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EDITORIAL.

To strive constantly towards an ideal, to risk all for a visionary conception is the beginning of greatness. If the ideal is of the highest, then true greatness is achieved. The ideal itself, can never be obtained. Allied to perfection, it may with difficulty be approached yet never reached. If its achievement be within the bounds of earthly limitations, it automatically renders itself unworthy of the highest in human endeavour, and should be cast away as unworthy. When the highest of ideals are neglected and the finest of aspirations forsaken, the mediocre, even the low and shoddy must result. Not to aim at the perfect is to achieve the imperfect; not to live an actively good life is to be a force for evil. An ideal whose attainment is impossible must be the guiding force in one's life.

Man is at his best when fighting great odds, and rises to undreamed-of heights when faced with the impossible. In rejecting lower aims, ambitions and motives, and in reaching always for that which must forever flee beyond the grasp of his outstretched hand, he comes far closer towards possessing it than the world thought possible.

The world laughs at the idealist. In its ignorance it argues—correctly—that the ideal can never be reached. It does not realise that all really great men are essentially idealists, or that all that has been really worth achieving has been attained fundamentally through idealism. For the ideal has to do with man's

spirit which has infinitely more power than the body, and far more influence than the keenest intellect. Idealism is a great force, yet if the ideals are not high, calamity must result.

This is a time of shattered ideals. Like almost extinguished coals, they glow but feebly from the ashes of two de-moralising world wars. High standards are but rare and wavering points of light in an oppressive darkness of materialism and selfishness which are the beginning and the end of men's aspirations.

A good school distils into its scholars the highest of ideals: Christian ideals; ideals as to the quality of work and the standard of behaviour. When the bounds imposed by school life are left behind and you step into the "untravelled world" of experience with its boundless horizons, let these ideals be kept bright and not be dimmed by the sneering breath of cynicism and self-interest. Let quality have a say in this world of mass production, and altruism a position more lauded than the predominating self-centredness of today. Let idealism ascend to its rightful place of prominence.

T.R.S.



SCHOOL NOTES.

School for the term began on September 13th, and we welcomed two new masters to the Staff, Mr. Davies, who has taken over the P.E. Classes, and Mr. McKenzie.

On September 16th, a representative of the Commonwealth Public Service visited the school and gave a short talk to the higher forms on the Public Service, explaining the duties of each department and methods of entry to the Service.

Immediately following the Test Examinations, part of the school saw the performance of "As You Like It", at the G.A.M.A. Theatre on September 28th.

The athletics programme for the term began with the Preparatory School Sports on Wednesday, October 5th, which were followed by the Senior School Inter-House Sports on October 8th. The sports were again, unfortunately, handicapped by bad weather, but were nevertheless carried out successfully. The sports were won by Macarthur House.

On October 11th, 12th, and 13th, the Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Logie Smith, again gave its annual performance of a Gilbert and Sullivan Opera, at the Geelong Theatre. The play this year was "Pirates of Penzance." Vice-Admiral Sir John and Lady

Collins were our guests for the Thursday night's presentation.

Col. Sutton, Chairman of the Executive Committee in Victoria of U.N.I.C.E.F. (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) visited the school on October 18th, and explained to us the history of and the work done by his organisation.

On October 14th, the Governor of Victoria, Sir Dallas Brooks, came to Geelong to speak to the Legacy Club and all the children of Geelong State Schools, and our cadet unit took part as the Guard of Honour. D. M. Gibb was the Commander of the Guard.

The Quadrangular Sports were held at Geelong Grammar School on Saturday, October 15th. Schools taking part were Geelong Grammar School, Geelong College, Melbourne High School, and the Geelong Guild, who won the sports. Then on October 22nd, the Combined P.S. Sports were held at St. Kilda Oval, Melbourne. The sports were won by Scotch College.

On October 22nd, P. H. Falconer was inducted as a School Prefect and we all congratulated him on his appointment.

Our morning service took a special form on United Nations Day, October 24th, when Dr. Buntine reminded us of the great work done by this organization in all fields of activity and expressed the hope that it might continue its success.

The annual Cadet Guard and Drill Competitions were held at Melbourne High School on Saturday, October 29th. The College Drill Platoon again won the Drill Shield for the seventh year in succession, and the Guard also did well in filling third position in the Guard Competition. The Drill Shield was presented by Lt. Gen. Garrett.

House tennis began on November 5th, and was finally won by Macarthur House.

A special morning service was conducted on Remembrance Day, November 11th, and a minute's silence was observed at 11 a.m.

Public Examinations began on November 24th.

The Preparatory School Speech Day was held on December 14th, and the Senior School Speech Day on December 15th.

There were two Saturday night films this term. They were "The Man in the White Suit" and "Scott of the Antarctic."

Sunday night services during the term were taken by Dr. Buntine, Rev. McLean, J. Billington, Rev. Withington, Miss Quick and Mr. V.

K. Brown, and Sunday night: films were—"The Unfaithful Servant," "Where Love Is, God Is," "Kenji Comes Home."

We have always been lucky in our Outdoor Staff, and the addition to its ranks, in June last, of Mr. W. Wootton, gives us another occasion to say so. Those who wonder why their elders sometimes talk of the "Good Old Days" are recommended to take a close look at any of his jobs about the school.

D.R.S.

SELF HELP

This year the boys had rather a guilty feeling because there were so many efforts being made to raise money for the new Preparatory School, and yet we were doing nothing as a school. The matter was considered, and we decided that each of the three boarding houses and the dayboys' house, Knowle House, should work individually on a competitive basis. This idea proved to be a great success, and the boys of the College were successful in raising £516-9-4 for the year.

The methods by which this money was raised were considerably limited, especially for the boarders. However, we had many original ideas and suggestions, and the boys really enjoyed what work they did. As a school, our largest effort was the invitation to our parents and friends to take the opportunity of buying Glee Club tickets at an increased price for the third performance. This idea proved a great success, and we wish to thank all who generously accepted this invitation. The only other effort in which the school combined as a whole, was that of an open and under 15 ping-pong tournament, which, due to the splendid organization by Mr. Nicolson, proved to be very successful.

The boys of Mackie House were very willing workers, and raised the sum of £130. Their most successful efforts were a "Mr. Mackie" competition, several auction sales, and a concert. The boys devoted considerable time during their school holidays to raising money for their representative in the "Mr. Mackie" competition.

The main function held by Warrinn House was the "Cottage Pie" which was successful both from the financial and entertainment point of view, and they had a final total of **£129-8-9**.

Senior House boys, perhaps considerably more devoted to their studies than the other houses, raised the sum of **£73-10-0**.

The dayboys had considerably more chance to raise money than the boarders, and they made the best of this advantage. Many Geelong people became familiar with the "1/6 an hour" slogan, and were keen to take advantage of this cheap labour. However, the boys were successful in raising £184-0-7, although their services were not expensive.

This being the first time the school has acted in this concern, the achievements and experience gained this year must surely lead to greater success in the future.

J.S.B.

NOTE: These figures do not include the money raised by the Prep, boys and will be further augmented through activities carried on after going to print.

Ed.

SALVETE.

Term II, 1955.

Rem	Agnew, A. W.
LIVA	Ritchie' H. M.
LIVB	Piper, G. L.
Kinder	Barkley, D. S.
	Fleming, W. S.
	Neeson, N. S.
	Penrose, I. E.

Term III, 1955.

Rem	Saba, J. N.
IC	Wilson, A. R.
UIVA	Sheahan, G. J.
UIVB	Davies, J. E.
Kinder	Campbell, J. T. E.
	Hardy, P. C.
	Piper, H. L.
	Watson, B. F. J.

VALETE.

Term I, 1955.

III	McArthur, D. N.
Rem	Hill, A. J.
	Smith, R. E. R.
IA	Hill, M. H.
IIB	Eastwood, B. T.
UIVB	Smith, E. R.

Term II, 1955.

VK	Cogle, B. G. F.
	Neale, I. D.
IVB	Lumsden, C. J.
IVC	McCosh, R. L.
III	Cheffers, G. R.
UIVA	Ross, R. J.
UIVB	Gaizutis, K. L.
MIV	Hon, J. M.

Valete Mr. Ipsen.

Twenty five years is more than a quarter of the present age of the College, and is more than twice the time any boy stays at school. When a man has served all this time in a responsible position his influence on the school and its history must be tremendous. Such a man is C. F. H. Ipsen. Present boys learnt with dismay which Old Boys will share, that Mr. Ipsen has announced his retirement.

We shall do no more than mention his many services as teacher of English and Latin, organiser of athletics, producer of dramatic entertainments, librarian and musician. His most important field of activity has been as House-master of Senior House. Here he set an exacting standard for himself and the boys, insisting not only on a punctilious adherence to written rules of behaviour and dress, but demanding at all times courtesy, reliability and gentlemanly conduct. The boy who squirmed under his displeasure came in time to the conclusion that conformity could not be evaded. The present writer can testify that Old Boys near and far, look back on their days in Senior House with gratitude, and talk of Mr. Ipsen with affection and respect. While multitudes will acknowledge Mr. Ipsen's work and influence, few are able to realise just what his devotion meant to the College. Twenty four hours of every day living in Senior House among boys, twenty five years keeping a tight rein not only on the boys but on himself. In the nature of things his assistant house-masters came to him new to the school, and in a year or two departed or married, so his own work was so much the more. The strain has told on Mr. Ipsen's health and he is not at all well. It is the sincere wish of us all that he may soon recover and enjoy many years of rest in his retirement.

PRESENTATION FROM THE BOYS.

At the last assembly of the year, Jack Bromell presented Mr. Ipsen with a photograph of the school and a clock from the boys of Geelong College. Mr. Ipsen, in replying briefly to Jack's good wishes for the future said that he found it very hard to leave after twenty-five years, but had many happy memories of his life at the College.

The Guard



Led by C. U/O D. ;M. Gibb the Guard marches down Noble Street.

The James Fraser Sutherland Memorial Prize, 1955

The James Fraser Sutherland Prize for the best example of craftsmanship produced during the year has been awarded to P. H. Weaver for his finely executed tenor guitar.

Anyone who has tried to bend plywood into the shape of the sound box of a guitar, and to glue accurately the upper and lower flat surfaces to it, will appreciate the patience and skill required to achieve a result. This, Weaver has succeeded in doing with distinct success and has

added to it, the hard keyboard with its wire frettings and the small blackwood buttons which tighten the strings. Examined by an instrument expert the final model was much admired, and the judge too, who made the award on the basis of cratsmanship, expressed high praise.

The winning of the prize is no mean achievement as all entries received each year are of a high standard of craftsmanship and the judges on each occasion have been able to make only a fine distinction between them.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, 1955

Mr. Chairman, Mr. Anderson, Ladies and Gentlemen, before placing before you the report for the year — and I shall only refer to some aspects of it — I should like to take a few minutes to discuss briefly a matter which has been much in my mind recently. It is the question of differences in intellectual capacity and what we should be able to expect from our children. This question has been raised so often when I have been discussing boys with their parents that perhaps some general observations will not go amiss and might even be helpful. Quite frequently parents have suggested that they cannot understand why their children are apparently so different from themselves in academic ability. It is natural to hope, if we do not always expect, that our children will do better than we did at school and, if we were in the top flight of students in our own school days, to expect that our sons and daughters will at least do as well. But we have no real grounds for supposing that children will be like their parents in all respects.

Many factors contribute, in greater or lesser degree, to the mental make up and development of the individual, to determining what he is and what the quality of his intellect shall be. If you are to deal fairly with the boy and to weigh up with any degree of accuracy his mental capacity you must take into account the whole boy and examine carefully all those facets of his nature which have a bearing. Heredity, of course, plays its part, but the matter is by no means wholly an hereditary one. Nor is it entirely a question of environment, and by environment is meant all the educational influences to which the child is subjected from the very day of his birth. There are other factors also such as physical health, general attitude to life and life's situations to be considered. All of these are, of course, in some measure influenced by environment. Together with them must be assessed the part played by temperament, emotional balance and standing within the family group. Finally, there is the self, the "being" which is neither transmitted nor acquired, but which is entirely private — the something of one's own that separates one from all other people, one's own innate mental mechanism with which one is provided and which one uses in thinking. All these elements together with environment and inherited tendencies are co-ordinated to determine the behaviour of the whole being and must be under-

stood, at least in part, if we are to assess the child's potentialities.

With the individual, inborn capacity, partly inherited, partly acquired, partly natural gift, the psychologist is concerned when he uses intelligence tests. He is not interested in what has been learned, but tries to get down deeper to evaluate the quality of the child's mother-wit or natural intelligence. The medium through which he works is an acquired understanding of numbers and words but he tries to devise a means of testing in which environmental effects will be reduced to the barest minimum. Intelligence cannot be increased or diminished, but it can be exercised and its potential developed. Means have been found for measuring it, the result being given in relation to an accepted standard or norm. Whether the Intelligence Quotient, commonly known as the I.Q., is a really accurate measurement of intelligence is still disputed and how much of a child's I.Q. score is owed to heredity and how much to environment has not been satisfactorily established. Typical scientific opinion is that two-thirds of the differences between children's I.Q. s. is accounted for by differences of innate ability. Again, there is no agreement as to how far temperament, emotional stability and all those elements of the individual's personality are inborn and how far acquired. The attempt to understand these things is part of the task of the educationalist. Temperament, emotional balance, etc., have a vital bearing upon behaviour, and, in the final analysis, the school master is concerned primarily with behaviour. This is one of his most difficult problems and one with which he must be continually grappling. Probably he fails in his search for a solution more often than he succeeds. Nevertheless, the attempt is made in order to encourage, to guide, and to permit the growth of boys to full mental, spiritual and physical vitality.

Keeping these things in mind, let us turn again to heredity and environment. Whichever of these may be considered the more important, it is certain that we can do little about heredity, except to realise that the child does not derive merely from his immediate parents. We are, all of us, what has been described as "a bundle of our ancestors". Secondly, it must be recognised that the mind of the child is not a "clean sheet" on which we may write whatever we choose. Long before the influences of environ-



THE ATHLETICS TEAM.

BACK ROW—Simpson, T.; Bromell, J.; Hinchliffe D.; Watson, B.; Dudley, C. T.; Cook, W. T.; Messenger, D. R.; Redpath, R.
 SITTING—Falconer, P. H.; E. B. Davies, Esq.; V. H. Profitt, Esq.; D. R. T. Macmillan; Esq.; Lawler, W. W.
 FRONT ROW—Howden, R. B.; Nelson, R.; Scott, A. R.; Hatton, L.

ment can be effective, heredity has had its say as to the nature of the mind and intelligence. Our mental, as our physical, characteristics are to a considerable extent determined by our ancestral stock. We must then, both as school masters and as parents, be at pains to provide the best possible environment in which the material given to us can fulfil its highest achievement. That is our business. We cannot alter the material with which we are provided by nature, but we can do a great deal to see that the development is the greatest of which that basic material is capable. And in furnishing the most suitable soil in which the young plant may grow to full bloom, the informal side of education is just as important as the formal. Indeed, it has been asserted that the highest values of the educative process are to be found in the development of what might be called its by-products. That is to say, the influences brought to bear outside the classroom. The sports field, music, art, hobbies are all a vital part of education. Can anyone, for example, be quite unaffected by the beauty

of the surroundings in which he spends the greater part of his waking hours?

The importance of the relationship between physical fitness and mental fitness has been more generally appreciated in recent years. No person, adult or adolescent, can give of his best mentally who is not well physically. Most of us have experienced the effect of quite minor disorders on mental energy. Frequently there are to be found little irregularities, not at all apparent until a medical examination is held, which upset bodily tone and in consequence mental alertness. Bad teeth, enlarged tonsils, adenoids are quite well known to be responsible in some measure for inattention, restlessness, lack of concentration and irritating behaviour. These things all take their toll. Hence the examination by the college medical officer early in the year, after which parents are notified of any defect that may have been revealed. Unfortunately, sometimes the warning given is quite disregarded and boys go on from year to year suffering some disability which might easily be rectified.

Finally, I want to call particular attention to what I think is an even greater cause of both physical lethargy and emotional instability. It is nothing more or less than sheer fatigue due to lack of sufficient sleep. These things — fatigue and insufficient sleep — are not seriously enough considered in dealing with lack of concentration, inability to calculate, to remember and so on. Too many boys stay up too late. In this modern world the temptations are many and great, but if a school boy is expected to do the best of which he is capable, the temptations to be out late in the evenings must be resisted. Frequent visits to the pictures and an excess of parties are very much to blame for a lack of mental energy. I believe that no boy under 16 years of age should be out of his bed later than 10 o'clock in the evening, especially when he must be up by 6.30 or 7 in the morning, as many must who live some distance from the school. If a boy is growing rapidly, as so many do between the ages of 14 and 17, there is all the more necessity for plenty of rest. Homework to be done is not a valid excuse for late nights for there is no reason for any boy of that age to work longer than from say 7 to 9 or 9.30. Two hours of good concentrated work is far more valuable than four hours sitting and dreaming before an open book.

The difficulties which face parents are fully realised. It is no easy matter to exercise restraint and exert a right discipline in these days of lavish indulgence, when, on every side, we find young people given far more freedom from control than is good for them. Headmasters and headmistresses in other States as well as in Victoria have become alarmed at the liberty which tends to turn to licence and in all seriousness ask parents to co-operate with them in curbing excesses which are becoming so prevalent in the social life of the community. A boy does not become a man overnight. He is not a man because he is 6 ft. tall and wears long trousers. There is no need for me to be more specific than that, except perhaps to say that this is a matter of grave national concern as well as touching the happiness of the boy himself.

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In thinking back over the events of the year one cannot but feel some sense of satisfaction in achievement. That is not to say that one is in any way complacent and completely happy with things as they are. There have been many worries and some failures and there is plenty

of room for improvement. Nevertheless 1955 will go down in the history of the College as a good year, during which the tone has been healthy and the spirit sound.

The outstanding feature of the year was the taking of the first step towards providing relief from the embarrassing pressure on accommodation which has prevailed for so long now. We are deeply grateful to the Parents and Friends Association and to the Old Collegians for what they have done in bringing to a very successful conclusion the first year of the Preparatory School fund-raising plan inaugurated by the Chairman of the Council at a meeting called in October of last year. I want to convey our thanks to him, to Rev. G. A. Wood, the Chairman of the Association, to Mr. H. C. Fallaw, chairman of the Fair Committee, to Mr. G. J. Betts, the energetic secretary, and to the members, especially to the womenfolk who have so enthusiastically embarked upon a programme which at the beginning seemed almost impossible of attainment. It is astonishing what they have done. Each Fair Stall was given a target figure at the outset and already each one has reached that target or gone beyond it. By the time the Fair is held in March next it is anticipated that some stalls will have more than doubled their quota. It will be of interest to all to learn that the Fair Committee of Parents and Friends have so far raised £4,336 and that the fund total now stands at £17,016. The boys themselves have entered into the spirit of the effort and have worked during the holidays and in spare time to aid their Houses in the House Competition. So far three Houses have each raised over £100. It cannot be denied that this is a fine achievement and encourages the hope that the realisation of our dream of a new Preparatory School is not very far off.

Two important events in the life of the College to which I want to refer both concern older members of the Staff. This afternoon's function cannot be complete without expression of our congratulations to Mr. L. J. Campbell on the successful completion of twenty-five years as Headmaster of the Preparatory School. During the ten years that I have been privileged to have a close association with him I have come to admire his qualities of leadership and to respect his self-effacing modesty, his infinite patience and his devotion to the well-being of the small boys in his care. His appointment was one that he never sought. Indeed "he resisted the Call", but when finally

he undertook the responsibility he gave himself whole-heartedly to the task confronting him. So eminently suited was he by training and experience and so clear was his vision of what a Preparatory School should be that he has built up one of the finest Junior Schools in the country. It is my earnest hope that he will go on for many years more and that we shall be able in the near future to give him buildings and grounds worthy of his already splendid achievements.

At the end of the last term this year Mr. C. F. H. Ipsen, who has given a quarter of a century of unselfish and successful service to the College, will retire to well earned rest. As well as being senior English master, Mr. Ipsen has carried the burden of responsibility as Housemaster of Senior House. As a teacher he has had much success through the years, and as a Housemaster I know of no one who has been more careful for the boys in his House or more meticulous in his insistence upon good manners and courtesy. We shall all wish him many years of peace "far from the madding crowd", good health and happiness in his garden at Blackburn.

While speaking of staff members I should like to reiterate what I have said on other occasions, that I firmly believe that members of a school staff should take a leading part, as far as they are able, in the affairs of the community. When so much of their life is spent with adolescents, it is necessary that they should find recreation and enjoyment in societies and activities outside the bounds of the school. For this kind of service they are often peculiarly fitted. Almost all of the masters of our staff do so; but this year there are two whose service to the community merits record here. Mr. D. Webb who, as we so well know, has a gift for design, was called upon recently to work in conjunction with Mr. R. T. Crosthwaite and to submit a design for the Second World War Memorial panel to be erected in the Foyer in Johnstone Park. The truly beautiful piece of work presented by them has been accepted unanimously by the Geelong and District War Memorial Committee. Mr. R. Quick, too, has made time in a busy life to accept a seat on the executive of the Geelong branch of the New Education Fellowship and to assume the leadership in the campaign against obscene and dangerous comics.

To all members of the teaching staff is owed a sincere debt of thanks for their constant sacrifice of self in the interests of the boys.

In the face of many difficulties due to a too greatly enlarged school they have been cheerfully co-operative, making the most of what has been available. To my appreciation of their part is added my thanks to the prefects for their unfailing loyalty and help. Under the quietly effective leadership of Jock Bromell they have not hesitated to do what they know to be right and to assist in the guidance of boys younger and less experienced in the ways of the College. The health of the school has been remarkably good throughout the year. We have suffered no epidemics. Indeed, there have seldom been more than a few boys in hospital at any one time. For this comfortable circumstance we are grateful to Dr. Morris, our hospital sisters and House matrons for their constant care and immediate, sympathetic attention at the first sign of anything that could lead to serious illness. Our thanks are tendered also to those whose work is perhaps not spectacular yet quite essential to the welfare of the College. The conscientious, cheerful office team and the efficient Housekeepers and domestic staff, whose contribution to the smooth running of a large boarding school is sometimes taken for granted, have relieved me of much anxiety. The result of the care and interest of the outdoor staff is much more apparent. I cannot, however, let this afternoon pass without expressing our appreciation of what they do. In my years at the College I have never seen the grounds generally, and this garden in particular, looking more attractive than they have done this Spring.

The work of the school has proceeded satisfactorily in spite of the many interruptions of a crowded year and the inconvenience of insufficient class rooms. There is every reason to expect that final examination results will be quite the equal of past years. The results of last year's examinations were outstanding. Thirty-nine boys completed the Leaving certificate and twenty-seven qualified for Matriculation, gaining twenty-nine honours. An analysis of the results over several years past shows that our percentage of passes compares more than favourably with the percentage of passes gained throughout the State. For instance, the total for the State last year was fifty-eight per cent., whereas the twenty-seven of our boys who qualified represented a percentage of seventy-nine! This is a splendid achievement by any standard and I feel that our congratulations on their success are due to both staff and boys. The best individual performances

were those of last year's Dux of the College, N. L. Sherson, who gained first class honours in four subjects, and D. B. Cook, who won an Ormond Scholarship. The Dux of the College for 1955, a year when there have been several very capable students, is D. N. Sutherland and I offer to him our congratulations.

The College branch of the Presbyterian Fellowship goes on from strength to strength under the direction of the Chaplain, Rev. E. C. McLean and Mr. Webb. Interest has been well maintained this year and the membership has never been greater. We are grateful to the many busy men who so readily respond to the invitation to come and speak to the group at a time generally quite inconvenient for them. Their leadership and help have been much appreciated. A very successful conference was again held at Point Lonsdale when a former senior prefect, John Billington, recently returned from a World Council of Churches Conference in India, gave addresses, led discussions and shared his overseas experiences. The Social Service side of the P.F.A. has continued steadily throughout the year. It is encouraging to note the increasing interest being taken in Sunday School teaching by senior members. Ten boys have given their services regularly in this way throughout the year at St. David's church and have received high commendation from the superintendent. Special services were held on the Wednesday before Good Friday, in order that the school as a community might commemorate Easter, and on Founder's Day when we remember with gratitude the faithful work of those who built up our College. The annual College Service was again held at St. George's, the preacher being an Old Collegian, Rev. A. J. McAdam. Our regular Sunday evening services have been greatly aided by the use of the new Service book. I want to record here our thanks to the Principal and Chaplain of Scotch College who very kindly allowed us to take their Service Book and adapt it for our own use. During first term, the Chaplain conducted, at the request of Rev. A. D. Hallam, instruction classes for those who desired to enter into full communicant membership of the Church. Twenty-five boys were admitted at St. George's Church at the June Communion.

In the House of Guilds the year has been one of redecoration and much needed improvement. A number of valuable gifts of equipment of various kinds was received. These have made possible an extension of facilities and an

increase in working space. Necessary interruptions during installation have reduced the quantity of work done, but the making of the changes partly by our own endeavours has provided first rate opportunities for community effort. There was no shortage of helpers. Major alterations have been made in the organisation of the Model Engineers' Shop and in the Pottery Room. Complete rearrangement, some new power tools and the rejuvenation of old machinery mark the changes. Work, however, has proceeded steadily and there have been more calls than usual upon resources and ideas from various branches of the College and its auxiliaries. Printing of invitations to College functions, tickets and handbills connected with the Preparatory School building fund has been a frequent task. All this has been cheerfully carried out, together with the printing of 3,000 programmes for the Glee Club, as has become the custom each year. In addition to making the stage properties for the opera performance, the actual designing and making of stage sets was also a House of Guilds project. Despite all this, a steady stream of individual work has been produced which, if not spectacular, has provided many boys with useful and intelligent interest and employment in their leisure hours. Of this work the best was declared to be the hand-made guitar of P. H. Weaver, who has been awarded the James Fraser Sutherland Memorial Prize.

We are greatly indebted to several generous friends for their help in providing machinery. Much needed power tools have been given by a very generous friend who insists upon remaining anonymous. Other valuable equipment has been received from Mr. D. Roydhouse, Mrs. F. Daniel, Mr. C. Wilson and Mr. R. A. Dickinson. To all of them we express our sincere thanks.

The musical side of the College life has been as vigorous as ever. Indeed it has been most encouraging to find an increasing number of boys learning instruments, with the result that the orchestra and band have been much strengthened. Many of the boys do not take examinations but those who have done so, chiefly pianoforte students, have achieved outstanding success, viz.: seventeen honours, eight credits and five passes. The Glee Club and Choirs have obtained a great deal of enjoyment and recreation as well as valuable experience from their work which from time to time provided pleasurable entertainment for many

listeners. With the help of our good friend, Mr. K. Field of Devonport, it was found possible to organise another concert tour of Tasmania. Some sixty boys made the trip and as well as enjoying a very happy week in Tasmania, were able to help substantially the funds of Hobart Legacy Club and the Launceston and Burnie Apex Clubs. The Glee Club's performance of "The Pirates of Penzance" was another praise-worthy one. In a year when we were rather short of outstanding individual voices those who were chosen to undertake principal roles rose to the occasion and excelled. The chorus work was of the usual high standard.

The Cadet Corps has experienced another very successful year. They won for the seventh successive year the Platoon Drill Competition and were third in the Guard Competition. A splendid vice-regal guard of honour was provided on the occasion of the Governor's visit to Geelong for the opening of the Conference of Legacy Clubs. Major-General A. H. Ramsay was the Speaker at the Anzac Day Church Parade at St. George's.

In all branches of sport the College teams held their own against strong opposition from the larger schools. The outstanding success was that of the Boat Club. The meritorious win of the first crew was particularly gratifying for they have so often been close to winning in recent years. It is eleven years since College last won the Head of the River and this success was felt to be a just reward for our friend and coach, Mr. A. B. Bell, for all that he has given so unstintingly for many years. 1955 will remain a memorable rowing year in which four of the first five crews won their events. We are very grateful to the Old Collegians' Association once again for their generous gift of a new speed boat, the "J.H.C.", and to the five New South Wales members who made it possible to procure a new racing eight named in their honour "Riverina". To the masters and old boys who gave their time and experience to coaching in all games, we offer sincere thanks.

Since last Speech Day we have learned with deep regret of the death of the following Old Collegians:—

J. Aitken (1926), T. S. Barnfather (1905), J. F. de Bavay (1907), R. N. Black (1904), J. A. Boyd (1922), E. E. Chapman (1920), C. R. Clutterbuck (1917), J. R. S. Cochrane (1911), C. M. Cotton (1932), C. J. Dennis (1906), V. C. Ekstedt (1922), R. L. Hume (1932),



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S. H. Kyle (1891), M. O. O'Hara (1906), S. J. Overend (1903), N. R. Purnell (1907), H. S. Shannon (1893), H. R. Sutterby (1914), W. E. Thacker (1904), P. J. Wilks (1897).

The list of honours and distinctions won by Old Collegians during the year is again a formidable one and to them all we extend our sincere congratulations. The Rt. Rev. F. W. Rolland, Moderator-General of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, and for twenty-five years Principal of the College, became a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George "for his substantial contribution to Education." Mr. G. Logie Smith, now a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, has been "instrumental in advancing the musical life of the Geelong district". We are proud and gratified that such recognition has been given by Her Majesty to these gentlemen. Three Old Collegians have achieved high appointments in the academic world — Dr. G. M. Badger as Professor of Organic Chemistry at Adelaide University; Dr. R. W. K. Honeycombe to the Chair of Physical Metallurgy in the University of Sheffield and Dr. E. C. Slater to the Professorship of Physiological Chemistry at the University of Amsterdam. These appointments are a fitting acknowledgement of the diligence

and scholarship of the men concerned and surely a tribute and a source of gratification to Mr. T. Henderson, still our Senior Science Master, who undoubtedly set the feet of all three on the road to success. Dr. D. McLean, lately working on virus research in America, has been awarded a Harrison Watson Studentship and is now in residence at Clare College, Cambridge. G. N. I. Morrison, recently an officer in the Foreign Service of Her Majesty's government, has been awarded the Order of the Crown of Belgium and the Croix Militaire for services with Belgian Colonial forces in Abyssinia during the war. Wing Commander B. L. Duigan, D.S.O., D.F.C. and Bar, has been appointed to command the R.A.F. Station at Binbrook in Lincolnshire. Two other Old Collegians, the Hon. G. S. McArthur and the Hon. W. W. Leggatt, are serving the State as Ministers in the Victorian Government. Councillor H. R. Fidge is Mayor of Geelong for a second term. Rev. J. Fairlie Forrest is Moderator-elect of the Presbyterian Church of Queensland, Dr. F. G. Tait has taken up an appointment as Senior Registrar of Guy's-Bexley hospitals in England. J. H. S. Moyle has won a scholarship to the Opera School of the Royal College of Music. G. D. Murray, who has given eighteen years of energetic service to Apex, was elected in April to be National President of Apex Clubs for a two-year term. D. R. T. Macmillan, holder of the Australian half-mile record and Australian Olympic representative, has returned to his old school as a member of the teaching staff after two years of training and study abroad.

Before finishing my report I want to record my deep regret at the death early in the year of Sir Leslie McConnan. For many years Sir Leslie was a member of the College Council and took a keen interest in all its affairs. His special understanding of finance was of particular value in the days immediately following the war when it was difficult to see ahead. The vacancy on the Council has been filled by Lt.-Gen. Sir Horace Robertson, K.B.E., C.B.E., D.S.O., and on behalf of the College I extend to him a warm welcome. There is no Old Collegian more keenly interested in the College than he and I wish him many years of happy association with and valued service to his old school.

In conclusion I want to express to you, Mr. Chairman, and to all members of the Council my sincere thanks for all that you have done for me during the ten years of my Headmaster-

ship of the College. They have not all been easy ones but I have been greatly encouraged and helped at all times by the sympathetic understanding and friendly support of the Council.

SCHOOL PRIZE LIST.

First Division.

Form IC.

Dux: R. W. Pullin
 2 aeq: R. D. Howard
 G. R. Gill

Form IB.

Dux: L. R. Nicol
 2: J. D. McDonald
 3: M. S. Mitchelhill

Form IA.

Dux: A. J. Herbert
 2: G. B. Hair
 3: E. K. Evans
 4: P. M. McLennan
 5: I. W. McCay

Form IIB.

Dux: D. E. Nash
 2: A. J. Lang

Form IIA.

Dux: G. J. Walker
 2: J. G. Venters
 3: M. E. Holden
 4: G. H. Batten

Form Remove.

Dux: R. G. McKenzie
 2: A. C. Lawler
 3: D. N. Laidlaw
 4: D. C. Weidemann
 Special: G., J. Burger

Form III.

Dux: P. A. Cronk
 2: A. B. Troedel

Second Division.

Form IVC.

Dux: D. McDonell
 2: D. W. Sloane
 3: S. M. Cameron

Form IVB.

Dux: K. C. Hawken
 2: R. A. S. Eawson
 3: N. M. Stubbs
 Proficiency Prizes: J. S. Stuckey
 I. R. Scott

Form IVA.

Dux: I. R. Wills
 2: A. Yule
 3: J. R. D. Morlet
 4: L. M. Bell
 5: A. G. S. Kidd
 6: D. C. S. Berryman

Form VM.

Dux: D. R. Seller
 2: B. F. Belcher
 3: W. H. Cunningham
 4: S. G. Langslow
 5: J. R. Grant

Form VK.

Dux: G. J. S. Scott
 2: J. E. Kriegel
 3: P. J. Bunyan

Form VI.

Form Prizes: J. R. Troeth
R. W. Gray
English and History Prize: D. M. Gibb.
A. T. Andrews Memorial Prize for Mathematics and Science:
R. D. Money.

Third Division.

Alliance Francaise Prizes:

Matriculation Standard:
R. G. Falk: 2nd Prize Recitation.
D. M. Gibb: 2nd Prize Reading and Conversation.
2nd Prize Dictation.
L. G. Wright: 1st Prize Reading and Conversation.
1st Prize Dictation.
Special Prize for best French Student.

Scripture Prizes:

The Robert Gillespie Prizes:
Junior: R. M. Fiddian
Senior: T. R. Sutherland.

Harry Hooper Agricultural Science Prize:

F. N. McDonald.

Alex Coto Memorial Prizes:

D. R. Messenger
R. L. Ford.

Music Prize:

R. M. Rigg.

Debating Society:

The Stanley B. Calvert Memorial Prize:
200: D. M. Gibb, T. R. Sutherland.

James Fraser Sutherland Memorial Prize:

P. H. Weaver

Inter-House Music Competition:

The Logie Smith Shield:
Morrison House.
Captain of Music: T. R. Sutherland.

The Fen and Roy Pillow Bursary:

W. H. Cunningham.

Dr. Gus. Kearney Memorial Prize:

R. D. Money.

The Headmaster's Prize:

J. S. Bromell

Dux of the College (presented by the President of the Old Collegian's Association, E. W. McCann, Esq):

D. N. Sutherland.

SPORTS PRIZES.

First Division.

Clarke M. R. 2nd U14 Swimming Championship.
Gorell R. 2nd U14 Athletic Championship.
McCann D. W. M. 1st U14 Swimming Championship.
Scott A. R. 1st U14 Athletic Championship.
(The "E. R. Sparrow" Cup)
Powell J. R. 2nd U15 Swimming Championship.
Leach P. J. 2nd U15 Athletic Championship.
Wright D. C. 2nd U15 Singles Tennis Championship.

Smith L. B. 1st U15 Swimming Championship.
Redpath I. R. 1st: U15 Singles Tennis Championship.
(The Mrs. T. S. Hawkes Memorial).
MacPherson W. M. 1st U15 Doubles Tennis Championship.
Hirst B. I. 1st U15 Athletic Championship.
Hutton I. G. 1st U16 Athletic Championship.
(The Athol J. Wilson" Cup).
McKenzie B. D. 2nd U16 Swimming Championship.
Simpson T. 2nd U16 Athletic Championship.
McIntyre I. M. 2nd U16 Swimming Championship.
Dudley C. T. 1st U16 Athletic Championship.
(The Geo. C. Ewan Cup).

Second Division.

Best G. L. 2nd Open Swimming Championship.
Newton C. H. D. Senior Boxing Prize.
Vines R. A. G. 2nd Open Doubles Tennis Championship.
Lawler W. W. The Nigel Boys Trophy (for Field Games).
Skelton I. A. 1st Open Swimming Championship.
Money R. D. { 1st Open Doubles Tennis Championship.
2nd Open Singles Tennis Championship.
Cook W. T. { 1st Open Doubles Tennis Championship.
2nd Open Athletic Championship.
(The Norman Morrison Cup).
Falconer P. H. { The W. H. Hill Memorial Cricket Trophy.
2nd Open Doubles Tennis Championship.
1st Open Singles Tennis Championship.
(The F. W. Rolland Cup).
1st Open Athletic Championship.
(The Geelong College Cup).

Third Division.

1st VIII (Winners of Head of the River), Presentation of Oars.
Inter-House Swimming Cup (presented by Western District Branch O.G.C.A.), McArthur House; House Captain: D. M. Gibb.
"The V. H. Profit Cup" won by 3rd XVIII; Captain: R. B. D. Negri.
Inter-House Athletics: "The Nigel Boyes Memorial Cup" won by McArthur House; House Captain: D. M. Gibb.
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MUSIC NOTES.

A concert was given in second term by Miss Lee, Miss Stevens, Mr. Smyth and Mr. Miers. Miss Stevens began the programme with some vocal items and Miss Lee continued with several piano works. Mr. Smyth played the first movement of a violin sonata by Haydn. Unfortunately time did not allow Mr. Miers to perform. At the conclusion of the concert, the feelings of the audience were revealed by the enthusiastic applause.

After much preparation by Mr. Smith, the male choir and the Prep. School choir sang several anthems at the customary school service, which was held in second term at St. George's.

While Mr. Smith was away examining during part of October, Mr. Miers again kindly consented to take charge of the music classes. We hope he will be able to do so again next year.

During the cadet camp at Mildura, a special Sunday service held in St. Andrew's gave members of the male choir a valuable opportunity to practice items for the Tasmanian tour. The singing was led by the choir, who sang two anthems: "The Lord's Prayer" and "Songs of Praises", conducted by Mr. MacMillan and accompanied on the organ by R. Gray. Following the service, supper was provided in the church hall, after which some songs were practised and portions of the service were played back on a tape recorder.

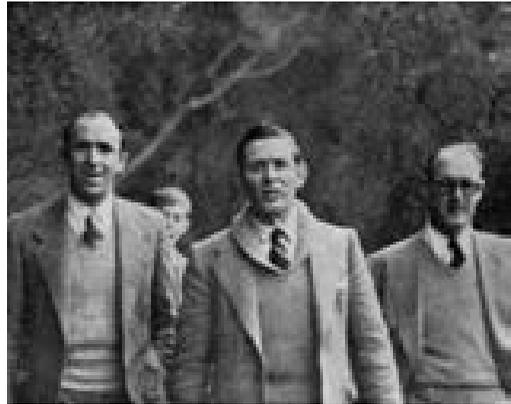
The most important musical events during second term this year were the two performances in preparation for the Tasmanian tour. They were held on successive nights at Birregurra and in the Morrison Hall. The Birregurra concert demonstrated some of the unibrsen difficulties which can arise during a performance.

When we arrived, after some delay due to the uncertain route it had to be decided how and when the curtain was to be operated, and how the choir should be situated to the best advantage. In Tasmania we always had a day to see to these matters. Certain inconveniences

Inter-House Rowing: "The Henry Young Memorial Cup" won by McArthur House; Stroke: D. M. Gibb.

Inter-House Shooting: "The Stoker-Shannon Cup" won by Morrison House; House Captain: S. F. McArthur.

Inter-House Competition: Aggregate Points: "The S. B. Hamilton-Calvert Cup" won by McArthur House; House Captain: D. M. Gibb.



"The Three."

also arose owing to the condition of the pi'anos; especially in the Schumann concerto, where both had to be used together, although differing considerably in pitch. Added to that, they were out of tune within themselves, and the notes on one piano stayed down when played. All these mishaps, however, were taken in good part and although parts of the performance were somewhat ragged, it served as a valuable preparation for the tour.

The concert in the Morrison Hall on the following night was an improvement, although there were still a few unfortunate little incidents due to lack of practice. But it was fairly satisfactory on the whole, and again served as useful experience.

The concert programme for Birregurra, the second term school concert, and the Tasmanian concerts were essentially the same. The programme centred upon the choral work, which included a large number of songs; a selection of which was sung at each concert. They ranged from "The Sleigh" and "Horo My Nut Brown Maiden" to "Songs of Praises" and "The Lord's Prayer". The choir was conducted by Mr. Smith and accompanied by R. Gray. Tom Sutherland, however, the leading, conductor in the House Music competition in first term, conducted the song "Rail no more ye Learned Asses", which was the set song for the competition.

The pianists of the party were Tom Sutherland, Graham Falk, Robert Money, Robert Negri, Robert Gray and Graham Hair. The first four took it in turns to play piano solos; two or three playing in each performance. Graham Hair, accompanied by the school orchestra, played the Miniature Concerto in E Major by Alec Rowley, and Robert Gray

played the Concerto in A Minor by Schumann (first movement). He was accompanied by Mr. Cooke, who played the piano arrangement of the orchestral part. The school orchestra, who together with the choir, formed the main part of the programme, played a Sinfonia by Bach, and accompanied Graham Hair's piano-forte concerto. Various instrumental ensembles and a vocal ensemble performed; the brass quintet playing Minuet from Berenice by Handel; and Bruce Rigg, the solo flautist, accompanied by a string ensemble playing Suite in A Minor by Telemann. The string quartet played a Ronde and the string quintet played a Minuet and Trio, both composed by Lawrence Wright, the viola player in the ensemble who has already written several compositions of note while at the College. The Vocal ensemble sang a hunting song, "To the Death". Three items were selected from the "Mikado" and acted in full costume. "Three Little Maids" was sung by F. Bellis, I. Wills and R. Webb, a madrigal was sung, and "The Sun Whose Rays", a soprano solo, was sung by F. Bellis.

In October, a reunion of the Tasmanian concert party was held in the Newtown Town Hall, slides and moving pictures taken on the trip were shown. Mr. Field generously promised to give us each some photos, taken by himself. Perhaps the main feature of the evening was the wonderful supper, to which, it is to be feared, adequate justice was unable to be given. All went home with a feeling of great satisfaction, and with kindly feelings towards the parents who provided it.

R.W.G.

MUSIC EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Music exams were held as usual in October this year. The high standard set by previous years was maintained, and the teachers are to be congratulated on the satisfactory results. Seventeen candidates obtained Honours.

The results are as follow:

Preliminary: Bent, D. G. (p) 94 Hon.; Peace, D. G. (p) 91 Hon.

1st Grade: Chapman, G. V. 90 Hon.; Fiddian, R. M. 93 Hon.; Fraser, R. L. (p) 85 Hon.; Gill, G. R. 85 Hon.; Falk, 92 Hon.; Evans, (May) 90 Hon.

2nd Grade: Evans, D. G. (Oct.) 83 Cred.; Henderson, I. A. (p) 81 Cred.; Mack, W. S. 88 Hon.; Taylor, M. (p) 75 Cred.; Wood, G. B. 94 Hon.

3rd Grade: Carr, W. J. 81 Cred.; Gowty, K. A.. 78 Cred.; Howell, S. A. 81 Cred.; Walter, D. 88 Hon.; Wright, D. (p) 86 Hon.; Bellis, F. 79 Cred.

4th Grade: Fairnie, I. J. 89 Hon.; Freat, R. G. 69 Pass; Males, P. A. 85 Hon.; Read, M. 85 Hon.; Robson, G. 85 Hon.; Webb, A. R. 87 Hon.; Wills, I. 78 Cred.; John, A. T. (May) 73 Pass.

5th Grade: John, A. T. (Oct.) 70 Pass; MacDonald, j. 69 Pass; Scott, I. R. 65 Pass.

6th Grade: Lewis, B. A. G. 87 Hon.; Crawford, R. D. obtained 85 Hon. in his 3rd grade 'cello exam.

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Robert Falk, Robert Money, Robert Negri and Robert Gray sat for matriculation music (piano); the results of which will not be available until January.

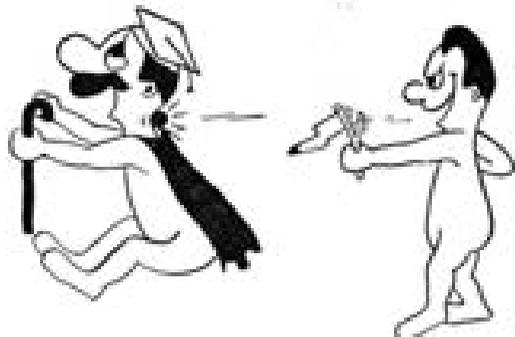
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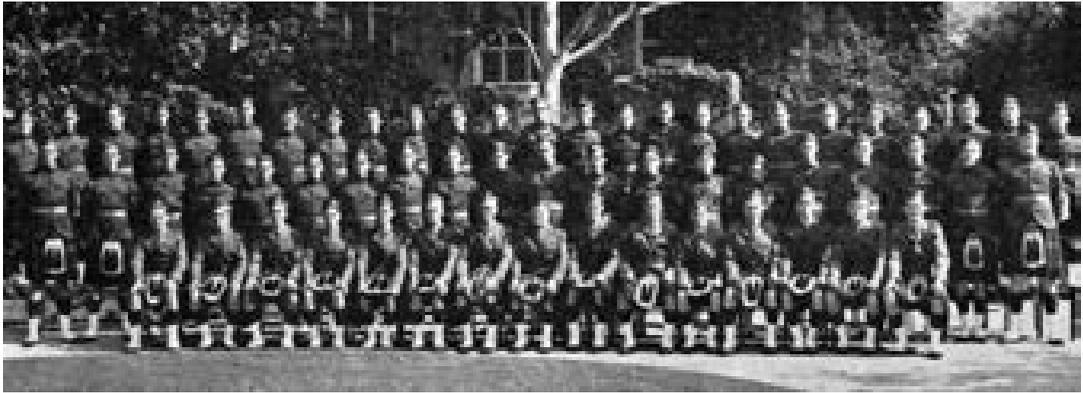
The Band once again enjoyed a successful year under the watchful eye of Mr. Perriam. We wish to thank him very much for sparing us part of his valuable time. During the year we lost several members, including our bass drummer who left us to take charge of the kilt store.

A good time was enjoyed by all at the Cadet camp at Mildura with very little work to do. Here we should thank several of the Melbourne Grammar Band for the help they gave us up at camp including Mr. Dunn.

During the term we attended a garden fete out at "Woolbrook" Teesdale where we helped provide some of the entertainment.

At the close of this year several members will be leaving school and to them we wish the best for the future, and hope that in years to come, they will be members of other bands.





THE CADET UNIT—OFFICERS AND N.C.O.'s.

CADET NOTES

Another successful year's training has been completed. This year there were twenty-nine parades, and in this time detailed studies of the rifle, L.M.G., M.M.G., grenade, map reading, compass exercises, mortar and signals were carried out. In connection with this work, we wish to offer our thanks to W.O.II Haines, for all his help and guidance.

On the 16th August, 238 members of the Geelong College unit left Geelong to attend the annual eight day camp at Mildura. While there, some platoons performed tactical manoeuvres, map reading and all fired the Bren gun and rifle. The weather allowed us to have a most successful camp—both the Guard and Drill Platoons winning their respective semi-finals against Geelong Grammar School, Wesley and Melbourne Grammar School. Our thanks go to all A.R.A. instructors at the camp and especially to W.O.II Haines for the training he gave the Guard.

This year the Drill Platoon again held off all comers in the competition at Melbourne High School Oval, on 29th October. They had a very decisive win of fourteen points from their nearest rivals, Melbourne High School. Congratulations to Under Officer R. Money and 3 Platoon on their splendid work in winning the shield for the seventh successive year, and the best of luck to next year's Drill Platoon. Congratulations to the winners of the Guard competition too, Albury Grammar School. The Geelong College Guard provided a fine performance, but were not good enough to beat the winners.

The Governor of Victoria, Sir Dallas Brooks, paid Geelong an Official Visit on 14th October and a Guard of Honour was provided by the unit. His Excellency complimented the Guard Commanders: Cdt. U. O's. D. Gibb, J. Bromell and R. Dennis; and their Guard on their military bearing and smart turnout. Our thanks to the band supplied by Geelong Grammar, which helped us on that occasion.

The final parade was held on 27th October, and it ended a most successful year, not only for the Guard and Drill Platoons, but also for the Mortar and Vickers crews, who showed their skill with their weapons and were congratulated by the camp A.R.A. instructors.

Finally, on behalf of the whole unit, I would like to thank Lt. Col. Dunkley, Captain Campbell and Lt. MacMillan, for their whole-hearted co-operation throughout the year. Good luck to all those returning and all new members next year.

R S.D.



LIBRARY NOTES

The library, with the addition throughout the year of eighteen books on subjects of Sport, English, General Reading and Theology as well as several Encyclopaedias, has reached a total of over 2,400 books. If any sections seem to need enlarging, they may be those of Science and General Reference. With the proximity of public exams, the library has been in continual use.

I would like to thank personally, the library committee and Mr. Ipsen for constant supervision throughout the year.

J.R.T.

P.F.A. NOTES

Geelong College may well be proud of its comprehensive education. Almost all the interests of a boy are catered for in a wonderful way. Yet of the clubs, societies, and activities that result, the P.F.A. more than any other, justifies its place in the school. More than any other it justifies the existence of the College and fulfils the ends for which it was created. The P.F.A. is the only essentially Christian society and it is a promising and significant fact that in this church school this Fellowship should be growing, strong, enthusiastic, and active. The group strengthens and enlarges yearly and the future is bright.

Not only is the College P.F.A. a power in the school, but it is a strength to P.F.A.'s throughout Victoria, for every year members from here, with knowledge and experience in P.F.A. work, go out to branches all over the State, many of whom must struggle to survive.

Christian Fellowship is the greatest thing about the P.F.A. and this it is that makes the group a force for Christ within the school and without. All members express their gratitude to the Rev. E. McLean and Mr. Webb for making this fellowship possible.

As always, our weekly meetings on Thursday evenings, throughout the last two terms, have been as varied as they have been interesting. Mr. Campbell spoke on the historical accuracy of the film "Martin Luther", the Rev. L. Hatton told of his work in East Gippsland, Mr. Voors gave a talk on the Dutch Reformed Church in Holland. Two speeches were given on professions, one by Mr. McCann on farming, the other by the Rev. G. Wood on the ministry. Mr. Comb spoke about Ernabella, Mr. Dedman about his job of getting refugees out to Australia through the World Council of Churches and Mr. Duff about jewels. We also had a Bible Quiz, and a Question Box which was answered by the Rev. R. Blackwood. At perhaps the finest meeting of all, 64 new members were presented with badges by Doctor Buntine, whose interest in the P.F.A. we value.

Service has gone on steadily at the Miller Homes and at the Bethany Babies' Home. One special job being done is the mending of toys which will be given to the children of this home at Christmas. Also several boys will attend the Brotherhood of St. Lawrence camps during the Christmas holidays.

Those leaving College are realising, as did Shakespeare, that one does "love that well which thou must leave ere long". The P.F.A. will not stand least among those aspects of College life that we leave with more than a passing regret.

T.R.S.



U.N. NOTES

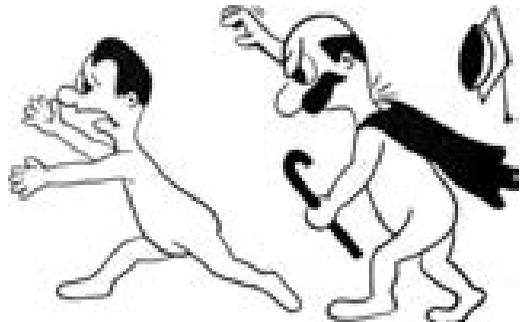
Although the Club has not been as active as was anticipated, the importance of the United Nations has been realized by most members of the school. All meetings and activities of the All Schools Group were enthusiastically supported by members of the group. These included, a Tennis Tournament from which £32-10-0 was raised for the Children's Appeal; a Film Night; both held at the Hermitage, and the annual celebration of United Nations Day, at which a further £2 was collected for the Children's Appeal.

During United Nations Week, the school was visited by Colonel Sutton, who spoke to senior members of the school on the importance of U.N., with special reference to his particular interest, U.N.I.C.E.F. He also encouraged us to take full advantage of the opportunities given to support the United Nations.

The U.N. Club has now been in existence for two years, and it is hoped these years will form the basis for an even more active group next year, and thus, give all members of the school an understanding of this organization.

Special thanks must be again extended to Mr. Quick, for his guidance and interest throughout the year.

P.H.F..



DEBATING SOCIETY NOTES

This year was a successful and enjoyable one for the Debating Society. Although the record attendances at the beginning of the "debating season" fell off slightly, keen interest was maintained throughout the term. Special mention must be made of the Mackie and other junior members both for their support and their excellent speaking which at times overshadowed the older members of the society.

Although the society lacked the speakers of quality of previous years, the speakers and subject matter generally was pleasing evidence of the enthusiastic interest shown by Mr. Henderson over the past years. Mr. Henderson once again, generously gave his Sunday evenings for the benefit of the society and its members, and on behalf of the members we extend our sincere thanks to him.

Towards the end of the term, a debate against Ormond College was arranged. Three Old Collegians, Messrs. R. G. Robinson, A. G. Gray, and I. T. Harrison, represented Ormond College; and J. L. Bromell, D. M. Gibb and T. R. Sutherland represented the College. The subject was "That Trial by Jury should be Abolished". Mr. Henderson took the chair and Mr. G. Murray, another Old Collegian, was adjudicator. After a summary of the various speakers, which was an excellent example of speaking, Mr. Murray awarded the debate to the College Team.

The office-bearers for 1955 were: Mr. T. Henderson (president), Messrs R. D. Money and B. G. Robinson (vice-presidents), Messrs. J. L. Bromell, D. M. Gibb, W. W. Lawler, F. S. McArthur, D. R. Messenger, D. N. Sutherland, T. R. Sutherland, and J. Varcoe-Cocks (committee), Messrs. I. D. Blair and P. H. Falconer (secretaries).

I.D.B., P.H.F.

Entrance Scholarships, 1956.

James Boyd Scholarship: A. J. M. Howden (Shepparton High School).

Herbert Cecil Godfrey Scholarship: A. P. Sheahan (Manifold Heights State School).

James Boyd Scholarships: A. R. Garrett (Manifold Heights State School), P. W. Hobart (Belmont State School).



IN THE GYM.

This term the gym. was taken over by Mr. Davies, to whom we all extend a warm welcome as a new member of the staff. Mr. Davies was formerly a P.E. instructor in the A.M.F. and was for a long period at R.M.C. Duntroon.

Normal P.E. classes were carried out satisfactorily, the work being directed mainly toward "setting up" and agility exercises. Volley ball was also taught to certain classes, and a fair degree of skill was attained. Softball was also introduced toward the end of term, and proved popular.

The gym. was also used enthusiastically by athletes, both in pre-season and mid-season work. The success of this exercise showed up to a marked degree.

The success of Warrinn's "Cottage Pie" was partly due to the training carried out in daily gym. work, and to the extra efforts of those who took part. The enthusiasts of Mackie House also worked hard to provide an item for their end of term concert.

Extra gym. was again carried out, and 26 boys took part in the varied activities.

Permission has been granted for the purchase of new gym. and games equipment, and this will greatly benefit the school in 1956.



THE HOUSE OF GUILDS.

This year The House of Guilds has been the fortunate recipient of a number of valuable gifts in equipment of various kinds. These have made possible the much needed improvement in facilities and an increase of working space. They have also made necessary some most desirable structural alterations and improvements long overdue, which, although they have temporarily restricted the amount of individual work completed this year, have also given first-rate opportunities for concerted effort. Ideas as well as personal exertion have combined to plan and effect the changes in various rooms.

Notably is this true in the Model Engineers' Shop, where a new concrete floor, increased working area, the installation of new power tools, and the modernizing of old have occupied many minds and hands for the greater part of two terms. The generous donor who provided the tools insists upon remaining anonymous, and we here thank him sincerely on our own behalf and for all those who in the future will benefit also.

A new location for the Pottery Shop had then to be prepared, with consequential alterations in the bathroom.

Earlier, too, most of the interior of the House of Guilds was repainted and this in turn provided its share of delays and interruptions.

The year must therefore be regarded primarily as one in which we have enlarged our borders, improved our facilities, largely by our own efforts, and have made ready for a flying start next year, rejuvenated.

We have at the same time received rather more than is usual, calls upon our ideas and resources from the various branches of College activity and its auxiliaries. One evidence of this is shown by the output of the members of the Printers' Guild, all of whom are enthusiasts and have provided invitations for College functions. Tickets and handbills in number for various money-raising undertakings associated with the Preparatory School Building Fund. This is in addition to the printing of three thousand programmes for the Glee Club as is our custom. Another evidence is the demanding call from the Glee Club for hand-made properties for use on the stage, to which must be added this year, the actual designing and creation of the stage settings for "The Pirates of Penzance." These were made by boys in the studio in pieces small enough to pass through the

doorway and light enough for them to handle safely and swiftly during the scene change at the interval.

The steady hum of regular work has still been heard near the aero-modellers' workshop, from which both creations and noises of a spectacular kind have emerged continuously, to take the air from the cow paddock for better or for worse.

Some excellent photography by erstwhile novices who worked in the dark is other evidence of a pleasing and improving standard in a busy department.

The customary making and maintenance of radio sets, the usual leatherwork, bookcrafts and other general activities, have continued.

Also, although the Weavers' Guild has had to content themselves with table looms as we await the new supply of twist for the large hand loom.

Next year it is hoped to begin stone carving and wood carving, now that sets of tools have been received.

We acknowledge specifically the following gifts and thank the generous donors most sincerely.

A "Waldown" half-inch vertical power drill; a half-horse power "Hoover" electric motor; a power grinder; a set of wood-turning chisels, all from an anonymous donor. A vertical photographic enlarger—Mr. Don Roydhouse. Set of wood-carving chisels—Mrs. F. Daniel. One hand press for printers—Mr. Campbell of Campbell-Wilson, Process Engravers. A large colour-print of a portrait of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II by William Dargie—Mr. Dickinson.



The Printer's Guild.



Tasmanian Tour, 1955

During second term, 1955, not the least industrious of the workers in the school were the members of the Tasmanian concert party. The normal musical life of the school was seen to undergo many a subtle change. The House of Music became a hive of activity during the hours of the orchestral and male choir practices. Indeed, members of the orchestra and the choir bestirred themselves to such a degree that not only were their seats rilled during the customary hours, but after lunch, after school, and during the week-end, the House of Music and the Morrison Hall resounded with harmonious strains and sweet lyrics.

Aided by their previous appearances, both at Birregurra and at the second term school concert where recitals of the Tasmanian tour programme were given, the performers looked forward to the tour with some degree of confidence. Our morale was considerably bolstered by the assistance of Mr. Smyth, Mr. Cooke and Frank Pam in the orchestra. We were, however, very sorry to lose Mr. Macmillan and Michael Roland, who became ill at the last moment and were unable to go. The person most responsible for the complicated and tiresome task of organizing both this

tour and the previous one was Mr. K. Field, to whom we are all very grateful.

On Friday, August 26, having risen at an unearthly hour, we assembled at the T.A.A. office in Swanson Street and boarded the bus for the aerodrome. The weather was fairly fine when our plane journey began from Essendon in the John Gilbert, and remained so for most of the day. During the flight, breakfast was served, in which some of us, blissfully unaware of the evil eye of Nemesis, indulged excessively. The trip was smooth and enjoyable, until we reached the mountains of Tasmania, over which we hovered for some time owing to an alteration in the schedule at the Cambridge Aerodrome. The delay, however, was fatal to many of the passengers, who all of a sudden became violently indisposed for the last and most interesting part of the journey. Interesting, because for all we knew it might have terminated rather abruptly in the commencement of a longer one. However, everything turned out all right and we alighted with relief from the plane on to good, solid earth, where we forced a sickly grin for the "Mercury" photographer. Then we were taken to Hobart in a bus. Stopping outside the

Legacy Hall, we were assigned our respective hosts and hostesses. We sincerely acknowledge our gratitude to Mrs. MacDougall, Mr. Triffet and Mr. Ian Everist, for the competent job which they performed in procuring lodgings for us in the three cities, which we realize was not an easy task. After lunch we had a short rehearsal in the Theatre Royal, a quaint and interesting old place; probably the first theatre built in Australia. Immediately afterwards, we attended a civic reception given by the Lord Mayor, in the Town Hall. We all shook hands with him, and after a most appetizing tea, were addressed by the Lord Mayor, the Headmaster of the High School, and the President of the Legacy Club in Hobart Mr. Pearce; Mr. Smith replied suitably. Then we were delighted by an impromptu recital by the brass quintet.

On Saturday morning, we all attended a rehearsal in the Theatre Royal. Evidently after a late night during which several were no doubt forming the lifelong acquaintances mentioned by the Lord Mayor, some were not punctual; so we started with the Schumann concerto and continued with the choral items, etc., when all had assembled. We were pleasantly surprised to see Mr. Leereveldt there, a former teacher of languages at the College. We also met him again individually after the concert.

After lunch many of us were taken to see the sights of Hobart; perhaps the most important feature of which was the floating bridge, apparently the longest in the world—and we were not allowed to forget it.

The first concert, at 8.00 that night, went well. The audience, which filled most of the theatre, was not as responsive as those at Launceston and Burnie, but was quite enthusiastic nevertheless. Much to the amusement of all during the concert, Mr. Smith had to ask the owner of a car parked across the street to kindly remove it, as it was obstructing the marquee.

During the greater part of Sunday, we were left to our hosts. Mount Wellington was the principal attraction, some parts of which were still liberally sprinkled with snow. Upon reaching the summit, however, we were chilled to the marrow by the icy blasts of a freezing gale which cut through us like a knife. Although there was a considerable amount of cloud around the summit in the earlier part of the day, there were moments of great

clarity when a grand view of Hobart was laid out before us. Excursions were made also to Port Arthur and through the country around Hobart where, later in the day, the scenery of mountains and river estuaries bathed in the warm afternoon sun was a wonderful sight.

Our only official engagement that day was the church service in the evening at St. John's, where the choir sang two anthems: "The Lord's Prayer" and "Songs of Praises". Afterwards there was a social hour in the adjacent hall, during which we met the congregation and had supper. Also a piano solo was played and some hymns were sung.

On Monday morning, as we left in the bus for Launceston, we regretfully said goodbye to Hobart with its trolley buses, its exciting, narrow, tortuous streets, its mountain scenery . . . and its floating bridge, all agreeing that of all the places we visited, Hobart was by far the most friendly and enjoyable. On recollecting memories of the railways from the previous tour, we decided to make all our trips by bus. The first one was to Launceston. Having stopped at Ross for a short time, where we saw an interesting old bridge built by convicts, we arrived in Launceston outside the National Theatre, where we were allotted to our billets. After lunch we were present at a civic reception given by the Mayor in the Town Hall; a few minutes walk from the theatre. Then we had our first rehearsal in the National Theatre, which was very much larger, but not as high as the Theatre Royal and, as we soon found out, it possessed the unenviable reputation of being the coldest theatre in Tasmania; probably in Australia.

On Tuesday morning we had a complete rehearsal of our programme, which was pretty hard work, so there were not many objections raised when a short diversion was offered by the rhythm fiends of the party.

After lunch we all went on a bus trip to the hydro-electric works at Trevallyn, the Cataract Gorge, and a look-out from where we could see the whole city. Many photographs were taken of the large dam at Trevallyn, and Mr. Field took a number of photos of groups in the Cataract Gorge, where we were intrigued by the swinging bridge. After the bus trip, some of us had a look around the city, where we were struck by the quietness and the lack of bustle and turmoil which one expects in a city.

The concert that night was the best of the tour. The audience was very responsive, the piano was very good, the theatre was acoustically excellent, and even the stage management was good.

The weather was very fine as we set out in the bus for Burnie on Wednesday, and it remained so for the whole day. Our hopes therefore rose at the prospect of a fine day for the picnic at Hellyer Gorge on the following day. We became, however, a little more apprehensive and with reason, when we heard that the rainfall of Burnie was breaking all records. Having stopped at Devonport for refreshments, we arrived at Burnie in time for lunch, and outside the Burnie Theatre were assigned to our billets. During the rehearsal that afternoon, the pianists of the party had the great privilege and honour of playing on Burnie's Challen grand piano; the merit of which was well brought home to us by the inhabitants of that city. Before we left the theatre, we were treated by Mr. Cooke and Mr. Smith to a delightful rendition of "Baba the Little Elephant", a charming little fairy-tale put to music by Poulenc.

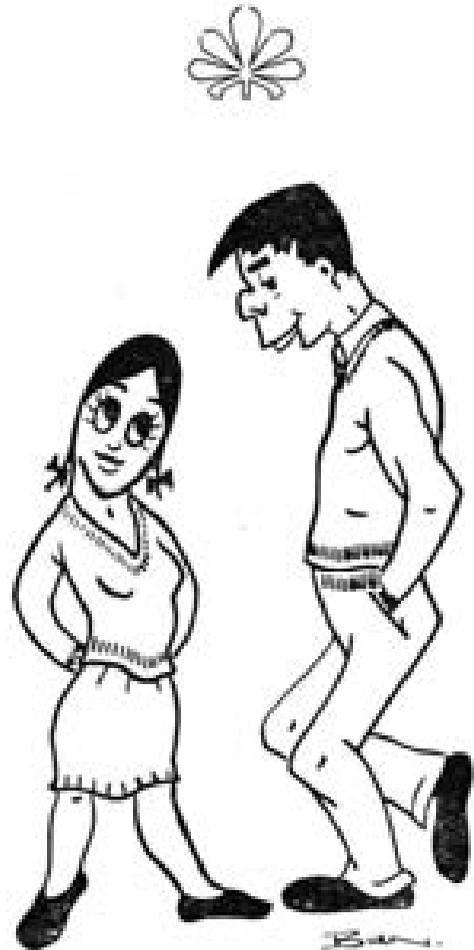
As mentioned previously, the plan for Thursday was to have a picnic at Hellyer Gorge, but owing to rain this project was abandoned. After reading the morning paper, which impressed us with a fine photo of Jock Bromell and Roger Vines, we set out instead on a bus trip to Stanley, which is a little town on the coast, situated on the lower slopes of an eminence aptly named "The Nut". The Apex Club very kindly provided us with a barbecue meal which we ate in the grounds of St. John's church—100 years old on that day. We then tackled "The Nut" and photos were taken of the whole party on top, mainly by Mr. Field; especially of a novel mode of ascent demonstrated by "The Three"—Mr. Smith, Mr. Smyth and Mr. Cooke.

Although the concert did not go quite as well that night as at Launceston, it was probably the most enjoyable of the three. Although the theatre was huge and the population of Burnie small, the audience was good. At the conclusion of the concert, Mr. Smith thanked all the hosts and hostesses and the organizers and organizations responsible for the tour to whom, he said, we were all very grateful for their co-operation and endurance.

Before we left Burnie on Friday we had morning tea together in a cafe, during which we learnt that as there was fog on the aerodrome, we would have to go all the way back to the one at Launceston. So we boarded the plane there and were once more borne aloft. Nemesis was obviously taking a nap as we flew back; he could not have noticed the deglutition of two large rich cream cakes during the flight. Except for some visits to the pilot's cabin the trip was uneventful, but I think we preferred it that way. So we alighted at Essendon, said goodbye to one another and disbanded, with our minds occupied by a host of pleasant memories to relate when we reached home.

—R.W.G., VI.

—I.D.B., VI.



"Do you play Football?"



Pirates of Penzance

The high standard of Gilbert and Sullivan productions was maintained this year by the staging of "The Pirates of Penzance", on 11th, 12th and 13th October. Once again three packed houses viewed a success which if it did not perhaps reach the high standard attained last year, was well up to the standard of other previous productions.

Once again a very large cast took the stage, and it says much for Mr. Smith that he could so successfully control what could easily have been a most unmanageable company. Most of last year's talented bunch of principals left school and there was comparatively little material on which to work.

The number of rehearsals was somewhat curtailed this year by preparation for the Tasmanian Tour, and it was not until third term that the opera took on any semblance of completeness. Some good work put in by all members in the weekend before third term began, paved the way for a production worthy of the Glee Club.

This year, the third performance took the form of a Gala Night, at which Vice-Admiral Sir John and Lady Collins were guests of honour. About 550 seats were sold at a higher rate, the proceeds from which went towards the Preparatory School Fund.

The chorus was large and extremely well-dressed. What they may have lacked in voice, was made up for by the magnificent dressing, especially of the female chorus. For this, the Glee Club is deeply indebted to the indefatigable work of Mrs. Ingpen, Mrs. Smith, and many other active womenfolk. The dresses and hats from "Pinafore" were transformed to make suitable and effective costumes for General Stanley's daughters. The male chorus was a fairly experienced one and proved to have many of the characteristics of a "rollicking band of pirates." The policemen of the 2nd act proved somewhat reluctant heroes and were always laughable figures if sometimes unintentional ones.



Kate—I. R. Wills.

The principals were inexperienced in the main. G. M. Fyfe and F. I. Bellis both gave talented performances in their respective parts of Ruth and Mabel, and perhaps headed what was otherwise a comparatively even set of principals. G. G. Wills' fine bass voice was well-suited to the part of Sergeant of Police. D. E. Vibert made an auspicious debut in the Glee Club as the Pirate King and we may look forward to bigger and better things from him next year. W. O. Heath was a convincing and suitably ugly Samuel, the pirate lieutenant. The very difficult tenor lead, the part of Frederic, was taken by B. M. Rigg, who turned in creditable performances. D. M. Gibb attempted to be the model of a modern Major-General, and the leaders of his very large and very beautiful family of daughters were: Kate—I. R. Wills, Edith—D. C. Wright, and Isabel—P. A. McLennan and A. R. Webb.

The third performance was undoubtedly the best and was a worthy ending to a year of hard work, not only of Glee Club members, but also for the countless and often nameless numbers of people who assisted materially in the production:— those who helped in the dress-

ing, particularly Mesdames Ingpen and Smith; those who helped with the make-up, particularly Mr. Nicolson; those good friends of the College who made up a fine orchestra; those who made the properties, sold programmes, and who assisted in all sorts of ways to make this production possible.

Special mention should be made in these notes of the work of Mr. Webb. This year more than ever, perhaps, the Glee Club is especially thankful to this gentleman. All who saw this year's performance could not help remarking on the magnificent scenery; no longer are we dependant on J. C. Williamson for scenery, as the Glee Club now owns a white satin backdrop. In front of this, Mr. Webb built a modernistic and realistic stage which was both simple and effective and placed due emphasis on the action rather than the scene. He and his band of helpers provided the Glee Club with many properties and it is simply impossible to speak too highly of his indefatigable work without which the Glee Club could not possibly continue.



Mabel and Frederic—F. I. Bellis, B. M. Rigg.

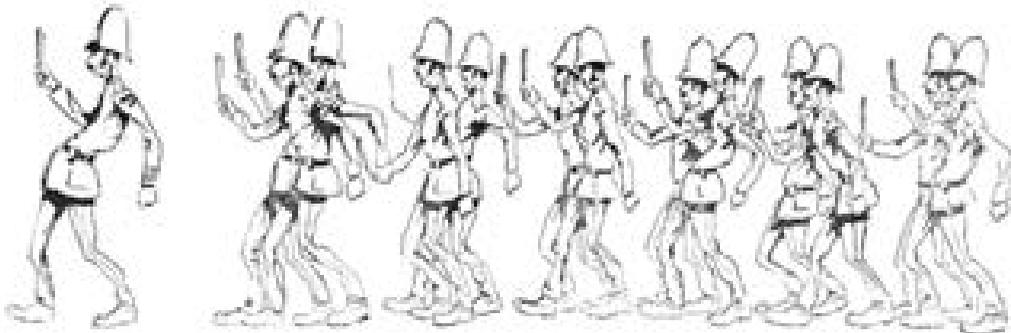


Pirate King & Ruth—D. E. Vibert, G. M. Fyfe.

We are once again deeply indebted to Mrs. Carrington whose tireless and competent piano playing at both rehearsal and performance make her a mainstay of the Glee Club. Unfortunately another of the mainstays was not catered for in this opera and we look forward to hearing his variety of noises in future years; we sympathize with him that Gilbert was not more considerate in giving him suitable opportunities to exercise his art. Nevertheless, the Glee Club owes much to Mr. Campbell, whose painstaking work on the booking and sometimes unobtrusive but never-failing attendance at rehearsals make him a pillar of the Glee Club.

Last but definitely not least, we owe far more than just thanks to the man to whom the Glee Club owes its very existence and continuance. Somebody has remarked that hard work seems to be just a habit of Mr. Smith's and it would certainly seem so from the work he put into this year's performance. The only reward we can possibly offer him is a good performance, so we hope that was achieved.

Those leaving who have gained so much from the Glee Club, wish future Glee Clubs every success in maintaining the high standards of other years, and in giving musical entertainment to the public. We hope that they will gain from the Glee Club not only an appreciation of Gilbert and Sullivan, but also of the work of those who continually serve it so well and give it a widely-acclaimed reputation.



The Escort Lion Hearted.



1st XVIII.

BACK ROW—Dennis, R. S.; Skelton, I. A.; Cogle, B. G.; Hinchliffe, D. A.; Wood, W. A.;
 Norwood, D. H.; Fisher, G. W.; Kinder, B. S.; McArthur, F. S.; Gibb, D. M.
 CENTRE ROW—Falconer, P. H.; Bromell, J. S.; Vines, R. A. G.; J. R. Hunter, Esq.; Cook,
 W. T.; Lawler, W. W.- Money R. S.
 FRONT ROW—Howden, R. B.; Bumpstead, R. I.; Allen, W. B.; Hirst, P. N.; Richardson,
 D. S.; Vautier J. G.. Philip, A. S.

THE COACH'S REPORT

The fortunes of all College teams fluctuated alarmingly as the season progressed—now winning by a huge margin; now losing a week later by a similar margin; missing out by a fraction of a goal or casually managing to effect a draw. But while some teams won and lost alternatively with gay abandon, other teams rarely tasted the fruits of success.

It is a consolation to realize that the greater pleasure of football is not the winning, though a win certainly completes the enjoyment of the game. A highly respectable and respected English gentleman once instructed me with a nice statement—"You don't play to WIN—you PLAY to win—What?" Winning or losing a match takes place at the goal posts. The game is played on the field. To take part in a game is the joy of football. But to perform your particular part well is to know a greater pleasure.

Therefore it has been the desire of the football committee to have full attendances at training of all able-bodied boys, and to arrange as many matches as possible for all grades.

I am very grateful to the following coaches for their conscientious and competent work—Messrs. Wardle, Quick, Bickford, McLean and Solomon. These coaches have made reference in their particular reports to grateful assistance given by Old Boys and friends of the College. A coach's reward is to learn that players whom

he has coached are playing well or have improved in a higher grade.

I wish to place on record the work of the youngest coach, an Old Boy, Mr. Barry Solomon (Honours Award, 1952). He was placed in charge of the Under 14A team and his work was such that at the close of the season, the team was second on the V. H. Profitt Trophy Competition, having won five out of ten matches in P. S. football. The boys reacted to his keenness during training nights and when he was able to be present he was on the boundary at Saturday matches. I regret to add that College will be without his services next season, for he is to spend the next winter in England and France.

It is always a pleasure to report on the members of the First Training List. Throughout the season their attitude to training was exemplary and the team gave some Stirling performances. The P. S. matches against G.G.S. and M.G.S. were thrillers right to the bell, and the win against Scotch at Scotch was a pleasant reward for tireless efforts by the committee to keep the spirit of confidence alive. R. Vines (captain) and W. T. Cook (vice-captain) were mainly responsible for the harmony that existed among the players, Vines led the side capably and he never spared himself in his efforts to inspire the team to do its best to create stubborn resistance or to attack with confidence. Many members of the

training list umpired Under Age and Open matches and so set a good example for future seasons. Though this team had only one win out of five P. S. matches, the boys seemed to have a lot of fun and surely that is the sole reason why games are played.

College was ably represented in the victorious Combined P.S. XVIII against the Melbourne High School's XVIII—R. Vines at full forward; P. Falconer as first rover was nominated as the best on the ground; R. Money 19th man had an opportunity to play.

Congratulations to R. Money, P. Falconer and W. Lawler who were awarded Honours for football of a consistently high standard throughout the whole season.

I hope that those who are leaving this year, will find themselves happily placed in a good team. Some day you may play again on the Oval in an Old Boys' match on Old Boys' Day. College aims to follow your football careers as closely as possible. You are expected to do the same for your "old team".

Congratulations to Xavier College — Premiers for 1955.

Thanks a lot to the Football Committee for all you have done this year. It would have been an impossible task without you.

J.R.H.

THE CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The 1955 season, although a little disappointing after a promising start, ended on a high note with a win against Scotch and a very close defeat against Melbourne Grammar School in the last match. This match was played on Old Boys' Day and although Senior Oval was in very bad condition, some good football was seen by a large number of Old Boys. The P. S. match played on Old Boys' Day, is always regarded as the most important match of the series and the presence of the Old Boys always seems to spur us on to greater efforts.

At the start of the season and during the holidays, we played some "social" matches. These matches are always played in a friendly atmosphere and as the results are not important they provide a convenient means of trying out new players. Unfortunately a match with Ormond College could not be arranged, but, as in 1954, we were able to play Queen's College. It was an interesting match with the final scores 13-8 to 9-5 in our favour. Two Old Boys in the Queen's side added to the interest in the game. Ballarat College visited us on the first day of the holidays. We won rather easily, the scores being 12-18 to 3-9. We were pleased to hear that they won their competition in Ballarat. The final social match was played during the holidays against University High School in Melbourne. Our team consisted almost entirely of day boys and was not good enough to win, but never-the-less gave a good showing in ideal conditions. Thorold Merrett, Collingwood league footballer umpired the match. The scores were 18-10 to 9-10.

This year the third XVIII won the V. H. P. trophy with the Under 14As in second place.

It was a popular win and pointed to the increasing strength of football in the open division. A few years ago it was difficult to find enough boys for a 3rd XVIII. This year there were enough for five open teams.

On behalf of the 1st XVIII, I would like to thank the boys who officiated for us this year. They were: D. R. Messenger (boundary umpire), J. Varcoe-Cocks (goal umpire), G. G. Wills (timekeeper), and J. Pennefather, R. Negri and G. O. Walter (trainers). They are jobs which have to be done in connection with any football team and we greatly appreciated their efforts. Finally I would like to thank Mr. Hunter, who once again put so much of his time and effort into coaching us. Looking back on the season my only regret is that we did not have the ability to win the premierships, as some kind of reward for his efforts.

R.A.G.

NOTES ON THE PLAYERS

VINES, R. A. G.—Captain—a capable full forward—a strong and straight kick for goal—chosen as full forward in A.P.S. team—Honours award, 1954.

COOK, W. T.—vice captain—Honour award, 1954—a very strong player who should do well after leaving school—played mostly at centre half forward—a good high mark.

ALLEN, W. B.—a wingster who tasted some measure of success—a neat pass—game.

BROMELL, J. S.—utility ruck—experienced—good service throughout the season—made his presence felt at pocket back—Honour award, 1954.

BUMPSTEAD, R. I.—to be congratulated on holding a permanent position at pocket back—his ability to kick both feet offset his lack of weight.

COUGLE, B. G.—developed well this season—safe pair of hands—a good flier—kicking at fault—will do well on half forward line.

DENNIS, R. S.—early promise not fulfilled—however, can kick and mark quite well—half back flanker.

FALCONER P. H.—first rover—slight, of build but tenacious and even has a go at high flying with the pack—gained Honour award—played as first rover in A.P.S. team.

FISHER, G. W.—cool and solid player at full back—sound mark and kick—one of our most consistent players.

GIBB, D. M.—an unfortunate player—broke his wrist in first P.S. match against Wesley College—was, at the time, justifying his inclusion in the team as a utility ruck—an aggressive player.

HINCHLIFFE, D. A.—played consistently at centre half-back—a beautiful left foot kick—a first year player who held this responsible position satisfactorily.

HIRST, P. N.—played in two P.S. matches—at centre wing and half forward flank—possesses a handy left foot—slow to size up a situation.

HOWDEN, R. B.—second rover—improved as the season progressed—a game player.

KINDER, B. S.—early promise of last year not sustained—half back flanker—played 3 P.S. matches—is capable of relieving with a strong dash.

LAWLER, W. W.—mainstay of ruck—relished plenty of work—his safe high marking at pocket back was a stumbling block to the opposition—gained Honour award.

MONEY, R. D.—centre—gained Honour award and selected as 19th man in A.P.S. team—turned in some good exhibitions in this difficult and responsible position.

NORWOOD, D. H.—ruck—improved as season progressed—now and again, but not often enough, took a good mark and kicked a valuable goal.

PHILIP, A. S.—not a regular player, but football is in him as shown in House matches—played at half forward flank—a good handler and mark—slow but judgement sound.

RICHARDSON, D. S.—speedy centre wing, who enjoyed some success—the type who will improve with experience—played well in House matches.

SKELTON, I. A.—early success at full forward not repeated—not enough initiative to create opportunities—with more experience he will improve.

VAUTIER, J. G.—promoted from 2nd XVIII late in season to play at half back flank—did reasonably well—likes the ball on the ground.

WOOD, W. A.—played two matches in the ruck—lacked aggressiveness—left foot enabled him to break away often.

The remainder of the training list had opportunities to play in matches throughout the season and it is hoped that next season the experience gained this year will prove valuable.
J.R.H.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. WESLEY COLLEGE

(Played at Wesley, Friday, 24 June.)

1st Quarter:

Although there was a strong wind blowing straight down the ground, the ground was very heavy. The centre was a mass of loose mud and the rest of the oval was wet and very soft under foot. Consequently, the game did not produce good football, but a scrambling, hard bumping game.

Geelong College won the toss and kicked with the wind. The ball was repeatedly on our half forward line but due to inaccurate kicking, especially when passing the ball; we could manage only one goal two behinds for the quarter. Wesley on the other hand, from fewer opportunities, scored two goals.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
W.C.	2	0	12
G.C.	1	2	8

2nd Quarter:

On changing ends we continued to give drive to our forward line, due mainly to our rucks and rovers, led by Lawler and Falconer, but we still persisted in inaccurate disposal

and kicked one goal three behinds for the quarter. Our backs defended admirably in this quarter and allowed Wesley only one goal. Fisher and Bumpstead in particular, turned many attacks. The half-time scores were:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
W.C.	3	0	18
G.C.	2	5	17

3rd Quarter:

On resuming, the wind had fallen somewhat, and Wesley took full advantage of this to kick three quick goals, while we scored only a solitary behind for the quarter. Falconer had continued to rove brilliantly, but had found little reward for his efforts.

Scores at three-quarter time:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
W.C.	6	0	36
G.C.	2	6	18

4th Quarter:

The final quarter opened at a tremendous pace, both teams putting everything into it. With Money winning in the centre, we were soon attacking strongly, although our half forward line was not functioning at all. Skelton was leading out well from full forward but his kicking was astray. Wesley finally gained the advantage and added two goals before the bell.

A feature of the match was Wesley's accurate kicking for goal in the very bad conditions. Final scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
W.C.	8	1	49
G.C.	2	7	19

Best Players

P. Falconer, R. Money, J. Bromell, D. Hinchliffe.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. GEELONG GRAMMAR

(Played at Grammar.)

There were two changes in the College team: Cook and Hirst coming into the team in place of Allen and Gibb who were injured in the previous match.

1st Quarter:

Park won the toss for Grammar and elected to kick towards the Junior School. Grammar attacked from the bounce but could not penetrate the tight College defence. Play swung to the College end, where Vines marked and scored a behind. Play swung from one end of the ground to the other with both sets of backs defending solidly. Grammar managed a point but it seemed as if the backs were dominating the game. The bell rang with the score:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	0	1	1
G.G.S.	0	1	1

2nd Quarter:

Grammar were first to score in this term, but College attacked but could only manage three successive behinds, till Vines marked twice for two goals. Grammar retaliated and Canter goaled for them. Play see-sawed for some time and then Canter goaled again to put his team in front. Lawler was dominating

the ruck and giving College a great deal of drive. Points were scored by both sides and then Falconer was able to goal from a nice pass from Vines. Shortly afterwards the bell rang.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	3	5	23
G.G.S.	3	2	20

3rd Quarter:

Grammar were once again first to score, but College soon replied with a point. Play was on the Grammar forward line for some time but their attacks were frequently repulsed by the solid back play of Fisher, Bumpstead, Bromell and Hinchliffe, who turned play again and again. College attacked but could only manage a behind and Grammar were also unable to post goals until Canter goaled again to put Grammar in front. College replied with a good goal to Cook and when the bell rang the scores were:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	4	7	31
G.G.S.	4	6	30

4th Quarter:

Grammar were first to score with a point, followed shortly afterwards by a goal to put them six points in front. Grammar scored another behind and then play see-sawed for some time until Vines was able to kick a beautiful goal to reduce Grammar's lead to a point. Grammar scored another behind and but for solid defence by Fisher would have scored more. Another behind to Grammar gave them a three point lead. A good kick-out was marked by Grammar and play returned to the 10 yard square, where a free kick gave Grammar a goal. Grammar getting drive from the ruck attacked again. Soon after the bell rang- to give Grammar a 9 point win after a closely contested game, scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	5	7	37
G.G.S.	6	10	46

Goal Kickers

Vines (3), Cook (1), Falconer (1).

Best Players:

Falconer, Lawler, - Hinchliffe, Fisher, Bromell, Money, Bumpstead.

**GEELONG COLLEGE v. XAVIER
(Played at College)**

There were two changes in the College team: Allen and McArthur coming into the team in place of Hirst and Philip.

1st Quarter:

Bosten won the toss for Xavier and chose the House of Music end. There was a very strong wind blowing towards that end and the ground was rather greasy. Xavier were first to attack, but solid College defence allowed them two behinds. Soon after, they posted the first goal of the match. College replied with a point. Xavier scored another two behinds but then with excellent forward play scored two goals. The College defence was sound and they did admirably in the adverse conditions. Xavier scored another behind before the bell rang.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	0	1	1
X.C.	3	5	23

2nd Quarter:

Xavier were once again first to score when a lucky kick went through for a goal. College replied soon afterwards with a goal to Skelton. A behind followed and then Norwood was able to kick a lovely goal from a long way out. Vines scored another goal and Howden managed a point. The strong wind was hampering kicking and play was rather scambly, but some systematic forward play gave Xavier a goal which was quickly followed by a point and yet another goal. College replied with a point and then Skelton goaled from a very acute angle. College scored another point before the bell rang with the scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	4	5	29
X.C.	6	6	42

3rd Quarter:

Xavier with a handy two goal lead, opened this quarter with persistent thrusts towards goal. Getting drive from a very strong ruck and using concerted play forward, they posted two more goals. Solid back play by Bromell, Hinchliffe and Kinder, and determined rucking by Lawler could not turn all the Xavier attacks and they were able to goal again. Scrambly play and two behinds to Xavier occurred before Howden was able to goal for College. Xavier replied with a goal and a behind, and soon after the bell rang with College attacking.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	5	5	35
X.C.	10	9	69

4th Quarter:

College now kicked with the wind and attacked but were unable to pierce the Xavier defence. Good forward play gave Xavier a goal. College had the ball in their forward line but still could not penetrate the Xavier backs. Good teamwork gave Xavier a behind. Then College with Cook showing something of his form were able to score a succession of four behinds and finally Skelton was able to goal with a kick off the ground. The bell rang shortly afterwards to give Xavier a convincing win. The match, played in difficult conditions, was a pleasure to watch and was marked by ruck duels and solid defence by both sides and systematic work by Xavier's forward line.

Final scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	6	9	45
X.C.	11	10	76

Goal-kickers:

Skelton (3), Vines (1), Norwood (1), Howden (1).

Best Players:

Falconer, Cook, Lawler, Money, Bromell, Fisher.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. SCOTCH
(Played at Scotch.)

There were three changes in the College team: Wood, W., Hirst and Vautier came into the team in place of Cook (unavailable), Kinder (injured) and McArthur.

1st Quarter:

The evenness of the two sides was apparent from the start and both back lines were on top from the start. Lawler and Wood were notable for high marks all over the field. Conditions were fairly dry and there was little wind. Cogle was able to score a goal this quarter and when the bell rang the scores were:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	1	2	8
S.C.	2	3	15

2nd Quarter:

Early in the quarter, Vines was able to goal from a mark. Play was on the Scotch forward line but tight College defence held them for a time. Behinds were scored by both sides and then Scotch kicked 1.2. College replied with a behind. The kick-off was over the line and shortly after the bounce, Wood was able to snap another behind. Yet another behind was kicked, this time by Falconer. Play swung to the Scotch forward line where they goaled from a free kick. Further forward thrusts from the opposition were repelled by Bumpstead and the other backs. Soon afterwards the bell rang.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	2	6	18
S.C.	4	6	30

3rd Quarter:

Scotch were first to score after promising College attacks. They scored 1.2 until Vines was able to goal again. Play was rather scrambly until Vines playing brilliant football goaled again, followed soon after by a behind. College were in attack now and yet another goal to Vines brought them within a point of Scotch. Scotch attacked but could only manage behinds, and College replied with a "behind. From a bounce near the goal square, Wood goaled to put College in front. Scotch replied with a goal to put them in front again.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	6	8	44
S.C.	6	10	46

4th Quarter:

Once again Scotch were first to score—a time a point. College replied with another, and then Cogle was able to kick into an open goal to put College in front. Money in the centre was playing well and Lawler was giving a lot of drive from the ruck. Scotch attacks were turned but eventually they goaled, thus regaining the lead. Once again Vines goaled from a mark to put his side four points in front. Marks all the way down the ground resulted in Vines kicking another goal. The standard of football had risen considerably.

The backs functioning well continued to turn Scotch attacks and then Richardson was able to post another major. Scotch could only manage a point with Bumpstead and Fisher clearing well. Cogle kicked a further point and then brilliant play by Vines gave him a point from a 60 yard kick.

Scotch were unable to bridge the gap and the bell rang with College in front.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	10	11	71
S.C.	7	12	54

Goal-kickers:

Vines (6), Cogle (2), Wood (1), Richardson (1).

Best Players:

Money, Vines, Falconer, Bromell, Lawler.

GEELONG COLLEGE v. MELBOURNE GRAMMAR

(Played at College.)

This week Kinder was still injured. Cook returned to the team and Hirst went out, but later played most of the match, after Fisher went off. Forrest, who had previously been unavailable because of injury, came into the team in place of Cogle, who was ill.

1st Quarter:

Cameron won the toss for Grammar, and kicked with the wind, but College were first to attack. Grammar soon swung play to their end and had 1.3 on the board and would have had more but for solid defence by Lawler. College forward moves were unsuccessful and Grammar goaled again. From the bounce, College attacked and Skelton was able to put a behind on the board. A free kick to Falconer gave College their first goal. Grammar replied with a goal and soon after a point. The quarter closed with a College shot falling short.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	1	1	7
M.G.S.	3	3	21

2nd Quarter:

College were first to score with a point to Norwood and soon after systematic play by Wood and Cook gave Norwood a goal. Grammar attacked and after several attempts goaled from a free kick. Play swayed for some time with tight defence by both sides. College scored a point and Grammar were once more able to goal from a free kick. College retaliated and Falconer playing well just missed the big sticks. The kick-out was marked by Falconer, but once more he could only manage a point. The bell rang with College attacking.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	2	5	17
M.G.S.	5	3	33

3rd Quarter:

College was once again first to score. This time Allen goaled soon after the bounce. Some good forward play was defeated by the tight defence. Soon after, Norwood, playing well, scored a point. Then Grammar cleared and attacked for practically all the quarter, kicking 2.1 in very few minutes.

Crowded play brought little result. College attacked against the wind, but once more could only manage a behind. Grammar attacked and finally scored a well-shepherded goal, and soon afterwards goaled from a free kick and 15 yard penalty. During this quarter, Cook played well on the half back line, while Bromell and Lawler did good work in the ruck or on the back line.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	3	7	25
M.G.S.	9	4	58

4th Quarter:

Grammar were first to score with a point soon after the bounce. College cleared and good work by Cook enabled Norwood to kick a goal. From the bounce, College attacked. Once again it was Cook who got the ball, this time he passed to Howden who goaled. Lawler with big punches, was sending the ball forward. Cook was once more able to break away from the pack and goaled after a run. College was coming back with a vengeance. From the bounce it was, once more, College attacking. Norwood obtained a free kick a long way out and with a lovely kick put it through. A dramatic change had come over the game. There was now only 10 points difference. A point to Howden from a free kick and a point to Cook from a mark brought College to within 8 points of Grammar. Then a kick from Norwood bounced through to make it two points the difference. Cameron, the Grammar captain rallied his team and they fought back well. Packing the College forward line, they held College attacks and were able to clear. Grammar attacked but soon cleared and shortly afterwards the bell rang to give them a two point victory after an amazing recovery by College had almost snatched (what looked like an easy win from Grammar.

Scores:

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	8	9	57
M.G.S.	9	4	59

Goal-kickers:

Norwood (4), Howden (1), Cook (1), Allen (1), Falconer (1).

Best Players:

Falconer, Lawler, Bromell, Norwood, Cook.

INFORMATION OF OLD BOY FOOTBALLERS

The following is a record of those who were on the training lists of 1951 to 1954. It is hoped that the information about their football careers will prove interesting. The players are grouped under the year of their final appearance on the training list.

1951

MOORE, L. D.—ruck for North Geelong in 1953—Evelyn Hurst League-Geelong and District—Premiers.

MACDERMID, A. N.—half forward flank for Garden Vale Presbyterians—Eastern Suburban Protestant Church Assoc, "A" Grade.

DENNIS, M. S.—centre wing for Rosedale—Sale League—four seasons—won "Best First Year Player" trophy.

TURNER, R. B.—ruck for Wangaratta—Ovens and Murray League—beaten in Grand Final—gained "Best First Year Player" award in 1952 when with Nhill.

FALLAW, D. C.—ruck for Geelong Amateurs—Victorian Amateur Association, "B" Grade—two seasons.

HOWDEN, I. C.—rover for Balwyn Combine "A" Grade—Eastern Suburban Churches Association—four seasons—awarded "Best and Fairest" trophy 1952 and 1953—runner-up for this trophy 1954.

STEPHINSON, W. G.—Balwyn Combine "A" Grade.

GIBB, J. G.—full back for Ormond College—intercollegiate.

VINES, G.—ruck for Ormond College—intercollegiate.

DONALD, I. A.—forward pocket for Ormond College—intercollegiate.

1952

CAMERON, K. McD.—half back flank for Geelong 1st XVIII—Victorian League—beaten in Final.

ROWE, B. M.—back for Balwyn Combined—Eastern Suburban Protestant Churches Association "A" Grade—played centre half forward 1954—3 seasons.

McKINDLAY, N. L.—ruck for Bunnaloo—Echuca League—lost the Grand Final—3 seasons

WAUGH, J. G.—full back for Molong "A" Grade—N.S.W. Central West Rugby Union Zone.

SCOTT, A. Mel.—rover for Queen's College, Melbourne University—Intercollegiate football.

HOWDEN, J. G.—back pocket for Ormond College—Intercollegiate football.

COOMBE, B. J.—wing for Ormond College—Intercollegiate; rover for University III—Victorian Amateurs "E" Grade.

HENDERSON, B. J.—back pocket for Ormond College—intercollegiate.

1953

SOLOMON, B. J.—played with Geelong Amateurs—Vic. Amateur Assoc. "B" Grade—coached College Under 14 A's 1955.

MERRIMAN, R. F.—first rover for Geelong West—Ballarat League—defeated in Final—had played with Geelong 2nd XVIII.

METCALFE, J. H.—back pocket for Deniliquin 1st XVIII—Murray League—2 seasons—fourth position—gained "Best and Fairest" award in 2nd XVIII 1954.

LOGAN, E.—rover for Droain Rovers—West Gippsland League—lost the Final—two seasons—gained "Best and Fairest" award in 1954 and 1955.

LANG, D. F.—full forward for Geelong Amateurs 2nd XVIII—Geelong and District -Evelyn Hurst Section—gained "Best First Year Player" award 1954.

HINDHAUGH, P. J.—half back flank for Camperdown—1954—Hamden League.

McDONALD, N. M.—centre for Coleraine—Western District League—Premiers—2nd in "Best and Fairest" award for team.

1954

SALTER, R. F.—centre half forward for Pigeon Ponds—Central Glenelg League—Premiers—gained "Best and Fairest" award.

WATSON, I. A.—ruck for Rythdale-Cardinia—South-West Gippsland League—Premiers.

LANG, J. W.—centre wing for Colac—Hamden League—defeated in Grand Final.

SUTHERLAND, R. F.—ruck for Colac—Hamden League—2nd in "Best and Fairest" competition for Colac.

PURTON, D. R.—wing for Balranald—Mid-Murray League—won an award for "Best Junior Player".

McCROW, D. A.—utility player for "Streat-ham, Mininera, Westmere Rovers"—Wimmera League—gained award for best utility player.

SAXTON, J. O.—back pocket for team at School of Forestry.

SAXTON, G. H.—full forward for Moe Churches—Latrobe Valley Churches League Under 19—Premiers—gained trophy for Most Consistent Player.

DOUGLAS, A. S.—rover for Werrimull—Mil-lawa League—Premiers.

MACMILLAN, I. W.—ruck for Melbourne University thirds—Victorian Amateurs "E" Grade; ruck for Ormond College.

McDONALD, A. W.—wing for Ormond Col-lege—Intercollegiate.

REPORT OF THE OTHER OPEN TEAMS

This year the number of boys on the open list was sufficient to allow the formation of four teams. While it was not possible to arrange many matches for the 4th XVIII they trained and played keenly, and enjoyed their sport.

The 2nd XVIII always suffers by having to provide reserves for the 1st XVIII, but this year most of the players managed to train together and provide a stable nucleus for the team each week. The matches were played keenly, and we were unlucky not to have won more.

The 3rd XVIII, winners of the V. H. Profitt Trophy, were more fortunate in being able to field their team with few alterations over the year. They played with good spirit, due to the enthusiasm of the leaders, and this was responsible for much of their success.

We were fortunate in having permanent captains for the teams, and Allen (2nds.), Negri (3rds.), and Blair (4ths.) made fine leaders for the boys. Members of the first

XVIII volunteered as umpires for our home matches; and there were always a few keen non-players who gave their time as boundary and goal umpires and time keepers. I thank all those who helped to make this season a successful and enjoyable one for these teams.

B.R.W.

2nd XVIII

Although the season has not been successful it has been most enjoyable. All the team played well together, but our inaccurate kicking cost us many matches. Owing to the excessively wet season, we were unable to play on our College ovals and we would like to thank Mr. Hunter for his efforts in obtaining Queen's Park oval for us. We would also like to thank Mr. Wardle for his patience and guidance as our coach during the season.

F.G.A.

The Team

G. Allen (c), M. J. Roland (v.c), J. Taylor, D. Ford, R. Crawford, P. Troy, W. Metcalfe, B. Watson, W. Cunningham, R. Balfour, J. Vautier, W. Heath, M. Marquardt, S. McArthur, G. Bent, D. C. Wale, F. N. McDonald, B. Burch, D. Tarr, P. Hirst, A. Philip, L. McCosh.

Most Consistent Players

W. Cunningham, J. Vautier, W. Heath, J. Taylor, W. Metcalfe, S. McArthur.

Results

G.C. 2-1 lost to G.G.S. 13-17.

G.C. 5-2 defeated X.C. 2-8.

G.C. 1-7 lost to S.C. 13-8.

G.C. 5-6 lost to M.G.S. 7-3.

G.C. 2-6 lost to W.C. 9-8.

G.C. 3-4 lost to G.G.S. 9-8.

G.C. 2-2 lost to X.C. 3-9.

G.C. 2-2 lost to S.C. 15-15.

G.C. 5-5 lost to M.G.S. 8-8.

3rd XVIII

To the surprise of us all, the 3rd XVIII turned out to be the winners of the V.H.P. Trophy for 1955. At the beginning of the season, looking at individual players, it looked as if we were going to field a fairly strong side.

However, that remained to be proved. Our first match against G.G.S. turned out to be a draw. Throughout the entire season we drew with G.G.S. once and were defeated by them once. We were defeated by M.G.S. twice. We defeated Scotch twice and W.C. once and X.C. once.

In all I think that I can honestly say that every player had a very enjoyable time. As a team, we would like to extend our thanks to Mr. Wardle, our coach, who spent a great deal of his time on Tuesdays and Fridays with us. Also we would like to thank those who officiated at the games we played this season.

R.B.N.

The Team:

Negri, R. (c), Pennefather, J., Marquardt, M., Salter, T., Mitchell, T., Brebner, A., Sutherland, T., Dennis, W., Fraser, D., Robinson, B., Messenger, D., Baker, G., Riggall, R., Langslow, S., Caithness, D., Wale, D., Varcoe-Cocks, J., Walter, G., Wills, G., Sutherland, D., Rowe, C., Bent, G.



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Best Players:

Sutherland, D., Fraser, D., Langslow, S., Varcoe-Cocks, J., Wills, G., Brebner, A., Salter, T., Pennefather, J., Bent, G.,

Results:

- G.C. 5-8 drew with G.G.S. 4-14.
- G.C. 7-8 defeated X.C. 4-10.
- G.C. 9-15 defeated S.C. 3-11.
- G.C. 1-4 lost to M.G.S. 7-11.
- G.C. 5-6 defeated W.C. 2-4.
- G.C. 1-6 lost to G.G.S. 6-6.
- G.C. 14-17 defeated S.C. 1-4.
- G.C. 1-5 lost to M.G.S. 2-8.

4th XVIII

We had our first match for the term against Xavier at Xavier. The conditions were very wet and the team had done very little practice. We gained an early lead of one goal, but after three-quarters College slackened and Xavier went on to win by two goals. Best players were: Riggall, Salter, Langslow and Mitchell.

We had two weeks of practice and our next game was against Melbourne Grammar. As the ground was wet, this match was played at Queen's Park. College went to an early lead of two goals which they held for 2 quarters. The Melbourne Grammar caught up and after a hard fought last quarter the match was drawn. The best players were: Johnson, Blair, Riggall, Neale and McDonald.

The next match was played against Geelong Grammar at Grammar. The conditions were perfect, but most of our best players had been promoted to the Thirds. The Grammar team was far superior. The final scores were **14-19** to 0-2. Best players were: Neale, Johnson, McDonald, Blair, Ford and Cawthorn.

We also had a match against St. Joseph's and were soundly beaten.

We would all like to thank our coach, Mr. B. Wardle, for the splendid work he did training and organising the team. His work gave many more boys an opportunity of playing in a school team, and we sincerely thank Mr. Wardle for this opportunity.

I.D.B.

The Team:

Blair, I. D. (c), Johnson, D. E. (v.c), McDonald, J. (v.c), Campbell, P. T., Cawthorn, P. R., Dickinson, H. R., Ford, R. L., Heggie, John A. T., McIntyre, I. M., Naughton, R. J., Neale, I. D., Newton, H., Pyper, R. C., Riggall, R. A., Russell, J. M., Sanderson, Walter, J. L.

Best Players:

Johnson, D., Riggall, R., Neale, I., Blair, I., Cawthorn, P., Ford, R., McDonald, J.

Results:

- G.C. 2-4 lost to X.C. 3-6.
- G.C. 4-6 drew with M.G.S. 4-6.
- G.C. 0-2 lost to G.G.S. 14-19.

COACH'S REPORT UNDER 16 FOOTBALL

There was much enthusiasm again this year in the Under 16 footballers, and though we did not win so frequently, we all enjoyed our sport and that is the main thing. Our helpers, Rev. D. Hallam, John Buntine and Milton Poulston found the boys eager to learn and some boys improved enough to be mentioned as prospects for the flying horse guernsey next season.

Injuries dogged us and Ballantyne, the A's captain and our best player, was out for most matches; but even then, he was good enough to be selected for the A.P.S. Under 16 team as vice-captain. Tomlinson, too, a new boy with good prospects, was injured and forced out after only one match. The Lord twins were great battlers and Buchter, who captained many matches, and Edgar served us well.

F.R.Q.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT UNDER 16A

We had an enjoyable season under the guidance of Mr. Quick, whom we sincerely thank for the enthusiastic work he put in with us. Congratulations to those new boys who made the team this year, and also to the Lord twins for their selection in the Under 16 A.P.S. team. Finally, thanks to T. Morrow, M. Beach and G. Forrest for their sound umpiring of some of our matches.

W.J.B.

The Team:

Ballantyne, W. J. (c), Buchter, A. G. (v.c), Lord, A., Lord, S., Edgar, G. R., Parsons, W. E., Illingworth, A. A., Cousen, D. A., Stubbs, N. M., McDonell, D., Robson, G. S., Scott, I. M., Lester, W. E., Grant, J. R., Alexander, D. L., Adinsall, R. K., McClure, F. D., Tomlinson, P., Ramage, D., McCosh, R. L., Charles, M. J.

Best Players:

Lord, A., Lord, S., Edgar, G. R., Cousen, D. A., Robson, G. S., Parsons, W. E., McDonell, D., Buchter, A. G.

Results:

G.C. 14 lost to W.C. 10-9.
 G.C. 3-7 lost to X.C. 8-6.
 G.C. 6-13 drew with S.C. 8-1.
 G.C. 0-2 lost to M.G.S. 11-17.
 G.C. 1-3 lost to W.C. 5-4.
 G.C. 5-5 defeated X.C. 3-6.
 G.C. 2-10 lost to S.C. 12-9.
 G.C. 3-4 lost to M.G.S. 9-7.

UNDER 16B REPORT

The season was a very enjoyable one, although not as successful as it promised to be in the first two matches, in which we scored two wins. We would like to thank our coach, Mr. Quick, and also Rev. D. Hallam and J. Buntine and members of the Geelong Amateurs, who assisted Mr. Quick, for their excellent training.

D.R.S.

The Team:

D. R. Seller, (c), R. L. Moore, (v.c), I. F. Apted, K. W. McKenzie, D. A. Taylor, I. L. Burn, K. C. Gellie, D. A. Coutts, W. B. Green, D. L. Alexander, A. W. Barber, K. S. Barber, M. J. Charles, L. M. Bell, D. E. Vibert, J. G.

McArthur, M. J. Sutherland, P. Cronk, B. K. Hewish, S. M. Cameron, D. B. Ramage, McLelland, T. H.

Best Players:

R. L. Moore, W. B. Green, D. L. Alexander, M. J. Charles, P. Cronk, S. M. Cameron, D. B. Ramage.

Results:

G.C. 6-7 defeated G.G.S. 3-2.
 G.C. 0-5 lost to X.C. 10-14.
 G.C. 7-6 defeated M.G.S. 3-2.
 G.C. 5-4 lost to W.C. 6-1.
 G.C. 4-10 lost to G.G.S. 5-5.
 G.C. 4-5 lost to X.C. 10-9.
 G.C. 2-4 lost to S.C. 11-12.
 G.C. 0-7 lost to M.G.S. 12-10.

COACH'S REPORT UNDER 15

Training during the season was much restricted by the sodden state of Mackie Oval; and this fact, no doubt, contributed largely to the comparative failure of both teams in competition matches. But by the end of the 1954 season they had made up into sound combinations; and when newcomers arrived this year to strengthen weaknesses that had existed before, there was reason to regard our chances with more than usual confidence.

But they failed to play on. At practice they showed marked improvement in technical skill, and there are many who have the mechanical qualifications to put them on the First XVIII Training List in a couple of years' time; but their match play lacked the confidence, the enthusiasm, the will to win, which turns defeat into victory and plants names on the V. H. PROFITT Trophy.

This criticism does not apply to all, of course. Some who did not even gain selection worked with all their might at every night's practice, and some players fought out every game from beginning to end in a manner the more worthy of praise because they did so with so little support from their team-mates. Their names will naturally be prominent among those of the best players listed elsewhere.

Also worthy of praise are those who, week after week, and in weather of all kinds—but chiefly bad—cheerfully gave their services as goal and boundary umpires, getting wet, tired, and muddy without the satisfaction of even a kick of the ball which caused their troubles. I am grateful to all who volunteered such services, and particularly remember Hutchens, Bodey, Crowe, and Webb.

C.A.B.

UNDER 15 REPORT

The team started off with high hopes at the beginning of the season. Some of our good players did not return to school, but we recruited a few good players to take their places. We were very unfortunate during the season in not being able to field the same team two weeks in a row, because of injury and illness. Most of the players seemed very keen and they turned out to practice every night, whether it be raining or not. I would like to thank our coach, Mr. Bickford, who gave up a great

deal of his spare time to come out in the mud and train us. We won one of our seven matches, but we gained a great deal of experience and the team is looking forward to next season.

G.McI.F.

The Team:

Fyfe, G. Mel. (c), Neely, D. M. (v.c), Simpson, T., Batten, G. H., Funston, J. F., Lawler, A. C., Emerson, D. M., Smith, L. B., Moreton, R. R., Hill, G. J., Redpath, I. R., McDonald, J. D., Wright, D. C., Trethowan, T. R., Adler, J. M., Thorn, N. L., Leach, P. J., McCann, D., Powell, J. R.

Best Players:

Batten, Wright, McDonald, Fyfe, Simpson, Thorn.

Results:

G.C. 4-5 lost to X.C. 9-17.
G.C. 3-4 lost to S.C. 19-11.
G.C. 1-5 lost to M.G.S. 9-4.
G.C. 10-12 defeated W.C. 4-3.
G.C. 0-2 lost to X.C. 13-11.
G.C. 1-0 lost to S.C. 24-15.
G.C. 1-1 lost to M.G.S. 9-7.

UNDER 15B

Mr. Bickford took charge of us this year, and we wish to thank him sincerely for the time and trouble he has taken to coach us.

This year, greater keenness has been shown amongst the weaker players than amongst the stronger players. The weaker ones have been rewarded for their efforts for, by the close of the season, forty boys had played in inter-school matches.

At the beginning of the season, many of us, owing to our inexperience, were hesitant and waited for the other man; but by the end of the season our coach had helped us considerably in this direction. Wet weather during the season often hampered our efforts to do really solid training, but we usually managed to have a short practice.

I think it was quite a successful season as, although we were not a brilliant, match-winning side, we learnt what losses and failures meant, enjoyed our season, and learnt quite a lot of football.

B.N.W.

The Team:

Wood, B. N. (c), Burch, I (v.c), Hirst, B., Browning, A. J., Coulson, R., Weidemann, D., Thomas, J., Fleay, A., Hicks, G., McDonald, A. R., Groves, A. D., Leigh, K., Butler, J. Newberry, J. F., Nelson, R., McLean, King, G., Hawken, K., Cameron, J., Scott, I. R., Rigg, J., Stuckey, J., Leishman, G., Mitchellhill, M. S., McPherson, W.

Best Players:

Burch, I., Leigh, Hirst, Browning, A., Thomas, Coulson.

Results:

G.C. 6-7 defeated G.G.S. 3-2.
G.C. 0-5 lost to X.C. 10-14.
G.C. 7-6 defeated M.G.S. 3-2.
G.C. 5-4 lost to W.C. 6-1.
G.C. 4-10 lost to G.G.S. 5-5.
G.C. 4-5 lost to X.C. 10-9.
G.C. 2-4 lost to S.C. 11-12.
G.C. 0-7 lost to M.G.C. 12-10.

COACH'S REPORT UNDER 14A

We had rather a successful season, which was due to the fact that the boys began to realize that football is essentially a team game. At times flashes of football were seen that showed that in future years, College would field a very strong First XVIII. Perhaps the only great fault in the team's play was that of avoiding bodily contact with other players.

Football is a game for the unafraid, but this will be gained by most with experience.

Training was entered into with great enthusiasm and determination, and in both these aspects, captain Stewart and vice-captain Mulligan were an example and inspiration to the other players. I thank these two boys for their great assistance throughout an enjoyable season, not forgetting Mr. D. R. Macmillan, for his help when I was not able to be at College.

R T S

CAPTAIN'S REPORT UNDER 14A

We had a very enjoyable season and quite a successful one. Our thanks go to Mr. B. Solomon for his splendid coaching and his continued interest in us throughout the season. I would like to thank those who umpired our matches and those who were boundary and goal umpires.

A.S.

The Team:

A. Stewart, (c), Mulligan, (v.c), Fiddian, Hood, Bromell, S. Scott, Appel, A. Scott, McCrow, Davies, Nicol, Hatten, Banham, Evan, Sproat, Gorell, Gross, Yule, Trembath, Varley.

Most Useful Players

Hatten, Mulligan, Nicol, A. Scott, Stewart, Banham, Evans.

Results:

G.C. 8-6 defeated W.C. 4-8.
G.C. 5-11 defeated G.G.S. 3-4.
G.C. 4-2 lost to X.C. 9-8.
G.C. 3-7 lost to S.C. 10-14.
G.C. 4-10 defeated M.G.S. 3-6.
G.C. 8-9 lost to W.C. 9-11.
G.C. 9-5 defeated G.G.S. 2-3.
G.C. 2-7 lost to X.C. 4-4.
G.C. 4-3 lost to S.C. 13-10.
G.C. 10-9 defeated M.G.S. 4-8.

COACH'S REPORT UNDER 14B

This was a very large group and was represented by various teams to engage in contests with other schools. In addition to these matches a competition was conducted among four teams chosen from the group. An abnormally wet season interfered with our regular training, but all boys had a good share of football.

Special mention should be made of the help given by most senior boys. Without their assistance it would have been impossible to carry out an adequate programme for such a large number. Those who gave regular help were: R. Neely, J. Funston, D. Neely and R. Coulson.

The captain of the regular team was Fidge, who set a good example by his keenness and consistent play.

E.C.McL.

FINAL RESULTS — V. H. PROFITT TROPHY, 1955.

Winners:

1952—Under 14 "B"—Capt., D. J. Fraser; Coach, Mr. C. A. Bickford.

1953—Under 16 "B"—Capt, J. Vautier; Coach, Mr. F. R. Quick.

1954— 1st XVIII—Capt., W. T. Cook; Coach, Mr. J. R. Hunter.

1955—3rd XVIII—Capt., R. B. Negri; Coach, Mr. B. R. Wardle.

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Games %	Points For	Points Against	Points %	Position
1st XVIII .. .	10	2	8	—	20	503	596	84.4	6
2nd XVIII .. .	9	1	8	—	11.1	197	558	35.3	10
3rd XVIII .. .	8	4	3	1	56.3	327	242	135.1	1
4th XVIII .. .	3	0	2	1	16.7	48	157	30.6	8
Under 16 "A"	8	1	6	1	18.8	174	455	38.2	7
Under 16 "B"	9	2	7	—	22.2	271	399	67.9	5
Under 15 "A"	7	1	6	—	14.3	149	590	25.3	9
Under 15 "B"	8	2	6	—	25	216	415	52.0	4
Under 14 "A"	10	5	5	—	50	411	442	93.0	2
Under 14 "B"	9	3	6	—	33.3	283	426	66.4	3

CAPTAIN'S REPORT UNDER 14B

Although only winning three of our nine matches, we had a very enjoyable season. Our coach was Mr. McLean, and we thank him very much for his advice and coaching during the season. We would also like to thank R. Neely, J. Funston, D. Neely, R. Coulson, A. Lawler and K. Leigh for their assistance to Mr. McLean.

J.E.F.

The Team

Fidge, (c), Fisher, M. Hartwick, (v.c), Gill, Jarman, Varley, R. and G. Smith, Symons, Burrell, Collins, Gunn, Edge, Home, A., Cawthorne, D. Wood, A. Lang, Seward, Howard, Ruffin, Wallens, Maddern, Bouchier, Atkins, Gorell, McDonald, A., Trembath.

Best Players:

Fidge, Hartwick, Gill, Fisher, Varley, Smith.

Results:

G.C. 1-7 lost to W.C. 7-6.
 G.C. 5-14 defeated G.G.S. 1-2.
 G.C. 3-2 lost to X.C. 10-2.
 G.C. 2-7 lost to S.C. 3-7.
 G.C. 10-8 defeated M.G.S. 2-0.
 G.C. 2-4 lost to W.C. 9-6.
 G.C. 3-3 lost to X.C. 18-16.
 G.C. 3-1 lost to S.C. 12-14.
 G.C. 8-9 defeated M.G.S. 0-1.

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TENNIS.

A record number of entries was received for this year's championship. Last year's 4 semi-finalists again played off for the final, but some very close matches were seen in the earlier rounds. In a first round match Troy held a

number of match points against Money but could not clinch the match. Rigg held a similar position against Cook but lost 8-6 after a 2\ hour marathon.

Both semi-final matches produced some good tennis, but Falconer, retrieving everything demoralised Vines and won 6-2, 6-1. Money defeated Cook 6-4, 4-6, 6-3 in a fast net rushing match. In the final, Falconer won an even game due to his better concentration and his ability to retrieve some "unreturnable" shots..

Falconer d. Money, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.

Last year's finalists again met in the doubles, but while the standard of tennis was good, it did not come up to expectations. Money and Cook again won in straight sets.

Money-Cook, d. Falconer-Vines, 6-4, 6-4.

McArthur again won the House Tennis with its first pair Falconer-Cook going undefeated. The Morrison pair of Vautier-Varco-Cocks won 5 matches while Vines-Money disappointed by winning only 4.

McArthur defeated Calvert, 4 matches to L

W. T. Cook-P. H. Falconer (McA) defeated D. X. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe (C), 6-4, 3-6, 9-7; and defeated A. A. Illingworth-A. S. Philip (C), 1-6, 6-2, 6-3

I. L. Burn-D. H. Sutcliffe (McA) defeated A. A. Illingworth-A. S. Philip (C), 6-2, 6-2; and lost to D. T. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe (C), 3-6, 3-6.

A. J. Browning-W. M. McPherson (McA) defeated D. C. Wright -D. A. Jarman (C), 10-7.

Morrison defeated Shannon, 3 matches to 2

J. G. Vautier-J. Varcoe-Cocks (M) defeated R. D. Money-R. A. G. Vines, 6-5, 6-4; and defeated W. J. Ballantyne-M. J. Roland, 2-6, 6-2, 8-6.

D. N. Sutherland-P. H. Troy (M) lost to R. D., Money-R. A. G. Vines, 6-3, 5-6, 4-6; and lost to W. J. Ballantyne-M. J. Roland, 6-5, 5-6, 2-6

S. E. Appel-K. C. Leigh (M) defeated B. I. Hirst-I. R. Redpath, 10-8

McArthur defeated Morrison, 4 matches to 1.

W. T. Cook-P. H. Falconer (McA) defeated J. G. Vautier-J. Varcoe-Cocks, 6-4, 6-2; and defeated D. N. Sutherland-P. H. Troy, 5-6, 6-2, 14-12.

I. L. Burn-H. D. Sutcliffe (McA) defeated D. N. Sutherland-P. H. Troy, 3-6, 6-5, 6-4; and lost to J. G. Vautier-J. Varcoe-Cocks, 2-6, 5-6.

A. J. Browning-W. M. McPherson (McA) defeated S. E. Appel-K. C. Leigh, 10-6.

Shannon defeated Calvert, 3 matches to 2.

R. D. Money-R. A. G. Vines (S) defeated D. T. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4; and defeated A. A. Illingworth-P. Hirst, 6-1, 6-1.

W. J. Ballantyne-M. J. Roland (S) defeated A. Illingworth-P. Hirst, 6-0, 6-4; and lost to D. T. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe, 5-6, 2-6.

I. R. Redpath-B. L. Hirst (S) lost to D. C. Wright-D. A. Jarman, 3-10.

Morrison defeated Calvert, 3 matches to 2.

J. G. Vautier-J. Varcoe-Cocks (M) defeated D. T. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4; and defeated A. A. Illingworth-A. S. Philip, 6-0, 6-1.

Sutherland-Troy (M) defeated A. A. Illingworth-A. S. Philip, 6-4, 6-3; and lost to D. T. Ford-W. H. Metcalfe, 4-6, 4-6.

S. E. Appel-K. C. Leigh (M) lost to D. C. Wright-D. A. Jarman, 6-10.

McArthur defeated Shannon, 3 matches to 2.

W. T. Cook-P. H. Falconer (McA) defeated R. D. Money-R. A. G. Vines, 6-3, 6-2; and defeated W. J. Ballantyne-M. J. Roland, 6-0, 6-4.

I. L. Burn-H. D. Sutcliffe (McA) lost to W. J. Ballantyne-M. J. Roland, 6-5, 4-6, 6-3; and lost to R. D. Money-R. A. G. Vines, 2-6, 5-6.

A. J. Browning-W. M. McPherson (McA) defeated L. R. Redpath-B. I. Hirst, 10-9

Result:

1, McArthur, 3 matches; 2, Morrison, 2 matches; 3, Shannon, 1 match; 4, Calvert, 0 matches.

W.T.C.

SPORTS AWARDS 1955.

Honours

FOOTBALL.

Previous Awards: Bromell, J. S., Cook, W. T., Vines, R. A. G.

New Awards: Falconer, P. H., Lawler, W. W., Money, R. D.

ATHLETICS.

Previous Awards: Bromell, J. S., Lawler, W. W.

New Awards: Falconer, P. H., Messenger, D. R.

School Colours and Caps.

FOOTBALL.

Previous Awards: Bromell, J. S., Cook, W. T., Falconer, P. H., Lawler, W. W., Money, R. D., Vines, R. A. G.

New Awards: Allen, W. B., Bumpstead, R. I., Cogle, B. G., Dennis, R. S., Fisher, G. W., Hinchliffe, D. A., Hirst, R. N., Howden, R. B., Kinder, B. S., Norwood, D. E. H., Richardson, D. S., Skelton, I. A.

Cap only: Forrest, G. R., Wood, W. A. W.

ATHLETICS,

Previous Awards: Bromell, J. S., Cook, W. T., Falconer, P. H., Lawler, W. W., Messenger, D. R., Money, R. D.

Cap only: Allen, W. B., Dudley, C. T., Simpson, T.

New Awards: Howden, R. B., Watson, B. W.

House Colours.

FOOTBALL.

Calvert: Previous Awards—Bumpstead, I. R., Howden, R. B., Kinder, B. S., Lawler, W. W.

New Awards: Crawford, R. D., Ford, D. T., Hirst, P. N., Metcalfe, W. H., Wale, D. C.

McArthur: Previous Awards—Allen, W. B., Bromell, T. S., Cook, W. T., Falconer, P. H., Fisher, G. W., Gibb, D. M., Heath, W. O., Norwood, D. E. H.

New Awards: Bent, G. L., Charles, M. J., Cousen, D. A., Negri, R. B. D.

Morrison: Previous Awards—Cogle, B. G., Dennis, R. S., Vautier, J. G.

New Awards: Balfour, R. M., Cunningham, W. H., McArthur, F. S., McDonald, F. N., Sutherland, D. N.

Shannon: Previous Awards—Hinchliffe, D. A., Money, R. D., Richardson, D. S., Vines, R. A. G., Wood, W. A. W.

New Awards: Allen, F. G., Ballantyne, W. J., Lord, A. R., Lord, A. S.

ATHLETICS.

Calvert: Previous Award—Lawler, W. W.
New Award: Howden, R. B.

McArthur: Previous Award—Bromell, J. S.
New Awards: Cook, W. T., Falconer, P. H.,
Fisher, G. W., Messenger, D. R., Norwood,
D. E. H.

Morrison: Previous Award—
New Awards: Dennis, W. H. S. Watson, B.
W.

Shannon: Previous Award—Money, R. D.
New Awards: Allen, F. G., Redpath, R. J.

TENNIS.

Calvert: Previous Awards—
New Awards: Ford, D. T., Metcalfe, W. H.

McArthur: Previous Awards—Cook, W. T.,
Falconer, P. H.

New Awards:

Morrison: Previous Awards—
New Awards: Varcoe-Cocks, J., Vautier, J. G.

Shannon: Previous Awards—Money, R. D.,
Vines, R. A. G.
New Award: Ballantyne, W. J.

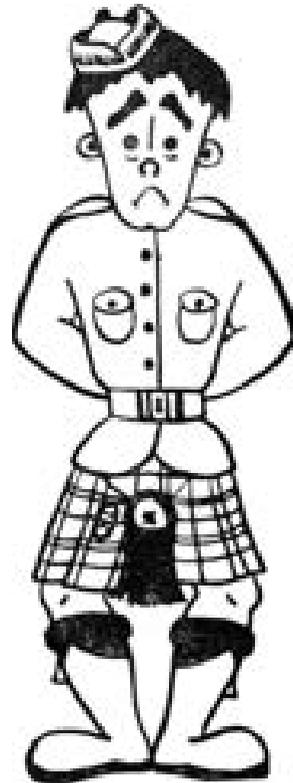
General House Colours.

Calvert: Baker, G. R. Illingworth, A. A.
McDonnell, D., Mitchell, I. J., Robinson, B. G.

McArthur:

Morrison: Dickinson, H. E., Parsons, W. E.,
Salter, T. K.

Shannon: Campbell, P. T., Rigg, B. M., Rob-
son, D. M., Robson, G. S.



Full Dress Parade.

HOUSE COMPETITION, 1955

	Calvert		McArthur		Morrison		Shannon	
	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
	3	4	1	12	2	8	4	0
Cricket: 1st XI ..	3	4	1 =	12½	4	0	1 =	12½
Under 15	1	6	2 =	2	2 =	2	2 =	2
Rowing: 1st Crew	2	10	1	15	4	0	3	5
2nd Crew	2	4	3	2	1	6	4	0
Football:								
1st XVIII	1 =	12½	1 =	12½	3 =	2½	3 =	2½
Under 15	2	4	4	0	1	6	3	2
	3	3	2	6	1	9	4	0
Athletics: Meeting	3	4	1	12	4	0	2	8
Standards ..	4	0	1	9	3	3	2	6
	4	0	1	12	2	8	3	4
		52½		95		44½		42
Position	2		1		3		4	



THE RELAY TEAM.

BACK ROW—Cameron, S J Balfour, R.; Parsons, W.; Ackland, R.; Baker, G. R.; Caithness, D.; Dennis, W. H. S.; Cousin, D. A.; Simpson, T.

CENTRE ROW—Allen, G.; Heath, W.; E. B. Davies, Esq.; V. H. Profitt, Esq.; D. R. T. Macmillan, Esq.; Messenger, D.; Money, R. D.

FRONT ROW—Alexander, M.; Leach, P.; Nelson, R.; Batten, G.; Hatton, L.; Allen, W. B.; Fraser, D.

A t h l e t i c s

In judging the success of the athletics season, we do not wish merely to say that there were no records broken in the School Sports, that Geelong College obtained fourth place in the Quadrangle Sports, and that Geelong College came sixth in the Combined Sports. Rather, we wish to base our judgments on an adequate investigation of the circumstances influencing the performances of our top athletes, and also on the effect of the athletics season on the state of physical fitness and keenness towards training of the average Geelong Collegian.

Training, this season, was generally very well attended, due partly to the tyrannical overbearance of house-captains, and partly to the keenness aroused by the interesting and demanding training schedules set down by a highly organized team of masters, led by Mr.

Profitt. Each training night prior to the School Sports, started, for every boy, with a ten-minute warming-up jog, followed by a limbering-up period conducted by the new gymnastics master, Mr. Davies, after which the boys were split up into groups for specialized training. For the enthusiasm they aroused, for the advice they gave, for their great help, not only in our preparation for the competitive meetings but also in the running of the standards, praise and thanks must be given to the masters, particularly Mr. Profitt, Mr. MacMillan, Mr. Davies and Mr. Campbell.

Unfortunately, the athletics season was plagued by a disastrous run of bad weather. Inches upon inches of rain during the first half of third term made training very hard for the runners, particularly the sprinters, and virtually impossible for the hurdlers and jumpers.

Despite the efforts of the ground staff, who did a wonderful job with the Senior Oval, the School Sports were conducted in absolutely shocking conditions, due to a downpour of rain which started in earnest on the Friday night, and continued, with little respite, all through the following day. The wet conditions were responsible for some very slow times, and several jumping events had to be postponed; record breaking was rendered virtually impossible. The condition of the track may be judged by the fact that Mr. MacMillan was quite elated over Falconer's time of 4 min. 59.2 sec. for the Open Mile, and was not at all surprised when, one week later, on a better track, the same runner recorded the time of 4 min. 36 sec. Congratulations must be extended to the winners of the Championships, namely P. Falconer (1st Open Championship, the Geelong College Cup), W. Cook (2nd Open Championship, the Norman Morrison Cup), as well as C. Dudley, L. Hatton, and A. R. Scott, who won the under age championships.

As regards our performance in the Quadrangle Sports a week later on a good track at Geelong Grammar, we feel that, due to our hampered training, many of us did not do ourselves justice. Another much stronger reason for the limitation of our success was that we were opposed by three very strong teams in Melbourne High School, Geelong Guild, and Geelong Grammar School.

In the Combined Sports, which were conducted in favourable conditions on the next Saturday, October 22nd, the opposition was once again too good for us, but on the other hand, we were much closer to the winners than we have been in other years. An analysis of performances will show how many of our athletes rose to the occasion and excelled their previous efforts. On the whole we were particularly pleased with our performance, particularly in the field events and the middle distance running.

On October 29th, the Victorian Schoolboy Championships were conducted at Xavier College. Peter Falconer won the Under 19 Mile in 4 min. 33 sec. Wally Lawler came third in the Under 19 High Jump with a height of 5 ft. 8 ins., and Bruce Watson cleared 5 ft. 6 ins. to take second place in the Under 17 High Jump. Lawler and Falconer, as captain and vice-captain respectively, of the athletics team were a source of inspiration to their team mates throughout the season.

Results:

INTER-HOUSE AND CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS.

McArthur 173
 Shannon 145½
 Calvert 144½
 Morrison 64

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

1, P. H. Falconer (The Geelong College Cup); 2, W. T. Cook (The Norman Morrison Cup); 3, W. W. Lawler.



Speed Plus Height (T. Simpson)

UNDER 16 CHAMPIONSHIP

1, C. T. Dudley (The G. W. C Ewan Cup); 2, T. Simpson; 3, D. A. Cousen.

UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIP

1, L. G. Hatton (Athol Wilson Cup); 2, P. J. Leach; 3, G. H. Batten.

UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP

A. R. Scott (E. R. Sparrow Cup); 2, R. Gorell; 3, T. W. Sproat.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Results:

100 YARDS: 1, R. Redpath (S); 2, W. Cook (McA); 3, W. Allen (McA); 4, W. Dennis (M); 5, G. Baker (C). Time 11.4 sec.

220 YARDS: 1, W. Cook (McA); 2, R. Redpath (S); 3, W. Dennis (M); 4, P. Falconer (McA); 5, W. Parsons (M). Time 25.4 sec.

440 YARDS: 1, P. Falconer (McA); 2, W. Cook (McA); 3, B. Kinder (C); 4, R. Ackland (S); 5, R. Redpath (S). Time 54.8 sec.

880 YARDS: 1, D. Messenger (McA); 2, P. Falconer (McA); 3, G. Allen (S); 4, R. Money (S); 5, D. McDonnell (C). Time 2 min. 8.4 sec.

1 MILE: 1, P. Falconer (McA); 2, D. Messenger (McA); 3, G. Allen (S); 4, R. Money (S); 5, D. McDonnell (C). Time 4 min. 59.2 sec.

120 YARDS HURDLES: 1, W. Lawler (C); 2, W. Dennis (M); 3, R. Howden (C); 4, J. Bromell (McA); 5, R. Redpath (S). Time **17.2** sec.

WEIGHT PUTT: 1, J. Bromell (McA); 2, G. Fisher (McA); 3, R. Vines (S); 4, W. Lawler (C); 5, H. Dickinson (M). Distance 40 ft. 111 ins.

HIGH JUMP: 1, W. Lawler (C); 2, D. Norwood (McA); 3, B. Watson (M); 4, C. Rowe (C); 5, D. Hinchliffe (S). Height 5 ft. 7½ ins.

BROAD JUMP: 1, B. Watson (M); 2, R. Howden (C); 3, R. Balfour (M); 4, W. Cook (McA); 5, W. Ballantyne (S). Distance **19** ft. 4½ ins.

UNDER 16 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Results:

100 YARDS: 1, T. Simpson (C); equ. 2, D. Cousen (McA), C. Dudley (S); 4, M. Alexander (M); 5, S. Cameron (M). Time **11.4** sec.

220 YARDS: 1, T. Simpson (C); 2, C. Dudley (S); 3, D. Cousen (McA); 4, M. Alexander (M); 5, A. Lord (S). Time 26.2 sec.

100 YARDS HURDLES: 1, C. Dudley (S); 2, I. Scott (C); 3, L. Bell (McA); 4, D. Alexander (S); 5, N. Thorn (M). Time 15 sec.

HIGH JUMP: 1, C. Dudley (S); 2, A. Lord (S); 3, I. Scott (C); 4, D. Cousen (McA); 5, L. Bell (M). Height 4 ft. 11 ins.

BROAD JUMP: 1, T. Simpson (C); 2, D. Cousen (McA); 3, I. Burn (McA); 4, J. Stuckey (C); 5, M. Alexander (M). Distance 19 ft. 0 in.

WEIGHT PUTT: 1, R. Addinsall (C); 2, W. Green (C); 3, C. Dudley (S); 4, I. Burn (McA); 5, N. Stubbs (M). Distance 36 ft. 54 ins. (**10 lb.**).

UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Results:

100 YARDS: 1, L. Hatton (S); 2, G. Batten (S); 3, P. Leach (M); 4, R. Nelson (C); 5, D. Braden (McA). Time 12.2 sec.

220 YARDS: 1, R. Nelson (C); 2, L. Hatton (S); 3, D. Braden (McA); 4, G. Batten (S); 5, P. Leach (M). Time 27.2 sec.

HIGH JUMP: equ. 1, F. Funston (C), L. Hatton (S); 3, P. Leach (M); 4, N. Stewart (C); 5, G. Batten (S). Height 4 ft. 9 ins.

BROAD JUMP: 1, L. Hatton (S); 2, P. Leach (M); 3, G. Batten (S); 4, D. Weidemann (C); 5, J. McKenzie (C). Distance 17 ft. 9 ins.

UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Results:

100 YARDS: 1, R. Gorell (C); 2, T. Sproat (McA); 3, A. Yule (McA); 4, A. McDonald (S); 5, A. Scott (S). Time 13 sec.

220 YARDS: 1, R. Gorell (C); 2, K. Trembath (McA); 3, A. Scott (S); 4, T. Sproat (McA); 5, W. Davies (S). Time 29.6 sec.

HIGH JUMP: 1, A. Scott (S); equ. 2, R. Smith (C), T. Sproat (McA); 3, W. Carr (McA); 4, R. Gorell (C); 5, D. Ruffin (M). Distance 15 ft. 2½ ins.

BROAD JUMP: 1, A. Scott (S); 2, T. Sproat (McA); 3, W. Carr (McA); 4, R. Gorell (C); 5, D. Ruffin (M). Distance 15 ft. 2½ ins.



. . . Gives Distance. (P. Falconer)

RELAYS

OPEN 1,320 yd. RELAY: 1, Calvert; 2, Morrison; 3, McArthur. Time 2 min. 38 sec.

MEDLEY HOUSE RELAY: a new event—9 runners from each House—If miles:

1, McArthur; 2, Morrison; 3, Calvert. Time 7 min. 45 sec.

UNDER 16 660 yd. RELAY: 1, McArthur; 2, Shannon; 3, Morrison. Time 1 min. 24.2 sec.

UNDER 15 400 yd. RELAY: 1, Calvert; 2, McArthur; 3, Shannon. Time

UNDER 14 400 yd. RELAY: 1, McArthur; 2, Shannon; 3, Calvert. Time 54.8 sec.

THE VALUE OF SPORT.

"Sooner or later in sport we run into situations that are too big for us to master. In real life we can dodge them. We can play hide and seek with reality, never facing the truth about ourselves. In sport we cannot. It shakes our roots with its confusing pattern of success and failure. As a result, sport leads to the most remarkable self discovery—of our limitations as well as our abilities. The discovery is partly physical; one learns for example that feeling tired does not mean the limit of exhaustion has been reached. But mainly the discovery is mental, brought about by the stresses that sport imposes."

Roger Bannister—First Four Minutes.

QUADRANGULAR SPORTS.

Good performances for Geelong College were:

Open Mile: P. Falconer 1st. Time 4 min. 36 sec.
 Open High Jump: W. Lawler 3rd, Height 5 ft. 7 ins.

220 Yards U. 17: R. Redpath 3rd, Time 24.6 sec.
 Broad Jump U. 17: B. Watson 1st, Distance 19 ft. 8 ins.

Broad Jump U. 16: T. Simpson 2nd, Distance 19 ft. 2 ins.

100 Yards U. 16: T. Simpson 3rd. Time 11.6 sec.
 High Jump U. 16: C. Dudley 1st, Height 5 ft. 3 ins.

100 Yards Hurdles U. 16: C. Dudley equ. 1st, Time 14.2 sec.

220 Yards U. 15: L. Hatton 3rd, Time 27.3 sec.
 Two Mile Relay, Open: Geelong College 2nd, Time 8 min. 51.8 sec.

4 x 110 Yards U. 15: Geelong College 2nd, Time 49.5 sec.

Results:	Track & Field Events	Relays
M.H.S.	113	12
G.G.	113	11
G.G.S.	110	11
G.C.	79	2

COMBINED SPORTS

Track and Field Events		Relays	
1 S.C.	95	1 S.C.	31
2 M.G.S.	73	2 M.G.S.	20
2 X.C.	73	3 W.C.	17
4 G.G.S.	63	4 G.G.S.	13
5 W.C.	62	5 G.C.	12
6 G.C.	52	6 X.C.	2

OPEN EVENTS

100 YARDS: 1, X.C. (10.5 sec); 2, W.C.; 3, S.C.; 4, M.G.S.; 5, G.G.S.; 6, G.C.

220 YARDS: 1, S.C. (23.2 sec); 2, X.C.; 3, M.G.S.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, W.C.; 6, G.C.

440 YARDS: 1, G.G.S. (51.1 sec); 2, W.C.; 3, S.C.; 4, W. Cook, G.C. (53.9 sec); 5, X.C.

880 YARDS: 1, G.G.S. (1 min. 58 sec, record); 2, S.C.; 3, D. Messenger G.C. (2 min. 3.9 sec); 4, M.G.S.; 5, W.C.

1 MILE: 1, S.C. (4 min. 41.2 sec); 2, P. Falconer G.C. (4 min. 41.3 sec); 3, G.G.S.; 4, W.C.; 5, M.G.S.

120 YARDS HURDLES: 1, G.G.S. (15.3 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, W.C.; 4, X.C.; 5, M.G.S.; 6, G.C.

WEIGHT PUTT: 1, G.G.S. (46 ft. 6 1/2 ins.); 2, J. Bromell G.C. (43 ft. 3 1/2 ins.); 3, W.C.; 4, S.C.; 5, M.G.S.

HIGH JUMP: 1, W. Lawler G.C. (5 ft. 10 in.); 2, M.G.S.; 3, S.C.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, X.C.

BROAD JUMP: 1, G.G.S. (21 ft. 11 ins.); 2, S.C.; 3, X.C.; 4, W.C.; 5, M.G.S.; 6, G.C.

TWO MILE RELAY: 1, G.G.S. (8 min. 32.4 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, G.C. (8 min. 38.5 sec); 4, M.G.S.; 5, W.C.

440 YARDS RELAY: 1, M.G.S. (45.6 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, W.C.; 4, X.C.; 5, G.G.S.; 6, G.C.

UNDER 17 EVENTS

100 YARDS: 1, M.G.S. (10.6 sec, record); 2, W.C.; 3, S.C.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, R Redpath G.C. (11.1 sec).

220 YARDS: 1, M.G.S. (24.2 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, W.C.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, R. Redpath G.C. (25 sec).

440 YARDS: 1, W.C. (54.9 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, M.G.S.; 4, X.C.; 5, G.G.S.; 6, G.C.

120 yd. HURDLES: 1, M.G.S. (16.3 sec); 2, G.G.S.; 3, X.C.; 4, W.C.; 5, S.C.; 6, G.C.

BROAD JUMP: 1, B. Watson G.C. (19 ft. 9 in.); 2, M.G.S.; 3, S.C.; 4, X.C.; 5, W.C.; 6, G.G.S.

4 x 220 yds. RELAY: 1, S.C. (1 min. 36.9 sec); 2, M.G.S.; 3, W.C.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, G.C. (1 min. 39.4 sec); 6, X.C.

UNDER 16 EVENTS

100 YARDS: 1, S.C. (11 sec); 2, X.C.; 3, T. Simpson G.C. (11.3 sec); 4, M.G.S.; 5, W.C.; 6, G.G.S.

220 YARDS: 1, X.C. (23.7 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, C Dudley G.C. (24 sec); 4, W.C.; 5, M.G.S.; 6, G.G.S.

HURDLES: 1, X.C. (13.7 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, C Dudley G.C. (14.2 sec); 4, G.G.S.; 5, W.C.; 6, M.G.S.

BROAD JUMP: 1, T. Simpson G.C. (19 ft. 3 in.); 2, X.C.; 3, S.C.; 4, W.C.; 5, M.G.S.; 6, CCS

HIGH TUMP: 1, X.C. (5 ft. 4 in.); equ. 2, W.C, M.G.S.; 4, S.C.; 5, G.G.S.; 6, G.C.

440 yds. RELAY: 1, S.C. (47.8 sec); 2, G.C. (48.2 sec); 3, M.G.S.; 4, W.C.; 5, G.G.S.

UNDER 15 EVENTS

100 YARDS: 1, M.G.S. (11.1 sec); 2, W.C.; 3, S.C.; 4, X.C.; 5, L. Hatton G.C. (11.9 sec);

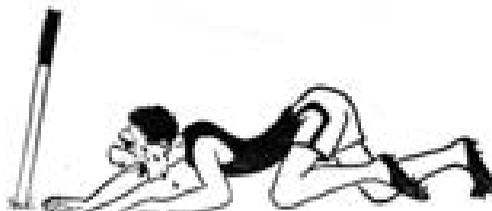
220 YARDS: 1, M.G.S. (24.8 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, W.C.; 4, X.C.; 5, R. Nelson G.C. (26.5 sec); 6, G.C.S.

HIGH TUMP: 1, X.C. (5ft. 4 1/2 in., record); 2, S.C.; 3, W.C.; 4, G.G.S.; 5, M.G.S.; 6, G.C.

440 yds. RELAY: 1, W.C. (49.4 sec); 2, S.C.; 3, G.C. (no time taken); 4, M.G.S.; 5, G.G.S.; 6, X.C.

Result of **Inter-House Standard Competition 1955**

1 McArthur	32.3 %
2 Shannon	28.8 %
3 Morrison	27.37%
4 Calvert	27.07%





THE DRILL PLATOON which won the Inter-School's Drill Competition for the College for the seventh consecutive year.

THE LAUREATE HEARSE

THE SWAGMAN,

The old dusty road looked deserted, but in the distance could be seen a solitary figure, trudging steadily along, his eyes roving over the meadows on either side.

His face bore the look of one who has been exposed to the forces of nature for an entire lifetime, and this was almost so, for he had started his roaming at fourteen years of age.

Then, he was a happy youngster, who could run and play and take in nature's beauty to its full extent. But now he was nigh on seventy and found it hard to walk, much less run and play. But he could still take in nature's beauty as he did as a boy, and he often thought of the trees as his best friends, for they offered him shade from the heat of day, and acted as an umbrella during the showers

As he walked, a farm came into view. The dogs raced out to pester him, but he knew dogs, and soon had them running by his side. It was not long before he feebly began to

split some wood, but he was too old for this sort of work; anyone could see that, but he had to eat, and this was a good way of getting food. He was sweating but he was hungry and that urged him on. The lady was good to him and he had the best meal he had had for many years: steak, tomatoes, potatoes and beans. A good meal for anyone, especially a tramp, as people called him.

It was three o'clock and the sun was hot as he set off for the next town. He hated towns and their bustle and hurry. "Why can't people take their time over things?" he would ask himself. He passed through the town at about six o'clock and the sun was getting low in the sky. As was his custom, he sat on the grass, boiled a billy and watched the setting sun. It was beautiful and he watched it till all was dark and then he spread his blanket and dozed off.

Next day, a car stopped and two men jumped out and yelled to the "old tramp", but there was no answer. He had died under the branches of his best friend.

REFLECTIONS ON RECORDS

The general level of athletic performances throughout the world has risen tremendously during the post-war years. This improvement in performance is seen even in our own athletic world in the constant breaking of old records and the setting up of new ones at the Combined Sports. Schoolboys are no longer content with a 4.50 mile or a 2.05 half-mile, but are striving constantly towards 4.20 and under 2 minutes. That Australia is tremendously rich in athletic talent is shown by the increasing numbers of boys who are approaching really fast times.

The sobering thought for us at Geelong College is, however, that our record book shows not a single new record put up by an open boy since 1948, when Alistair McLeod put the shot 46ft. 3in. The year 1948 seems to mark the end of an era of College record-breaking which commenced in 1945 with George Ewan and Neil Kane, doing particularly well in the jumps, and the 880 and mile records both being broken. In the Open division at the Combined Sports, College scored 3 firsts and 3 seconds. In 1946 the 880 and mile records again were broken, and in 1947, Ian Cameron and Andrew Hope, backed by a strong Under Age contingent, nearly won the Combined for us for the first time. But since then, we have been in the doldrums, always at or near the bottom of the ladder, with the usual one or two boys who do well each year, but generally very weak.

During this same period the College has done particularly well on the river, guaranteeing every year to be somewhere close to the leaders. Our other teams have given very occasional flashes of brilliance, which are sufficient to show that we do not lack in ability to the extent some results would indicate.

Why is it, that we have been consistently good over the years of 1944-55 in rowing, but since 1948, always low down the list in football, cricket and athletics?

To my mind the answer is found in one word. FITNESS. With the exception of the boys who row in crews for 6 weeks of First Term, the average Geelong College boy who represents the school in other sports is no more than 25% fit.

During 1955 we had the example of one boy who set out to win his way into the College athletic team. He trained assiduously from the end of the rowing season last April. Through out the winter, he ran on most nights of the week, and although beaten in the cross-country by other boys who had not done the training he had, he persevered, more than ever determined to keep going. He had his reward in **running 3rd at the Combined Sports** in a time far better than he had ever done before. Our Open boys did well this year at the Combined Sports, as did our U. 16 team. Generally there was a great deal of enthusiasm for training, which was dampened, unfortunately, by the wet spring and the bad state of the oval; but the majority of boys in the school seem to be very

good at sitting in front of the pavilion, ice cream or meat pie in hand, fat on stomach, and lethargy over all, watching "the few" endeavouring to get fit.

This tirade may sound very critical, but my idea is to try and stir boys to action; to get them to use the time which they waste, lounging about the school grounds, in an endeavour to develop physical and mental stamina. Thirty minutes of running a day put in by every member of the school who is not actively engaged in sport on that day would produce not only a higher standard of athletics in the school, but better cricketers, footballers, tennis players and scholars.

Mr. Franz Stampfl has shown quite conclusively that any man, be he a "cart horse" or a "greyhound", can run times far beyond his expectations. This is possible through scientifically graded training schedules, which gradually fit the body for faster performances. At no time is the training exhausting. It is always adapted to fit the individual concerned. If properly carried out it produces a wonderful feeling of well-being within the athlete. What it does demand, however, is a constancy and a determination to train, no matter what the weather is like and no matter what the track is like. It was fortitude of this nature which kept Scott's party going towards the South Pole, and the men of the Everest Expedition toiling up the steep wind-swept, ice slopes to push two men to the top.

Instead of Geelong College being left behind in a backwater of lethargy (both physical and mental) while the rest of Victoria is swept along in the surging stream of improvement, we should be leading the way. We have the facilities, the physique and the time. It is entirely up to us.

With the Olympic Games less than a year away, it is a most opportune time for us to set about preparing for our first win at Combined Sports by training steadily every day of the week for all sports. It is only when the general standard is high throughout the school, that the top few are forced to break records to keep in front. It took a considerable number of men to push Hillary and Tensing to the summit of Everest. It will take the combined training efforts of every boy in the school to push our future champions to the forefront.

The standard could be raised so high in 1956, that we should have some more recent dates than 1945, '46, '47 and '48 on the College record book.

D.R.T.M.

A Sketch:

A line or two
 A profile new,
 A man of mist to draw,
 It seems to me
 If true 'twas he,
 I'd keep him out my door.

P.T.C.

THE STRANGER

At five o'clock on a cold autumn evening in October, the stranger entered the city. He had been living in a dingy little hovel in a country town; one of the many temporary dwellings put up by jerry builders during the depression. His landlady had turned him out on to the streets when he had finally admitted the impossibility of his ever paying the bill, which had accumulated for several months. Having nowhere to go therefore he had come to try his luck in the city. He had never been in a city before and had no idea what to do, or where to turn. There were no friends to give him a helping hand and all his relatives were dead. But his worst misfortune was that what little money he possessed had vanished through a neat slit in his coat pocket. The only thing he could do was to find some sheltered place to sleep for the night. While he was walking slowly through the streets, many people passed him on their way home. Many were rich and were returning to their houses to sit in leisure with the family by a cheerful fire.

The pale, feeble rays of the dying sun slanted down through the clouds on to the dusty buildings with a sickly yellow glare, which lit up and accentuated the loneliness of the solitary figure wandering aimlessly through the now practically deserted streets. Turning off the pavement he slowly picked his way over a pile of broken rubble and corrugated iron and made for a dark opening between the grey walls of two gloomy stone buildings.

When his eyes became accustomed to the dim light, he began to move down this alley, taking care to avoid the lumps of rubbish lying about. He looked up in fright as a window clashed shut high above him. Recovering, he continued along the passage way, which at last resolved itself into a small space shut in on three sides by high brick walls of great age. Down one side ran a pipe carrying rain-water from the roof. In the dim heights above, the stranger could just make out a square of sky devoid of stars and rendered visible only by the last vestiges of twilight.

Lying down on cold stones, he tried to go to sleep. The distant sound of revellers on their way to a party was faintly borne to his ears, but immediately faded. Sleep did **not** come. Instead, a frightening sensation began to steal over him. His eyes would not shut

and his limbs felt numb and powerless. Then, in a flash the dreadful realization came to him that these were the very symptoms which had preceded a devastating attack of an unknown fever to which, as a boy, he had almost succumbed. His body gradually became completely paralysed and his mind grew turbid. Then it began to rain, and his clothes became wet and sodden. Raindrops started to fall inside the pipe with a gradually increasing tempo which became a staccato clatter, drumming and throbbing through his head and forcing sympathetic vibrations throughout his frame. The patch of sky had disappeared and the walls now seemed to meet at their extremity. Then the point of concurrence began to droop; it seemed as though lying on the bottom of a shaft, he could see the lift gradually descending. In the darkness the walls closed in on him and the air became thick, heavy and springy. He wrenched in a mouthful, but it would not go into his lungs. Frantically gnashing his teeth on it, he found it to be solid and heavy. His head throbbed harder and harder as, crushed by the converging walls, he began to sink into dizzy, black depths. Terrible convulsions racked his frame, his limbs blackened and withered, and invisible hands clutched at his throat. The pounding hammers on his head became shrieking demons and the universe was filled with mad, diabolical, laughter, then the darkness passed into his soul; his substance merged and became one with the inky blackness. . . . Then sleep came to the stranger; a sleep which was peaceful, calm, undisturbed but final.

—R.W.G., VI.



November:

I enter silently the door
 To find my number there,
 I sniff the air, remember where
 I sat the last time here.
 The bell is rung, the work begun,
 I read a line or two,
 I hear somewhere a little air
 That stirs my memory new.
 The sounds outside,
 (And I'm in here)
 Invite me to be there
 Where lies my heart
 Away, Apart.
 Out in the open air.

"THE MALLEE BLACKOUT."

During the 1944-46 drought, we lived at Wycheproof, which is situated in the Mallee. The best crops yielded about seven bags to the acre. The average rainfall for those two years was about ten inches.

During this dry period, we had two "black-outs". For those who do not know what a blackout is up there, it is when a thick blanket of dust comes between the earth and the sun, and everything is thrust into darkness—so dark that you can see only a few feet in front of you. This particular day was very windy, and the sky was a dirty dull colour. About three o'clock in the afternoon, our attention was drawn to a wall of dust on the horizon, so we all got back home as soon as we could. Once the wall of dust hit us it was only a matter of seconds before everything was enveloped in blackness. When you are inside a house, it feels as if you are in an oven. If you are caught outside, the dust nearly chokes you; it stings your face, and you have the dickens of a job getting anywhere. Even after the blackout, it is intensely hot and unpleasant. Sometimes, if trees are near to the electric light wires, they will brush up against them in the gale and the power is shut off. Then you have to do everything by candlelight. Everyone has to stop work in the paddocks for there is nothing you can do. Sheets of corrugated iron are blown off sheds, and an occasional haystack may be blown over and scattered about.

The next morning the dust is still settling and the sky has a dull, dusty look about it. There is a coating of red dust over everything. Everyone goes round checking on damage.

After one blackout I read an amusing article in a Mallee newspaper. Apparently a new-comer to the district was caught by surprise by a blackout in one of the streets. Groping blindly along, he came upon a doorway which he naturally entered for shelter. After the storm had abated a little and visibility had improved, he found to his great dismay and embarrassment that he was where no gentleman should be!

B. III.

CANBERRA.

You come upon Canberra gradually, not suddenly. In the twilight, as you pass down from the hills from Yass, you pass into a spacious housing area. Before you sprawls the capital, with its open parklands that make everything seem remote. Passing through the Civic centre, you can see the outline of Parliament House, to your front left but apart from that, there are no outstanding buildings on the skyline. Canberra is not a metropolis of huge buildings.

After six degrees of frost, the morning sunlight is delightful, and it is wonderful to explore the tree-lined avenues of the Civic centre. The beautiful homes and surroundings of the Foreign Diplomats are attractive and the Embassy buildings are impressive. In May, when the late Autumn leaves are falling. "Yarralumla", the Governor General's residence is one of the most beautiful sights of Canberra. The buildings and their garden settings are wonderful, and to sign the visitors' book and talk with the guards is "a must".

To the east of the Civic centre, you drive past historic St. John's Church, an Anglican church built by convict labour. Farther on is an impressive pinnacle as a memorial to the American soldiers who assisted Australia in various ways during the last war. Duntroon, the Royal Australian Military College, is further on towards the airport.

Not far from St. John's Church is the famous War Memorial, which is the most impressive and wonderful sight in Canberra. The Pool of Remembrance, the Museum, and the Honour Boards, bearing the names of those who gave their lives, remind one of the way to lasting peace. Standing on the steps outside the Memorial you can see Parliament House, the King George V Memorial, some of the beautiful churches, Halls of Science and a host of other familiar and important objects. Canberra is spread out before you like a map. The Federal Capital, a sight to be seen, is on show.

P.T.C



Poetry:

I sat and thought,
 I knew I ought
 To write a line or two
 And if I knew
 How to write for you
 I would, without a doubt.

WALHALLA SOJOURN

On Friday, May 13, we left Geelong on the 6:18 train for a four day hiking trip to Walhalla, an old gold mining town in the Great Dividing Range, North of Moe.

Walhalla in its hey day, was a town of several thousand people, who were lured to the spot by that irresistible magnet, gold, which was first discovered by a man named Stringer, after whom the creek flowing through the town is named. Today, Walhalla is almost deserted, except for saw mill employees, C.R.B. workers and, in holiday times, tourists. Walhalla was the site of the famous Long Tunnel Mine from which twenty-two tons of gold was taken.

We reached Moe at about 11 a.m. and caught the Walhalla mail bus. After a journey over a winding, mountainous road, we reached our destination at about 1.15. The rest of the afternoon was spent looking around the town and later on we went down to the guest house and met Mr. Clarke, with whom we were to stay.

Next morning, Mr. Clarke arranged for us to go with the mail bus up to Mt. Aberfeldy. We awoke early and after cooking breakfast we hurried out to the road and waited for the mailman to arrive. Blue grey snow clouds drifted overhead, the sun's rays tinting their bases a pale pink.

When the mailman arrived, we hastily piled in and set off along the road towards Wood's Point. About six miles out we came to Barnes Lookout. From here a magnificent view was obtained of Mt. Erica's steep slopes, covered by a closely woven cloak of trees. Higher up the slope, dead trees, the result of a great bushfire, stood out, stark and white against the blue backdrop of the mountains.

The road along the ridge we were following, was bathed in brilliant sunshine, while the Baw Baw Ranges to the west, running almost parallel to us were covered by a misty, blueish blanket of snow-cloud, from which snow flakes gently floated down. Another awe-inspiring view was obtained from Cast Iron Point. From this Point we could look back about twenty miles down the valley of the Thomson River and see the snow storms over the Baw Baws, and many magnificent rainbows, spanning the valley.

Finally we reached Mt. Aberfeldy, 3,600 feet above sea level. Snow was falling lightly and after delivering the mail, we set off back to Walhalla where we arrived in time for dinner.

In the afternoon, we walked down the narrow-gauged railway line (2 ft. 6 in.) to the Thomson River Bridge. Here we saw two men panning for gold. Although there was not much gold present, it was interesting to watch them getting a few specks of gleaming yellow metal in their dishes and as I watched them I thought of the rushes of the 1850's and 60's, when hundreds of men were making a living in this manner along the banks of the Thomson.

Next morning, we walked up to Maiden Town. All that remains now are a few old chimneys, overgrown by blackberries. On the return walk a fine view was obtained of the township. The whole street with its ramshackle buildings spread untidily up the hillsides, looked as though some giant hand had picked them up and scattered them carelessly around.

In the afternoon we walked to Mormon Town. After a stiff climb, we came out on a mountain top higher than Mormon Town. Below us was a panorama of rugged, rolling ranges, stretching away into the distance. To the south we could see the Latrobe Valley, and behind that, blue and hazy, the Strzlecki Ranges. Huge piles of nimbus clouds, their bases black and ominous, towered over these ranges to the south. Rain was on the way, so we hurried down to Mormon Town.

Together we gazed at the remains of what had once been a flourishing settlement. All that remained were a few rusty implements and some fruit trees. On the hill stood a huge pine tree that overlooked these remains like a sentinel, watching their slow destruction. Suddenly with a roar, the wind swept over the mountain top, bringing with it a hailstorm, and we were pleased to gain the shelter of the camp a few minutes later.

Monday dawned clear and cold. Today we were to break camp and return to our homes. While we were packing our rucksacks, Mr. Clarke managed to get us a ride to Moe in a timber truck. Thus in a few minutes we were saying goodbye to Mr. Clarke, who had gone out of his way to make our stay a happy one.

The trip down was uneventful and we reached Moe at about 11.00. Here we parted company, Ian St. John going onto Melbourne with the truck driver and then to Geelong, while I walked to the station to catch the Gippsland train to Sale.

Thus ended one of the most enjoyable trips I have ever been on I.A.C.

A PASSING RACE.

On Monday, 10th May, 1954, the Geelong College expedition to Central Australia was preparing to leave Port Augusta, when an old fellow walked up and asked for a lift. We readily gave him a lift and he climbed aboard.

He was over sixty, of average height, and bandy-legged. He wore an old pair of khaki trousers, a leather stockman's jacket, an old pair of elastic-sided boots, and to top it off an old wide-brimmed stockman's hat.

His face was a ruddy brown with deep wrinkles and covered by a week's growth of silvery beard. I didn't see his head as he never removed his battered hat, which seemed almost a part of him. His eyes were penetrating but had narrowed to slits through years of exposure to the glare of the fierce sun.

He introduced himself as G. J. Barber, and then settled back on our kitbags to tell us his life experiences. He had wandered round Port Augusta for most of his life, as a horsebreaker. This would account for his bandy legs. He had missed school but he had a flare for literature and had tried his hand at poetry. As we roared along the road he recited several of his attempts to us. He then told us some stories of the aborigines which he had heard; one of which was about "Kangaroo Beard". He had witnessed the massacre of the blacks at Euro Bluff, which he thought was a tragic affair, as he had a great deal of respect for the full-blooded aborigines, a sentiment commonly held as we found out later.

By this time we had travelled forty miles, and we stopped for lunch. He had lunch with us and then led us about the bush for half an hour giving us a nature study lesson. He pointed out examples of salt bush, the main fodder up there, black-blue bush, which he said was poisonous when wet, sandal wood, widgee bush, budy-eye, cabbage bush, and some flowers. He told us that blue bush, in a dry year, causes "belt balls" in horses, so that the horses break off a piece of blue bush and eat the stems, leaving the tips of leaves which cause the balls. One way in which he told if the feed was short was that the horses start eating a bush called "Last Stand", which they will never touch unless there is nothing else to eat. So you move as soon as horses start eating this. He also pointed out the holes of the mulga ant and advised us not to sleep on one, which was good advice, as we slept in the open.

We drove on and in the middle of the afternoon we dropped him at the turn-off to Yunda Station. He was unperturbed by the six mile walk to the station where he was going to break horses. He humped his bluey and waved good-bye as our dust clouds rolled across and obscured him, a member of a passing race of pioneers.

I.D.B.

SUNRISE, SUNSET

The night grows paler, slips toward the west.
 The stars begin to fade, a crimson flush,
 As of great footlights at the curtains rise,
 Pervades the eastern sky. The soft light
 spreads

Once more across the land, to catch the rim
 Of valleys sunk in shadows of the hills,
 And herald in an act, another day.

The grey clouds steal apart the curtains rise.
 The light cascades between them. So the sun
 Enters the stage another day begun.

Cool blows the wind. The shadows dark
 Stretch out lean fingers over flat and creek
 To clasp, at last their hands across the
 breath

Of bust, and merge the detail of its face
 Beneath obscuring shade. The distant hills
 Sink slowly in the purple mists that rise
 About their feet, and climb by every fold
 And gully, creek, and ridge toward their peak.
 While pink their crests now glow, now fiery
 red.

Upon the last high line of land is seen
 The dying splendour of the setting sun.
 Above, the crimson clouds—glory that, old—
 Catch up the light and colour fills the sky:
 Before tomorrow comes, today must die.

—M.D.R.. V.

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J.R.T.



COTTAGE PIE — SLICE VI

During the early part of the second term, a visitor to the Cottage might have noticed a great deal of industrious and mysterious activity going on. Nor was this activity confined to the Bally Hooligan's lair, for some of the more agile of them disappeared into the gym. each night.

Then one morning the school awoke to find an unusual notice decorating the notice board in the quadrangle. It announced the forthcoming opening of a Cottage Pie, baked to aid the Preparatory School Building Fund. While mouths about the school were beginning to water, the cooks were mixing the ingredients under the supervision of the head chef, who had a finger in earlier pies. As the appointed time drew near, there was feverish activity in the Cottage to ensure that the pie would be well browned at the edges.

On the night of Friday, August 5, the pie was opened in the Morrison Hall. As the curtains opened, the audience was astonished to see the head chef riding pillion behind a speedway fiend, with the assistant chef (whose long legs stood him in good stead) trudging along behind. Reaching the pie, the head chef dismounted and declared the pie well and

truly baked. As he left, part of the crust fell away to reveal a number of rather bashful and hesitant blackbirds, who finally induced the rest of the Cottage to join them in a song. After the company had thus introduced themselves, the show got under way. The first item was a rendering of the "Gendarmes Duet" by those two accomplished vocalists, Messrs. Campbell and Macmillan. After they had managed to run some unfortunates in, and themselves out of breath, a quiz show went on the air. In the "'Ole in the Road" an old gentleman we are familiar with, was carefully concealed in the "'Ole" to provide a gas pipe explosion. Then the more agile inhabitants of the Cottage took the stage and went through their physical jerks. Although they avoided any collisions, they definitely had their ups and downs. After a vocal ensemble, a number of Indians were observed dancing around an inanimate object, when a band of swaggering cowpokes arrived on the scene. A rather cramped fight resulted in a victory for the cowboys, who carried off the inanimate object which I have since seen wandering around the Cottage. Before interval we had a view of one of our successful rowers returning home at the end of term.

After a short interval, the curtain opened on a restaurant, which was the scene of a great deal of intrigue—political and matrimonial. The story ended happily for all except the plotters. The next item was an instructive discussion on how to propose, given by two of our most promising Romeos, Messrs, Gibb and Lawler. The final item was an instrumental duo by Mr. Big and Mr. Bigger. Apart from a couple of interruptions, the piccolo and Bb bass blended sweetly enough, though the audience may not have guessed the reasons for the names. After this item the "Bally Hooligans" said goodnight and departed. We trust that none of the audience suffered from indigestion.

I.R.W.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL BUILDING FUND PROGRESS REPORT

As it is just twelve months since the first meeting of Old Boys and Parents was held in the Morrison Hall to launch the Building Fund Appeal, it seems an appropriate time to take stock of the year's work and list the results so far achieved.

Starting almost from scratch, this year has seen the development around the College of an active group of Parents and Friends, the formation of working committees both in Geelong and other centres and a rising interest in the College and its needs that will make the work in succeeding years progressively easier.

Of immediate interest to everyone is the fact that the Fund total has reached £16,100. Further research reveals that this amount included direct donations from about 380 individuals and it is hoped that many more good friends on our mailing list will send in their contributions in the current year with spectacular results for the Fund.

This total also includes the sum of £600 which has been raised by the boys themselves through the House Competition and represents a lot of hard work on their part. It would appear that Knowle House is holding the lead at the moment but this is likely to be chal-

lenged when the boarders really go to work during the long Xmas vacation on their favourite money raising projects.

Another worthwhile contribution to the Fund came from the Gilbert and Sullivan Gala night. Our guests on that occasion were Vice-Admiral Sir John Collins and Lady Collins. The Theatre was specially decorated, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the performance and supper was served at the conclusion of the show. Net result was approximately £500.

Finally, the General Fund has already received the amount of £3,615 from the Ladies' Committees working for the 1956 Fair. In addition to preparing for the Fair itself, these ladies have held a series of afternoons and evenings of a nature too varied to list. We know that many who would never have made direct donations to the Fund have contributed through these functions and the amount so far to hand is a tribute to the ability of the various Stall Leaders.

The Year Ahead.

The next big event on our programme is the Fair to be held on 10th March, 1956. Arrangements are well in hand for all the usual Stalls, and several that will be unusual, as well as all the "Fun of the Fair". Spectacular demonstrations have been promised by the Fire Brigade and Pipe Bands, whilst the boys themselves will be seen in the Cadet Corps and Gymnastic Displays. Friday, the 9th March will be an Open Day at the College and Parents and Friends will be welcome to see the boys at work and play. Both the Friday and Saturday evenings will offer special entertainments and this week-end will be one to keep free and well worth travelling miles to attend.

The General Committee is working on plans to maintain interest in the New Preparatory School and to extend our appeal to the widest possible circle. It is fully appreciated that our goal will not be achieved easily or quickly but only by the continued goodwill and generous giving by our Friends over a period. We face our second year confident of your support and repeat the couplet printed in our first Newsletter:—

"Give all thou canst; High Heaven rejects the lore

Of nicely calculated less and more."

THOUGHTS DURING BOAT RACE FINAL

Oh wonderful! Oh wonderful! Our gruelling
 race is done,
 The boat has leapt at every stroke, the prize
 we sought is won.
 The post is near, the cheers we hear, the people
 all exulting.
 While follow eyes, the steady swing, the crew
 so strong and daring.
 But drive! drive! drive!
 Even yet we must not stop.
 The enemy is close behind,
 Not quite beaten yet.

Oh crew, crew, gallant crew, come forth and
 hear the calls,
 Come forth, for you the flag is flung, for you
 the bugle trills.
 For you bouquets and ribboned wreaths, for
 you the shores a-crowding,
 For you they call, the swaying mass, the eager
 faces turning.
 But now its Drive! Drive! Drive;
 Even yet we must not stop,
 The enemy is close behind,
 Not quite beaten yet.
 I.C. (with apologies to Walt Whitman.)

NEWCLONIA NEWCLONIAN

P'Smith was a mathematician,
 Who couldn't quite understand fission;
 He was quite good as figures,
 But nothing as big as,
 The lump which he found at the mission.
 It proved to be active uranium,
 And with a bright thought in his cranium,
 He hit so hard,
 (Although this was barred),
 That he felt a very queer painium.
 Strange rays from the lump did emerge,
 And gave him a quick, sudden urge,
 To hit it again,
 For a maddening pain,
 Made the blood to his wonder brain surge.
 A shower of gold from the lump did extend,
 With a whoomf and a flash, his body did rend,
 For mathematicians
 With nuclear fissions,
 Are two of a kind which, on meeting, must
 blend.

"Atom" V.K. •

PHILLIP ISLAND AUTOMOBILE RACING CLUB. AUSTRALIA'S FIRST INTERNATIONAL CLASS GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT

This circuit is due to be opened in early
 March. When opened, it will draw the biggest
 crowds that Australia has ever seen, as world
 famous International and Australian drivers
 will be competing there on this three-mile
 circuit. The track was to be opened in early
 November, but bad weather conditions made it
 quite impossible, as the ground was too wet
 to seal.

The circuit has been laid out to accommo-
 date speeds up to 180 m.p.h., with a thirty
 feet wide non-skid bitumen surface, with a
 further six feet shoulder on each side of the
 paving. The world's fastest racing cars and
 motor cycles will be able to attain their top
 speeds on the three quarters of a mile straight.
 On this three hundred acre site, the track will
 provide fast and slow corners, which will test
 the skill of the world's best, and for the first
 time in the Southern Hemisphere, it will be
 possible to hold 24-hour endurance tests similar
 to the Le Mans in France.

By March the safety fence will be finished,
 and sewerage facilities will be built. In the
 near future, two grandstands will be erected
 and from the main stand, which is overlooking
 the straight, one will be able to see the com-
 plete course, with the exception of one corner.
 Also club houses, car, caravan and bus parks
 will be built. Inside the circuit a small aero-
 drome to accommodate member's aircraft will
 be built. In the meantime, accommodation can
 be obtained at Cowes.

The circuit at Phillip Island is in a sound
 financial position, and Mr. W. Maguire (presi-
 dent) says that crowds up to 80,000 are well
 within reason.

J.W.M.

AN HISTORICAL ESSAY.

Joseph Ignace Guillotine was a well known
 physician about 1800. His most famous
 achievement was inventing the safety razor,
 but he is also slightly known for proposing a
 machine, most useful to science of the day—
 it found out what kept a man's head on—it also
 filled the Blood Banks at the hospitals for
 many years. This instrument was called the
 "guillotine", after Joe Guillotin (they added an
 "e" at the end because, after all, 'e invented it!).

In Middle Aged Scotland, they used a

"maiden" (similar to the razor blade) for beheading royalty. This, however, was later banned by a Health Inspector, who was annoyed at the number of mangled messes of murdered men hanging around the place. It is supposed the idea of the guillotine came from here.

During the French Revolution, they held a debate as to whether death by the instrument was instantaneous. This arose because a complaint by an executioner about a head swearing at him when he merely kicked it.

Probably the greatest problem this machine solved was the eternal problem of how a person can be in two places at once.

But the most disappointing part of the story is that Joe did not die by the blade but in a very unusual way for a prominent man of that time—he died with his socks on, in bed!

I.L.B.

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ROOM "A."

There is a class of high renown,
 Abiding in Room "A".
 And there it is, some work is done,
 Because we have no say.

At four o'clock det. class is held,
 To it we're forced to go.
 By masters and by threats compell'd
 To pay our penance so.

A pair of birds are nesting there,
 And they have lots of fun.
 They use—there's nothing else—our hair,
 And keep us on the run!

The classroom really is a mess,
 It looks just like Nauru.
 How it got there you'll never guess.
 I'll ask the birds, won't you?

Our duster is a sorry sight,
 We throw it one and all.
 We practice cricket, day and night,
 And use it for the ball!

But in one week our joy shall cease,
 Examiners hold sway.
 And then we use our poor head-piece,
 To help us on our way.

Speech Day is now approaching fast,
 When brainy youths rejoice.
 But what of those who did come last?
 We never hear their voice.

A.Y.

AN ABSTRACTION

He was a leader, a comforter and friend.
 Into our humble life, the golden wine of beauty
 off he poured;
 That luscious mellow ore; so fervently we
 sought.

We tasted once.

No more his shining countenance
 the wanderers' guide.

All is quiet now.

Those who tasted know the beauty of pure
 sacred holiness. —M.N.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPEECH DAY.

The Preparatory School Speech Day was held on Senior School oval on Wednesday, December 7th. Conditions were fine and warm, and colourful beach umbrellas served as protection for the large gathering of parents and friends.

The chairman, Dr. M. A. Buntine, introduced the guest speaker Mr. H. Roland and explained that it had been intended that Mr. Roland's son, Michael, a pupil at the College since 1941, should read the prize list but unfortunately Michael had an examination.

Mr. Roland told the boys that the person who learns to train his mind, learns to do hard work and knows what he is doing is right is the one who achieves the greatest success and becomes the most useful citizen in the community.

Mr. Roland continued that he had seen much of educational custom in America and England and on looking back, this was the concept which came most forcibly to his mind.

Mr. Roland congratulated the boys who had been successful scholastically or at sport during the year but said there were many who had not been successful. However, if they put in a good year's work and did that every year, they had obtained the very best from their education.

A warm tribute to the Headmaster, Mr. L. J. Campbell, was paid by the Principal who said that this function marked the close of the 25th year under Mr. Campbell's guidance. Mr. Campbell was devoted to the welfare of the boys and he could not let the occasion pass without expressing his deep personal feeling of gratitude that such an outstanding man was head of the Preparatory School.

Dr. Buntine expressed the wish that Mr. Campbell would, within the next two or three years achieve his heart's desire and move into the new Preparatory School on the banks of the Barwon.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL.



HEAD MASTER'S REPORT.

Looking back over the year 1955, as is essential when preparing the School's Annual Report, we find it not unlike previous years. Boys have enjoyed life as only boys can; work has been done, quite frequently with a will. Sport has been indulged in with a very fair measure of success; but, in some respects it has left me feeling rather dubious as to whether we can continue much longer as we are doing. There is no doubt that we are carrying too many sheep to the acre, with the result that, considerably more work is entailed during the boy's leisure periods for, often, less efficiency.

We are all well aware of the fact that the growing boy needs freedom in order that he may live and move and have his being. We are also well aware that freedom is always limited. It is so much governed by conditions. A child needs a field for his activity but there is no field if there is no hedge. Even the walls of the school are hedges. We ourselves are hedges limiting the boy's freedom.

To me, the very word itself implies limitations, for I have always regarded it as an opportunity to do as you will, provided you do not interfere in any way with the rights of others. It is true that you cannot build a school or carry on the work of one, without limiting activities, for, as I have already said, the buildings themselves provide hedges in the field.

Unfortunately, we have reached the stage when we are mostly hedges and very little field, and the lesson that we would teach concerning the relationship of law to freedom cannot be taught because of the many 'don'ts' that flow from the lips of all and sundry. Nevertheless, in a well ordered school it is necessary to make sure that conditions are such as to give children the freedom they may enjoy in an ordered society.

Up to a point, the Council has done this in acquiring some fifty acres of land, a view of which you will find in the front of the programme. It is asking you and all those anxious that the school should function along what we believe to be sound lines, to supply the hedges—the necessary buildings—in this much more spacious area.

Many of our good friends have already done much and are continuing to work hard towards this end. For their efforts we are greatly indebted to them and are unsparing in our whole and hearty praise for what they have accomplished. However, if we are to achieve our objective in the very near future, we must do even more.

It is true that there are many calls for financial aid from all quarters just at present, but we must be prepared to accept this, for it is a hopeful sign and one which suggests a very definite interest in the growth of a young and virile country. Let us not forget that we are now reaping the reward of the excellent work of the pioneers of this land, but, if we are to prove worthy offspring of these men of vision, we must use what we now hold in trust as a result of their labours, in furthering the development that they commenced so well.

A noted politician, now passed to his rest, was for ever telling us we must "populate or perish." We are now passing from this primary threat, only to enter the next progressive phase of development, which demands, I would say, with all due respect, that this generation must **pay or perish.**

Sport

Our difficulties with what might almost be termed disorganized sport could be just as great with organized sport, if it were not for an understanding staff who realize that this activity is as much a part of a boy's education as his indoor activities. Because of this, it is possible to stagger hours and thus make one oval do the work of three.

You doubtless need no reminder of how unco-operative and irresponsible the weather has been this year. It has robbed our sport of much of its pleasure. However, senior and under-age teams have played their usual matches in Cricket and Football with varying results. The high-light of the year—the home and home football matches with Scotch College—again brought victories to our teams, whilst the Athletic team again scored a narrow win over Geelong Grammar School at the combined meeting.

Inter-house matches resulted in a victory for Pegasus in football as well as in cricket. The same house showed reasonable superiority in athletics but the swimming championship went to Bellerophon.

Home and home tennis matches against St. Joseph's College left the honours with our boys for yet another year.

The most pleasing feature of the year's sporting activities was the fact that teams generally showed that they were making good progress in true sportsmanship. They took their victories with quiet dignity and their losses with a smile.

We thank Mr. McLeod, Mr. Watson and Mr. Hearn, along with all masters who assisted them, for their untiring efforts on our behalf. We look forward to even greater success in true sportsmanship, as time goes on, bringing with it the more adequate playing fields of our new Preparatory School.

Appreciation

Whilst it is well known that many people appreciate what the school is doing for their boys, it has been very heartening, nevertheless, to have received tangible proof of this during the year. Mr. Alan Taylor presented us with a very handsome display case. Mrs. Beel donated a much needed lectern for use at our morning assembly while Mr. Rolland continues to keep the library well supplied with copies of the Illustrated London News. We take this opportunity of recording their gifts and expressing our thanks for their thoughtfulness.

Throughout the whole of his time at Geelong College—1928-34—John L. Eittle showed a very keen interest in Swimming. No doubt he saw in it what we all should see—a definite **must** for every youngster. In order to encourage them in mastering this art, he made himself responsible for the School's Championship Swimming Trophy. So the Little Trophy came into being and has continued throughout the years. Now, as a greater incentive, maybe hoping that more boys will go further and interest themselves in life-saving, he has decided to present the School with a perpetual cup for swimming. It will be awarded each year to the winners in the Inter-House Swimming contest, and for 1955 will go to Bellerophon. Our sincere thanks for this sustained interest and help is expressed by allowing his handsome gift to be known as "The John L. Little Cup."

Not least to be remembered among those to whom my thanks are due are the members of staff—that loyal band of workers who, day in and day out, patiently endeavour to make reasonable harmony of the many voices that call to them. Their co-operation and help at all times, in many cases over a number of years, are indeed appreciated by one who is ever mindful of the little troubles that so constantly beset them.

As far as lies in my power my thanks have already been expressed to those who have done their utmost to assist the school building fund but I feel some special mention should be made of the excellent work of many of the youngsters themselves. By individual efforts and class efforts they have achieved much success. One form alone, Mr. Watson's, has already raised £55 and others are in hot pursuit. This is most commendable and very much appreciated by all concerned.

Entrance and Classification.

Entrance examinations, held in the latter part of the year, have, in several instances, been misunderstood by some parents of prospective pupils. It has been said that we pick out the brighter boys and discard the rest. This would suggest that our interests are entirely academic, which is far from the truth. Certainly the academic side is an important one and there are doubtless people who regard it as the "be all and end all" of a boy's education. As I have said before, no school, much less a Church school, lives on its academic success alone, nor on its successes in the field of sport, but rather does it live by the spirit that animates it. We believe that the right spirit is to be found in this school and therefore it lives for the service it can render.

Would we really be helping you by taking your boy, just because we could find a seat for him somewhere in the school, knowing full well that the task that would lie before him would simply end in driving him into the ground? Such a course could only result in a professional murder, thus adding another corpse to the educational landscape.

It is to avoid such a happening that we have an entrance examination. Situated as we are at present, and still striving desperately to keep classes small enough to be taught effectively, we should have few places available for new boys. Those that are, occur in varying stages throughout the school. The examination, which is on broad lines, enables us to find where a boy should be working, and, if there is a **place** available at that standard he is placed on the classified list, along with the date of application for admission. From this list the various vacancies are filled. Preference is given to those who have been enrolled for a lengthy period. In this year's group many of the enrolments date back to 1950. There seems to me no fairer way of dealing with such an embarrassing situation.

Musical Appreciation

Music in the school goes from strength to strength, as you no doubt saw for yourselves during the opera season, but have you ever given a thought to the time, energy and thought required to achieve such a measure of success? Many boys acquitted themselves well in the recent performances of The Pirates of Penzance, one of them, David Wright, playing the part of Edith with marked confidence and ability for one of the tender age of twelve.

Candidates in Pianoforte examinations more than maintained the standard of previous years. Not only did all entrants pass but the majority gained either a Credit or Honours. Little more could have been asked of them.

House of Guilds

As the House of Guilds celebrates its twentieth birthday this year I asked the Warden for some of his thoughts concerning life among the craftsmen. Knowing the artist Mr. Webb is, I have not attempted to 'gild the lily.' Here is what he says:

"Twenty years ago the House of Guilds opened its doors to any College boy who sought profitable employment for his leisure hours. To reach it, he had to leave the school boundaries behind him, and enter a new world of rooms and passages—a glorified home workshop away from classrooms and prescribed routine, where he could work out as practical problems in material, the ideas which crowd the imagination of any ordinary small boy.

"Idle hands and fingers which so easily create mischief could here find profitable employment where the larger numbers of the school family, junior and senior, help each other through the fellowship of craftsmanship. From an interesting and novel experiment in Education for Leisure, with a few rooms and some handyman's tools, The House of Guilds has grown until it now occupies fourteen separate rooms in each of which a different activity takes place. Each is properly equipped with adequate tools and each is under the supervision of a responsible and capable boy. This year some major alterations and improvements to space and equipment have been made, but already we are bursting at the seams once more.

"Any boy from the age of 9 years until he leaves College is entitled to become a member and avail himself of the extensive field of varied opportunity in making and doing things for himself or for the College, if he cares to do so.

Some of the work among Junior boys is conducted within school time and this work is integrated with subjects of the general Primary Curriculum. But many boys also spend a great deal of their own leisure time in the obvious enjoyment of discovery—finding the properties of material, and learning its behaviour under the Tool. Some who find the regular school work hazardous, find the real thrill of achievement at The House of Guilds where they themselves can discover the things they can do well.

Every boy, whatever his place or destiny, should spend at least one term every year learning under these fascinating conditions how to use his hands, and sharing in the thrill of creation.

However early the doors are timed to open, there is always a group of enthusiasts waiting to be let in, and however late the closing bell rings, someone has always to be hunted out at the last minute!"

School Work

The work of the school has moved along quite smoothly for the greater part. Realising that our chief function at this stage is to create in the boy a desire to learn, we have continued in our endeavour to arouse interest in the work rather than present cut and dried portions of a formal curriculum. For instance, his arithmetic lesson is often a reading lesson, followed maybe by a drawing lesson until finally he uses the information he has gathered from these to assist in solving the problem under discussion. Again he may obtain a valuable piece of knowledge from simply wheeling his bicycle along the ground, noting the distance covered by a complete revolution and comparing this with the diameter of the wheel. Not for a moment does the boy realize that he is busy building up an arithmetical formula which hours of formal class teaching would fail to impress on his mind to the same degree. Maybe he plays about with a roller and discovers that he already knows how to find the area of the curved surface of a cylinder, although no formal lesson as such has been given. Thus he goes on, an interested worker, at what is regarded by so many as being perhaps, the driest and dullest subject in the curriculum.

The work generally is presented in such a way that each child has the opportunity of developing independent thought, which is the basis of all progress. Much correlation of the work gives definite purpose to what is done and enables the boy to see that he learns one thing to help him with another. Thus he comes to realize quite early that his school work is one complete whole, rather than a number of subjects presented to him by half a dozen different people, armed with educational bowsers from which knowledge is pumped into him.

The work in Social Studies, under the able guidance of Mr. Hearn, continues to aim at arousing a consciousness of social responsibility in the boy, which will prompt him to use his knowledge for the benefit of his fellows, rather than for his own particular well-being. This subject, with its enormous breadth of outlook and definite call for unbiassed thought, together with plain common sense—often a rare attribute—seems to grow more and more in importance as the years pass. Especially is this so in schools founded on a sound religious training, for, as I view things, it is from them that must eventually come those who will be able to bring a brighter ray of light to many distraught peoples.

What of the Future?

As we draw to the close of 1955, we still find ourselves living in an uneasy world, with little hope of it becoming otherwise until a better understanding between nations can be established. Admittedly, certain efforts have been made towards this end, but fine phrases, no matter how oft repeated, can never fill the empty stomachs of the seething millions to be found almost on our doorstep.

We are a singularly fortunate people on whom full and plenty have been poured lavishly. In this respect we have some justification in regarding ourselves as God's chosen people, unfortunately, we seem to be prepared to accept the privilege, although we refuse to accept the corresponding responsibility. In this materialistic age, when money seems to be the god of so many, I often find myself saying "Whither bound?"

We are so much concerned lest some contemplated help for others may prejudice our standard of living, but, is this always to be held heaven high, even to the point of downright waste, at the expense of less fortunate peoples? It is most commendable that we should aim at high standards in all things but they should surely be for all. We must not forget what is expected of those to whom much is given. If we are a Christian nation, as we profess to be, then we must accept our responsibility along with the privilege, and endeavour to carry out the Creator's plan which, as I see it, fundamentally, regards humanity as one.

The hope of any progress along this road seems to lie with the young, and on our ability to make them see for themselves that they must go further than we have, in our time and generation. Generally speaking, we have a strong national patriotism. There must be a strong international patriotism, which will eventually lead to some kind of federation of mankind.

We may talk about the abolition of war until we are **black** in the **face**, but, unless there is some such really active federation, composed of people trained to accept responsibility from motives other than self-interest, we shall not know the real joy of achievement and our daily prayer—"Thy Kingdom come on Earth"—will just continue to be so many words mouthed by the multitudes.

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PREPARATORY SCHOOL NOTES.

Staff:

At the beginning of Term II, we welcomed Mr. I. G. Mason, who has already made his presence felt in the work and sport of the School.

Mr. T. G. McKenzie joined us in Term II. While extending our best wishes to him, we would like to thank Mrs. Wright for filling the breach pending his arrival.

We congratulate Miss L. R. McDonald on successfully completing her course at Mercer House and gaining her Diploma.

Special Assemblies:

On the occasion of the Legacy Conference in Geelong, the School assembled to hear a broadcast talk on the aims of Legacy by Sir Dallas Brooks. One form took part in the ceremony at Johnstone Park.

The message of United Nations' Week was highlighted by films and talks. An experiment in the form of "World Games Day" was tried on the Preparatory School Oval. Each form demonstrated in turn a game played in another country.

Once again, we were delighted to welcome the Kindergarten Mothers' Association, who came to see us at our work and play.

Preparatory School Building Fund:

The School's contribution to this Fund has been well maintained, both by form and private efforts. Middle IV has raised the creditable sum of £50 and, at the moment of going to press, Lower IVA is making a bold bid to pass this total.

Visitors and Visits:

During Second Term, Upper IVA visited the Shell Oil Refinery as the culmination of a project on "Petroleum". We would like to thank the Company for making this instructive afternoon possible, and for their very warm hospitality.

We would also like to thank Donaghy & Sons, and the Returned Soldiers' Woollen Mill for their courtesy in providing interesting excursions through their plants.

Second Term saw a visit to Geelong West Town Hall where the Children's Theatre presented "Stories in Dance". This was a memorable experience and gave us an exciting introduction to ballet.

The Geelong West Town Hall was also the site of an exhibition by the British and Foreign Bible Society, who showed us something of their work by means of films, talks and displays.

On November, 29th, the senior forms of the Preparatory School journeyed on a field excursion to Lerderberg Gorge, and took the opportunity of going over the brown coal mine at Bacchus Marsh.

Social Service:

This year, some forms have been donating regularly to a Social Service Fund. On World Children's Day, we forwarded ten guineas to the "Save the Children" Fund.

At the end of the year, it is proposed to make, and give, toys to children who otherwise may be overlooked by Father Christmas.

Films:

In addition to our regular film afternoons, the School visited the Corio Theatre on the first day of Second Term to see a screening of "Martin Luther".

Sport:

Under 11:— During Second Term, Under 11 and Under 10 football teams played against Geelong Grammar, Bostock House, St. Josephs and Scotch College. All matches were won except against the Scotch College Under 11 team. Our teams were led by Cam. Seward (Under 11) and Robert Russell (Under 10). The Inter-House competition was won by Pegasus House.

The athletic season was repeatedly interrupted by rain. However, most boys satisfactorily measured up to the Standards competition and enjoyed pleasant afternoons for the Prep, sports and the triangular sports with Geelong Grammar and Bostock House. Our best performers were W. Gellie (Under 11) and G. Cotton (Under 10). Cricket, Tennis and Softball have been enjoyed since then.

Senior Groups:— The general standard of our football groups, while perhaps not as high as previous years, did improve gradually during the season. Geelong Grammar and St. Josephs proved too strong for our Firsts, but the team redeemed itself by showing splendid form against Scotch College to win both the home and away matches.

Although beaten soundly on occasions, the Under 12 team showed a commendable team spirit which enabled them to suffer defeat, yet look forward eagerly to a further encounter.

After a keenly contested Inter-House competition, the Pegasus House team emerged victorious.

With the beginning of the Third Term an immediate start on Athletic Standards was made. Almost every boy succeeded in improving his performances during the short athletic season and it is likely that our ultimate success in the Combined Sports was due to the tremendous enthusiasm shown by the boys. Once more the Inter-House Standards competition was keenly contested with Pegasus House winning from Bellerophon.

Once the Combined Sports were over, the boys were eager to return to cricket, so, after a week of Softball, net practices began.

As an alternative to cricket on one night a week, twelve learners, had regular tennis coaching on Monday afternoons, and a further twelve boys, members of our tennis team, are accommodated on our court on Wednesdays. The popularity of tennis was evident during Third Term. The court was always

booked well in advance and the entries for the Singles Tournament, won by S. R. Dudley, 6-3, 6-1, totalled 42. During the term, St. Josephs invited us to visit them for a morning's tennis and after a most enjoyable series our team scored a narrow victory.

GEELONG COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPORTS 1955

The annual Preparatory School sports were held on Geelong College Oval in ideal conditions on Wednesday, 5th October.

There was keen competition between the Houses, and the events were watched with interest by many parents and friends of the school.

Pegasus House, with 63 points, won the Huse competition from Bellerophon House with 48 points.

Championship places were:—

Preparatory School: W. Satchell, 1; A. Strahan, 2; P. Young, 3.

Under 13: J. E. Davies, 1; D. Roebuck, 2; B. Smith, 3.

Under 12: M. Duigan, 1; J. E. McKenzie and C. Seward, equal 2.

Under 11: W. Gellie, 1; K. Leach, 2; A. Falk and R. Russell, equal 3.

Under 10: G. Cotton, 1; A. Vigano, 2; T. Hinchliffe and I. Dobie, equal 3.

New Records were:—

Long Jump under 13: J. E. Davies, 14ft. 5in.

Relay Race under 10 (400 yards): Pegasus House, 1 min. 5.5. sec.

75 yards under 10: G. Cotton, 10.5 sec. (record).

Results:

220 Yards Prep. Championship: W. Satchell, 1; A. Strahan, 2; S. R. Dudley, 3. Time 30.9 sec.

Long Jump: W. Satchell, 1; A. Strahan, 2; W. Beggs, 3. Distance, 14ft. 2½in.

Long Jump Under 13 Championship: J. E. Davies, 1; W. Jennings, 2; D. Roebuck, 3. Distance, 14ft. 5in. (record).

Long Jump Under 12 Championship: M. Duigan, 1; D. Millikan, 2; W. Lehman, 3. Distance, 12ft. 2in.

660 Yards Prep. Championship: P. J. Young, 1; A. Strahan, 2; B. Smith, 3. Time 1 min. 57.2 sec.

Sack Race (Under 9, 35 yards): R. Peck, 1; P. Hamilton, 2; P. Cooper, 3.

Sack Race (open, 50 yards)— First Heat: N. G. Drew, 1; R. Tong, 2; S. Dudley, 3; Second Heat: D. Gibson, 1; S. Fram, 2; J. Bramall, 3. Final: N. G. Drew, 1; D. Gibson, 2; S. Dudley, 3.

Sack Race (Under 11, 35 yards)—First Heat: R. Burger, 1; B. Collins, 2; R. McCann, 3. Second Heat: T. Hinchliffe, 1; R. Bower, 2; J. Champ, 3. Final: T. Hinchliffe, 1; R. Burger, 2; R. McCann, R. Bowler, equal 3.

75 Yards Under 13 Championship: J. Davies, 1; D. Roebuck, 2; B. Smith, 3. Time 10 sec.

75 Yards Under 11 Championship: W. Gellie, 1; K. Leach, 2; A. Falk, 3. Time 10.2 sec.

75 Yards Under 10 Championship: G. Cotton (P), 1; A. Vigano (P), 2; T. Hinchliffe (B), 3. Time 10.5 sec. (record).

High Jump Under 13 Championship: D. Roebuck (P), 1; J. E. Davies (B), 2; B. Smith (H), 3. Height 4ft. 4in.

High Jump Under 12 Championship: M. L. Duigan (B), 1; C. S. Seward (P), 2; M. Vickers-Willis (P), 3. Height 4ft. 0½in.

50 Yards Handicap Under 9: First Heat: R. Peck, 1; G. Piper, 2; G. Gordon, 3. Second Heat: L. Coulter, 1; T. Jacobs, 2; B. Picken, 3. Final: R. Peck, 1; J. Jacobs and L. Coulter equal 2.

75 Yards Handicap Under 10: First Heat: J. Ruxton, 1; G. Cotton, 2; B. Goodwin, 3. Second Heat: A. Vigano, 1; I. Dobie, 2; B. Marshmann, 3. Final: J. Ruxton, 1; I. Dobie, 2; G. Cotton, 3.

100 Yards Prep. Championship: W. Satchell (P), 1; A. Strahan (B), 2; S. R. Dudley (H), (P), 1; A. Strachan (B), 2; S. R. Dudley (H), 3. Time 13.1

100 Yards Under 11 Championship: W. Gellie (P), 1; K. Leach (B), 2; R. Russell (P), 3. Time 14 sec.

Potato Race Under 9: D. Cook, 1; D. McDonald, 2; T. Jacobs, 3.

Relay Race Under 10, 400 Yards: Pegasus, 1; Bellerophon, 2. Time 1 min. 5.5 sec. (record).

High Jump Prep. Championship: W. Satchell (P), 1; P. J. Young (P), 2; M. Russell (B), 3. Height 4ft. 4in.

100 Yards Under 10 Championship: G. Cotton (P), 1; A. Vigano (P), 2; I. Dobie (H), 3. Time 14.7 sec.

Manx Race: Whitehead-Beggs, 1; Mitchell-Bickford, 2; Gregg-Russell, 3.

100 Yards Handicap Under 11: First Heat: D. Bent, 1; W. Gellie, 2; R. Russell, 3. Second Heat: G. Perkins, 1; R. Bell, 2; V. Watson, 3. Final: Perkins, 1; Bent, 2; Gellie, 3.

100 Yards Under 12 Championship: J. McKenzie (B), 1; C. Seward (P), 2; M. Doiigan (B); 3. Time 13.5 sec.

Potato Race Open: First Heat: S. Dudley, 1; D. Gibson, 2; M. Duigan, 3. Second Heat: J. McKenzie, 1; D. Millikan, 2; W. Beggs, 3. Final: Gibson, 1; Duigan, 2; Millikan, 3.

Potato Race Under 11: First Heat: R. Burger, 1; R. Bell, 2; I. Hookings, 3. Second Heat: B. Marshman, 1; P. Dobie, 2; A. Vigano, 3. Third Heat: W. Gellie, 1; G. Cotton, 2; R. Baker, 3. Final W. Gellie, 1; B. Marshman, 2; R. Burger, 3.

100 Yards Under 13 Championship: J. E. Davies (B), 1; D. J. Roebuck (P), 2; B. Smith (H), 3. Time 13.1 sec.

100 Yards Handicap Open: W. Satchell, 1; D. Gibson, 2; R. Tong, 3.

Egg and Spoon Race Open, 50 Yards: First Heat: I. Henderson, 1; R. Tyrer, 2; J. Preston, 3. Second Heat: G. Russell, 1; D. Aiton, 2; B. Wood, 3. Final G. Russell, 1; D. Aiton, 2; J. Preston, 3.

Egg and Spoon Race Under 9, 35 Yards: First Heat: D. Cook, 1; P. Cooper, 2; G. Piper, 3. Second Heat: R. McGregor, 1; R. Betts, 2;

L. Coulter 3. Final: P. Cooper, 1; D. Cook, 2; R. McGregor, 3.

Egg and Spoon Race Under 11, 35 Yards: First Heat: R. Bell, 1; R. Bowler, 2; K. Andrews, 3. Second Heat: R. Hed'e, 1; I. Dobie, 2; J. Champ, 3. Third Heat: J. Ruxton, 1; P. Smith, 2; H. Birdsey, 3. Final: R. Bowler, 1; J. Ruxton, 2; I. Dobie, 3.

75 Yards Under 9 Championship: L. White (2), 1; G. Piper (P), 2; S. Jacobs (B), 3. Time 11.8 sec.

75 Yards Under 12 Championship: J. McKenzie (B), 1; G. Seward (P), 2; M. Duigan (B), 3. Time 10.1 sec.

100 Yards Handicap Under 12: First Heat: R. Fraser, 1; R. Baker, 2; J. McKenzie, 3. Second Heat: P. Doak, 1; C. Seward, 2; M. J. Seller, 3. Final: Fraser, 1; Doak, 2; Seward and Baker, equal 3.

100 Yards Handicap Under 13: First Heat: P. Hurrey, 1; W. Jennings, 2; C. Thomson, 3. Second Heat: J. Lockhart, 1; J. E. Davies, 2; B. G. Smith 3. Final: J. Lockhart, 1; P. Hurrey, 2; B. G. Smith, 3.

Slow Bicycle Race Open: D. Wright, 1; D. Aiton, 2; W. Van Aken, 3.

Slow Bicycle Race Under 11: R. Cowley, 1; H. Wright, 2; P. Philp, 3.

Circular Relay Open, 6 x 110 Yards: Pegasus, 1; Bellerophon, 2. Time 1 min. 30.2 sec. (inaugural record).

Obstacle Race Under 11: R. Burger, 1; K. Andrews, 2; I. Hookings, 3.

Obstacle Race Open: M. Vickers-Willis, 1; A. Redpath, 2; M. Sellers, 3.

Circular Relay Under 12, 6 x 110 Yards: Pegasus, 1; Bellerophon, 2. Time 1 min. 34.1 sec. (inaugural record).

Old Boys' Race, 120 Yards: First Heat: A. G. Moreton, 1; W. Lawler, 2; R. Howden, 3. Second Heat: I. Vautier, 1; R. Dennis, 2; S. Cameron, 3. Third Heat: T. Simpson, 1; T. Sproat, 2; P. Leach, 3. Final: A. Moreton, 1; W. Lawler, 2; T. Sproat, 3.

COMBINED SPORTS, 1955

The Annual Combined Sports Meeting, held on the College Oval on Wednesday, 27th October, provided many exciting finishes. Bostock House was successful in the Junior Competition (under 10) and Colleege scored a narrow victory from Geelong Grammar in the Senior Section. During the afternoon five records were broken.

Results:—

Junior Competition

50 Yards Under 8: Camp-Smith (B), 1; Withington (B), 2; Watson (C), 3. Time 8 sec.

75 Yards Under 9: Mitchell (B), 1; Fry (B) 2; White (C), 3. Time 10.6 sec. (record).

75 Yards Under 10: Darling (B), 1; Cotton (C), 2; Dexter (B), 3. Time 10.5 sec.

100 Yards Under 10: Cotton (C), 1; Darling (B), 2; Dobie (C), 3. Time 14.1 sec.

Final points—Junior Competition:—

Bostock House	42 pts.	1
Geelong College	22 pts.	2

Senior Competition

100 Yards Under 11: Gellie (C), 1; McKinnon (B), 2; Stephens (B), 3; Tunbridge (G), 4; Leach (C), 5. Time 13.7 sec.

100 Yards Under 12: McKenzie (C), 1; Seward (C), 2; Duff (B), 3; Jarvis (G), 4; Kernat (B), 5. Time 13.3 sec.

150 Yards Under 12: Duigan (C), 1; McKenzie (C), 2; Jarvis (G), 3; Gilbert (G), 4; Kernat (B) and Duff (B), equal 5. Time 20.1 sec.

High Jump Under 12: Duigan (C), 1; Fitzgerald (G), 2; Wallace (B), McColl (B), Seward (C), equal 3. Height 4ft. 0in.

Long Jump Under 12: Duigan (C), 1; McKinnon (B), 2; Gilbert (G), 3; Fitzgerald (G), 4; Stevens (B), 5. 13ft. 5in.

660 Yards Circular Relay: College, 1; Grammar, 2; Bostock, 3. Time 1 min. 28.1 sec. (record).

100 Yards Under 13: Davies (C), 1; Kay (G), 2; Cartwright (B), 3; Griffiths (G), 4; Roebuck (C), 5. Time 12.7 sec.

150 Yards Under 13: Davies (C) and Fenton (G), equal 1; Kay (G), 3; Cartwright (B), 4; Roebuck (C), 5. Time 19.6 sec.

High Jump Under 13: Adams (G), 1; Cartwright (B), 2; Roebuck (C), 3; Smith (C), 4; Gunnerson (G) and Fisher (B), equal 5.

Long Jump Under 13: Davies (C), 1; Roebuck (C), and Fenton (G), equal 2; Fraser (G), 4; Fisher (B) and Lampart (B), equal 5. 15ft. 1in. (record).

100 Yards Open: Coles (G), 1; Satchell (C), 2; Hart (G), 3; Strahan (C), 4; Gray (B), 5. Time 12.5 sec.

220 Yards Open: Coles (G), 1; Hart (G), 2; Strahan (C), 3; Gray (B), 4; Cockayne (B), 5. Time 28.2 sec.

High Jump Open: Rasmussen (G), 1; Rickey (B), 2; Ridder (G), 3; Satchell (C), 4; Cockayne (B), 5. Height 4ft. 5in.

Long Jump Open: Steward (G), 1; Poolman (G), 2; Satchell (C), 3; Gray (B), 4; Kent (B) and Strahan (C), equal 5. 17ft. 3in. (record).

660 Yards Circular Relay: Grammar, 1; College, 2. Time 1 min. 21.4 sec. (record).

Final points—Senior Competition:—

Geelong College	117	1
Geelong Grammar	113	2
Bostock House	47	3

KINDERGARTEN NOTES

It is with very sincere regret that we part with Mrs. Welsh who, over the last four years, has so ably taken charge of Form II. We extend to her our thanks for her loyal service and willing co-operation, and our very best wishes for the future.

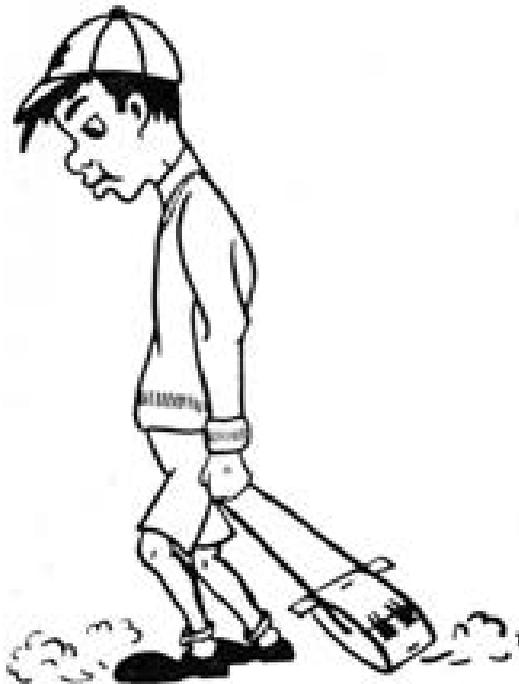
During recent years the Parents' Association has grown in strength and this year has been no exception. The two committees formed to raise money for the Preparatory School Building Fund, have made a tremen-

dous effort and already have approximately £736 to their credit. This wonderful sum has meant many hours of hard work and we thank Mrs. Nation, Mrs. Strach'an and their helpers for their untiring efforts. To the out-going committee of the Association we say thank you, especially to Mrs. Betts who has been a most efficient secretary throughout a busy year. The new committee is as follows:

- President: Mrs. Head.
- Vice-President: Mrs. Strachan.
- Secretary: Mrs. Fullard.
- Treasurer: Mrs. Hamilton.
- Also Mesdames Crellin, Armstrong, Hands and Keith.

Once again on Sports Day the weather was threatening, but we were able, with the help of Mr. Watson and Mr. Hearn, to complete our programme without interruption. Robert Pigdon, who won the Kindergarten Championship, had a most successful day, winning four events. G. Watson and P. Blackwood were our Under 8 representatives at the Triangular Sports.

Speech Day is to be held on Monday, December 5th, when the Mayoress, Mrs. H. R. Fidge is to present the award books to the boys. The Dux Award this year goes to Roger Burger. The presentation will be followed by the usual exhibition and Christmas Party. The gifts to be hung on the Christmas Tree will be sent to Kardinia Home, Belmont.



THE OLD BOYS.

Old Geelong Collegians' Association.

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1955-56.

PRESIDENT: E. W. McCANN, Esq.

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Hon. Asst. Treasurer: T. A. David.

Hon. Auditors: A. R. David, K. M. Opie.

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D. K. Russell

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Rev. G. A. Wood

Members of Committee, ex officio:

The Principal of Geelong College, Dr. M. A. Buntine, M.A., Ph.D.

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Hamilton—J. H. Bromell
N.S.W.—G. J. Watson
Gippsland—G. N. Webster

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REPRESENTATIVES & BRANCH SECRETARIES:

Sydney—A. J. Rogers, 72 Carrington Rd., Wahroonga.
Hamilton, Vic—L. Carter, c/o Dalgety & Co. Ltd.
Gippsland—I. M. McIlwain, Mountain View, Nambrook.

OLD BOYS' DAY.

THE FOOTBALL MATCHES.

This year's reunion of Old boys took place at the College on Saturday, July 30, when a good muster of members of assorted ages shared in the items on a varied programme.

A novel and successful feature was the football match between two teams of younger Old Collegians representing City (captain, G. Vines) and Country (captain, J. L. Campbell). In the end—which came too late for some players—the country team won by four goals. Umpires were John Chambers and Mr. V. H. Profitt.

The Public Schools game between College and Melbourne Grammar School eighteens provided good sport. Although College lost by two points, their performance in the final quarter, when they scored five goals against a vigorous defence, earned general approbation.

THE MEETING.

The annual general meeting in the Morrison Hall was well attended. The annual report for 1954 recorded a total membership of 1730, including 104 new Life Members during the year. The Association had supported the College through a number of successful social functions and appeals. The treasurer's report indicated a satisfactory financial position despite the deficiencies in memorial funds. Office bearers and committee elected for the new year are listed on the preceding page.

THE DINNER.

Once again the annual dinner was held in the home-like atmosphere of the College Dining Hall. All available places were taken by a happy crowd of Old Boys, guests and College masters, who were treated to a sumptuous meal prepared in the kitchens by the College domestic staff.

The view was widely expressed that these advantages, the true re-union atmosphere and the excellent fare, which from experience are not obtainable elsewhere, favour the choice of the Dining Hall for such events.

The principal toast, that of the College, was proposed in rousing style by His Worship, the Mayor of Geelong, Cr. H. R. Fidge, and responded to by the Principal, Dr. M. A. Buntine, M.A., Ph.D. Mr. A. J. Collocott, O.B.E., a member of several patriotic and service organizations, then addressed the gathering on "Responsibilities of Citizenship."

ASSOCIATION NOTES.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Since June, the following Old Collegians have become Life Members of the Association:

A. J. Collocott (1904); R. Rolland (1929); G. G. Philip (1938); Dr. J. W. Barrett (1939); R. M. Hair (1952). G. McDonald, M. J. Beach (1950).

D. R. L. Ebbels, G. C. Ennis, M. F. Herman, B. E. Lloyd, R. J. Macdonald, D. M. McMillan, D. O. Mayfield, A. P. Metcalfe, A. J. Roberts, R. F. Salter, J. R. Scott, R. F. Sutherland, R. W. Nash, D. N. McArthur, N. Sherson, B. R. Brady, I. W. Macmillan, R. R. Ingpen, A. J. Deacon, G. B. Deacon, W. L. Spafford (1954). R. L. McCosh, I. D. Neaie (1955).

GIPPSLAND REUNION.

The fourth annual dinner of the Gippsland Branch of the O.G.C.A. was held at the Criterion Hotel, Sale, on October 28. A very satisfactory attendance of nearly forty included a good proportion of younger Old Boys, guests representing the other Public Schools, the Rev. G. A. Wood (formerly of St. Andrew's, Sale), and Messrs. T. Henderson, K. W. Nicolson and B. R. Keith, of the College teaching staff.

In replying to the toast of the College, Mr. Wood, who is Chairman of the Parents' and Friends' Committee of the New Preparatory School Building Fund Appeal, included in his remarks a brief account of the progress being made with the appeal. Excuses were found for extracting "a few words" from the other Geelong visitors, who gave between them a sketch of the College to-day.

Principal office-bearers elected at the annual business meeting are:—President, G. N. Webster; Hon. Secretary, I. M. McIlwain; Hon. Treasurer, F. G. Chalmer.

N.S.W. BRANCH.

The annual dinner of New South Wales Old Boys was held at the Australia, Sydney, during the sheep show and sales. Twenty-six members were present, and George Watson (1912) was elected President for the ensuing year, with Allan Rogers (1946) again Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

The Branch is eager to increase its membership in 1956. It is felt that there are several Collegians in the Sydney area who are not in touch with the Branch, and all such are requested to communicate with the Hon. Secretary at 72 Carrington Rd., Wahroonga.

OBITUARY.

JAMES AITKEN, of Toorak, a Collegian of the years 192D-26, died at Melbourne on November 1.

THOMAS STANLEY BARNFATHER died at Newtown on September 7. When at school he passed the Matriculation examination and played in the XVIII in 1905. He joined the firm of Godfrey Hirst and Co., to become later secretary and a director. He was prominent in Masonic circles, being a member of Grand Lodge, and was widely interested in sport, especially golf and rowing. For some years he was judge for the Head of the River. His only son, Eliot, served as Flight-Lieutenant in the R.A.A.F. and was killed in action in 1942.

CEDRIC ROY CLUTTERBUCK, who died recently, was a pastoralist in different districts of Victoria, latterly at Tinamba, Gippsland. He left the College in 1917 and was a Prefect in his last two years.

JOHN R. S. COCHRANE left the College in 1911 with an outstanding record in work and sport, being in his final year a Prefect and "winner of the Jubilee College Cup. After studies at Ormond, he graduated in Science. Latterly he was general manager of Government Explosive Factories under the Commonwealth Department of Defence Production.

COLLINS MOUNTFORD COTTON, who died at Geelong on July 10, aged 40 years, attended the College from 1924 to 1932. He represented his school in athletics in 1927 and 1928. He served his cadetship in journalism with the Geelong Advertiser and later joined the Australian Broadcasting Commission news staff. He was accredited for the Commission as a war correspondent and in the past seven years was chief of staff of the Victorian news department.

CYRIL JAMES DENNIS died on August 17 at the age of 67 years. He was at the College from 1903 to 1906, when he played in the XVIII. After attending the Dookie Agricultural College he took up a property at Nambrok, Gippsland. He served with the A.I.F. in the first World War. His sons, John and Michael, Collegians of recent years, are carrying on the property at Nambrok.

ROBERT LYALL HUME, who attended the College in 1931-32, died at Canberra, A.C.T., in August. He was for a time on the staff of the Geelong Advertiser, then in 1938 was ap-

pointed to Hansard as a reporter. He served with the R.A.A.F. during the last war, attaining the rank of Flying-Officer.

HERBERT STRACHAN SHANNON died at Albury, aged 75 years. He was a pupil at the College in the 'nineties, and became later a director of the firm of Godfrey Hirst and Co. He is survived by his widow, a daughter, and his son Charles, who attended the College in the 'twenties and 'thirties.

H. REG. SUTTERBY died suddenly at the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital on September 17. He attended the College in 1914, and shortly afterwards joined the A.I.F. His son, Tom, was here a few years ago.

PERCY JAMES WILKS died at Newtown on September 15 at the age of 72 years. He was entered at the College in 1897, and in his youth was a prominent amateur athlete, winning on one occasion the Victorian 10 miles cross-country championship. For many years he was manager of Howard Smith Ltd. in Geelong.

STANTON JAMES OVEREND, one of Gippsland's most widely known and respected citizens, died at Sale on October 2. When he left the College in 1903 he went into the newspaper business, and from 1918 conducted the "Gippsland Times." Wider interests included Rotary, racing administration, grazing and irrigation. He gave many years of service to the Gippsland Hospital, with periods as president and treasurer, when his zeal and ability were applied to conducting that institution on the most progressive lines. His work for the hospital was recognised by Queen Elizabeth when he was created a Member of the Order of the British Empire.

CHURCH LEADER.

The Rev. J. FAIRLIE FORREST ('19) minister of St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church, Toowoomba, Q., was elected at the State Assembly to be Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Queensland for 1956-7.

ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

JOHN CHAMPION ('46), after a term with the Royal Navy as a pilot in the Fleet Air Arm, has returned to Australia to take up a R.A.N. posting at Nowra, N.S.W.

PERSONAL NOTES.

MARRIAGES.

Douglas Wilson—Maria Varvaressos, Shepparton, February 24.

Dean Humphrvs—June Berryman, Echuca, May 1, 1954.

Ivan Toyne—Joan Foster, Geelong, February 26.

Leon Ramsay—Bobbie Stuart, Red Cliffs, May 7.

John Lupton—Mona Clare Jones, New Town, Hobart, June 11.

Colin Watson—Jeryl Stewart-Jacks, Toorak, June 25.

Jim John—Patricia Ashley, Ballarat, July 23.

Ross Cottle—Margaret Welsh, Geelong, July 30.

Donald Henderson—Enid Richardson, South Yarra, August 3.

Ian Hocking—Joy Baker, Geelong, August 20.

John Bowman—Margery Renton, Anglesea, October 15.

David T. Currie—Muirean Margaret Nicholson, Melbourne, November 5.

Ken Newland—Joyce Evans, Geelong, November 5.

Malcolm Eyon—Robin Carne, Canberra, December 3.

D. Geoffrey Neilson—Gwenda Moyle, Northcote, December 3.

Alistair Hope—Ellen Cruickshank, Geelong, December 3.

Donald R. T. Macmillan—Geva Donaldson, South Yarra, December 10.

Brian W. Lewis—Jean Mary Armstrong, Geelong, December 10.

BIRTHS.

Peter Bartlett, a daughter, March 23.

Neon L. Sykes, a son, June 20.

John Poole, a son, August 27.

Allan Rogers, a son.

Ian McIlwain, a daughter.

Ian Hope, a daughter, September 18.

Bert Fagg, a son, September 30.

Colin Murray, a daughter, October 17.

Dr. Gordon Adler, twin sons, October 23.

Bill Rogers, a daughter, October 31.

Dr. Alan S. Tait, a son, November 1.

Niel Davidson, a daughter, November 3.

Ken Fargher, a son, November 3.

John Chambers, a son, December.

Lance Wray, a daughter, December.

Alban Howells, a son, December 3.

THE NEW PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

The appeal for funds for the building of the new Preparatory School is meeting with a steady response which the committee hopes to sustain till the College Centenary celebrations in 1961.

One notable addition to the fund comes from a contributor signing himself "F.W.R." and stating that the amount is "to mark Mr. L. Campbell's semi-jubilee as Headmaster of the Preparatory School" (see "Pegasus," June 1955).

This idea can be recommended to all potential donors. For their guidance, the years of individual service of present College masters range from one to 36, and their total years are about 400; the grand total of years taught since 1861 must be at least 1000 (a particularly useful figure).

Saturday, March 10, 1956, should be marked a red letter day in your diary. It is the date of the big fair at the College in aid of the appeal funds.

A fuller account of committee and group activities is given on page 50.

While the committee has all along included several Old Collegians, the O.G.C.A. is now officially represented on this body by its President, ex officio.

REGALIA.

O.G.C.A. official ties and buttonhole badges are obtainable from the Hon. Secretary, 138 Little Malop Street, Geelong. Price, 10/- each.

The Association blazer is made to order by Snows Mens' Wear Ltd. on production of an order slip obtainable from the Hon. Secretary.

VISITORS' BOOK.

The following signatures have been added:

John A. McDougall ('46), Paddy Barrett I ('39), L. A. -Mulligan ('41), R. W. Gough ('29), H. A. Glover ('38), Graham G. Lehmann ('47), George G. Gumming ('41), J. Hamer Eadie ('45), F. H. Shaw ('06), W. Bates ('52), Gordon Young ('51), Graeme Gough ('50), Geoff. Quail ('51), Paul Brotchie ('53), J. McRae ('95), D. A. Dobie ('17), R. Lamble ('01), Ron. H. Glare (MO), Frank U. Pam ('53), Donald F. Road-knight ('27), Ian G. Porteous ('50), W. F. Coad ('46), D. J. Huffam ('49), J. P. Mockridge ('32), J. Sullivan ('54), Harley Spittle ('52), Callum Macfarlane ('29), John Davidson ('44).

Stuart R. Purnell ('26), Alan M. Creed ('51), R. J. Hensley ('89), N. M. McDonald ('53).

JOTTINGS.

Cr. H. ROY FIDGE (1923) is in his second term as Mayor of the City of Geelong.

LYLE TURNBULL ('45) has been appointed London correspondent for the Melbourne Sun News-Pictorial and sailed in November with his wife to take up his appointment. It is his third overseas tour for the Sun. He is touring Italy, France and Switzerland on his way to London, and was the guest of the Italian Government while in Rome.

JULIAN MOYLE ('44) has won a full-time scholarship to the Opera School of the Royal College of Music. For a few months he was flating in London with KEN BURNS ('44).

IAN N. MACDONALD ('29), of Newcastle, N.S.W., has been making architectural investigations in the U.S.A.

MAX WOODWARD ('46), thought to be in Bahrein or England, paid a surprise visit to the College on Old Boys' Day.

KENNETH BELL ('49) is becoming well known to radio listeners as the voice of 3GL, Geelong.

PHIL. HALL ('40) has returned to Victoria with managerial responsibilities for National Forge.

RAY WO OTTO N ('44) is assistant Bursar at Wesley College.

Cr. HENRY JACOBS ('17) has just returned from an extended holiday in East Asia.

Dr. BERT PILLOW ('02) has taken a business trip to America. HARRY PILLOW ('45) is in guided missiles research at Salisbury, S.A.

•MURRAY CRAWQOUR ('37) has returned to Israel after a six-months visit to his people in Geelong.

GEORGE T. NEWTON ('27) is manager for the C.B.C. of Sydney at Watchem, Vic.

JOHN R. CAMPBELL ('50) is on his way to England, combining holidays with a further study of insurance.

TIM DENNIS ('54) left Australia in August by the R.M.S. Stratheden to spend two years at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, England.

Taking care of Victorians' dental health are JOCK ROLLAND ('38), Wycheproof; JOHN POOLE ('44), Bairnsdale; and MAX BURLEIGH ('45), Warracknabeal.

STEWART FRASER ('47) completed his B.A. degree at Oxford with Honours in the school of Politics, Economics and Philosophy.

He and his wife are now teaching at the High School, Englehart, Ontario, Canada, and expect to return to Victoria in about two years' time.

PETER RICHARDSON ('49) and GEOFFREY BEST ('49) have returned home after their trip through Britain and the U.S.A.

GORDON SNELL ('46), having completed a three-year English Literature course at Oxford and gained his B.A. degree, is starting as Studio Assistant with the B.B.C.

STRUAN ROBERTSON ('45) is studying medicine at Bristol, and BARNEY WILSON ('45) is in the final year at the London Law School.

ERIC BAIRD ('50), of Brooklands Accessories Ltd., is now with the Ballarat branch as country representative. He has also undertaken the important work of secretary and treasurer for the Ballarat region of the G.C. Preparatory School Fund Appeal.

Ford executives IVOR BUCHANAN ('38) and iMAX LOWE ('40) find themselves neighbours in a little Geelong colony at Toronto, Canada.

Holding high office in Geelong's service clubs are ARTHUR THOMS ('23), who follows ERNIE McCANN ('24) as president of Rotary, and MATT. WRIGHT ('30), president of Legacy.

BRUCE WIGLEY ('46) is on his way home after several years of work and holiday in Canada, Britain and the Continent.

ANDREW HOPE ('47) has completed his Theology course at Melbourne and will shortly be licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Geelong. He sails for Britain towards the end of January to further his studies.

JOHN BILLINGTON ('49) is appointed to Yarram Presbyterian Church as his first charge.

PHILIP CASSIDY ('50) has gone on to a dairy property at Kennett River.

IAN BRODIE ('27) has been to the United Kingdom on business for McDonald, Hamilton.

MALCOLM LYON ('48) completed most successfully his course at the Diplomatic School, Canberra, and is on his way to join the Australian representation at Bonn, West Germany.

DOUGLAS WILSON ('46) has taken over a sheep property in the Timboon district.

CARGILL ROBERTSON ('41) is another to set off for England, intending to widen his engineering experience there.