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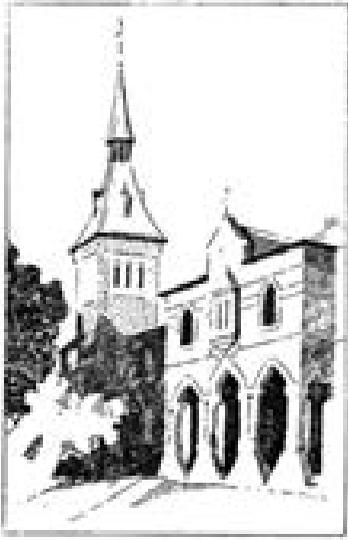
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EDITORIAL.

The sea of faith,
 Was once, too, at the full, and round the
 earth's shore
 Lay like the folds of a bright girdle furled;
 But now I only hear
 Its melancholy, long, withdrawing roar.
 (Matthew Arnold).

In these unsettled days we may easily fall into this pessimistic vein, hence losing faith and becoming discouraged. I glance over the history of the past few years, and the world situation at the present time might conduce us forthwith to adopt this depressing sentiment. There are indeed many ills of modern life, so apparent that they are apt to sway our judgment, and we may be tempted to descry modern man and prophesy that, through his selfishness, he will bring about his own destruction.

To-day, many of the peoples of Asia are starving. In fact, it has been said that "more than half of the world's population goes to bed hungry every night." Yet the international situation is such that while Indians, Chinese and Malaysians starve, and while many of these same people have nothing better with which to cover their bodies than brown paper, more fortunate countries are receiving record wool and wheat prices, and such is the plenty that ton upon ton of wheat and vegetables is being emptied into the sea, in order that prices be kept high, and producers receive large profits. The mere fact that such shortage and

such remarkable surpluses are possible simultaneously displays the lack of co-operation between the nations of the world. It is not only the pessimists who will say that such shortness of sight and such lack of understanding will lead to further and more terrible war.

Turning from the international muddle and contemplating the follies of the people of our own country, we may see evidence of complacency and self-seeking. Some selfishness has been displayed in our attitude towards New Australians. Some people have exploited them, and many have formed an antipathy towards them, and have refused to make any effort to be friendly, an attitude springing from smugness and a traditional parochial outlook. Many such failings in this country and in the world are apparent. It is very easy but it little avails us to fall into such channels of pessimistic thought as are expressed in the above quotation, unless we tend to do something towards rectification of the evils. We must learn that complaints above our lot, disparagement of various ills and their causes, and generally melancholy thoughts upon the malady of our world are futile. It is only the willingness to hope and to strive for better things which can lead to success.

Many people talk about such problems as have been mentioned, and some people meditate on them, but few do anything in order to solve them. It is such an establishment as this College which is attempting to turn out young men who will toil for a better world. Though even a hard worker cannot have, individually, any active control over international affairs, and cannot bring to an end this world-wide lack of co-operation, a hard-working people can. The U.N.O. is at present the one organisation through which perfect international understanding can be achieved.

Through the U.N.O., the starving people of Asia can be fed. Suggestions have already been made of a world-wide stabilisation of food prices at a level ensuring fairness to producer and consumer. This, coupled with a sufficient expansion of agriculture, could relieve the starvation of all the hungry peoples of the world. This, however, could only be brought about if the nations, and the people of the nations support the U.N.O. The United Nations Festival, held in May at this College, was an attempt to interest people in, and help people to understand the U.N.O. and its task. The League of Nations failed because the people and the people's representatives were

not sincere. With this in mind we must be prepared to take a personal interest in the doings of the U.N.O. and to abide by its decisions.

The U.N.O. seems to solve the international problem, but not alone can it do this. All our problems, national and international, can be solved by practical Christianity. The redressing of the fault in our attitude to New Australians can be brought about by Christianity. Church schools, like this College, have the task of impressing this on their pupils. The College can teach us how we should regard New Australians, which is likely to be of great importance to the future of Australia, and the College can teach us to be useful citizens and Christians.

We must not allow the sight of the world in its present condition to make us pessimistic and unnerve us for our duties to mankind. We must not lose faith in God, for if we continue to hope and strive,

"Haply, the River of Time,
 As it grows, as the towns on its marge
 Fling their wavering lights on a wider
 statelier stream—
 May acquire, if not the calm
 Of its early mountainous shore,
 Yet a solemn peace of its own.
 (Matthew Arnold)

MARY (MAGGIE) McOUAT A Tribute

F. W. Rolland

On hearing from Dr. Buntine of my friend's passing, I could hardly believe it, and realised how deeply the loss of that gracious personality would be felt by the present school and by Old Collegians, as well as by her own relatives and intimate friends. She revealed every day the sovereignty of service. She has left countless memories that will live again wherever boys whom she has mothered meet together in any part of the world. But her most precious legacy is the memory of a great character, of a heart large enough to cherish many friendships, and too narrow to admit enmity, envy, or self pity; of a loyalty to the school that for nearly half a century responded unflinchingly and joyously to every strain put upon it; of a self-control which never allowed a private sorrow to cast a shadow upon others.

We have been privileged at Geelong College to have had amongst us an aristocrat of a greater Kingdom than those of earth, who knew what was in the mind of Christ when He said:

"I am come not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give my life a ransom for many."

To the memory of Maggie McOuat we bow our hearts in reverence, praying that every thought of her will quicken in us something of that sense of duty and that love of human kind that make immeasurable her munificence.

ROWING NOTES

Although first term is the term when rowing is of most importance, there has been considerable rowing activity throughout the year.

During second and third terms quite a number of boat club members took part in events at Corio Bay Club, which proved good fun and valuable experience, especially for those returning next year. One scull at the boatsheds has been out of action, but the other has been in constant use.

At the beginning of third term an event occurred, which convinced several people that rowing isn't always a picnic. This was the flooding of the Barwon, which partially submerged the boatsheds and necessitated extensive salvage operations. All the boats had to be moved to higher levels or tied down where they were. The water was up to the bottom rack and although no boats were damaged, the flood caused a great deal of trouble.

It is not yet certain who will be coaching the first eight, and consequently there has not been as much rowing for senior crews as possible. However, with four members of this year's first eight returning, and a very large number from other crews, we can safely look forward to a successful year in 1951.

J.N.B.

OMISSION.

We regret that the name of N. E. Sykes was omitted from the list, in the June issue, of those who 'obtained their Leaving Certificate.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, 1950.

I have the honour this afternoon to present to you the 90th Annual Report of the Geelong College. Rarely in these reports is mention made of the numbers on the roll. It is felt, however, that on this occasion it ought to be noted that there were during this year 603 boys in attendance—the greatest number in the history of the school. This fact is mentioned as an indication of growth and development, not as something in which, for its own sake, we should take pride. Indeed, it has been emphasised on more than one occasion that it is not intended to allow the College to grow so big that the more intimate relationship between boys and staff which exists in the smaller school might be endangered. Nevertheless, difficulty is experienced in keeping numbers within bounds, and it is not always either easy or pleasant to have to refuse entry to boys whose parents wish them to join us.

During this important year in the life of the College, an outstanding event, and one of considerable historical interest, is the building of the War Memorial Wing. On Thursday, 9th March, His Excellency the Governor of Victoria visited us and, in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends, laid the foundation stone of the new wing. Since that day, the work of building has gone on unceasingly throughout the year, and is now almost completed. The new building should be ready for occupation early in the new year. With the erection of this wing, the quadrangle will be fully enclosed. The senior school will then be completed, and more adequately equipped for efficient work than ever before. So will be brought to fruition one of the dreams of the Council, which has of necessity remained unfulfilled for twenty years. The south and east sides of the quadrangle were opened twenty years ago, and on Speech Day in that year Rev. F. W. Rolland remarked that "we shall have a school whose architectural charm will be a pride and an education to this city." Now, as we come to see the end of the building programme, we are aware of the truth of that prophecy. Surely the architectural beauty of the College will be a lasting monument to the far-sighted visionary who foresaw it all, and a great credit to the architect. Further, the builders and their staff deserve high praise for the splendid quality of the work done. For the first time, we shall have a really complete school, with up-to-date science laboratories fitted with the most modern equipment. The old chemistry laboratory, from which, despite its many deficiencies, some of the finest chemistry students in the country have been produced, will be demolished. From its ruins it is hoped to raise, in the very near future, a modern scoring board and box worthy of the College and of the beauty of its playing fields.

Another event of note is the successful United Nations Festival held during the final week of first term. For the greater part of a week, our thoughts were concentrated upon the ideals and the tasks confronting the nations whose representatives seek to maintain the peace of the world by preventing and settling international disputes. Of the famous trilogy of democratic principles enunciated by the leaders of the French Revolution, the third has never been achieved. The world has not yet succeeded in driving out suspicion, mistrust and intolerance from among the nations. Our Festival was designed to help to bring about in our own small community, and especially among the young people, a better understanding of other peoples, their lives, their customs and aspirations. If we can do this, and so disseminate, in however small a measure, the ideals of goodwill and trust, we shall be making some contribution to the peace of the world. An interesting and instructive week of lectures and demonstrations was held, not the least important part of which was the very impressive ecumenical survey conducted by Rev. G. A. Wood at the Sunday afternoon service on the oval. Since the Festival, we have joined with other schools in an endeavour to cultivate further understanding and knowledge of the United Nations Organisation, and one of the senior boys has undertaken the duty of representing the College at conferences and acting as liaison officer.

At this point, I should like to express my thanks to every member of the staff in whatever capacity he or she may have served. It is not generally known that there is a body of some 85 men and women engaged full time in ministering to the needs of the boys of this College. Each has his or her own special function to perform, and if a break-down occurs at any one point, its effect is felt throughout the whole organisation. This year, as in other years, we have experienced some periods of anxiety, but it must be admitted that we have come through the year with a minimum of worries. The men and women of the teaching staff, engaged in what has been called "the most difficult and disillusioning of careers," have done their work well, striving to retain their idealism, despite many obstacles and without complaint. To them, a considerable debt is owed for their loyal and ceaseless care of the interests of the boys, both in their work and in their play. I must acknowledge my especial indebtedness to the Vice-Principal, for his unflinching courtesy, sincere loyalty and constant helpfulness. For five years now, he has been my constant stay, on whom I could lean with confidence. We have not always agreed in detail, but, by his tactful and friendly advice, he has fortified me, and he has always sup-

ported my judgment. In April next, Mr. Tait will leave us for a few months' well-earned rest. While he is away in Britain, every one of us will miss his steadying influence and wise guidance. We wish him a most beneficial and happy holiday, and will eagerly look forward to his return.

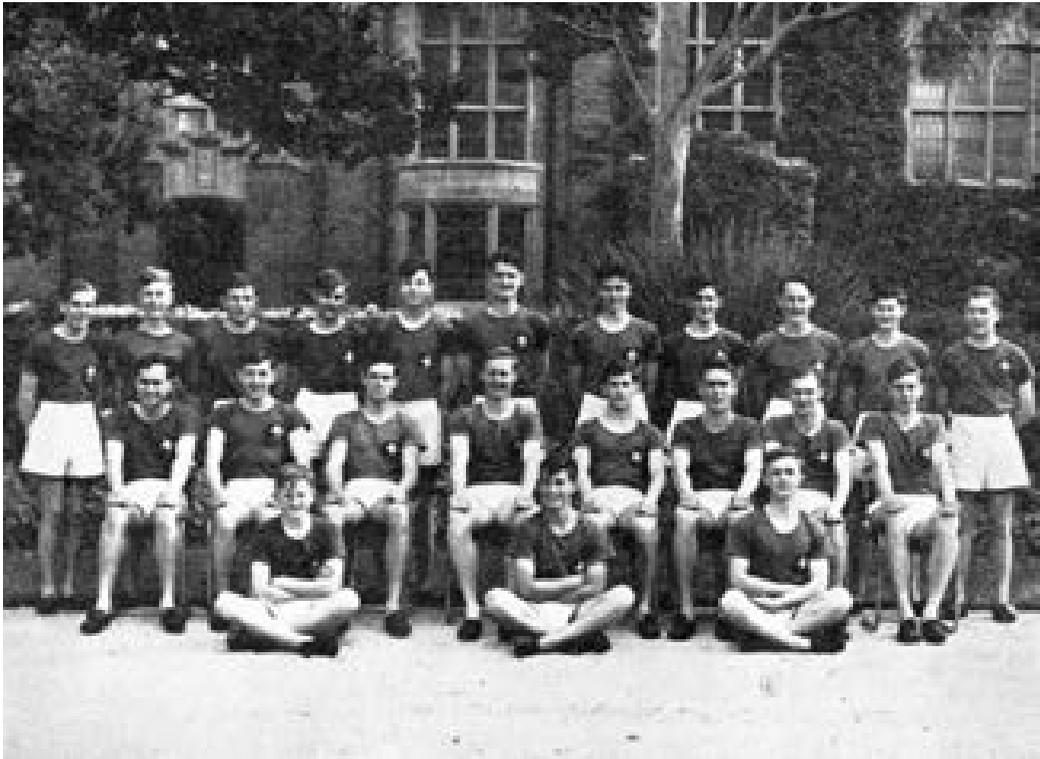
Work

In spite of the many difficulties and interruptions to our class-room teaching occasioned by the competition with the ring of trowel on brick, the insistent hum and scrape of the concrete mixer, and the thud of hammer on nail, work has gone on steadily and satisfactorily. There is no reason to suppose that the quality of work done has been in any way reduced. Indeed, in the Sixth Form, especially, where a number of boys have been doing matriculation work for a second year an increased seriousness and sense of responsibility and desire to succeed has been evident

Examination results last year were quite satisfactory and up to standard. Eighteen boys qualified for matriculation, and seventeen honours were gained. As was to be expected, the outstanding students were K. R. Turnbull and R. S. Allen, the two boys who were in the forefront scholastically throughout the year. Each gained honours in four subjects, and Allen won a resident scholarship at Ormond College. This year, the competition for academic honours has been very interesting. Again, two boys have been close contenders for the highest honours. I congratulate them both — G. N. Henderson and J. M. Watts — on a fine year's work and a splendid final result. Ultimately, the award of Dux of the College has gone to J. M. Watts, by a narrow margin.

Sport

In sport, we have enjoyed a very good year, although we have won no premierships. It is



RELAY TEAM.

- STANDING-G. J Crawford, G. L. Keith, N. L. McKindLay, G. C. McDonald T N
 Anderson, C. D. Hassall, R. J. Beard, A. Holmes, K. M. Fleming, R C McDiarmid
 J. O. Saxton.
 SEATED-P. J. Negri M. V S Dennis J. Q Howden, J. C McColl, E. C. Baird, D. C.
 Fallaw, G. G. Quad, W B. Hodgson.
 FRONT-A. T. Heard, T. S. Dennis, M. S. John

astonishing to me that a school of comparatively few boys of mature years can compete as successfully as it does with schools so much larger numerically. When we opened in February this year, there were only 74 boys of sixteen years of age or more. But, despite our youth, we have enjoyed some splendid games in every branch of sport, and our boys deserve credit for the determination and grit displayed and for the cheery optimism with which they confront each new contest.

During first term, a particularly meritorious piece of work was carried out by the boys themselves with conspicuous success. The lack of a Physical Education master did not prevent the Life-savers from continuing their work. J. G. Heggie and D. C. Fallaw undertook the training of the juniors, and their efforts were so successful that the College again won the Sydney Keith Cup. This was a fine piece of self-help, and the boys concerned are deserving of the highest praise.

I should like to express our indebtedness to all those who have undertaken the coaching of crews and teams. Especially do I want to thank Mr. Ipsen, who came forward this year, in the absence of a Physical Education master, to organise the Swimming Sports in the first term, and in third term to both organise the Athletic Sports and train the teams for them.

Another master to whom I wish to offer the sincere thanks of the College for his untiring efforts over many years is Mr. V. H. Profitt. For more than 25 years, Mr. Profitt has trained the football teams with notable success. It has always been an uphill struggle to find a full eighteen sufficiently matured and old enough. Yet the College has fielded some fine teams, won the Premiership twice, and always, in victory or defeat, given a good account of itself. This has been due in no small measure to the spirit of determination and good sportsmanship inspired by the coach. Mr. Profitt retires now from the coaching of the eighteen, and I feel I am expressing the thoughts of the whole College when I say "Thank you" to him for his years of loyal service in this field. I have no doubt that his experience and friendly advice will be readily available to his successor.

Clubs and Societies

Interest and efficiency have marked the work of the Cadet Corps. During the summer vacation, a number of cadets attended schools in which a high standard of proficiency was attained, particularly in the Potential Officers' Wing, where all the College candidates passed. Consequently, we have had a greater number of cadet officers than usual, and all platoons commanded by officers. This has made for greater keenness and efficiency in the work. In March, a strong guard of honour was supplied when His Excellency the Governor visited the College to lay the foundation stone of the new building. The corps is to be congratulated on winning for the second year in succession the Platoon drill competition and for being so close to the winners in the Guard competition.

In the absence overseas of Mr. McLean this year the leadership of the Presbyterian Young Men's Fellowship was undertaken by Mr. Webb, and I am most grateful to him for what he has done. The College branch has enjoyed a very happy and successful year, the membership having increased to well over the hundred mark. As well as the usual weekly meetings in which members themselves have taken a leading part, enjoyable and instructive camps were held at Point Lonsdale and Anglesea. Among the Social Service activities carried out were weekly assistance to the Bethany Babies' Home, cut firewood during the winter for needy people, and a substantial share in the provision of food for Europe.

The House of Guilds has continued to be a busy place throughout the year and some excellent work has been turned out, particularly by the lathe workers in the Model Engineers shop and by the workers in leather. The Model Engineers were greatly assisted by the fine new lathe presented to the College by Mr. A. S. Gray and the electric drill given by Mr. A. F. Johnson. General crafts have shown progress too, photography and model aeroplane building probably being the most popular. The Exploration Society undertook some interesting trips, one of the most valuable, educationally, being that to the Kiewa Valley in January. Under the leadership of Mr. Keith and Mr. Firth a group of 17 spent a fortnight on Victoria's roof top, examining the great hydro-electric project. In May, Mr. Bechervaise rejoined us for a short time and, with a large party of boys, undertook a difficult expedition through a part of Eastern Gippsland which remains one of the few areas in the State still almost unexplored.

In the development of the appreciation of Art a forward step was taken during the third term. It is not often that the uninitiated are given an opportunity of seeing an artist at work and of having him explain his methods as he proceeds. Mr. J. Hay, an experienced and able portrait painter, visited us a few weeks ago and gave a most interesting and valuable demonstration and exposition of his work. It is hoped that during next year more demonstrations of a similar nature will be provided.

The musical side of the College life continues to flourish. A noteworthy result was achieved in the recent music examinations in both piano and violin. Of the twenty-four candidates who were presented there was not a single failure. Eight gained honours and thirteen credits. The work of the choirs, orchestra and band has been of a high order and the Glee Club is to be congratulated on its splendid presentation of the "Yeomen of the Guard." An interesting experiment was carried out this year in the introduction of House Music competitions. The conditions were drawn up early in the year, then the selection and preparation of the boys taking part was left entirely to the Houses themselves. Those who were able to attend the competitions towards the end of the second

term were astonished at the quality of the work done by soloists, choirs and ensembles. Morrison House, led by G. N. Henderson, is to be congratulated upon its success on this first occasion.

Long Service

Last year reference was made to the long and devoted, service of Miss Mary McQuatt ("Maggie"). This afternoon I want to pay some small tribute to her memory. Maggie passed beyond "the mists that blind us here" in September last. Hers was a beautiful life, laid down as she would have wished, quietly and unobtrusively. So long as the College exists, so long will Maggie be remembered. By her selfless devotion and care through more than forty years she wove herself into the very fabric of the life of the College.

It is characteristic of the College that many men and women have spent a lifetime in its service. In the whole of its ninety years there have only been three Head Groundsmen, and it is an interesting fact that the families of all three have been connected. Hugh Mackay, in whose memory the birdbath and fountain in the garden was erected, was the first. The second was Teddie Rankin, well known and respected by a generation of Collegians. The third is the present holder of the position. Les Hobbs this year completes twenty years of faithful and outstanding service. I am sure all who know him will wish me to congratulate him and to wish him many more years of happiness and loyal service to the College.

Gifts

With the exception of some generous donations to the War Memorial Building Fund, this year has not been remarkable for gifts. During the first term the new Racing Eight, presented by the Old Collegians, was handed over on their behalf to the College by Mr. J. B. Hawkes, the President of the Old Collegians' Association, and at a christening ceremony on the river bank it was named "Pegasus," by Mrs. Hawkes. The boat club is also grateful to Mr. K. Baird for his gift of a canvas cover for the new boat. Sometimes parents or their sons are grateful to the College for what it has been able to do to help them during difficult times. I am very happy to record the receipt of a gift of a substantial sum from the mother of a boy who was helped some years ago through the bursary fund. This is the kind of gesture which gives one a warm feeling and a justifiable pride in being associated with a school of this nature.

Old Collegians

Once again one is able to record with pride some of the achievements of Old Collegians. The first to be congratulated by his old school this afternoon is our guest of honour, Lieut.-Gen. Sir H. C. H. Robertson, Commander-in-Chief B.C.O.F. For his outstanding services to the nation he received a knight-

hood in the last honours lists. In the academic field, Dr. G. M. Badger was appointed senior lecturer in Inorganic Chemistry at Adelaide University, Dr. A. F. Davies senior lecturer in Political Science and Dr. J. A. Forbes lecturer in Pathology at Melbourne University. Dr. A. E. Piper, a Melbourne radiologist, was awarded Australia's most valuable medical travelling scholarship. M. Williams was the sole Melbourne winner of a National University scholarship. P. A. Aiken took the Supreme Court Exhibition in Mercantile Law and W. B. Carmichael won the Exhibition in Political Science. A. W. G. Little gained honours in all subjects of First Year Pharmacy and won the Tompsitt scholarship. D. G. Neilson gained first place in Victoria and second in Australia in Intermediate Accountancy. In other spheres it is noted that G. Hardie shared first place in Mus. Bac. course and J. A. Henry was recently appointed Editor of the Geelong "Advertiser." In the realm of sport we have two Old Collegians in the Australian Eleven, including the Captain, Lindsay Hassett, two representatives of Australia in the Empire Games and three members of the Victorian King's Cup crew. Finally, a very young Old Collegian, Malcolm Baird, has been appointed Senior Cadet-Captain (Senior Prefect) at Flinders Naval College.

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This, it will surely be agreed, is the report of a very successful year in the life of the College. To every man, woman and boy who has played his or her full part and contributed to that success we are grateful. Much of the leadership within any school must necessarily be in the hands of the older boys, led by the prefects under the guidance of the senior prefect. I cannot believe that any school has been more faithfully served by its prefects. Eric Baird has given a fine lead and he has been most loyally supported by his team, as well as by the majority of the members of the sixth form. Practically every senior boy has now had some experience in leadership—some as prefects, some as officers of the cadet corps, others as leaders of the P.Y.M.F., on the sports field, in music or in the production of "The Pegasus." Many of them are about to leave the more or less sheltered life of school to make their own way in the world. They are going out into a world shaken in one generation by two great wars; a world about the future of which many people have grave misgivings, in which standards of human relationship and of moral conduct have fallen in recent years. There is much in what we see around us that we cannot applaud. But, while we may deplore some aspects of our modern way of life, let us not lose our sense of proportion and give ourselves to sighing for a return to the past. Conditions of life to-day are much better than they used to be. Chesterton remarked many years ago that

the world has always been on its last legs. Even in the Old Testament there can be traced a yearning for the good old days. In our young men and women of to-day lies great hope for the future. Generally, they are imbued with high ideals and are quite fearless in adhering to the convictions and high principles they have adopted. I am confident that most of our boys will strive to uphold worthily the traditions and standard of values set by those who have gone before and who have given to the College a name which stands high in the community. My confidence is founded in the knowledge that for some time these boys have been leaders in a school community where education is conceived as spiritual training.

In this temporarily unstable world young people will often find their principles challenged and their strength of character tested. They will find much that is not estimable held in high esteem; the cheap and the gross excused when there should be no excuse. The little discourtesies and petty meannesses of life; the lack of chivalry; selfishness in thought and deed—these things have become commonplace and are almost taken for granted. Ethical standards are lowered and values confused. Right and wrong are not clearly defined. Good and evil grow side by side and are hardly distinguished. The sure knowledge of good and evil seems, in our modern society, to have slipped beyond our grasp. We have, in a sense, lost our way and are left groping in the dark. Some kind of society is being built but the shape of the structure is uncertain. It lacks a solid foundation on which to build with confidence. There is no "firm base," to use a military phrase, from which to mount an attack. We have lost touch with the spiritual forces necessary to our building and we must set ourselves to regain contact. We need to re-establish values and standards which are more than mere habits, which reach right down through the soil of custom into the rock of clear conviction and are founded in a philosophy of life. Whatever criticism may be levelled at the Victorian era, it is true to say that the Victorian had definite standards of the value of which he was quite sure. He knew where he was going. Even if he did often fail to live according to his light, it ill becomes us to criticise who refuse to accept the challenge to seek for light at all.

This tendency of the life of democratic peoples to lose its directive force was one of the lessons taught by the recent war. In the totalitarian State the ideal is held in high relief and the vision is clear. The mind of youth is ruthlessly drilled and taught what it must believe, "not by a process of critical thought, but in response to orders from above." Of course, the Dictator stands condemned in our view because he stifles enquiry, eliminates freedom of speech and discussion and substitutes convenient ideologies for inconvenient truths. Education ceases to have anything in common with the search for truth because "truth" is decided in advance. This is re-

pulsive to the liberal democratic mind which values and insists upon the liberty of the individual and his duty to reach his own conclusions. It cannot be denied, however, that the authoritarian's ideals provide a sure direction for training, while confusion and uncertainty have become characteristic of the Western democracies, a confusion which is reflected in our education and, in some degree, springs from it. One of the tragedies of our time is that Hitler had a vision and his opponents had not.

Education is much more than instruction in certain skills, much more than intensive drill in certain beliefs. "It does not mean," said Ruskin, "teaching people what they do not know. It means teaching them to behave as they do not behave. It is not teaching the youth the shapes of the letters and the tricks of numbers, and then leaving them to turn their arithmetic to roguery, and their literature to lust. It means, on the contrary, training them into the perfect exercise and kingly continence of their bodies and souls." Sometimes what we call education is limited by an over-emphasis on its utilitarian purpose. An ever present danger in our schools is that they shall become over-organised with undue importance attaching to class teaching. The trees of syllabus detail can all too easily obscure the view of the educational forest. Vocational and social aspects are, of course, essential. Every boy and girl must be fitted as far as possible to earn a livelihood. That, however, is not the whole story. There are other values of equal, if not of greater moment, and it is a strange paradox that these are secured only as by-products of the educational process.

This great country of ours stands to-day at a parting of the ways. The direction to be taken has yet to be determined. Unless we can achieve a clear conception of our ideal and make it an all-impelling power in our lives, making "sacrifices pleasant and difficulties only a challenge to further effort," all our schemes and systems will avail us nothing. There lies before us an era of enormous development and it is in this period of the nation's history that the young folk of to-day will live the best years of their lives. The question is whether we have been able in their school days to show them with sufficient clarity the way to live happy and useful lives, and to help them to a strength sufficient to withstand the temptations and perplexities with which they will be confronted. The old injunction to seek first the Kingdom of God still stands, although in our day it goes almost unheeded. If God be left out of account in any of our enterprises the foundations will not be sure. It is our task as educators to keep the Christian purpose of education vividly before us. We must define clearly what we believe and then teach it as if we believe it, and as if it matters. It is here that Church, School and Home must meet on common ground. The young need both guidance and encouragement and, if their convictions are to be securely

established so that they will meet any challenge with resolution, it is to their parents they must look for support. Unfortunately, it sometimes happens that guidance furnished by the three educational mediums does not lead along the same path. No matter how definite the aims of the church and the school may be, little can be achieved unless there is complete accord and full co-operation by the home. Parents are often shy and diffident to discuss with their boys the things that will help them most. If parents realise that they, too, are teachers and that there are certain aspects of training which properly belong to their province rather than to that of the school-master, much of this diffidence will be overcome. We must, all of us, impart our ideals with conviction and sincerity, and the teaching will be effective only if it is through example rather than by precept.

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SCHOOL PRIZE LIST—1950.

Form IB.: Dux J. O. Saxton; 2 J. C. Walter; 3 R. G. Colvin; 4 A. Brown. Form IA.: Dux F. W. Russell; 2 D. M. Gibb; 3 G. B. Deacon; 4 R. D. Money; 5 D. G. Williams; 6 seq. J. S. Bromell; 6 seq. W. T. Cook. Form IIB.: Dux G. R. Nettleton; 2 D. C. Langlands. Form IIA.: Dux J. A. Nicolson; 2 R. S. Smith; 3 K. J. Thomson; 4 R. M. Morrow. Remove: Dux D. F. Lang; 2 N. D. Sherson; 3 S. G. Reilly; 4 J. F. H. New; 5 J. R. McCall. Form III.: Dux W. J. Bell; 2 J. M. Pawson; 3 J. D. Howie; 4 A. K. Grigg. Form IVB.: Dux D. W. Macdonald; 2 J. W. Lade; 3 N. J. Payne. Form IVA.: Dux (The Douglas Higgins Memorial Prize) G. T. McKinnon; 2 P. W. Brotchie; 3 P. W. Su'herland; 4 B. J. Henderson; 5 I. D. Jacobs. Form VE.: Dux (The Harry Purnell Memorial Prize) J. B. Coombe; 2 B. J. McLaren; 3 L. B. Woodward. Form V.M.: Dux (The Mrs. T. S. Hawkes Memorial Prize) A. N. Macdermid; 2 K. W. Smith; 3 S. D. McFarkmd; 4 R. J. Rowe; 5 B. L. Cole. Form VI.: Form Prize: J.F.S. Petrie; English and History Prize: J. N. Button; The A. T. Andrews Memorial Prize for Mathematics and Science: G. C. Milner.

Alex Goto Memorial Prizes: I. A. Kneebone; G. W. Barber. Scripture Prizes: The Robert Gillespie Prizes: Junior: J. G. Waugh; Senior: J. S. Petrie. Music Prize: G.N. Henderson. Inter-House Music Competition: Morrison House; Captain of Music: G. N. Henderson.

French Section: Alliance Francaise Oral Examinations at Geelong; Leaving Standard: J. B. Goombe, Alliance Special Prize and 2nd Prize Dictation; L. B. Woodward, 1st Prize Reading and Conversation; B. D. Harding, 2nd Prize Recitation; Sub-Intermediate Standard: F. U. Pam, 2nd Prize Recitation.

Fen and Roy Pillow Bursary: A. N. Macdermid. Dr. Gus Kearney Memorial Prize: T. H. Leggatt "The Argus Prize:" E. C. Baird. Dux of the College Proxime Accessit: G. N. Henderson. Dux of the College (Presented by the President of the Old Collegians' Association, F. D. Walter, Esq.): J. M. Watts.

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SPORTS PRIZE LIST.

J. H. Metcalfe: 2nd Under 14 Swimming Championship. A. H. Heard: 2nd Under 14 Athletic Championship. B. W. Thacker: 1st Under 14 Swimming Championship. R. L. Caithness: 1st Under 14 Athletic Championship ("The E. R. Sparrow Cup"). G. T. McKinnon: 2nd Under 15 Swimming Championship. D. C. Williams: 2nd Under 15 Tennis Championship. J. N. Anderson: 2nd Under 15 Athletic Championship. N. J. Payne: 1st Under 15 Swimming Championship. L. J. Hargreaves: 1st Under 15 Tennis Championship ("The Mrs. T. S. Hawkes Memorial"). G. L. Keith: 1st Under 15 Athletic Championship ("The Athol J. Wilson Cup"). L. G. McConachy: Junior Boxing Prize. B. J. Solomon: 2nd Under 16 Swimming Championship. G. D. Wright: 2nd Under 16 Athletic Championship. D. C. Fallaw: 1st Under 16 Swimming Championship. R. B. Turner: 1st Under 16 Athletic Championship ("The G. W. C. Ewan Cup").

J. W. Rowe: 2nd Open Swimming Championship. B. J. McLaren: 2nd Open Tennis Doubles Championship. G. H. Wallace-Smith: 2nd Open Tennis Doubles Championship. E. L. Partridge: Senior Boxing Prize. M. A. H. Aikman: The Nigel Boyes Trophy. P. G. Fleming: 1st Open Swimming Championship. R. F. Merriman: 1st Open Tennis Singles Championship. J. G. Coles: 1st Open Tennis Doubles Championship. L. B. Woodward: 2nd Open Tennis Singles championship: 1st Open Doubles Championship. A. Macdermid: "The W. H. Hill Memorial Cricket Trophy." J. G. Howden: 2nd Open Athletic Championship ("The Norman Morrison Cup"). J. C. McColl: 1st Open Athletic Championship ("The Geelong ollege Cup").

Athletic Records broken during year: R. B. Turner Under 16 Weight Put; K. Gilbert, Old Collegians Cup; H. R. Fidge, Veteran's Plate.

Inter-House Athletics: "The Nigel Boyes Memorial Cup," won by Shannon House. (House Captain: J. E. H. Hill). Inter-House Rowing: "The Henry Young Memorial Cup," won by Calvert House. (Stroke: P. G. Fleming). Aggregate Points, Inter-House Competition: "The S. B. Hamilton Calvert Cup" won by Shannon House. (House Captain: I. E. H. Hill).

SCHOOL OFFICERS, 1950.

- Captain of School:** E. C. Baird.
School Prefects: G. N. Henderson, J. E. H. Hill, T. H. Leggatt, J. Stephinson, G. J. G. Vines, G. H. Wallace-Smith.
House Prefects: Senior: J. G. Coles, L. D. Moore, P. J. Negri.
 Warrinn: B. J. McLaren, J. G. Morrison.
 Mackie: J. G. Gibb, A. N. Macdermid.
 Day Boys: A. M. H. Aikman, J. M. Watts.
House Captains: Calvert: T. H. Leggatt (c), W. G. Stephinson (v.c).
 Morrison: G. H. Wallace-Smith (c), G. N. Henderson (v.c).
 Shannon: J. E. H. Hill (c), J. C. McColl (v.c).
 Warrinn: P. J. Negri (c), M. V. Dennis (v.c).
Cricket Committee: Mr. K. W. Nicolson, G. H. Wallace-Smith (c), A. N. Macdermid (v.c), J. E. H. Hill, J. C. McColl, W. G. Stephinson.
Swimming Committee: Mr. C. F. H. Ipsen, E. C. Baird, D. C. Fallaw, J. G. Heggie, J. W. Rowe.
 Rowing Committee: Mr. J. H. Campbell, J. N. Button (Captain of Boats), P. G. Fleming (v.c. of Boats), E. C. Baird, D. G. Dunoon, J. G. Gibb, L. D. Moore, P. J. Negri.
Tennis Committee: Messrs. E. B. Lester, F. R. Quick; T. H. Leggatt, B. J. McLaren, R. Merriman, K. W. Smith, G. H. Wallace-Smith.
Football Committee: Mr. V. H. Profitt, J. C. McColl (c), E. C. Baird (v.c), W. G. Stephinson, G. J. G. Vines, G. H. Wallace-Smith.
Athletics Committee: Mr. C. F. H. Ipsen, J. C. McColl (Capt. of Aths.), J. S. Petrie, G. J. G. Vines, J. M. Watts, W. G. Stephinson.
Music Committee: Mr. G. Logie Smith, A. M. H. Aikman, E. C. Baird, J. G. Coles, D. C. Fallaw, G. N. Henderson, A. W. Jones, T. H. Leggatt, P. J. Negri.
House of Guilds Council: Messrs. D. Webb and J. Firth; T. H. Leggatt (Sub-Warden and Ramblers' Guild), J. S. Petrie (Radio), A. M. Creed, L. H. Ramsay (Pottery), D. G. Dunoon (Model Aeroplanes), D. W. Stewart (Head Storeman), N. J. Sadler (Model Engineers), B. R. Jacobs (General Crafts), S. M. Eastwood (Photography), D. G. Pullar (Stamp Collecting).
P.F.A. Committee: Messrs. E. C. McLean, D. Webb; J. F. Sutherland (Sec), E. C. Baird, A. M. Creed, T. H. Leggatt, G. G. Quail, L. G. Smith, G. H. Wallace-Smith.
Library Committee: Messrs. C. A. Bickford, C. F. H. Ipsen, B. R. Keith; J. G. Coles, G. N. Henderson, J. S. Petrie.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FOOTBALL

The 1950 season was our most successful since 1946, as we won two matches. Although young, our team played determined football, and combined well together. An enjoyable season was had by all players and some close matches were fought;

We extend our thanks to Mr. Profitt, who spent a lot of time on the Senior Oval on training nights preparing the team for the season.

Positions in the 1950 Public Schools' Competition were:

School	Place	Won	Lost	Pts.
M.G.S.	1	5	0	20
S.C.	2	4	1	16
X.C.	= 3	2	3	8
G.C.	= 3	2	3	8
G.G.S.	= 5	1	4	4
W.C.	= 5	1	4	4

GEELONG COLLEGE v. WESLEY Played at College, June 30th

College got away to a good start in the first quarter before the Wesley team found its feet. The forwards, although they did not make full use of their many opportunities, scored 4 goals for the quarter.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	4	5	29
W.C.	0	1	1

Wesley came back in the second quarter with 3 quick goals, and after an even scoreless period, added 2 more, to take the lead. College rallied, and scored 2 well-earned goals to keep a 10 point lead at interval.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	6	7	43
W.C.	5	3	33

Play was even for most of a hectic third quarter—no goals being scored until near the end, when our forwards opened up play and scored 3 needed goals.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	9	10	64
W.C.	5	5	35

Wesley stayed in the fight by scoring two goals to two behinds at the start of the last quarter. Although our backs played strongly, Wesley gradually whittled away our lead, to be 5 points down with 5 minutes to play. Our backs now played Grandly, and when Wesley kicked a behind from an easy shot on

the bell, we had won our first P.S. match for three seasons.

Final:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	9	13	67
W.C.	9	9	63

Best Players

G.C: Turner, McColl, Cameron, Baird, Hill, Howden. W.C: Curry, Allsopp, MacNee, Kermodie, Corden, Fraser.

Goals

G.C: McColl 3, Vines 2, Baird 2, Burch Wallace-Smith. W.C: Curry 4, Allsopp 3, Barry, Waite.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. GEELONG GRAMMAR

Played at College, July 7th

Kicking with a strong westerly in the first quarter, College had all the play, but the Grammar backs crowded the game and prevented our forwards from scoring excessively.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	3	6	24
G.G.S.	0	0	0

The Grammar forwards made better use of the wind, and although our backs defended hard, scored 5.12 for the quarter. A string of short passes down the ground ended in Howden scoring first goal against the wind.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	4	7	31
G.G.S.	5	12	42

Although Grammar were again held scoreless, our forwards failed to ram home the advantage the wind gave us, and we scored only two goals near the end of the quarter.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	6	14	50
G.G.S.	5	12	42

When Grammar took the lead half way through the last quarter, the game looked all but over. But our team fought back strongly, and while holding Grammar goalless, worked forward for Rowe and Aikman to add goals, and regain the lead, to which we hung, in a grim finish.

Final:

G.C.	8	15	63
G.G.S.	7	17	59

Best Players

G.C: Morrison, Cameron, Henderson, Stephinson, Howden, Wallace-Smith.

Goals

G.C: Aikman 2, Burch 2, Howden, Rowe, K. Smith, Wallace-Smith.

**GEELONG COLLEGE v. XAVIER
 Played at Xavier, July 15th**

The tight Xavier defence repulsed our incessant attacking during the first quarter, only allowing us one goal. On the other hand, Xavier scored well on their few ventures forward.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
X.C	2	4	16
G.C	1	0	6

Playing through Wallace-Smith, our forwards did much better in the second quarter, and our backs, playing closer to their men, enabled us to be 8 points up at half time.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
X.C.	3	8	26
G.C.	5	4	34

Although College were first to score after the interval, Xavier held most of the play, but bustling tactics by our backmen caused hurried shooting, from which 2.9 were scored, leaving the scores level.

X.C.	5	17	47
G.C.	7	5	47

More steady forward play against strong defences enabled us to score two goals to four behinds in the last quarter, with five minutes to play. A goal to Xavier left them 2 points down. Taking a mark before the bell, J. Cosgrave, with a beautiful 60-yard goal, gave Xavier a four-point win. This was our third four-point decision in three matches.

Final:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
X.C.	7	21	63
G.C.	9	5	59

Best Players

G.C.: Stephinson, Wallace-Smith, Hill, K. Smith, Henderson, McColl.

X.C: J. Cosgrave, J. Doyle, Curtis, Curtin, Harrison.

Goals

G.C: Vines 3, Stephinson 2, Baird 2, McColl, Aikman.

X.C: J. Cosgrave 3, Curtis 3, Sutton.

**GEELONG COLLEGE v. SCOTCH
 Played at College, July 28th**

Although we had the wind, and more of the play, in the first quarter, our forwards combined poorly, and we were three goals down at quarter time.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
S.C.	3	6	24
G.C.	1	1	7

After an even start in the second quarter, it was apparent that Scotch were the better team, when their forwards, with beautiful position play, rattled on 5.4 for a good half-time lead.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
S.C.	8	10	58
G.C.	1	2	8

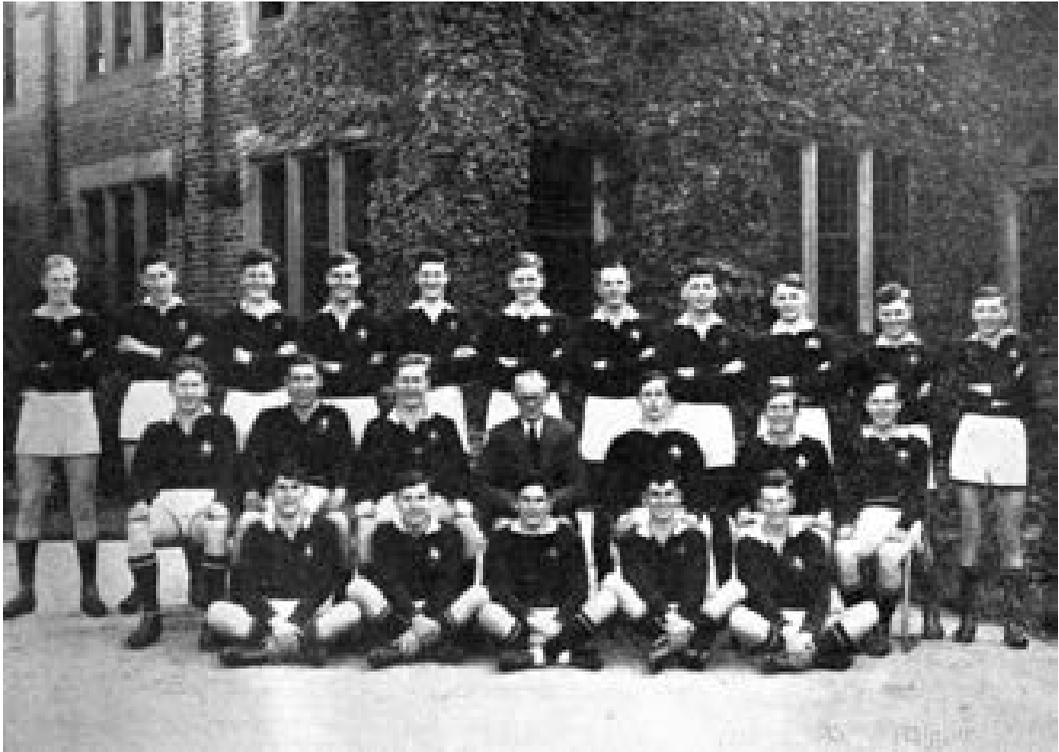
Receiving many opportunities from Cameron, in the centre, our forwards rallied, but were held by the Scotch backmen, whilst their forwards were too elusive for our defenders.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
S.C.	12	13	85
G.C.	3	5	23

The winning Scotch rucks drove them forward consistently in the last quarter, and although our backs fought hard, Scotch went further ahead, for an easy win.

Final:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
S.C	18	15	123
G.C	3	6	24



1st XVIII.

STANDING—K. W. Smith, L. D. Moore, J. G. Gibb, J. G. Morrison, D. R. Burch, A. M. H. Aikman, J. W. Rowe, M. J. Israel, R. B. Turner, T. W. Brockwell, J. G. Coles.
SEATED—J. E. H. Hill, G. J. G. Vines, J. C. McColl (Capt), Mr. V. H. Profitt, E. C. Baird (v-capt.), G. H. Wallace-Smith, G. W. Stephinson.
IN FRONT—K. M. Cameron, M. V. S. Dennis, A. N. Macdonald, B. J. Henderson, I. C. Howden.

Best Players

G.C.: Cameron, Stephinson, Turner, Macdermid, K. Smith, Coles.

S.C.: Whaites, McCracken, Sutherland, Sellars-Jones, Yoffa, Crow.

Goals

G.C.: Hill, Coles, Vines.

S.C.: Crocker 5, Green 5, Crow 2, Sellars-Jones 2, Sutherland 2, Whaites, Finlay.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. MELBOURNE GRAMMAR

Played at M.C.G., August 4th

A gusty wind and wet ground caused rather ragged handling of the ball. Except in the third quarter, Grammar played superior football all day. In the first quarter against the wind, they added 7 goals to our none.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
M.G.S.	7	3	45
G.C.	0	1	1

Our forwards snowed better system this quarter, and added two goals against the wind, but Turner, playing a lone hand on the back line, was not enough to stop Grammar increasing their lead.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
M.G.S.	12	7	79
G.C.	2	1	13

Playing more determined football in the third quarter, our backs were able to hold the Grammar forwards well, and although our forwards did not make full use of the wind, scoring for the quarter was even.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
M.G.S.	14	12	96
G.C.	4	3	27

Our team tired in the last quarter, and the powerful Grammar side obtained an easy win to give them the 1950 Championship.

Final:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
M.G.S.	20	14	134
G.C.	4	6	30

Best Players

G.C.: Turner, McColl, Baird, Cameron, Macdermid, Brockwell.

M.G.S.: Davis, Morris, Rutherford, Bodimar, Sedger, Davie.

Goals

G.C.: Vines 2, Baird, Stephinson.

M.G.S.: Davie 10, Rutherford 3, List 2, Richards, Lyle, Clark, Morris, Davis.

SECOND EIGHTEEN

At the beginning of the season, J. Coles was elected Captain, but, during the season, was promoted to the First Eighteen, for which he receives our congratulations. D. G. Dunoon then took over as Captain, with J. M. Watts as Vice. We extend our thanks to Mr. G. L. Smith, who spent much of his time coaching the team. A quite successful and most enjoyable season was experienced by the team. Best players were:—

Coles, Watts, Weaver, Woodward, Donald, Pink, Quail.

Results of matches played:—

- G.C., 3.4.22, lost to W.C., 3.11.29.
- G.C., 2.5.17, lost to G.G.S., 10.8.68.
- G.C. defeated X.C.
- G.C., 8.13.61, defeated S.C., 2.3.15.
- G.C., 2.4.16, lost to W.C., 5.19.49.
- G.C., 3.6.24, lost to G.G.S., 6.7.43.
- G.C., 4.5.29, defeated X.C., 3.8.26.
- G.C., 2.8.20, lost to S.C., 7.17.59.

UNDER 16 A's.

D. Fallaw captained the Under 16A team, and his deputy was W. Waugh. The team was ably coached by Mr. Hunter, and played consistently throughout the season, although only two matches were won. Best players throughout the season were:—

Fallaw, Waugh, Wright, Forrest, Hassell, Solomon, Thorns.

Results were:—

- G.C., 4.9.33, lost to W.C., 5.13.43.
- G.C., 1.7.13, lost to G.G.S., 3.6.24.
- G.C., 7.13.55, defeated X.C., 5.5.35.
- G.C., 1.3.9, lost to S.C., 19.23.137.
- G.C., 6.12.48, defeated W.C., 4.6.30.
- G.C., 6.4.40, lost to G.G.S., 6.9.45.
- G.C., 4.8.32, lost to X.C., 12.16.88.
- G.C., 5.7.37, lost to S.C., 11.8.74.

UNDER 16B

An Under 16B team, captained by Partridge, also played several games, but did not have much success. Most consistent players were: Keach, Logan, and Sutherland.

Results:—

- G.C., 1.3.9, lost to W.C., 5.5.35.
- G.C., 0.2.2, lost to G.G.S., 16.19.115:
- G.C., 2.3.15, lost to X.C., 3.6.24.
- G.C., 1.1.7, lost to S.C., 20.22.142.
- G.C., 1.1.7, lost to W.C., 9.13.67.
- G.C., 2.0.12, lost to G.G.S., 15.15.105.

Other matches against Scotch and Xavier were also lost.

UNDER 15A TEAM

The Under 15A team was a small one, and suffered from sickness during the season, but usually acquitted itself well against bigger opponents. Mr. Quick was coach, and Merriman led the side; an enjoyable season was had by all. Best of the players were:—

Merriman, Woodward, Clement, Green, Metcalfe, Beard.

Scores*—

- G.C., 4.7.31, lost to W.C., 11.16.82.
- G.C. lost to G.G.S.
- G.C., 5.7.37, defeated X.C., 1.4.10.
- G.C., 0.2.2, lost to S.C., 19.16.130.

G.C., 3.11.29, lost to W.C., 10.4.64.

G.C., 6.10.46, lost to X.C., 9.2.56.

G.C., 3.7.25, lost to S.C., 17.9.111.

UNDER 15B

An Under 15B team played a few matches. Players who came under most notice were: Cameron, Beach, Fulton.

Results:—

- G.C., 4.2.26, lost to W.C., 12.15.87.
- G.C., 5.6.36, defeated G.G.S., 3.4.22.
- G.C., 1.1.7, lost to S.C., 22.19.151.

UNDER 14 A's

The young Under 14A team was ably coached by Mr Bickford, and improved as the season progressed. R. A. Vines was elected Captain, and all players enjoyed the season, in which some close matches were played.

Best players were:—

Bromell, Money, O. Saxton, McDonald, Abery, Morrow.

Results:—

- G.C., 4.7.31, lost to W.C., 6.4.40.
- G.C., 4.5.29, defeated G.G.S., 2.5.17.
- G.C., 2.2.14, lost to S.J.C., 9.11.65.
- G.C., 6.9.45, defeated X.C., 6.8.44.
- G.C., 3.2.20, lost to S.C., 17.10.112.
- G.C., 3.11.29, defeated St. Mary's, 2.3.15.

UNDER 14B

An Under 14B team, captained by Lamont, also played several games. Most consistent players were:—

Ford, Heard, Logan, Dennis.

Results Available:—

- G.C., 8.9.57, defeated X.C., 2.9.21.
- G.C., 1.6.12, lost to S.C., 5.4.34.
- G.C., also lost to W.C.

**SCHOLARSHIPS WON BY BOYS
 ALREADY IN THE SCHOOL.**

Stuart Murray: J. B. Coombe. **G. R. Richmond.** **Howard Hitchcock Bequest Scholarship:** F. A. J. Dearnaley. **James Boyd Scholarships:** L. G. Wright, R. J. Naughton, R. G. Falk, P. W. Brotchie, A. J. Holmes. **Hume Robertson Memorial Scholarship:** J. F. Sutherland. **Farquar Duncan & Flora McDonald Scholarship:** S. G. Reilly. **H. V. McKay Scholarship:** J. F. H. New.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1951.

James Boyd Scholarships: A. G. Buchter, Batesford State School; R. F. Sutherland, Colac High School. **James Boyd Junior Scholarship:** D. R. Sellar, Manifold Heights State School. **H. V. McKay Scholarship:** I. T. Harrison, Canberra High School. **Norman Murray Memorial Scholarship:** E. C. Nicholls, Tate Street State School.

SCHOOL NOTES.

We congratulate Mr. McLean on his engagement to Miss Moira Wood, of Hawthorn. Mr. McLean is still travelling abroad, and we look forward to his return next year.

On Friday, July 7, the annual Founders' Day Service was held in the Morrison Hall. Mr. Tait, a prominent Melbourne lawyer, gave an interesting address on the history of the College.

On the evening of Sunday, July 9, the College Service was held at St. George's. The Rev. J. M. Young, of Balwyn, conducted the service and gave the address. Four Prefects took part in the service, and the choir sang several hymns.

A representative of the R.A.A.F. visited the school on August 3 and spoke to the senior boys about life in the Air Force, and the opportunities available. A film of the Point Cook Officers' Training School was also shown.

On August 10 the school was honoured by a visit from the Rt. Rev. J. Blanchard, the Moderator-general of Australia. He told us about his recent trip to India, and of the missionary work of the church in that country. Above all, he emphasised the need for more workers in the Indian Mission Field.

During the afternoon of the same day the senior boys were addressed by Major-General Wilks, who spoke to us about the life at Duntroon Military College.

This year the College won the Sydney Keith Cup for lifesaving for the fourth successive year. In assembly on August 16 the headmaster mentioned this fact and congratulated all those who took part. He pointed out that this year no master had been in charge and all the work had been done by the boys themselves.

On August 17 a party of boys went to the Geelong Choral Society's production of "Carmen."

Saturday night films have been quite frequent, especially during the winter term. Amongst those seen have been: "Green Dolphin Street," "Nothing but Trouble," "Captains Courageous," "Madame Curie," "The Big Store," and "Thunder Rock."

Sunday evening services have been continued in the Morrison Hall. Often these services take the form of a religious film

service, but on other nights the services have been conducted by Dr. Buntine, Mr. Tait, Mr. K. B. Kent, and Mr. Howells, an old Collegian.

During the first assembly of third term, the headmaster reminded us that with the death of "Maggie" during the holidays, the College had lost one of its most devoted and loyal friends. "Maggie" was matron at Warrinn for over forty years, and her kindly and cheerful disposition endeared her to the boys of two generations.

On November 3 the sixth form were visited by a party from the University, who spoke and answered questions on various aspects of University life.

We say farewell to Miss Frencham, who has been with the Kindergarten and Preparatory School Staffs, since 1947. She goes, with our good wishes, to join the staff of Ivanhoe Boys' Grammar School.

On Saturday, December 9, the boarders' banquet was given. Speakers and toasts were made and the event proved a happy conclusion to the year's activities.

J.N.B.

SALVETE.

Term II, 1950.

FORM UIVA2—Fritsch, R.

FORM UIVB1—Gridley, P. H.

FORM IVB2—Cunningham, W. H.; McDonald, R.

FORM MIV—Goodman, B. R.

FORM LIVB—Norley, P. J.; Northway, C. M. P.

KINDERGARTEN—Hede, R. J. B.; Hinchliffe, T. A.; Merrill, P.; Piper, M. F. Ruxton, J. H.; Walter, I. N.; Wilson, R. A.; Hon, J. M.

TERM III, 1950

FORM IVA—Edwards, P. G.

FORM IVB—Humphrys, D.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL:

FORM UIVB2—Baker, G. J.

FORM MIV—McGregor, G. C.

KINDERGARTEN—Anderson, J. R. C;
 Baker, R. J.; Champ, J.; Elsom, G. J. B.;
 Steven, P. J.

VALETE.

TERM I, 1950

FORM VM—Negri, E. A.
 FORM IB—Wilson, D. N.
 PREPARATORY SCHOOL:
 FORM UIVA1—Payne, E. J. B.
 FORM LIVA—Haynes, P. H.
 KINDERGARTEN—Freeman, J. G.

TERM II 1950

FORM IVA—Brockenshire, R. C.
 FORM IVB—Coombs, D. I.; Gray-Macintosh,
 R. /
 FORM III—Jeffery, J. R.
 FORM IIB—Booth, D. C; Kerby, P. J.;
 Robinson, J. F.
 PREPARATORY SCHOOL:
 FORM UIVA2J—Ward, M. J.

DEBATING SOCIETY

Once again during second term, debates were held every Sunday night after church. Although this was not always a convenient time, and interruptions were frequent, the attendance at many of them was good. At a meeting held early in the term, about fifty boys expressed a desire to take part in debates, but not all of them finally did so.

This year A. M. Aikman and J. N. Button were joint secretaries, and the following Debating Committee was selected to help them: A. W. Jones, G. N. Henderson, J. S. Petrie, G. G. Quail, and J. F. Sutherland. Mr. Henderson again took charge, and we would like to thank him sincerely for the time he gave up, the interest he showed, and for the help and criticism which he gave, * and which did much towards improving our debating.

There were several junior debates held during the term, and A. Tatlock, G. Crawford and F. Pam showed considerable promise. Some of the senior debates proved very interesting, and some of them, especially one on "Compulsory Military Training" aroused considerable interest. "That Science Has Become a Menace to Mankind" was the subject for a lively debate between John Petrie and George Henderson. The question, "That The Examination System is a True Index of Merit" was debated by J. G. Gibb and I. C. Howden on the

affirmative side, and G. H. Wallace-Smith and A. W. Jones on the negative. The final evening for the term was conducted in the form of a parliament. The members present were divided into two parties, each being led by a small group of ministers. J. N. Button acted as Speaker, and with parliamentary procedure being strictly adhered to, "The Social Warmth Endowment Bill" was keenly debated. The Government suggested in a bill containing several clauses that a subsidy of 6½d. per annum be paid on the sale of hot water bottles. The evening was highly entertaining, and proved an excellent finale to an enjoyable series of debates.

—J.N.B.

FRENCH ORALS.

This year's Alliance Franchise tests were held at the Geelong High School on Saturday, August 12. The College results this year were at least as good as those of any other school except Morongo, which is to be congratulated on its success. This year, College boys in Leaving and Intermediate sections did better than those who took part last year, but Matriculation and Sub-Intermediate sections were weaker.

The College results were:—

Matriculation—

Recitation—Honorable Mention: J. Sutherland.

Dictation—Honorable Mention: N. Seward, J. Sutherland.

Leaving—

Reading and Conversation—1st: L. Woodward; Honorable Mention: B. Harding, I. Donald, B. Coombe, J. Backwell, D. Fallaw, M. Moon.

Recitation—2nd: B. Harding; Honorable Mention: A. Scott, B. Coombe.

Dictation—2nd B. Coombe; Honourable Mention: L. Woodward, D. Gault, B. Harding, A. Scott, N. Sadler.

Intermediate—

Recitation—Honorable Mention: G. Keith, D. Edwards, A. Burgess.

Dictation—Honorable Mention: G. McKinnon; Passed: R. Harrison, B. Solomon, G. Keith.

Sub-Intermediate—

•Recitation—2nd: Frank Pam; Honorable Mention: R. Robinson, G. Richmond, T. Rielly, A. Steele.

MUSIC NOTES.

For some years now the standard of musical appreciation and feeling in the College has been of high standard. That statement was brought home to many this year by the introduction of the Inter-House Music Competitions. For many years it had been hoped that an Inter-House Competition could be held, but, owing to lack of time, the idea had been shelved. However, this year it was decided that such a competition should not be held back any longer.

For the competition, each House was to present five items: an instrumental ensemble, an instrumental solo, a piano solo, and a vocal solo or ensemble—plus a choir to present three songs, one of which was set by Mr. Smith.

Practically unaided by Mr. Smith, the conductors of the various Houses during the latter half of the second term worked very hard to prepare their choirs and arrange their "teams" in readiness for the competition. The boys in charge of the various houses were Michael Aikman and Tom Leggatt (Calvert), George Henderson (Morrison), Worrall Jones and Richard Hills (Shannon), and Geoff. Quail and Peter Negri (Warrinn).

- Although at first some seemed cynical about the new idea, very soon every boy was doing his best for his house by trying to make the Inter-House Music Competition a success.

The competition was held in the Morrison Hall on Saturday, August 19. The difficult task of adjudicator was given to Mr. Roy Sheppard, the original music teacher at the College. Performances on the part of all four houses were particularly good. Although the adjudicator was really amazed at the general high standard of all items, he thought that the highlights of the evening were the Calvert Choir's singing the set song, "Where'er You Walk," and the Morrison Choir's singing "The Ash Grove," each item with beautiful and well-disciplined singing gaining forty-eight marks out of fifty. The result of the competition was set out of a total of 350, Morrison scored 314, Calvert 310, Warrinn 288, and Shannon 286. There was not a great deal of difference between the various houses' results.

When the competition was over, most people believed that it was a great success and hoped that it will become a yearly occurrence.

A great deal of "musical time" in second term, and especially in third term, was spent by the Glee Club in practices, both by the chorus and the principals, in readiness for

the three performances of "The Yeomen of the Guard," given at the Geelong Theatre on the 24th, 25th, and 26th October.

Other major musical activities were the two concerts held at the end of second and third terms. The second term concert was held on the Tuesday after the Music Competition, August 22. At this concert **all the** winning items were repeated from the Competitions. Other features were the Male Choir, a number of piano solos, duets, and trios given by younger boys, and the three Preparatory School Choirs. The third term concert was held on Saturday, December 9. The main item was the Miniature Piano Concerto, composed by Alec Rowley, played by the Orchestra, with Peter Negri as solo pianist. Other items included a well-balanced programme of vocal and instrumental solos, an instrumental ensemble, the Male Choir, and the three Preparatory School Choirs.

The Geelong Schools' Music Festival was held on August 18, 21, and 22, in which the Orchestra, Male Choir, Band, and a Brass Quartet took part.

On the occasion of the College Service held in St. George's Church on Sunday evening, July 9, the combined choirs sang anthems and led the hymn singing.

This year has been an important one **for** music at the College. Much of this is due to the work of Mr. Smith, and also to the teachers of the various instruments.

A.W.J.

EXCHANGES

The following School Magazines are acknowledged with thanks:

The Melburnian, The King's School Magazine, The Wesley College Chronicle, The Scotch Collegian, The Knox Grammarian, The Mitre, The Viking, The Corian, The Southportian, St. Peter's College Magazine, The Clansman, The Herioter, The Fintonian, The Sydneian, Virtus, The Georgian, Silver and Green, The Longerenong Collegian, The Aberdeen Grammar School Magazine, The Brighton Grammarian, The Caulfield Grammar School Magazine, The Prince Alfred College Chronicle, The Armidalian, The Campbellian, The Journal of the Royal Australian Air Force College (Point Cook), The Dookie Collegian, The Minervan, The Waitakian, The Northcotian.



FINALE—"THE YEOMEN OF THE GUARD."

(By courtesy of E. J. Bonney)

THE YEOMEN OF THE GUARD.

This year the Glee Club successfully produced another Gilbert and Sullivan Opera. It was once again under the capable direction of Mr. Smith, whose previous experience of Gilbert and Sullivan Operas, combined with the knowledge which he gained abroad, contributed greatly to the success of the production.

The opera chosen this year was "The Yeomen of the Guard," one of the most difficult Gilbert and Sullivan operas to stage. Consequently, a great deal of work had to be done, which might not have been successfully accomplished, but for the co-operation and interest of friends of the Glee Club and members of the staff. Practices were even more frequent than usual because of the necessity for a chorus of Yeomen, in addition to the chorus of citizens. There are, also, fourteen principals in the Opera, and it was some time before they were finally selected.

However, by the nights of the 24th, 25th and 26th of October everything was in readiness, and three excellent performances were given to large audiences in the Geelong Theatre, Sir Dallas Brooks, Governor of Victoria, and Miss Jeanette Brooks were there on the final

night, and their presence caused the cast to strive even harder to make the performance successful.

The chorus work was up to its usual high standard. The Yeomen were impressive in their "Beefeater" clothing, and both their singing and stage movements were of a high standard. "This the Autumn of Our Life" was very well received by the audience, and the chorus to Dame Carruthers song was particularly effective. The citizens chorus was colourful and vigorous. Their entry with Point and Elsie was perhaps the most lively and arresting scene in the whole performance, and the singing of the magnificent opening chorus with the warders was excellent.

Eric Baird, as Jack Point, was outstanding among the Principals. With his versatile acting, and pleasant voice he was ideally suited to the part of Point. The singing of the duet with Elsie, "I have a song to sing O" was one of the highlights of the performance, and his antics with the lieutenant, and merry jests from Hugh Ambrose provided highly amusing interludes. Michael Aikman, a veteran among Glee Club principles, played the part of the gallant and debonair Colonel Fairfax with feeling and assurance. His rendering of the



E. C. Baird as Jack Point, a strolling jester, and T. H. I^eggatt as Lieutenant of the Tower.

(By courtesy of E. J. Bonney)



D. R. Burch as Wilfred and F. U. Pam as Phoebe Meryll.
(By courtesy of E. J. Bonney)

solo, "Is Life a Boon?" was particularly good. One of the most amusing scenes in the opera was provided by Don Burch, as Wilfred, the gaoler, while Phoebe was singing, "Were I Thy Bride." But Wilfred was not humorous in this scene alone. Throughout the play no long period elapsed without him gaining hearty laughs from the audience. Another lively and amusing scene was provided by the singing of the duet, "Rapture, Rapture," when old Sergeant Meryll, in trying to save Colonel Fairfax from detection, finds that he will have to marry the forbidding Dame Carruthers. To Dame Carruthers the proposal brings rapture, but Sergeant Meryll finds it "Ghastly, Ghastly." The part of Sergeant Meryll was played by Geoff. Vines, whose acting was vigorous and imaginative. Tom Leggatt made a dashing and sufficiently arrogant Lieutenant. In the trio, "How say you maiden, will you wed?" with Point and Elsie, he sang clearly and

pleasantly. The roles of Leonard Meryll, and the two yeomen soloists were capably filled by John Coles, Lindsay Smith and David Fallaw. Leon Ramsay and Graeme Wallace-Smith fulfilled their reputations in the roles of gay and lively citizens.

The three, who played the little maids in last year's production were again cast in the principal female roles. Barry Harding, as Elsie, revealed a particularly fine soprano voice and, as already mentioned, his duet with Point, "I have a song to sing O," was a highlight of the performance. Frank Pam brought vivacity and a pleasant voice to the part of Phoebe, especially in the singing of "Were I Thy Bride?" Dame Carruthers, the unattractive and domineering mistress of the tower, was played with considerable credit by Graeme Rees. He sang well "When Our Gallant Norman Foes"—the song in which Dame Carruthers sings of her love for the tower and its grim traditions.

The opera's most impressive scene occurs during the finale of the first act, when everything is prepared for the execution of Colonel



G. T. Rees as Dame Carruthers, and G. J. G. Vines as Sergeant Meryll.
(By courtesy of E. J. Bonney)

Fairfax. Both choruses are on the stage, and as the Warders march solemnly into position they sing, the prisoner comes and the lights are gradually dimmed creating an eerie but very effective atmosphere as the sombre headman and his grim assistants enter with axe and block. This scene and the anti-climax when the prisoner is found to have escaped were very effective. "Cock and Bull," sung by Wilfred and Point, and the quartette, "When a wooer goes a wooing," were both very popular items. "Strange Adventure," an unaccompanied quartette was effectively sung by Sergeant Meryll, Dame Carruthers, Fairfax and Kate, although at times strange results were produced. The part of Kate in this quartette was tunefully sung by G. A. Stephens. The finale of the opera is an intensely dramatic and touching scene, as the broken-hearted Point sings sadly of the song that he had to sing O, then collapses at the feet of the happy

lovers, Fairfax and Elsie. It was well done and seemed a fitting climax to the performance.

This year the small but balanced orchestra contributed greatly to the success of the production, and many people remarked on the high standard of playing. Mrs. Carrington, without whose help the Glee Club could hardly continue, again played at the three performances, and at practices throughout the year. The gratitude of the Glee Club is due to her, and to all those friends and members of the staff, whose work and enthusiasm made the production possible.

This year's opera was the twelfth presented by the Geelong College Glee Club. The proceeds, which amount to more than £2,000, have been devoted to a scholarship fund for sons of servicemen killed in the war, an object of which all Glee Club members can be proud.

J.N.B.



A. M. Aikman as Colonel Fairfax (disguised as Leonard Meryll) and B. D. Harding as Elsie Maynard.

(By courtesy of E. J. Bonney)

H.O.G. NOTES, 1950.

The House of Guilds has progressed smoothly throughout the second half of the year in all departments, and much good work has been done. The House performed its regular functions under the supervision of the following council members: T. Leggatt (sub-warden), Creed, Dunoon, Eastwood, Jacobs, Petrie, Pullar, Ramsay, Sadler and Stewart.

Model aeroplane construction has lost popularity since last year, but construction of engine powered craft still continues.

Photography is as popular as ever, and much good work has been produced. Mr. Barclay continues to deliver his fortnightly lectures, and we desire to thank him for the interest he has shown.

The model engineers still flourish, thanks to the continued interest of another old friend of the College, Mr. Arthur Seale, whose help is greatly appreciated.

At the beginning of the year it was decided that the care of the garden should become the responsibility of the House; consequently, members have kept the garden in good condition throughout the year.

During the four weeks preceding the Glee Club's performance of the "Yeomen of the Guard," the House was invaded by Glee Club members engaged in the production of scenery and properties for the opera. In all, it may be said that the House experienced a particularly profitable year.

BJ.

RESULTS OF CRICKET PRACTICE MATCHES

11th November: G.C. v. Scotch College, at Geelong College.

Scotch, first innings, 48 (Macdermid 4/13, Turner 5/22, Donald 1/2). Second innings, 3/115.

Geelong College, first innings, 149 (Cameron 43, Israel 28, Wallace-Smith 24, Weaver 21, Vines 20).

Geelong College won by 101 runs on first innings.

18th November: G.C. v. Xavier, at Geelong College.

Geelong College, first innings, 55 (Wallace Smith 24, Morrison 11). Xavier, first innings, 1 for 33. Match drawn.

25th November: G.C. v. Geelong Grammar, at Geelong College.

Geelong College, first innings, 85 (Scott 26, Wallace Smith 18). Second innings, 9 for 54.

Geelong Grammar, 4 for 181 (Wallace Smith 2/47, Turner 1/32, Macdermid 1/49).

Geelong Grammar won by 96 runs on the first innings.

P.Y.M.F.

The P.Y.M.F. has been ably guided this year by Mr. Webb, to whom hearty thanks are due for his interest, and for the time he has given up, in spite of his other pressing work in the art classes and at the House of Guilds. We hope that he will remain with us when Mr. McLean returns from England. The P.Y.M.F. extends its congratulations to Mr. McLean upon his engagement.

Since first term, three more vocational addresses have been delivered. Mr. Baird spoke on the work of Hospital Management. Rev. G. A. Wood spoke on the Ministry as a life work, and Mr. Tait on Schoolmastering. Other speakers have been Mr. Henderson, speaking on "What Makes It Tick;" Rev. J. Waterman, who spoke on "The Collar and the Sword"; Mr. Dowsett, who told us something about the medals in his collection, a number of which he brought along to show us; Mr. Matthews, who told us something about Russia and his travels in Europe; Mr. McKenzie, who explained how the Geelong Advertiser is produced; Rev. G. A. Wood, who spoke on his visit to the Orkney Islands; Rev. F. Boucher, who spoke on Christian Faith; and Dr. Roland, who spoke on the Christian Way of Life. Dr. Buntine conducted the Badge Dedication Service, and the last meeting of the year was taken by Mr. Eadie.

In other meetings the members of the group took part. There were a Bible Quiz and two debates on parliamentary lines, one to deal with some business, the other on the subject, "Should we as Christians Participate in War." George Barker and Neil Sadler spoke on the subject, "Christian Men of Action," and some of the junior members of the group conducted the reading of the play, "Brother Wolf."

A second camp was held at Pt. Lonsdale in the third week of November. This time it was for senior boys, especially those leaving school. Mr. Webb and Mr. Watson were the leaders of discussion about the subject, "Looking at Life." In spite of poor weather, the boys had a lot of fun, and profited greatly from the discussion. As usual, those who went were made very comfortable, and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, who are in charge of the Toc-H Camp at Pt. Lonsdale, did everything possible to enable the group to enjoy the week-end.

Four of this year's committee are returning. Those newly-elected are, I. C. Howden and G. W. Barker, who will control the social service work, A. N. Macdermid (treasurer), and J. G. Gibb.

FOUNDER'S DAY ADDRESS

J. B. TAIT, Esq, K.C.

On this annual occasion we meet to commemorate the foundation 'of our School 'and to pay tribute to the Founders of Geelong College. I do not propose—for this is not the place or time—to embark upon a detailed account of the historical record of the College, but I may perhaps remind you that Geelong College was opened on 8th July, 1851—89 years ago tomorrow. Its foundations go deep into the roots of the Colony of Victoria and into the Early Soil of this City of Geelong.

The occasion of its founding was the temporary closing of Geelong Grammar School in 1860, some two years after that School was first opened, and the reason for establishing this College was the need that was felt by certain leading citizens of Geelong for an Educational Establishment which could supply something more than the teaching supplied by the Matthew Flinders National School, good as the teaching at that famous school was.

The College began its history at Knowle House, in Skene Street, Geelong, with forty scholars, and it was not until 10 years later—in 1871—that the College opened on this present site. But it is the Founders, rather than the foundations, that we remember at this Service.

It was the Rev. A. J. Campbell, Minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Geelong, and a small group of Presbyterians associated with him, who were responsible for the first establishment of the School. They acted with the approval of the Presbyterian General Assembly and the original name of the School was "The Geelong College in connection with the Presbyterian Church of Victoria." Thus for the first three years of its history "Geelong College" was a "public" school, as that term is understood in Victoria.

But the vision of the original founders faded. The Committee which was responsible for the School was soon in financial difficulties; and in 1864 the liabilities were such that the committee could no longer carry on and the School was taken over by the Headmaster, George Morrison.

Lawyers will be interested to recognise that it was not a bankruptcy—or even a composition with creditors—but it was simply that George Morrison took the liabilities and with them the School staff—his work continued for 38 years.

It is to the committee of Presbyterian gentlemen with Rev. A. J. Campbell at their head, and with the backing of the General Assembly that our School owes its origin. But in addition to establishing the College these gentlemen did something of even more importance in the history of the School. They appointed George Morrison as the First Headmaster. George Morrison—Dr. George Morrison as he afterwards became—the Doctor to the boys of the 90's—was the real Founder. It was on his strength and worldly wisdom, his courage and his vision and his prevailing Christian character that the foundations of this College were built. It was he who had the foresight and the faith, having acquired the liabilities and the School, to lead the School out of the town to its present site—then almost in the wilderness, to erect here upon this site the grand old original building with its ivied tower, the building which has been the inspiration for the later splendid additions, and he made the name of Geelong College stand throughout the land for the best and highest ideals in Education, and indeed what is of more importance in manhood?

It is at Dr. George Morrison that we must look when seeking the real Founder of the Geelong College, and it is only by studying the character of this man, his rugged Scotch personality, his tenacity of purpose and determination, his fearlessness and strength and sure knowledge of what was right, what was wrong, and what was good and what was evil, what was fundamental and what was superficial—that we appreciate the real strength that he gave to the School and the traditions which have brought it to the place it holds in the community today.

There is a picture of "The Doctor" drawn in Redmond's book on the 1911 Jubilee of the School "A tall square figure, spare, but stocky and powerful, clad in a frock suit and bearing in his hand a silk hat, a chalk box and a short cane. This was "The Doctor" on his way up to the class-room. There was authority in the heavy creak of his great roomy shoes. There was sternness and discipline in every line of his figure. His broad massive head, wide-browed, wide-eyed, with its square under-jaw concealed beneath thick beard and whiskers, denoted strength and inflexibility of purpose.

"But with all there was a gentleness and suavity of manner of which his stern exterior gave no hint; His "Say-Say"—the inevitable preamble of all he said—had every gradation of tone, from the hard note of command, trumpeted forth as the preface to some condign sentence while his fingers plucked fiercely at his beard, to the softest accents of winning sweetness, as he coaxed or consoled some unlucky lad, patting him gently on the back in fond paternal fashion."

Such a man was George Morrison, first headmaster of Geelong College, the same George Morrison who very soon owned it, and "built it up into a powerful school, renowned for sport and scholarship, so that his name and that of Geelong College soon became famous in Educational circles throughout Australia.

Of course he was Scottish. He was typically and undeniably a Scot. Every tone and line of him proclaimed the fact. Indeed it was to his Scottish strength of mind and business ability that the College owed most of its success."

"The Doctor" typified the School and gave it character and strength.

Dr. George Morrison held the School in his own firm hands for more than a quarter of a century—35 years. He ruled it, he moulded it and he brought it to maturity and prepared the way for the School to again join the ranks of the Public Schools—to become one of the great Church Schools of Victoria.,

In the meantime he left, at his death in 1898, the school in the hands of the second Morrison whose name will always be identified with Geelong College. His son—Norman Morrison—became the second Headmaster of this School. He was the "Normie" -of the school days of many of us. Tall, big-boned but lean, he ruled by the respect we all had for him and the strong personality of the man. His charm of manner, quick understanding and ready sympathy made him the "well-beloved." But there was no lack of discipline. His d's-pleasure was a living thing and could be felt throughout the School. He hated slackness in any form and his high ideals identified themselves with the School. The School took its tone from him. His influence pervaded the School through and through. Norman Morrison was one of the great Headmasters of our time and generation.

Norman Morrison came to the School in 1891. He was then 25 and was Vice-Principal

until his father's death in 1898—then at the age of 31 he became Principal.

In 1908 Geelong College again became a Public School conducted by the Presbyterian Church of Victoria. Norman Morrison remained Principal, but only for a short time—for he died in 1909 at the early age of 41—after a short 11 years as Headmaster. But during his Headmastership the College had grown to manhood and had taken its place as a Public School—and Norman Morrison had impressed his grace and his character indelibly upon the School and brought it to that high standard and wide reputation that it bears today.

The place of the Public School in the life of the community has always been of the greatest importance, in spite of the sneers of the cynics and the wit that uses as a foil for his spiteful invective the catchword of "the Old School Tie."

The Public Schools have always supplied an ingredient in English life which has had a leavening, a broadening and an uplifting influence, an influence that spells right thinking and high living and Service for the Community. The old saying that English battles have been won on the playing fields of Eton is not without truth.

In these modern times when democracy is on trial before the Bar of history when the fundamental decencies of life and the dignity of man are endangered by the onslaught of tyranny, selfishness and power—drugged ambition, when might has come near to overthrowing right, when the English way of life, the Rule of Law and the great freedoms which are our English heritage are in danger, it is very necessary that we hold fast to those things for which the Public School stands, and carry on the great traditions which the Founders of our School planted so firmly in Geelong College.

I have referred to the Rule of Law. A lawyer tends perhaps to look too much at life and living from the legal angle, but I conceive that in the School life at a College of this type, one of the fundamentals that a boy acquires is a wholesome respect for and recognition of the Rule of Law.

He perhaps does not know it as such, I do not refer alone to discipline—the enforcement of obedience to rule and command. It goes beyond this to a recognition of the claims of

the Community as such, the sinking of one's own ambitions and desires for the good of the whole, the instinctive measuring of a contemplated action in terms of right and wrong¹—the team spirit, and the sacrifice of the individual for the sake of the whole—the unquestioning acceptance of order and rule and law as being unchallengably right. These things become engrained in the mind and character of those who pass through a great School, and these are the fundamentals which stand behind the Rule of Law, and the English way of life.

Perhaps the greatest tribute to the high standards in those matters which Geelong College teaches is to be found in the manner in which Old Collegians generally are regarded in the community. I am never so proud of being an Old Collegian as when I hear Old Collegians as such mentioned or discussed among other men. I remember during the late War being present at a Conference which was concerned with choosing the right man to undertake a job of some importance. Various names were mentioned and their qualifications and characters were discussed. Then someone said of one of the nominees—he's a Geelong Collegian, and his view that generally speaking a Geelong Collegian could be relied upon to have the right stuff in him seemed to be accepted by those present. It is such qualities—qualities which bring a spontaneous recognition from their fellows—that make a School great.

It is very necessary in these present days when the world is changing before our eyes*—when the old standards and the old traditions tend to be cast aside—when new conceptions of life and living and of the relationship of man to man—are being sought after and accepted, when World conditions are finding new levels and new problems—that we hold fast to those qualities, those fundamentals and those traditions which have been embedded in the life and character of this our School by its Founders.

And so on this day we are proud to remember the Founders of this School and to pay a tribute to the strength, the vision and the durable quality of their building. They aimed high, they built firmly, they achieved magnificently, they fulfilled abundantly. "Sic itur ad 'astra."

SPORTS AWARDS, 1950.

Honour Colours.

Football:

Cameron, K. McD., Howden, I. C, Stephin-son, W. G.

Athletics:

Coles, J. G., Macdermid, A. N.

School Colours.

Football:

Brockwell, T., Burch, D. R., Dennis, M. V. S., Gibb, J. G., Henderson, B. J., Howden, I. C, Macdermid, A. N., Smith, K. W., Stephin-son, W. G., Turner, R. B., Wallace-Smith, G. H.

Athletics:

Dearnaley, A. F. J., Macdermid, A. N., Vines, G. J. G.

School Caps.

Football:

Aikman, A. M. H., Brockwell, T., Burch, D. R., Gibb, J. G., Henderson, B. J., Howden, I. C, Macdermid, A. N., Moore, L. D., Rowe, J. W., Smith, K. W., Stephin-son, W. G., **Turner,** R. B.

Athletics:

Dearnaley, A. F. J., Macdermid, A. N., Vines, G. J. S.

House Colours.

Football:

Calvert: Aikman, A. M. H., Coles, J. G., Donald, I. A., Fleming, P. G., Howden, J. G., Simmons, L. N., Woodward, L. B.

Morrison: Barber, G. W., Burch, D. R., Button, J. N., Henderson, B. J., Pink, **R. J.**

Shannon: Fallaw, D. C, Gray-Mcintosh, R., Moore, L. D., Solomon, B. J., Vines, G. J. G., Weaver, R. H., Wright, G. D.

Warrinn: Dearnaley, A. F. J., Hassall, G. D., Gibb, J. G., Heggie, J. G., Israel, M. J., Quail, G. G., Reid, D. A., Sutherland, J. F., Turner, R. B., Waugh, J. G.

Athletics:

Calvert: Aikman, A. M. H., Leggatt, T. H., * Howden, J. G.,

Morrison: Hodgson, W. B.

Shannon: Fallaw, D. C, Macdermid, A. N., McNaughton, K. D., Vines, G. J. G., Watts, J. M., Wright, G. D.,

Warrinn: Dearnaley, A. F. J., Gibb, J. G., McDiarmid, R. C, Turner, R. B.

CADET NOTES.

This year the unit once again attended the annual cadet camp at Puckapunyal. Very few of the senior members of the corps had experience of Puckapunyal camps due to the cancellation of last year's camps. Despite many setbacks in camp organisation it was felt that the unit learnt something of the training and routine of camp life. The guard and drill platoons won both their camp competitions.

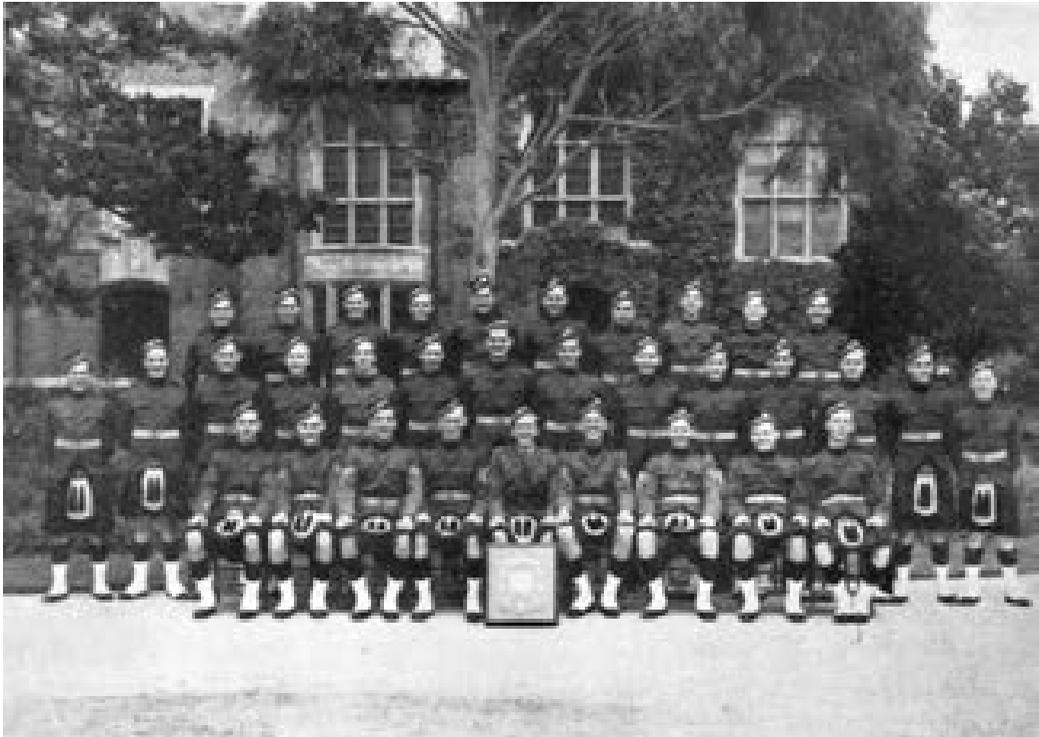
Our congratulations are extended to the drill platoon for coming first, and the guard for coming fourth in the State-wide drill and guard competitions held during third term.

The rifle team was not so successful and we lost the Clowes Cup to Scotch College.

During the third term two trophies were given to W.O. Hicks and Captain Redhead, who are leaving us, in grateful recognition of the service they have rendered the unit over the last few years.

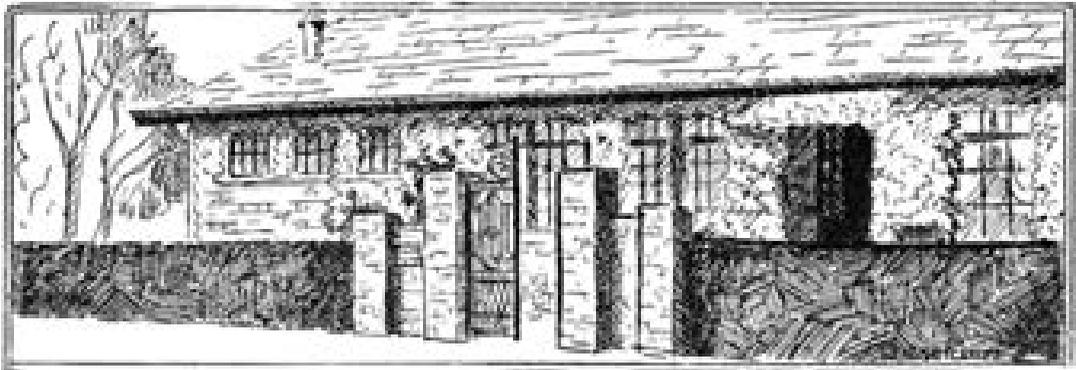
This year there were too many applications to attend the schools for potential N.C.O's. and officers during January of next year. This is a sure sign that the spirit of the unit has very much improved. Next year, with many senior members returning, it is hoped that this spirit will continue, that the College will win all cadet competitions and have its most successful year yet.

G.J.G.V.



THE DRILL PLATOON.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL.



All phases of school life have progressed steadily. A pleasing feature has been the evenness of all competitions—both inter and intra school.

The recently concluded football season has been a most successful one. Captains of teams were: Firsts—J. W. Lang; Seconds—J. Rooke, Under 12—D. E. Norwood; Under 11—D. A. Hinchliffe; Under 10—W. E. Lester. From the outset, keenness and a healthy team spirit were in evidence, and almost every match of the season was won or lost by a few points only. After an unusually close struggle, Bellerophon won the House Football.

The triangular cross-country run with Grammar and Bostock House, over the picturesque course from the You Yangs to Corio, was resumed this year, and resulted in a win for College in the "A" division, and a win for Grammar in the "B" division. All teams are to be congratulated on completing the course. A House cross-country was won by Helicon from Pegasus.

The first part of the third term was devoted to Athletics. Every boy in the School was on the oval twice each week, running against the watch and the various "standards," gaining confidence in his athletic skills and earning points for his House. The "Standard" competition was extremely close, Pegasus defeating Bellerophon by a point.

An interesting event this term was the meeting of Scotch College, Grammar, Bostock House, and College in a friendly quadrangular sports meeting. After a keen contest, in which several records were broken, Scotch was successful from Grammar in the open

section, while College defeated Scotch in the junior division.

During the latter part of the term, the emphasis was placed on tennis rather than on cricket. A handicap doubles tournament was won by Rooke and Falconer; the Prep. Championship resulted in a win by Rooke over Wood, while a round of House Matches saw each House win and lose one match.

During the second term senior classes, as an aid to project work, visited the limestone quarries at Batesford. Our sincere thanks are extended to the Australian Cement Company for their courtesy in showing us through the works.

The Hut Dwellers' Association, under the able leadership of McArthur and Dickinson, has continued its architectural activities, and has recently entered the sphere of horticulture, with very good results.

The recently formed club period has been a source of interest and pleasure, and, in some cases, profit, to all those concerned. As a climax to its term's work, the Literary Club produced a puppet play, the trial scene from "The Merchant of Venice." This was greatly enjoyed by the whole school. Next year it is hoped to increase the range of the groups and to provide club activities for the junior forms.

Once more the S.S. "Maloja" has entered our lives, and the collegian to succumb to its softening influence this time is Mr. McLean. We extend to him and to his fiancée our sincerest wishes for their future happiness.

Preparatory School Annual Report, 1950.

Before presenting his Annual Report at the Geelong College Preparatory School Speech Day which took place on the College Oval on Monday, 11th December, the Head Master (Mr. L. J. Campbell) extended a very warm welcome to the guest speaker, Mr. A. W. Coles.

He said that proof of his sincere interest in the well being of the School was borne out by the fact that, as an Old Collegian and Chairman of the Council he was prepared to visit Geelong on two successive days. Furthermore, as a parent, he had risked one son with us and had later allowed us to have a second one.

Mr. Campbell in his report stressed the necessity for putting first things first.

The report went on to say—

Since Education, as I know it, is an inward and spiritual growth, which begins in the cradle and continues throughout life, unless one becomes spiritually dead, the success or failure of a school's work cannot be measured in any one year. I speak today, therefore, of aims and ambitions and high hopes.

It is sufficient to know that the District Inspector's report spoke favourably of the organization and work of the school in all branches including Music, Hand-work and Physical Education. As usual, the first interest of the staff has been in those they teach and their last interest likewise. They have laboured cheerfully and unceasingly towards that end. If they were suddenly to become mercenary and put a price on their heads I doubt if the price could ever be paid because full compensation for services rendered in a cause such as theirs, is high above any monetary reward.

Kindergarten.

As this report endeavours to stress the necessity for putting first things first, let us consider that branch of the school which, although a little frightening, has a great fascination for me. My observations here have taught me much and are still teaching me, some of the peculiarities of small boys' behaviour. I regret that pressure of work has prevented me from learning my lessons during the latter part of the year.

All the work that we do, year in and year out, and in fact, all that is done throughout life bears fruit in accordance with the training during the first years of school life. What wisdom, what an all seeing eye, what understanding is demanded of those who have the grave responsibility at this time! In my estimation, regardless of whether they work with us or in any other Kindergarten, they are, if they accept their responsibility, the first fruits of the teaching profession.

The general opinion of the less informed seems to be that Kindergarteners have the care of a collection of naughty little children for some hours each day, thus providing certain relief in the home for harassed mothers.

Admittedly they are naughty, but it is on this very point that a teacher gleans the first knowledge of her charges. Even as one of the uninitiated, my observations have led me to believe that, generally speaking, a naughty boy is, at this stage at any rate, an intelligent one. Such conduct is sure proof of vitality—of energy—misdirected or undirected as yet, but nevertheless real and promising. It is the direction of this energy that is the first task to be handled, and, in doing so further light comes out of the darkness. Questioning on doubtful conduct and its co-partner untruthfulness, often reveals a very active mind and great imaginative powers. A good Kindergartener welcomes such a display, and, by patience and perseverance endeavours to show the small boy their proper use.

The work during the year has proved that Mrs. Sweetman and those associated with her are well aware of these facts and have the wisdom and understanding to make full use of them. If the numbers seeking entrance to the Kindergarten can be taken as a sign of appreciation for what has been done, no more need be said.

Classwork.

Although the year has been a very exacting one, we have, as far as lay in our power, carried out most of the tasks we set out to do. By the very nature of the age groups handled, a Junior School, even under ideal conditions, cannot avoid being somewhat chaotic. In fact, I should be rather dubious of one that was not so, for it would then suggest that the boys were being made to fit a well organised and smooth running school, rather than the school endeavouring to adapt itself to boys of vastly varying degrees of ability. Teachers are sometimes accused of doing this, but, they are not the only offenders in this respect. They must stand firm and resolute on what they know in their hearts to be right.

Much harm is often done by paying too much attention to what a parent, in all innocence, considers a measure of progress. For instance, it is sometimes said that a boy's spelling is weak, or his grammar is poor, may be his writing is not good. This perhaps is quite true—in fact it mostly is. In a senior form it is doubtless a serious matter but is it so serious with younger boys? Which is more important a man's body or the spirit that lies within? It is the answer to this question that must be the guiding star for all who teach young people.

The average child between six and ten has considerably more in the mind than he is ever able to express. As he tries to make himself understood many of his ideas simply disappear through lack of vocabulary. Should we be over anxious concerning this so called progress, made evident by the use of good grammar and good spelling then, the emphasis will be very heavy on formal work. Such emphasis is very good in its way if our concern is merely for ourselves, for immediately, we are able to show outward and visible signs of

some headway. True, there are outward and visible signs of the formation of a good shell but what of the inward and spiritual grace?

In the constant demand for accuracy of spelling and grammar, together with good writing, the child's idea has vanished. Originality has been strangled at birth by the very people who, later on, will deplore the lack of it.

Does this mean there is to be no accuracy of spelling, no careful writing, no formal grammar? Undoubtedly there must be, but, at the same time, we must also keep our sense of values and put first things first.

It is the **thought** that the child is anxious to express—that something of the spirit round which all teaching centres, and without which no teaching is of any avail—that must be preserved at all cost. If this fact is borne in mind, then the formal work will be used as a means towards better expression of ideas, once established, rather than an end in itself, whereby teacher or parent, 'or both, may boast of the amazing advancement or the great achievement in certain directions, of a junior boy.

Sport.

It has been said that the denunciation of the young is a necessary part of the hygiene of older people, and greatly assists the circulation of the blood.

In these formative years, however, we can do little valuable work for youngsters if the convenience of the adult is all we study. It is quite true that small boys **can** be, and often **are** a great trial, but can we afford to forget that there was a time when we too were the trial? Years of 'actual experience have taught me that, if young boys are kept well exercised their nuisance Value, in, the eyes of the adult, drops considerably.

Physically, they are generally very fit and normal boys are interested in active competitive games requiring motor skill. Left to their own devices, entirely, however, they are prone to indulge in a certain amount of rough and tumble noisy play, which leads to the formation of what they term "gangs."

There is a school of thought that would have these stamped out immediately but is it not better to direct his boisterousness into more useful channels? It is here that organized sport plays' such an important part.

These war-like groups so intent on slaying one another, readily submit to being drafted into teams. They had the beginnings of it in their gangs. Before long, they are just as keen on bowling their opponents out at cricket or scoring a goal against them at football, as they were on attacking them with "grievous crabtree cudgels."

So the training takes shape, and from being members of "The Wallabies," or "Black Cats" they qualify for places in under age teams and finally the height of their ambition is reached when they win places in first teams.

All this organization and training places heavy burdens on masters who, to their credit, be it said, are always willing and ready to play their part in transforming these war-like gangs into seemingly respectable rival teams.

Throughout the year, Senior and Under Age teams have met in Inter-house and Inter-school contests in Football, Cricket and Athletics. They have shown their usual keenness in, and enthusiasm for both practice and matches, with the result that their record in all branches of sport has been a splendid one.

We are much indebted to the men, who by their excellent co-operation have made this measure of success possible, and, especially to Mr. Watson for the able manner in which he has handled this side of the School's activities. I feel that we can quite truthfully say to Mr. McLean, whom we shall be very pleased to have with us again next year, that despite the high standard set in his time, we have managed to maintain it, at least until his return.

High Hopes.

So much for our aims and ambitions but what of our high hopes?

For many years the work in Social Studies has been very thorough and on sufficiently broad lines to enable a thinking boy to realize that he must learn to live in an atmosphere of willing and communal service. He must work towards that end if he is ever to make any worth-while contribution to the world in which he lives.

Senior School records show that on the academic and sporting sides, boys who have spent some time in the Preparatory School, more than hold their own with those who have not. Be that 'as it may! That which really does count, is the fact that quite a number of our old boys are showing definite understanding, of the meaning of a life of service. They are, quite voluntarily, accepting responsibility and developing 'as leaders in many of the School's activities, not least of which is one, recently brought under my notice by Dr. Buntine, dealing with the United Nations' Organization.

Appreciation.

The entire well-being of a school does not depend on its staff alone, but in no small part on the interest shown, and the help given by its friends. The Kindergarten Parents' Association deserves commendation for the continuance of 'their good work throughout the year. Besides being extremely helpful on social occasions, they have contributed freely towards both in-door and out-door equipment.

We are much indebted and very grateful to all who have made gifts to the school in the way of books for the library, donations to the prize fund or, during temporary periods of staff shortage, have given personal service in the classroom. The boarders, I feel sure, would like me to thank one who never fails to make his contribution to their inner man.

It is with much pleasure that I announce 'a further addition to the School's Prize List, as from this year. The award will be made on more or less Rhodes' lines and will be presented annually. It is likely that a Junior and 'a Senior prize will be available.

This has been made possible through the generosity of one of our parents who has provided a sum of money, the whole of the in-

come from which will be devoted to the "James and Dolina Arbuckle Memorial Prize.

In thanking the donor for this most acceptable gift, and congratulating her on the wisdom shown in the choice of a memorial to her parents, may I say, how much the School appreciates such a lasting tribute.

Accommodation.

For many years now, parts of the School have moved and had their being in various places. Owing to the addition of a fine, large, airy classroom on the north west side of the oval, this year, we have been able to work together in our own allotted area. This addition has made a vast difference to the working of the School during actual class periods and I am deeply grateful to Dr. Buntine and the College Council for relieving the strain somewhat.

Nevertheless, I find we are akin to the boy we teach, inasmuch that though, eventually, we succeed in placing him wholly within his garment he is greatly handicapped in movement. To confine, some 275 small boys to the playing space now available, and, at the same time endeavour to protect windows and property generally, is leading to the word "don't" occupying too prominent a place, as far as free play is concerned.

Whilst I am fully aware of the fact that it is not possible to have classrooms and the ground as well, I feel that there should be some explanation of why your son should go home and tell you that our constant cry is "Don't play ball here" or "Don't play cricket there." We have not abandoned free play. We are just like the boy and his garment. However, as some sixty boys will move to Senior School next year, and our intake has automatically restricted itself, conditions should improve.

Staff Changes.

We regret that, next year we shall be without the services of Miss Judith French, a very willing helper, who, over the last four years has shown a lively interest in all branches of School life. She leaves, carrying with her our best wishes for her future success and happiness in her new position, close to her parents, who have now taken up residence in Melbourne. Her place will be taken by Miss Palmer who comes to us after several years teaching experience in New Zealand.

Conclusion.

The state of the world today forces one to realize more than ever how much depends on those who teach and those who learn in our schools. So many problems confront us, that we are apt to become bewildered.

Opinions differ as to what should be done to overcome our difficulties though if you will note, they all dwell on improving a materialistic world. This is all very good and very comforting but might it not be that we suffer from 'a moral ill rather than a social one? If we are what we profess to be—a Christian Community—then, I take it, that we do realize the necessity for common honesty in our dealings with one another. We do believe that "What is good" will eventually triumph over

"what is evil." In the campaign for supremacy there will be many setbacks but it is during these setbacks that we must appreciate the fact that we cannot have the privileges of calling ourselves Christian, and accepting the benefits derived therefrom, without shouldering our share of responsibility. The campaign will be just as successful as we as individuals are prepared to make it, but what can schools such as these do in the face of a disinterested com-

Perhaps there is nothing. However as I see things, there is no place better equipped for this training than a Church School. Many are of the opinion that these schools cannot survive the struggle called for in these mercenary days but, despite having walked in company with Giant Despair all times, I feel that on the contrary, those that live up to the principles for which they were established may yet play a definite part in establishing a saner world—a world in which the two great commandments are not only generally accepted but actually practised.

If we come to consider it, a school does not live in the main, by its success either at sport or academically, although they are excellent and helpful adjuncts. It lives, or should live, for the service it can render to the community at large. At rock bottom, a school lives because of the spirit that animates it. If it puts first things first and has the courage to maintain a true sense of values at all times, it cannot fail to leave its mark on those who pass through it. As a matter of course, it will produce a percentage of men possessed of that grim determination to overcome difficulties and accept hardships for a cause they know to be right, because of the influence their school has had on their lives and their outlook. If ever the world called for men of this calibre, surely this is the day.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPORTS

The Preparatory School Sports Meeting was held on the Senior Oval on Wednesday, October 18. Conditions were ideal and several records were broken.

There was an excellent attendance of parents and friends and the serving of afternoon tea by the Kindergarten Mothers' Association was greatly appreciated by all.

The House Competition was keenly contested, eventually Bellerophon winning from Helicon and Pegasus.

R. K. Ackland is to be congratulated on winning the Preparatory Schools Championship, thereby capping a very creditable series of athletic performances throughout his Prep. School career.

The detailed results are as follows:—

Prep. Championship:

R. K. Ackland, 1; J. W. Lang, 2.

Under 13 Championship:

R. K. Ackland, 1; F. S. McArthur, and P.

H. Falconer (equal).

Under 12 Championship:

R. C. McDonald, 1; G. G. Wood, 2.

Under 11 Championship:

H. D. Sutcliffe, 1; I. L. Burn, 2.

Under 10 Championship: —

J. N. Burrell, 1; P. J. Leach, 2.

Under 9 Championship:

R. M. Gorell, 1; M. R. Clarke, 2.

The following established records:

J. W. Lang, open 600 yds. Time, 1 min. 45.8 secs.; R. Ackland, under 13 high jump. Height, 4 ft. 7½ ins.; J. Burrell, under 10 75 yds. Time, 10.6 secs.; J. Burrell, under 10 100 yds., Time, 14 secs.

The detailed results are as follows:—

220 yds. (Preparatory championship): A. Ackland, 1; J. Lang, 2; S. McArthur, 3. Time, 28-3/5 secs. Long Jump: S. McArthur, 1; P. Falconer, 2; J. Kerr, 3. Distance, 13 ft. 6½ ins. Long Jump (under 13 championship): S. McArthur, 1; P. Falconer, 2; B. Cogle, 3. Distance, 13 ft. 2 in. Long Jump (under 12 championship): R. McDonald, 1; D. Hinchliffe, 2; Redpath, 3. Distance, 11 ft. 5 in. 660 yds.: J. Lang, 1; P. Falconer, 2; S. McArthur, 3; Time, 1 min. 45.8 secs. (Record). Sack Race (under 9, 35 yds.): Fallaw, 1; Collins, 2; Gellie, 3. Sack Race (open, 50 yds.): Dennis, 1; McGowan, 2; Gellie, 3. Sack Race (under 11, 35 yds.): Henderson, 1; Alexander, 2; Pennicott, 3. 75 yards (under 13 championship): Ackland, 1; McArthur, 2; Falconer, 3. Time, 9.5. 75 yds. (under 11 championship): Sutcliffe, 1; Brown, 2; Henderson, 3. Time, 10-2/5. Egg and Spoon Race (open 50 yds.): First Heat—Wood, 1; Bumpstead, 2; Morrison, 3. Second Heat—Wood, 1; Kayser, 2; Kerr, 3. Third Heat—Fram, 1; Lee, 2; Apled, 3. Final—Wood, 1; Bumpstead, 2; Morrison, 3. Egg and Spoon Race (under 9, 35 yds.): First Heat—Jarman, 1; Gellie, 2; Morrison, 3. Second Heat—R. Smith, 1; Clark, 2; Fallaw, 3. Final: Clark, 1; Gellie, 2; Jarman, 3. Egg and Spoon Race (under 11, 35 yds.): First Heat—Gellie, 1; Lester, 2; Price, 3. Second Heat—Gellie, 1; Alexander, 2; Stubbs, 3. Third Heat—Gross, 1; McKenzie, 2; Leach, 3. Final: Gellie, 1; Gross, 2; Leach, 3.

75 yds. (under 9 championship): Gorell, 1; Clark, 2; Burger, 3. Time, 11-1/5. 75 yds. (under 12 championship): McDonald, 1; Wood, 2; McClure, 3. Time, 10-1/5. 75 yds. (under 10 championship): Burrell, 1; Leach, 2; P. Gross and Laidlaw, equal, 3. Time, 10-3/5. (Record). High Jump (under 13 championship): Ackland, 1; Falconer, 2; Norwood, 3. Height, 4 ft. 7½ in. (Record). High Jump (under 12 championship): R. McDonald, 1; D. Quick, 2; P. Morrison, and P. Troy, equal, 3. Height, 3 ft. 10 ins. 50 yds. handicap (under 9): First Heat—Gellie, 1; Davies, 2; Fallaw, 3. Second Heat—Cawthorn, 1; Collins, 2; Smith, 3. Final: Clark, 1; Gellie, 2; Collins, 3. 75 yds. Handicap (under 10): First Heat—Gross, 1; Laidlaw, 2; Leach, 3. Second Heat—Burrell, 1; McKenzie, 2; McCann, 3. Final: Gross, 1; Laidlaw, 2; Leach, 3. 100 yds. (Preparatory championship): Ackland, 1; McGowan, 2; Hall, 3. Time, 12-1/5. 100 yds. (under 11 championship): Sutcliffe, 1; Burn, 2; Pearce, 3. Time, 13-9/10. Potato Race (under 9): First Heat—Gibson, 1; Cawthorn,

2; Gorell, 3. Second Heat—Madden, 1; L. Smith, 2; Burger, 3. Final: Madden, 1; Gorell, 2; Clark, 3. Flag Race (open 800 yds.): Helicon, 1; Pegasus, 2. Time, 1.51-2/5.

High Jump (Preparatory Championship): Ackland, 1; Lang, 2; Carr, 3. Height, 4 ft. 5 in. 100 yds. (under 10 championship): Burrell, 1; Leach, 2; Laidlaw, 3. Time, 14 sec. Record.) Manx Race (75 yds.): Fraser, 1; Hurst, 2; Sanderson, 3. 100 yds. handicap (under 11): First Heat—Sutcliffe, 1; Lester, 2; Hirst, 3. Second Heat—Be ll, 1; Burn, 2; Hewett, 3. Final: Sutcliffe, 1; Bell, 2; Hewett, 3. 100 yds. (under 12 championship): McDonald, 1; Wood, 2; Moore, 3. Time, 13 sec. Potato Race (open): First Heat—Mabin, 1; Wood, 2; Howden, 3. Second Heat—McGowan, 1; Lang, 2; Cogle, 3. Final: Howden, 1; McGowan, 2; Wood, 3. Potato Race (under 11): First Heat—Burn, 1; Stubbs, 2; Kidd, 3. Second Heat—Sutcliffe, 1; Hewett, 2; Alexander, 3. Third Heat—Gross, 1; Burrell, 2; Leach, 3. Final: Kidd, 1; Sutcliffe, 2; Burn, 3.

100 yds. (under 12 championship): Ackland, 1; Cogle, 2; Kinder, 3. Time, 13 sec. 100 yds. Handicap (open): Wills, 1; Wood, 2; Mabin, 3. 100 yds. Handicap (under 12): First Heat—Sanderson, 1; Redpath, 2; Deakin, 3. Second Heat—McDonald, 1; Lumsden, 2; Naughton, 3. Final: Sanderson, 1; Redpath, 2; Deakin, 3. 100 yds. Handicap (under 13): Kinder, 1; Falconer, 2; Cogle, 3. Slow Bicycle Race (open): Wills, 1; Moore, 2; Firth, 3. Slow Bicycle Race (under 11): Bodey, 1; Laidlaw, 2; Leach, 3. Flag Race (under 10), 400 yds.: Helicon, 1; Bell, 2; Obstacle Race (under 11): Lester, 1; Hirst, 2; Moreton, 3. Obstacle Race (open): Kerr, 1; Ackland, 2; P. Hirst, 3. Flag Race (under 12, 600 yds.): Bellerophon, 1; Helicon, 2. Time, 1.30.

Old Boys' Race (120 yds.): Final—J. Hill and D. Stewart, equal, 1; P. Fleming, 3. Time, 14.5 sec.

KINDERGARTEN

It was with very sincere regret that we parted with Mrs. Kew, who, during her short stay here, so ably took charge of the younger children in the Kindergarten. At the beginning of the term we were happy to welcome Miss Vale to our staff.

Whilst speaking of our staff, changes we would like to pass on our best wishes for her future success, to Miss Frencham, who is leaving us to take a teaching position in Melbourne.

On October 28th the boys gathered on the oval for that all important event in their year, Sports Day. We wish to thank Mr. Watson and his helpers who took charge of the programme for us. We congratulate Kenneth Apled on winning the Kinder Championship for 1950.

Interest in the installation of outdoor equipment is very high and a great deal of work

has been done by the Parents' Association to help us in achieving our ambitions. Proceeds from the afternoon tea and cake stalls at the Preparatory and Kindergarten Sports are to be used to provide a "log swing," which we hope to have for the coming year. Our climbing frame should also be ready for the boys next term. Several parents during the year have kindly donated toys, etc., and we do thank them most sincerely.

Throughout the year the parents have shown a keen interest in their Association meetings. These meetings included very informative discussions on England and Canada by Mrs. Kew and Mrs. W. P. B. Brown, also an instructive exhibition of knitting by "Paton & Baldwin" representatives. We again congratulate the committee and their helpers on a most successful year.

Our Christmas party is to be held on December 4th, when Rev. G. A. Wood will present the awards. All gifts brought by the boys will again be sent to the Kildonan Homes. While the party is in progress the parents will be entertained at afternoon tea on the lawns. There will also be an exhibition of work.

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BAND NOTES.

1950 has not been one of the most successful years for the band, but in spite of difficulties it has not been a failure. One of the difficulties is that we are still without a bandmaster, although Mr. Smith has been able to give us some of his time. Under his direction we managed to give a reasonable performance of the minuet from "Samson," by Handel, and a selection from Verdi's "La Traviata" at the second term concert. These items were also played at the School's music festival on August 18, with the Geelong Grammar Band.

During the intervals of public school football matches at the College, the band played march selections, which were well received.

The only new member of the band since first term is Richard Hills, who has been playing a baritone since he joined.

This year's house music competitions provided a further interruption to band practices. They took up a great deal of time and little work was done towards the end of second term, with the result that when we went

THE EXPLORATION SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the G.C.E.S. was held in the Morrison Hall on Saturday evening 5th August.

The President (Dr. Buntine) referred to the success of the year's activities and expressed the society's thanks to all those who had made possible the trips undertaken. Films were shown of the great hydro-electric works at Kiewa which were visited by a party of boys in January last, and of the camps at Wilson's Promontory and the Eastern Rivers in May 1949 and 1950 respectively.

At this meeting short talks were given by T. H. Leggatt and D. G. Dunoon both of whom took part in the Kiewa trip. Later Mr. J. M. Bechervaise showed some of his splendid colour stills and Mr. J. Ward presented for us an 8 m.m. film of the "Birdsville Track" taken recently by a university student.

Following the showing of the films and slides, a short business meeting was held. Mr. Bechervaise was elected a Patron of the Society and later spoke of the recent formation of similar societies at other schools. He also pointed out that the Australian Geographic Society is interested in the work being done in this field and would later sponsor a combined schools' expedition to some place of interest and importance.

The following office-bearers were elected:— President (Dr. M. A. Buntine); Vice-Presidents, Messrs. B. R. Keith, A. J. Firth and D. Webb; Ramblers' Guild Council Members, T. H. Leggatt, D. G. Dunoon, P. G. Fleming; School Members of Committee: G. W. Barker, I. Porteous, G. Crawford; Old Collegian Members: Messrs. A. B. Simson and F. W. Elliott; Treasurer: Mr. E. G. Martin.

The Treasurer's Statement, as follows was received and adopted.

to camp, we were rather unprepared. However, constant practice during the duration of the camp improved the standard greatly, and as our repertoire seemed to be by far the most extensive of the bands in camp, we returned quite pleased.

In third term the band has had little to do and our practices have been concentrated on a Sullivan selection, which will be played at the concert, and also on speech day.

G.N.H.

GEELONG COLLEGE EXPLORATION SOCIETY.

Statement 5/8/1950.

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.
By Balance 31/3/49.....	100	2	8
„ Proceeds of Lecture 9/4/49	5	1	6
„ Donations—			
Mr. J. H. Boardman	10	0	
Mr. J. H. Ward	5	0	0
	—————	5	10
„ Balance re Expedition May, 1949	11	14	0
„ Balance re Expedition January 1950	16	10	1
„ Balance re Expedition May 1950	26	9	0
„ Resale of Groceries to the College	8	8	5
„ Resale of 16 m.m. Reels11	5	0
„ Cash on Hand.....	5	5	
	£185	6	1

EXPENDITURE

	£	s.	d.
To Canvas and Sports Co.....	19	5	0
„ J. K. R. Clarke.....	1	0	0
„ Sanax Co.....	7	1	0
„ Dicks'on's Pharmacy—			
(16 m.m. Reels).....	18	15	0
„ Robert Purnell Pty. Ltd.			
(Petrol).....	17	1	0
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(Cartage).....	19	0	
„ Heath's Motors Pty. Ltd.....	4	15	3
„ Heath's Motors Pty. Ltd.			
(Tyres).....	66	6	0
„ Insurance on Trucks.....	2	10	8
„ Registration on Trucks.....	24	1	6
„ B'alance.....	6	10	8

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ANAKIE-WERRIBEE GORGE HIKE

On Thursday, September 14, at 8 a.m., a party of three masters and twenty-seven boys left the H.O.G. in the two trucks, for a four-day hike through the Anakie Forest and up the Werribee Gorge. At about 10 a.m. we arrived at a pre-arranged spot on the Geelong-Ballan Road. At 10.30, travelling comparatively light, we left the trucks and marched

through the bush in a general N.E. direction until after mid-day, when we had lunch. Soon after lunch we made for a road on which we would locate the trucks, but after a very short march we came upon a new road, which proved to be the wrong one. After following it for some miles we came to the right track and were soon met by the trucks. We were driven to a suitable site, and pitched camp.

The following day we had breakfast in the rain, and then took to the trucks, to go to Bacchus Marsh. We still had some miles to go when the radiator on Bertha was found to be leaking. This meant that it had to be towed to Bacchus Marsh and left until after the hike when it could be towed home. All gear, and some of the party, set out in Lena for the gorge while the rest waited in town. The truck took us as far as possible, and at 12.30 we pitched camp. After dinner, several people went for a swim in a nearby dam, and that night we had a camp fire.

Early next morning we left camp and followed an irrigation channel up to the gorge. The sides of the gorge rise almost sheer for six hundred feet, and in one particular place they rise perpendicularly out of the river. Here it was decided that the party should leave their packs and make their way round the rock face, assisted by senior members who would afterwards carry their packs round. About a hundred and fifty yards further on we stopped for lunch on a flat piece of ground, and decided to camp. After lunch, most of the party swam in a deep pool nearby, and later a small party climbed the side of the gorge. Light rain fell soon after tea, but the weather cleared, and we had a fine night.

At 10.30 next morning we climbed out of the gorge and cut across to a spot where we were shown some glacial scratchings on a rock face. We returned to the truck for lunch, after which we left for Bacchus Marsh. Having loaded the trucks we set out for Geelong

On behalf of the party, I would like to thank Mr. Keith and all concerned with the organisation of the trip, for the excellent way in which things were arranged. I would also like to add my appreciation to all members for their co-operation.

Those who took part in this pleasant outing were:—

H.Q. Group: Dr. Buntine, Messrs. Keith and Firth; T. Leggatt, J. Heggie, G. Vines.

Group Leaders: I. Jacobs, G. Keith, J. Buntine, G. Palmer.

Athletic Notes

SCHOOL SPORTS.

The weather was very pleasant on Saturday, 21st October, for the School Sports, which were held on the College Oval. A highlight of the programme was the Veterans' Plate for Old Boys, who had left school for 25 years or more. Several familiar figures were seen to start, but fewer finished.

Although J. E. H. Hill scored the greatest number of points, the Geelong College Cup went to J. C. McColl, as Hill has won the cup previously. J. G. Howden was runner-up in the Open, and won the Norman Morrison Cup. To them both and to the other under-age champions we extend our congratulations.

During the afternoon, R. B. Turner putted the weight 38 feet, to break the Under 16 Weight Putt record.

The House Medley Relay record was also reduced by the Warrinn team by 5 seconds, to 10 minutes 10 seconds.

The House Competition was keenly contested, the final results being as follows:

1st, Shannon, 170½; 2nd, Warrinn, 155½; 3rd, Morrison, 102; 4th, Calvert, 93.

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INTER-HOUSE AND CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

OPEN: 1, J. C. McColl, 32 points (The Geelong College Cup); 2, J. G. Howden, 15 points (Norman Morrison Cup); 3, W. B. Hodgson.

UNDER 16: 1, R. B. Turner, 33 points (G. W. C. Ewan Cup); 2, G. D. Wright, 22 points; 3, R. C. McDiarmid, 18 points.

UNDER 15: 1, G. L. Keith (Athol Wilson Cup), 19 points; 2, J. N. Anderson, 15 points; 3, G. Quick, 9 points.

UNDER 14: 1, R. L. Caithness (E. R. Sparrow Cup), 27 points; 2, A. T. Heard, 10 points; 3, M. M. Calvert, 9 points.

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OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

100 Yards: 1st, Hill (S); 2nd McColl (S); 3rd, Howden (C). Time, 11 secs. 220 Yards: 1st, McColl (S); 2nd, Hill (S); 3rd Howden (C). Time, 24.4 secs. 440 Yards: 1st, Hill (S); 2nd, McColl (S); 3rd, Baird (C). Time, 54 sec. 880 Yards: 1st, Hill (S); 2nd, Hodgson (M); 3rd, Neeri (W). Time, 2 min. 7.6 sec. Mile: 1st, McDermid (S); 2nd, Leggatt

Group Seconds: G. Quick, R. Ingpen, P. Vibert, R. Vines.

Trainee Hikers: J. Backwell, J. Condon, B. Head, S. Reilly, D. Gregory, A. McDonald, R. Miller, R. Money, B. Stott, B. Thorn, K. Thomson, G. Stephens, G. Stevens, N. Sherson, G. Saxton, A. Tatlock.

(C); 3rd, Wallace-Smith (M). Time, 4 min. 50 sec. 120 Yards Hurdles: 1st, Ackman (C); 2nd McNaughton (S); 3rd, Sutherland (M). Time, 17.4 sec. Weight Putt: 1st, Hill (S); 2nd, McColl (S); 3rd, Cameron (M). Dist, 37 ft. 9½ in. High Jump: 1st, Gibb (W); 2nd, Vines (S); 3rd, Coles (C). Height, 5 ft. 6 in. Long Jump: 1st, Dearnaley (W); 2nd, Watts (S); 3rd, Stephinson (C). Distance, 18 ft. 6½ in.

UNDER 16

100 Yards: 1st, Turner (W); 2nd, McDiarmid (W); 3rd, McKindley (S). Time, 11.3 sec. 220 Yards: 1st, Turner; 2nd, McDiarmid; 3rd, McKindley. Time, 26 secs. 100 Yards Hurdles: 1st, Wright (S); 2nd, McDiarmid (W); 3rd, Davie (W). Time, 15.2 sec. High Jump: 1st, Wright (S); 2nd eq. Halford (M), Turner (W). Height, 5 ft. 3 in. Long Jump: 1st, Turner (W); 2nd, Wright (S); 3rd, McKindley (S). Distance, 17 ft. 5½ in. Weight Putt: 1st, Turner (W); 2nd, Hassell (W); 3rd, Clement (M). Distance, 38 ft. (record).

UNDER 15

100 Yards: 1st, Keith (S); 2nd, Allitt (W); 3rd, Lockwood (C). Time, 12 sec. 220 Yards: 1st, Keith (S); 2nd, Anderson (W); 3rd, Lockwood (C). Time, 27 secs. Lone Jump: 1st, Anderson (W); 2nd, Saxton (S); 3rd, Keith (S). Distance, 15 ft. 9 in. High Jump: 1st, Quick (C); 2nd, McDonald (M); 3rd eq., Saxton (S), Smith (W). Height, 5 ft.

UNDER 14.

100 Yards: 1st, Caithness (M); 2nd Heard (M); 3rd, McDonald (W). Time, 11.8 sec. 220 Yards: 1st, Caithness (M); 2nd, Heard (M); 3rd, Calvert (S). Time, 27.8 sec. Long Jump: 1st, Caithness (M); 2nd Madden (W); 3rd, Calvert (S). Distance, 16 ft. 4½ in. High Jump: 1st, Lawler (C); 2nd, Watson (M); 3rd, Caithness (M). Height, 4 ft. 7 in.

RELAY RESULTS

MEDLEY HOUSE RELAY: 1st, Warrinn; 2nd, Calvert; 3rd, Shannon. Time, 10 min. 10-1/5th sec. (record).

1,320 YARDS OPEN: 1st, Calvert (Scott, Kneebone, Howden, I. C.; Stephinson, Stewart, D. W.; Simmons); 2nd, Shannon; 3rd, Morrison.

660 YARDS UNDER 16: 1st, Warrinn (Drennan, Beard, Logan, Hassell); 2nd, Morrison, 3rd, Calvert. Time, 1 min. 18-4/5th sec.

440 YARDS UNDER 15: 1st, Shannon (Kirwin, Warnock, Nettleton, Saxton); 2nd, Warrinn; 3rd, Morrison. Time, 52.4 sec.

400 YARDS UNDER 14: 1st, Warrinn (Barker, Logan, E. R.; Myers, Madden); 2nd, Calvert; 3rd, Morrison. Time, 52.4 sec.

OLD COLLEGIANS' CUP (120 Yards): 1, K. Gilbert; 2, H. Holmes; 3, A. L. Grant. Time, 13.2 sec.

VETERANS' PLATE (75 yards): 1, H. R. Fidge; 2, A. T. Tait; 3rd, C. L. Hirst.

QUADRANGULAR SPORTS.

Quadrangular Sports were held this year on Saturday, 28th October, on the College Oval. Although College's team was seriously weakened by injuries, they performed creditably to fill third position. There were several excellent performances, notably those of Turner (College) in the Under 16 Broad Jump, and Thomas (High) in the Mile. The points scored were as follows:

Geelong Grammar (G)	161
Melbourne High (H)	111
Geelong College (C)	90
St. Joseph's (J)	32

Results

OPEN: 880 Yards: 1, Shaw (J), L Cohen (H); High Jump: 1, Monger (G); 2, McDonald (G), I. Stines. Weight Putt: 1, Cameron (G), 2, Varey (G). Hurdles: 1, Izon (G) Meakin (J). 220 Yards: 1, Fowler (H), McColl (C). Broad Jump: 1, Murray (G); 2 equal, Stines (H); Luxton (G). Mile: 1, Thomas (H); 2, Macdermid (C). 440 Yards: 1, Coultas (G); 2, Fowler (H). 100 Yards: 1, Stines (H); 2, Fowler (H).

UNDER 16: Broad Jump: 1, Turner (C); 2, Patterson (G). 100 Yards: 1, Baylen (H); 2, Stubbings (G). High Jump: 1, Ludbrook (G); 2, Wright (C). 220 Yards: 1, Stubbings (G); 2, Turner (C). Hurdles: 1, Jones (G); 2, Wright (C).

UNDER 15: 100 Yards: 1, Sapir (H); 2, King (G). 220 Yards: 1, Sapir (H); 2, Tuttle (H).

RELAYS

OPEN—880 Relay: 1 Grammar, 2 High, 3 College. Mile Medley: 1 Grammar, 2 College, 3 High.

UNDER 16—880 Relay 1 Grammar, 2 College, 3 St. Joseph's. 440 Yards Relay: 1 Grammar, 2 St. Joseph's, 3 College.

UNDER 15—880 Relay: 1 High, 2 Grammar, 3 St. Joseph's.

COMBINED SPORTS.

This year, the Combined Sports were again held at St. Kilda Cricket Ground on Saturday, 4th November, and, fortunately, the heavy rain held off long enough for the sports to be run.

In spite of a fairly heavy track, the times registered were quite up to the usual high standard. After several events, the competition became keenly fought out between Melbourne Grammar, Scotch, and Geelong Grammar.

The College team did not do as well as expected, but several boys ran exceptionally well. John Coles hurdled well to come a close second in the Open Hurdles. J. Hill did very well to fill second and third places in the 880 Yards and 440 Yards respectively. MacDermid's Mile and Hodgson's 880 in the Medley were other outstanding performances.

Championship Points

Melbourne Grammar	80
Scotch College	59
Geelong Grammar	56
Xavier College	44½
Wesley College	39½
Geelong College	25

Results

OPEN—880 Yards: J. E. H. Hill, 2nd High Jump; G. J. G. Vines 4th. 100 Yards: J. C. McColl 6th. Weight Putt J. E. H. Hill 6th. 120 Yards Hurdles: J. G. Coles 2nd. 220 Yards: J. C. McColl 5th. Broad Jump: F. Dearnaley 6th. One Mile: A. N. McDiarmid 3rd. 440 Yards: J. E. H. Hill 3rd.

UNDER 16: Broad Jump: R. B. Turner 4th. 100 Yards: R. McDiarmid 6th. High Jump: G. D. Wright 5th. 220 Yards: R. B. Turner 4th. 100 Yards Hurdles: G. D. Wright 6th.

UNDER 15—100 Yards: R. L. Caithness 6th. 220 Yards: R. L. Caithness 5th.

RELAYS

OPEN—880 Yards: (E. C. Baird, M. V. S. Dennis, D. C. Fallaw, J. G. Howden, P. J. Negri, G. G. Quail), 5th.

ONE-MILE MEDLEY: (G. G. Quail, P. J. Negri, J. C. McColl, W. B. Hodgson). 3rd.

UNDER 16—880 Yards: (N. L. McKindlay, R. C. McDiarmid, R. J. Beard, G. Keith, C. D. Hassel, G. J. Crawford), 2nd.

440 Yards Hurdles: (N. L. McKindlay, M. S. John, K. Felming, R. McDiarmid). 4th.

UNDER 15—880 Yards (J. O. Saxton, T. S. Dennis, A. T. Heard, A. J. Holmes, J. N. Anderson, G. McDonald), 6th.

TENNIS.

Tennis during the latter part of third term was rather spoilt due to bad weather conditions, although it held its usual popularity, as was seen by the large number of entries in the tournament.

Tennis seems to be still a minor sport in the College and it is felt in some circles that inter-Public School tennis should be started and take its place with the other major Public School Competitions.

The School Championship resulted in some very interesting tennis being seen from the first round to the final.

In the Open Championship, the singles semi-finals were won comparatively easily by Merriman, who defeated Smith, 6-3, 7-5, and Woodward, who defeated Henderson, 6-1, 6-0, thus leaving Merriman and Woodward, both sound players, to meet in the final.

In the Open Doubles, Woodward and Coles, the undefeated pair in the House tennis, won their semi-final against Leggatt and Baird, 6-4, 6-0. This match proved very interesting, with all four playing good tennis. In the other semi-final, Merriman and Henderson met Wallace Smith and McLaren.

The Under 15 Championship revealed two promising juniors in Hargreaves and Williams. Hargreaves defeated Williams in the final, but



ATHLETICS TEAM.

STANDING—R. L. Caithness, F. A. J. Dea-naley, J. G. Coles, R. B. Turner, D. G. Wright, R. C. McDiarmid.

SEATED—A. N. Macdermid, J. C. McColl (Capt. of Aths.), Mr. C. F. H. Ipsen, G. J. G. Vines, J. E. H. Hill.

both showed a lot of ability and should develop into good players.

The House tennis this year was not up to the usual high standard. Coles and Woodward, who won all their matches, being the only pair that formed a sound combination. They, together with Merriman and Leggatt, were largely responsible for Calvert's winning all their rubbers. Several interesting matches were seen, which developed into marathons before finally being won. The results were:

Calvert, 1; Morrison, 2; Shannon, 3; Warrinn, 4.

HOUSE TENNIS RESULTS

Shannon 3 d. Warrinn 2:

McNaughton-Weaver d. Quail-Hassell, 6-2, 6-3; and d. Porteous-Israel, 6-0, 6-4. Hill-Macdermid lost to Quail-Hassell, 6-0, 6-4; and lost to Porteous-Israel, 6-2, 5-6, 4-6.

Calvert 4 d. Morrison 1:

Coles-Woodward d. McLaren-Wallace Smith, 6-2, 6-4; and d. Smith-Cameron, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3. Leggatt-Merriman d. Smith-Cameron, 6-1, 5-6, 7-5; and lost to McLaren-Wallace-Smith, 5-6, 4-6. Metcalf-Fletcher d. Alder-Clement, 10-7.

Morrison 3 d. Shannon 2:

McLaren-Wallace Smith d. McNaughton-Weaver, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; and d. Hill-Macdermid, 6-2, 6-3. Smith-Cameron lost to McNaughton-Weaver, 5-6, 6-4, 5-7; and d. Hill-Macdermid, 6-1, 6-3. Adler-Clement lost to Money-Williams, 5-10.

Calvert 4 d. Warrinn 1:

Coles-Woodward d. Quail-Hassell; 6-3, 6-5; and d. Porteous-Israel, 6-0, 6-4. Leggatt-Merriman d. Quail-Hassell, 5-6, 6-3, 6-3; and d. Porteous-Israel, 6-2, 6-4. Metcalf-Fletcher lost to Brommell-Hargreaves, 3-10.

Calvert 3 defeated Shannon 2:

Coles-Woodward d. McNaughton-Weaver, 6-3, 6-4; and d. Hill-Macdermid, 6-0, 6-0. Leggatt-Merriman lost to McNaughton-Weaver, 5-6, 6-2, 2-6; and d. Hill-Macdermid, 6-0, 6-1. Metcalf-Fletcher lost to Money-Williams, 3-10.

Morrison 5 d. Warrinn 0:

Wallace-Smith-McLaren d. Quail-Hassell, 6-4, 6-4; and d. Porteous-Israel, 6-4, 5-6, 6-2. Smith-Cameron d. Quail-Hassell, 6-4, 6-4; and d. Porteous-Israel, 6-1, 6-0. Clement-Adler d. Brommell-Hargreaves, 10.3.

Lapses Into Literature

CIVILIZATION.

In a matter of six weeks one may travel the eleven thousand miles from London to Melbourne by fast mail steamers. At the same time the "Overland" railway enables people to travel the two thousand odd miles from Melbourne to Perth in two days, while the same journey may be done by aeroplane in less than nine hours. Such are the ways of travelling long distances, but science has enabled us to travel short distances with equal convenience. We have the aid of trams, cars, buses, and trains to take us for 'our short journeys. All these are part of our modern civilization, and we are justly proud of them.

At the same time our vast civilization is characterized by the numerous conveniences we have in the home. For our entertainment we have the radio, with television just round the corner as it were. The endless household tasks are made easier by such aids as vacuum cleaners, washing machines, gas and electric stoves, hot Water services, and a host of similar devices. No longer need hours be spent over the wash tub in the burdensome task of washing, and no longer must the prospective bather work frantically to obtain the last drop of hot water from the all too temperamental chip heater. What a boon such things have become to families and especially to the housewife, and what a sorry plight we would be in without them. Yes, we have very good reason to be proud of our civilization.

Then again, we have more to consider than the material aspect of civilization. After all we have made great strides in the improvement of educational facilities, trade unionism has made much easier the lot of the working man, 'and social services have greatly lightened the burdens of the old-aged, the fatherless, and the crippled. Our hospitals provide proper care for the sick "and the maimed, and institutions everywhere lend assistance to our less fortunate fellows who have been in some way incapacitated, either mentally or bodily. What better reason could we have for being proud of our civilization?

And proud we are! There is no denying the fact. We are immensely proud of this civilization which keeps us closely in touch with other parts of the world; this civilization which enables us to slaughter a hundred

thousand people in the twinkling of an eye, and to bring about slow and agonizing death to thousands more; this civilization which would rather have Olympic Games than the rebuilding of our vast slum areas; this civilization which finds it so difficult to support its hospitals that it requires a lottery, and yet which can spend thousands of pounds weekly on gambling and liquor; this civilization in which moral standards are ebbing and in which crime has become such a common feature that people take a delight in reading the latest crime news; this civilisation in which we find so much time taken up by movies, races, football and other such entertainments that few of us can spare an hour or two each week to remember our Creator! Yes, we are SO proud of our civilization, the greatest the world has known. And yet, how few of us realize that we are going the self-s'ame way as the great civilizations before us, those of Babylon, of Persia, of Egypt, and of Rome. What are they today? Nothing but phantoms of the past. The ancient Babylonians were proud of their civilization, but they failed to heed the writing on the wall. So it was with Persia, with Egypt, and with Rome . . .

"MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN." Are we going to heed the writing, or shall we too be as Babylon the Great? Babylon the Great is fallen, is fallen, and is become a habitation of devils . . ."

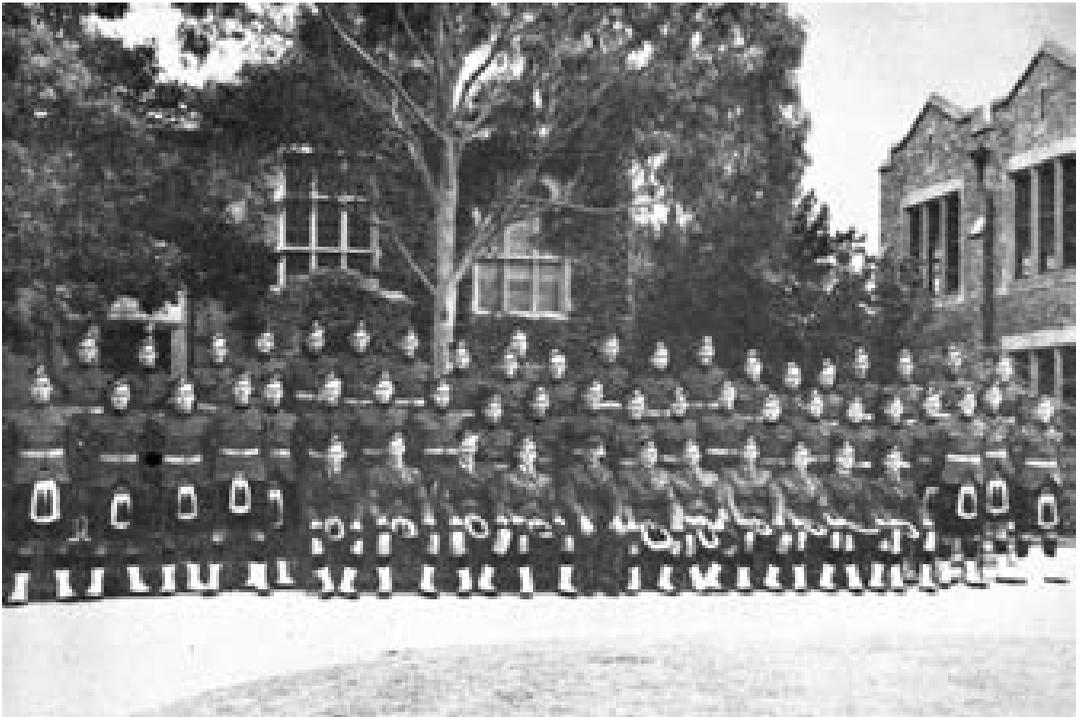
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MODERN POETRY.

Quite recently I decided to become a Modern Poet. This great inspiration came to me one day as I sat listening to the dextrous tearing to shreds of those imbeciles who masquerade under the pseudonym of Modern Poets. Being an adventurous youth I at once pictured myself in my mountain stronghold whence I had been forced to flee by those prosaic dilettantes who declare that no Modern Poet should exist. There was I, surrounded by a small band of faithful followers, my back against the wall, and the powder supply-running row.

I have not yet reached these circumstances but I am well on the way, as I am sure you will agree.



THE GUARD.

The principal thing to remember is that every rule of poetry is to be disobeyed—except one. That is the rule which says that one can quite often introduce something quite unintelligible. This action gives an opening to all these learned people who write books and argue profoundly on "what the poet meant when he said:-----" Those people who can't even guess what you mean will shake their heads sagely and remark on the extreme brilliance of the poet, while those who can devise some vestige of meaning will feel exalted at being intellectually above their fellows and will marvel at their 'own perspicacity.

There is great competition among Modern Poets to see who can write the most shapely poem. Great care is exercised in choosing the length of line so that the whole poem has a contour which will please the reader. Thus our poet is also a sculptor.

The capital outlay of the Modern Poet is not very great. The only things needed are a haunted castle (in which to live), a pencil and paper, a raucous voice (for radio interviews), sackcloth (for wearing), several spiders and some cobwebs (for inspiration purposes), and a rubber stamp (for autographs).

A. Mel. S. VE.

THOUGHTS ON THE SETTING SUN

The fiery orb sinks slowly, dying, in the West;
 While in the gold-horized sky the twinkling stars
 Peep forth, one here, one there; until at last
 The whole vast sky is one expanse of starry light
 That lends enchantment to the shadows of the night.

The fleeing birds wing swiftly to their cosy nests,
 And night-owls hooting from their daylight havens fly;
 And from a rippling pond the ceaseless croak
 Of courting frogs rings out to break the silence still,
 As night steps forth once more with touch so clear and chill.

And now the endless bustle of the daytime
 ends;
 And from a chimney here and there a gentle
 wisp
 Of smoke proclaims the kindling of a warm
 And welcome log-piled fire, a boon to workers
 home
 From office, fact'ry, quay, or fields of up-
 turned loam.

Another day is past, and now the fleeting
 hours
 Of night creep on, but in the West the day
 begins
 For those whose night is o'er: our setting sun
 Is rising in their Eastern sky; and so our
 night
 Is but for them a herald of the coming light.

And so for ages past, and ages yet to come,
 The same unceasing cycle has, and will bring-
 light
 To all Mankind: to white man, yellow man,
 And black: a token of the great and loving
 One
 Who made Mankind all equal 'neath the
 setting sun.

IOTA VI.

'OUR WORLD OF TO-MORROW'

Day by day we are being led slowly and unavoidably into "Our World of To-morrow." It will be the direct result of our plans and actions of to-day. We do not expect a sudden and complete change, because time has shown us that we learn only gradually to appreciate new things. Every political power is now setting down its plans for the future. The same main ideals are predominant throughout most countries; but where differences do occur each is slow to give way. Our greatest hope for a peaceful world lies in the successful combination of these plans.

Never has it been necessary for such close co-operation between nations as to-day. Modern inventions have brought us into such close contact with neighbouring countries that we must strive to appreciate fully their viewpoints. The prevailing spirit of fear and suspicion, hatred and jealousy must be replaced by trust and mutual care.

For lasting peace we must be sure that war-suppressed nations are not made to feel inferior: This sows seeds of hatred which can never be obliterated. Wars begin in the minds of men, so it is here we must plant the seeds of lasting peace. We must place the defeated on their own feet, with equality in politics, economics and culture with every other nation. We must get at the root cause of war—the refusal of nations to give up any sovereignty. The answer lies in world federa-

tion, in which States must sacrifice some of their sovereignty. It was this refusal of nations to cede sovereignty that prevented the League of Nations completing the tasks so well begun. Our plans to-day for to-morrow are being carried out by branches of the United Nations Organisation. This is one thing we cannot allow to fail if a worthwhile peace is to be set up.

We must plan successfully to-day for the control of atomic power. The substances, uranium and thorium, play a unique role in this domain, since, as far as we know, they are the only materials from which the nuclear fuel required for the development of atomic energy can be obtained. With the common consent of nations it would be easy to ensure that no deviation of material or installation takes place. Particular attention should be paid to the installations where concentrated nuclear fuel is produced, since the product lends itself immediately to the production of bombs. Much depends on the political feasibility of any system by which such control could be achieved.

A full functioning United Nations Organisation would ensure a peaceful "World of To-morrow." Only such an organisation has the correct channels through which nations may co-operate. Individuals have learned to surrender part of their independence to live together as useful members of society—now to

take a step forward we require nations to do the same. We must learn to give up prejudices, provincialism and to sacrifice certain privileges before we can appreciate our neighbour's viewpoint. These characteristics constitute the mental outlook of nations and cannot be strictly ruled out by law. Since nations are only a collection of individuals, it behoves each individual to play his part—for on the stage of life no "stand-ins" are available to play our part.

I.C.P., VI.

YASI.

Yasi had never known what it was like to have a full stomach or a good meal; never known what it was like to be well dressed; never known what it was like to have trustworthy friends; never known what it was like to live a life of security. His life had always been uncertain, for his father was in the Imperial Army and his mother had been compelled to work in order to support her family. When the war came, the life of Yasi and his family had become harder than ever before, and then came the day when his mother was killed in a bombing raid. Yasi was only ten, but he was forced to seek a living for himself. His father was he knew not where, and his brothers and sisters were seeking a living, too, all except baby Kosu, who was being looked after by elder sister, Hoseda. None of them had any friends, and Yasi finally drifted away from the rest of the family.

When, two years later, the hated enemy occupied his beloved island, Yasi was an ill-clothed, ill-fed, friendless urchin, roaming the villages and the countryside with no faith in himself or in anyone or anything, and with no hope for the future. He had seen his country reduced to ruin and starvation by the cruel war, and everything was topped off by the destruction of two of his country's greatest cities and the killing of tens of thousands of innocent citizens. This barbarous act filled his young heart with hatred for the white invaders, and he became a shrinking, furtive fugitive from everything that was honest and righteous. He did not see any point in living, and yet he continued to eke out a meagre existence by foul means and fair. A few tat-

tered rags, a rubbish can with some scraps in it, the shelter of a roof for the night; any of these was a goldmine for the young lad. His little frame was racked by cold and pain, fatigue and illness, until the day came when he was smitten by disease. He was taken to a hospital, and cared for as much as possible, and in the hospital he learnt of the ways and teachings of the white invaders. When he was well, he was given a job and a home, and he began to see the future. He began to have faith in himself. He almost began to believe there was such a thing as a God, and that he had a task to fulfil in the world, among his own people.

But Yasi is not the only one with a task to fulfil. There are many others who must help his countrymen, and we are among them. It is up to us to help Yasi and his fellow Japanese to recover from the trials and tribulations of warfare just as much, if not more, than we consider it our task to care for our own less fortunate countrymen. We must love our enemies, and do good to them that hate us, for our own sake, for their sake, and for the sake of the world.

IOTA VI.

THE OCEAN.

The gentle lap on the water's edge
 As the waves come rippling in,
 While high above in the cool, clear air
 A lonely seagull cries;
 Or the peaceful glint of the moon-flecked sea,
 The golden gleam of the sand,
 With the softest breeze from the distant deep
 And a thousand twinkling stars;
 The foam-crested waves from the billowy blue,
 The breakers' re-echoing roar;
 The relentless heat of the frowning sun
 In the cloudless azure sky:
 Such are the pictures I like of the sea,
 And such are the ones I have seen;
 But others have known the vast deep in a rage
 'Midst the shriek of the wind and the spume . . .

T.S.P., VI.

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Annual Membership from Jan. 1, 10/-; Life Membership, £55/-.

O.G.C.A. ACTIVITIES.

ANNUAL REUNION, 1950.

Old Boys' Day and Founder's Day were again celebrated conjointly this year when the annual reunion took place at the College on Friday, July 7. The College was actually opened on July 8, 1861, so that 1951 will see the completion of 90 years of history.

At the school service in the morning the principal speaker was Mr. J. B. Tait, K.C., LL.B., a former President of the Association, whose address dealt largely with the far-seeing wisdom of our founder, Dr. George Morrison.

In the afternoon the College football team treated visitors to an almost too exciting victorious finish in the match against Geelong Grammar School. The Annual Meeting took place in the Norman Morrison Hall immediately after the match, and then the ardour of business was relieved by the buffet dinner at the Carlton Hotel.

At the Annual Meeting office-bearers were elected as per list on the preceding page. The annual report referred to the purchase of the new racing eight for the College crew and indicated that 93 Old Boys had become Life Members during the year, raising the sum invested to over £6000. Mention was made of the sporting successes of Lindsay Hassett and Russell Mockridge, and also of the College Cadet Corps's excellent record.

MELBOURNE DINNER.

A happy reunion took place at the Public Schools' Club, Melbourne, on September 14. There was a satisfactory attendance, including a group of Geelong men, and a good dinner, as well as a good time, was had by all.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

The following have been welcomed as Life Members since June:

A. R. H. C. Urbahns (1913); T. A. Taylor ('27); A. R. W. Kumnick ('30); P. R. Barnett ('32); F. W. Walter (33); A. L. Lucas, N. C. Carroll, W. D. Chisholm ('35); N. J. Collis C37); R. W. Spargo ('38); E. J. Tansley ('40); I. G. Dadds, P. N. Carmichael, J. E. Dickson ('48).

J. F. Adams, K. F. Bell, J. L. Campbell, J. L. Gerrard, G. A. Hope, D. L. Karmouche, D. B. Lawler, T. G. Lawler, H. L. McInnes, J. M. Neale, G. V. Tolhurst, J. H. Wilson, K. G. Eastwood, W. C. Anderson, J. L. James ('49); E. A. Negri, D. E. B. Buzolich, D. I. Coombs, J. R. Jeffery, J. C. McColl ('50).

MACROBERTS MEMORIAL.

In October the committee launched an appeal for a memorial to the late Mr. A. EL, MacRoberts, a master at the College from 1904 to 1938 and for sixteen years Vice-Principal.

Careful consideration has been given to the nature of the memorial, which will consist of a brick scoring box and board to be erected near the western end of the main oval. It is felt that this will be an appropriate reminder of one who was keenly interested in the sporting side of College life.

A list of advance donations was sent out with the appeal notice. Since then there has been a wide response from the generality of Old Boys, over £1200 being now in hand, and amounts are still being received, so that the success of the project seems assured.

OLD BOYS' DAY 1951.

The reunion for 1951 has not been definitely fixed, but is likely to coincide with one of the P.S. football matches at the College.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

Founder's Day, 1951, will probably be observed on the actual anniversary date, July 8. This being a Sunday, the only organized function would be the College service at St. George's church in the evening at 7 o'clock.

BOAT RACE BALL.

It is expected that the Head of the River for 1951 will be held on the Barwon. If this is so, the customary Boatrace Ball will be held at the Palais, Moorabool St., Geelong, on Friday evening, April 20.

VISITORS' BOOK.

The following signatures have been added to the visitors' book in the masters' common room:

Eric G. Mitchell, Ian MacRae, George L. Coad, William Coad, N. L. Barrett, H. V. Pellow, A. Kumnick, John A. Hooper, D. J. Huffman, Peter G. Sloane, W. J. Billington, Allister McLeod, D. Bruce Anderson, Malcolm E. Lyon, Andrew J. Macdonald, Donald W. Mackay, George W. Ewan, R. W. Littlejohns, Donald M. McLean, W. J. J. Holdsworth, H. M. Hedges, Robert Purnell.

LOST AND FOUND.

An Association badge of the older watch-chain type has been found in Newtown. The owner is requested to apply to the Hon. Secretary.

QUEENSLAND DINNER.

The 1950 Reunion Dinner of the Queensland Branch took place at the Masonic Club on August 10. Members present were M. G. C Pasco, A. R. Gillespie, J. R. Adam, G. F. Cherry, F. Forrest, A. E. Lee, E. L. Jenkins, W. M. Robertson, J. T. Robertson, E. A. J. Stoker, F. G. Scoles, R. S. Sword, L. W. Schwennesen, J. Watt, J. F. Keays. Apologies were received from E. L. Bannister, F. M. Collocott, G. W. Deane, A. I. Read, D. Watson.

The Rev. F. W. Rolland M.C., M.A. was the guest of the Old Boys. The toast of the College, coupled with the name of Mr Rolland, was proposed by the President, Mr. Pasco, and supported by other speakers. In his reply, Mr. Rolland gave an outline of the development of the school buildings since his head-mastership began, but his main theme was the development of a boy at a Public School. He spoke also of the loyal servants the College has had, and of how their work has helped in the moulding of character. Everyone found this address intensely interesting and it is hoped that Mr. Rolland can attend again.

The sum of £33/5/- contributed by members was sent to the War Memorial Fund.

Office-bearers elected for the year 1950-51 are: President, Dr. F. G. Scoles; Vice-Presidents, A. R. Gillespie Esq. and Dr. A. E. Lee; Hon. Secretary, J. F. Ke'ays Esq., c/o Guttridge, Haskins & Davey, Estates Chambers, 108 Creek St., Brisbane.

THE ORMOND LETTER.

Dear Collegians,

As we come to the end of another year we can look back on a successful round of inter-collegiate sports. Having won the rowing and the athletics in first term we beat Newman in the football final later in the year. George Barrett, Ian Cameron, Tom Howells, Keith Laidlaw, Bob Leggatt and Don Macmillan were in the team. But as sport is not the only important thing we cannot judge the year until the exam, results come out

During the September vacation we were very pleased to see Bruce Anderson, Malcolm Lyon and "Wimpy" McLeod who were in Melbourne for a few days with the Adelaide Inter-Varsity football team. Other recent visitors were those champions of culture sitting for Ormond Scholarships. Congratulations to those who were successful! They are about to commence their courses; but we extend our

VALE, MAGGIE!

In the death of Maggie the College community has suffered one of its greatest losses. To the Old Boys nobody was better known, and all over the world 'are men who will reserve a special corner of their hearts for an affectionate memory of her.

Maggie's kindness followed many of them, especially boarders, from their own painful first days at school until they returned to place their sons in her care, and long after. Few ever knew her real name, for she was not christened "Maggie," but this is the name which she leaves us to treasure as a symbol of lifelong loyalty.

The College cannot be the same without Maggie, yet when we have overcome the first sharp shock of loss we shall think of her only with pleasure and satisfaction as we remember her unquenchable optimism, her tremendous achievement and her merry smile.

The President, the Secretary and several members of the O.G.C.A. attended the funeral at the Geelong Western Cemetery on September 4. It is not surprising that there has since been a strong demand from past and present pupils for the erection of a memorial at the College. Suggestions range from the endowment of a scholarship to the building of matron's quarters, with the possible addition of a suitable plaque or window. The final form would be influenced by the sum available.

The Association committee intends to act in this matter as soon as possible. At present it is conducting another appeal, but early in 1951 will launch a fresh appeal for a fitting memorial to Maggie.

(The School's tributes to Maggie are to be found elsewhere in this magazine).

best wishes also to those who have just finished: Drs. Ken McLean, Alan Tait and Bob Waterhouse.

Don Macmillan is one of two athletes from Victoria who are flying to New Zealand late in December to take part in the Christchurch Centennial Games.

Positions on the General Committee have been taken during the year by George Barrett (Chairman), Don Macmillan, Jock Rolland and Alan Tait.

We hope to see many Old Collegians joining our ranks next year.

Yours sincerely,

ORMOND.

GEELONG COLLEGE WAR MEMORIAL.

The construction of the War Memorial wing at the College is sufficiently advanced to indicate the final unity of the buildings. The tower and cloisters are now almost finished, and fresh beauty is revealed as each lot of scaffolding comes down.

The fund is still incomplete. Further contributions are urgently needed. Possibly the completed structure will make its own silent appeal to those who have not yet joined in this tribute to Collegians who served in the last war.

Attention is drawn to the fact that amounts paid to the War Memorial Fund are subject to concessional rebate on income tax.

Additional Donations to War Memorial Fund.

W. H. Steel.....	2	0	0	C. M. Carmichael	10	10	0	M. G. C. Pasco.....	11	14	0
R. J. Grant.....	1	1	0	W. H. Hermiston	2	2	0	Dr. F. Scoles.....	2	2	0
W. J. Crawford.....	3	3	0	R. A. G. Dennis.....	1	1	0	L. W. Schwennesen	1	17	0
W. J. B. Crawford	3	3	0	N. S. Payne.....	5	5	0	A. I. Reid.....	1	1	0
J. C. Kininmonth	20	0	0	Bender's Busways	25	0	0	E. Stoker.....	1	17	0
A. A. W. Hooper	5	0	0	C. A. K. Baird.....	3	0	0	R. Sword.....	2	17	0
Cyril J. Dennis.....	20	0	0	Mrs. Ruby Reed in				J. Watt.....	2	2	0
Geoff. Buchanan	2	2	0	memory of Dr.				W. M. Robertson	3	14	0
G. J. Henderson	5	0	0	H. A. Hagen.....	2	2	0	Dr. G. Cherry.....	1	17	0
R. C. E. Brodie.....	20	0	0	J. D'Helin.....	1	1	0	Dr. J. R. Adam.....	2	2	0
D. J. Graham.....	2	0	0	A. Wallace Smith	25	0	0	J. F. Keays.....	2	2	0
E. G. Cook.....	3	3	0	L. T. Champness	2	2	0	J. A. Forbes.....	2	2	0

OBITUARY.

Col. LENNARD STRICKLAND died on August 26, 1949. After a successful career in scholarship and sport he left College in 1900 and enlisted almost immediately for service in South Africa, the beginning of a military record covering three wars. He lived in S. Africa and engaged in business there.

DAVID EGERTON WELCH, a Collegian of the years 1905-07, died at Geelong on June 24.

Just as we go to press, word has been received of the death of Dr. A. Norman McArthur on December 11. Fuller reference will be made in our next issue.

MARRIAGES.

Evan Illingworth—Florence Prowse, Geelong, July 22.

Tim Hill—Aimee Baulch, Warrnambool, September 2.

B. R. Payne—Muriel Crowther, Geelong, September 2.

J. Mel. Schmidt—Fay Rees, Brimpaen, September 16.

W. Wishart—Eunice Canham, Manly, N.S.W. September 16.

H. P. Vanrenen—Cecily Laidlaw, Toorak, October 3.

Robt. G. Evans—Betty Douglas, Barham, N.S.W., October 12.

E. J. Tansley—Gay Mulligan, Horsham, October 28.

Dr. A. M. Kelso—Judith MacRae, Elphinstone, November 8.

John Baird—Eleanor Birchill, Kew, November 11.

R. H. Moreillon—Joan Longmore, Bannockburn, November 25.

Murray Slattery—Beth Dumaresq, Lindenow. Douglas Heard—Helen Lucas, Flinders, December 2.

John Barber—Valerie Drayton, Geelong, December 5.

BIRTHS.

R. K. McArthur, a son, April 19.

I. Cutts, a daughter, June 21.

Alan David, 'a son, July 22.

Edgar L. French, a daughter, August 2.

Tim Reilly, a son, August 8.

G. M. Cochrane, a daughter, August 11.

Frank Walter, a daughter, August 16.

Derrick Rolland, a son, September 10.

Ken Aitken, a daughter, October 6.

Knox Champ, a daughter, October 24.

Gordon Inglis, a son, November 8.

A. D. F. Griffiths, a daughter, November 16.

Rev. R. A. Blackwood, a daughter, Nov. 22.

R. G. Plain, a son, November 24.

Keith Taylor, a son, November 29.

COLLEGIANS IN SPORT.

A. L. Hassett.

It is hard to write anything new about Lindsay Hassett, Australia's leader (and that appears to mean the world's) in the game which is also science and art. It has never seemed surprising that Lindsay should make centuries, or even take wickets in Test Cricket, or that he should become Australian Captain; to Geelong Collegians such reports are very much of the "dog bites man" variety. Twenty and more years ago we predicted it all, and now can only say rather smugly: "I told you so!"

Perhaps the only surprise left for us is to discover that other people are surprised to discover what we have known so long. It is with relief that we quote the conclusions of modern research.

"If Lindsay Hassett had been knocking about old London in the days of Sam Weller and David Copperfield," says one, "Charles Dickens must surely have written yet another novel. . . ."

"But behind Hassett's whimsicality and humor there is a ton of character and wisdom. Few people in England, South Africa, or India would deny that, as Australian Services team captain, he was one of the best ambassadors Australia has ever sent to those countries."

A Brisbane paper stressed Lindsay's treatment of cricket "as a game and not as a military campaign," illustrating the point by the famous incident at the Oval: "When Lindwall knocked Compton's bat to the ground and Denis fumbled for it instead of responding to his partner's Call for a run, Hassett withheld his throw from the gully until Compton was safely on the way." A correspondent wrote to the paper next day as follows:

"This chivalry is in the true tradition of King Willow; and for lack of it many Australian captains have made Test matches not a link between us and the Mother Country, but a cause of disunion. Every cricketer loves to see sportsmanship. It is a finer thing than victory; and Lindsay Hassett has lived up to that belief from the time he batted for Geelong College until the present day when he captains Australia."

We concur.

J. B. Iverson.

Jack Iverson is a horse of a different colour; in fact a decidedly dark one! In that his cricket career has been unexpected, and up to a point almost accidental, it is the very reverse of Hassett's. Both men were at the College in the early 'thirties, when Iverson was in hiding as captain and batsman in the Second XI, though he is once mentioned as doing well with the ball. During the last war he lit upon the real powers latent in his hand, guided by his artful brain.

His rocket rise to big cricket and his selection for a Test against England at the age of 35 must be a near-record. The first Test was all "glorious uncertainty," but Jack Iverson did as well as most. He can count all Geelong Collegians among his enthusiastic supporters for future games.

Lindsay Hassett's records at the College would have been threatened if Jack Cooper had stayed at school a year longer. Jack had 1000 runs up in P.S. matches before he was 17 and was captain in '38-9. It was pleasing to see him appear this year as captain of a northern N.S.W. side against the Englishmen, though rain rendered decisive cricket impossible.

Since finishing his University exams., Don Macmillan has been training hard and now repeatedly registers times below 4.20 for the mile. Good luck, D'on, for the N.Z. Centennial Games!

There are rumours that Russell Mockridge is about to emerge from his premature retirement and cause fresh upsets in amateur cycling.

The Melbourne University boat was well filled at the stern by R. W. Buntine, A. G. Barrett, I. C. Everist (str.) and A. L. Bennett (cox).

Representatives of the Geelong Football Club visited Ararat and presented to Cargi Greeves the proceeds of the club's testimonial appeal. During a broadcast interview, Cargi thanked all who had contributed.

Allister ("Wimpy") McLeod and Mai. Lyon both played for Adelaide University in S.A. amateur football, and the former, "versatile ruckman and centre half-forward," achieved the honour of selection for Australian Amateurs at the National Carnival in Brisbane.

BREVITIES.

All Old Boys will be pleased that ALAN T. TAIT, Vice-Principal of the College, has been diverted from his intention to retire. The Council having granted a year's leave of absence, he expects to leave Australia in April to visit England and Scotland and then return to his position at the College.

Dr. F. M. BURNET, director of the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Research, visited Britain and America again this year and has just been made a life member of the New York Academy of Sciences.

ROBERT HONEYCOMBE has been awarded the Cambridge University Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Dr. Honeycombe is engaged in research at the Cavendish Laboratory.

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JOHN A. HENRY assumes the important post of Editor of the "Geelong Advertiser."

HARRY C. ELVINS has completed a term of three and a half years as Comptroller in the Secretariat of the U.N.O. at Lake Success, U.S.A.

Dr. ALBERT PIPER has won Australia's richest medical travelling scholarship, provided by the Thomas Blake and Eleanor Shaw Trust. He intends to go abroad next year.

At the Sorbonne FRANK JUST has received professorial approval of the introductory work to his thesis.

JAMES D'HELIN is in much better health and was an interested spectator at the College sports.

G. N. I. ("Tim") MORRISON has been transferred from the British Embassy at Baghdad to the Foreign Office administration of African Territories in the capacity of Provincial Commissioner of the Central Province of Tripolitania. Address: Provincial Commissioner's Office, Garian, via Tripoli, North Africa.

GARRY ARMSTRONG is general organizing secretary of the Australian recruiting secretariat.

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GORDON SNELL was in Edinburgh for the Festival when he met his former teacher, EWEN McLEAN. Gordon won high distinction in English, French and Latin at the Higher School Certificate examinations and has just taken an entrance exam, for Balliol College, Oxford.

Another meeting in Britain was that of Dr. BILL DOIG with Mr. F. M. McCracken.

ANDREW WALLS has resumed his duties as Town Clerk of Colac after some months' illness.

On December 1, NIEL DAVIDSON was admitted to practice as a barrister and solicitor in the Supreme Court of Victoria.

Dr. A. H. MCGREGOR has returned to Gee, long and established himself in practice in Aberdeen Street.

NORMAN YOUNG was top theolog. for 1950 at Queen's College.

FRANK COAD holds official positions in the Kerang Branch of the Aero. Club and in the Loddon Valley Motor Cycle Club.

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Rev. LINDSAY CARTWRIGHT has gone abroad for a few years and is at present with the M.R.A. group at Caux, Switzerland.

The engagement is announced of IAN McILWAIN to Joan Curry, Glen Iris.

Dr. LANCE M. CLARK, of Lindfield, N.S.W., has again gone overseas to keep an eye on the newest developments in dental science.

KENNETH A. WILSON is taking over the business of Alan Fewtrill Pty. Ltd., Manifold St., Camperdown, after 13 years as manager of the Geelong & Cressy Trading Co. Ltd.

After a few months in Geelong and Melbourne JACK PALMER has returned to Burns, Philp at Suva.

HENRY JACOBS has been appointed a Justice of the Peace.

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MALCOLM BAIRD, in his final year at the Royal Australian Naval College, holds the senior Cadet-Captaincy, a rank equal to that of Head Prefect.

Dr. FRANK TAIT is at present in Britain and will shortly take up a course in psychiatry.

Well up on the Final Med. list were the names of D. McLEAN, K. H. McLEAN, A. R. WATERHOUSE, A. S. TAIT and A. M. KELSO. Drs. Waterhouse and Kelso have taken up duty at Geelong Hospital, the others at Royal Melbourne. RON DOIG has taken out the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

HAMILTON MORETON was granted an extension of his term abroad for I.C.I. PHIL HALL, of Commonwealth Munitions, is expected home soon. Dr. GEOFFREY BADGER, formerly at Glasgow University, is senior lecturer in Inorganic Chemistry at Adelaide. HUGH BADGER returned from England to Commonwealth Ordnance about a year ago.

Dr. DOUGLAS DUFFY, M.S., F.R.C.S. (Eng.), has resumed practice in Collins St. after research in Britain and the U.S.A. FENTON PILLOW returns from his work at Cambridge to the C.S.I.R.O.

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Newly launched into professional practice are D. C. GAUNT (Law), Maryborough; K. J. STILLMAN (Dentistry), St. Arnaud; D. R. SEFTON (Vet. Sci), Geelong.

A. F. DAVIES, fresh from a year abroad, is appointed senior lecturer in Political Science at the University of Melbourne. E. L. FRENCH is lecturing in the school of Education while working for his doctorate.

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In 16 crowded weeks of summer holiday STUART HALFORD visited most of Southern Europe from France to Turkey. Combining hitch hiking, luxury living and astute manipulation of the niceties of exchange, he came through quite cheaply, actually showing a profit in some countries.

Congratulations to Cr. D. C. ("Tiger") D'HELIN, who enters municipal politics as representative of Barwon Riding in the Shire of S. Barwon.

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The 1950 Students' Council at the Gordon Institute of Technology included NEIL EVERIST (Architecture), who was Secretary, and ROY KEITH (Engineering).

BRUCE WIGLEY won first prize in an engineering drawing competition held by the Institute of Engineers, Australia.

At the Australian Accountants' Conference of Dalgety & Co. Ltd., ARTHUR SIMSON, accountant at Geelong, met KENNETH M. WILSON, sub-accountant of Sydney Head Office.

TOM V. HAWKES is becoming favourably known throughout the continent as a racing car driver.

REG. V. TAYLOR is chief accountant of Ford Motors, Singapore.

BERT HEDGES, whose sheep property is at Bugle Range, near Mt. Barker, S.A., was a visitor at the College in November.

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GEOFF. HIGGINS is again President of the Geelong Law Institute in succession to ROY BIRDSEY. Vice-President and Secretary respectively are HARRY FALLAW and ROY FIDGE.

MICHAEL RANDELL has moved from Echuca and bought "Glencoe," Glenhope, in the Kyneton district.

In the final year at Melbourne Pharmacy College are ARNOLD COOPER, RON MACAULAY and BRIAN WILLIAMS.

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On November 21, Kyabram was the scene of a benefit concert for ERIC MITCHELL, who leaves next month for Europe. His party expects to begin with concerts in Rome and Paris.

DERRICK ROLLAND is happy in the forestry service at the State Plantation, Noojee.

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DOUGAL McINTYRE is manager of Dalgety's Hamilton branch, and EDGAR TANSLEY manager at Balmoral for Elder, Smith.

GEOFF. HARDY, new secretary for Hamilton branch of O.G.C.A., is accountant for Australian Estates there.

JOHN L. CAMPBELL has been jackerooing at "Coree," Jerilderie, N.S.W.