

## EDITORIAL

### WORKING TOGETHER

Living in families is natural to humankind; not only in father-mother-children units, but also in larger groupings of tribes and nations, still, with the development of modern communications, men are now striving to achieve world-wide unity.

The Geelong College family is a growing tribal unit. Traditionally, Old Boys gave the only organized support enjoyed by the College, and their loyalty still appears able to rise to any occasion, but gradually there has grown up a strong body of reinforcement from other directions: first the Campbell House Parents' Association, then the Preparatory School Women's Auxiliary, and in recent years a comprehensive Parents' and Friends' Association. We recall the successes of a few years back, leading to the building of the new Preparatory School, when parents shared with Old Boys in the toil and the triumphs.

A school needs its parents, and not only as paying customers. It is important, for instance, that the home should favour the efforts of the Principal and his teaching staff. Since parents normally represent a variety of occupations, localities and interests, they can broaden the outlook of the whole school community by entering into its life. By contrast, a school is almost helpless when afflicted with adverse or pathetic home attitudes.

The College has been fortunate. It has gained understanding and real enthusiasm, as shown by the fact that many fathers and mothers travel long distances to attend school functions and educational discussions. Lately it has found the parent body reserving to itself the honour of modernizing the Morrison Hall. To go from the sublime to the not-quite-ridiculous, past and present pupils know the parental devotion that goes into such an apparently simple operation as the fielding of a football team.

In any family, a profitable relationship depends on efficient communication between its members. With this issue, Ad Astra, while maintaining its service to Old Collegians, assumes also the function of The College Parent. Thus it now has the responsibility of conveying its items and matters of educational significance to the whole family, and of keeping individual members and groups aware of how the others are thinking.

Mutual understanding and respect can have only beneficial results for the College.

If Ad Astra helps to promote these, the effort will be fully justified.



### CONTINUITY

The Principal of the College (Mr. Peter Thwaites) photographed on Speech Day with Sir Arthur Coles, Chairman of the College Council 1939-68, and Dr. Norman Wattenhall, Chairman 1969, both of whom are Old Collegians.

Sir Arthur has two Old Collegian sons and a grandson who is at present in the senior school. Dr. Wattenhall is the elder son of the late Dr. R. R. Wattenhall (a Collegian under Dr. Morrison and a member of Council for 32 years), and is the father of one Old Collegian and one present Collegian.

Both families have therefore been represented at the College by three generations.

Photo: Geelong Advertiser

## Parent Groups Active

The 1968 programme of the Parents' and Friends' Association concluded with an address by Professor John Legge (O.G.C.), of Monash University, on "University Students and their parents—from Study Habits to Student Action."

Prof. Legge stated that University students are treated as adults. Considerable help is available to them, but they can take it or leave it.

This situation indicates to parents and secondary schools that, to be successful, a student needs to possess a considerable degree of maturity and his own standards of conduct on arrival at the University.

The committee will again be led by Dr. Keith Torode, of Colac, as president. Mrs. H. Revie becomes secretary in place of Mrs. A. E. Head, who ably filled the position for the past two years.

Activities for 1969 were launched on February 28 with a discussion directed to parents of Third Form boys, placing before them the alternatives available in the different "streams" of the senior school. About two hundred were present.

It is intended that the mid-year meeting should inform parents as fully as possible on the broad range of careers open to their sons in a country developing as Australia is today. Details will be issued later.

The Preparatory School Auxiliary and Campbell House Parents have begun their regular meetings, the former with Mrs. J. M. Williams as president, the latter with Mrs. I. E. Backwell as president and Mrs. A. McI. Scott as secretary. Information on both bodies is obtainable from the office of the Preparatory School.

# Our Presidents Say . . .

Dr. Keith Torode is in his second term as the Parents' and Friends' President. His elder son, Ian, was head prefect in 1967. Hugh, the younger, is still at College.

The Executive of the Parents' and Friends' Association welcome the formation of the new Ad Astra, and wish to extend to those responsible their best wishes for the inaugural edition and its future developments.

We feel that the linking of interests of Old Collegians, Parents and Friends is for the good of all those concerned with the daily activity and future expansion of any facet of school life.

The past publication of The College Parent has fulfilled a very useful purpose, particularly over the period of the Morrison Hall Appeal, the success of which



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gratifies all and must be an indication of the confidence that donors have in the administration and academic success of the College under the Principal and his staff.

With the apparently ever-increasing complexity of problems related to the correct assessment of their sons' abilities, and the associated need to develop the personality of our future citizens, parents and friends of the College have a growing desire to read as much as can be published of the interests and activities in this school to which they hold an allegiance.

We take the opportunity of this new circulation to invite inquiry or constructive criticism on any problem which may involve parents, and this may be brought to the notice of members personally or by letter addressed to The Secretary, Parents' and Friends' Committee, The Geelong College.

My Committee hope that in the years to come their deliberations may not only be gainful to the College, but will also provide topics of interest to the wider contact possible through the columns of Ad Astra.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking our Principal, Mr. Thwaites, for his help and encouragement in all our meetings, and for administrative action which has made them both pleasant and productive.

The welfare of the College and that of our sons seem to be one and the same, so all our encouragement goes to the publication of the new Ad Astra.

Mr. Frank Brown is retiring from office after two years as President of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association. He attended the College 1940-45.

For nearly 70 years the O.G.C.A. has given constant service to the College, but since 1964, with the introduction of the new Constitution, Old Boys have had greater scope for taking part in Association activities. They have made good use of their opportunities and each year has seen a steady advance.

Details of activities in 1968 have been covered in the report issued in February, and you will have seen that Old Boys responded well to the appeal for the Building Fund despite a difficult year for many.

The year was also close to a record for reunions, which were well attended and invariably happy gatherings. I will long remember the pleasant occasions that I spent with those whose reunions I could attend; this is especially true of the pre-1920 gathering held at the College on October 12.

In 1969, the beginning of construction of the Rolland centre will realize the hopes of five years' effort. It is encouraging to have this practical demonstration of the



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confidence of the College Council in the ability of the Association to maintain its support and even extend it.

A widening range of sports is available for the younger Old Boys, many of whom achieved notable success in their grades last year.

Looking ahead, one realizes that the challenge has never been greater. However, the association is more experienced and better equipped than ever before to work effectively to help keep The Geelong College in the forefront of education in Australia.

While we Old Collegians have developed our own methods, I am strongly in favour of co-operation with the Council, the parent body, the Principal and the teaching staff—all the other forces working for the College. I am therefore pleased to see this new version of "Ad Astra," which will do its own share to unite the College community.

## FAMILY TALK

All who heard Dr. Geoffrey Newman-Morris's bright address on Speech Day, 1968, were delighted to find that he was knighted soon afterwards, though the honour was for his services to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Lois Hurse, who received the award of O.B.E., is known to many College people, notably the members of the work party at St. Philip's in 1964. In recent years, Mrs. Hurse has been Victorian president of the War Widows' Guild.

There were no real departures from the staff at the end of 1968. With Mr. Barley going overseas on leave, Mr. Keith to the Old Boys, and Mr. Whitton to the Preparatory School, the seniors have acquired Mr. H. Bausor (maths), Mr. A. Morgan (humanities) and Lt. Col. N. Turner (maths and cadets). Lt. Col. Dunkley, formerly O.C. cadets, is still taking his full teaching programme. Mr. L. Hatton rejoined the Prep. staff after leave abroad.

Dr. M. A. Buntine, Principal of the College 1946-60, was intending to retire from Knox Grammar School teaching staff until he was requested to stay on for another year; so his planned caravan tour of Australia must wait.

Mr. Thwaites has announced that the College Council received \$31,852 from the estate of the late Dr. R. R. Wettenhall, himself a member of the Council for 30 years and father of the present Chairman, Dr. Norman Wettenhall.

Mr. John M. Hobday, of Nhill, the father of three recent Collegians, has provided a prize which will be known as "The Hobday Prize for Service to the College." The first winner was R. D. Grover.

Mr. Dugald Williamson has made several visits to the College to indicate University "angles" to senior classes in English Literature.

Gifts to the College include early issues of The Pegasus from Mr. Reg. Littlejohns, history books from Mr. Louis Mathews, and a reproduction of an engraving of the early College from Mr. Peter Griffiths.

The Rev. W. W. Ingram, who died on August 23, was a member of the College Council from 1937 to 1968 while minister of St. Andrew's, Geelong.

Miss Eleanor Maria Rolland died on December 30 at "Garoopna" private hospital, Kew. When her brother (Sir Francis Rolland) was Principal, Miss Rolland was a frequent visitor to the College.

The P. & F. committee is concerned about costs of uniforms and sports togs, and is currently investigating the prices of blazer pockets. Mrs. Faulkner has kindly continued to run the clothing exchange, a valuable service despite the varying availability of particular lines.

The College plays its part in the life of the community. In January it was home to the Australian Music Camp. Concerts of the Musical Society of Geelong are held in the Morrison Hall, and this year Adult Education classes are being held in the language lab. Second-year Sixth Formers have lent assistance with fencing in the Lara fire area.

## "STATE AID"

I believe very strongly that, in any democracy, the existence of Independent Schools is essential, both to provide parents with freedom of choice in the education of their children, and to avoid the obvious dangers of any government having complete control of a single monopolistic education system. However, I also believe it is a great pity if, as at present, the high fees which these Independent Schools must charge make it impossible for some parents to exercise this freedom of choice.

I therefore believe that Governments should give financial assistance to these Independent Schools, at least to the extent of the amount the Government saves by not having to educate these children in State Schools, and I believe this aid should be given without any attempt to interfere with the school's freedom, except to ensure that it is efficient.

Despite this firm belief in the importance of Independent Schools, and their right to Government assistance, I also believe that it is a great social injustice if those who cannot afford or do not choose Independent Schools are thereby prevented from gaining an adequate education in well-equipped schools. I therefore believe that far more Government funds ought to be provided for State education, so that the standards and facilities in all State Schools can be at least good enough to ensure equality of opportunity, irrespective of economic status.

—From Principal's Report, 1968

## HOLLYWOOD, HERE WE COME!

Benefits from the College's "A Class" accreditation for the Leaving Certificate examination have rapidly become apparent, one important effect being that members of the teaching staff have scope for their individual ability and initiative in drawing up syllabuses. A striking example of this freedom already in action is a segment of the 1969 Leaving English course designed by the senior English master, Mr. A. D. Mahar.

As boys spend a good deal of time watching films, argues Mr. Mahar, it is proper to give them guidance in understanding what they see. With the aid of a booklet on film appreciation, and weekly screenings through Term 1, the classes are finding out how films are made and how scenes are constructed to achieve a desired effect.

The screenings include study extracts from feature films, as well as special teaching films on cinema techniques and the evaluation of the finished product.

From their studies, the boys should acquire discrimination in viewing and in choosing what to view, besides gaining practice in oral and written criticism.

In Term 2 it is intended to apply these lessons practically in the making of a short, original feature film, the script for which has already been written by the boys.

## A MOVING SIGHT



Campbell House, where so many Collegians first went to school, has moved again, settling this time in its own corner of the new Prep. grounds.

## THE COLLEGE YEAR

College enjoyed its share of academic successes in 1968. Fifty-seven boys matriculated and between them gained fifty-seven first class honours and sixty-one seconds. Twenty boys won Commonwealth Scholarships. Ninety-two boys gained the Leaving Certificate.

Dux of the School was David Runia, who gained four first-class honours in the matriculation examinations, a General Distinction, a Distinction in General Mathematics, and a resident scholarship to Queen's College.

Jonathan Cook, David Galbraith and Jeffrey Keddie won Ormond scholarships, and John Dickson a Queen's scholarship. Jeff Keddie also gained a Distinction in Eighteenth Century History.

David Johnstone won a valuable Wool Research Trust Fund scholarship, taking him on to the Textile Technology course at the Gordon.

In the 3 Cadet Brigade promotion school at Puckapunyal, John Weddell topped the Regimental Sergeant-Major course and was selected as Parade Sergeant-Major for the passing out parade.

The music-drama production for 1969 is "Noyes Fludde," planned for August 6, 7, 8. This is the Benjamin Britten folk play of the Deluge, so successfully presented in St. George's Church in 1962.

Michael Betts is Captain of the School for 1969, with Tim Dennis his deputy. The other prefects are Leigh Bennett, Johnathan Cole, Crichton Collins, Geoff. McAdam, John Nall and Peter Young.

The College cap is increasingly a rarity, now worn only by boys in Form III and below. So far there is no suggested replacement.

Following the loss of all but one of its big trees, the front garden is being re-shaped to present a new attractive front to the world.

The rowing term has got under way, with the usual faithful coaches at work, their raw material now including some keen Third Formers. As usual, College should boast at least four strong crews. The First Eight's new racing shell, the "Arnold Buntine," is built of cedar planking on a late model English mould. Captain of boats is Michael Betts.

The first competition decided was House swimming, in which McArthur won narrowly from Shannon, with Morrison third. Open individual champion was again Don Lindquist; under 16, Max Kroger; under 15, Greg. Lindquist; under 14, Philip Hocking.

Glorious weather, green ovals and excellent wickets provide ideal conditions for cricket, but College teams have met strong opposition at all levels this season.

Mr. E. B. Davies, assisted by Bob Sheringham (c.) and Andrew Hewitt (v.c.), has worked hard to get the First XI functioning efficiently, but so far performances have been inconsistent.

Results :-

G.C., 7 for 74 (Clarke 35; Loughlin 5/4), drew with M.G.S., 7 for 160 (Trumble 86; Clarke 3/13; Collins 3/53). Rain interruptions.

G.C., 180 (Sheringham 74, Clarke 35, Nall 28; Greasley 4/52), lost on first innings to Carey, 7 for 234 (Glenn 85; Chapman 46; McPherson 2/30).

G.C., 224 (Sheringham 52; Hewitt 43; Johnstone 37; Jessep 5/74; Rose 4/68), lost on first innings to H.C., 5 for 265 (Andrews 124; MacGillivray 5/31).



OLD GEELONG COLLEGIANS' ASSOCIATION

# 1969 Boat Race Cabaret Ball

- DATE : Friday, April 11, 1969
- PLACE : Palais Royal, Moorabool Street, Geelong
- TIME : 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m.
- DRESS : Dinner Suit or Lounge Suit
- DRINKS : Please bring your own requirements
- SUPPER : 10.30 p.m.
- BOOKING : Double Ticket \$6.50. Please apply early, using the tear-off slip below. Accommodation is limited
- CLOSING DATE : MONDAY, APRIL 7
- PARTIES : Groups of up to 16 persons can be accommodated if due notice is given. Usually, parties contain Old Collegians of the same year; if you do not specify, an effort will be made to seat you with your contemporaries

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THE GEELONG COLLEGE,  
NEWTOWN, VICTORIA, 3220. (Telephone 21 1939)

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NAME ..... YEAR .....

PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS

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If tickets are to be sent to different addresses, please append details.

PLEASE LODGE APPLICATIONS BY MONDAY, APRIL 7

## O.G.C.A. NOTES

### IN COMMITTEE

A Year Chairmen's Advisory Committee has been formed to give assistance with the development of the Year organization. As its chairman, Mr. M. T. Wright was elected to the Executive.

A letter of thanks was sent to Mr. Claud Notman for his services to the Ballarat Branch, of which he was foundation president. His successor is Mr. Gordon McKinley.

Messrs. A. R. David and W. S. McCann have decided not to seek re-election to the General Committee. Mr. David after 13 years as auditor and committeeman, Mr. McCann after eight years' service on the committee and regular assistance with the social programme.

### WELCOME

As some recognition of its newest members, the Association is continuing to provide guidance and business assistance to the school leavers' end-of-year dance. This year a concession rate for the reunion dinner was offered to 1968 leavers.

### ANNUAL REPORT

The report presented to the Annual Meeting reflects a year of progress in the complementary spheres of fraternity and finance. It welcomes the imminent building activity on the Rolland Centre as the first great achievement under the new constitution.

Special reference is made to the Association's happy relations with the College Council, emphasizing the value of the work of Sir Arthur Coles, and assuring his successor (Dr. Norman Wettenhall) of continuing support.

### THEFT

On or about November 2, 1968, a brass plate and an ornamental crest were removed from the hall outside the Association office.

The plate had sentimental as well as intrinsic value; it was fixed for many years outside the offices of the late Mr. S. B. Hamilton-Calvert, in James Street, and Mr. M. T. Wright, in Little Malop Street, Geelong.

### TROPHIES

The Committee has been offered—at a price—the Geelong College Cup, won in 1875 by James Osborne and considered to be a valuable collector's piece.

The Committee, which already holds three trophies from the earlier years, is investigating the whole subject.

### BADGES, ETC.

The new Association badges are obtainable from the Secretary at \$1 each, in either enamel or acrylic finish and in lapel or tie-clip styles. Cuff-links, now on order, are expected to cost \$3 per pair.



JOHN L. GERRARD

## WHO'S WHO IN THE O.G.C.A.

If breadth of interest is any indication, then John L. Gerrard, President of O.G.C.A. Goulburn Valley Branch for the past three years, is a very solid citizen of his home town of Shepparton. He has lived there, basically, all his life, except for the Geelong years, 1947-9, when he gained the Leaving Certificate and represented College in the first football and athletics teams.

Last year he was elected to the Shepparton City Council, becoming its youngest member, and claims to have been surprised at the result, but the electors had the facts to guide them. John runs a steady business as watchmaker and jeweller. He has been active in community service practically ever since he left the College, rising through the ranks of the Apex Club to become Zone President in 1966, with the oversight of fifty clubs in Northern Victoria and the Riverina. He is now President of the State School Committee and has taken part in most sports.

With a wife and four children—three girls and a boy—and a new home on the banks of the Goulburn, he is very much a family man, currently interested in the development of a garden and swimming pool. There is also some affection spared for his restored 1947 model M.G. T.C.

With the assistance of George Pullar and Ian Barnet (elected secretary in 1968), John Gerrard is keeping Pegasus flying in one of this Association's important outposts.

### SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

The Sydney dinner, May 28 (Sheep Show week as usual), has a new venue: the Schools' Club, Underwood Street. Parking available opposite.

In addition to reunions listed on the fixture card, we now have the following details:

Grampians: August 29, at Willaura Hotel.

Western Australia: September 24, at Captain Stirling Hotel, Nedlands.

## BOOK SHELF

### "Changing Patterns"

Sir Macfarlane Burnet, virologist, epidemiologist, immunologist, etc., with a list of honours so long that it is seldom printed (including a recent second knighthood), has at last written what he calls "an atypical autobiography."

It is a pity that the author was not happy as a College boy, although he indicates—perhaps unwittingly—that his personal modesty was a contributing factor. He is still entirely modest, the scientist who begins his thinking with a clean sheet.

In spite of his authoritative standing in learned societies the world over, Sir Macfarlane has the gift of writing simply about his work, and this book is pleasantly readable by the uninitiated. It is said to deal with one man's professional lifetime. But what a man! And what a life!

### "Look Here"

Last year John N. Button, on behalf of the Fabian Society, organized a panel of experts to pronounce upon the state of Australia's physical environment. He has now edited the scripts of their lectures into book form.

John's work has not been wasted; it has received a favourable press as a good, solid, challenging criticism and a warning against error already made in other countries.

A book for open-eyed Australians who can think both backward and forward.

### "The Quiet Australian"

Medicine, civics, sport. Who shall say that Lindsay Hasset has not chosen the better part? This book comes from R. S. Whittington, a former South Australian player and a contemporary of Lindsay. In the reminiscent style beloved of cricketers, it relates the vicissitudes of Lindsay's career from boyhood till he became the outstanding figure in the national and international game.

Although it staggers slightly in some of the references to College days, it captures the spirit of its hero and of the sport he adorned.

### Jewel Box

"It would surely be a great advantage if education could be rid of the image of 'minds' like empty vessels to be filled with knowledge and then tested to see how badly they leak."

—Malcolm Justins

"I read recently where a psychologist has estimated that about 50 per cent. of today's children are below average in intelligence. This is the sort of unfair criticism that makes our youngsters so rebellious."

—Indignant Mum (Daily paper)

## Independent Schools :

# ARE THEY TOO INDEPENDENT ?

It may surprise many readers to hear that Independent Schools in Australia are without a united voice, and have in fact no way of determining how far they agree in opinions and policies which should be aired in public.

The Associated Public Schools and the Grammar Schools are merely sporting associations; they, and the Headmaster's Conference, are all-male affairs. There are corresponding all-female groupings, and Catholic schools form another separate group. In some States there is an organization linking Governing Bodies, Headmasters and Headmistresses, but so far such organizations have not been very active. And then there are some independent schools which do not belong to any of these associations, because they have not yet achieved the necessary status—another way of saying that although they may be much in need of help, they have no way of getting it.

## CRITICISM

Anyone who reads the paper knows that all non-Government schools are being constantly sniped at by prejudiced and ignorant people. There can also be reasonable criticism, or simple misunderstanding, but still there is no way of replying officially for the whole group.

Of course it would be best of all to state a case positively before misconceptions developed, and it is easy to see the value of unity and strength when approaching governments on educational matters.

## ACTION

At last something is being done about the matter.

Rather quietly, although it was reported in general terms by some Melbourne papers, a meeting took place last August which could lead to the presentation of a united front.

This "Corio Convention"—it was held at Geelong Grammar School—comprised 30 people representing most of Australia's Independent School groups. Its chairman was Mr. J. M. Dixon, chairman of Sydney C.E.G.S. Council. The decision to hold the convention arose largely from discussions following an address to the last Headmasters' Conference in Hobart by Mr. Francis Lloyd, Director of Laboratory Schools of the University of Chicago, whose report on the National Association of Independent Schools—a very powerful agency in the U.S.—had stirred the imagination of his Australian listeners.

## AIMS AND OBJECTS

The convention affirmed its belief in the valuable contribution that Independent Schools are making towards the

enrichment of Australian Society, and recommended :

- that an organization representative of the Independent Schools of Australia should be formed;
- that its title be the National Council of Independent Schools;
- that all possible speed be applied to bringing the Council into operation;
- that the Council have its own office and staff;
- that a constitution be drawn up by a planning committee, which was appointed.

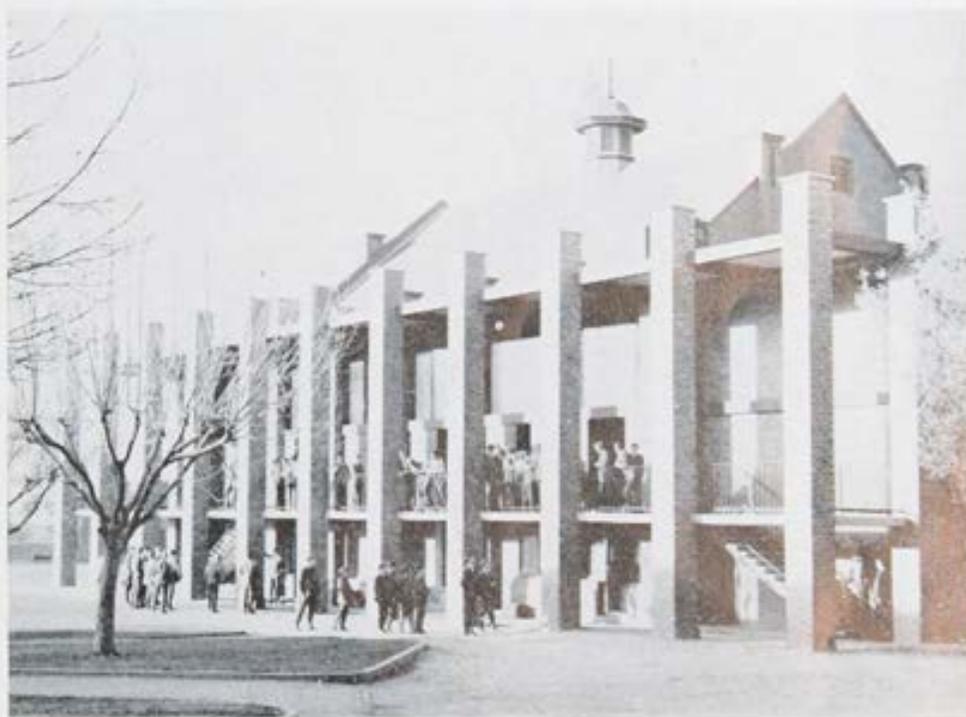
The primary object of the Council will be to assist, strengthen and promote Independent Schools in Australia. It should act on their behalf in matters of general concern, collating and circulating accurate information, representing their views to Governments and other bodies and the general public, and investigating their role in a changing society.

## PRELIMINARIES

Suggestions were made for the representation of each State. In order to conform with these requirements, some States, including Victoria, may need first to re-examine the constitution of their representative body to see that all interests are adequately covered.

The Principal of the Geelong College (Mr. P. N. Thwaites) was a member of the original five-member organizing committee.

All supporters of Independent Schools will wish the Council well and await results with interest.



## MORRISON HALL

In the parents' appeal for the remodelling of the Morrison Hall, total promises amounted to \$102,165. Of this amount, \$84,272 had been received by the Geelong College Building Fund up to February 21, 1969, leaving a balance of \$17,893.

As there are still one year's gifts to come in from a large number of donors, it is clear that the campaign has proceeded most efficiently, a matter of great satisfaction to all concerned, including Dr. Jim Bishop's Follow-On Committee.

The Council of the College has now instructed the architect (Mr. P. N. Everist) to prepare working drawings and specifications, and to proceed with the calling of tenders, for the completion of the ground floor of the hall and the construction of the raised court yard between the hall and the front terrace of Morrison House. It is hoped that building will begin about the middle of this year and proceed parallel with the work on the Rolland Centre, so that both areas will be ready for occupation at the opening of the 1970 school year.

# School Fees Plan

## SOLUTION FOR PARENTS' PROBLEM

In today's competitive conditions tremendous emphasis is placed upon education. The educational background of young people seeking careers is more closely scrutinised now than ever before, with the unfortunate result that many children with outstanding natural ability are frustrated in their efforts to embark upon a career of their choice.

Also, the rising cost of secondary education, particularly where a number of children are involved, is a major problem which confronts parents when planning their family's future.

In the case of an only child the total cost over a four or six year period is high, but when a number of children are at school over a period of ten or more years, the cost, to say the least, is a heavy financial burden.

During the period when several children are at school simultaneously, the cost can be a serious financial strain on parents and in many cases it results in a drastic curtailment of the parents' educational plans for their children.

### ORIGIN OF THE PLAN

For some time it has been apparent to the Council of the Geelong College that something should be done to ease the burden of school fees payments by spreading them over a longer period of years.

Investigations were undertaken by the College authorities and a number of alternative schemes were put forward for consideration.

Finally the Council accepted a recommendation from its Finance Committee that an existing School Fees Plan, as provided by a prominent life office, be approved and implemented as soon as practicable.

The Council, in turn, strongly recommends the plan set out below, which offers as sound a proposition as can be obtained under present conditions, with guaranteed returns and approved taxation benefits.

### THE PLAN

The plan is a flexible one and in practice each family and each child will be provided with a specific version of the plan to suit their individual needs.

The main features incorporated into the plan are:

#### 1. SPREAD OF COST

The total fees for a course of up to six years secondary schooling are spread over a period of up to eighteen years.

The younger the children are when they are entered in the plan, the longer will be the spread of their fees and the greater will be the benefits accruing to the parents in the form of substantial savings.

This spread, with its resultant benefits, is achieved by a series of endowment policies effected on the life of the child with one policy maturing in each of the years in which school fees become payable.

#### 2. REDUCTION OF COST

The use of the endowment policies results in a cost reduction not otherwise possible.

First, all profits in the form of dividends are completely free of tax. Bonuses and interest earned by other plans usually attract taxation, which considerably reduces the net gain. Secondly, where taxation rebate is claimed on premiums paid, a further saving is effected. It should be noted that either parent may pay the premiums and claim a tax rebate, irrespective of which one is the assurer.

The proceeds on policies included in the plan are not taxable, even where tax rebates have applied. Moreover, when the child attends school, the proceeds still qualify for tax deductions up to the statutory limit of educational expenses.

Some idea of the savings which may be effected by the use of the plan can be seen from the following example:

A parent is thirty-nine years of age and his taxable income is \$4,000 p.a. His child is one year old when the parent enters him in the plan.

The parent is planning for the child's secondary schooling to cover six years, with the child entering first year at age thirteen and continuing through to his eighteenth year.

The parent wishes to have \$1,000 available in each of those six years.

A total of \$6,000 is to be provided for the child's secondary education.

The spread of fees is now over seventeen years, instead of the crucial six.

In order to meet the premiums, the parent pays about \$300 p.a. but with taxation allowances and bonus earnings this amount is reduced over the period to an average of \$174 p.a.

Therefore, to secure the \$6,000 needed for his child's education, it has cost the parent \$4,413, which with his taxation concessions and bonus earnings over the period, reduces to \$2,961.

This illustrates how a parent by paying \$2,961 can acquire the \$6,000 which he has budgeted for to pay for his child's education. A cash savings of over 50% is effected.

#### 3. CERTAINTY OF FUNDS BEING AVAILABLE WHEN REQUIRED

In the event of the assurer being deceased all premiums cease.

The same principle applies where the assurer is totally incapacitated.

In the event of the child being deceased prior to his tenth birthday, all premiums paid to date plus compound interest are returned to the assurer. But if the child is deceased subsequent to his tenth birthday, then the full amount of the policies is paid direct to the assurer.

#### 4. SIMPLE PROCEDURE

Parents and others interested in the plan should forward their names to the Bursar at the College, following which the life office will be notified and its representative will call upon the interested party and take the matter further.

It should be carefully noted that the College authorities do not pass any information to the Life Office unless specifically requested to do so by a parent who is interested in the plan. Once this is done, negotiations are entirely between the Life Office and the parent.

#### 5. SPECIAL OPTION

The special option will be of interest to some parents. Each parent is best able to assess its worth based on his own knowledge. For this reason it is not included in the basic plan, but is available, at a moderate premium, for those parents who may need it.

The option guarantees that, subject to certain conditions, any parent who has been medically examined and accepted into the plan may arrange for other children, even those as yet unborn, to be provided for in the plan no matter what that parent's future health condition may be. A time limit of ten years operates on the special option.

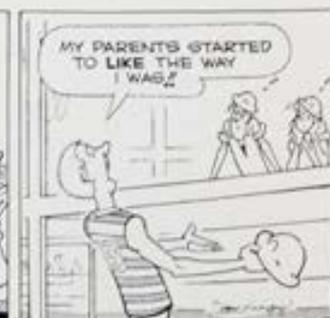
### INFORMATION

The foregoing statement gives only a broad outline of the School Fees Plan.

Should you require further details please notify:—

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### Psychology in Pictures



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# COLLEGIANS IN THE WORLD

## THE UNIVERSITIES

### Degrees Completed

Ph.D.: I. R. Scott, LL.B.  
M.A.: F. U. Pam, B.A.  
B.A.: R. D. Money, B.Sc.  
B.Sc.: I. W. Bennett  
M.B., B.S.: D. M. Birks  
B.V.Sc.: H. C. Forbes, A. J. Paterson  
B.E.: D. T. Anderson (Civil)  
B.Pharm.: R. W. Peck

### Working Their Way

Ian Scott ('53) completed his doctorate with London University while lecturing in the law school of Birmingham.

Ian Bennett ('54) who specialized in physics and applied maths, at A.N.U., is assistant experimental officer in the Reactor Development Division, Atomic Energy Authority, Winfrith, Dorset, England.

Graeme Quick ('49) is on the staff at Iowa State University while working for a doctorate in Agricultural Engineering.

Alex Heaney ('53) is studying for his doctorate in civil engineering at Waterloo University, Ontario.

Peter Mitchell ('60), working on a leather course at Northampton Technical College, England, hopes to complete his degree at the end of the year.

## THE SERVICES

Lt.-Col. Alex Turnbull, M.C. ('37), has been on the British Defence Staff, Washington, D.C.

Capt. David Bent ('58) began service in Vietnam with the Australian Army Training Team.

At Pearce, W.A., R.A.A.F. trainee Bert Milne ('60) carried off the base's best-sportsman trophy.

On National Service, Malcolm Sloan ('63) reached Vietnam among reinforcements to Australian infantry in action. Richard Twite ('61) was on an intensive signals course in N.S.W.

## IN SPORT

Not much need for comment on the performances of Ian Redpath and Paul Sheahan in helping Australia to victory in the Test series. Ian was called "Australia's most attractive batsman" and Paul was repeatedly praised for his fielding.

Bad luck that David Ramage fell victim to the deadly "altitude sickness" in Mexico, a problem he does not face as a member of Victoria's King's Cup squad.

Peter Doak's versatility took him to South Africa for a series of surf life saving tests. A contrast to his 100 metre State title!

Brian Langford took three trophies at the O.G.C. golf day, Bill Farrow being his partner in the four ball. September 30 has been fixed for the 1969 meeting. (Contact Ben Davis, 'phone 74705).

Old Boy cricketers were in form for their two matches against College in Opening Week. The 1947 veterans showed clearly how they won the A.P.S. premiership, and then adjourned to a happy reunion dinner.

## VICE - REGAL

Her Majesty the Queen appointed Major-General Sir James Harrison to be Governor of South Australia. It was announced at the same time that the new Governor had become a Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Sir James left the Geelong College in 1928 to enter the Royal Military College, Duntroon.

His experience includes active service overseas as well as senior staff appointments in Australia and Britain.

## JOTTINGS

Robert Ingpen ('50) has been commissioned by the Geelong City Council to design and paint a mural in the City Hall extensions.

Murray Crawcour ('33), in Jerusalem, is administratively responsible for the largest section of the forthcoming Encyclopaedia Judaica.

Michael Keen ('61) gave up jackerooing to be trained in computer operation at the natural gas plant at Longford.

Roger Cumming ('60) has charge of 45 British Breeds sheep travelling to Cape Town by ship. He will return by air.

Rupert Meakin was presented with the life membership badge of the Royal Geelong Yacht Club after 65 years' association.

Bruce Lloyd ('49) is newly appointed Federal vice-president of the Country Party.

Ian Grove ('64) won the 400-mile Cessna air race for pilots under 25.

## LATE REPORTS

The Deniliquin branch of the O.G.C.A. got under way on March 12 with an attendance of almost fifty, including Messrs. D. D. Davey and B. R. Keith from Geelong, and Messrs. J. L. Gerrard and W. J. Ballantyne from Shepparton.

Credit for the success of the evening goes to Murray McDonald ('56), who was instructed to repeat the dose in 1970.

Traralgon was the centre for this year's Gippsland reunion on March 14, with Jack O'Brien, Jr., as the driving force and about 35 guests present. Association representatives were Messrs. Don Carmichael, Alan Scott and Bert Keith.

Michael Dennis ('46) was elected president for the coming year.

## BRIEFLY

Malcolm Lyon ('43) is Deputy High Commissioner representing Australia at Wellington, N.Z.

Robert Houldsworth ('59) has gone to Kuala Lumpur to be "creative group head" of McCann-Erickson, one of the world's largest international advertising organizations.

Peter Vibert ('49), of Shepparton Apex Club, represented Australian young men's service organizations on an overseas goodwill mission, attending the World Council in Nice and visiting affiliated clubs in Holland and Scandinavia.

Barry Beach ('43) was appointed Queen's Counsel by the State Executive Council of Victoria.

David Henton ('61) is Cadet Patrol Officer at Kwikila, Central District, Papua.

Rolf Crawley ('12) completed a 137-year family association with Warrnambool Shire when he retired after contributing his own 35 years as Shire Engineer.

Rob Howden ('52) returns to Melbourne architecture after three years' European experience, in London and Helsinki particularly.

Stephen Miles ('57) is teaching at Hampton Grammar School, London, and Derek Berney ('57) at Uckfield, Sussex.

Russell S. Smith ('49), seconded to the Australian Financial Service for two years, lives at Sutton, Surrey.

Ken MacLean ('57), president and captain of the successful 1968 O.G.C.A. hockey team, is an engineer with the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust. He also finds time to be vice-president of the Geelong group of the Victoria League and an elder of St. David's Church.

Peter Vanrenen ('65) has had a year in the Philippines on Rotary Exchange.

The Rev. Fred. Dearnaley ('48) lost his graceful old bluestone church, Holy Trinity, in the Lara fire. Rebuilding is planned. Jim Pettitt ('30), as president of Lara Progress Association, also has hard work ahead.

Two of the Ballarat John brothers have been overseas, Jim ('44) on a Harvard managerial admin. course, and Mal ('49) at York for post-graduate music studies.

Ian Rogers ('60), completing horticulture at Ryde Tech., N.S.W., is contemplating a career in landscape architecture.

Having completed his teaching diploma at Mercer House, Lindsay Wright ('60) is on the staff at Malvern Grammar School.

Douglas Kitson ('58) is studying teaching methods for the blind and other handicapped people in the United States and Canada.

Graeme Morrison ('55) is engaged in lecturing and botanical research at the School of Forestry, Creswick.

## PREMIERS



The O.G.C. hockey team which won the premiership in the Geelong Association, 1968. Back row (from left): R. Walter, D. Jones, J. Bowler, M. Bowden, D. Baker, C. Grainger. Front: I. Sayers, B. Hope (v.c.) R. Armstrong, K. MacLean (c.), I. Keith.

## MARRIAGES

Andrew Geddes to Kay Park, Ballarat, April 19.  
 David Jarman to Kaye Sargeant, Geelong, August 23.  
 Brian Singer to Jenifer Haines, Geelong, August 23.  
 Ewen Urquhart to Jennifer Hobson, Geelong, August 24.  
 Peter Illingworth to Jeanne Flowers, Geelong, September 14.  
 Kelvin Dunn to Susan Fogarty, Geelong, September 14.  
 David Lowing to Helen King, Deniliquin, September 26.  
 Peter Kerr to Hilary Earle, Ballarat, October 5.  
 David Gibson to Judith Fraser, Geelong, October 26.  
 Michael Knox to Anne Schulz, Albury.  
 Wallis Tedcastle to Geraldine Glendinning, Geelong, November 16.  
 Anthony Rolland to Jennifer Pearson, Cropton, November 29.  
 Ian Bennett to Anne Potter, Geelong, November 30.  
 David Gardner to Jan Osborne, Portland, November 30.  
 John Mactier to Winifred Reilly, Ocean Grove, December 11.  
 Ian Blair to Patricia Barber, Melbourne, December 12.  
 Ian Opperman to Barbara Strike, London, December 14.  
 Brent Davey to Diane Craig, Melbourne, December 19.  
 Peter Falconer to Anne Sublet, Frankston, January.  
 Ian Gill to Jillian Hodgson, Geelong, January 11.  
 Brian Brady to Terese Kotowski, Geelong, January 11.  
 John Burrell to Jennifer Smith, Geelong, January 17.  
 Alan Drew to Ruth Fletcher, Geelong, January 18.  
 Marcus Taylor to Jane Salthouse, Geelong, January 25.  
 Ian McArdie to Dianne Crouch, Ararat, January 25.

Peter Funston to Robyn Thewlis, Geelong, January 29.

Ian Walter to Ruth Acheson, Melbourne, January 31.

Graeme Morrison to Elizabeth Stephenson, Geelong, February 1.

John Stephens to Pamela Chapman, Geelong West, February 14.

Graeme Jackson to Janet McLoughlin, Geelong, February 21.

Douglas McKeon to Rayna Deeth, Drysdale, March 1.

## OBITUARY

With regret we record the deaths of the following Old Collegians. We extend to the bereaved families our sincere sympathy.

W. W. Leggatt ('12).  
 G. McK. Burnet ('21).  
 J. McLennan ('21).  
 J. R. Adam ('23).  
 A. D. Duncan ('24).  
 J. W. Humble ('24).  
 F. M. Funston ('25).  
 R. E. Campbell ('27).  
 A. D. Vanrenen ('30).  
 E. G. Roberts ('43).  
 S. H. McKeon ('44).  
 S. D. McFarland ('47).  
 W. I. G. Brebner ('49).

Sir William Watt Leggatt was a former Agent-General in London for Victoria, and a State Cabinet Minister. He attended the College from 1909 to 1912. In the first World War he won the M.C., and in the second the D.S.O.

Dr. Jock Adam was head prefect of the College in 1928. At Ormond he succeeded on the academic side and in student leadership, and stroked Ormond and University crews. His medical career was pursued in Queensland, except for interruption by war service.

Francis Funston attend the College in 1925-6 and was a member of the Council from 1956 to 1966. For most of his life he was a grazier in the Skipton district, but had recently moved to Western Australia.

## 100 YEARS AGO

(HEAD'S REPORT, 1869)

At the recent matriculation examination at the Melbourne University there were in all 129 candidates, of whom 60 passed. From the Geelong College six candidates presented themselves, five of whom, viz., Edward Landon, William Tait, James Johnstone, Henry Davies, and Charles Anderson, were successful. There are nine subjects for examination—French, Latin, Greek, Arithmetic, Algebra, Euclid, English, Physical Geography, and History, and no one is entitled to matriculate who has not passed in six at least of these. Out of the sixty successful candidates, only nine managed to pass in all the nine subjects, and two of these were Johnstone and Tait, the former taking honours in Greek and Euclid, and the latter in English, French and Latin.

Of the first year's students, i.e. students who have attended the University for a year, only ten passed the Arts' examination, and of these three were educated at the Geelong College, while two of the five who passed the Medical examination were alumni of the same Institution.

The excellent moral conduct and gentlemanly behaviour of the pupils during the past session have been such as to merit my warmest commendation.

The school re-opens after the Christmas Holidays, on Wednesday, the 26th of January. It is earnestly requested that parents will send their children back to renew their studies at the time appointed, as nothing so much interferes with a boy's progress as his being late in joining his classes. The time so lost tells on a pupil's progress for a whole session, and, in many cases, prevents him figuring in the prize list.

## 50 YEARS AGO

(Early in 1919, Australia was swept by a severe epidemic of "Spanish Flu", from which the College did not escape. An attempt to isolate the first crew was not successful and College was forced to withdraw from the Head of the River.)

After such a period of keen and strenuous training, backed up by high hopes of a successful issue, it was indeed cruel luck to be denied even the pleasure of a race, and too much praise cannot be given to the crew for the uncomplaining way in which they received the reverse.

In letters received from other schools, such expressions of sympathy as these occur:—"I am extremely sorry that fortune has been so unkind to your crew, who were looked to as winners of the race by so many people." "It is hard indeed to be denied that which has more virtue than the prize itself, viz., the struggle to gain it. The disappointment is a cross that lies heavy on the boy's high and laudable hope. May there be for him and for his School, at the back of it all, a crown bringing in more than the much—the very much—that has been given up."

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### REUNION DINNER

after G.C. v Carey football  
 ABERDEEN HOUSE, GEELONG  
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 6.30 p.m.

Arrange to bring one or more of your contemporaries with you. Details later.