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NEWSLETTER TO THE OLD GEELONG COLLEGIANS' ASSOCIATION

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YOUR YEAR

Here is the latest list of Year Chairmen. Most of them have private addresses, but ALL can be contacted at O.G.C.A. Office, The Geelong College, Geelong.

Or ring the Executive Officer (Mr. A. R. J. McVittie) at Geelong 21 1939.

Can you volunteer for one of the vacant chairs? It is work, yes, but meaningful and rewarding.

- 1903-09 A. H. Campbell
- 1914 Dr. H. I. Gibb
- 1915 C. E. McArthur
- 1916 H. de G. Ash
- 1918 A. R. G. Colvin
- 1919 W. L. Aikman
- 1920 T. L. Macmillan
- 1922 J. W. Sheahan
- 1924 H. D. Cumming
- 1926 S. M. McDonald
- 1927 A. J. McAdam
- 1928 C. G. Baird
- 1929 G. O'D. Armstrong
- 1930 J. D. Hede
- 1931 A. L. R. Lucas
- 1932 L. H. Batten
- 1934 H. M. Clarke
- 1935 K. L. Menzies
- 1938 A. T. Hardie
- 1939 P. W. Grutzner
- 1940 J. G. W. Urbahns
- 1941 F. W. Elliott
- 1942 A. R. A. Backwell
- 1943 Dr. R. A. Leggatt
- 1945 D. I. Carmichael
- 1949 T. S. Dennis
- 1950 R. S. Dennis
- 1951 G. L. Bent
- 1952 D. L. Alexander
- 1953 G. L. Pearce
- 1954 S. M. Eastwood
- 1955 A. J. McA. Howden
- 1956 G. R. Gill
- 1957 D. A. Jarman
- 1958 W. L. Lehmann
- 1959 I. B. Opperman
- 1960 G. E. T. Andrews
- 1961 B. H. Pettitt and R. W. Mcl. Farrow
- 1963 G. E. Craig, E. J. McLarty, A. H. Peters

Diary Dates

- Reunions:—
- Sydney — June 6
 - Perth — June 20, September 2
 - Geelong — June 24
 - Hamilton — July 29
 - Mildura — September 2
- Melbourne Dinner Dance:—
September 23
- Melbourne Golf:—
November 14

BUILDING BY '69!

Enthusiastic Year Leaders Endorse "Swinging" Programme.

"The first stage of the Rolland Centre could begin building in 1969", said Gordon Murray, Chairman of the Alumni Executive, "if Old Boys translate their loyalty to the College into generous contributions."

Gordon was opening the first Year Chairmen's conference for 1967 in the rich atmosphere of the new Morrison Hall.

Those present were addressed by Ken Nall, Neil Everist and Geoff Betts, members of the College Council, who indicated in some detail the current problems of the school, the means of overcoming them, and proposed developments.

FULL AHEAD



Gordon Murray

All speakers were subjected to a questioning which showed that Year Chairmen are personally involved in the future of the College.

BENEFITS

The practical benefits of the reconstitution of the O.G.C.A. have been outlined by Association Honorary Secretary, Geoff Neilson, who is a member of the College Council and immediate past chairman of the Alumni Executive. When interviewed, he said that the first two years of the Alumni plan have produced much to further the Association:

- Year Groups have been formed.
- The O.G.C.A. office is functioning well with Mac McVittie in command.
- The Alumni Executive has introduced a vigour and drive which has brought forth a great response of activity and interest from the members.
- New branches have been formed.
- Attendances at Association functions have reached higher levels than ever.
- "Ad Astra" has brought Old Collegians closer to the College by disseminating more information.

The Alumni plan is "swinging", to use the current vernacular.



Geoff Neilson

OUR CHOICE

"Now we must go even further", Geoff said. "The Rolland Centre waits our massive support, and, gratifying though the gifts have been, these will need to be doubled, or even trebled, this year if we are to progress towards building."

"The Rolland Centre is the project WE have chosen. This is our way of fulfilling our Association's aim to help the College. It is an urgent need at the school. Let this be our year of achievement".

ACTION

To step up the programme, Year Chairmen will seek a more generous response from members of their groups as they contact them during 1967. The Executive believes that the best method of stepping up participation in the programme is to assure Old Collegians that they will soon see positive benefits for the College as a result of their gifts. To achieve this, the College Council and the College architect (Neil Everist) are examining ways by which the Rolland Centre can be built in stages, so that some portion will be available to students as soon as possible, instead of waiting until the necessary funds to complete the entire project are in hand.

If the Alumni programme develops as our advisers expect, work on the first stage of the Rolland Centre could indeed begin in 1969.

\$1000 CLUB

"A wonderful effort and a challenge to us all", was how Gary Bent, a member of the Alumni Executive Committee and Chairman of 1951, described the achievement of the 1903-09, 1915 and 1934 Year Groups in becoming the foundation members of the "Thousand Dollar Club."

Each has now passed that total in its contributions for the Rolland Centre.



Hugh Campbell

Gary stated that, although a recently elected member of the Executive, he had not needed long to realize the great importance of the work of Year Chairmen. He gives great credit to Hugh Campbell, Colin McArthur and Henry Clarke for the good progress their groups have made, and he appeals to all others to emulate them.



Colin McArthur

One test of the Old Boys' loyalty to the College will be to see how many groups have joined this select club by the end of the year.

"I hope that all members of the O.G.C.A. will give strong support and, where possible, assistance to their Year Chairmen during 1967," he concluded.



Henry Clarke

Personal Page

ROY FIDGE KNIGHTED

Community Service
Recognized

Another addition to the long list of Old Collegians who have been knighted is Sir Roy Fidge ('18) at present mayor of Geelong for the fifth time.

The award was made for services to the community. "Ad Astra", with remarkable intuition, listed some of these in its last issue. It is with great pleasure that we now congratulate Sir Roy on a well-deserved honour.

Garry Armstrong ('28), who was made O.B.E., is Command Secretary of Southern Command. As such he represents the Army Secretary in Victoria and is responsible for the spending of Southern Command's share of the budget on personnel, new projects and maintenance of buildings.

Henry Jacobs ('15) received M.B.E. for service to the community. Apart from much municipal work, he has done a great deal for charitable organisations and in particular for mentally retarded children. He is still an active member of the Royal Geelong Yacht Club, of which he has been Commodore.

JOTTINGS

Ken Morris ('29) leads a team which has gone to Singapore to help start the first open heart surgery unit there. His wife also is a member of the team.

Dr. Russell Cole ('31) came from London to address the Melbourne Dental Congress. Reunions with friends in Geelong took in the College, where he gave a lunch-time talk on Kuwait.

Dr. Jack Legge ('30), bio-chemistry, is visiting Universities in Europe while on leave.

Julian Moyle ('40) appeared on local T.V. screens as Strophon in a performance of "Iolanthe" by the Sadlers Wells Opera Company.

Dr. Frank Just ('36), on leave from the University of Melbourne, is in France to carry out investigations which may figure in future book publication lists.

Laurie Wright ('49), as a violist in the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, will be visiting Canada for Expo '67.

Jack Macalister ('31) cleverly walked away—fairly fast—when his D.C.A. test plane crashed a belly-landing at Avalon in January.

Dr. John Forbes ('33) is a member of a medical team giving civilian aid in Vietnam.

Alistair McArthur ('55) is base commander on Stonington Island, where he travels by dog team on survey and geology expeditions.

Dr. Peter Sutherland ('48) won the Gordon-Taylor Scholarship, which has led to his appointment as research fellow in the respiratory division of the Joint Cardio-Respiratory Service, Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal.



SIR ROY

Alan F. Davies ('36) has brought out another book, "A Study of Five Political Outlooks". "His uniquely poised skills have produced quite a masterpiece," says one reviewer.

Noel Sherson ('49) has gone overseas for two years' advanced study at the Royal College of Surgeons.

David John ('54) is in Geraldton, W.A., as field officer for a veterinary company.

The Rev. Bill Dearnaley ('52) is at Raywood, near Bendigo.

Ian McLeod ('63) is busy among books at Cheshire's Geelong branch.

Rod Wallis ('61) has taken another step in journalism by joining the literary staff of the *Morwell Advertiser*.

Hugh Forbes ('57) and Tony Paterson ('58) are at the Werribee Veterinary Clinic. So is Ian Fairnie ('56), who is fortunate in having his newly acquired fiancée, Helen Jones, studying there too.

John McK. Mitchell ('57) has completed Pharmacy and is working in Geelong.

The Rev. Dr. Ronald Williams ('43), of the Theological College, Raronga, N.G., recently addressed the College on his work.

Randall Bell ('57) is newly admitted to the bar.

David T. Anderson ('60) is on Civil Engineering at Melbourne after an outstanding diploma course at the Gordon, which led to one of the coveted C.R.B. cadetships. Ian Unsworth ('61) is also doing Civil. Both men are resident in Ormond.

Ian Willis ('53) shared the 1967 Master's Thesis Award sponsored by the Australian Agricultural Economics Society.

Teacher transfers this year have taken Darcy Sellar ('52) from Stawell to Geelong H. S. and Graham Falk ('51) from Belmont H. S. to the Gordon Institute.

Fred Marquardt ('15) will retire this year as branch accountant, S.E.C., Geelong.

While teaching science and new-style maths, at Clifton Preparatory School, Durban, Michael Roland ('50) is also studying Arts subjects at Natal University.

NOT SO FUNNY

There was a merry chuckle at a recent committee meeting, when the comment was made that "no gift is too large". But, chuckle or not, we must be sure that we do not place our emphasis on the smallest gift we can expect to get away with, or the amount it might cost the O.G.C.A. to service our membership. Let us think rather of what the College meant to us, what we inherited from the past, and what we wish to pass on to the boys of today and tomorrow.

WORLD OF SPORT

Ian Redpath ('54) had a personally successful tour of South Africa, finishing second on the batting list, while Paul Sheahan ('59) put up some brilliant performances for Victoria and later for the Australian team in N.Z.

Geelong Lawn Tennis Club won the B grade championship at Country Week. The entire team consisted of Old Collegians: Graeme Williams ('50), Deryl McConaghy ('56), Len Hargreaves ('49) and Ron McConachy ('51). Milton Poulston ('44) was a stalwart of the A grade team which won eight out of ten rubbers.

Dr. Jim Buchanan ('26) was invited to be Boxing Coach of the Mexican Olympic Team. It meant staying in Mexico until the Games, so he had reluctantly to refuse.

Graham Hallebone ('57), Denis Ekstedt ('57) and Philip Marshall ('60) were in the Geelong sub-district seconds team which made the finals.

Terry Johnstone ('64) has been signed up by Geelong Football Club.

Bob Merriman ('48) was Captain of Geelong Country Week Cricket team.

Tom McNair ('58) is in the training squad for the Light-weight Fours to represent Victoria at the King's Cup Regatta.

George Wood ('63) is still winning swimming races, but now at Geelong Teachers' College, where he shared the men's championship.

Ken Leach ('58), in his meteoric sculling career, has been among the leaders at several regattas.

'41 GROUPERS

Graham Hardy, who has been in charge of music at Mentone Grammar School, has left for Cornell University to further his studies. Graham was awarded a scholarship to assist in this move.

Bill Kendall has taken on the developing of 3,300 acres of country to the north-east of Albany, W.A.

Henry Spalding is with Harvest Foods. In this work he travels about the country a good deal.

The following '41 members' addresses are still unknown - R. T. Davies, H. L. Davies, P. L. Dawkins, G. D. Geddes, P. C. Howard, J. A. Johnson, P. E. Meyrick, J. A. G. Miller, D. J. Payne. If you know of the whereabouts of any of these, please send the information to the O.G.C.A. office at The College.

Michael Cannon was highly praised by the critics for his late book, "The Land Boomers", dealing with Victoria's incredible 1880's.

Harry Pillow goes to the Department of the Navy, Florida, U.S.A., for twelve months.

APPOINTMENTS

Congratulations to Stuart Mc Donald ('26), of the C.M.F., on promotion to Major-General. He is possibly the first Geelong native to reach that rank.

Doug Walter ('21) has become managing director of Strachan & Co.

Ernest McCann ('22), already a commissioner of the Geelong Harbour Trust, has been appointed to the new Victorian Pipelines Commission.

Bill Dennis ('51) holds a lectureship in the Department of Education at Otago University, Dunedin.

Bob Pettitt ('29) is President of Barrabool Shire for the third time. Here he is associated with Graham Pearce ('53), the Shire Secretary.

Harvey Lade ('38) has moved from Singapore to be manager for Mansfield and Co. Ltd. in Kuala Lumpur.

Dr. Peter Bunyan ('52) is lecturing in metallurgy in the University of Melbourne.

Bill Glover ('42) is to be field officer for Victorian Senior Young Farmers at Beverley, Yorkshire, for about a year.

TAX EVASION

Never forget that tax evasion does not pay, but that tax avoidance by legitimate means is a sure winner for everyone but the commissioner.

You can avoid taxation by contributing to the Geelong College Building Fund through your Year Group or any other way.

ON NEWTOWN HILL



THE OLD

The College block presented its usual first term face to boys and staff returning after the long vac. The dry spell had browned off the remnant of the "cow paddock" and even patches of the ovals and lawns; dust on the paths conveniently hid the unpolished state of shoes, and last year's brood of magpie chicks had achieved independence from their parents.

The Morrison Hall had also become independent of its reconstructors and was open for morning assemblies. One of the changes caused by the alterations concerns the well-remembered staff procession to the stage. Now most of the staff sit behind the boys, so depriving them of the opportunity of forecasting the day's fortunes from a study of the countenances of the assembled gentlemen.

Had they been on stage, the most noticeable absentee would have been Mr. Ken Nicolson, who has retired. The Geelong High School is now benefiting from his long teaching experience.

New members of the academic staff at the senior school this year are the Reverend J. D. Martin, B.A., who is chaplain; Mr. B. M. McCarthy and Mr. R. Salen, Grad. I.E.E., who are both from South Australia; and Mr. D. W. McNeill B.A., who comes from Queensland.

In addition to the well established woodwork classes, the "general" streams now have mechanics. Initial instruction has been based on the reconditioning of motor mowers.

When overhauled and repainted, these are sold and the money used to obtain more equipment. Instruction is given by Mr. Sturgeon.

Life Saving classes have had tangible results this year: College boys have already been instrumental in saving three people from drowning in the Barwon.

Exploration Society outings planned for this year include a motor boat trip on the Anabranch of the Darling, investigation of the Moroka and Little River gorges in Gippsland, and canoe and hiking trips in East Gippsland.

The cadet unit now consists of six House platoons, plus specialists. A yearly competition has been initiated to find the most efficient platoon.

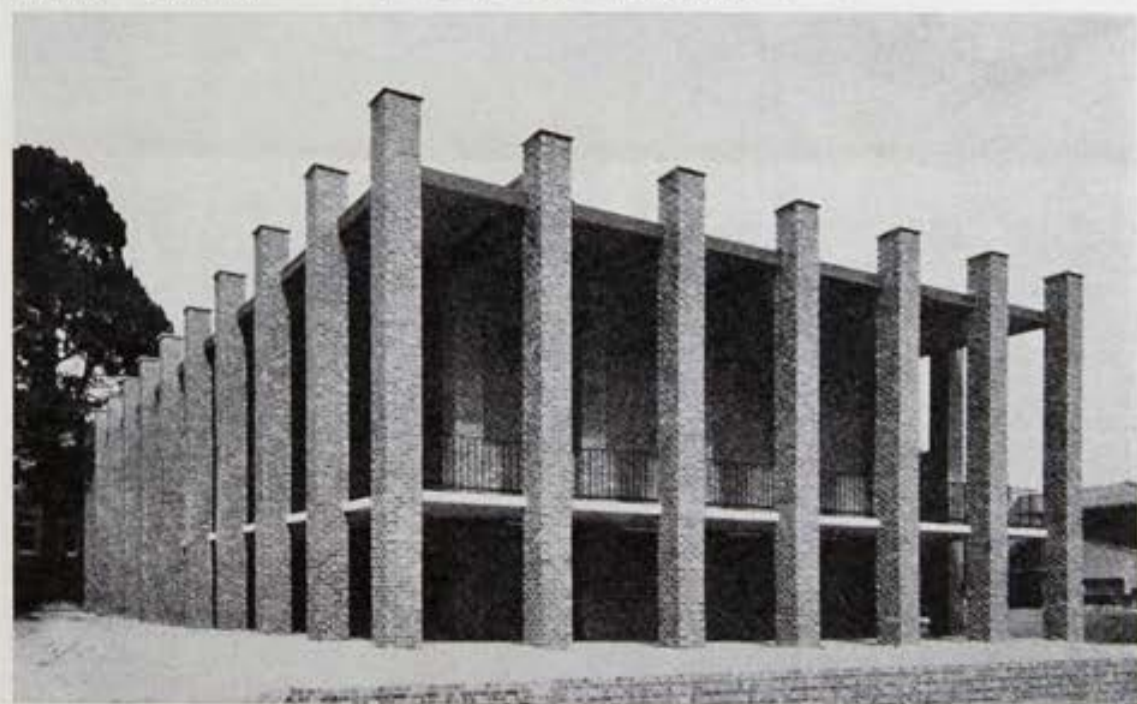
Shortage of facilities has affected swimming in two ways. The House contest needed three pools to complete its programme because heavy bookings allowed only a limited time in each. Lack of adequate training facilities has proved an insurmountable barrier to success in inter-school competition, as schools with their own pools are rapidly leaving the College behind.

Mr. Bill Martin, Director of Music, is keen to give the College military band a distinctive uniform. It is suggested that this might consist of a dark green jacket with balmoral, and trows in the tartan of the Gordon Highlanders.

So far the problem of meeting the cost is unsolved. Perhaps some loyal, liberal Scot will sponsor the scheme.

WANTED—practical men experienced in building, plumbing, etc. An opportunity exists to take a work party from the College to New Guinea in the summer vacation. This would be possible only if sufficient skilled leadership were available. Any Old Boys interested and likely to be available should contact the Chaplain (the Rev. Jim Martin) at the College.

THE NEW



FROM THE COMMITTEE TABLE

A request for official approval of the formation of an O.G.C.A. hockey club has received strong support. Robert Timms and Bruce Hope are among the leaders in this activity; both played the game at the College and have since assisted in the training of boys. The new club intends to enter a team in the Geelong competition.

Melbourne O.G.Cs. have a team in the P.S. Tennis Association competition and also play other matches by arrangement throughout the season. Interested players should contact W. T. (Bill) Cook, Flat 4, 163 Derby Street, Kew, E4.

The Public Schools Club of Victoria has moved to a new position in the centre of Melbourne at 23 McKillop Street. The club, which is now residential, has lounges, bar and a dining room where lunch is available daily. The full annual

subscription is \$25, but is only \$16 for men under 25 years of age.

An invitation from Mr. Garth Manton, an Old Geelong Grammarian, for O.G.Cs. to play amateur football in Melbourne with the Grammarians' club is strongly supported by the committee. Mr Manton generously adds that, if an O.G.C. team is admitted to the V.A.F.A., all our men will be cleared.

Matt Wright ('27) has been nominated by the committee to represent the O.G.C.A. on the College Council in place of Harold Anderson ('17), who tendered his resignation after twenty-six years of valuable service to the Association. The other O.G.C.A. delegates to the Council are Austin Gray ('16) and Ken Nail ('37).

Suggestions put before the committee and referred for investigation include: a P.S. Golf tournament in Geelong; a career counselling service for present College boys, to be provided by a panel of O.G.Cs. in a range of occupations; alternative titles for the projected physical education centre, as the provisional name is considered unwieldy.

PARENTS SHOW THE WAY

The Morrison Hall now stands as a challenge to all Old Collegians. Its pillared strength is an imposing echo of the school quadrangle, providing an architectural blending of the old with the new, which itself demands the Rolland Centre to complete the new northern face of the school.

The present generation of College parents has responded magnificently to our need, as have a number of Old Boys who are also parents.

The result should be seen as an inspiration to members of the O.G.C.A. to support the Alumni Programme and so fulfil the vision of the College Council and Architect.

The interior of the Hall is particularly impressive. Seating now faces the northern end, and the stage is an extension of the area we all know as the "back stairs". The building has also been extended towards the main school block, and boys are now most comfort-

ably accommodated with the provision of new seating.

Large, translucent, unpolished plate glass windows, original brick, timber beams and panelling harmonize in the subdued interior lighting to give a unity of tone which is both stately and distinctive. This reserved and tasteful atmosphere enhances the dignity of morning assemblies, while the extension of facilities, particularly for music and drama, increases the value of the Hall as a centre for school activities.

Development of the ground floor level now awaits the provision of alternative accommodation for sport changing rooms and lockers in the Rolland Centre. There will be occasions in the near future to see the new Hall, and such opportunities will, no doubt, encourage Old Boys to honour the memory of Sir Francis Rolland in the building of the new physical education centre.

MARRIAGES

David Ramage ('53) to Judith Jones, Geelong, October 17th.

Michael Duigan ('56) to Janette Pettit, Geelong, November 4th.

Keith Calvert ('51) to Gillian Learmonth, Barwon Heads, December 9th.

Robert Pullin ('56) to Stella Lamont, Geelong, December 14th.

John Taylor ('51) to Susan Lynch, Geelong, December 14th.

Dale Palmer ('58) to Vanessa Hall, Geelong, December 28th.

Robert Kitson ('59) to Christine McEachern, Geelong, December 31st.

Mark Brian ('54) to Helen Mac Gowan, Geelong, January 10th.

Peter Hurrey ('58) to Judith Hope, Geelong, January 14th.

Terence Cook ('54) to Leone Foot, Geelong, January 17th.

Robert Hamilton ('56) to Delwyn Impy, Geelong, January 28th.

Wallace Lawler ('50) to Jennifer Mehrrens, Adelaide, February 4th.

Mark Sellar ('56) to Pamela Binns, Geelong, February 18th.

Geoffrey Wood ('55) to Morag Powne, Ararat, February 25th.

Jeff Powell ('57) to Marcia Perrett, Belmont, February.

Rodger Bodey ('53) to Margaret Wallace, Toorak, February 28th.

John Dixon ('55) to Kaye Martin, Geelong, March 4th.

John Preston ('57) to Jennifer Lindsay, Creswick, March 4th.

Geoffrey Corstorphane ('59) to Gayle Stewart, Geelong, March.

Anthony Bickford ('57) to Lynda Cooper, Geelong, March 11th.

Robert Baker ('57) to Pamela Mair, Lara, March 11th.

Darren Gellie ('55), to Loralle Corben, E. Malvern, March 20th.

David Leigh ('51), to Rosalind Taylor, Belmont, March 27th.

OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the passing of the following Old Boys, and we extend to the bereaved families our sincere sympathy.

Reginald Neil Campbell entered the College in 1909. After leaving school, he joined the original Australian Flying Corps in the last years of the first world war. In 1923 he moved into the Barwon-leigh homestead, which is particularly prized by historical authorities. He demonstrated keen interest in the Barwon Heads Golf Club, of which he was a committee member. He died on October 12th, 1966.

William Lane Ingpen, who attended the College between 1918 and 1925, was a member of a well-known Geelong family which had a close connection with the school. He had a distinguished career at school, becoming Senior Prefect and also captain of the cricket,

football and athletics teams. Afterwards he followed a business career in a variety of spheres. He died in Melbourne on October 12th, 1966.

Howard Gilroy Cutts, who entered the College in 1920, died suddenly at his home in Belgrave Heights on November 19th, 1966.

Charles Ware Dowling, who was at the College in 1910 and 1911, died at Ocean Grove on January 24th, 1967. He was a member of the 8th Light Horse in the first A.I.F. and was wounded at Gallipoli. After some years on a property in the Riverina, he returned to Jellalabad, Darlington, where he remained until he retired to Ocean Grove in 1956.

John Officer Tait attended the College from 1921 until 1927. After leaving school he studied law at the University of Melbourne and eventually returned to join the practice of his father, J. S. Tait, in Warrnambool. He became well-known as a solicitor and an influential member of the community. He enlisted in the A.I.F. in 1940 as a private, but was later commissioned and served in New Guinea. He died at Warrnambool on February 9th, 1967.

Ian Campbell Martin entered the Preparatory School in 1959 and passed through the Senior School, gaining matriculation in 1964. For several years he was in Mackie House, where he became a member of the House Committee. After leaving the College he studied agricultural science at the University of Melbourne. He died on March 15th at Swan Hill.

REGRETTABLE

"In sporting matters, the rivalry between public schools is so keen that the contests have sometimes been marked by regrettable incidents.

"In order to secure an improvement, the sportsmasters from the schools, including the Geelong Grammar School and Geelong College, met last week.

"On Saturday, they had a conference with the headmasters, and, as a result, several important alterations were agreed upon.

"After hearing the matter discussed the headmasters passed a resolution agreeing to sanction the holding of a premiership contest this year.

"It was stipulated, however, that should any regrettable incident occur, showing ill-feeling between any of the schools, all premiership matches would be cancelled for the remainder of the year."

[By courtesy of "The Geelong Advertiser" we reprint the above extract from its files of 50 years ago, March 1917.

Unfortunately further incidents did occur, culminating in the "Battle of St. Kilda Road," fought between two Melbourne schools after a football match.

All sports fixtures for the rest of the year were immediately cancelled.]

A LASTING MEMORIAL

Robert Burn ('50), in his latest paper published by the South Australian Museum, describes a new species of opisthobranch, *Aphelodoris Rossquicki*. The late Ross Quick, a keen amateur conchologist, as well as a schoolmaster, was in the party that collected the first specimens. Robert is an Associate in Conchology of the National Museum of Victoria.

STAFF NOTES

Mr Bryan Wardle, overseas on leave, is teaching at Winchester. He received his Melbourne degree of Bachelor of Education in absentia.

Mr Donald Webb is being sent overseas for six months by the Victorian Public Galleries Group to inquire into Art Gallery developments in the U.S., Canada and Europe.

Miss Vera Reeves, for many years bursar and secretary, is living at Glen Waverley.

Mr George Logie Smith, who conducts the Astra Chamber Orchestra in Melbourne, is studying the musical scene in America and Europe.

Mr Ken Clayton has completed his Science degree in W.A. His most important work at Scotch College, Swanbourne, was the conduct of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award candidates. He expects to go overseas this year.

FRONTIERS OF KNOWLEDGE

Dr. Donald McLean ('38) has been appointed Professor in charge of the Department of Micro-Biology at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver. His work will be primarily teaching medical students and supervising graduate students in research leading to Ph. D. degrees, apart from his own considerable research work on viruses.

It would require a special number of "Ad Astra" to record his academic successes since he was Dux of the College in 1943, but since 1958 he has been Director of Virology in the Research Institute of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, with Associate Professorships in the University of Toronto.

He is also very prominent in the affairs of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, an elder of the kirk and a member of the Senate of Knox College, Toronto.

Dr. Stewart Fraser ('43) is concurrently Director of the International Center and Professor of International and Comparative Education at the George Peabody College for Teaching, Nashville, Tennessee. He has travelled in the United Kingdom, Russia, the Far East and South America with groups of graduate students in Education, and was in Australia with such a group in 1965. He is also research consultant to the U.S. Office of Education and member of the educational committee of the United Nations Association of U.S.A.

Dr. C. M. (Mick) Williams ('36) has been for ten years Professor and Head of the History Department at the University of New England. This year he has assumed the second Chair in History in the School of General Studies, Australian National University, Canberra.

Iain (Scottie) Pattison ('28) has carried out some startlingly successful work in the Institute for Research on Animal Diseases at Compton, Berkshire, where he is head of the Pathology Department. A series of experiments seems to indicate that certain sheep diseases are due to an agent far smaller, more primitive and more resistant than the viruses, previously regarded as the most rudimentary form of life that could exist. This discovery opens a whole new field of medicine and may even be a clue to the mystery of life.

TOP OF THE CLASS

Outstanding results at the University of Melbourne for 1966 were as follows:—

Bill Cook ('50): Exhibition in Swedish.

Roger Walter ('54): Exhibition in Accountancy I.

Jim Robson ('56): Special Prize in Anaesthetics.

Roger Douglas ('57): Dwight Prize in Political Science (final examinations in Arts).

Chris Penna ('59): Exhibitions in Botany II. and Zoology II.

TENNIS

Towards the end of 1966 an enjoyable tennis match took place between College and Old Boys, the first of its kind for many years, but worthy of being an annual event. Present boys were:— I. Unsworth, J. Dennis, A. Bailey, G. Hodgson, A. Cherry, R. Farrow, D. Barkley, B. Anderson; and Old Boys:— M. McLean, R. Synot, G. Synot, R. McConaghy, D. Jarman, L. Jarman, M. Roland, I. Corr. The veterans won, six sets to two.

ON THE SHEEP'S BACK

Australia is still making history in wool, with some leading parts played by O.G.C.'s. "Historical Sacrilege" was the description given by Mac Troup ('23) to the threatened extinction of the original McArthur merino flock. It was avoided when Mac and a neighbour took over.

Among those who recently contributed Polwarth rams to the lot sold to mainland China were H. D. Cumming and Son ('25 and '60) and Noel Dennis ('40).

IN THE ARMY NOW

After nearly two years on a training course in England, Lieutenant-Colonel John Salmon ('39) has returned to North Heads Barracks, Sydney.

National Service has claimed several O.G.C.'s of '58-9: Bill Penrose, Michael Bowden, Robert Carmichael, James McKindley, Graham Perkins, Robert Hede and possibly many more.

The O.G.C.A. would be glad to have news of these men.

CRICKET

Old Boys v College

The match this year was played in ideal conditions, on a perfect batting wicket. The Old Boys proved too strong for the "young" boys and coasted to an easy victory.

Traditionally, the school batted first, and were soon in trouble to hostile bowling by Don McCrow, Mick Gretton-Watson, and Robert David. However, David Barkley (26) and Jamie Williamson (34) made a good stand and partly retrieved the position.

Slow bowlers John Davies, Colin McCrow, Col Murray, assisted by John Chambers, kept the pressure on the boys who were all out at 123.

The Old Boys started with a solid partnership by Philip Marshall and Jim Holdsworth, and carried on with very forceful batting by the whole eleven. John Chambers, the McCrow brothers, Col Murray and John Davies, all gave the boys a lesson on how to hit the ball hard. Most of the batsmen retired, but the score rose briskly to 274.

A pleasant day of "picnic" cricket in the sun.