that our Captain let us down badly by falling asleep at the end of an exciting period. As the next period was French, his awakening was sharp and sudden.

Recently a sensation was caused by the disappearance of our duster. Another was obtained and it, too, vanished completely. Despite a lightning search of the Christ College block one dinner hour by Detective-Inspector Brain and his minions, no trace of the missing dusters was found.

Our "champion" pig-breeder is trying to rival B. J. at spectacular performances. He claimed that he could drive between a certain pair of trees at Tarooma without hitting either. The result was amazing. The horse kept going, the sulky stopped and the champ., after some superb gyrations, landed in the nearest puddle.

Lately, a cracker craze swept the Fifth. We had a glorious time until one boy through one dangerously near a master. Since then they have been banned, and W.J.G. treated us to an eloquent discourse on the "dangers of pyrotechnics."

Professor Woodward of Myrtle, Director of our Brains Trust, has compiled a list of questions which have puzzled our best brains for months. Other Forms are invited to send in solutions.

1. Who is Durgess and what did he find in the tennis court?
2. What is an obstructionist?
3. Who "Nicks" our of P.T.?
4. What does ARDMONA mean?
5. Which master grows peach trees from stones?
6. Who is the Invisible Man who drives cars through shop windows?
7. What does "la pomme" mean in Fifth Form argot?
8. How many Pitts are there in YANG YANG?
9. Who is the mysterious P.B.?
10. What is the meaning of the formula $BJ = CO - OP$?
11. Where does "Eskimo" get his fish stories from?
12. Who knows all the short cuts?

In conclusion we wish everyone a happy Xmas and all success in the forthcoming examinations.

The Voice of Remove A

THE number of boys whose voices are beginning to lose that "first fine careless rapture" makes us realise that we are coming to the end of our first year in Senior School. This term we we have certainly not disgraced ourselves in sport, although in class it has been noticed that clouds have, on occasion,, chased themselves across the usually beaming faces of our masters. Let us hope that the examination results will bring back the sunshine.

In sport, Park, Smith, Gibson, Millington, Lake and Coombe all ran for School in the Combined sports. Darcey is to be seen on the river coxing the Derwent Rowing Club to victory.

We took over a complete exhibit during activities day, and mingled in the crowds of visitors, pretending not to hear the nice things they said about our work. Heckscher's models and Bloomfield's art were good, even when judged by Remove A standards.

Park and Harris having (to our relief) been excused singing, spent their time making lockers and shelves in the room. Our growing class library can now be displayed. The Parents' Association kindly presented us with a set of encyclopaedias which have been well read and are going

to be missed next year when we go to the Fifth Form.

And so a happy Christmas to all, and may we do even better next year.

Things we would like to know:—

1. Why is Parkinson always so eager for term to start?
2. Did the Latin class appreciate the efforts of the carpenter who was PARKed at the back of the room?
3. That the shortest distance from a given point on a ladder to the ground is a vertical line (we will take that for GRANTED).
4. Will the Mount Palomar telescope be able to pick up the Heavenly Twins?
5. Who wrote the song "Roll, Jordan, Roll," and does he?
6. What is the Riddle of the Sphinx," and Who Done It?
7. Are Roosters fond of Radishes?
8. Do the mouse eat the missing pens and pencils?
9. To whom was the poet referring when he spoke of "the rightful sons of Lake and the Rodneys yet to be"?
10. To what Smith is the poet referring when he says "His brow is wet with honest sweat"?

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WHO'S WHO IN THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Captain of the School: W. J. Cooper.
House Captains.—Nixon: I. Joyce; Montgomery: D. Gibb; Hay: W. J. Cooper.

Captain of Cricket: W. J. Cooper.
Captain of Football: A. Hirst.

Captain of Athletics: W. J. Cooper.

Fiction Library Committee: D. M. Gibb (Chairman), W. J. Cooper, R. H. Purden, A. Lord, M. J. Chen, D. Martin.

Reference Library Committee: H. F. Foster, D. A. Walch, B. G. Kemp.

Clubs.—Chess: P. Hay; Hiking: W. J. Cooper; Index: H. Burbury; Stamps: A. Kemp; Wireless: E. McDougall; Puppets: G. A. Verrell; Model Boats: L. P. Rice.

Form Notes

REMOVE B

THIS year Remove B has had a very happy time under the watchful eye of Mr. Viney. Bill Cooper and Arthur Hirst, our captain and vice-captain respectively, assist him in his work.

This year we have been well represented in sport. Colin von Bibra gained a place in the victorious School swimming team, while Bill Cooper, Robert Cornish and John Sorell ran in the Inter-School athletic sports.

We were also well represented in Junior School sport. Twelve boys played in the cricket team, fourteen in the football, and thirteen in the athletics, which won the R. O. Mather Shield. We held the captains of all these—Bill Cooper, athletics and cricket, and Arthur Hirst, football.

Three boys, John Sorell, Peter Parsons and Donald Gibb, sat for the Junior Bursary at Albuera Street. Seven notables sat for the Newcastle and Board Scholarship at School.

Most of our boys are in our play, "The Desire of all Nations," which is being produced by Mr. Jarvis.

Last term we collected £7 for the U.N.A.C. Appeal. We also collected money during the Lent period, and with it we support two boys in New Guinea. We wish these boys a very happy Christmas.

During the year we have done some very interesting projects. We are helped very greatly by our own reference library, which has been moved to our Form room.

Each week we listen to the health broadcast by "Medico," and "The World We Live In," by Professor Browne.

At the beginning of this term Remove B classroom was changed about quite a bit. Our lockers were divided and placed in Remove B's old class-room, which is now our cloak-room.

In conclusion, we wish all our readers a merry Christmas.

FOURTH FORM

THE year is drawing to a close and all of us are looking forward to the Christmas holidays. We have had a very busy year, both in work and sport, and are looking forward to a well-earned rest.

Mr. McKay has been our Form Master this year. He has made us work very hard at times, but on other occasions we have had quite a lot of fun.

In sport we have been fairly well represented in the Junior School First teams. Brammall, Goodfellow, Kemp, Tinker-Casson, Webster and Loney have all been members of the First XVIII, while Tinker-Casson and Kemp played for the First XI. In athletics, Brothers, Goodfellow, Brammall, Gough, Kemp and McDougall were members of the team that won the R. O. Mather Cup. Brothers and Mc-

Dougall did especially well, each breaking the record for the event in which he ran. Congratulations to Brothers and McDougall.

At the moment all minds are on the result of the D. H. Harvey Scholarship Examination. Although only eight of us took part, we are all interested to know who will be the lucky boy.

AN ALPHABET OF FORM IIIa

A is for Alderton, who doesn't like swimming;

B is for Button, who's usually grinning.

C is for Cumming, whose sums won't come right;

D is for David, who worries all night.

E is for Ellie. Oh! What has he done!!

F is for Foghorn, how base he has gone!

G is for Geoffrey. Why mustn't he talk?

H is for Horsey. Why doesn't he walk?

H is for Hull, who is jealous of Howard;

I is for Ian, who has just wriggled onward.

J is for Jimmy, who simply loves running;

K is for Kenny, who never stops mugging.

L is for Leader. Yes, Henry's there watching;

M is for Millar, who day-dreams while walking.

N is for Neville, a "champ" to the core;

O(h)! Why does Butch make faces galore.

P is for Perry, who knows all about cars;

Q is our question. Did Moore write on Mars?

R is for Richards, please open the door;

R is for Rice, who knows how to draw.

S is for Shearman, of Micky Rooney fame;

T is for Turnbull and his growing pain.

T is for Thinribb, who loves catching flies;

U is for you sir, who eats all the pies.

V is for Verrell, who must shake his head;

W is for Walker, who squawks even in bed.

W is for Williams, a sporting young bore;

X is for Xmas, which we never ignore.

Y is for You, whom we never may meet;

Z is for (Z) Xylophone, and the end of our treat.

Compiled by Form IIIa

FORM IIIb

WE are the smallest Form in the Junior School—just twenty-five of us. Of course, we think we are the best behaved boys, but we are not sure whether Mr. Nichol thinks so. We have three boys who have come all the way from England. We hope they like us. Our favourite lesson is Social Studies. This term we have learned about Other Peoples

Houses. We really know quite a lot about the world.

We were glad that Chen and Hodgman were in the football and athletics teams, and Brodribb, Martin and White in the athletics.

We enjoyed a visit to the Wild Nature Show, and thought the mountain devil a very queer creature.

We are now looking forward to a visit to the museum and a picnic . . . Happy Christmas to all from IIIb.

INTER-JUNIOR PUBLIC SCHOOL SPORTS

HUTCHINS School retained the R. O. Mather Trophy when the annual athletic sports meeting of the Hobart Junior Public Schools' Association was held at the North Hobart Oval, on 26th October.

This year's athletic team excelled themselves, and this in spite of the fact that our representatives in the Under 14 events (as anticipated) proved to be far below standard.

We have an exceptionally large and promising young crop of sprinters, chiefly in the Under 10 group. To comment on all the events would take up for too much space. However, Neville Swan's feat in winning the Broad Jump Under 12, was particularly meritorious as it was the result of sheer grit and determination. Two factors which go a long way in acquiring a knowledge and technique of the difficult and arduous process by which the practice of field and track events can lead towards perfection, and a love for, not only the oldest, but the best of games.

The most creditable performances were by our Relay teams, who really worked as teams, to win four out of the five relay events. The most stimulating (which promises well for the future) were our wins in record time of the Under 11 and Under 10 Shuttle Relays.

In the individual events W. Cooper, J. Sorell, N. Swan, T. Brothers, D. McDougall and J. Grant promise well, and we should hear more about their athletic achievements as the years go by.

Final points were:

Hutchins School	92½
St. Virgil's College	65½
Friends' School	65
St. Peter's School	55

Results—

Championships.—Under 14: G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 1; H. May (F.S.), 2. Under 13: W. Cooper (H.), 1; C. Campbell (F.S.) and T. Barker (S.P.S.), equal 2. Under 12: J. Sorell (H.S.), 1; N. Swan

(H.S.), 2. Under 11: D. O'Neill (S.V.C.), 1; T. Brothers (H.S.), 2. Under 10: D. McDougall (H.S.), 1; L. Nolloth (F.S.), 2.

Under 14.—100 yds.: G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 1; H. May (F.S.), 2; D. Delaney (S.P.S.), 3. Time, 12 secs. (record). 220yds.: G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 1; H. May (F.S.), 2; G. Rogers (H.S.) and McKenna (S.V.C.), equal 3. Time, 27 2-5 secs. (record). Hurdles: H. May (F.S.), 1; T. Hughes (F.S.), 2; Clerk (H.S.), 3. Time, 11 4-5 secs. (record). High Jump: D. Cracknell (S.P.S.), 1; G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 2; H. May (F.S.), 3. Height, 4ft. 7ins. (record). Broad Jump: G. Pullen (S.V.C.), 1; D. Delaney (S.P.S.), 2; D. Cracknell (S.P.S.), 3. Distance, 15ft. 2½ins. (record). Relay: S.V.C., 1; F.S., 2; S.P.S., 3. Time, 56 3-5 secs.

Under 13.—100yds.: I. McDonald (S.P.S.), 1; W. Cooper (H.S.), 2; R. Cornish (H.S.), 3. Time, 13 secs. (equal record). 220yds.: N. Graves (S.P.S.), 1; R. Cornish (H.S.), 2; W. Cooper (H.S.), 3. Time, 26 4-5 secs. (record). High Jump: C. Campbell (F.S.), 1; S. Findlay (F.S.), 2; J. Chapman (S.V.C.), 3. Height, 4ft. 3ins. (record). Broad Jump: T. Barker (S.P.S.), 1; B. Olbrich (S.V.C.), 2; W. Cooper (H.S.), 3. Distance, 14ft. 1in. Relay: H.S. 1; S.P.S., 2; F.S., 3. Time, 58 secs.

Under 12.—75yds.: J. Sorell (H.S.), 1; D. Bennett (F.S.), 2; N. Swan (H.S.), 3. Time, 10 secs. 100yds.: J. Sorell (H.S.), 1; D. Bennett (F.S.), 2; N. Swan (H.S.), 3. Broad Jump: N. Swan (H.S.), 1; J. Allison (F.S.), 2; G. McWatt (S.V.C.) and J. Sorell (H.S.), equal 3. High Jump: J. Chapman (S.V.C.), 1; D. Gibb (H.S.) and G. Parker (S.P.S.), equal 2. Relay: H.S., 1; F.S., 2; S.V.C., 3. Time, 61 1-5 secs.

Under 11.—75yds.: D. O'Neill (S.V.C.), 1; T. Brothers (H.S.), 2; J. Upchurch (F.S.), 3. Time, 10 1-5 secs. (record). 100yds.: A. Brothers (H.S.), 1; D. O'Neill (S.V.C.), 2; J. Eastwood (S.P.S.), 3. Time, 13 2-5 secs (record). High Jump: A. Doyle (S.V.C.), 1; C. Lester (F.S.), 2; K. Brammall (H.S.), 3. Height, 3ft. 10ins. (record). Relay: H.S., 1; S.V.C., 2; F.S., 3. Time, 43 1-5 secs. (record).

Under 10.—75yds.: L. Nolloth (F.S.) and J. Grant (H.S.), equal 1; D. McDougall (H.S.), 1; D. Smith (S.P.S.), 2; L. Nolloth (F.S.), 3. Time, 14 secs. (record). Relay: H.S., 1; S.P.S., 2; F.S., 3. Time, 44 secs. (record).

THE ANNUAL JUNIOR SCHOOL ATHLETIC MEETING, 1948

The annual Athletic Meeting was held this year on 15th October. Athletes at Hutchins are unfortunate in that they frequently have to compete, not merely with each other, but with the weather as well. This year the weather was so bad that most of the preliminary events had to be run off under anything but ideal conditions. Fortunately, Sports Day itself was a splendid day, though the track was rather heavy. In spite of these handicaps, however, performances were of a fairly high standard.

A unique feature of this year's sports meeting was the hoisting of coloured flags of the three Houses on a flagstaff by the Result Board Steward on the completion of each event; the order of the flags representing the position of the Houses in regard to the House Trophy for athletics.

This year the House Trophy was won by Montgomery House with 70½ points, closely followed by Hay House with 68 points, and Nixon House with 39½ points. Results:

Under 9.—75yds.: Hodgman (N.), 1; Brodribb (M.), 2; Chen (M.), 3. Time, 11 1-5 secs.

Shuttle Relay, 4 x 75yds. (2 boys under 9, 2 boys under 10): Montgomery, 1; Hay, 2; Nixon, 3.

Under 10.—75yds.: Grant (M.), 1; White (M.), 2; McDougall (H.), 3. Time, 11 secs. 100yds.: McDougall (H.), 1; Walker (M.), 2; White (M.), 3. Time, 14 2-5 secs.

Under 11.—75yds.: Brothers (M.), 1; Goodfellow (M.), 2; Elliston (H.), 3. Time, 11 secs. 100yds.: Goodfellow (M.), 1; Brothers (M.), 2; Elliston (H.), 3. Time, 14 1-5 secs. High Jump: Gibb (M.), 1; Brammall (N.), 2; Gough (M.), 3. Height, 3ft. 8ins. Relay (4 x 75yds.): Montgomery, 1; Nixon, 2; Hay, 3.

Under 12.—75yds.: Sorell (H.), 1; Swan (H.), 2; Clerk (N.), 3. Time, 10 1-5 secs. 100yds.: Sorell (H.), 1; Swan (H.) and Minton-Taylor (N.), equal 2. Time, 13 3-5 secs. Broad Jump:

Sorell (H.), 1; Swan (H.), 2; Loney (M.), 3. Distance, 12ft. 7½ins. High Jump: Clerk (N.), 1; Fergusson (H.) and Minton-Taylor (N.), equal 2. Height, 3ft. 7ins. Relay (4 x 110yds.): Hay, 1; Nixon, 2; Montgomery, 3.

Under 13.—100yds.: Cooper (H.) and Cornish (H.), equal 1; Lord (M.), 3. Time, 13 2-5 secs. 200yds.: Cooper (H.), 1; Cornish (H.), 2; Lord (M.), 3. Time, 28½ secs. Broad Jump: Cooper (H.), 1; Cornish (H.), 2; Boyes (N.), 3. Distance, 11ft. 8½ins. High Jump: Hull (M.), 1; Cooper (H.), 2; Fergusson (H.), 3. Height, 3ft. 9½ins. Relay (4 x 110yds.): Hay, 1; Montgomery, 2; Nixon, 3.

Open.—100yds.: Blacklow (M.), 1; Hirst (H.), 2; Geen (N.), 3. Time, 13 2-5 secs. 220yds.: Rogers (N.), 1; Blacklow (M.), 2; Hirst (H.), 3. Time, 32 secs. 70yds. Hurdles: Blacklow (M.), 1; Joyce (N.), 2; Banks-Smith (H.), 3. Time, 11 2-5 secs. Broad Jump: Blacklow (M.), 1; Joyce (N.) and Nettlefold (M.), equal 2. Distance, 12ft. 9½ ins. High Jump: Blacklow (M.), 1; Joyce (N.), 2; Geen (N.), 3. Height, 4ft. 2ins. E.J.C.

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CRICKET

Our team played two rounds of matches against the other three Junior Public Schools of Hobart. We were successful in winning only one of these games, but all matches were closely contested and some good individual performances were recorded. Banks-Smith, Cooper and von Bibra were our outstanding boys.

At the time of writing this report the House Match roster is under way. W.J.C.

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FOOTBALL

Our inter-School football record this year is not very bright for we won only two matches out of six. The House football was very well contested, with Hay House taking the honours. A.H.

BOARDERS' BUDGET

What is life if full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare;
No time to stand beneath the showers
And soak and soak and soak for hours?
As any boarder will tell you, life without leisure would be as incongruous as Wills without a voice.

Looking through a poetry book some time ago the following definitions of "notorious" boarders were filched:—

Wills (Maxie)—

"With monstrous head and sickening cry."

Davis (Durgess)—

"The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient, crooked will."

Shelton (Shocks)—

"Youth now flees on feathered foot."

Evans (Taffy)—

"He can root up an oak
With a whisk of his nose."

Woodward (Myrtle)—

"He leapt to arms unbidden,
Unneeded, overbold."

Heckscher (Minnie)—

"Which are more full of fate,
The stars or those sad eyes?"

Hadrill (The Cad)—

"Of what is he thinking
Between those wide ears?"

Smith (Colvin)—

"Wee, sleekit, cow'rin', tim'rous
beastie."

(P.S.—The creator of the above prefers to remain anonymous).

Mystery

That justly famous and indefatigable sleuth shop, the prefects' study, has been credited with an unsolved mystery. It has been filed under the heading of the "wireless wireless." Although magnifying glasses and third-degree methods were used unsparingly, the culprit, like the sugar in our tea, is still an unknown quantity. One theory put forward was that the "wadio fwequency was all wong." This could be so, for, as the "Shadow" says, at 9 o'clock every Friday night, "Who knows?"

Supper

For those readers of little or no nous, the following is a description of the supper-time rush in the boarding-house:

As the prefect taking prep. puts away his pen and picks up his books, all work (?) ceases. Faces one would usually describe as bovine light up with eager expectation. Toes seek footholds for a sudden push-off, and bodies sidle to the uttermost edges of chairs. The prefect opens his mouth, but the words, "You can go now," are drowned in a babel of sounds and cries that would make a jazz convention sound seraphic.

First to reach the door is "Dr. Cyclops," who makes a stirring sight as he flat-foots it down the passage, his beautifully groomed hair streaming in his wake. "Shocks," who is close behind the mad doctor, provides a striking contrast as he bounces along on his toes in approved sprinting style, his flowing beard giving him a faintly patriarchal look.

When the turn into the common-room is reached, "Cyclops," unable to slacken speed, continues after his nose and crashes into the wall. Fortunately, most of the shock is absorbed by the overcoat rack, so the wall escapes unscathed. This leaves "Shocks" out in front. It is hard to pick second, as the rest are in one seething, fighting, biting, kicking, shouting, struggling mass. Ah! But something is leading the mob. It is no single person. What can it be? Is it? No; but yes! It is a stomach, and it is closely followed by "Curly" Best.

When this conglomeration reaches the supper-room it slowly gives up the struggle and forms a queue in which spent forces are gathered for yet another strenuous attack—one upon the supper.

A Visit to the Study

Although we boarders are nothing but "typical Australian larrikins," we have among us one of a nobler strain. One of "The Poets." His claim to fame follows:

He's wielding his cane like an overseer,
Through patience and practice long,
And standing outside I tremble with
fear

At the sound of its whistling song.
In a second or two he will open the
door,

With a creak like a funeral dirge,
And I'll enter in silence and bend to
the floor,

While emotions of fear through me
surge.

The remaining verses of this poem may be had by applying at W. Hume's new address of "The Mantelpiece," Room 9.

Ave Atque Vale

Since the last Boarders' Budget the house has been rather cramped by the arrival of four new boys. When grouped together one would think they were a far greater crowd.

These newcomers are welcome, however, for next year many of the "old brigade" will be big business men, "Road Scholars" and the like, so new blood will be badly wanted. To those coming back it is hoped next year will be an enjoyable one, and that those leaving will always remember the few (some cynics might even say the very few) moments of happiness and horseplay they have had as boarders.

Original Items

RED RYDER

Red Ryder's a Western,
A cowboy you know;
He's good with his fists
Against all his foes.
His horse is named Thunder,
A fine, glossy black;
He never does blunder,
And always comes back.
His companion's Little Beaver,
A Red Indian child;
His pony's named Papoose,
And so very mild.

E. M. Lilley, IIIa

FRIGHT

It is a dark night, with wind and rain prevailing, as I lie in bed listening and thinking.

As I listen, I hear a faint noise. Is it imagination? No, there they are again. Would they be burglars? I decide that it must be. I creep downstairs, grab a poker, and creep to the back door. At the doorway I hesitate, as if in fear.

Prefects' Pars.

THIS issue nearly appeared under the heading of "Pelicans' Pars.," but as Pearson and Rush comprise but a small proportion of the prefects, such a title would be misleading.

Rush was the outstanding prefect of the term when his attempt at pearl-diving in the Derwent was spurlged across "The Mercury" as a near-fatal accident. He is back to normal (physically) once again, however, and is considering forming an "Ice-berg Club" in Hobart.

Heckscher let the coming exams prey upon him; his nerves stretched, strained and snapped under this truly horrible ordeal. He has been recuperating for the past week in a nice, soft bed, and "swotting" Dorothy L. Sayers and John Buchan. To quote Pearson, "How is he, eh?"

Pearson has become, a little prematurely, a Channel orchardist. We can now expect a marked increase in codlin moth and apple cores from that part of the world. But, knowing of his indispensability to the football and athletic teams, he paid the School a short visit to be in the photos.

Renney was responsible for a broadening of our literary field by presenting the study with two "westerns" and a book of short stories by Guy de Maupassant. The "westerns" were great, and

Then my courage backs me up again.
I wrench the door open and almost inaudibly chatter, "Who's there?"

I see a dim outline of a man before me, and when he answers I recognise him to be the milkman, who says, "I can't find your cat in this dark, mister."

D. M. Gibb, Remove B

THE UNLUCKY FISHERMAN

As I sit in my boat on the Murray,
And cunningly cast out my line,
I imagine myself at breakfast,
With a cod that suits my design.
But the fishes are not very hungry,
Or perhaps I have the wrong bait;
Something must happen shortly,
Or nothing I'll have on my plate.
Ah! Now I feel things are moving;
A tug, a pull and a jerk—
But all I catch for my labour
Is a worn-out, discarded old shirt.

Mark Chen, Remove B

we've been told that de Maupassant is too, so we are rightly very grateful to Renney.

Page-Hanify, Renney and Heckscher were three of the "stars" of the School's presentation of "Toad of Toad Hall." All three were first-class. Courtney, Rush and Pearson also merit high praise for their suave and polished ushery. Mr. Jarvis, the producer of the play, was complimented on his faultless choice of boys for the right parts.

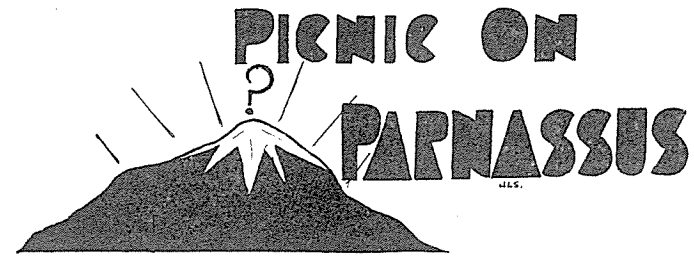
Puzzling prefects is the queer pronunciation Rush has for "Clerk." He insists that it should be said "clurk" instead of "clark." Is he ashamed of the name?

Even our Brains Trust, Hope(ful) Hanify couldn't explain the phenomenon. Maybe Courtney will be a Goodfellow and solve the problem.

Out of this year's inhabitants of the study, only Hanify, possibly Renney and Heckscher, will return next year.

We who are leaving wish them and next year's prefects the best of luck, and as a proof of our esteem offer them a well-tried formula for a liniment that soothes tender ears and bruised gums. This recipe will be left in the found-money tin, weighted down by the solitary half-penny that has been collected this year.

M.C.P.C.



THE GIRL OF TODAY

I LEANT against the wall and watched the dancers gliding round and round and round . . .

Suddenly a couple stopped. The girl vigorously pushed the boy away from her and swiftly walked to a seat at the side of the hall, sat down, put her coat over her shoulders and started smoking a cigarette.

At this cavalier treatment her rejected swain's jaw dropped alarmingly. Then (he seemed used to such situations) he gave a wry smile and edged his way off the floor. About two minutes later I saw him cornering a bend with great gusto and a new partner.

Now this incident could show many things. The never-say-die attitude of today's youth. The choosiness of the modern miss, or such a situation as this could be used as an advertisement for soap. But I shall use it to illustrate the "Girl of Today."

For instance, never before since men could club women and get away with it (and the women) has a girl been able to dismiss a suitor in such contemptuous fashion in a public place. Never before since the world began would a partner take such treatment so calmly. And even more shattering, never before have young girls smoked in public.

All these facts show girls have changed. It would be foolish to think that any one girl is the average type, for every one has at least slight differences. I have divided them into three sections that on the surface look as far apart as the poles, although I suppose under their skin-like all women before them, they are very much alike. Here are my three divisions of today's girl: the Career Girl, the Mantrap, and the Plain but Honest (too honest) type.

By a career girl I mean the type who passed her Matric. at fifteen or sixteen years of age and was either a terrific sport or an utter failure. She is now at the University taking, amongst other sub-

jects, chemistry, physics and biology. She wears glasses, close-cropped hair and a cigarette in her mouth. By the way, these intellectuals are the only species of female who smoke for enjoyment and not effect. She is either flat-chested or mountainous, rarely the eye-catching in-between. Another distinctive characteristic of the intellectual career girl is that she swears and means it.

I do not include typistes and milk-bar attendants as career girls; to any man of experience the reason is obvious!!

Then we have the female I have named as the "mantrap." This type of girl has to be blessed with a better than average figure and looks, but she must have that intangible something that attracts men to her like moths to a flame. To make themselves even more desirable they spray themselves with scents of potent smell and name. When hollows appear beneath their eyes they fill them in with powder, and if the lips start to wither with the years, lipstick is the revitalizer used. These "mantraps" live until about thirty years of age by being escorted and paid for night after night by young men of money and very little brain. At thirty or thereabouts they make a supreme effort to infuse a little warmth into their selfish souls, and snare some foolish person and his money for life.

But, like the poor, we always have with us the plain but honest type of girl—the decent but uninspiring sort. The kind of girl one pours one's troubles to when jilted by the latest. However, once our shattered morales are patched up, we once more venture into the wilds hoping fervently to feel a sharp tug at our pockets, signifying we are trapped.

If, to get the girl of today, we combine the types described, I would say that the following description would be fairly accurate:

She would be slightly cynical, independent, but hoping for someone on whom to be dependent. Until she found this person she would contemptuously

dismiss all ideas of marriage. She would put beautiful clothes and personal pleasure before most things in life. She would have a fear of poverty and age, but no fear of men. In a tight corner she would be superb, but nine times out of ten would have a crying fit after the ordeal was over.

In other words, the girl of today knows all the answers and is proud of it, but deep down she would like to think that there were some questions she could not answer.

M. C. P. Courtney, VIa

ON MOWING THE LAWN

LAWNS, like women, are fickle creatures. Women must be petted, lawns must be mowed. Just as there is an art in playing Don Juan to the female kind, so are there mystic practices associated with the ancient rite of mowing a lawn. But, before I introduce you to these practices, there are one or two rules connected with the times of the year at which a lawn can be safely mown which you should first know.

In the first place (if you'll pardon my jargon), never cut a lawn in spring. The reason for this is obvious to all garden lovers, but in case you are not one of that breed, I shall explain my reasons. In spring, when a young man's fancy lightly turns to love, the grass is commencing to shoot—not bullets—but small inoffensive grass shoots. Now if one runs a mower over the green verdure at this time of the year, in all probability these tender shoots will be hurt and severely damaged by the ordeal. So, if you want a good lawn in the summer months, do not cut it in the spring.

My second word of advice refers to winter mowing. Should the weather lift sufficiently that the tangled growth of lawn can be seen to invite one's own attention and one's neighbour's comment about "these ill-kept lawns," then resist the temptation to mow it, or your well-meant efforts might leave fatal results. As any horticulturist will tell you, in winter there are young roots growing a few inches below the ground which could quite easily be damaged by the wheels of the lawn-mower, thus preventing further growth. Therefore, let your grass grow wild during the winter.

Now that summer days are here again and the urge to work in the garden falls upon one, and realizing also that forewarned is forearmed, let me present the following words of advice. Grass, in summer, is struggling for moisture

through lack of rain, and should the resistance of the grass be further weakened by cutting is, leaving open gashes through which its life's blood may slowly seep out, then bare patches and dead, withered grass will be the result of your pains. So, if you wish to destroy your grass, cut it in summer.

In autumn the leaves fall from the trees on the ground beneath, and if you run a mower over it at that time of the year, excess acid juices are liberated from the cut and deciduous leaves, rendering the soil acid, and destroying the nutriment of the grass. Need I say any more? The moral: do not cut your lawn in autumn.

Finally, if these arguments fail to persuade your paternal guardian that the lawn does not need mowing, then all is lost, and it only remains for you to go out and take your medicine like a man.

G. Page-Hanify, VIa

INCOGNITO

HE was the most unsoldierly new member of his regiment in World War II. Older than most of the recruits, even the Labour Battalion for which he had enlisted, he seemed in many respects to be the rawest of the raw. No one knew him, and he breathed not a word of his past. He made few friends, though those he made seemed to see something in him which held them closer to him than most so-called coppers. However, even his coppers thought him aloof and cold, considering the way in which they were thrown together in the military life of the barracks near Darwin.

None could say that he was a hero, or had any aspirations to qualify as one. And certainly he had little chance to become one in a labour battalion comprised mostly of old-stagers and youths. The only noteworthy thing anyone ever saw him do about the camp was one day when the mongrel of a dog which the camp had adopted as a pet was in danger of being obliterated by a 10-ton bulldozer, he leapt under the very caterpillars to save it.

About a year after his joining up, word was received that a dug-out General from Sydney was on his way to carry out a routine inspection of the camp. The officers began to get busy. The troops were warned to use spit and polish on everything before the parade which the General was to inspect. "Barnacle Bill," as they called old Smith, seemed "fed-up" with the prospects of such an inspection. "I've had 'em before they begin," he

told his best coper. But as the inspection hour approached he found enough interest to ask what was the brass-hat's name. On learning it he suddenly became more silent than usual, and slunk away.

The hour of inspection arrived, and the General went around the camp and working-parties to see them at their jobs. "Barnacle Bill" was laying some railway sleepers when the General came up to him, but Bill kept on with his work, and had his back to the General. But the Colonel of the battalion liked an occasional man to confront the General for closer inspection. "Smith," he called, "the General would like a word with you." Bill turned slowly to face the General. "Good God, Smith, what in Heaven's name are you doing here?" the astounded General exploded. Bill could only smile. "Why, do you know, Colonel, this man was in my regiment in World War I." The Colonel looked surprised. "And," continued the General, "I have jolly good cause to remember him. You see, Colonel, he happened to save my life." Then, turning sharply to Smith, he said, "Yes, and look here Smith, I've a dress parade for the lot of you soon, and if you don't wear your V.C. ribbon, there'll be a deuce of a row!"

D. Thomas, Inter.

NO CHANCE

MARMADUKE Smith was a coward and a bad character. He was born a coward, but his character had been in the process of deterioration for some time.

His father was a very respectable gentleman, manager of an important branch of his firm's trading banks. He was worth a considerable sum of money, too. The money was to go to his other son when he died, his wife having died earlier, some little time after Marmaduke's first gaol sentence for breaking and entering.

You see, Marmaduke gambled whenever he had enough money to play penny poker. Thus, his funds intermittently rose to moderate heights and fell to considerable depths. In short, he found himself heavily in debt. In the latter case he found it necessary to obtain money by illegal means. He always paid his debts, for it was made clear to him that if he didn't, he would "disappear."

But now he was in the clutches of a gang who operated throughout Australia. 'Louie the Fat' told him: "You've

got two weeks to produce that thousand, and don't try to 'disappear' yourself. You come and see me every other day, else I'll tell the boss to send the boys after you, see?" "Yes," gulped Marmaduke.

He was desperate now. How could he get so much money? Fantastic schemes grew in his head only to be rejected, until he thought of his relatives. Here was more than a thousand, could he lay his hands on it! But it could not be stolen; the only thing to do was to kill his father, and his brother, too, since the money was to go to him. Murder! But who was it to be, someone else or him? Which was the easier to evade, the gang or the police? Marmaduke decided to evade the police; he had no chance against the gang.

He went to see someone who could help him. "Smoky," he said, "I want you to make me a time bomb, to go off at 7 o'clock tomorrow night." That was when his two relatives always played chess together in the sitting-room. "You'll have to make it in a hurry, I want it tonight." "That's alright," said Smoky, "I've got one, it'll only take a few minutes to set, but don't drop the thing or you'll blow yourself into the middle of next week. Just be careful with it."

That night Marmaduke's relatives were out, luckily, so he came in the pantry window to plant the bomb. While getting in, however, he dropped his torch and smashed it. He groped through various rooms, trying to find the sitting-room, for his memory was foggy and he had not been there for years. At last he came up against a door he recognised by a curious ornament on it. The sitting-room at last! Now he had only to find that loose board, which he could remember comparatively well, and put the bomb under it. His victims would have no chance of knowing it was there, he thought, as he took the bomb from his carefully padded pocket.

He opened the door, walked confidently in, fell over a case of books, and as the bomb went flying from his hand he realised

(The End)

I. P. Phillips, VIb

ELGAR

SIR Edward Elgar, who died in 1934, was perhaps the greatest English composer since Purcell. Following Purcell, English music ceased to rank with the foremost music of Europe, and during the Victorian era, was at its lowest ebb.

However, at the beginning of the twentieth century, English music was beginning to see the light of day again with the advent of Elgar.

The great composer was born in 1857. His father kept a music shop, but was unable to afford a musical education for his son. Although the young Elgar did not have a proper musical education, his music did not suffer. He had occasional lessons on the violin, but was mainly self-taught. His organ playing in a Roman Catholic Church, followed by playing the bassoon in a wind quintet and conducting the band of the local lunatic asylum gave him a great knowledge of scoring and of musical technique. Perhaps Elgar's music would not have been as great as it was had he been given all he wanted. The hard road to the top often produces greater things than from a man who did not have to work and struggle to get there. I think this is so in the case of Elgar.

The fact that Elgar lived until 1934, and wrote the greatest of his works soon after the turn of the century, would enable one to class him as a modern composer. The term "modern" in music is ambiguous; a modern composer may be one who is discovering new ways of expressing himself, or he may be one who, although modern in relation to time, is conservative in his ideas. Elgar belongs to the latter type of composer. He was not an original composer, he preferred to write in the style of the nineteenth century symphonists. However, he did not imitate these; no one but Elgar could have written his music.

Elgar's music displays a certain amount of pomp. Neville Cardus has said, "There is usually a touch of the ceremonial in Elgar's music, it is either Opening or Closing something. Elgar's emotion is frequently a public, not a private emotion." This aptly sums up one side of Elgar. An example of this side of Elgar's music can be found in his symphonies.

He could also write music which was personal in character, for example the Enigma Variations. This work shows Elgar as a human being. Quoting Mr. Cardus once more, "In the Enigma Variations we find Elgar the man of the world of sane human relationships; he depicts himself among his friends in his most original work. Here is the Elgar known by the few who were allowed to get near him."

And yet another side of this remarkable composer is the religious aspect of

his music. Elgar could be deeply religious; the Dream of Gerontius—a setting to music of verses by Cardinal Newman—depicts him in this aspect, and the second movement of the Violin Concerto is very devotional in character. Actually, the Violin Concerto would do to sum up Elgar's qualities. The opening theme of the first movement shows us the Elgar of the pomp and ceremony; the second movement, the religious Elgar; and portion of the third movement, the personal and intimate Elgar.

Edward Elgar has done much to put England back on the map in respect to music. The symphonies and orchestral works are able to appear on concert programmes with the works of Beethoven and Brahms, and not be "dwarfed in stature."

J. P. Morris, VIa

WORDS

WHAT a strange subject. I must be crazy to hope to write on "words." Now I come to think of it, it is a silly subject . . . especially English words.

Who ever heard of a bird sounding the same as a herd, or, for that matter, a rush to the bush is entirely different from a rough cough. Getting a little confused? Yes, so am I. What a silly subject.

Then there's a fair fare, but not a sore saw to soar; they're just the same. In Hobart you might easily say, "What about a rein on the rain's reign?" Well, that's not wrong, but it doesn't seem right . . . which is what I am trying to point out.

You have to remember that the farmer has to shear the wether whether the weather is good or not. It can still be applied to a ride on a raw door, or in Lou's shoes. You may say the flute shoots newts, but it really is quite stupid when we go on with such a queer fear of the bier, and fun with one's young son. But they aren't as bad as some other concoctions such as keys, quays, freeze, bees, seas and skis. What a silly subject.

The case of raise, bays and blaze is just another phase in this strange collection of absurd words called the English language. If they are spelt the same, they are pronounced differently; if they sound the same, then they are sure to be spelt differently; and if they are spelt and sound the same . . . something is wrong.

It seems to me to be difficult enough just to work out how to spell and pronounce this language without somebody inventing a subject on it to teach in schools.

(P.S.—I suppose some half-wit will write an absurd composition on this subject one day . . . there are people like that, you know).

R. S. Valentine, VIb

INK

IN approaching such a controversial question as ink, I realise that I shall be laying myself open to attack from ink-lovers throughout the world, but, nevertheless, my endeavour will be to give my candid opinion on the matter.

Ink has caused more trouble than the serpent in the Garden of Eden; yes, and I even venture to say that there will always be trouble in the world until ink is recognised as Public Enemy Number One. Officially, the dictionary defines ink as "kinds of writing fluid for writing or printing," but behind those innocent sounding words lie evil and sinister meanings. Why! William the Conqueror would not have invaded England had he not seen it inked on the map.

Many a happy home has been broken by the ink which poor, unfortunate men have spilt on their wives' best tablecloths. Then again, who would not be annoyed when he sees this horrible black substance (I dare not mention its name) running all over his taxation returns. In some of the minor dramas of life ink has played the part of chief villain; for instance, many a schoolboy has been punished for inky work. Undoubtedly, ink is the greatest problem of our modern era, and no decent citizen should rest until it is wiped off the face of the earth.

By the way, in case you do not know, last night a blotting-paper manufacturer refused me his daughter's hand in marriage.

K. Webster, Inter.

POLONAISE

FREDERICK Francois Chopin was born on February 8th, 1810, in Zelazowa Wola, near Warsaw. His family was of French origin, but, in spite of that, he has become the most vivid exponent in music of Polish nationality.

His first musical training was received from a Pole named Zwina, a passionate admirer of J. S. Bach. Prince Antoine Radziwill then took an interest in him, and gave him a good education at one of Warsaw's leading colleges.

Chopin's genius admitted him to the best circles of Polish society, at that time unrivalled in Europe for its liberal appreciation of artistic gifts. Chopin, however, unlike Strauss, never strove to become a popular composer. His works speak of the salon, not of the beer-garden.

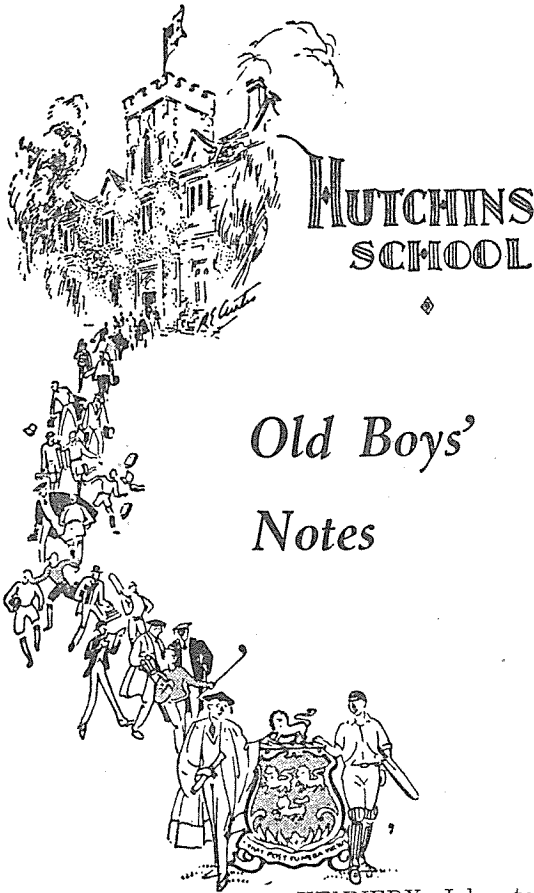
At college he received a thorough training in music from Professor Joseph Elsner, Director of the Conservatoire of Warsaw. His debut as a pianist took place in Vienna, in 1829, and he was immediately acclaimed as a genius. In 1831 he left Vienna to visit London, but was so captivated by Paris that he settled there. From 1837 his health began to fail, and he finally succumbed to tuberculosis in 1849.

Chopin's music is always expressive and melodious. The study in E major contains a supreme example of melody, and the Polonaise in A major and the much ill-treated Polonaise in A flat major betray a strongly patriotic nature. Chopin always recognised the short piano-piece as his best means of expression. His two Concertos, though very melodious, are sadly lacking in orchestration, a subject which he never entirely grasped.

Chopin's only equal as a pianist was his great friend, Franz Liszt. We are indebted to a distinguished English amateur for the following description of his playing:

"Imagine a delicate man, of extreme refinement of mien and manner, sitting at the piano and playing with no swaying of the body and scarcely any movement of the arms, depending entirely upon his narrow, feminine hands and slender fingers. His delicate pianissimos were of indescribable effect. Even in energetic passages he scarcely exceeded an ordinary mezzoforte. His playing, as a whole, was unique in its kind, and no tradition of it can remain, for there is no school of Chopin the pianist, for the obvious reason that he could never be regarded as a public player, and his best pupils were nearly all amateurs."

D. Shepherd, VIa



OBITUARY

IT is with regret that we record the deaths of the following Old Boys:—H. Allison (1903-1,620), H. A. Dawes (1875-826), E. W. Hickman (Queen's), D. P. Studdard (1928-2,937), P. B. C. Walch (1885-1,145), H. Warlow-Davies (1932-3,168).

ENGAGEMENTS

ATKINSON, T. A. S., to Miss Francis A. Read.
 BEZETTE, I. G., to Miss P. Crisp.
 BURBURY, P. S., to Miss H. Tuck.
 CHAMBERS, D. M., to Miss Mary Sweetingham.
 DOWNIE, G. C., to Miss G. E. Hynes.
 FYSH, W. L., to Miss Elizabeth M. Freeman.
 HORNSBY, R. J., to Miss Betty P. fyfe.

KENNEDY, John, to Miss Lorna P. Brewer.
 McINTYRE, R. J. S., to Miss Patricia M. Finlay.
 SCARR, James, to Miss Peggy Watson.

MARRIAGES

ABBOTT, Dr. N. D. G., to Miss Jocelyn Butler.
 GRAY, G. S., to Miss H. Davis.
 HAMMOND, G. G., to Miss Marjorie Scott.
 LACEY, John F., to Miss Mary L. P. Johnston.
 MAY, Rev. John L., to Miss Barbara M. Orton.
 ROBERTSON, G. W., to Miss K. P. Lord.
 SEATON, P., to Miss Dorothy Calvert.
 SHEA, L. L., to Miss Enid Jacob.

STAUNTON-SMITH, M. R., to Miss Faye Batt.
 TAYLOR, D. R., to Miss Jean Irwin.
 THOROLD, John, to Miss Barbara Archer.
 TUNBRIDGE, John R., to Miss S. Stearnes.
 WERTHEIMER, Arnold K., to Miss Norma D. Stranger.

BIRTHS

ASHTON-JONES.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. Ashton-Jones: a daughter.
 BENNETT.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bennett: a son.
 BOSS-WALKER.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. Boss-Walker: a son.
 BOWERMAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bowerman: a son.
 BURBURY.—To Mr. and Mrs. David Burbury: a daughter.
 BURBURY.—To Mr. and Mrs. Geoff. Burbury: a daughter.
 CHALMERS.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chalmers: a daughter.
 CHAMBERS.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Chambers: a son.
 COLE.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. Cole: a son.
 D'ANTOINE.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. D'Antoine: a daughter.
 DOBSON.—To Dr. and Mrs. J. Dobson: twin daughters.
 DUDGEON.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Dudgeon: a son.
 GIBSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. George Gibson: a son.
 GIBSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gibson: a son.
 GROVES.—To Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Groves: a son.
 HALE.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hale: a daughter.
 HUDSON.—To Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Hudson: a daughter.
 HURBURGH.—To Mr. and Mrs. M. Hurburgh: a daughter.
 MACLEOD.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Macleod: a son.
 MILLER.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Miller: a daughter.
 MCKAY.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McKay: a daughter.
 NICHOLAS.—To Mr. and Mrs. Alan Nicholas: a daughter.
 PHELAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Phelan: a son.
 PHILLIPS.—To Mr. and Mrs. John B. Phillips: a son.
 RICHARDSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Richardson: a daughter.

SARGISON.—To Mr. and Mrs. Alan Sargison: a daughter.
 STEVENS.—To Mr. and Mrs. Geoff Stevens: a son.
 TAYLOR.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor: a son.
 THOMPSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Thompson: a daughter.
 TYSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tyson: a daughter.
 WALCH.—To Major and Mrs. R. F. Walch: a daughter.
 WARLOW-DAVIES.—To Mr. and Mrs. Warlow-Davies: a daughter.
 WILSON.—To Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson: a daughter.

GENERAL

Record prices for Stud Merino Ram sold in Tasmania were obtained by John M. Taylor at July sales.

For the Inter-state Amateur Football Carnival, E. E. Rodwell (Capt.), K. E. Cossum, W. L. Fysh and N. M. Jack gained selection in the twenty-three players. Rodwell, unfortunately, had to withdraw on account of an injury received a few weeks before the departure of the team. W. L. Fysh was then appointed vice-captain. R. W. Vincent was the manager of the side.

G. H. R. (Ron) Marsland awarded U.S. Bronze Star Medal, in recognition of gallantry during the war in the South West Pacific.

Henry W. Brammall awarded 1st Prize in The Australian Broadcasting Commission's feature competition. Title of the entry was "Whaling Under the Midnight Sun." It will be recalled that H.W.B. shipped with a Norwegian whaling expedition to the Antarctic before the war.

P. B. Walker has been admitted to the degree of Bachelor of Law, by the Tasmanian University Council.

Amongst the Accountancy students who passed in subjects in the last examinations the following Old Boys names were noted: H. C. P. Cuthbert, B. Sampson, G. B. Plummer, N. J. Ruddock (1st Tasmania Commercial Law, Paper 1, Commonwealth Institute, Final), H. J. Whelan, L. J. Brooks, R. B. Walker, F. J. E. Johnson, E. Hawson and D. G. Dudgeon.

H. J. Solomon is a Vice-President of the Law Society, whilst new members of the Council are M. Bethune and G. G. Blackwood. The Treasurer is D. M. Chambers.

I. C. C. Butler is again Rear Commodore of the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania.

South Hobart Cricket Club President: H. C. Smith.

Admitted to the Bar: C. G. Brettingham-Moore, G. W. Colman and P. B. Walker.

Successful at the August elections, House of Assembly: W. A. Bethune, F. Marriott, W. Jackson, H. W. Strutt (Queen's).

D. K. Brain has been appointed Accountant of the Hobart Branch of the E. S. and A. Bank.

J. J. Cowburn won the New Norfolk Golf Club's Championship.

E. E. Ward has been elected Life Member of the Royal Hobart Bowling Club, whilst J. Lord has been re-elected President.

L. F. Benjafield, formerly Rector of Ulverstone, is now Rector of Glenorchy.

In the recent North v. South Tennis matches, the following Old Boys gained selection: R. Harrison (Men's "A"), W. Ohlsen (Captain) and L. J. Brooks (Men's "B").

Dr. L. G. A. Huxley, Rhodes Scholar 1923, joins Dr. E. C. R. Spooner, at Adelaide University. Len, who has been associated with atomic research in Australia, has been appointed Professor of Physics.

Included in the officers of the Tasmanian Farmers' Stockowners' and Orchardists' Association are: President: H. R. Renolds; Vice-Presidents: C. J. Parsons, K. Madden, D. J. Burbury, D. F. Calvert, G. A. Dick, T. A. Frankcomb, R. Gatehouse.

R. L. Gorrings and H. J. Whelan will again be members of the crew of "Tassie Too" in the Albert and Forster Cup Races.

During November A. C. (Picker) Newton was in Hobart.

Whilst we regret recording the passing of Old Boys, it is realized that our time must come. However, the death of young Old Boys is always unfortunate. This time we record the death of Harry Warlow-Davies, who was the captain of the A.N.A. airliner which crashed into Mount Macedon, Victoria. Advice has also been received that D. P. Studdard, a P.O.W. in Malaya, was another who failed to survive Nipponese treatment.

Life Members added to the roll are: T. A. S. Atkinson, L. J. Lazenby, R.

P. Ikin, N. B. Foster, S. E. A. Pixley, H. Ellis, C. M. Miller, E. V. Terry, J. R. Lucas, N. E. Johnson, T. G. Young, R. H. Ikin, A. G. Ramsey, R. O. Harris, R. Kennedy, J. A. Smith and C. A. Bennison.

ANNIVERSARY

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on August 30th. The President, Mr. C. E. Walch, presided.

The Annual Report referred to Membership, (which had shown a slight falling off), Branches in other States, Activities (which are reported elsewhere), Finance (Capital Account stood at £1,405), the future of the School, the fact that the Committee had been in constant touch with the Board, and the apparent apathy of Old Boys. The Annual Report of the Old Boys' representatives on the Board of Management was read by Mr. H. D. Erwin and referred to Staff, scholarships, finance, improvements and major repairs, School attendances and examination results, also to School Sporting successes. Both reports were discussed together and a motion was carried to the effect that the incoming Committee should convene a Special General Meeting of members to discuss the financial position of the School.

Election of officers resulted:—

President: Brigadier E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C.; Vice-Presidents: Messrs. C. E. Walch and A. B. White; Hon. Secretary: Mr. R. W. Vincent; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. F. J. E. Johnson; Committee: Messrs. L. G. Chambers, A. E. Gibson, R. J. Hornsby, W. M. Hood, A. E. Parkes, A. B. Richardson.

Subsequently the Committee has made the following appointments: Assistant Secretary: A. B. Richardson. Co-opted to General Committee: Messrs. J. Z. Bidencope, G. E. Hodgson, N. M. Jack, J. R. Rex.

Sub-Committees:—

Special Committee to meet Board: President, Secretary, Messrs. L. G. Chambers, J. Z. Bidencope, J. R. Rex, C. E. Walch.

Finance: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Messrs. J. Z. Bidencope and L. G. Chambers.

Sports: Messrs. J. R. Rex (Chairman), A. Murdoch (Golf), C. D. Ransom (Shooting), A. G. Turner (Football), G. A. McKay (Cricket), J. M.

Driscoll (Debating), R. S. Hay (Rowing), P. S. Read (Table Tennis), L. E. Brooks (Tennis), W. L. Fysh (Basket Ball), Headmaster (School).

Social (which covers all social functions, including re-unions and luncheons): C. E. Walch (Chairman), R. J. Hornsby, W. M. Hood, A. E. Parkes, N. B. Foster, A. B. White, A. B. Richardson, with power to co-opt.

Publicity: Messrs. L. G. Chambers, A. E. Gibson, L. J. Brooks, A. G. Turner, P. B. Walker, F. J. E. Johnson, A. B. Richardson, D. M. Chambers, R. L. Collings.

P.S.O.B.A.: President and Secretary. Other two members according to business to be discussed.

ANNIVERSARY DETAILS

TENNIS

v. Masters, lost by 4 rubbers to 0.
L. G. Murdoch and I. R. Reeman lost Gerlach and Nichol 6—5, 3—6, 2—6, also to James and Viney 6—5, 1—6, 4—6.

R. A. Terry and Marshall lost to Gerlach and Nichol 0—6, 0—6, also to James and Viney 2—6, 4—6.

v. School, lost by 4 rubbers to 0.

GOLF

Len. Nettlefold won the Championship with a 77 off the stick, followed by Des. Arnold 80, Doug. Calvert 82, J. A. F. ("Cracker") Morriss 84, Ian Gibson, R. B. ("Bushy") Jackson 85 and Archie Wise 88.

Handicap: G. V. Round (20) 70, A. Henry (20) 73, J. Purchas (19) 73, D. Arnold (6) 74, D. Calvert (8) 74, A. L. Wise (13) 75.

There was a field of 50 competitors.

Corporate Communion and Evensong
These services were well attended, whilst some 30 Old Boys accepted the invitation of the Board and Headmaster to breakfast at the School. Rev. G. V. Syer gave a most interesting and inspiring address at Evensong.

102nd Anniversary, 3rd August, 1948 School Assembly

The President, Mr. C. E. Walch, gave the address at the School Assembly, which was not attended by as many Old Boys as one would have liked to see.

FOOTBALL

Played on the North Hobart Ground and won comfortably by the

Present team, who scored 12 goals 11 behinds to Old Boys 7 goals 12 behinds. Courtney scored 8 goals for the School, whilst Foster 3, Ruddock 2, Gibson and Ikin, scored for the Old Boys. The Association entertained the contestants to afternoon tea, which did not affect the School team to the same extent as it did the Old Boys.

TABLE TENNIS

The day concluded with the Annual match against the Masters, Old Boys winning 10 matches to 2. Results: P. S. Read d. James 21-9, 21-15, also Gerlach 21—15, 21-9; Hamilton lost to James 19-21, 14-21, also to Gerlach 19-21, 14-21; L. Wall d. McKay 21-18, 21-20, also Viney 21-17, 21-18; E. M. Lilley d. McKay 21-18, 21-16, also Viney 21-14, 19-21, 21-15; Read and Hamilton d. James and Gerlach 21-15, 21-19, also Viney and McKay 21-4, 21-16.

THE ANNIVERSARY BALL

Was held at the "Continental" on Wednesday, 11th August. We are deeply indebted to a committee of ladies, mostly wives of the Committee, for their splendid effort as regards the supper. This function was not as well attended as one would expect, particularly by the usual dancing Old Boy.

RE-UNION

Held on 14th August, at "Hadley's." The attendance was again up to standard, some 90 Old Boys spending a very pleasant evening.

DEBATE

J. M. Driscoll, J. C. McPhee and D. G. S. Baker represented the Old Boys against the School. The subject was, "We view the past with regret and future with apprehension." Old Boys affirmed and won the debate by 13 points.

MINIATURE SHOOTING

We are indebted to the Army Authorities for conducting this event. A good average all-round performance enabled the Old Boys to snatch victory against the individual brilliance of some members of the School Cadet team.

Details:

Old Boys—N. R. Thompson 71, R. S. Hay 71, T. B. Murdoch 70, N. B.

Foster 70, R. H. Ikin 69, E. M. Dolery 67, C. D. Ransom 66, T. D. Simpson 63; total 547. Counted out: R. W. Freeman and A. B. White.

Cadets—R. Johnston 76, R. Evans 75, C. Hand 75, T. Eddington 68, M. Best 63, D. Hume 61, W. Hume 58, H. Calvert 57; total 533. Counted out: R. Glover and M. Wills.

TABLE TENNIS

Old Boys defeated the School 16 rubbers to 2. Wood lost to Renney 21-19, 21-23, 21-23; d. Harris 21-5, 21-7; lost to Strutt 10-21, 15-21; d. Vautin 21-10, 21-4.

Bastick d. Vautin 21-7, 21-11, also Strutt 21-13, 21-9; also Renney 21-12, 21-10; also Harris 21-13, 21-11.

Ashworth d. Strutt 21-11, 21-15, also Vautin 21-13, 21-15; also Harris 21-19, 10-21, 21-16; also Renney 21-12, 21-15.

Tyson d. Harris 21-12, 21-17, also Renney 21-5, 21-12, also Vautin 21-0, 21-3, also Strutt 21-12, 21-11.

Tyson and Bastick d. Renney and Harris 21-6, 21-8.

Wood and Ashworth d. Strutt and Vautin 21-12, 16-21, 21-10.

ANNIVERSARY, 1949

The General Committee of the Association is already giving consideration to the programmes for the next Anniversary. It is proposed to arrange the programme so that the final function is on the evening of 3rd August, a Wednesday. If you have any ideas, the Committee would like to have them. Proposed programme is:

Friday, 29th July—Debating, Table Tennis, Shooting.

Saturday, 30th—Golf, Re-Union, Tennis.

Sunday, 31st—Corporate Communion, Breakfast, Evensong.

Monday, 1st August—Table Tennis.

Wednesday, 3rd—103rd Anniversary, Assembly, Football, Ball.

The Committee is giving consideration to the Re-Union, where to be held etc., and to the fact that it is not possible to broadcast the evening service.

P.S.O.B.A. TENNIS

For the first time since the inception of the P.S.O.B.A. Tennis Roster, our team has carried off the premiership. Other winners have been Old Virgilians and Friends. In this year's roster, the team went through with only one defeat, and that by the margin of one set. We wish to con-

gratulate the team on their splendid performance. Captain was R. E. Harrison.

Results:

Defeated Friends, 3 rubbers 7 sets 51 games to 1 rubber 3 sets 42 games.

R. E. Harrison and W. A. Ohlsen d. Brookes and Peacock 6-4, 6-5, also Muir and Thorp 6-0, 6-5.

L. E. Brooks and R. Vernon d. Muir and Thorp 6-3, 1-6, 6-3; lost to Brookes and Peacock 4-6, 6-4, 4-6.

Defeated Clemes, 3 rubbers 7 sets 49 games to 1 rubber 2 sets 25 games.

Harrison and Ohlsen d. Burrows and Wallace 6-0, 6-1, also Forrest and Broadby 6-3, 6-3.

Brooks and Vernon d. Forrest and Broadby 6-1, 6-4; lost to Burrows and Wallace 6-1, 4-6, 4-6.

Lost to Old Virgilians by 1 set—2 rubbers 4 sets 37 games, to 2 rubbers 5 sets 41 games.

Harrison and Ohlsen d. Kearney and Watson 4-6, 6-1, 6-3, also Patmore and Derrick 6-5, 6-4.

Brooks and Edwards lost to Patmore and Derrick 1-6, 3-6, also lost to Kearney and Watson 4-6, 1-4 (forfeit).

Round 2

Defeated Friends, 3 rubbers 7 sets 47 games to 1 rubber 2 sets 22 games.

Harrison and Ohlsen d. Thorp and Thorp 6-0, 6-3, also Brook and Muir 6-2, 6-2.

Brooks and Vernon d. Thorp and Thorp 6-0, 6-0 (w.o.); lost to Peacock and Muir 6-3, 2-6, 3-6.

Defeated Clemes, 4 rubbers 8 sets 48 games to 18 games.

Harrison and Edwards d. Broadby and Forrest 6-2, 6-4.

Brooks and Vernon d. Broadby and Forrest 6-1, 6-4, also Burrows and Wallace 6-1, 6-4.

Defeated Old Virgilians by 3 rubbers 6 sets 42 games to 1 rubber 2 sets 28 games.

Harrison and Ohlsen d. Kearney and Miles 6-2, 6-1, also Derrick and Watson 6-2, 6-3.

Brooks and Vernon d. Kearney and Miles 6-4, 6-4; lost to Derrick and Watson 2-6, 4-6.

Final

Defeated Friends, 3 rubbers 6 sets 44 games to 1 rubber 2 sets 35 games.

Harrison and Edwards d. Muir and Wilcox 7-5, 6-3, also Brooks and Peacock 6-3, 7-5.

Brooks and Vernon d. Muir and Wilcox 6-4, 6-2; lost Brooke and Peacock 5-7, 1-6.

CRICKET

On account of the Clemes College Old Boys Cricket Team not functioning this season the P.S.O.B.A. competition has ceased to exist. A new competition has been commenced and is known as the Southern Old Scholars' Cricket Association. Teams forming the Association are Friends, Hutchins, Old Virgilians and Old Hobartians. To date only one series of games has been played and in our game we went down by 2 runs to O.V.A. Officers of the S.O.S.C.A. for the 1948-49 season are: Chairman, H. C. Smith; Secretary, R. W. Vincent. G. A. McKay has been elected captain, with G. W. Colman as vice, and roster is as follows:

Round 1

Concludes on December 18th, with Friends game at S.V.C.

Round 2

Jan. 8 and 15 v. O.V.A., at Hutchins ground.

Jan. 22 and 29 v. O.H.A., at St. Virgil's.

Feb. 5 and 12 v. Friends, at Hutchins.

Round 3

Feb. 19 and 26 v. O.V.A., at Hutchins.

Mar. 5 and 12 v. O.H.A., at Hutchins.

Mar. 7 v. Friends, at Hutchins.

Mar. 19 and 26, Premiers v. Rest.

April 2 v. Old Launcestonians.

FOOTBALL

In the Tasmanian Amateur League Football Roster, Southern Division, the H.S.O.B.A. side eventually finished in third position, being knocked out in the final by Old Hobartians, who won a thrilling game by 4 points. We congratulate O.H.A. on winning the grand final and the Southern Premiership. Their performances in Round 2 showed what determination could do. We lost only four matches throughout the season, but three of them were the games against O.H.A. and therefore results show they had the edge on us.

During the season E. E. Rodwell, W. L. Fysh, K. Cossum, N. M. Jack, C. G. Hill and H. S. Bennett gained places in representative sides, whilst J. Clennett, P. Donovan, and I. Marshall played in all roster games.

The team wishes to thank all those who assisted in the financial obligations for the year, including G. W. O'Neil, R. W. Vincent, L. E. Rodwell, H. F. Ruddock, W. Bowtell, A. McKay, T. C. Simpson, P. M. Corney, G. A. McKay, W. Jackson, W. Arnold, also those who made direct donations to the Tasmanian Amateur League Carnival Fund.

Trophies awarded at the end of the season were won by E. E. Rodwell, (Arthur Walch Memorial and Best and Fairest), T. A. Wise (Most Deserving), J. Clennett (Consistent).

At the end of the season presentations were also made to Emerson Rodwell, coach of the side, and Arthur Turner, the manager. The work performed throughout the season by these two has to be seen for one to realize exactly how many off-the-field jobs there are to do. Prior to the departure of the carnival team, the Club presented Tasmanian Blazers to Bill Fysh, Max Jack and Ken Cossum, whilst an attache case was presented to the manager of the State Team, Ray Vincent.

Social games were played against our counter part from the North. Old Launcestonians. Both games were won by the Hutchins side, whilst we also won the game played against Old Tech. (L'ton).

Financially the Club closed the season with a very respectable balance, £18/6/5.

Results:

Round 1

Previous results in June Magazine. Hutchins, 10.8 (68pts.) d. Ogilvenians, 5.8 (38pts.), by 30pts.

Round 2

Hutchins, 10-8, drew with University, 9.14 (68 pts. each).

Hutchins, 7.14 (56 pts.) lost to O.H.A., 12.12 (84 pts.) by 28 pts.

Hutchins, 19.11 (125 pts.) d. Lindisfarne, 7.8 (50 pts.) by 75 pts.

Hutchins, 5.5 (35 pts.) lost to O.V.A., 15.17 (107 pts.) by 72 pts.

Hutchins, 13.11 (89 pts.) d. Claremont, 7.8 (50 pts.) by 39 pts.

Hutchins, 8.24 (72 pts.) d. Friends, 7.8 (50 pts.) by 22 pts.

Hutchins, 23.15 (153 pts.) d. Ogilvenians, 9.10 (64 pts.) by 89 pts.

Semi-final

Hutchins, 11.10 (76 pts.) d. University, 8.9 (57 pts.) by 19 pts.

Final

Hutchins, 8.7 (55 pts.) lost to O.H.A., 8.11 (59 pts.)

Other Games

At Hobart, Hutchins, 6.11 (47 pts.) d. Old Launcestonians, 4.7 (31 pts.) by 16 pts.

At Hobart, Hutchins, 17.19 (121 pts.) d. Old Tech, (Launceston) 6.10 (48 pts.) by 73 pts.

Leading Goal Kickers

C. G. Hill 64, R. M. Swan 21, H. S. Bennett 20, G. R. Gilbert 18, E. E. Rodwell 16.

BRANCHES

The Victorian Branch held a very successful Re-Union on 23rd July. Between 50 and 60 Old Boys and Masters were present. For 1948/49, Mr. F. Moloney is President, whilst Mr. D. Gibson is Secretary.

We have been advised by Dr. A. Stafford Crane, Secretary of the N.S.W. Branch, that Dr. K. B. Armstrong is the new President of that Branch.

FAIR

During August a very successful Fair, organized by the Parents' Association, was held at the School. The Old Boys, with the Boarders, had charge of the Produce Stall, the proceeds of £41 headed the stall takings for the day.

A "Food for Britian" Stall was well supported and the Parents' Association has handed over the goods left on that stall to the Old Boys' Association. Parcels have been made up and sent to Old Boys in England. This gesture of the Parents' Association is greatly appreciated by the Committee of the H.S.O.B.A.

LUNCHEONS

As the Re-Union fell in the third quarter of the year, no Luncheon was held during that quarter. The Luncheon held on the third Friday in June was attended by over 80 Old Boys. The next Luncheon will be held about the time this magazine is published, 17th December. It is hoped that a record number of Old Boys will be in attendance. Luncheons rostered for 1949 are as follows:

Friday, 18th March; Friday, 17th June; Friday, 16th December.

ROWING

The "Head-of-the-River" Regatta is to be held on the Derwent Course next year. If you wish to be selected in a crew (we are allowed to start two) please advise Bob Hay, 34 View Street, **immediately**, so that after Christmas he can let you know about training. It's about time we won this race again!

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

As requested by the Annual General Meeting, the Committee called a Special General Meeting on November 16th. We are indebted to the "Mercury" for the following report of the proceedings, which was published on November 17th:

A motion expressing confidence in the Board of Management of the Hutchins School and the future prosperity of the establishment was agreed to unanimously by a largely-attended special meeting of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association at Hobart last night.

The meeting was held at the direction of the annual meeting on 30th August to consider the financial position of the School. Members of the Board, including the Chairman (Dean Fewtrell), were present.

The Chairman of the Association (Brig. E. M. Dollery) said a committee had discussed the position with the Board.

Factors contributing to the drift were increased staff salaries and cost of administration and catering, and increased expenditure on repairs to buildings. Also income had decreased because attendance had been lower than expected.

Brig. Dollery said it was essential that higher salaries be paid to make them at least equivalent to those in other public schools in the State, and higher administration costs were unavoidable.

The old School building was suffering from "senile decay" and required considerable maintenance. The Board was not unduly worried at the financial drift and expected the position to improve, with a cut in expenses.

Brig. Dollery said the Board was convinced the School could not expand and develop on the present site, and a long-range plan for the sale of

the present premises and the establishment of new premises on a more suitable site was proposed. In the meantime immediate plans had been made to overcome the present financial difficulty.

Mr. V. I. Chambers, a former chairman of the Board, said the present financial figures called for stringent retrenchments.

Mr. A. J. Millar said the School should have a business manager, who could administer the School's business efficiently.

Mr. J. P. Clark suggested that the Board co-opt a number of business men to assist in its work.

The meeting decided to launch an appeal to Old Boys for funds to provide immediately necessary amenities. Members agreed also to accept responsibility for the purchase of a new racing craft, ordered by the School in 1939.

CENTENARY MAGAZINES

Following on repeated requests for the bound stiff covered copy of the Centenary Magazine, a further twenty-five of these are now available. Those wishing to obtain copies should forward 10/6 to the Secretary of the Association. There are still a few limp covered copies available.

SPECIAL APPEAL TO ALL OLD BOYS

The School is badly in need of new furniture and other equipment, and owing to the heavy commitments facing it the Board of Management is unable at present to provide the funds for this purpose.

The Committee of the H.S.O.B.A. has exhaustively considered the present position of the School, and has decided that the best means of affording practical assistance at this important juncture in the School's history is to provide the essential requirements to bring the appointments up to modern standards.

At the Special General Meeting of Old Boys, held on 16th November, the following resolution was carried unanimously:—

"That an appeal for funds be made to Old Boys of the School for the purpose of providing tangible assets in the form of furniture, furnishings, essential equipment and amenities,

urgently required and essential to the conduct of the School as a first-class educational establishment."

Your Committee has taken immediate action to launch the appeal, and is aiming at a figure of £1,500 by 31st March, 1939. The Appeal Director is C. E. Walch, and contributions should be forwarded to the Secretary, at 13 Greenlands Avenue.

Many of you have already contributed to the Rebuilding and Memorial Chapel Funds, and we now ask your further help in this most urgent need. The great majority of Old Boys have not hitherto contributed to any funds for the School. To all Old Boys, wherever they may be, I appeal most strongly to give a day's pay, or more if you can, to assist the School. Hutchins moulded your early ideas, gave you your education and set you on the road to your career. Show your gratitude by responding generously to this call for help.

If you are not able to send the full amount you would like to give, at once, we will be glad to receive it in instalments over a period.

Please help, and give freely for the sake of the Old School.

E. M. DOLLERY,
President, H.S.O.B.A.

DONATIONS EQUIPMENT APPEAL

As we go to press, the first contribution towards the Appeal mentioned previously has been received. Len. Nettlefold has very generously taken the cost of the new racing four off the Board's hands. This cheque for £177 is greatly appreciated by those who are responsible for the Appeal, and with such interest from Old Boys the target set will be obtained by the time the School re-opens next year. The School has acknowledged receipt of this gift earlier in the Magazine.

Don't delay with your donation. Look up that Appeal form you received on or about 9th December. SEND YOUR DONATION TODAY.

HUTCHINS OLD BOYS' LODGE

Another year of progress has been achieved since our report in the Magazine of last December.

The usual Official Visits have been exchanged with Tasmanian Union, Old Grammarians', Old Hobartians', and Glenora Lodges, and have done much to cement the bonds between the respective Brethren. A large contingent of our Brethren, accompanied by several ladies, was able to travel to Launceston in April, and proceedings throughout gave a striking evidence of the warm friendships that have grown up as a result of these visits. We were happy to be able to reciprocate when members of Old Grammarians' Lodge and their ladies visited us in October.

During the year the Lodge suffered a severe loss in the passing of Wor. Bro. R. W. K. Chen, who was Master in 1945-6. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Chen and family.

The annual picnic for the children of the Claredon Home was held in February at Snug Beach, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The ride in the motor-bus, games, a treasure-hunt on the beach, and a picnic tea contributed to the happiness of guests as well as hosts.

In July, Wor. Bro. E. J. McCreary was installed as Mater by the Pro. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. Lord,

assisted by Grand Officers, and the Officers for the ensuing year were invested. The fact that M.W. Bro. Lord is a member of the Lodge gave added interest to an inspiring ceremony.

The Annual Cricket Match with Lodge Rechab. proved as enjoyable as ever, with the visitors gaining a "victory" (Far be it from us to criticise the umpires!) One of the highlights of the afternoons fun was the "chairing" of the Master of Rechab. (Wor. Bro. P. C. Verrell) on the heavy roller, after he had opened his shoulders to every bowler. They all came alike to P. C. V.

As we go to press a unique occasion will be a combined meeting of the four Tasmanian School Lodges with our own Lodge acting as host. The four Lodges are closely associated—not only as Masons, but by our School associations and by our sponsorship. The Old Grammarians' Lodge was sponsored by us in 1937, followed by the Old Hobartians' Lodge in 1945, whilst Churinga Lodge was sponsored by Old Grammarians in 1947. It is hoped that this event will be annual, each Lodge taking its turn acting as host.

