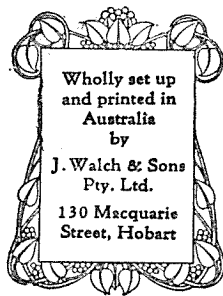


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## The Hutchins School Song

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

## PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

THE attention of all who are interested in the future of the School is invited to the middle pages of this issue, where we publish preliminary details of both the Short-range and Long-range Plans for the future development of the School.

These plans have been drawn up by the Board of Management after consultation with civic authorities and eminent architects and engineers, and represent a definite goal which is capable of being attained in our generation.

We earnestly commend this article and the accompanying illustrations to the close study of our readers, for it will be mainly by their co-operation that the Board's plans will be brought to fruition.

EDITOR

## Assembly Notes

SEVERAL speakers have addressed School Assembly during the first half of the year, and a wide variety of topics has been discussed. The following is a list of the chief speakers and the subjects of their talks:

*Rev. Frank Coaldrake*, a well-known Australian missionary on furlough from Japan, gave us a picture of life in a Japanese home and the impact of Christianity on Shintoism.

*Ven. Archdeacon David Hand*, Assistant Bishop-elect of New Guinea, spoke of the Martyrs' School in Papua and thanked us for our financial support of four boys there.

*Mr. Beamish*, of the Road Safety Council, showed a film illustrating the laws concerning cyclists, motorists and pedestrians, and spoke of the necessary precautions and rules to be observed.

*Brig. E. M. Dollery*, President of the Old Boys' Association, addressed us on Empire Day and read the Empire Youth Message from Lord Gowrie. He introduced

*Colonel Bruce Watchorn*, an Old Boy of the School, who presented, on behalf of his family, a silver cup to be known as "The Neil Watchorn Cup," and to be competed for annually in rifle-shooting competitions. Colonel Watchorn was

awarded the M.C. during the 1914-18 war whilst serving with the Royal Artillery, and the O.B.E. during the last war. His younger brother, Captain Neil Watchorn, was also an Old Boy, and died on active service in Malaya. The cup had been donated by the latter for competition in the 22nd Light Horse Regiment, but, on the disbanding of the Regiment, it became available for re-allocation. Captain Neil Watchorn's family therefore decided that the cup be presented to the School for the encouragement of soldierly qualities in the Cadet Detachment.

Mr. George Haynes, of the British National Council of Social Services, spoke of the work of his Council in improving the living conditions of the people, and exhorted us "not to be too upset by all the things which seem to go wrong."

Mr. Harry Liu, of China, gave us an interesting and delightful description of life in China and presented to each boy an autographed copy of one of the Gos-

pels. He also taught us to sing a simple hymn in Chinese!

Mr. F. J. Williams, of the School Staff, spoke on the work and ideals of U.N.E.S.C.O.

Mr. J. D. L. Hood, an Old Boy of the School and the present Australian Ambassador to Indonesia, gave a most interesting account of the work and training of an ambassador and afterwards answered several questions on life in Indonesia in general and Djakarta in particular.

In addition to the above talks the School Chaplain, Rev. G. Needham, has addressed Assembly each week on spiritual matters, as well as having given a series of addresses during Holy Week.

A musical treat was provided by Mr. Maurice Barr and a party of instrumentalists from the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music. A delightful programme of chamber music and songs was presented by the artists, and we look forward to future performances of this type of music.

H. M. T.

## Chaplain's Notes

THE Chaplaincy is a new growth in the life of Hutchins, and with the appointment of a Chaplain naturally the School Magazine brings to life this new feature as his mouthpiece. It seems fitting, therefore, that some of those matters which comprise more specifically the religious life of the School should be here gathered together into some kind of composite picture.

In the former half of this year we have taken part with Collegiate School in two Schools' Services at the Cathedral: on Ash Wednesday, when the Chaplain of Hutchins was asked to give the address, and on Maundy Thursday just before the Schools broke up for the short Easter vacation. It seems a pity that it has never been in the tradition of our Australian Public Schools to remain on, at least in some years, until Easter Day itself, so that the true culmination of Lent,

Holy Week and Good Friday in the Resurrection might be corporately experienced. This is a matter which the Headmasters' Conference might well consider when planning the dates of terms. Some of the English Public Schools have found a great value in sometimes having Easter at school.

As we have no School Chapel, and as School Assemblies are held in the School Hall, it is fitting that the Headmaster should normally preside at those Assemblies, as he has continued to do. However, the Chaplain has been able to take over the Friday Assemblies, thus enabling the Headmaster to visit the Sub-Primary section of the School at Sandy Bay. The Chaplain has also been responsible for the giving of short addresses on Wednesday mornings and on the first three mornings of Holy Week.

As Anzac Day was a school holiday, our School Anzac Service was held in the School Hall on the 24th. The Headmaster took the main body of the service, the Captain of the School read the traditional lesson from *The Pilgrim's Progress* and placed the wreath on the Honour Roll in the Library—the School turning to make acknowledgment of this act of respect for the Fallen—and the Chaplain read the Act of Remembrance, gave the address and pronounced the Blessing. We were glad to have with us on the dais the Chairman of the Board and other of its members. The whole service was dignified and inspiring, the School joining fervently in the singing and the bugler adding to the seemliness of the occasion.

The Empire Day Service was another act of corporate worship, and we are grateful to Brigadier Dollery for his address on that occasion.

Our understanding of the nature of the Church's life and work has been deepened and extended by the addresses which were given to us on different occasions by Archdeacon Hand (now Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of New Guinea), by the Reverend Frank Coal-drake (our Australian Missionary in Japan), and by Mr. Liu (representative of the Pocket Testament League). We are grateful to them (and to those who brought them to us—Miss Dorothea Henslowe of the A.B.M., and Mr. Kingdom of the Sandy Bay Baptist Church) and our prayers and good wishes go with them in their work for Christ and His Church.

We are at the present time looking forward with interest to the impending visit of Bishop Yashiro, the Presiding Bishop of the Nippon Sei Ko Kwei (the Holy Catholic Church of Japan), the title of our own Anglican Church in that country. Bishop Yashiro has suffered much for the cause of Christ, being persecuted in his own country for his adherence to the Christian Faith during the recent war. The Australian occupation troops in Japan thought so much of him that they

raised funds amongst themselves to send him to the Lambeth Conference in 1948. We owe much to him and to his fellow Christians in Japan, who, fighting the frontier battles of the Christian Church in hostile surroundings, know by their hardships what it means to be a Christian. He will have much of importance to say to us, and we offer him a fervent Christian welcome to the School.

The School showed considerable enthusiasm in the collecting of funds for the support of four boys at the Martyrs' Memorial School at Sangara, in New Guinea, and quite an amount of imagination and initiative was shown in the methods by which the sum (£40/15/1) was raised. Our thanks go to all those who helped by their efforts to enable us to reach our quota.

We have a class of twenty-one candidates for Confirmation. Preparation began at the beginning of the second term, and will continue for about two weeks after the Confirmation (due to be held in St. David's Cathedral at 7.45 p.m. on Friday, 4th August) to enable the newly confirmed boys to be prepared for their first Communion (on Sunday, 20th August). The class is almost entirely comprised of Senior School boys, ranging up to the Intermediate. Early to middle adolescence is by no means the best time, from a psychological point of view, for most boys to be prepared for Confirmation, in spite of the tradition which has regarded that period as normal. Parents would be well advised to have their boys prepared for Confirmation when they reach the top form of the Junior School, or at the latest when they enter the first form in the Senior School. For some few years after this period a boy's interests are expanding rapidly and his spiritual balance tends to be less secure until the time when he begins to settle down into manhood.

The Boarding House has been attending the 10 o'clock Eucharist each Sunday at the Cathedral, together with the boarders from Collegiate. We are glad to

see some of the day-boy members of the Parish joining in this service, and we look forward to this service becoming in fact a "Schools' Service." In order to make the Eucharist a more adequate act of praise and worship on the part of the congregation, we have been holding fortnightly singing practices at Collegiate. We are grateful to our sister school for making this possible, and to Mr. Boyes and Mr. Williams for their efforts in the direction of the practices. The time has come when we feel the need for practices in the Cathedral itself, and we hope that it will be possible to arrange this.

About once a month the more senior boarders attend Evensong at the Cathedral, and on other Sunday evenings we have had informal services in the House. The Communicants continue to attend the 7.45 a.m. service of Holy Communion at St. David's once a fortnight.

We appreciate the contact which we are able to have with the Cathedral, which is our Parish Church: but for some time we have felt the need, in the absence of a School Chapel, for some spiritual centre in the House, where we can hold celebrations of Holy Communion, where the boys can go for quiet and prayer, and where the Chaplain can interview boys in connection with their preparation for Confirmation and at other times. A small House Chapel is now in the offing. The Bishop has approved the scheme, the Board is willing to grant certain funds for immediate needs in setting up the Chapel, and the Headmaster has set apart a room which he is willing to hand over for this purpose (in spite of the fact that it is already serving a useful purpose as a reception room). Space is so limited in the House that this is the only room that can be made available. Temporarily, the Chaplain will be using mostly his own equipment, such as vestments, chalice and paten, and altar linen. But it is to be hoped that parents and Old Boys will take an interest in the seemly and adequate furnishing of the Chapel, so that

more and more we will in this temporary Chapel be able to "worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." Perhaps boys as they leave School may wish to donate a chair or some other article of furnishing for the use of our worship. The Chapel will be used mostly by the boarders, but it will at all times be available for day boys who wish to make use of it.

Since these notes were written we have had the privilege of welcoming Bishop Yashiro to the School. He was accompanied by Canon M. A. Warren, Secretary of the Australian Board of Missions, who said a few words introducing the Bishop to the School, and explaining that he was in effect the "Archbishop" of Japan.

The Bishop spoke in a simple manner, telling us a story of a white dog, which illustrated Japan's need of Christianity: and he suggested that it was partly the responsibility of the Australian Church to see that Japan was converted to Christ. He would give a welcome to any of our number who would be willing to join in the work — especially if he were wearing a dog-collar!

The few boys who heard Bishop Yashiro speak on the previous evening in the Synod Hall will not forget the moving sincerity of his address.

We wish to record our deep regret at the recent tragic aircraft disaster in Western Australia, and particularly for the loss to the Australian Church of Bishop Charles Murray and the Very Reverend Norman Blow. To their relatives we extend our sincere sympathy.

Gregory Needham, Chaplain



## Gifts and Bequests

WE have been requested to publish a transcript of the 1859 Circular to Old Boys, the gift of which was acknowledged in our issue of last December.

### Circular

Hobart Town, November, 1859

My Dear Sir,

Several of those who have been from time to time at the Hutchins School, having lately met, and considered the desirability of having an annual gathering of old schoolfellows, it was unanimously resolved that we should dine together once a year.

Messrs. J. Dixon, W. Gerrand, J. O'Boyle, A. Watchorn, E. Fisher, A. Dobson, R. Pitcairn, Jun., and myself, were appointed a Working Committee to carry out this resolution.

It has accordingly been arranged that the first of such annual dinners will take place on the evening of Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at Webb's, tickets fifteen shillings each, to be had of any of the Committee.

In order that the boys now at School may participate in the proposed festivity, Mr. Buckland has consented to give a holiday on the 22nd; and during the day a Cricket Match will be played on the ground of the Southern Tasmanian Cricket Club between eleven of the former and twenty-two of the present scholars.

Should you be desirous of being present at the ensuing dinner, will you favour me with an early reply, and also make early application for a ticket for the dinner, in order that the necessary preparations may be made.

In case you should meet any old schoolfellow who has not received a copy of this Circular, will you either communicate its contents to him, with an assurance that he has been inadvertently overlooked, or will you forward

to me his name and address, in order that the omission may be made good.

I remain, my dear Sir, yours faithfully,

W. L. Dobson.

Secretary to the Committee.

This Circular, dated November, 1859, led to the first Annual Re-union of Old Boys of the School.

W. L. Dobson (1848, No. 59), the convenor of the dinner, afterward became Sir William Lambert Dobson, K.C.M.G., Administrator and Chief Justice of Tasmania. The Circular was presented by W. P. Dobson (1876, No. 845), son of Sir W. L. Dobson, in 1947.

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We desire to express our grateful thanks for further gifts and bequests:

(1) The original script of the words of the School Song, as written by Rev. J. W. Bethune whilst he was padre at the Claremont Military Camp in 1916 (kindly forwarded by the author).

(2) A picture of Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, presented by Mr. Charles Walch.

(3) Funds left by Professor L. F. Giblin to put on a permanent basis the L. F. Giblin Shakespeare Prizes.

(4) A bequest through the executors of the estate of the late Rupert Bunny of a painting by him. The late Mr. Bunny (1864-1947) entered the School in 1874.

(5) A Cup for the best rifle-shot in the School Cadet Detachment, presented by the relatives of the late Captain Neil Watchorn. This is referred to under Assembly Notes.

(6) The cost of binding a complete set of School Magazines, 1913-1949, donated by Mr. Charles Walch. This set, collected by the Editor from various sources over a period of years, is believed to be the only complete set in existence,

apart from the one owned by Mr. R. W. Vincent. Thanks to a recent gift of a few loose numbers by Mrs. T. C. Brammall, we now have a third set, complete except for the issues of *June, 1913*, and *December, 1933*. If any Old Boys could supply these they would be gratefully accepted. The Editor has quantities of certain back numbers which are available gratis to Old Boys on application.

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### A.B.C. Listening Groups

WE have been asked by the Australian Broadcasting Commission to publish the following list of talks given to "A.B.C. Listening Groups" at 8.40 p.m. each Monday.

Third Series: "*Ourselves and the Peoples of South-East Asia*"

July 17: "Political Co-operation."  
July 24: "Economic Co-operation."  
July 31: "Intellectual Co-operation."

Fourth Series: "*A New Approach to International Understanding?*"

Aug. 7: "Can East and West Agree?"  
Aug. 14: "What Can We Learn From the Past?"  
Aug. 21: "What Must be Done Now?"

Fifth Series: "*Some Brave New Worlds?*"

Aug. 28: Plato's "Republic."  
Sept. 4: Samuel Butler's "Erewhon."  
Sept. 11: Thoreau's "Walden."  
Sept. 18: More's "Utopia" and Morris' "News from Nowhere."  
Sept. 25: The Moderns—Ibsen, Shaw, Wells, Huxley, Orwell.

Sixth Series: "*2,000 A.D.?*"

Oct. 2: "Life for Mr. and Mrs. Everyman, 2,000 A.D."  
Oct. 9: "Politics and Economics in the 21st Century."  
Oct. 16: "Home, Office, Farm and Factory."  
Oct. 23: "Mr. and Mrs. Everyman Themselves."

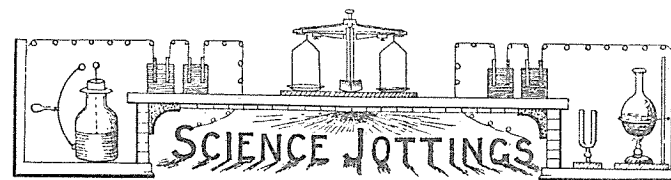
## Hail!

*Preparatory and Junior School:* Allen, G. C.; Bastian, G. N.; Bayes, G. C. G.; Bowen, C. J.; Burbury, S. V.; Burton, J. W.; Champion, K. R.; Clennett, J. S.; Dobbie, R. E. B.; Drake, P. B.; Ford, R. K.; Godfrey, J. S.; Green, R. A.; Johnson, G. M. R.; Kitcher, I. J.; Knevett, S. M.; Lambert, E. D.; Long, R. P.; Lucas, P. M.; McNeice, R. V.; Malm, B. E.; Newman, D. H.; Overell, J. G. P.; Page, H. G.; Piggott, R. B.; Ratten, J. H. G.; Reakes, A. W.; Skeels, M. J.; Slate, S. M.; Smith, R. B.; Smith, R. L. K.; Southey, J. C.; Price, H. P.; Turner, C. R. R.; Way, A. K.; Woodward, J. L.; Woolston, H. J.

*Senior School:* Bender, I.; Clark, I. R.; Cooper-Maitland, R. M.; Godfrey, A. W. W.; Howard, M.; Lipscombe, P. D.; Murray, I. D. R.; O'Meagher, B. P.; Parker, I. R. S.; Pitt, C. K.; Rattenbury, R. H.; Rhodes, H. V.; Taylor, R. T.; Venetos, E.; Woodward, K. G.

## and Farewell!

Adkins, R. F., 1947; Aherne, B. J., 1946; Baily, F. P., 1947; Blacklow, M. B., 1947; Briggs, G., 1947; Butler, E. G., 1940; Clarke, T. M., 1949; Cuthbert, R. D., 1939; Darcey, I. T., 1945; Davis, S., 1947; Elliss, W. H., 1947; Filbey, B. A., 1949; Firth, R. B., 1946; Gibb, D. M., 1947; Gibson, M. S., 1945; Graves, A. M., 1942; Heckscher, J. W., 1943; Hore-Lacy, D. F., 1946; Hore-Lacy, R. G., 1946; Hume, D. C., 1943; Jackson, I. H., 1949; Johnson, B. F., 1938; Kimber, C. J., 1947; McCreary, G. D., 1942; McArdle, J., 1945; McDowell, I. J., 1948; Miller, J. W., 1947; Morris, J. P., 1945; Murphy, W. J., 1948; Nettlefold, R. C., 1945; Oliver, C. K., 1945; Page-Hanify, G., 1943; Pitt, D. M., 1945; Rice, L. P., 1947; Shelton, J. T., 1942; Shepherd, D. U., 1939; Tanner, K., 1946; Thompson, D. B., 1943; Tinning, D. W., 1944; Verrell, G. A., 1948; Walker, P. G., 1946; Wastell, S. C., 1947.



### THE SUPER-MICROSCOPE

IN 1934 a report reached Canada that a new microscope working with electrons instead of light had been constructed by certain German scientists. It was claimed that it magnified objects to a much greater extent than the best optical instruments then available. Thereupon a young physicist named Hillier, of the University of Toronto, set to work with only the resources of his own laboratory to make a model of his own.

Hillier's instrument soon surpassed that of the Germans, and in time the principle on which he worked was adopted by some of the best scientific brains in America. The result has been that the number of problems to which the electron microscope has been applied in the few years of its existence is astounding. It has been specially valuable in the field of biology in dealing with insects, cell structures, bacteria (and the minute things which devour them) and the viruses never seen before by man. Some authorities assert that the possibilities of this instrument cannot be exaggerated: that in the near future even molecules and atoms may be brought within the range of man's vision.

The human eye unaided is not able to resolve details less than 1/250th of an inch apart, and this limit led to the development of the microscope from a simple lens. In the compound microscope the magnification is by stages, each stage viewing the magnified image formed by the one before it. But the very best of these instruments are unable to resolve details separated by less than 1/100,000th part of an inch.

Without going into technical details, we may say that light is a form of wave motion, and that the wave length of the

light used is the principal thing that determines the power of a microscope. For this reason the short wave ultra-violet light is extensively employed in high-power microscopical work. This light, of course, cannot be seen in the ordinary sense, but its effects can be observed on a fluorescent screen or on a photographic plate. Magnifications of several thousand times the size of the object are frequently obtained by this method with very satisfactory results.

But the limit of the optical microscope has been reached. It is extremely unlikely that the technicians will be able to effect any further improvement. This is where the science of electronics comes to our aid. Everyone knows that electrons are a constituent of all matter and carry a definite negative electric charge. These electrons can be torn off in various ways; for instance, when a wire is heated by an electric current they fly off in all directions. Should the wire be sealed into a tube exhausted of air and a metal plate placed inside the tube at a suitable distance from the wire, the electrons will be strongly attracted to the plate in a continuous stream—the whole instrument forming what is known as a cathode-ray tube.

Let us remember that the function of a lens is to catch a beam of light coming from an object and to bend it in such a way that it is diverted on to the retina of the eye, thus forming an image. In the same way, a properly arranged electric or magnetic field can be made to bend the stream of electrons in the instrument just described. These electrons act like waves and form an electric image of an object suitably placed with respect to the tube. The image is not seen by the eye, but the electrons affect the photographic plate and print the image on it.

Some idea of the tremendous magnifying power of this instrument will be gained from the statement that under the electron microscope a piece of thin tissue paper held edgewise would appear nine feet thick.

### HOW OLD IS THE EARTH?

The problem of the age of the earth is always with us. Articles on it are continually appearing in books and scientific journals, in fact the subject seems to have an abiding interest. The latest contribution that we have seen is in "Science News 10," one of the Penguin publications. The writer, although treating the subject fairly exhaustively, is too verbose in his style. The average layman who is not interested in the minutiae of scientific research will find the article somewhat lacking in intelligibility.

The chief stages in the history of the investigation of this problem can be summarized very briefly:

The scientific approach to the question of the earth's age was first made as recently as the nineteenth century. The early geologists suggested that river gorges were not formed suddenly, but were the result of a gradual process of erosion lasting over a period of millions of years. They actually measured the rate at which the valleys were being eroded, and deduced from that the amount of rock that the rivers must have carried away to leave the present valleys. If the process was uniform it was calculated that a million years would be required to wear the valleys down to the level at which they are at present. They concluded, therefore, that the rocks which had been eroded must be considerably older than one million years.

In 1898, Professor Jolly attempted a more accurate determination. He made careful measurements of the amounts of salts which the rivers carry down to the sea. These showed that 156 million tons of sodium combined with various salts are annually added to the oceans of the

world. But the total amount of these salts in the oceans is calculated roughly to be about 12,600 million million tons. So that, assuming the action to be uniform, it would take 81 million years to make the sea-water as salty as it is at present. This estimate looked very accurate, but it left the geologists dissatisfied. They knew, for instance, that large quantities of salt are blown back to the land in spray, and many reasons were discovered for believing that the addition of salt to the sea had not been a uniform process.

Soon afterwards the physicists approached the problem. They based their research on the assumption that the earth was formed from the sun and had cooled down from the high temperature of the sun to its present comparatively low temperature. The rate at which the earth cooled must have depended on the rate at which it radiated heat. Lord Kelvin measured the heat conductivity of some of the rocks forming the earth's crust. He thus estimated that the earth had been cooling for something between 25 and 40 million years. There was, therefore, a serious discrepancy between the physicists and the geologists, and an acrimonious discussion was carried on between them for several years.

But the discovery of radioactivity at the end of the last century upset all former theories. It was found that radium was widely distributed throughout the earth's crust and that the element uranium is disintegrating spontaneously and gradually into radium and ultimately becoming lead. Almost as much heat is being generated by this transformation as the earth loses by radiation from its surface. Ordinary lead has atomic weight 207, but lead from uranium has weight 206. When the latter lead is found in a uranium crystal it is concluded that it has been formed from the mineral crystallized from melted rock. One per cent. of the uranium is transformed in 66 million years. In this way the age of minerals is found to be about 1,200 million years, and the earth must be older than this. Working

on this hypothesis the distinguished mathematician Sir James Jeans calculated that the earth is anything between 1,400 million and 3,400 million years old.

May we add that of this vast period it is only within the last one million years that man appeared on the earth. It is still less (only about 100,000 years) that he has acquired the most rudimentary form of civilization, as, for example, since he was able to speak and exchange his ideas with his fellow men.

### A REMARKABLE PREDICTION

An English newspaper has recently drawn attention to a book, dealing with atomic warfare, which was published fifty-five years ago. The book, the author of which was Robert Cromie, an Irishman, appeared under the title of "The Crack of Doom."

The discovery of atomic energy and its chain-acting properties when liberated was brilliantly foreshadowed by the author. With marvellous prevision he foretold the construction of the atomic bomb and predicted that it would be a devastating engine of destruction. The explosion from it, Cromie asserted, might destroy the earth, and when perfected so terrible might it become that the entire solar system would be wrecked.

At that time the book was regarded as incredible fiction of the same class as the romances of Jules Verne. It was a good exciting story, but everybody looked upon the theme as fantastic. No one believed that it could ever become a reality.

The principal character was an insane scientist whose sole object in life was to contrive an instrument by which the whole universe might be destroyed. In his mad ravings he had a very sane vision of the atom as a "miniature solar system." This was years before Rutherford and Bohr made their epoch-making discoveries. The atom in Cromie's time was regarded as only a hard pellet of matter. But the mad scientist declared that the atom is destruc-

tible: that one grain of matter contains sufficient energy to raise 100,000 tons nearly two miles. He also enunciated what at that time was looked upon as a revolutionary and even impossible theory that in a pint of water there is bound up a latent force beside which steam and electricity are powerless in comparison.

But his most amazing prophecy was his description of a test at sea of a 100 per cent. efficient explosive bomb the size of a pea, and the engulfing of a French fleet. Anticipating the Bikini test, Cromie wrote: "Then the sea behind us burst into a flame followed by the sound of an explosion so frightful that we were almost stunned by it. A huge mass of water, torn up in a solid block, was hurled into the air and there it broke into a hundred roaring cataracts. These fell into the raging cauldron that seethed below. The French fleet disappeared."

Recent events in the world's history have proved all this a stark reality. The almost literal fulfilment of Cromie's forecast staggers the imagination. What seemed a mere phantasy to our forebears confronts us today, for good or evil, as one of the greatest achievements of the modern scientific world.

The year (1895) in which Cromie published his book marked a definite dividing line between the old and new physics. In that year Rontgen made his famous discovery of X-rays with all its beneficent effects for the health and happiness of mankind. The consequence of the discovery was, in a sense, even greater than the discovery itself. It gave the impetus to experiments which led to a new era in science by the discovery of radioactivity by Becquerel in 1896 and of the electron by Rutherford in 1897. These two opened up new vistas of the wonderful ways in which nature works. They are fundamental in the theory on which the atom and hydrogen bombs have been constructed. But, sad to say, these inventions have terrible potentialities for the annihilation of our cities, and even the possibility of



the destruction of civilisation itself. We must remember, however, that it is social causes, not science, that must be held responsible for wars and economic crises.

### THE NEAREST STARS

Those interested in astronomy will probably have read a few months ago that Dr. W. J. Luyten of the University of Minnesota, U.S.A., announced the discovery of a pair of stars nearer to the earth than any except Alpha Centauri. The discovery was made by comparing photographic plates taken at different times in South Africa. Measurements made by a large reflecting telescope at Tucson, Arizona, revealed that the two stars were probably less than six light-years away. Both stars are extremely red, from which we infer that they are much cooler than the sun. The lower the temperature of a star the redder and less bright it becomes, although the luminosity of a star, in a general sort of way, depends mainly on its weight. The new stars are said to be one hundred times too faint to be seen by the naked eye.

But it is their proximity to the earth that gives them their principal interest. Astronomically speaking, they are not much farther away than Alpha Centauri. The latter is the outer star of the two pointers adjacent to the Southern Cross. It is the brightest star in the southern skies and is easily recognized. On any night when the Cross is visible it can be seen shining brightly. It is not, however, the most luminous in the whole heavens; Sirius holds that distinction with Alpha Centauri taking third place.

Alpha Centauri is  $4\frac{1}{4}$  light-years from the earth. A light-year is the distance light travels in a year. So that light travelling at the rate of 186,000 miles per second takes over four years to reach the earth from the nearest star. This distance in miles works out at 25 million million in round numbers. Incidentally, some stars are as much as one million light-years away. Of course, the human mind

can form no conception of these vast distances. Apart from the idea of a million light-years, merely to contemplate a distance of one light-year makes the mind reel.

"God moves in a mysterious way  
His wonders to perform."

Wireless waves travel with the same speed as light, both being waves of electric disturbance; whereas sound travels in waves in the air with only one-millionth of the speed of wireless waves. One can form an idea of the disparity between the two, when we think that we here in Tasmania can sit at our own fireside and hear the music of a broadcast concert in the Albert Hall in London sooner than an ordinary listener at the back of the hall.

H. D. E.

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### Exchanges

WE have to acknowledge receipt of the following magazines since December, 1949, and apologise if any have been inadvertently omitted:

*Tasmania:* Church Grammar School, Launceston; State High School, Launceston; Junior Technical School, Hobart.

*Victoria:* Caulfield Grammar School; Scotch College, Hawthorn; Melbourne Church of England Grammar School (2); Trinity Grammar School, Kew (2); Geelong College; Carey Baptist Grammar School, Kew; Geelong Grammar School; Ballarat College; Queen's Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Ballarat; Ballarat Grammar School.

*West Australia:* Guildford Grammar School (2);

*New South Wales:* Sydney Church of England Grammar School (2); Barker College, Hornsby; The King's School, Parramatta (2); Church of England Grammar School for Boys, Morpeth; Newington College, Stanmore.

*South Australia:* Scotch College, Mitcham.

*Queensland:* Southport School; Church of England Grammar School, Brisbane.

## The Hudspeth Essay, Senior

### THE EDUCATIONAL VALUE OF FICTION

[This essay, by J. R. Clark, secured the prize in the Senior Section of the W. H. Hudspeth Essay Competition, 1949]

THE principal aim of fiction—and by fiction I mean the novel—is not, as it is usually supposed, an easy means of obtaining refuge from actual life, but to help the reader to deal less inadequately with it. And is not this also one of the primary aims of education, particularly school education? Therefore a study of the novel must be an intrinsic part in the curriculum of every school. The novel will allow the reader to live for a short time at the expense of an intelligent and sensitive mind, by giving him access to a finer code than his own and thus deepening, extending, and refining experience.

Before continuing we must define the novel. There have been many attempts to do this, but I think the most adequate is that of Hardy: "A novel is an impression, not an argument." Lackington says of novels: "Excellent productions that tend to polish both the heart and head," which again is a primary aim of education. By reading and learning to understand fiction we find a useful means of comprehending the mode of feeling of the cultivated, and thus can qualify ourselves to live to more purpose, to appreciate and enjoy the world about us, and, instead of taking life for granted and for what it is worth, trying to improve it by improving ourselves and others.

The novel is nothing if it is not a study of human nature, and it loses all reason for existing if it does not increase our knowledge of the human heart, and it is undoubtedly the characters in a novel that have the profoundest effect on the reader. It is a plain fact that the aim of every artist is to attract attention. But if a writer has so great a desire to reach and effect the largest quantity of people, both in his own time and after, he must feel a

responsibility for his readers, and therefore, should a novelist falsify the fact of life and change the very object of his study in order not to offend or unsettle his readers? Of course, the answer is that he is not writing for little girls.

Unfortunately, readers who have attained the age of reason (particularly the younger ones) are often more dangerously disturbed by books than their elders. Gene Stratton Porter wrote: "Young people form their ideas of what they consider a wonderful and desirable life to live from the books of half a dozen authors, and they would be better off with Government censorship of sensual and illegitimate situations." However, it is outside the scope of this essay to discuss that very irritable point, censorship. But it can be clearly seen that novels can and do have a profound effect on young and impressionable minds. In fact, Henri Perreyne, when he had just left school, wrote a letter to Charles Perraud in which he referred to "this vice of lustfulness which word alone makes our seventeen year old hearts grow weak and faint." If the mere mention of the word makes these young people grow faint, what can be the effect of descriptions of the word—even if they are restrained descriptions? Some may say vice is not the only thing to write about and that, although man has his rottenness he also has his greatness, and there are beautiful characters whose history can be written. Gide is of the opinion that good literature cannot be made out of fine sentiments, and the worse the character the better the book. But it is almost impossible to isolate the good from the bad so as to make an edifying portrayal. It is the ambition of the modern writer to apprehend the whole of human nature, including its shifting contradictions.

Thus we can see that the bad novel in the hands of impressionable youth is a dangerous weapon with which the reader plays in a way we can never foresee. Everybody re-creates what he reads after his own heart's image, and moulds an idea of it which is valid for himself alone.

But, similarly, the converse is true, namely, that good books can also have their profound effect on the outlook, life, and mind of youth, particularly if those books are carefully elucidated by an understanding teacher and the reader's recreation of them carefully but distantly shaped by one who can appreciate the uncultivated effect the books could have. Of course the essential issue here is that only good books are to be studied. But the collaboration between reader and writer varying as it does with each individual, makes the question of good and bad books an insoluble one. I think that only a novelist is in the position to judge of it.

However, it is a problem that faces all teachers of literature today. Many find an easy solution by dipping into the past and bringing out a novel that shuns anything tending to be lewd or coarse, anything that may have a detrimental effect on the pure minds of young people. They will force upon their pupils Scott, Austen, Dickens or Thackeray. J. B. Priestley says of Scott, who is, I think, the most controversial, "It is by common use of his later and weaker tales in schools as a kind of supplement to text-books, that has probably influenced innumerable readers against him." He has been mercilessly flayed by every type of novelist; the neat story teller says that he is untidy; the passionate novelists say that he knows nothing of love; philosophical novelists condemn him for lack of ideas; stylists sneer at his clumsy prose and historians have even pointed out his anachronisms. In fact, the very schoolboy, condemned to study him when he might be out playing football, has declared him dull. If teachers, more educated than I, say that Scott is to be studied — and there are those who say that he leaves wide open to

people a whole wide world of enthralling events and living people — he must be studied carefully, and not until the higher forms or his dullness is liable to ruin a weaker student's whole outlook to literature.

We cannot regard Scott as a true artist, as circumstances forced him to regard himself as a professional novelist always with an eye to the tastes of his public (and the tastes of the public have changed immensely from Scott's day). In fact, his publisher persuaded him to alter (and spoil) the plot of "St. Ronan's Well," in the belief that the public would be shocked by it.

And then Jane Austen may be chosen, in whose delicate hands a novel becomes a miniature "on which I work with so fine a brush as produces little effect after much labour"; and this slow motion cannot possibly be at all enjoyed by the youth of today.

Finally there are the popular three, Dickens, Thackeray and Galsworthy. None are true artists. Dickens' original purpose, since forgotten, was social reform. His world tends to be false although he was an acute observer. Children, to Dickens, were always serious, and man to him seemed absurd. He loved those who, like himself, remain children all their lives. This explains why there is so much missing from his world, which has no place for many concerns and people, "from ideas to sexual passion, from philosophers to fine ladies." Dickens has the same bias to children as Scott.

Thackeray led a very unhappy childhood and life, and, but for the timely appearance of "Vanity Fair" he would have soon died in poverty. His main faults are that his thought lags for behind his feelings, and his manner is philosophical but he lacks philosophy. However, we must give Thackeray what he is due. "Esmond," his masterpiece, still remains with us as one of the glories of English literature. "Thackeray is everybody's past." Mr. Chesterton once wrote, "is everybody's youth. Forgotten friends

flit about the passages of dreamy colleges — we smell the strong smell of social cliques now quite incongruous to us." Thackeray is perhaps more appealing to youth today than Dickens, Scott and Austen, for he is bathed in atmosphere and has given us a wonderful gallery of characters, most of which appeal to all. His style has a continuous, easy flow, a flow which is being constantly unconsciously interrupted to suit the required mood, and adds ease to its reading.

Galsworthy was a weak artist. He takes sides with his characters, attacking them or defending them at will, thus losing what exquisite sensitiveness he at times undeniably possesses, and becomes the crudest of satirists and ironists. Gide wrote: "The moral issue for the artist is not that he should present an idea that is useful, but that he should present an idea well," and, as a work of art has no object outside itself, anything written to prove a point or impress an argument, as in Galsworthy's case, must be disqualified from the realm of art. Of course, it can be argued that his novels have a use of their own in as much as they are a food for thought and offer ample scope for discussion and criticism.

If we turn to novelists of Conrad's type, we find popular and stirring tales of the sea which are sure to appeal to youth, and whose technique, although a little difficult and complicated, can be made easy by careful elucidation. His only fault, if it can be called a fault, is his submission to convention, idealising women and the strong, silent man in the familiar magazine tradition and exhibiting in the person of his heroes an uplifting symbolism." It is only by studying the more interesting romantic authors with an easy style and technique, that the novel can have its full educational value.

Why could not Defoe and Swift be studied, two immensely popular novelists with youth? Although the value of the rhetoric is relatively small it is overshadowed by their sheer brilliance on and below the surface.

The very idea of a giant among pygmies or a pygmy among giants in Swift's first two books, "Lilliput" and "Brobdingnag," and the romance of being cast away on a desert island, never fails to grip the imagination of young people. Robinson Crusoe is an ideal subject, for he is stark humanity seen grappling with its most homely, and yet urgent problems. No tale had ever less picturesque decoration, depending upon more simple facts, yet remains one of the greatest romantic stories of the world.

Swift's "Gulliver's Travels" is one of the most savage satires on the human race that has ever appeared. Here again is the solemn verisimilitude, the accumulation of signifying facts that takes hold of the imagination. Although some will not call Swift a novelist, all must pay tribute to his astonishing power of realistic narrative, narrative that has infinite appeal to the young, who will enjoy their study of Swift instead of being driven to read Scott and Dickens.

The novel, unlike the poem, is diffused and cannot be read through at a sitting. A poem succeeds or falls at every point, whereas in a novel the whole is apt to be lost sight of in the immediacy of the whole. It is like a poem seen in sections through a microscope — so highly magnified that to perceive its total rhythm and estimate its value with conviction is indeed a hard feat to learn to accomplish. The first requisite for a reader is an ability for a prolonged expenditure of effort in order to fully appreciate the cumulative effect of the novel. This ability is yet unformed in youth as it depends upon environment which, in this case, is always distracting. The novel is the easiest and most interesting and appealing method of encouraging assiduous concentration to the subject in hand, no matter what that subject may be, and herein lies an important educational value.

The major achievements of the good contemporary novelists appear to be unknown, even by name, by the reading public of today, and far less in the

schools. For extra leisure-time reading today, youth is gradually turning towards the lesser "best sellers," seeking relief from the burden of Scott, Dickens and the others that they are forced to bear at school. They are not helped to discriminate between good authors and bad, and thus turn to "The Saint" and P. G. Wodehouse for an odd moment of pleasure. One of the great evils of this type of reading is that it discourages thought, thus destroying what good work might have been done studying Scott or Thackeray. Everyone must be trained from adolescence to resist the stock responses so easily touched off by the vague emotions associated with religion, life, death and their kin, so extensively exploited by the "hack" writer. Discrimination in literature, especially when school has been finished, can only be attained by guidance in schools today, and then only by study of the best authors and their writing, whether it be poetry, prose, drama or novel.

A novel depicts life, perhaps good or bad, and can be regarded as pure narrative, a picture of manners, an exhibition of characters, or as a vehicle of a certain philosophy of life, but this picture is always covered by the novelist's ideas and experiences. Thus by study of fiction we find a means by which we can become more fully acquainted with the personality of the novelist himself, whose every little turn of phrase has a fascination for us.

"A writer," said Francois Lauriac, "is like a desert, and a literary work a cry from a desert, the objective of which is essentially to be heard."

Of all the compliments that can be paid to a writer, "You are admired so much by the younger generation" is by far the greatest. He has attained what he so much desired, what he wanted above all, to get the attraction of the younger generation, particularly those who have aspirations of writing themselves, for they will study him minutely, and imitate him

as their own style gradually takes shape, and they at last can break away from their master. He has got to reach others, and particularly has to reach those who are still capable of being reached and dominated, the younger mentalities which are hesitating and unformed. He wants to make other people replicas of himself, he wants his own image and likeness to be resurrected in them when he himself is in the grave, and in what better place could this tradition be passed down than a school? The profound effect of the novel on youth has been previously shown, so, with perhaps the help of a guide, great artists and their novels can be allowed to have their effect upon the minds and yet unformed characters of the young as well as assisting in the business of living and enriching its quality by extending, deepening, refining, and co-ordinating experience.

Youth must be encouraged to study English, and encouraged to teach it for a profession. They must be trained in taste in order to resist the present-day influx of the poorer type of fiction on the market, a position that has literally rendered the reading of fiction as little more than a drug habit. It is only by acquiring access to good poetry, great drama and the best novels, the forms of art that, since they achieve their effect through language, most readily improve the quality of living, that literature can be lifted from the base plane to which it has fallen today. If this is not done "Novel writing will soon be nothing but a literary apprenticeship," as Compton MacKenzie so aptly put it. We must restore the position to that of the days of Conrad and Hardy, the last great two novelists to be known at large. The separation between the novelist, the public, and the "hack" writer must be "wiped out" if we are to carry on the tradition of English literature, the mantle so firmly carried by Shakespeare, Defoe, the first important novelist, Thackeray, perhaps Dickens, Henry James, and today, D. H. Lawrence and Virginia Woolf.

## Matriculation Examination, 1949-50

(Ordinary and Supplementary)

	Eng. Exp.	Eng. Lit.	Mod. Hist.	Anc. Hist.	Geography	French	Maths. A	Maths. B.	App. Maths	Physics	Chemistry	Music	Economics
Butler, E. G. (M) ...	L	C	C	C		C							
Clark, J. R. ...						H	H	L		L			
Cooper, J. W. (M) ...							H	H		H	L		
Cuthbert, R. D'A. (M) ...						C	C	L	C	H	C		
Heckscher, J. W. ...							H	L		H			
Johnson, B. F. (M) ...						H	C	C	L	L	H		
Kirby, D. E. ...	C		C		L	C							
McCabe, P. W. ...	H	L	H		H	L							L
Morris, J. P. (M) ...	L	H	H	L		H							
Page-Hanify, G. (M) ...							H	H		H	C		
Phillips, I. P. ...							H		L	H			
Shelton, J. T. ...							L			H		H	
Shepherd, D. U. (M) ...	H					C	H		L	H	H		
Valentine, R. S. (M) ...	C	H	H	L	H								L

University Entrance Scholarships: E. G. Butler, R. D'A. Cuthbert.

A. I. Clark Scholarship: E. G. Butler.

Tasmanian Government Bursary for Medicine: B. F. Johnson.

## Schools Board Examination, 1949-50

(Ordinary and Supplementary)

	Eng. Exp.	Eng. Lit.	Soc. Studies	Gen. Sc. A	Maths. I	Maths. II	Maths. III	French II	Latin	Art I	Com. Prac. II	Points
Points Available	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	
Biggs, J. B. ...	P	P	P	P		L		P	L			10
Darcey, I. T. ...	P	P	P	P		P		P			P	12
Gibson, M. S. ...	C	P		L		C		P				7
Graves, A. M. ...	P	P		P		P		L			P	9
King, D. R. ...	P		P	P		C	P	L				9
McIntosh, I. R. ...	C	P		L		L		C	C			8
Pitt, D. M. ...	P	P	P		C					P	C	8
Salmon, G. L. ...	P	P	L	C		C	C	P				10
Skinner, D. M. ...	P	P	P			P		P				8
Thomas, D. G. ...	P	P	C	P		L		P	L			10
Thompson, H. M. ...	P	P	L	L		P		P	L			9
Webster, K. A. ...	P	P	C	P		L						7

### Bursaries

Senior City: J. W. Cooper, D. E. Kirby, P. W. McCabe, G. L. Salmon.

Junior Country: J. G. Rankin.

## The Parents' Association

THE Parents' Association celebrated its coming of age when it held its 21st Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 14th March, 1950, in the School Hall. The retiring President (Mr. J. C. Tinning) made special reference to this fact in his annual report. He also congratulated the School Board of Management on having purchased a property in the vicinity of Berriedale, where it is proposed to transfer the School when funds permit. Mr. H. J. Solomon was elected President, with Messrs. G. Minton-Taylor and L. W. Salmon filling the positions of Vice-Presidents; Mr. E. M. Lilley, Hon. Treasurer; and Mrs. Q. McDougall, Hon. Secretary. Competition was keen for Committee members. The final result of the ballot was as follows:—Mesdames A. D. Goodfellow, W. Perkins, A. O. Burrows, H. A. Kerr, C. F. Lawrence, Messrs. A. P. Brammall, R. A. Terry, E. J. C. Stopp, D. J. J. Hood, P. C. Butler, Q. McDougall, Dr. W. Teniswood; Sub-Primary representatives, Mesdames H. M. Kelly and J. B. Piggott; the Headmaster and Mrs. Paul Radford, *ex officio* members. Auditors, Messrs. S. C. Hawker and K. E. G. Kemp.

The Executive recently received a letter from a country parent, asking if it would be possible for quarterly meetings to be held on the evening of the day boarders return to School, to enable country parents to be present. The Executive passed a resolution of this effect, covering the second and third terms. It is hoped that this arrangement will prove of mutual benefit to the School and the parents. The next General Meeting will be held on Monday, 11th September, 1950.

The Sub-Primary School is to be congratulated on the parents' fine effort in raising approximately £64 at the American Tea which they held in April. Funds will be used for School equipment.

A Clothing Exchange is being con-

ducted for the disposal of unwanted School clothing, at the June quarterly meeting. This will be continued if the support of parents is forthcoming. A charge of 10 per cent. is to be levied on sales for Association funds.

Arrangements are well in hand for the School Fair. This function is the Association's main source of income, and all parents are asked to support this effort, which will be held in the School Hall on Thursday, 24th August, 1950, at 11.30 a.m. The Lord Mayor (Alderman A. R. Park, M.H.A.) has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony.

The Executive has authorised Mr. O. H. Biggs to purchase a gramophone record of the National Anthem, as a present to the School from the Parents' Association.

E. S. McD.

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## Stamp Club

President: Mr. O. H. Biggs  
Secretary: M. G. Darcey

WITH nine meetings behind us, this year promises to be an excellent one for our Club. Despite a fairly small membership we are benefitting greatly from our meetings. The President has given interesting talks and exhibitions, and we are greatly indebted to him. Displays have been given by the President (3) and Messrs. Clerk (2), Foster and Darcey (one each).

Not many auctions have been held this year, but approval sheets have been passed round, and all the members are satisfied with this new way of selling and buying stamps. "Swapping" stamps—a time-honoured pastime, is again returning to favour.

As we can do with more members, a cordial welcome is extended to any boy who is interested in stamps and who wishes to join.

M. G. D.

## Library Notes

Committee: D. E. Kirby (Librarian), J. R. Clark, I. R. MacIntosh, P. W. McCabe, J. P. Mitchell, I. P. Phillips, B. D. Purvis, G. L. Salmon, D. S. Thomas, H. M. Thompson, C. S. Turnbull, R. S. Valentine, K. A. Webster, G. Woodward.

WE were unfortunate during the first term to lose the services of Mrs. Green, who had helped us in the cataloguing and classifying of books. On the other hand, it was our good fortune to find that Mrs. Needham, who came to Hutchins at the beginning of the year, proved to be a trained librarian. She was for some time connected with the Hobart High School library, which, incidentally, is one of the most up-to-date school libraries in the Commonwealth. We extend to her a hearty welcome, and are already indebted to her for her guidance and assistance.

All the old, unused, and in many cases valuable, volumes which have adorned the upper shelves of the library for some years are now in the hands of Christ College, though some of them are still the property of the School. The removal of these books has given us much additional room, and the library has taken on a more modern appearance.

This year has seen a marked increase in the use of the library, which is now open during school hours and recess, as well as in the dinner hour.

While the rowers were in Melbourne during May, we were shown over the Scotch College library, which has four times as many books as ours. It is very pleasing to note that our library is worked on much the same lines as that of Scotch, which has to cater for the demands of fifteen hundred schoolboys.

D. E. K.

## Music Club

President: Mr. O. H. Biggs  
Secretary: D. E. Kirby

DURING the first term there was little activity in the Music Club. As most of the members were required for rowing purposes, the attendances were not sufficient to warrant regular meetings. However, the Club did meet on two occasions, when works by Brahms and Tschai-kowsky were presented.

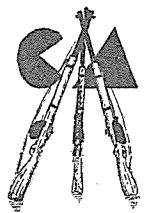
It was decided that during the second term the Club should meet each Thursday afternoon after school, and not fortnightly as has been the case for the past two years.

Our three programmes so far this term have been presented by the President and

Mr. Turnbull. The first consisted of Grieg's *Piano Concerto in A Minor*, whilst the second comprised three short concertos of Addinsell, Arlen and Richardson, all of which were written during the Second World War. The third was more varied, and Cesar Franck's "Symphonic Variations" were bracketed with Rimsky-Korsakov's "Caprice Espagnol." These two works provided a vivid contrast in musical content as well as in orchestration.

Although the membership is not very great, we are all keen members and lovers of good music. We would be very pleased to welcome to our meetings any other boys interested in music.

D. E. K.



# CADET NOTES

## SENIOR & JUNIOR

O.C.: Lieut. J. M. Boyes  
 2 i/c.: Cdt.-Lieut. G. A. W. Renney  
 C.S.M.: W.O. ii D. R. King  
 C.Q.M.S.: S/Sgt. D. Lange  
 Platoon Commanders: Sgt. H. Calvert, Sgt. P. Mitchell

**T**HIS year we are glad to report a sharp rise in the number of enlistments, and this has brought our total strength to nearly seventy.

It is obvious to anyone who considers the state of the world in general, and Australia in particular, that some form of compulsory military training must come into operation before very long. In the Cadet Corps much of this training is carried out under conditions far more pleasant than would be encountered during full-time military service. It is therefore in the interests of all members to make the most of the training they receive (however tedious it may seem at the time) whilst members of the School Cadet Unit. Moreover, it would be of great value to the unit, particularly in future years, if eligible members would exert

## Scout Notes

**A**T last the results are out for the Meredith Trophy for Senior Scouts in Tasmania, held last year. After much hard work, and at the expense of a lot of spare time, we were duly rewarded by gaining for the Patrol the coveted trophy.

We completed the last part of the competition, a 20-mile hike, at the beginning of the Christmas holidays. We started from Kempton on Thursday, 15th December, 1949, in an easterly direction, and were very glad to get settled for the night after a very strenuous walk.

themselves to take a greater interest in the advanced schools and courses offered by the Battalion during the year.

Already this year the unit has participated in two big events. Firstly, the Empire Youth Sunday march and service, and later the King's Birthday parade, at which thirty of our cadets were chosen as part of the guard. Highlights of this parade were the parading of the Colours of the 12th Infantry Battalion, the firing of the 21-gun salute, together with a *feu-de-joie*. Our cadets are to be congratulated for their part in these parades.

An N.C.O.'s Training Camp was held at Brighton during the May holidays. The features of the camp were the modern weapons display on the range, and a mock battle. Three of our cadets distinguished themselves in the examinations at the conclusion of the course. They were: W.O. ii King, 82.5%; S/Sgt. Lange, 78.5%; Cdt. Lipscombe, 76.5%. These cadets are to be congratulated on their fine effort.

J. M. B., G. A. W. R.

Next day it was much easier going, and we arrived at Pontville that afternoon.

This year, as only two of our number are left at School, it has been decided that we should join in with the troop, and hope that next year there will be enough to form a strong senior patrol.

We would like to thank very sincerely Mr. E. C. Brown for the way in which he so willingly gave up his time instructing us last year.

The Scout Troop also has distinguished itself by winning the competition at a

camp held at "The Lee," Proctor's Road, from the 4th to 6th March. It was well represented at the Rotary Youth Service held at St. David's Cathedral on Sunday, 23rd April, and at the Empire Youth march and service at the City Hall on 28th May. We were also called upon to represent the Scouts at the ceremony of Trooping the Colours for the King's Birthday.

Three of our Scouts were asked to take part in a short play, held at the Scouters' Conference from the 10th to 12th June, at the School.

We still have the use of last period on Tuesday afternoons, which is being put to good use in instruction for tests.

We have now a strong Cub Pack, consisting of 24 members, all of whom are invested in the capable hands of Miss

R. E. Maguire. There are four second star Cubs and one first star Cub, and also two leaping Wolves. During first term the pack had many all-day outings to various places around Hobart. A Sixers' and Seconds' Camp is to be held at Chauncy Vale in July.

The pack den is beginning to take shape, Cubs having provided jungle animals and charts to brighten the place up. On 10th June the pack held a party in it to celebrate the investiture of the two leaping Wolves.

Early in the year four Cubs went up into the Scouts, and now seven more are waiting for vacancies. We are still short of Scouters, and would be very grateful of the assistance of any old Scouts who might be reading this.

G. L. S.

## Film Club

Chairman: Mr. M. L. Robinson

Secretary: G. A. Renney

Committee: Mr. J. M. Boyes, R. Bowden, D. Jackson, M. Russell, G. L. Woodward

**O**UR main work has been to start a series of film-appreciation discussions on the various types of films and aspects of film making. So far, owing to difficulties in obtaining good films for this season, we have only been able to screen "Those Were the Days," which contained cuttings from the very first films up till 1936, and which points out advances in camera technique and background scenery, and one other film in this series, called "Daybreak Over Udi," which was voted the best documentary film of 1949. Another documentary, called "The Cooper," is on order. So far this year we have been without the big screen, which is awaiting repair. It has been sorely missed, particularly during the showing of "Daybreak Over Udi."

During the first term we were given a lecture on road safety by Mr. Beamish, of the Transport Department, who illustrated his talk by some Checkoslovakian films.

### The Boarders' Film Shows

These have not been held as regularly as last year owing to the full programme of House events, but the standard has been high. As in the case of other films, advance bookings have been a great trouble. We have been promised a full feature film in the Dagwood series, but so far it has failed to materialise.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking the State Film Library and the Education Department for their assistance in obtaining films, and also particularly to Messrs. Thorpe and Perkins.

G. A. W. R.

## Dramatic Society

President: Mr. K. Jarvis  
 Chairman: H. M. Thompson  
 Secretary: R. S. Valentine

Committee: J. R. Clark, J. W. Cooper, P. J. Lawrence, B. D. Purvis, G. A. W. Renney, G. L. Salmon

AS usual, the Dramatic Society started the year with the presentation of four one-act plays, which served mainly as a training ground for the major production.

This time the plays were a noticeable improvement on last year's efforts, and reflect great credit on the part of the boys who undertook to produce them.

In the past it has been the practice for the senior members, chosen by the Society's producer (Mr. K. A. Jarvis), to present a one-act play of their own choice. This policy was again carried out. However, this year one of our younger members was given the opportunity of produce, with the boys of Remove A, a play; and to Mark Chen, who produced "At the Pictures," we offer our congratulations. The play was an amusing little episode which, though happily not as full of complications and technicalities as the other plays, was very pleasing, and to these young enthusiasts I would offer our appreciation.

Hugh Thompson staged a typical Chinese play, presented in the traditional Chinese manner, which brought back pleasant memories of the delightful "Lady Precious Stream" produced in 1946.

With a strong cast and some very beautiful stage dressing, skilfully executed by our versatile Graeme Salmon, "The Dragon" deserves commendation on a sound performance in which we saw again some of the stalwarts of last year's "What Happened to George," notably Roger Valentine, William Cooper and David Walch.

Several cynics — myself included — doubted the advisability of producing the well-known text-book play, "Elegant Edward." Not daunted by these sceptical

denunciations, John Clark worked with a competent team of boys and produced the best one-act play seen at Hutchins School since the Society was founded in 1947. Establishing the atmosphere of the situation right from the beginning and moving at a good tempo, the play "held" the audience the whole time. The characterisation was good, Ian McIntosh playing the gentleman crook, being a pleasure to watch, though at times his diction could have been better, the attainment of which would have made his a fine performance. Adrian Gibson added to his list of female impersonations with a portrayal of Mrs. Treherne that deserves special mention. Playing the burglar, Clark held his play together, and it was a noticeable point to his credit that he could be heard clearly and distinctly, a point which Graeme Salmon shared with him.

Mr. Jarvis produced a fantastic comedy called "Charms" with some of the middle-school members. Comedy, both intentional and otherwise, was present throughout the performance, and some of the female impersonations provided the audience with many a laugh. A general comment I would like to make on the night's entertainment as a whole is to state, on behalf of the public who witnessed it, that we were struck with the spirit with which the boys did their work. We in the audience felt the keenness and pleasure that everybody on stage showed in their parts; and, after all, this is exactly one of the aims of the Society, namely, an interest in one of the finest of the fine Arts, in a branch of Art which is playing an ever-increasing part in our modern civilisation, and by kindling this interest we hope to do our share in some small measure towards the establishment of the Australian National Theatre.

Some of these boys have earned, on their performance in the one-act plays, a part in "Peter Pan," our major production for 1950. I feel sure that this de-

lightful play will interest all our kind friends who have by their generous support enabled us to carry on with the high standard of juvenile production that I think we can, in all modesty, claim to have established.

On 8th July the Society is holding a Dance at the School, and we are all looking forward to this function in the hope

that it will be a great success and a very pleasant evening.

To our public we would extend a cordial invitation to be present on 17th and 18th August for our annual production, and trust that by your continued support this vital part of the School's activities may continue to further your and our interest in drama.

B. D. P.

## Natural History Society

President: The Headmaster  
 Secretary: K. R. G. Wright

THERE have been increased numbers in the Society this year and the interest has been lively. One week-end camp was held at Chauncy Vale during the first term. Observations were made of plants and birds. Other camps are planned for third term. The Society meets on Fridays at 1.10 p.m. in the room above the Bursar's office for discussion and reading of papers. During the winter months our activities are confined to these meetings. Each member is expected to

prepare and read a paper once a term on some aspect of Natural History. All have been interesting, and the standard is rising considerably. This year the following papers were read: "The Migration of Birds" (the Headmaster), "Breeding of Daffodils" (P. J. Radcliff), "The Pouched Mouse" (R. Wright), "Prehistoric Animals" (J. Rankin), and "Bees" (R. Purdon).

New members are welcome—any boy wishing to join is asked to attend the weekly meetings.

## Literary and Debating Society

Patron: Mr. H. D. Erwin  
 President: Mr. P. Radford  
 Secretary: H. M. Thompson

A RATHER late start has been made by the Society this year. At the Annual General Meeting the above officers were elected. The Committee is formed from the House representatives.

Only the Junior Impromptu Speeches had been held before this Magazine had gone to print. Mr. Williams capably adjudicated, and it was discovered that the Junior members are very interested in the Society. Approximately fifty members attended the meeting and it was found that not all members present could be heard that day. As a result it was decided to hold another meeting a week

later. The final results of the Junior Impromptu were: Buckland and Stephens, equal first, and School half a mark behind, third. Darcey and Rankin tied for the Junior Impromptu Orator.

The Senior Impromptu Speeches and the Junior and Senior House Debates are expected to be over by the end of the second term, and we hope that the attendance will be fairly considerable. When these debates have been completed, debates or discussions with other schools may be made possible.

We wish to make the Society an important factor for the boys at School, as we know that it helps in a person's education and in the general shaping of his character.



## Plan for the Development of the Hutchins School

HAVING followed with interest at various meetings of the Board the future plans for the development of the School, I hereby give my approval to and commend the final scheme as printed below. The proposals are worthy of the traditions and purpose of this century-old School of which we are all justly proud.

It is my hope and belief that the Old Boys and friends of the School will leave no stone unturned in order to complete these proposals in the shortest time possible. This will entail self-sacrifice on the part of all who value what the School has stood for in the past and who believe in its future as a Church School, having a valuable contribution to make to education in this State and the Commonwealth.

GEOFFREY TASMANIA

AS a logical preface to an explanation of the plan adopted by the present Board of Management to meet the requirements of the School, a short resume of past and present conditions will be helpful towards a clear understanding of the problem which faced the Board, and of the factors which led to its logical and practical solution.

The picture is accordingly presented in three parts—The Past, The Present, and The Future.

### THE PAST

The original school building in Macquarie Street was erected in 1849 at a cost of £2,570 to house some 50 boys, of whom 20 were boarders. The site granted by the then Lieut.-Governor, Sir William Denison, was known as "The Government Garden," and was a fraction over two acres in area. It is generally accepted that a modern public school offering the expected facilities should be not less than 40 acres in extent, just twenty times the area of the present site!

Moreover, the conditions under which the site was given contained a clause prohibiting the lease or sale of any part of

the land, which was to be used for the School for all time. This guarantee was incorporated in the Christ College Act of 1926, and prevents the mortgaging, leasing or sale of the present site and buildings, but does not apply to the Headmaster's residence. Whilst this restriction remains in force the Board is precluded from using these assets in the normal commercial manner for raising moneys required for the extension or improvement of the School.

Almost immediately following upon the opening of the School an increase in pupils caused accommodation difficulties, so in 1854, when the roll numbered 120, an outside classroom was added.

In 1882 we find further classrooms erected, and in 1913 pressure of exactly twice the number of boarders for which the original dormitories had been designed forced the construction of a Boarding House contiguous to the old building, at a cost of £4,100.

The new Boarding House was meant to absorb the 40 boarders and provide for expansion. It has failed to achieve its object, as it is necessary to use not only

the old original dormitories of 1849, but the passageway above the cloisters has been utilised as sleeping quarters for many years. Even so, we are unable to accommodate the number of boarders offering.

At the same time the complete lack of proper facilities for recreation caused the acquisition of the present School Ground in King Street, formerly known as Christ College Ground.

The low ebb reached by the School in 1911 caused serious perturbation amongst its supporters, and led eventually to the historic amalgamation with Christ College in 1912. A direct result of this was the construction of the Christ College Wing in 1914, together with the Cloisters fronting the Boarding House and joining the new structure to the Old School. This temporarily relieved the pressure as far as classroom accommodation was concerned.

In 1915 a gymnasium was added at a cost of £900. As a gymnasium it is an excellent building for the purpose, but it also has to serve for the Assembly Hall, for the Chapel, for entertainments, and for many other purposes.

In 1919 the present Headmaster's residence, adjacent to the School, was purchased at a cost of £3,000, a sum greater than the cost of the original main building. This was used for the Junior day boys up till 1946.

Then in 1926 came the dignified War Memorial Library sponsored by the Old Boys, and erected at a cost of £1,250. This was never intended to be used as a classroom, but sheer necessity has forced overflow classes into it for some considerable time.

In 1946 the inexorable pressure of events led to a new departure, the principle being realised and accepted that the Macquarie Street site could no longer contain a growing and expanding educational institution. A site for a Junior School was acquired at Sandy Bay.

The School had grown to a numerical strength of 316, of whom 50 were

boarders. This year marked the Centenary of the School, and saw the launching of a Building Development Plan sponsored by the Board of Management, the Old Boys' Association, the Old Boys' Lodge and the Parents' Association.

Statements made at that time were most cogent. In the brochure published in connection with the appeal the Bishop of Tasmania said:

*"The demands of modern education are such that continuous expansion and development of School activities and improvements of training facilities are essential if the School is to retain its high place in the educational world, and maintain the great traditions built up during its hundred years of life."*

It is on this very true and able premise that the plan of 1946 and the present plan of 1950 are based.

The brochure further stated:

*"The Macquarie Street site is no longer adequate. Day boys and boarders have been turned away because more room and facilities are needed to allow the School to develop along sound educational lines. Moreover, extra playing fields are urgently needed, so that each boy may have full opportunities for physical development."*

In the Centenary Magazine, page 40, the Headmaster wrote as follows:

*"Modern education makes demands which the old buildings cannot meet, and which, by virtue of their construction, they cannot be altered to meet. In buildings it demands light and space so that both teachers and scholars may have freedom of movement. For its methods of teaching it demands rooms properly equipped with modern type furniture. In content the change is even greater. No modern school can be without certain activities which were formerly regarded as luxuries, those which give scope for the development of a boy's hobbies."*

The Board's 1946 plan to meet these needs consisted of two parts—

- (i) *At Sandy Bay.* The completion of a Sub-Primary Block, the erection of a Primary Block, the erection of a Boarding House for both Senior and Junior boys, and the construction of a Sports Oval.
- (ii) *At Macquarie Street.* The alteration of the existing buildings and grounds to accommodate the increased numbers, involving the provision of additional classrooms and laboratory space, with facilities for every boy to develop a hobby or craft, according to his abilities. Secondly, the extension of the Cloisters and the erection of a Chapel in accordance with the completed design of the late Mr. Alex. North.

In 1947 the funds raised from the Centenary Appeal were amalgamated into a fund known as The Hutchins School War Memorial Fund, and a constitution was approved and trustees appointed. This fund now amounts to £4,767, and the trustees are receiving donations to it from time to time. Subscriptions to the fund are subject to concessional rebate of Income Tax.

It has been found that the 1946 plan, even if carried out in its entirety, would be inadequate to meet the needs of a modern Public School.

Over the intervening years of the School's history opportunities to purchase adequate sites to which the School could have eventually been removed *in toto* were not availed of, and this inability to face the future in a practical manner has led to the position as it is today.

### THE PRESENT

So much for the picture of The Past, during which the School has built up a history and a record of service second to none in Australia. Now let us glance at

the position which faces the Board at the present time.

*At Macquarie Street.* The original School site and buildings are too restricted to accommodate our growing numbers. Further buildings cannot be erected on the present site without detrimentally affecting the existing playing area, already limited to half an acre.

*At Sandy Bay.* 10 acres of ground, on which there is a modern Teaching Block for Sub-Primary boys, aged 4 to 7.

*At King Street.* A small Sports Oval suitable only for Junior boys. The School is unable to hire suitable grounds for Cricket and Football.

Summed up, the position is that our present buildings are inadequate, and cannot be further developed to meet vital requirements.

### THE FUTURE

It will be admitted that the problem as presented above calls for courageous and drastic action of a high order.

The School has practically no endowments, and is dependent for its existence on its income from fees, from interest paid to it by the Christ College Trust, and whatever moneys may be donated to it by Old Boys of the School and other supporters.

Maintenance of the buildings is an ever-increasing burden.

The Board, therefore, has taken the decision to rebuild the School in proper surroundings and style, and to establish an attractive and modern institution providing its students with school life under first-class conditions.

The Plan is to be considered in two main parts—The Short Range Plan and the Long Range Plan.

#### *The Short Range Plan*

This is designed to cope with the immediate and pressing problems of shortage

of accommodation and lack of facilities, and to maintain efficiency during the difficult transition period to the Long Range Plan.

- (a) Proceed with the construction of the following improvements at Sandy Bay—

A Sports Oval.

A Boarding House for both Senior and Junior boarders, of unit construction and capable of expansion.

A Primary Teaching Block (8 to 12 years).

- (b) Modify the buildings as required at Macquarie Street to provide extra classrooms.

This will provide a self-contained Junior School, housing temporarily the Senior boarders, and will free the Macquarie Street premises for teaching purposes of Senior boys only.

#### *The Long Range Plan*

The Board has acquired at Berriedale,  $6\frac{3}{4}$  miles from G.P.O., a property of 364 acres on which to build a modern school, which will have the facilities of rail and road access, swimming and boating, recreation grounds, chapel, assembly hall, staff residences, and a mixed farm for provision of foodstuffs and the teaching of elementary agricultural science.

The site is well situated, fronting on Lowestoft Bay, in direct line with the future expansion of the City of Hobart.

Two considerations which influenced the Board in its plan were—

- (a) The majority of the day pupils come from the Southern suburbs of Hobart. This need must be met. For the young, a short journey to and from school is an important consideration. The Sandy Bay project will supply this requirement, and will form a "feeder" for the Senior School.

- (b) The new area, by its situation and facilities, will attract a school population from all parts of the State. It will also meet the needs of boys passing into it from the Junior School, and those of all ages in the new and rapidly expanding area north of Hobart.

The completed scheme, therefore, envisages—

*At Sandy Bay.* The Hutchins Junior School, a modern day and boarding school for boys aged 4 to 12 years, complete with Primary and Sub-Primary Teaching Blocks, Boarding House, Assembly Hall, Library and Sports Ground.

*At Berriedale.* The Hutchins School, a school for Sub-Primary, Primary and Secondary education, containing Teaching Blocks, Boarding House, Assembly Hall, Chapel, Library, Staff Residences, Tennis Courts, two Sports Ovals, Boatshed, Swimming Pool and a Mixed Farm.

To advise and assist the Board in the prosecution of the scheme a Building and Development Committee has been set up, and is now functioning. It consists of the Chairman, Brigadier Dollery and Mr. W. R. Robertson, with Messrs. L. Nettlefold and C. E. Walch as co-opted members. The Headmaster acts as consultant to this Committee.

The problem of financing the scheme, both from the short and the long range aspects, is one which will at once be apparent. The Board is fully cognizant of the difficulties, but is confident that means can be found to obtain the funds necessary to carry through the project. It must be remembered that the scheme can only be achieved in successive stages, and the Board has formulated a comprehensive plan with a definite objective to which all interested in the School can strive.

There are various ways of raising enough capital to proceed with the plans. The Board intends to seek amendment of



the Christ College Act to allow it to mortgage and eventually to lease or sell the Macquarie Street School. The Hutchins School War Memorial Fund can be used for the purpose, and it is sincerely hoped Old Boys and other well-wishers will subscribe freely to this Fund.

This, then is the Plan, which is commended to your interest and practical assistance. It is considered to be the only solution to ensure the future of a grand old School. Other schools similar to ours have taken the same course of action, an outstanding example being that of Scotch College, Melbourne. They have survived the change, to become greater and happier as time rolled on. What others have done we can do likewise. Hutchins has played a great part in the life of the community.

## The War Memorial Fund

THIS Fund was inaugurated in 1946 to embody under a unified control all moneys which had hitherto been subscribed towards building and development purposes over a number of years, and included the funds raised by the Centenary Appeal. It was also to provide an avenue for the collection, investment and disbursement of all moneys to be raised in the future for the particular purposes laid down in the Constitution of the Fund.

The Constitution and Rules of the Fund are published at the end of this article, together with the Financial Statement as at 5th December, 1949, for the information of all concerned.

It will be noted that moneys subscribed for the erection of a Chapel have been and will continue to be segregated within the Fund for this particular purpose. All other subscriptions are credited to a separate account for general building and developmental purposes, and it is from this source that the Board's plans may be implemented as far as possible at both the Sandy Bay and the new Berriedale sites.

The traditions and fame built up by successive generations of scholars must be preserved with added lustre in the future.

The plan outlined herein is designed to give the children of coming generations the opportunity to develop fully their characters and talents under the best possible conditions, not only with advantage to themselves, but to the lasting benefit of the State.

We look forward confidently to receiving from all the co-operation and particularly the financial assistance necessary for the achievement of this laudable objective.

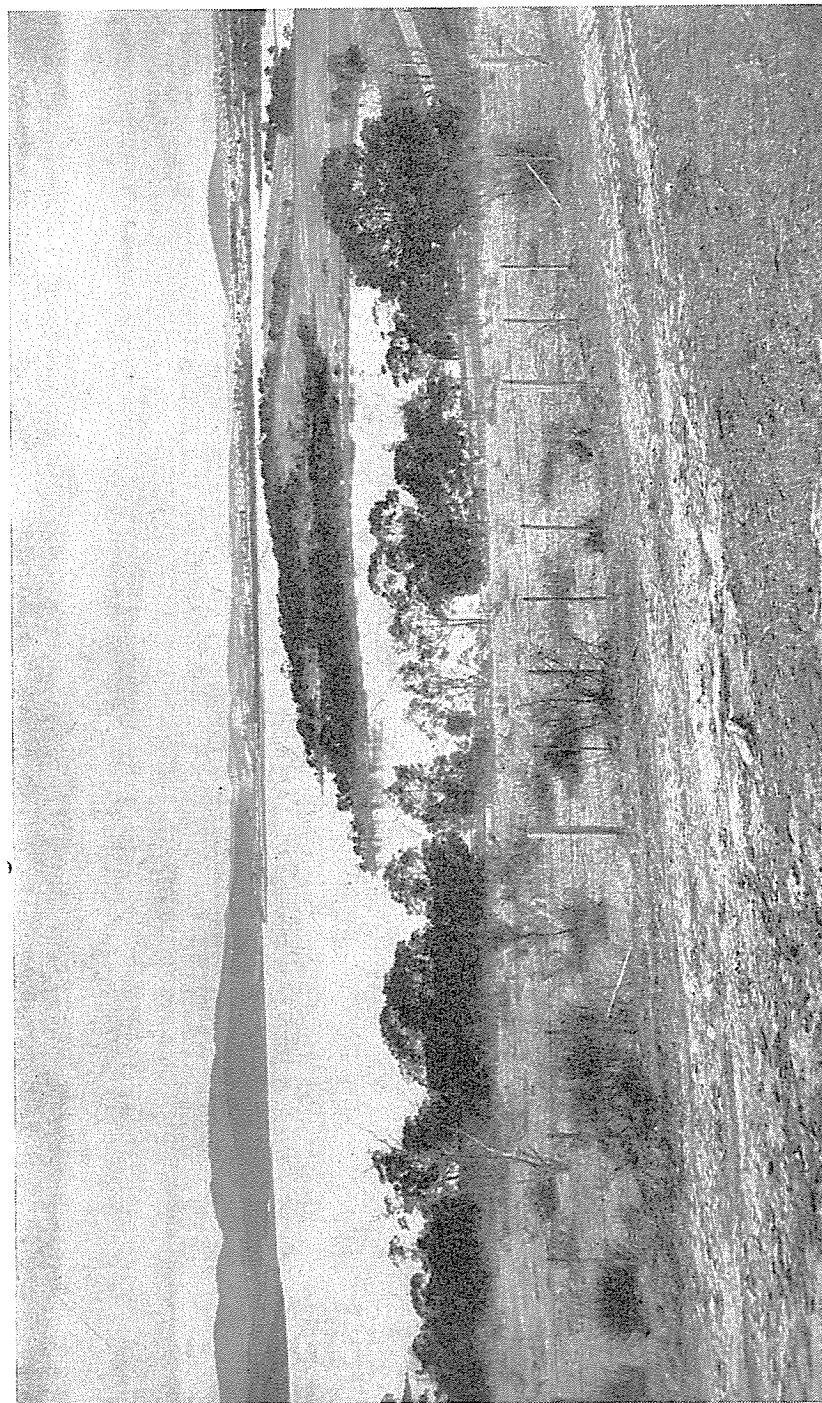
### The Board of Management

F. H. Foster (Chairman)  
H. P. Fewtrell  
L. G. Murdoch  
W. R. Robertson  
A. P. Brammall  
E. M. Dollery

The Fund is in no way controlled by the Christ College Trust, but is directed by three trustees appointed by the Executive of the Fund, which consists of one representative each from the Board of Management, the Old Boys' Association, the Old Boys' Lodge and the Parents' Association. The present Trustees are Messrs. Murdoch and Robertson and Brigadier Dollery. Mr. Hewer is the Hon. Auditor, and Mr. Vincent the Secretary to the Executive.

The War Memorial Fund is commended to all Old Boys and well-wishers of the School, and will enable progress to be made with the big task of bringing the School up to the standard we require in accommodation and facilities. Donations to it are subject to rebate of Income Tax, and we trust all those who have passed through the School will pay tribute to the early guidance and education they received within its walls.

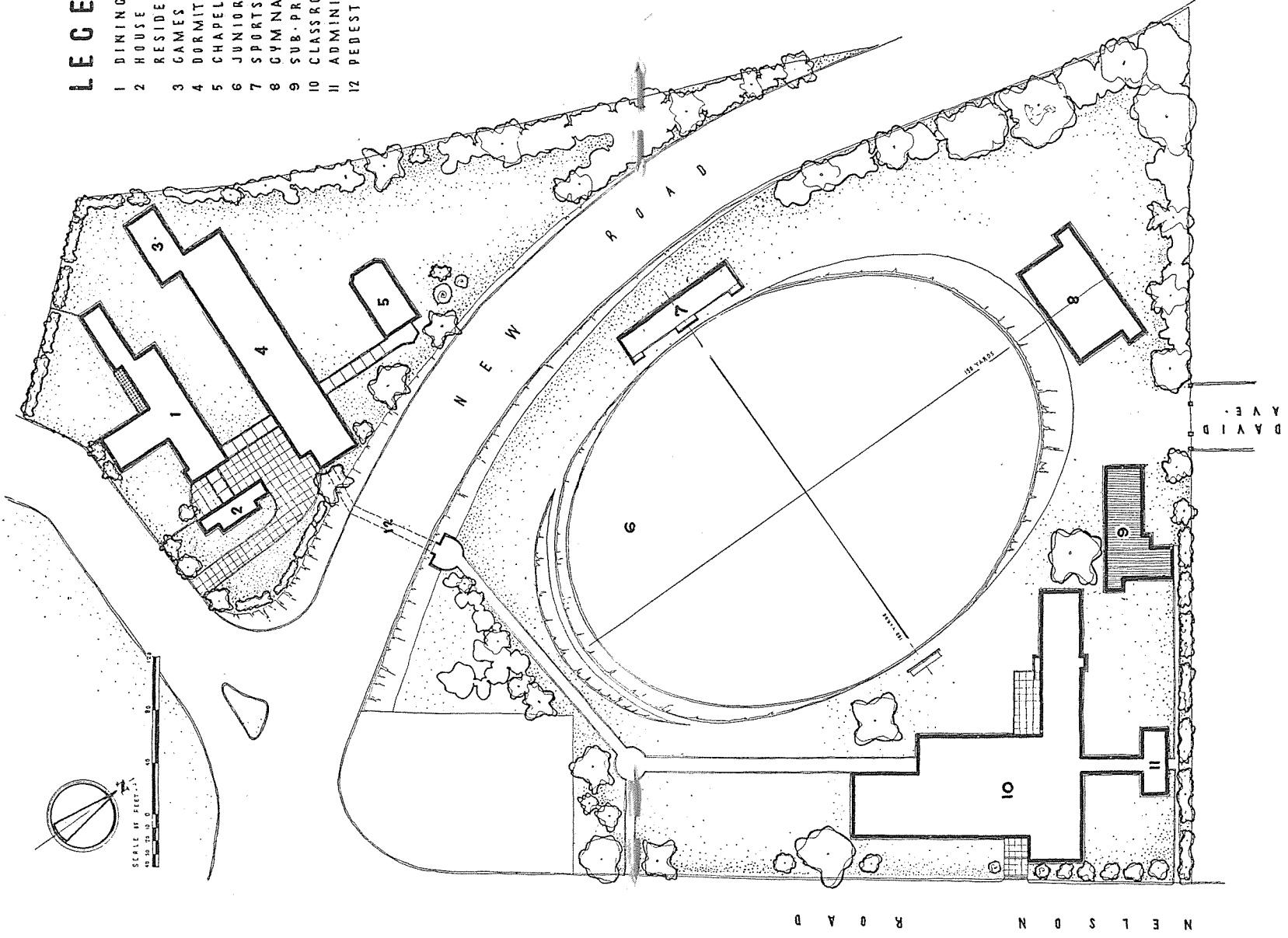
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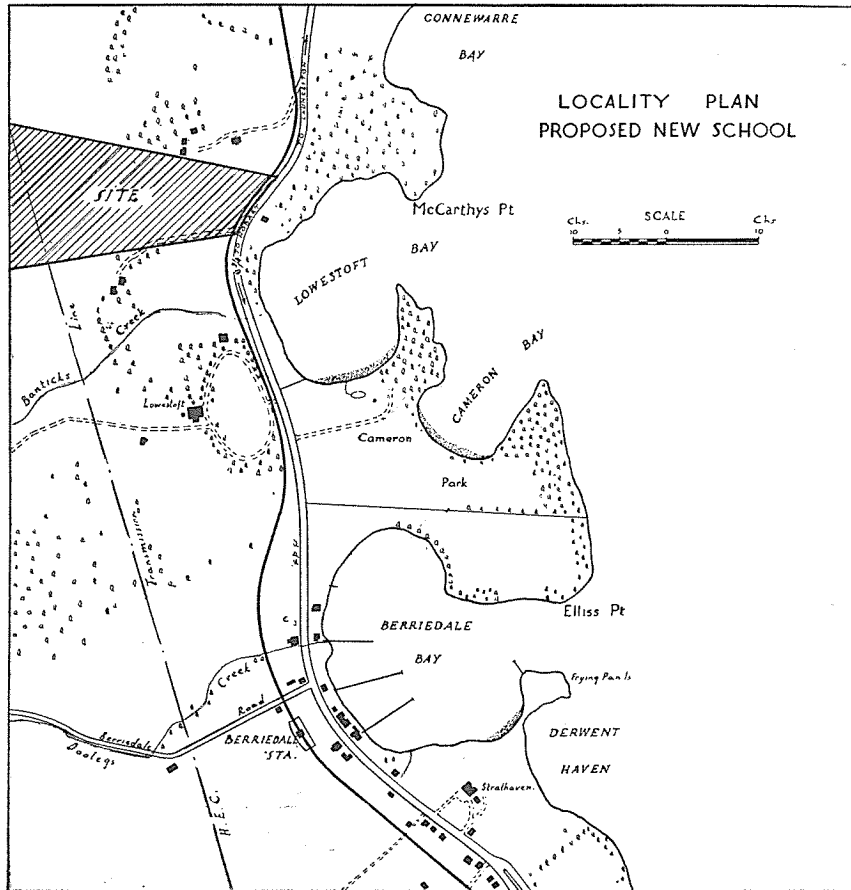
VIEW FROM THE EASTERN SLOPE OF THE BERRIEDALE SITE, WITH LOWESTOFT BAY IN THE FOREGROUND  
Boat Sheds and a Swimming Pool would be situated within a few yards of the School Boundary

# LEGEND

- 1 DINING HALL
- 2 HOUSE MASTERS RESIDENCE
- 3 GAMES ROOM
- 4 DORMITORY BLOCK
- 5 CHAPEL
- 6 JUNIOR OVAL
- 7 SPORTS PAVILION
- 8 GYMNASIUM
- 9 SUB-PRIMARY SCHOOL
- 10 CLASSROOM BLOCK
- 11 ADMINISTRATION
- 12 PEDESTRIAN SUB-WAY



THE COMPLETE JUNIOR SCHOOL AS ENVISAGED IN SHORT-RANGE AND LONG-RANGE PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT



SKETCH OF THE SITE FOR THE PROPOSED NEW SCHOOL, SHOWING RELATIONSHIP TO GREATER HOBART

Only a small portion of the property is indicated on this plan, the total area being 364 acres



# The Hutchins School War Memorial Fund

## CONSTITUTION AND RULES

### Creation of Fund

1. A public fund shall be opened under the auspices of the Board of Management of the Hutchins School, the Hutchins Old Boys' Association, the Hutchins Old Boys' Lodge and the Parents' Association of the Hutchins School for the purpose of establishing and maintaining at the Hutchins School (wherever situate), a public school by virtue of "The Christ College Act, 1926," a public memorial relating to the War that began on the Third day of September, 1939, and dedicated to those Old Boys of the School who served in the said War.

### Objects of Fund

2. The Memorial shall consist of a Chapel and such other building or buildings to be constructed at the Hutchins School at Macquarie Street or at David Avenue, Sandy Bay, or wherever the School may for the time being be functioning, as the Board of Management shall from time to time decide, and shall include land purchased for such building or buildings as aforesaid, extensions or improvements to existing school buildings (but excluding repairs), and such Honour Rolls, Memorial Plaques, furniture, equipment, fittings and ornaments as shall be decided by the said Board of Management from time to time.

### Trustees

3. The first Trustees of the Fund shall be Messrs. R. O. Harris, W. R. Robertson and L. G. Murdoch.

The power of appointing new Trustees under "The Trustee Act, 1898," shall apply to these Rules and shall be vested in an Executive Committee comprising one representative of each Board and Associations mentioned in Clause 1 hereof.

The Trustees shall appoint one of their number to act as Treasurer.

### Trustees Responsible for Application of Fund

4. The whole of the contribution to the said Fund shall be paid to the Trustees, who shall be responsible that the Fund is applied for the purpose for which it is hereby created and for no other purpose.

5. Any moneys (whether consisting of contributions or donations to the said Fund or the income thereon or any part thereof, or moneys given to the Trustees upon the trusts herein declared) at any time in the hands of the Trustees pending application hereunder for the purpose aforesaid may be invested at the discretion of the Trustees in any investments permitted by law for the investment of trust funds with power to the Trustees at discretion to vary any investment for others of any nature hereby authorised.

### Majority of Trustees May Act

6. All or any of the trusts and powers vested in and exercisable by the Trustees under their Rules shall, so long as there shall be not less than two Trustees hereof, be capable of being performed or exercised by a majority of the Trustees, and any action or decision of such majority shall be as valid and effectual as it would have been if done or made by all of the Trustees for the time being.

### Auditors

7. The Fund shall be subject to an annual audit by two Auditors appointed by the Executive Committee.

### Fund Distinct from Other Funds

8. The Fund hereby created is distinct from and has no relation to "The Hutchins School Fund" created by Section 40 of "The Christ College Act, 1926," or any other school fund.

## HUTCHINS SCHOOL WAR MEMORIAL FUND as at 5th December, 1949

### BUILDING FUND

£ s. d.				£ s. d.			
To Australian Commonwealth Loan—				By Subscriptions	--	--	2,388 14 1
£2,000, 3½% due 15th October, 1963	2,200			„ Interest—Bank and Bonds	--	147 5 10	
£10, 3½% due 15th September, 1959	10						
£20, 3½% due 15th September, 1961	20						
	2,230	0	0				
„ War Savings Certificates, Face Value	76	0	0				
„ Balance A/c. E. S. and A. Bank Ltd.	229	19	11				
	£2,535	19	11				£2,535 19 11

### CHAPEL FUND

£ s. d.				£ s. d.			
To Mortgage held by Trustees	250	0	0	By Subscriptions	2,014	17	5
„ Australian Commonwealth Loan	900	0	0	Less Architect's Fees	252	19	8
„ Christ College Trust	979	19	7	Less Foundation Stone	36	0	0
„ Balance A/c. No. 204322—Hobart Savings Bank	83	7	10		1,725	17	9
	£2,213	7	5	„ Interest—Mortgage Bank and Bonds	487	9	8
					£2,213	7	5

### SUMMARY

	£	s.	d.
Building Fund	2,535	19	11
Chapel Fund	2,213	7	5
	£4,749	7	4

E. M. Dollery, President, H.S.O.B.A.  
W. R. Robertson, Treasurer, Hutchins School Board

## House Notes

### BUCKLAND HOUSE

Colours: Maroon and White  
House Master: Mr. F. J. Williams  
House Captain: J. P. Mitchell  
Vice-Captain: B. J. Thompson  
Captain of Cricket, Swimming, Football and Athletics: J. P. Mitchell  
Captain of Cross-Country: B. J. Thompson  
Captain of Tennis: P. Jones  
Captain of Standards: J. R. Clark  
Captain of Rifle Shooting: D. Lange  
Captain of Debating: D. Thomas

THIS year Buckland House has failed to win either of the two competitions so far decided, namely, Swimming and Cricket. However, as we finished in second place on both occasions the House

did not fare too badly. We extend our congratulations to Stephens House for their fine wins in both events.

In Cricket, with eight members of the first practice list, we had high hopes of winning, but fine bowling on the part of Pitt and some excellent tail-end batting by Gibson of Stephens robbed us of victory in an exciting finish. For Buckland (and, in fact, out of all the "A" House batsmen) Peter Jones was the star with two excellent scores of 44 and 60 not out against Stephens and School Houses respectively.

In Swimming, after leading for most of the contest, Stephens finished too strongly and in a hectic finish won the final event which decided the contest. For Buckland there were excellent performances on the part of J. P. Mitchell in the Open, and E. M. McDougall in the under 14 events, in winning three and four events respectively.

With most of the "Cock House" events still to be decided, we are hoping that our luck may change towards the end of the year. This wish must be realised if all the House members continue to display the marvellous fighting spirit shown in the two events so far decided and which we were so unlucky to lose.

### SCHOOL HOUSE

Colours: Light Blue and Dark Blue  
House Master: The Rev. Gregory Needham  
House Captain: K. A. Webster  
Vice-Captain: D. E. Kirby  
Captain of Cricket and Football: R. G. Bowden  
Captain of Swimming: R. G. Brewster  
Captain of Rowing: K. A. Webster

THIS year School House is considerably younger than in previous years and must therefore adopt a policy of rebuilding for next year. However, spirit is not lacking, as can be seen by the way in which members of the House turn up in full force to any sporting fixture.

Although we were beaten in the Swimming, the results were very satisfactory; we doubled our last year's score and were well up with the other two Houses. It was very pleasing to see the willingness of all members to swim, even when they knew that they didn't have a hope of winning. Our best performer was Brook, who convincingly won several events. Brewster and Lindsay also deserve mention. The results of the Swimming Sports were: Stephens, 1st; Bucks, 2nd; School, 3rd. Congratulations, Stephs!

With Bowden and Russell our only members of the School Eleven we faced a tough task in the Cricket. We lost both "A" House matches, but for a team so young the results were quite good and

augur well for the future as most of the team are returning. Our best batsmen were Bowden, Russell and Jackson; the bowling was done by Lord and Bowden.

At the moment of writing the Junior Impromptu Speeches are in progress, and we are hopeful of seeing School House do well when the results come out.

Finally, a reminder to all members of the House that, although we are down, we are not yet out, and a concentrated effort between now and the end of the year will put us up with the other Houses.

K.A.W.

### STEPHENS HOUSE

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold  
House Master: Mr. W. J. Gerlach  
House Captain: G. A. W. Renney  
Vice-Captain: R. S. Valentine  
Captain of Cricket: T. Brain  
Captain of Swimming, Tennis and Football: G. A. W. Renney  
Captain of Cross-Country: W. Halley  
Captain of Athletics: J. Cooper  
Captain of Standard Athletics: R. S. Valentine  
Captain of Rifles: P. Trethewie  
Captain of Debating: R. S. Valentine

THE announcement early this year of the appointment of Mr. Gerlach to the position of House Master was welcomed by all members.

In the House Swimming competition we enjoyed success, not so much by the brilliance of any individuals as by the contribution by a team which, despite the wintry conditions, contested keenly every placing. At the conclusion of the races Stephens had a ten-point margin over Buckland.

Similar determination was shown in the Cricket. Though Buckland made a good score, our team by dogged batting against the best bowlers of the School, passed their score. We encountered unexpected opposition from School House, but managed to make that match our second victory in the "A" competition. We are hopeful of a victory in the "B" matches, which will be played in the third term.

We are looking forward to the Football matches, for we are confident we will give the other Houses strong competition.

# CRICKET

Captain: J. P. Mitchell  
Vice-Captain: R. G. Bowden

**T**HIS year the team did not show the form it promised and, although at times some members played outstandingly, it lacked the ability to fight on to victory.

Our fast bowlers, Bowden, Mitchell and Pitt, bowled particularly well and at times appeared to have the upper hand, but usually found tough opposition in the opposing batsmen. Brain and Trethewey, the spin bowlers, also bowled well and took their fair share of the wickets.

The batting, however, was rather disappointing, due largely to lack of confidence. The two opening batsmen, Stopp and Russell, did their job efficiently and, by their performances, were encouraging to the following batsmen, but the latter were rarely able to carry on the good work.

C. Pitt, a newcomer to the team, proved his worth by heading both the batting and the bowling averages. To him our heartiest congratulations on this fine effort, and we are sure that he will be a great asset to the team next year.

Six members from last year's team gave the newcomers confidence by their experience. Generally speaking, the fielding was good and the players displayed an eagerness which was an example to any team, and for which our coach, Mr. McKay, is to be congratulated. He showed great interest in the team and it is unfortunate that his inexhaustible efforts were not better rewarded.

We congratulate Friends on winning the Southern title so convincingly and hope that they are successful in the State Premiership match against the Northern team.

## RESULTS OF ROSTER MATCHES

### Round 1

Lost to Friends on 1st innings by 63 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 134 (Bowden 45, Renney 26, Burrows 23 n.o.; Burrell, 5 for 9). Second innings, 3 for 45 (Russell 17, Mitchell 14 n.o.; G. Long, 3 for 12).

Friends, 1st innings, 7 for 199 (dec.) (McDonald 81, Tanner 49; Brain, 3 for 33, Bowden, 2 for 32).

Lost to S.V.C. on 1st inning by 48 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 159 (Trethewey 34 n.o., Mitchell 28, Bowden 24; Chapman. 5 for 46).

S.V.C., 1st innings, 207 (Green 60, Fahey 32, D. Johnson 22; Brain 3 for 56, Bowden 3 for 58, Trethewey 2 for 46). 2nd innings, 1 for 106 (Fahey 57, Mills 37 n.o.).

### Round 2

Lost to Friends on 1st innings by 103 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 84 (Pitt 37, Russell 18; McDonald 4 for 22, G. Long 4 for 23). 2nd innings, 6 for 51 (Pitt 25, Jones 18; McDonald 3 for 16, Lester 2 for 1).

Friends, 1st innings, 187 (Hansen 39, Rogers 28, McDonald 26; Mitchell 2 for 22, Bowden 2 for 25, Pitt 2 for 29, Trethewey 2 for 41).

Lost to S.V.C. by an innings and 55 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 55. 2nd innings, 94.

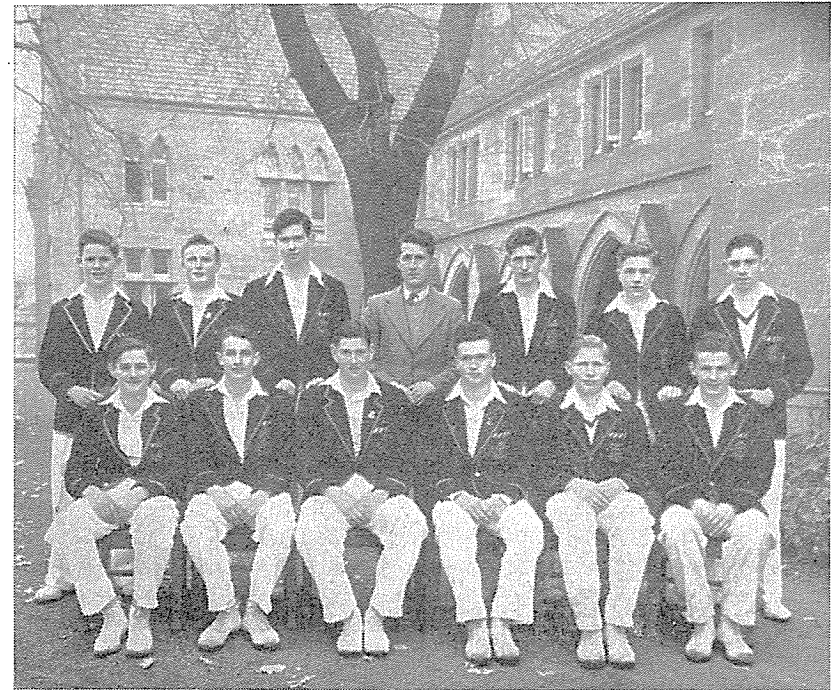
S.V.C., 1st innings, 204.

(No particulars to hand).

## SECONDS CRICKET

Captain: J. Lord  
Vice-Captain: P. J. Lawrence

The Seconds had a most successful season, being premiers for the second year in succession. Coached by Mr. Bayes, this team combined well and, as last year, played as a team. Much of its success can be attributed to the good attendance and keenness at practices. It is to be con-



THE FIRST ELEVEN, 1950

Standing: D. R. Salter, G. A. W. Renney, W. K. Halley, Mr. G. A. McKay, C. K. Pitt, O. G. Burrows, P. D. Jones. Seated: P. S. Trethewey, E. J. C. Stopp, J. P. Mitchell (Capt.), R. G. Bowden (Vice-Capt.), M. D. Russell, T. G. Brain

gratulated on its meritorious victories from often seemingly hopeless positions, and its eagerness is illustrated by the way in which it fought so hard. The fielding was keen and at times brilliant.

It is to be hoped that a match can be arranged against Launceston Grammar School, as we feel confident of putting up a good show against their Second Eleven.

In the first roster match against Friends we scored 47 for the loss of 7 wickets, Thompson and Lipscombe top-scoring with 13 and 11 respectively. Friends were dismissed for a total of 37, Thomas bowling well to take 6 for 17 and Thompson 3 for 9. Thus, Hutchins won by 10 runs.

The second match was played against St. Virgil's, in which we declared at 9 for 135. Thompson batted well and scored 45, while Douglas made a useful 28.

S.V.C. faced our bowling and scored only 41, Smith taking 4 for 0, Terry 4 for 4, and Thomas 2 for 8. We therefore won this match by 94 runs.

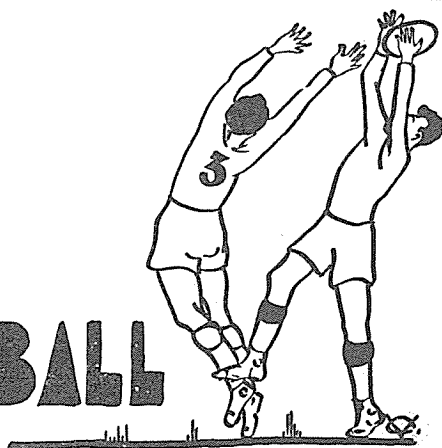
In the second round we again met Friends, who scored 61. Thomas (5 for 20) and Lord (4 for 16) took the bowling honours. In our innings we made 80 runs for the loss of 9 wickets, Clark being prominent with 31. Hutchins therefore won by 19 runs.

We were defeated in the last match of the series by S.V.C., who scored 98 as opposed to Hutchins' 48. Unfortunately, further particulars are not available, but St. Virgil's won this match by 50 runs.

The Third, Fourth and Fifth Elevens had a lean season and did not win a match.



# FOOTBALL



Captain: J. P. Mitchell  
Vice-Captain: T. G. Brain

SINCE the commencement of the season we have been regularly attending practices at Queenborough on Mondays and Christ College on Wednesdays. To enable us to make an early start, this term we decided to return earlier after dinner and break off at 3.30, which gives us more time before it gets dark.

The team, with a good foundation of thirteen of last year's players and several promising new ones, appears to be settling down now, and we are hopeful, after having won the first roster match, of having a very successful season.

This year we are also looking forward to our match against Launceston Grammar School at Oatlands, which is to be played the Saturday before the last roster match.

The training list is as follows: Mitchell, Brain, Renney, Bowden, Clark, Coombe, Cooper, Douglas, Halley, Jones, Joyce, Lawrence, Lord, Madden i, Madden ii, Millington, Pitt, Stopp, Salter, Terry, Thomas, J. Thompson, Trethewey.

Before the roster matches began we played several practice matches, in which we were not very successful, being defeated by the Old Boys, St. Virgil's, High School, and Ogilvie High, our only victory being at the expense of Friends' School.

The first roster match was played against Friends' at Clare Street on 17th June. The game for the most part was fairly even, and for the first three quarters only a few points separated both teams, but in the last quarter we combined much better as a team and went on to win by 13 points. Final scores:

Hutchins, 7 goals 11 behinds (53 pts.).  
Friends, 5 goals 10 behinds (40 pts.).

Best players: Mitchell, Brain, Thompson, Clark, Pitt and Trethewey.

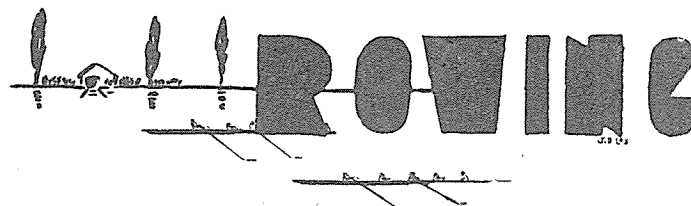
Goal-kickers: Pitt (3), Mitchell (2), Renney and Salter.

## SECONDS FOOTBALL

Captain: D. R. King  
Vice-Captain: G. Burrows  
Coach: Mr. C. C. Bayes

Well-attended practices marked the opening of the season and keenness was shown right from the start. Practices at South Hobart and Christ College grounds have been hard and earnest, even if irregular due to holidays, etc. A practice match was played against Friends before the team had had the opportunity to practise, and was duly lost. However, ensuing hard training was rewarded by a win against that same school in the first roster match, played on 17th June. Final scores were:

Hutchins, 3 goals 4 behinds (22 pts.).  
Friends, 2 goals 2 behinds (14 pts.).



"You can never learn to race by rowing,  
and you can learn to row only by racing."  
—Fairbairn

AGAIN this year we find the crew's activities extended further than in previous years. Our coach's policy of giving us experience in order to produce practised oarsmen prepared to adapt themselves to circumstances has provided not only visible results but intangible additions such as making rowing even more pleasurable than before.

This year we had high hopes for the Head-of-the-River as we had three of last year's crew back and an addition of one who proved well up to standard, if not better than the rest of us. Our course of training revealed that the extra year and weight had given the crew just the two things we lacked last year, namely, stamina and weight through the water, as our races eventually showed. Over a course the combination revealed a stamina resulting in a really powerful finish of which we are justly proud.

In training we rowed in six regattas—New Norfolk, Shipwrights' Point, Lindisfarne, Royal Hobart, Bellerive and Woodbridge, but, unfortunately, were not able to crack a powerful club crew which won Junior Four races comfortably after a battle with us.

In the course of the year we have raced in five different boats and rowed in eight in training—in the two days preceding one regatta we trained in four different craft.

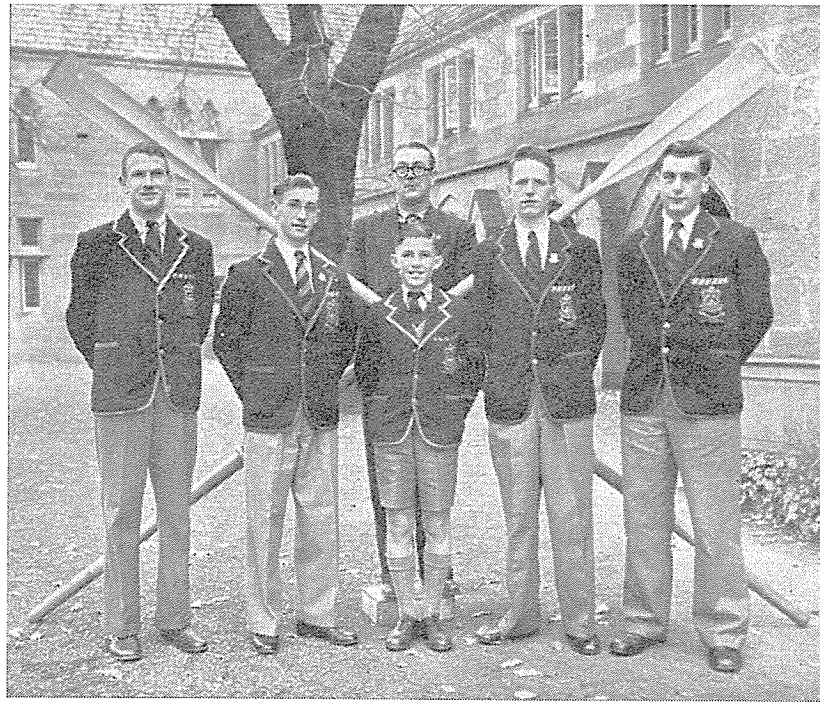
Owing to the polio restrictions there was some doubt whether the Head-of-the-River would be rowed; but, assuming it would be, we commenced our full training ten days before official confirmation came through. We kept last year's plac-

ings, strengthened by Webster, who occupied the "three" seat. By not altering the seating we had an immediate advantage in retaining the combination which was so thoroughly wrought for last year.

To complete our training we moved to the Lindisfarne Rowing Club sheds a month before the race in order to escape the rough conditions prevalent at our own sheds at Sandy Bay. After the three weeks' trimming process we loaded our boat onto the train the Tuesday before the big race and set out for Launceston. The last three days on the Tamar were spent in final polishing and preparation. We had taken note of the other crews and were still confident.

Saturday, 29th April, dawned clear and sunny, splendid conditions prevailing with the exception of an adverse tide. At the starting line we reaped the benefit of our experience by being undisturbed at the nerve-wracking uncertainty during the delay in starting. When the gun did go we leaped away to a good three-quarters of a length start, which we increased to a length by half-way. We gained our "second wind" after a quarter of a mile, and by the half-way mark had settled down to a long, powerful swing at about 32. At this rating the crew was rowing particularly well and covering plenty of water, so that with our control over the other crews we did not find it necessary to increase.

At the half-way mark the race had formed into two divisions with the three Southern crews about three lengths ahead of the Northerners, with the placings being St. Virgil's a length behind us, Friends' half a length behind in third position, and St. Pat.'s, Grammar and then Scotch.



THE FIRST CREW, 1950

D. E. Kirby (2), R. S. Valentine (stroke), M. G. Darcey (cox.), Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen, J. W. Cooper (bow), K. A. Webster (3)

At the three-quarters mark the position was the same, but St. Virgil's began to put in a spurt and closed in to about half a length on Hutchins, who then increased the rating one point and drew slowly ahead a little. With about a hundred yards to go, stroke called for our finishing sprint. However, on about our third stroke the crew "crabbed"; just "one of those things" which can happen to any crew at any time. Remarkably quick though the recovery was, by the time we had got the boat moving again, we were about a length and a half behind the sprinting Friends' and Saints' crews. In those last fifteen or sixteen strokes we threw all we had into an attempt to catch up, but although we made up nearly a length there was not enough time to better our place and we crossed the line about half to two-thirds of a length be-

hind St. Virgil's, with Friends' winning by about a canvas. St. Pat.'s crossed the line fourth, with Grammar fifth and Scotch sixth.

So finished what is considered to be one of the most spectacular Head-of-the-River races, with less than a length separating the first three crews at the finish, there being less than two lengths between them for the whole mile-and-an-eighth. From the competitors' point of view it was probably even more exciting, and I know we all enjoyed it better than any other race.

We congratulate Friends' on their second successive win, Saints for their meritorious performance, and all crews for their sportsmanship at all times.

In the Seconds' race Hutchins was first out with a snappy start, but at about the quarter-way mark was passed by both Grammar and Friends'. The race was

rowed as one big dash with all crews trying their utmost to get to the front early. Approaching the Esk, St. Virgil's caught and passed the Hutchins crew, who were concentrating on a long, sweeping stroke rather than a high rating. Friends' in its final sprint passed Grammar to win by  $1\frac{1}{4}$  lengths, St. Virgil's being two lengths further behind, third.

The Thirds' race, rowed at New Town Bay on the following Monday, resulted in a narrow win for the Friends' crew. Hutchins led from the start, but were passed in the last fifty or sixty yards. One member of the crew showed determination by rowing half of the race on his slide rails as his seat had fallen off.

On the Wednesday following the Head-of-the-River, the First crew, Thompson as first emergency, Purvis and McIntosh, left for the Mainland to compete in the Scotch College House Regatta on the Yarra. From the rowing standpoint the event was regarded more as a social than a serious sport undertaking, as of course we realised that our standard was far below that of the Melbourn schools when it came to rowing. However, they put one of their six practice fours at our disposal, and on the Thursday we were having our first row on the Yarra. The Firsts rowed every morning and were accompanied by the members of the Seconds in a pair.

We soon became accustomed to the heavy boat, which, although very old, was in a good condition. We had wonderful weather for the week, which made our rows down to Princes Bridge and up from Scotch a real enjoyment. We very soon appreciated the wonderful conditions which the Yarra provided for this fine sport as a contrast to our Derwent where, but a few weeks before, we would run flat out back around Wrest Point watching the waves roll in green over the gunwhale every night. I doubt if we could have had a happier finish to our rowing season than paddling on mirror-like water between the green parks and gardens which

line the Yarra in the vicinity of Scotch College.

The race for which we entered was the Inter-School Fours, with Scotch Melbourne, Scotch Launceston, and Ballarat College, who won the Head-of-the-Lake this year. The first heat between Melbourne and Launceston Scotch resulted in a narrow win for the special Melbourne crew, and we were beaten by Ballarat College by two-thirds of a length, the time for the quarter-mile being 1min. 34.6secs.

Ballarat went on to win the winners' final from Melbourne by  $1\frac{1}{4}$  lengths, the time being 1min. 34.4secs. Hutchins, however, beat Launceston in our heat by a bit over two lengths.

We were quite satisfied with ourselves as we did not hope to do so well against such opposition. The Ballarat crew averaged 12 stone and a nippy crew such as ourselves are at a distinct disadvantage in such a heavy boat of tub four weight. On times, however, we were placed second and were gratified to hear opinions that Tasmanian public schools' rowing is not so far behind as was supposed, and that our performance had certainly surprised many. We were also quite proud that the prospect of racing  $1\frac{1}{8}$  miles in a four definitely did not appeal to even the best of their school oarsmen from the eights.

We are certainly deeply indebted to Scotch College for their overwhelming hospitality during our visit. We hope to write an account of this venture for a later Magazine. The opportunity provided was certainly wonderful, and we are proud of the fact that we have made history in being in the first race held in Victoria between public schools from that State and Tasmania.

We would like to express our appreciation of all those who have in any way assisted us, especially the Derwent Rowing Club, the Lindisfarne Rowing Club, and many others too numerous to mention.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. John Morris, from last year's Seconds, for his sterling work in coaching this year's Second crew. Harry Shepherd, stroke of last year's Seconds, and still at School, is also to be congratulated for his preparation of the Thirds.

All our activities this year have been the direct result of the efforts of our coach, Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen, who has become an integral part of the crew and of the life of each member in it. He has put aside almost all of his time outside the classroom in his enthusiastic and encouraging efforts to train four very grateful people. It is mainly to him that we owe the opportunity to visit Melbourne as representatives of Hutchins, for which we tried so hard.

Not only does this appreciation come from the First crew, but from the whole rowing club, which owes its confidence to its senior coach. Most of us have been under him for two years, which have probably been the two most important years in our school life.

#### THE CREWS

R. S. V.

*First Crew:* J. W. Cooper (bow), D. E. Kirby (2), K. A. Webster (3), R. S. Valentine (stroke), M. G. Darcey (cox.).

*Second Crew:* I. R. McIntosh (bow), B. D. Purvis (2), G. L. Salmon (3), H. M. Thompson (stroke), P. Parsons (cox.).

*Third Crew:* J. B. Biggs (bow), D. G. Lange (2), A. Colburne (3), S. Turnbull (stroke), C. Smith (cox.).

#### COACH'S CRITIQUE

*Stroke—R. S. J. Valentine.*—Though lacking in weight, had plenty of stamina and sound style, except that under pressure he was inclined to drop his head. His judgment and timing were excellent, but he was inclined to change ratings a little too abruptly. In every sense the leader of his crew.

3—*K. A. Webster.*—Matured very rapidly into a solid and rangey oarsman with a particularly effective finish. Was a

great backstop for stroke, and at all times very keen. A very impressive first-year oarsman.

2—*D. A. Kirby.*—Stylish and imperturbable as ever, but a trifle sluggish on body recovery and inclined to knife the blade in and feather it out. Nevertheless, got a lot of water on his blade and rowed it right through.

*Bow—J. W. Cooper.*—Much improved on last year's performance, both in style and stamina, and a much steadier oarsman; was still inclined at times to cut his body finish too short.

*Cox—M. G. Darcey.*—Could not be faulted for steering, handling the boat, and judgment; was a great help to both stroke and coach.

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## Table Tennis

ON the evening of Saturday, 25th February, an exhibition of Table Tennis was given in the Gymnasium by Messrs. R. Wilcox (the Tasmanian State champion) and L. Wharmby (the captain and manager of Tasmania). We were indeed fortunate to have the opportunity of witnessing these two players in action and are very grateful to them for inviting us.

On the same occasion three matches were played against Friends'. Results were:

H. May (F.S.) defeated J. Stopp (H.S.), 21—13, 21—9.

M. Rogers (F.S.), defeated Martin (H.S.), 21—7, 21—19.

C. von Bibra (H.S.) defeated J. Thyne (F.S.), 21—19, 16—21, 21—16.

Thus the final result was:

Friends, 2 matches, 5 sets, 140 points, defeated

Hutchins, 1 match, 2 sets, 106 points.

## House Swimming

THROUGH the easing of the restrictions on sport by the Health Department, the School Sports Committee decided to avail itself of the sanction to hold the House Swimming Sports at the Sandy Bay Baths. Though the limited period for training, the coldness of the weather on the day of the sports, and the lack of amenities at the Baths prevented the boys registering performances equal to their best, the competition was keen throughout. Buckland gained on early lead, but after nine events Stephens were level with them—each 59 points, School 34 points. The scores of the leaders after thirteen events were level at 80 points, but in the next three events Stephens gained a lead which Buckland could not bridge. Final scores:

Stephens	---	---	127 points
Buckland	---	---	117 points
School	---	---	74 points

*Open—55yds.:* Mitchell (B), 1; Renney (St.), 2; Stopp (St.), 3. Time, 32 4-5. 55yds. Breaststroke: Salmon (St.), 1; Webster (Sch.), 2; Thompson (St.), 3. Time, 43secs. 55yds. Backstroke: Mitchell (B.), 1; Stopp (St.), 2; Brooke (Sch.), 3. Time, 43 secs. 110yds: Mitchell (B.), 1; Stopp (St.), 2; Brain (St.), 3. Time, 1.21 3-5. Dive: Renney (St.), 1; Thompson (B.), 2; Jones (B.), 3. Teams' Race:

Stephens, 1; Buckland, 2; School, 3. Time, 2.35.

*Under 16—55yds.:* Brooke (Sch.), 1; Burrows (B.), 2; Jones (B.), 3. Time, 37 3-5 secs. 55yds. Backstroke: Brooke (Sch.), 1; Douglas (B.), 2; Trethewey (St.), 3. Time, 53secs. 55yds. Breaststroke: Thompson (St.), 1; Salter (B.), 2; Cooper-Maitland (Sch.), 3. Time, 50 3-5 secs. 110yds: Brooke (Sch.), 1; Brewster (Sch.), 2; Jones (B.), 3. Time, 1.33 2-5. Dive: McDougall (B.), 1; Banks-Smith (St.), 2; Jones (B.), 3. Teams' Race: Buckland, 1; Stephens, 2; School, 3. Time, 3.5 3-5.

*Under 15—55yds.:* Salter (B.), 1; Brewster (Sch.), 2; Hughes (B.), 3. Time, 39 2-5 secs. 55yds. Breaststroke: Salter (B.), 1; Banks-Smith (St.), 2; Darcey (St.), 3. Time, 53 2-5 secs. 55yds. Backstroke: Latham (Sch.), 1; Banks-Smith (St.), 2; Clerk (St.), 3. Time, 1.1 2-5.

*Under 14—55yds.:* McDougall (B.), 1; Gadd (St.), 2; Lindsay (Sch.), 3. Time, 38 4-5 secs. 55yds.: Breaststroke: Darcey (St.), 1; Clerk (St.), 2; McDougall (B.), 3. Time, 55 4-5 secs. Dive: Lord (Sch.), 1; Clerk (St.) and Parsons (St.), equal 2.

*Under 13—55yds.:* McDougall (B.), 1; Gadd (St.), 2; Lindsay (Sch.), 3. Time, 42 3-5 secs.

## Prefects' Pars

WELL, Prefects' Pars once again, and this year 1950 finds us a great bunch of Pre's (in our opinion, anyway). We have Valentine from last year's "Big Four" as our Head Pre., with Mitchell and Renney also "left overs." We were soon strengthened by Cooper early in the year, and later found Salmon and then Webster elevated to the remaining chair in the Study. The "old hands" were quite shocked at the new 'uns' reaction to our holy of holies as we soon found them

putting preposterous suggestions forward to make the Study comfortable and, above all, quiet! However, they have now settled down and seem respectably resigned to their environment.

There's no doubt about our keenness, as the rank and file will agree. Assembly is amazingly quiet this year (previous Privileges will no doubt question this, as they will the fact that our new members are, without exception, Prefects). Past members will also be surprised to know



that we conduct regular meetings, visitors to which often provide good entertainment. In this connection we are seeking to find medical advice on a dizziness which overcomes one when bending down. The fact that we are on our toes is exemplified by our new book, "Constant Offenders."

With the lone exception of Scout Salmon, all members of this august band are under the ironclad heel of Lieutenant Renney in the Cadets, Cooper and Valentine having joined this year as buck privates . . . talk about laugh! Webster is our only boarder and provides many interesting moments in his discourses on House Happenings and Potidaea from Ancient History. Mitchell may only be found by diligent searching, beneath piles of cricket or football teams, or wrapped up in the pound. Salmon, at the time of writing, is the most popular person in the School, being surrounded by hundreds of male and female names, and those males who evidently hire a 'bus every time they take their girls to a dance.

Although we are an extremely happy band, we still have our little squirmishes—Cooper and his maths., with Webster and his culture; Renney, who will insist on playing contortionist tricks with

Valentine's cane; and Mitchell and Salmon standing by for anything else which may come up . . . like Goog's cushion.

Number one interest with all past Pre's would probably be the erstwhile radiator. Our answer to any queries is simple . . . the Pre's go cold. So far this year we have been blessed with visits from Butler, Heckscher, Morris and, very early, Page-Hanify.

The number of Probationers at the time of writing stands at four—Clark, Kirby, King and Shepherd—Salmon and Webster having been in the ranks before their rise to "Bearers of the White Badge." The Pro's are all doing a very fine job and relieve the Prefects of a great deal of their routine duties.

Three of the Pre's having made the trip to Scotch College, Melbourne, at the start of last holidays, we have introduced, and hope to introduce, quite a number of ideas we gained over there. However, we were struck with the similarity of the administration of that fine school to our own system. We may go as far as to say that there is very little difference in the duties and problems from the Prefects' point of view.

## Junior School Journal

### Who's Who

Captain of Junior School: H. W. Burbury  
 House Captains:  
 Hay: N. J. Swan  
 Nixon: H. W. Burbury  
 Montgomery: W. S. Shearman  
 House Vice-Captains:  
 Hay: J. M. Page  
 Nixon: L. G. Verrell  
 Montgomery: E. M. Lilley  
 Captain of Football and Cricket: N. J. Swan  
 Librarians: E. M. Lilley, B. H. Willington  
 Cub Sixers: Ratten, Loney, P. Maher, Munro

### Staff

WE are very pleased to welcome Mr. Boyes to the Junior Staff. Already he has made his presence felt in the right directions and his enthusiasm has spurred us all on to greater and better efforts.

We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Viney on the arrival of their son Christopher. He has already graced one of our cricket matches with his presence. Perhaps he may become our football mascot.

### Chess Club

The Club is again functioning well the membership is steadily growing. Although we have not the wizards we had last year, we have a band of clear-thinking players from whom it is difficult for an average good player to take an easy game. Thursday is our regular meeting day, but during the winter we hope to play some

games around the Library fire in the lunch hour. By the way, we welcome parents to call in sometimes and watch or play a game with us.

### The Aquarium

This year we have become very interested in an Aquarium. Through the enthusiasm of Geoffrey Radford we have in our Library two well set up tanks containing fish of various kinds; and, of course, the inevitable snails and fleas, and so forth. The boys have used the Reference Library to find out as much as they can about "How to Keep an Aquarium." It has been highly interesting and educational. We have also used some of our General Science lessons to delve into the mysteries of air and water properties. Altogether, we feel that we have started something that will lead on to some fine projects relative to water life.

### Book Week

In July, Tasmania will be celebrating Book Week. As usual, we will make a feature of emphasising the value of books, do some projects on books and printing, and see some films. In Book Week, too, we always give our Libraries a special "spring cleaning." We get down to the task of repairing, checking and adding new titles to our seven hundred titles.

The Australian Broadcasting Commission is conducting a session to which boys and girls from Hobart schools debate and discuss books. We nominated four boys to take part and three of them were successful in the preliminary tests. They are Lilley, Pixley and A. Johnson.

### Cricket

Our first term season was one of the most interesting yet experienced by the Junior School. Our boys did a really fine job. Swan's performances with the bat and ball were outstanding. He made a very fine century against St. Peter's School, 87 against The Friends' School, and took 23 wickets at a cost of 103 runs. He was a definite inspiration to the team. In the six matches played we won three.

### Football

Football heralded its appearance with the usual "don'ts" about dirty knees on the trams, broken windows and such things. These over, we were soon under way with solid practices for the matches to follow. We have already played two House matches, and at the moment of going to press we have our team picked for the first inter-school roster match. We look forward to a good season.

Swan has been elected captain and Shearman vice-captain.

Results to date: Nixon defeated Hay, Montgomery defeated Nixon.

### Boys' Chapel

It has become our recognised practice to use Thursday assembly as our regular Boys' Day. All the work is done by boys and some excellent services have resulted. We are pleased with the quiet, serious atmosphere that prevails.

### The Cubs

This year we have only eleven of our old Cubs left. Most of the others have gone up to the Scouts and we wish them "Good Scouting."

We have had many excursions this year, and we look forward to many more. The Pack is also hopeful of getting a football to play against other packs in the city.

Akela has given two trophies for the best Six each month. Tawny Six and Red Six have been successful so far.



### ORIGINAL ITEMS

#### THE MONKEY WITHOUT A TAIL

Once upon a time there was a monkey, a teddy bear and a gollywog. The gollywog was very rude to the monkey.

"Your'e a silly monkey," said the gollywog. "You haven't a tail."

"I am going to find one," said the monkey.

He went out of the room for a moment and came back and said, "I have found a tail, but I cannot put it on. Will you help me put it on, Golly?"

"No!" said the gollywog.

"Will you help me, Teddy?" said the monkey.

"Yes!" said the teddy bear.

So Teddy helped him.

"Thank you!" said the monkey. "Now I can go and swing on a branch of a tree."

And he did.

He was swinging on a branch of a tree when suddenly his tail came off. He slipped and fell right on top of a little mouse, who called out in a high squeak: "Wee! Wee! Wee! You have hurt my leg."

The monkey said he was sorry.

Soon after that Teddy came along. Monkey scolded Teddy. He said that he did not pin his tail tight enough on himself and it fell off.

"Didn't I?" said Teddy.

"No!" said monkey. "You bandage the mouse's leg, and I'll go to the zoo and ask the monkeys there to pin it on."

And he did. He went off to the zoo and asked the first monkey if he would glue it on himself.

"No!" said the first.

Our monkey went to the second monkey, and the second said, "Yes!"

So the second glued it on him.

"Thank you," said our monkey. "Now I can go and swing in trees."

And he did, and he was happy ever after.

Geoffrey Hiller, age 8

### SLAVERS' GARRISON

The two gigs were moving quietly up the river towards the slavers' garrison. There was not a single movement except that of the rowers bending at the oars.

Suddenly there was a loud, resounding crash and a shower of grape-shot fell upon the two boats. The gigs still moved on. There was another loud crash, followed by the sharp reports of muskets. One man fell down, mortally wounded, but the midshipman who was sitting in the stern-sheets took his place. As they turned a corner they found the slavers' felluca moored to the bank. The men

jumped from the gigs and scrambled up the side of the felluca. Nobody except the men from the gigs was aboard her. The men manned the felluca's guns and opened fire on the garrison.

Cannon balls crashed through the stockade surrounding the garrison, while others smashed holes in the walls.

The slavers soon surrendered as they were unable to continue the fight.

B. Willington, age 11

### HOMEWORK

What I do not like about homework — besides not liking it at all — are such fiddly little things as getting it signed, putting the date and other things. Also, it takes too much time. If a fellow has a football practice after school he has to do his homework after tea; and if, after tea, he wants to have a game of cards, or read his favourite book — well, what time has he for homework?

T. Lilley, age 10

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### Sub-Primary Notes

RETURNING to school after the Christmas holidays is always an occasion for small boys, and this year was no exception. A new interest is our garden, in which many boys take a keen interest by bringing plants and seeds. Early spring should show gratifying results of their efforts.

Our one outstanding activity this year was the American Tea on 29th April, the proceeds of which (£64) showed its great success and good organisation by those in charge. The Parents' and Friends' Association are to buy us our own projector and many playthings, which will be much appreciated on wet days. Mrs. Perkins has been most generous with her projector and we all wish to say a big "Thank you!" to her for its loan.

The new boys have now become part of our family, and the big boys are most helpful with the little four-year-olds.

## THE BOARDERS' BUDGET

or

### SOMNAMBULIST MUMBLINGS

*"We've been told that sleeping light gives greater freedom,  
But we havn't any blankets we can shed  
—we need 'em!"*

GREETINGS, everybody! Here is our Hatch, Match and Despatch Column for 1949-50. We regret that we have had to go into mourning for the following who have departed this school life: Clodpole Davis is engaged in the production of something scientific (probably hydrogen bombs) at the Zinc Works. Herbaceous Gibson is understudying "Oppy" in his early morning ride to the railway station, where he entrains for Boyer. Jackie HECKscher, obviously in the pay of the H.E.C., while Queen Tanner is sure you can be sure of Shell. Pongo Hume is helping to produce beer on his country seat . . . we wish him luck! We hear that Shocks Shelton recently painted the town red as an advertisement for his Titan Paints. Those for whom we have gone into double mourning are Hore-Lacy and Roberts, who have been transferred to "more select" educational establishments. By the way, Bailey, Filbey and Walker were thrown back — presumably because they were too small! Finally, we have gone into half-mourning for five who have passed to a higher life (?) of day-bugs, namely and to wit, Bloomfields, Colvin-Smith and Russells. Oh, you lucky people you! The following hatched out early in February: Brownie Burbury, Teddy Button, Cakeface Kitchener from "the Upper Derwent," Magpie Morgan from Moonah, and Bleary O'Meagher from Bothwell. Moonbeam Taylor has been elected the Hon. Member for Broadmarsh, and Smith der Spy the Launceston representative; then the two Rattens, Timmy (re-hatched) and Bury, a member of the species *Dunallius Tas-*

manius. Another Woodward joined our fauna, and lately Lamp-post Lambert left Lunawanna to live on our lives. A special welcome to U.N.O. representative Emmanuel Venetos, ex Rhodes, and to our mascot, Monster Price.

And now for the latest gossip from Hooligan Hall.

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#### Have You Heard?:

Fluffer, the Human Alarm Clock, and Quacker, his silent shadow. . . . That the Ivy's 'ave gone all arty. Their art gallery (containing such master works as Little Bo-Peep and Humpty-Dumpty) is under the joint direction of Timmy, Teddy and Penny. Yah has been appointed Librarian, and Scotchie the Director of Music. The latter has already instituted meditation music as a prelude to morning prayers. Our sympathy is extended to Mother Myrtle. . . . Nag, Nag, Nag, always nagging!

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#### Have You Seen?:

Chook, the one-man variety show. . . . The Fighting Fergussons; crowds gather to see them fight their way out of paper bags. . . . Links-eyed Dyke; some are born great, others thrust greatness from them. . . . Puella, poor soul, why broods he thus?

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#### Your Private Preview:

Dr. Wykeham is preparing a paper for delivery before the B.M.A. In his research work he has enlisted the aid of one Rattlebottom, already famous as the designer of the "Berriedale" Manure Spreader, and his two wives, Jerry the Jerk and Matches (alias Geeveston Fanny . . . Ouse, master of Junior Dorm.

ceremonies, is writing the last verse of his theme song, "My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time." The result is eagerly awaited by Magpie 'nd Smiler 'nd B-B-B-Buck.

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#### Questions We Want Answered:

Whither went Rogue the Wrecker one April evening, and why was he armed with a spanner? . . . Was Hamish really at Poona? . . . What scientific phenomenon caused Rusty Rastus and Two-Speed Geard to disappear in a cloud of blue smoke?

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#### Sporting:

Who will win the Red Dorm. stakes this year? Cakeface, with Darby Munro in the saddle, is hot favourite, although Moonbeam, Bubs and Lamp-post should be well in the running. Professor E. F. Belvedere is uncertain of the outcome, but is swotting up the subject in Dr. Sped's latest volume. When we asked our commentator, Schmidt der Schpy, to give his views, he remained silent. Oh, yeah!

Results of the Trencherman's Cup (awarded biennially): Weary Bleary won by two snags from Deputy-Leader Bushby XXVIII, with Horace, the Squire of Drumreagh, in third place. (Biro was disqualified as he had to have a refill half-way through first term).

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#### Classified Ads.:

Have you tried the firm of Page, Stokes and Swan? — Courting done by proxy. Fees moderate. . . . Having trouble with your old fountain pen? Why fling mels? Buy a Scribal — writes wet wick any ink, and is guaranteed not to leak in your pocket. Price available. . . . Have you "had" your car? If so, contact Blondie's Motor Wreckers and they will wreck it for you. Now under the personal direction of Dagwood Bumstead, they guarantee to wreck any make of car beyond

repair. Oldsmobiles a specialty. Let us quote you.

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#### Have You Heard This One?

There was a young master named Robbie,  
Who kept an old car as a hobby,  
But its thundering noise  
Distracted the boys,  
Who named the old bitza "Jellopy"!

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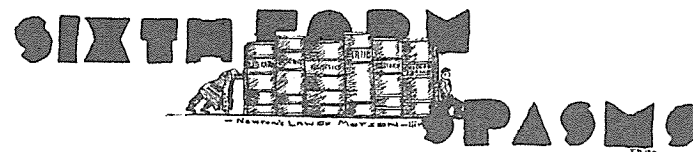
Finally, on a more serious note, we should like to take this opportunity of welcoming all newcomers to the House this year, especially: Our new Housemaster and Chaplain, the Rev. Gregory Needham, together with Mrs. Needham and our youngest boarder, Patrick. Also to Mr. Jeffery Boyes, who comes to us as a "pilgrim" from Friends' School. It is to be hoped that they have a long and happy stay with us. May we also take this opportunity of thanking Miss Mathews and the kitchen staff for the interest they have taken in the inner man.

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#### Acknowledgment

WE have been asked by Mr. R. L. Collings, formerly Bursar of the School, to publish the following expression of his appreciation:

Having severed his connection with the School, Roy Collings desires to take the opportunity of expressing his grateful thanks for the honour the Parents' Association did him in arranging such a wonderful farewell evening; to the Old Boys, present boys, boarders, scouts, teaching staff and matron for their most generous and treasured gifts and expressions of goodwill; to the Board of Management for a cheque; and to the many friends for private gifts. He desires also to thank parents and boys (both past and present) for their unfailing courtesy and friendship during his association with the School for more than a quarter of a century.



THE VIa of 1950 is singularly blessed by the presence of last year's form captain, the popular "Fith'ook," who guides our destinies again (to a certain extent). In this he is aided by the up-and-coming "Bocker," who attained the position of vice-captain after a closely contested poll. Those remaining from the VIa of 1949 miss the company of the inimitable "Boney," having no one to possess his wonderful stock of jokes which frequently had the form in "paroxysms of epilepsy." Cooper probably misses him most, for he now has little to laugh at, though occasionally a satisfied chuckle makes itself apparent.

We have, however, a motley array of characters who only just fail to reach "Boney's" high standard. Our leading contenders are Desy. and Curb, the lateness of the latter in French periods having earned for him the title of "Mr. Smile." Apart from our humorists, we have our embryo Casanovas, amongst whom may be mentioned the demon lovers "Macape," "Nag" and "Rudolph," the last two having their little Anns full. Cooper, of course, is still digging assiduously for potatoes. Our other "Mac" is by this time quite convinced that two Brothers are one too many.

One of the most spectacular in our little menagerie is a peculiar kind of "Dopey" who is at his best in French. But before he shines the symmetry must be restored, one of our members seated up at the front, all non-conformists ejected, and then all is well. "Dopey's" merry tongue and silent quips about "*le roi des montagnes*" make it easier for us to appreciate the bubbling humour of this book. Another integral part of the French

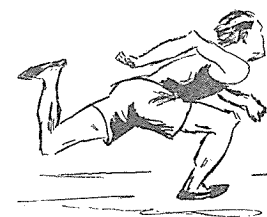
lesson is (or was) the little phrase, "*On a somme*," said to be used a great deal by Clark when five minutes late for that period. Even Curb has resorted to this little dodge on occasions, but once, unfortunately, accompanied it by an appropriate gesture. Consternation reigned.

We hear from our reporter that the latest song-hit amongst the Mathematicians, and latterly adopted by the adherents of French, is "Pretty Mary." Perhaps there is some connection with this fact and the exemplary behaviour of the Maths. class.

[There might be other reasons!—Ed.]

With the elimination of all Form Notes other than our "Sixth Form Spasms," which have graced the pages of the Magazine since 1913, we have feverishly tried to keep abreast of happenings elsewhere in the School, but unfortunately many of these have escaped our attention. However, we hear that the Lower Sixth is completely baffled as to whom Stopp asked home to tea, and why he carved his name on the piano.

And so, gentle reader, we depart, holding fast to our motto that "a little learning is a dangerous thing," as the mid-year exams. slowly but inevitably draw near.



## Beneath the Ivied Tower

Random Ramblings by a Staff Reporter

ONCE again, this year we took part in the Youth Sunday march, but the School did not march as such, for most of us were members of the Cadets or Scouts. However, Hutchins was represented by the consecrated banner borne by the Head Prefect with a Cadet and a Scout as colour party. The few members of the School who were "civies" attended the service with the Juniors.

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At the time of writing, plans are being put into practice for this year's Social Service programme. The scheme, commenced last year, proved highly successful and efficient. The general idea is that the School takes two days off from ordinary school studies to take part in a comprehensive programme to provide labour and help to outside institutions. Churches, hospitals and homes who otherwise would be unable to undertake such jobs through lack of labour, are included. We believe helping someone else apart from ourselves is an important part of education.

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Saturday, 8th July, saw the first of our School Dances for this year. Run by the Dramatic Society, it proved to be an enjoyable night. It was the first of our dances where we were truly hosts, and friends come as guests, finance for expenses being covered by the School only. This plan showed itself successful and will be adopted in the future.

Following the Dramatic Dance by just four weeks, we are all looking forward to the Boarders' Dance, which is always a great success, and with this year's boarders should be very hard to beat.

While on the subject of dances, Mrs. Donnelly's dancing class every alternate Saturday night has been continued this year with very marked popularity. The class has become so large that it is divided into two sections, one for the Juniors followed by the Seniors later.

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The re-designing of the Chem. Lab. was completed early in the year, and we are now reaping the benefit of the increased efficiency. The light now comes along the benches from the side, doing away with the annoying shadows, and such details add up to the far better arrangement of the layout.

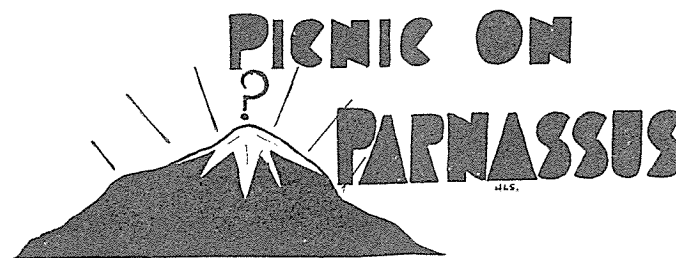
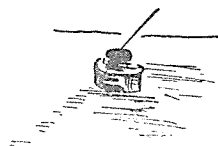
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It is rumoured that one member of the Staff is stoutly resisting the urges from the boys to prove the reputed ability of his car to jump fences. However, we believe it possible, for we think it has done just about everything else.

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Few people realise the historic background of the old Iron Room, now used as the Art Room. Built from the first shipment of corrugated iron to come to Van Diemen's Land, it was erected in 1854. It is worth remembering as an asset to historical Hutchins.

R. S. V.



### Original Contributions

#### A DISPLAY OF THE AURORA AUSTRALIS

THIS evening my father called me out onto the verandah to watch, because there was a display of the Aurora Australis. It was a spectacular sight; I probably shall never see such grandeur again. It was superb. Great bands of white swept across the sky like gigantic searchlights gone mad. A great smudge of red appeared over the horizon and slowly worked its way through the mass of interweaving lights. Up and up it went till at last it reached the centre of the sky. There it merged into a sort of pattern of white against red. Then slowly the beams and colours became luminous and streaky like giant masses of different hues.

Then in another part of the sky great beams rose and fell, rose and fell again, interweaving and blending. We stood watching, quite unaware of the cold. Then the colours merged into one again, and I thought I detected a faint tinge of green. By this time, mother and the other members of the family had come out. We all stood watching. Then the voice of my father broke in with: "Have you finished your homework?" Reluctantly, I went inside and wrote notes on Fur Trappers.

(Later):

The sky has now separated into a huge banded dome of white mesh. Cars by ones and twos are coming up the hill to watch. I have just been told to go to bed, but I still take one more look before I go.

Away to the South the lights are still weaving, changing and fading, only to reappear as bright as ever. I will have to go to bed now, but the colours are still changing.

It is too beautiful for mere words to describe.

Tim Bowden, Remove A

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#### DETERMINATION

His life, it did not matter,  
As thoughts flashed through his mind.  
In grim determination  
He went — his friend to find.

His heart was beating bravely,  
Inside his manly breast.  
His friend — he meant to save him —  
He did not fear the rest.

W. M. Hodgman, Remove A

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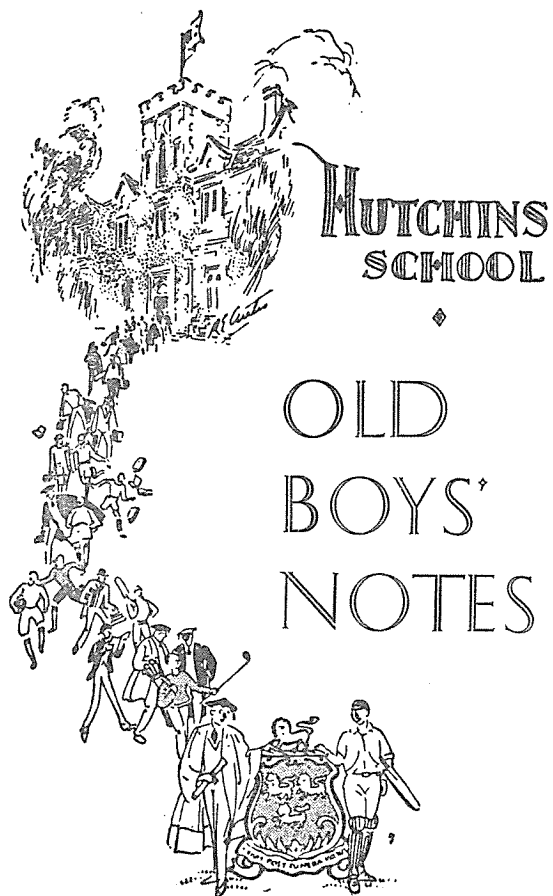
#### SKY RIDERS

The siren warns and men take off  
To intercept attack,  
With Spitfires many, men but few,  
Their aim to drive them back.

A duel grim is fought up there,  
Four thousand feet on high,  
With dauntless wings they cleave the air,  
Prepared to do or die.

But we have men with skill and nerve,  
And trained to dodge the flak,  
They fly their craft to victory,  
And also fly them back.

Mark Chen, Va



### OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the passing of the following Old Boys:— GIBBS, J. F. L. (1915, 2,096); HUGHES, S. L. (1907, 1,707); HUTCHINS, Mr. Justice (Queen's); JACKSON, G. A. (Queen's); LORD, John (Queen's); WALL, J. H. (1927, 2,819); WESTBROOK, H. E. A. (1872, 774); SMITH, J. M. (1913, 1,980).

### ENGAGEMENTS

CHAMBERS, L. G., to Miss Margaret Dunn.  
FOSTER, Barrie, to Miss Janet Douglas.  
FOSTER, Noel, to Miss Brenda Roots.  
GILBERT, G. R., to Miss Vivien J. Brown.

GIBSON, A. E. B., to Miss Helen F. Cooley.  
HALL, M. A. B., to Miss Jean M. Overland.  
HARVEY, A. H., to Miss P. Fox.  
HARVEY, R. H., to Miss Anne M. Woodward.  
IKIN, R. P., to Miss D. Sargison.  
JOHNSON, N. W. E., to Miss M. Newlands.  
LORD, John, to Miss Suzanne Rae.  
PAYNE, C. A. H., to Miss Josephine K. Anderson.  
VERNON, R. H., to Miss Dorothea I. Lovibond.  
HARRIS, R. J., to Miss Mavis J. Harris.

### MARRIAGES

CHEN, R. B., to Miss A. Hill.  
COUPE, J. R., to Miss C. M. Dean.  
DOWNIE, G., to Miss G. Hynes.  
FREEMAN, R. P., to Miss L. Giblyn.  
HARRIS, R. J., to Miss M. J. Harris.  
HAWKER, D. N., to Miss H. T. Crisp.  
LORD, J., to Miss S. Rae.  
MORGAN, L., to Miss P. M. Williams.  
McINTYRE, R. J. S., to Miss P. M. Findlay.  
NICHOLS, P. P., to Miss A. Peacock.  
SHIELD, J., to Miss Barbara Healy.  
SMITH, I. K., to Miss N. Clark.

### BIRTHS

AMOS.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Amos: a daughter.  
BECK.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Beck: a son.  
BINNY.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Binny: a son.  
BLUNDSTONE.—To Mr. and Mrs. M. Blundstone: a daughter.  
BOIS.—To Mr. and Mrs. M. Bois: a son.  
BOYES.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Boyes: a daughter.  
CHESTERMAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. D. R. Chesterman: a daughter.  
CLENNETT.—To Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Clennett: a son.  
CLENNETT.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clennett: a son.  
CORNEY.—To Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Corney: a daughter.  
CRAWFORD.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Crawford: a son.  
CRISP.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Crisp: a son.  
DAVIES.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. Davies: a son.  
DOWNIE.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Downie: a son.  
ESPIE.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. Espie: a son.  
EVANS.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Evans: a daughter.  
HOOD.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Hood: a daughter.  
JENNINGS.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jennings: a son.

KELLY.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. Kelly: a daughter.  
LORD.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. D. B. Lord: a son.  
MacGREGOR.—To Mr. and Mrs. I. MacGregor: a daughter.  
MILLER.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Miller: a son.  
NICHOLLS.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. Nicholls: a son.  
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PAGE.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Page: a daughter.  
PEARCE.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. Pearce: a son.  
PICKERING.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Pickering: a son.  
RAMAGE.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Ramage: a son.  
ROBERTSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Robertson: a daughter.  
RODWELL.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rodwell: a son.  
SARGISON.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Sargison: a daughter.  
SCARR.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Scarr: a daughter.  
SHEA.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shea: a son.  
SHUGG.—To Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Shugg: a son.  
TYSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tyson: a daughter.  
VINEY.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. A. S. Viney: a son.  
WATCHORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Watchorn: a daughter.  
WERTHEIMER.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Wertheimer: a daughter.  
YOUNG.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. Young: a son.  
YOUNG.—To Mr. and Mrs. P. Young: a son.  
WARD.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ward: a daughter.  
WARNER.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Warner: a son.  
WARNER.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warner: a daughter.

### GENERAL

By the time this Magazine is in print the Hutchins School Ball sponsored by the Old Boys' Associ-

ation will have been held and we hope will have been an outstanding success, as the purpose for which it was held—the 1939-45 War Honour Roll—is a cause worthy of the support of all. All Associations connected with the School combined to organise the Ball, and we should like to take this opportunity of thanking all those ladies who assisted.

R. F. (Dick) Walch has been appointed Brigade Major at Townville.

Gerald Page-Hanify, last year's senior prefect, is attending the Brisbane University, whilst John Renney has transferred to Adelaide.

During the Christmas golfing tournaments, it was noticed that A. L. Wise and D. J. Arnold were successful at Kingston Beach.

Representatives in the crews of the yachts in the Sydney-Hobart race included John Bennetto, member of crew of "Waltzing Matilda," first across the line; whilst Stan. Darling was again in "Peer Gynt"; and we had a visit from the Robertson boys in "Fortuna."

Ron. Morrisby and Emerson Rodwell figured in a first-wicket century partnership for the Southern team against the North at Christmas.

Old Boys figured prominently at the Dover Regatta. W. (Tim) Jackson, M.H.A., President Dover Regatta Association; D. L. McKean won the "R" class event with "Ninie"; D. Burton the Cadet Dinghies "Seagull"; C. L. Nicholas was second in the 12 Square Metre Class with "Noddy."

Peter Young is at present sojourning on Macquarie Island.

Two young golfers who gained recent successes in competition matches were J. Strutt and D. Stranger.

R. O. Harris, former Chairman of the Board of Management of the School, was awarded C.M.G. in the New Year's Honours list.

Brian Cane arrived back in Tasmania when the 550-ton coaster "Merino" completed her maiden voyage from the U.K.

Eric Morse, a former member of the staff of the School, collected 6 for 59 in the North v. South match played in Launceston at the New Year.

In rowing numerous Old Boys have been successful, B. Pitt, as a member of the Derwent Senior Four, R. J. Thompson, stroke, and D. Scaife members of Derwent Maiden and Junior Eights. The Franklin Senior Fours which included B. A., R. J. and D. F. Clark, had a very successful season. J. Shield was a member of Huonville Senior Eight.

E. Sorell has been elected Chairman of the Hobart Regatta Association, whilst R. P. Lord has been made a member of the Committee.

Barrie Foster was a member of the successful State Life-Saving team.

Ron. Morrisby and Emerson Rodwell were members of the State Eleven which played in Melbourne, Rodwell scoring a century.

Max Jolly added a number of open State swimming titles to his already long list at the annual swimming championships.

Seen in Hobart during January were Dr. C. Rait, of Geelong, and Felix St. Hill, of Melbourne.

The Cup Race at Huon Regatta was won by "Noddy" (C. L. Nicholas), whilst "Kittiwake Too" was successful in the 12 Square Metre event at Cygnet.

Huonville Golf Club has a twang of Hutchins about its office bearers: President, Doug. F. Calvert; Vice-President, Tom A. Frankcomb; Secretary, J. F. Mitty.

Capt. John Templeman has been transferred to Sydney by the Army.

Weller Arnold was elected the first Patron of the Tasmanian Australian National Football League.

Centuries in "A" grade cricket during the past season came from the bats of Harry Ward, Ron. Morrisby and Emerson Rodwell (2). "Roddy" broke 1,000 runs for the season.

We regret to announce the death of Miss Oberlin Harris, who for some years was School Matron.

R. C. (Bob) Sharp has been elected Chairman of Tasmanian Division of Australian Institute of Engineers, whilst G. E. Hodgson has been elected to the Committee.

Bill Webster flew over from Victoria to see the boat race in Launce-

ton. He has not changed much. He had a parental interest in the crew.

The "Herald" of the 3rd May carried a very interesting photograph and one that would be recognized without letterpress—Mentone Grammar boys farewelling their Principal, John Thorold, who will be overseas for six months. The late "C.C.T." in the flesh.

Amongst successes gained by Old Boys at the Royal Agricultural Society's Autumn Show were noticed several awards gained by John M. Taylor in the Merino section and R. V. ("Major") Bowden with Corriedales, whilst Bisdee Bros. were prominent with Polwarths. T. B. MacLeod and Sons figured very prominently with their entries in the Romney Marsh awards of merit.

L. H. Bibby, whom the older Old Boys will remember and is now Slazengers' gun expert, was in Hobart early in the year.



The late H. E. A. Westbrook

Since the last issue of the Magazine, the Old Boys have lost a further holder of the title of "Oldest Old Boy." Mr. H. E. A. Westbrook, who lived in Hobart and was number 774 on the School roll, year of entry 1872, died. This grand old man will be remembered mainly by the older folk for his interest in rowing. He was of retiring nature and did not figure

prominently in public life. In his early days Mr. Westbrook was a farmer.

As far as is known the title has now passed on to Number 798, who also entered the school in 1872—Mr. J. P. Laughton, who was born in 1860. We wish Mr. Laughton every happiness whilst he holds the position of the School's G.O.M.

Weller Arnold was re-elected President of the Royal Auto Car Club of Tasmania for the twenty-fifth year in succession.

Archdeacon M. J. May has been elected President of the Northern branch of the Tasmanian South African Returned Soldiers' Association.

Early in June, J. D. L. Hood, who has been appointed Australian Ambassador to Djakarta, paid a visit to Hobart. "J. D. L." addressed the School at Assembly.

Dr. W. K. McIntyre was awarded the C.M.G. in the King's Birthday Honours list.

S. C. Burbury has been appointed a King's Counsel.

The following Old Boys' names appeared in the pass list for the April examinations of the Federal Institute of Accountants: Final: Advanced Book-keeping: A. F. Andrews, N. W. Thompson; Bankruptcy Law: H. C. P. Cuthbert, F. J. E. Johnson; Company Law: H. C. P. Cuthbert; Income Tax: A. F. Andrews, H. C. P. Cuthbert, F. J. E. Johnson, A. B. Woolston. Intermediate: Mercantile Law No. 2: R. E. Spinner.

R. K. Madden has been re-elected Warden of the Hamilton Municipality for the fourth term.

The following Old Boys were amongst those who received degrees at the University Commemoration: B.A.: H. F. Hadrill; B.Sc.: J. M. F. X. de Bavay, N. M. D. Jack, C. H. J. Johnson, A. J. McIntyre, E. A. Parkes; B.Sc. with honours: A. D. Dargaville, B.Sc.; B. A. B. Edwards, B.Sc.; M. M. Hodgson, B.Sc. (all second class); B.E.: J. E. Collier, J. H. Templeman; B.Com.: R. K. Eltham, G. B. Walker.

Harry Whelan and Reg. Gorringer were again members of the crew of "Tassie Too," which retained the Forster Cup.



Len. Uren, of Penrith, N.S.W., was a visitor during January.

Edgar Chapman, Treasurer of the Victorian Branch of the Association, has paid a couple of visits recently to Hobart.

Clinton Spooner, who is Professor of Mining and Metallurgy at the University of Adelaide, has been offered a travelling fellowship by the Nuffield Foundation.

Col. Bruce Watchorn visited Hobart during the early part of May and paid an official visit to the School.

E. R. Freeman has been elected a councillor of the Franklin Ward on the Huonville Council. He is probably the youngest member of a Council in Tasmania.

Geoff. Colman has resigned as Judges' Associate and has transferred to Melbourne, where he has been admitted as a barrister and solicitor by the Supreme Court of Victoria.

John Brettingham-Moore has sailed for England for attachment to the Royal Navy for several years on aviation duties.

In connection with the appointment of R. K. (Ken.) Green to the Supreme Court bench, the following has been contributed by an Old Boy: Congratulations of all Old Boys of the School will be extended to one of our own prominent Old Boys—Richard Kenneth Green—who has been appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Tasmania. Mr. Justice Green was at the School from 1918 to 1923, and upon leaving commenced to study law, being articulated (in the firm of Butler, McIntyre and Butler), to another Old Boy, the late Mr. W. F. Denis Butler. After a brilliant career at the University, His Honour was admitted to the Bar on 8th August, 1932. He subsequently practiced in Hobart and Launceston, and at the time of his elevation to the Branch he was a member of the Legislative Council.

At a special sitting of the Supreme Court on 2nd June, Mr. Justice Green was congratulated on behalf of the legal profession by Mr. Stanley C. Burbury, K.C. (another Old Boy), Mr. Burbury stating that the profession was confident that judicial independence and integrity would be in safe keeping in His Honour's hands.

The School and its Old Boys wish Mr. Justice Green a long and happy term of office.

Although we regret Old Boys leaving School turning to League football in preference to playing with their own team in the Amateur competition, we wish to congratulate R. Wilson-Haffenden on his selection in the T.A.N.F.L. side which played in the intra-state carnival held at Hobart in June.

### LUNCHEONS

Since the last issue of the Magazine two quarterly luncheons have been held, the attendance being up to average on each occasion. At the March luncheon the President took the opportunity of welcoming C. G. Farmer back to Tasmania, whilst at the June function Cricket trophies for the 1949-50 season and the Old Boys' Rowing Cup were presented.

At the conclusion of the June function Quentin McDougall, on behalf of those present, referred to the work the President (Brig. E. M. Dollery), had done during his term of office, both to the School and Association. Mr. McDougall's remarks were endorsed by a long round of clapping and by the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," which it is thought is supported in full by all members.

### SCHOOL PLANNING

In the last issue of the Magazine we referred to the future planning of the School and said it was hoped that the Board of Management would have something to put before Old Boys as a completed concrete objective. Elsewhere in this issue will be found the Board's decision. It is suggested that this particular statement should be read carefully and thoroughly understood.

### ROWING

After having watched the Old Launcestonians crews for three years win the trophy for the Old Boys' Rowing race, it was pleasing to see our representatives literally walk away with the contest this year. The race drew four starters, and owing to a breakdown in organization (not the fault of the crew), the "J. D. Hay" boat which St. Virgil's used in the Head-of-the-River race was borrow-

ed. Our crew paddled down to the line, arriving just in time, and then gave a splendid exhibition of rowing to win by some six lengths.

As this crew was left lamenting last year through the boat used in an earlier race not being returned to the sheds, it was gratifying to see the result so convincing. The crew were: R. J. Clark, A. F. Calvert, K. Duncan, D. A. Clark, with Max Darcey as cox.

### v. OLD LAUNCESTONIANS

Our inter-association contests with our Northern counterpart are by degrees growing. During the first half of this year we have met them at cricket, rowing and football. As reported earlier, we were successful in the Old Boys' rowing race, Old Launcestonians finishing second to our crew.

The cricket match was an all-day fixture and was most successful in all aspects. The match was played on the Parliament Street ground. A sporting declaration by George Hodgson gave the visitors an opportunity to win the match outright, which offer was accepted. However, our side proved successful by 25 runs. Details:

Hutchins: 1st innings, 220 (E. G. Terry 13, E. E. Verrell 11, E. A. Creese 1, G. W. Colman 71, n.o., T. Bastick 23, J. R. Tunbridge 27, G. A. McKay 3, T. M. Turner 26, G. E. Hodgson 30, M. S. Bull 8, G. Goward 0., sundries 7; Martin 5 for 44, Hudson 2 for 43, Green 1 for 35, Meredith 2 for 18).

2nd innings, 4 for 49 declared (Terry 5, Verrell 10, Creese 8, Tunbridge 9, Bastick 12, Hodgson 0 n.o. sundries 5; Hudson 2 for 16, Meredith 1 for 16).

Old Launcestonians: 1st innings, 141 (Press 4, Harper 11, Hughes 9, M. Green 18, Martin 6, Wyly 8, Hudson 3, Meredith 26, Doyle 40, C. Green 5, Gunn 6, sundries 7; Bull 1 for 6, Goward 1 for 29, Creese 5 for 33, Tunbridge 1 for 29, Colman 1 for 7).

2nd innings, 103 (Wyly 0, Harper 14, Hughes 13, Martin 36, Meredith 14, Doyle 0, Hudson 11, Green 7 n.o., Gunn 2, Press 1, Green 1, sundries 4; Bull 7 for 43, Goward 1 for 24, Bastick 2 for 15).

Lunch and afternoon tea were, as usual, supplied under the control of Mrs. Vincent, assisted by wives and girl friends of the team. We wish to thank those ladies for giving up the day on our behalf. At the conclusion of the match the cricket team entertained the Old Launcestonians in the usual Hutchins manner.

The football match was played at the beginning of June, and in this contest the Old Launcestonians team was successful. Inaccuracy of our forwards in the final quarter prevented us having our third success over the visitors. Scores:

Old Launcestonians, 4.5, 5.7, 9.9, 11.10 (76 points).

Hutchins: 2.0, 4.10, 5.10, 7.17 (59 points).

Goal kickers: Old Launcestonians. Lawrence, Stopp, Green, Hudson (2 each), Archer McKinstry. Hutchins: Tunbridge, Rush, Seaton, Johnson, Harris, Palfreyman, Harvey.

Best: Old Launcestonians: R. Stopp, Lawrence, Corrick, Ferrall, McKinstry, Green. Hutchins: Hay, G. Tinning, Harvey, Rush, Harris, Johnson, Murray.

As is usual both teams foregathered after the match and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

### CRICKET

We reported in the December issue of the magazine that our team had three very nice wins in the first round of the Southern Old Scholars' cricket roster and that we were leading in the premiership. Well, we are pleased to report that we retained that lead and ran out premiers for the 1949-50 season. Sounds easy, but the fact remains that after the fifth series of matches St. Virgil's were level with us and at the end of Round 2 the position was unchanged. St. Virgil's obtained a point advantage in the opening match of the third round, which was reversed at the end of the second game and the final result was: Hutchins, 34; St. Virgil's, 30; Friends, 14; O.H.A., 3.

The team deserves to be congratulated for their fighting qualities which enabled the premiership to be won. No centuries were scored during the season, but some very fine bowling figures were obtained by Bull (7 for

26 and 7 for 27), Gibson (8 for 23 and 5 for 21), Creese (6 for 38 and in the final innings of the roster 9 for 9). The tenth wicket went to Bull, but Creese figured in the taking of this wicket, catching the batsman in slips. The fielding of the team was generally good, although there was a distinct weakness in slips early, and we will gloss over the first innings in the second match against St. Virgil's. There is not a word in the dictionary to describe it!

At the beginning of the season Mr. T. A. Chandler, who has been a very good supporter of the Old Boys' teams, whether cricket or football, presented a trophy for perpetual competition for the player who is considered to have been the most useful player throughout the season, votes being cast after each game. The trophy is known as the "John Mullen Memorial Trophy" in memory of the late John Mullen who was one of the first members of the Old Boys' team which played in regular competition. It will be recalled that John died at a very early age. The trophy this year was won by M. S. Bull, a very popular win. Other trophies donated were: Best clubman, won by T. M. Turner; best performances in roster games, M. S. Bull (first match against St. Virgil's, 7 for 27 and 4 for 35, besides good fielding which enabled us to win the match off the second last ball of the day, when he took a brilliant catch down fine leg to dismiss the last St. Virgil's batsman); T. Bastick, whose performance with the bat enabled the team to wrest the lead from St. Virgil's in the premiership and gave the necessary victory. Saints, batting first, knocked up 108. We were 5 for 53 when Bastick went to the wickets, and at stumps on the first day 7 for 70. Bastick eventually lost his wicket after the St. Virgil's score had been passed. Against O.H.A. in the final game, Creese took 3 for 18 in O.H.A.'s first innings, followed this up with a brilliant 89, and in the second innings of O.H.A. obtained 9 for 9 (six clean bowled, two l.b.w., and one c. and b.,—besides catching the tenth man).

Tom Turner won the Association and Club batting average with 24.2, whilst Bull was third in the Association averages in winning the Club bowling averages with 8.49. Creese

and Turner tied in the catches with 11 each to finish second in the Association figures.

At the conclusion of the season a match was played against Friends and O.H.A. combined. The opposition were trundled out for 99, whilst Colman and Creese figured in a fine partnership of 132 before Colman retired with 100 (unfortunately a trifle late for the roster games), Creese being undefeated for 59 when the closure was applied with the score at 4 for 205. At stumps the opposition had lost 5 for 53 in their second innings.

Old Boys interested in cricket should communicate with the Secretary early for the coming season, as with the concrete pitch at the Parliament Street ground ready, practice will commence early in October, if not the last week in September.

#### Round 1

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#### Round 2

Defeated Friends outright by three wickets and three runs. Details:

Friends, 90 (Stokes 24; Gibson 2 for 34, Bull 3 for 18, Tunbridge 5 for 24) and 7 for 93 dec. (Nicholas 23, Watchorn 32; Gibson 2 for 22, Bull 3 for 34).

Hutchins, 100 (Abbott 24, Turner 34; Nightingale 5 for 34, Bowden 2 for 18) and 7 for 86. (Verrell 29; Bowden 2 for 25, Watchorn 3 for 12).

In this game our side lost 4 wickets for 6 runs in the first innings. Bowden declared in an effort to turn a first innings loss to an outright win. Scores were level at 5.59 p.m. when the seventh wicket fell.

Lost to St. Virgil's by 50 runs on first innings. Details:

Hutchins, 79 (McKay 22; Kelly 2 for 24, Pelham 4 for 30) and 5 for 63 (Creese 24 n.o.; Delaney 2 for 16, Fahey 2 for 3).

St. Virgil's 7 for 129. (Delaney 59; Creese 2 for 54).

The less said about this match the better. Our batting was poor, whilst fielding needs a blanket drawn over it. Delaney had as many lives as the proverbial cat. Of the seven St. Virgil's wickets which fell, four were run out in trying to force runs. With 5 for 37 in the second innings we were in danger of losing outright.

Defeated Old Hobartians outright by an innings and 107 runs. Details:

O.H.A., 77 (Brown 30 n.o.; Gibson 6 for 43, Bull 3 for 18) and 71. (Brown 37; Gibson 8 for 23).

Hutchins, 8 for 255 dec. (Creese 58, Turner 67, Colman 27; Brown 4 for 103, Southorn 3 for 65).

#### Round 3

Defeated Friends by 10 wickets. Details:

Friends, 97 (Watchorn 48; Gibson 5 for 47, Bull 2 for 25, Tunbridge 2 for 3) and 53 (Watchorn 25; Bull 3 for 30, Gibson 5 for 21).

Hutchins, 147 (Terry 29, Creese 29, Bastick 32; Watchorn 7 for 49, Goward 2 for 29) and none for 7.

Defeated St. Virgil's by 21 runs on 1st innings. Details:

St. Virgil's 108 (Fulton 29, Seidel 26; Bull 5 for 30, Gibson 4 for 30) and 9 for 129 dec. (D. Carrick 34, Kelly 20, O. Carrick 35; Creese 6 for 38).

Hutchins, 129 (McKay 23, Bastick 34; Delaney 2 for 23, Fahey 3 for 25, Middleton 4 for 37) and 3 for 57 (Colman 20 n.o.; Delaney 2 for 14).

This match actually decided the premiership, although Saints could have won by getting a better win than ourselves in the final game of the roster. The performance of Bastick in this game has been referred to earlier in the notes.

Defeated Old Hobartians by an innings and 165 runs.

O.H.A., 66 B. Southorn 24; Creese 3 for 18, Bull 2 for 26, Tunbridge 4 for 12) and 36 (Creese 9 for 9).

Hutchins, 7 for 267 dec. (Boddam 25, Verrell 23, Colman 29, Creese 89, McKay 26, Turner 34; Southorn 5 for 83).

The outstanding all-round performance of Creese has been referred to earlier.

#### AVERAGES

Matches played	.....	.....	9
Won by an innings	.....	.....	3
Won outright	.....	.....	3
Won on first Innings	.....	.....	2
Lost on first Innings	.....	.....	1

Total premiership points, 34; first in premiership.

#### Batting

	Innings	Not Out	Highest Score	Runs	Average
Turner, T.	12	2	67	242	24.20
Creese, E.	14	1	89	277	21.31
Bastick, T.	8	2	34	127	21.16
McKay, G.	13	1	52	234	19.50
Colman, G.	9	2	29	118	16.86
Hodgson, G.	8	3	33	72	14.40
Verrell, E.	14	-	29	191	13.64
Tunbridge, J.	8	2	25	79	13.16
Gibson, A. E.	12	5	16	87	12.43
Terry, E. G.	10	1	29	102	11.33
Boddam, L.	8	-	25	82	10.25
Bull, M. S.	8	2	11	37	6.16

Others: Milles (10.75); Tunbridge (6.75); Gilbert (1.75).

#### Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Bull, M. S.	126	23	433	51	8.49
Creese, E.	43	5	180	21	8.57
Gibson, A. E.	126	20	470	45	10.44

Others: Milles (4.50); Tunbridge (7.12); Colman (8.67); Turner (16.00); Bastick (22.00); Verrell 30.00); Terry (-); McKay (-).

#### Catches

Creese, Turner, 11; Bull, 9; Colman, 8; Gibson, Gilbert, 5; Terry, 4; Hodgson, Boddam, Verrell, Tunbridge, 2; Abbott, 1.

These notes would not be complete without reference to A. E. Gibson (Tony or "Basher," whichever is the pet name of the moment). Since the war "A. E. G." has been a regular member of the Old Boys' cricket and football teams, besides being a member of the General Committee of the Association. Early in March, Tony was transferred to Melbourne by his employers and his loss is felt very much by both sports teams and the committee. We wish him the very best in Victoria.

At the end of the cricket season the opportunity was taken to farewell Geoff. Colman, who is reading law in Melbourne for some months. "Basher" lost his position for all time when "G. W." replied to the speech of the captain of the team, George



Hodgson. Should Geoff. hold the floor so long in Court there is no doubt that nothing will be missed. On behalf of the team he made a presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent in recognition of the interest they take in the team in roster games and holiday fixtures.

### FOOTBALL

Our notes on the present season do not read so well from a winning point of view, but when one takes into account the many changes in the team from last season and the fact that the team is probably the youngest team in the competition, it is not surprising that at the present time we are not a premiers team. However, what is lacking in experience is more than made up in keenness, and before the season ends some of the other teams will need to be at their top to keep our side out of the winning list. Should the team stay more or less together, it is very apparent that a good side will be fielded next season.

It is regrettable that the glamour of League football caused us to lose a number of new players which would have given us height and weight, but from the sporting point of view there is no doubt that those playing Amateur football are happier and can see that the 1951 Amateur Carnival in Melbourne will be well worth the effort to make the side.

The officials for the year are: President, J. R. Rex, Esq.; Vice-President, G. E. Hodgson, Esq.; Hon. Secretary, R. W. Vincent; Hon. Treasurer, H. S. Bennett; Hon. Auditor, T. A. Wise; Manager, L. L. Shea; Delegate to Southern Division, T.A.F.L., A. G. Turner; Committee: Non-players: W. L. Fysh, C. G. Hill, L. L. Shea; Captain, G. R. Gilbert; Vice-Captain, K. E. Cossum; Players' Representative, J. Heckscher.

At the commencement of the season Mr. Norm. Venables was again appointed Coach, and he is being assisted by Mr. Hec. Murray.

Congratulations to K. E. Cossum and J. Heckscher on being selected to represent the South against the North, and for their performances in that match.

### Results

Lost to Olgilvenians by 21 points. Bad play in the second term, for which there is no excuse, lost the game. Scores: Olgilvenians, 12.13 (85 points); Hutchins, 9.10 (64 points).

Lost to O.H.A. by 105 points. Out-classed as a team, although there were some fine individual efforts. Scores: O.H.A., 24.14 (158 points); Hutchins, 7.11 (53 points).

Defeated Lindisfarne by 43 points. A very wet ground, and our team showed what they could do in the wet; also played for the first time as a side and not individuals. Scores: Hutchins, 12.11 (83 points); Lindisfarne, 5.10 (40 points).

Lost to Claremont 39 points. In this game, the scores at half-time were level (2.12 all), but inexperience forward cost us many more scoring opportunities. Claremont in the second half showed us where experience counts.

### ANNIVERSARY PROGRAMME

The following is the Anniversary programme for the 104th Anniversary of the Foundation of the School:

**Thursday, 3rd August—FOUNDATION DAY**—9.00 a.m.: School Assembly. Speaker: The President (Brig. E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C.). 2.00 p.m.: FOOTBALL, Past v. Present. 7.00 p.m.: MELBOURNE RE-UNION, Amateur Sports Club. SYDNEY RE-UNION, Australia Hotel. 8.00 p.m.: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

**Friday, 4th August**—9.00 a.m.: GOLF, at Rosny. 7.00 p.m.: MINIATURE SHOOTING. 7.00 p.m.: TABLE TENNIS, Past v. Present; Old Boys v. Masters. 8.00 p.m.: DEBATE, Past v. Present.

**Saturday, 5th August**—9.30 a.m.: TENNIS, Past v. Present. 2.00 p.m.: FOOTBALL, Old Boys v. Claremont.

**Sunday, 6th August**—7.45 a.m.: CORPORATE COMMUNION, St. David's Cathedral, 8.30 a.m.: BREAKFAST, at the School. 7.00 p.m.: EVENSONG, St. David's Cathedral.

Advice has also been received that the Victorian branch of the Association will hold their Re-union at the

AMATEUR SPORTS CLUB  
on  
THURSDAY, 3rd AUGUST

Don't forget, you Victorian Old Boys, D. H. Chapman, E. S. & A. Bank, Legal Dept., 287 Collins Street, is Hon. Secretary.

It is hoped to arrange further Re-unions in other centres around this date.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association will be held at the School on THURSDAY, 3rd August, 1950, at 8 p.m.

#### Business:

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 3rd August, 1949.

Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

Annual Report of Old Boys' Representatives on Board of Management.

Election of Officers.

Any other business that may arise and be ruled to be in order.

R. W. Vincent,  
Hon. Secretary

13 Greenlands Avenue  
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NOTE: (Rule No. 9): "Nominations for the Committee shall be in writing, signed by the candidate and TWO members, and shall be delivered to the Hon. Secretary not less than THREE (3) DAYS before the Annual Meeting."

### SCHOOL FAIR

Please note that the School Fair will be held at the School on Thursday, 24th August, Lunch obtainable, 12 noon to 2 p.m.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Following on the great success of this function last year, it is proposed to recommend to the incoming Committee that a similar function be

held this year. There were 143 present last year. Reserve the day and make it 300.

FRIDAY or SATURDAY, 16th DECEMBER.

### PAST v. PRESENT CRICKET MATCH

At the School Ground, Parliament Street, on FRIDAY, 15th December, play commencing at 10.00 a.m.; stumps, 5 p.m.

### VISITORS TO MELBOURNE

Visitors either temporary or permanent are requested to contact Mr. D. H. Chapman, Legal Dept., E. S. & A. Bank, 287 Collins Street, who can arrange for other Old Boys to meet you and perhaps help you out of a difficulty.

### RE-UNIONS

The N.S.W. Branch have advised that their Annual Re-Union will be held at **Australia Hotel, on Thursday, 3rd August.**

Members should communicate with Dr. A. Stafford Crane, 217 Macquarie Street, Sydney.

Advice has been received from the Launceston Committee that a Re-Union will be held in Launceston, on **Friday or Saturday, 4th or 5th August.**

Old Boys in North of the State should communicate with John Lord, at Douglas and Collins, 27 Paterson Street, Launceston.

Re-Union in Hobart will be held at the School on **Saturday, 26th August, at 6.30 p.m.**

Tickets from Committee or Hon. Secretary (R. W. Vincent).

It is possible that a Re-Union will be arranged at Ulverstone around Anniversary week-end. Probably at Ulverstone.

### STOP PRESS

As mentioned earlier in these notes, a Ball sponsored by the Association

was held on 23rd June, and I think the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure speak for themselves.

**RECEIPTS**

471 Tickets sold at 10/-	£235	10	0
Donations .....	3	3	0
	£238	13	0

**EXPENDITURE**

Hire Hall, etc. ....	£13	9	9
Hire Orchestra .....	13	0	0
Supper .....	32	16	4
Decorations and Flowers .....	5	7	1
Printing and Post- tages .....	8	19	1
Balance to Hutchins School Honour Roll .....	165	0	9
	£238	13	0

The President of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association has asked me to convey to members of the Executive of the Ball and their helpers his appreciation and thanks, as the result clearly shows how all co-operated in the success of the function. It is anticipated that the Honour Roll will be handed over debt free, as a result. Meanwhile the funds have been transferred to the Hutchins School War Memorial Executive Fund Account.

R. W. Vincent  
Hon. Secretary

10/7/50

