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EDITORIAL

Down through the ages, men have risen above their fellows, distinguished themselves in life's various fields, and left behind them a great tradition for the coming generation. In the 21 years that Homebush has been a school, many have gone before who have raised the name of the school in honour and glory. As we think of the greatness of these boys, our school heroes and leading citizens, so we are conscious of our own insignificance. How can we measure up to them?

Have you ever wondered what it is that makes greatness? It begins with a bigness of soul, it is achieved in hard work, it is acknowledged in humbleness. No matter how one looks at it, the basic things are disregard for self and charity towards others. By greatness do we mean being top of the State in Mathematics, or being Captain of the First C.H.S. Fifteen? Yes, but boys who achieve these distinctions, boys of outstanding ability, both in the academic and in the sporting field, these are not the only great ones. We must realise the claims to greatness of those boys who undertake the more humble tasks—tasks demanding self-sacrifice. We must pay our tribute to the Stewart House collector, the I.S.C.F. leader. They do their task unobtrusively, not hoping for reward. They do it out of generosity. They are also outstanding members of the School community.

It may be that successful athletes and outstanding scholars do share all the glory, but those who deserve as much, or even more, are those who labour unnoticed for the welfare and benefit of others and not for themselves. They have learned and are learning the true lesson of life—an unending lesson. This lesson is disregard for self and the giving of time and energy in the interests of others. Too few are the students who learn this invaluable lesson.

We belong to a School of proud traditions. We are proud to wear the uniform of that School. We, therefore, as citizens of that School are duty bound to give something in return for what that School has done for us. We owe something that we can never really repay.

The leading members of the School were equipped for their five year journey through it no better than we are. They also were keen in mind, strong in limb, and had a high sense of moral values. If these qualities also gave them great prowess then they can give it to us, too. We must exert our abilities to the full to find out whether we, too, are able to do as they did.

Thus, there is no need for us to look wistfully into the past. Rather should we look to the past for our inspiration. Perhaps we will achieve our measure of fame, too.

*"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make OUR lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."*

—Arthur Roy,
School Captain.

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SPEECH DAY, 1956.

The Annual Speech Day and Prize-Giving Ceremony for 1956 was held in the School Assembly Hall on the 10th December, with Mr. J. Murphy as Chairman. Following the Headmaster's and the Sportsmaster's Reports, the Guest Speaker, the Hon. Sir Frank Kitto, K.B.E., addressed the assembly. Mr. H. Williamson, the District Inspector of Schools, and Alderman Dunlop, Strathfield Council, commented on the Headmaster's and the Sportsmaster's reports, respectively, and the Prefects for 1957 were invested by Mr. Golding, assisted by Mr. Tester. Academic and Sports awards were presented by Lady Kitto and Mrs. Golding. Mr. Inspector F. Brown moved a vote of thanks to the speakers. The School Orchestra and Choir, led by Mr. C. Lipscomb, rendered the musical items.

EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1956.

COMMONWEALTH OPEN ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS.

The following 1956 Leaving Certificate candidates were successful in winning Commonwealth Scholarships for 1957:

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| Air, D. C. | Coster, H. G. L. | Godden, R. W. | Myles, K. W. | St. Baker, T. C. |
| Ashby, R. A. | Crabbe, B. D. | Gray, A. W. | Neilson, D. P. | Sparkowski, A. |
| Bentley, P. | Dilley, D. J. | Lambert, B. F. | Pill, T. | Stephens, I. |
| Berg, V. N. C. | Di Salvia, B. W. | Lockhart, R. S. | Priestley, A. H. | Stewart, D. I. |
| Bierling, J. | Dyster, B. D. | Lunsmann, P. D. H. | Reid, D. | Sutton, J. M. |
| Bock, K. W. | Edwards, M. H. | McRae, C. A. | Rollason, P. W. | Thurling, B. L. |
| Burrows, D. L. | Elliott, B. J. | Martin, P. G. | Ruddiman, D. G. | Vesperman, A. |
| Collins, J. D. | Farrell, G. G. | Murray, P. I. | Ryder, J. M. | Wilson, A. H. |
| Collins, R. E. | | | | Young, R. W. |

TEACHERS' COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

The following boys have commenced courses of teacher training as indicated:

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| Dilley, D. J.: Science 1, University of Sydney. | Marr, G. E.: Manual Arts Diploma, Sydney. |
| Di Salvia, B. W.: Science 1, University of Sydney. | Minto, I.: General Primary, Armidale. |
| Gribble, R. A.: Science 1, University of Sydney. | Spinks, J.: Arts 1, University of Sydney. |
| Jones, P. L.: General Primary, Bathurst. | Weiss, R. W.: Manual Arts, Sydney. |
| Kelly, J. M.: General Primary, Wagga Wagga. | Wood, M.: General Primary, Bathurst. |
| Lockhart, R. S.: Arts 1, University of Sydney. | Young, R. W.: Arts 1, University of Sydney. |

INTERMEDIATE BURSARIES.

The following boys were successful in winning bursaries from the Intermediate Examination of 1956:

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| Barnes, P. J.: Celinskis, M.: Comans, W. A.: Cordery, I.: Laws, R. A.: Neilson, R. J.: Pamplin, J.: Steer, S. J.: Whittaker, J. D. |
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PRIZE LIST, 1956.

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| <p>1. Captain's Prize—For Service Robert Lockhart.</p> <p>2. Principal's Prize—For Service and Scholarship Ken Myles</p> <p>3. John Tierney Prize (Junior)—For Literature John Henderson</p> <p>4. John Tierney Prize (Senior)—For Literature Barry Dyster</p> <p>5. Homebush R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. Prize— For All Round Merit Victor French</p> <p>6. Hemmingway and Robertson Prize— For Best Commercial Student Denis Neilson Barry Dyster } Douglas Reid } aeq.</p> <p>7. Parr Prize—For Debating</p> | <p>8. Old Boys' Prize—For Sport and Scholarship Brian Elliott</p> <p>9. Greening Prize—Dux of School J. Sutton } R. Collins } aeq.</p> <p>10. 3rd in 5th Year—And Outstanding Citizenship John Ryder Alan Vesperman Brian Elliott</p> <p>11. Citizenship Prizes— K. Bock, R. Dayman, B. di Salvia, T. George, L. Joyce, G. Marr, D. Stewart, M. Wood.</p> |
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LEAVING CERTIFICATE.

Key to Subjects.

1, English; 2, Latin; 3, French; 4, German; 5, Mathematics; 6, Mathematics II; 7, General Mathematics; 8, Applied Mathematics; 9, Modern History; 12, Physics; 13, Chemistry; 17, Geography; 18, Economics; 19 Theory and Practice of Music; 23 Accountancy; 35, Descriptive Geometry and Drawing; 36, Woodwork; 37, Metalwork.

The successful candidates were as follows:

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| <p>Air, D. C.: 1B 5A 6B 12H (2) 13H (2) 35A.</p> <p>Aitken, R. B.: 7B 9B 17A 18B.</p> <p>Ashby, R. A.: 1B 3B 5A 6B 12A 13A.</p> <p>Austin, D. J. V.: 1B 7B 9A 17B 18A.</p> <p>Barker, J. M.: 1B 5B 6B 12A 13B 35A.</p> <p>Beard, G. E.: 1B 6B 12A 13B 35A.</p> <p>Bentley, P.: 1B 2H (2) 3A (O) 5A 6B 13A.</p> <p>Berg, V. N.: 1A 3A (O) 4H (1) (O) 5A 6B 13H (2).</p> <p>Bierling, J.: 1B 5A 6A 12A 13B 35B.</p> <p>Bloom, I. F.: 1B 9A 17B 18A.</p> <p>Bock, K. W.: 1B 7A 13B 17A 18H (2) 23A.</p> <p>Burrows, D. L.: 1B 3B 5A 6B 12A 13A.</p> <p>Carrig, C. B.: 1B 5A 6B 8A 12B 13B.</p> <p>Collins, J. D.: 1B 3B 5H (2) 6H (2) 12A 13A.</p> <p>Collins, R. E.: 1B 5H (1) 6H (1) 8A 12A 13A.</p> <p>Cook, W. B.: 1B 6B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Cooper, G. K. H.: 1B 5B 6B 8A 12A 37B.</p> <p>Coster, H. G. L.: 1B 5B 6B 12H (2) 13H (2) 17A.</p> <p>Crabbe, B. D.: 1A 3B 5A 6B 9B 18H (2).</p> <p>Dayman, R. W.: 7B 9A 17A 35B.</p> <p>Delahunty, J. T.: 1H (2) 3B 4B (O) 7B 9B 18B.</p> <p>Dilley, D. J.: 1A 5H (2) 6H (2) 12B 13B 35B.</p> <p>Di Salvia, B. W.: 1B 3B 5A 6B 12A 13A.</p> <p>Dyster, B. D.: 1H (2) 3A (O) 4A (O) 7A 9H (1) 18A.</p> <p>Edwards, M. H.: 1A 5H (2) 6A 8A 12A 13B.</p> <p>Elliott, B. J.: 1A 3B 5A 6A 12H (2) 13H (2).</p> <p>Farr, L. G.: 1A 3B 7B 9B 18A.</p> <p>Farrell, G. G.: 1B 5A 6B 9A 18B 23B.</p> <p>Farroway, J. V.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 18B.</p> <p>Field, L. T.: 1B 5A 6B 8B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Foong, Y. W.: 1B 5H (2) 6B 8A 12B 13H (2).</p> <p>French, V. D.: 1B 3B (O) 5A 6B 12B 13A.</p> <p>Furniss, G. R.: 5B 6B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Gage, R. T.: 1B 5B 6B 35B.</p> <p>Gallagher, R. C.: 1B 7B 12B 13B 17B 35B.</p> <p>George, T. J.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Godden, R. W.: 1B 5A 6B 9B 18B 23B.</p> <p>Gordon, B. B. D.: 5B 6B 12A 13B 35B.</p> <p>Gray, A. W.: 1A 7B 9A 17H (1) 18A 23B.</p> | <p>Gribble, R. A.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13A 17B.</p> <p>Grimmond, I. A. N.: 1B 9B 17B 18B.</p> <p>Hagens, U.: 1B 5B 6B 8B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Hatter, B.: 1B 5B 12B 35B.</p> <p>Hayes, G.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 18B 35B.</p> <p>Healey, A. C.: 1B 5A 6B 8B 18B.</p> <p>Hird, S. C.: 1B 2B 3B 7B 9B 18A.</p> <p>Horton, B. R.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 18B 23B.</p> <p>Hughes, A.: 1B 7B 9B 17A 18B.</p> <p>Hughes, K. C.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 17B.</p> <p>Hutchison, J. D.: 1B 3B 5B 6B 12B 13A.</p> <p>James, R. R.: 1B 5B 6B 9B 23B.</p> <p>Jones, P. L.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 35B.</p> <p>Joyce, L. S.: 1B 3B 4B (O) 18B.</p> <p>Kelly, J. M.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 35B.</p> <p>Kelly, P. B.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13A 17B.</p> <p>Keppie, R. P.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 35A.</p> <p>Kinsky, R. A.: 1B 5B 6B 12A 13B 17B.</p> <p>Lackey, W. J.: 1B 7B 9A 17B 18B 23B.</p> <p>Lambert, B. F.: 1B 5A 6B 12A 13A 17B.</p> <p>Lapins, I.: 6B 12B 13B 17B.</p> <p>Layton, T. M.: 1B 3B 5B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Lee, G. W.: 1B 7B 17B 18B 23B 31A.</p> <p>Lloyd, D. H.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 35B 37B.</p> <p>Lockhart, R. S.: 1A 5H (2) 6H (2) 8A 12A 13A.</p> <p>Loquet, C. A. C.: 1B 5B 8B 12A 13B.</p> <p>Lunsmann, D. H.: 1B 5A 6A 8A 12H (1) 13H (2).</p> <p>McCormick, D. W.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 17B.</p> <p>McCulloch, I. G.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13A 35B.</p> <p>McDaniel, R. J.: 1B 5B 6B 8B 12A 13B.</p> <p>Macindoe, R. M.: 1B 3B 7B 9B 12B 13B.</p> <p>McRae, C. A.: 1B 5A 6B 12A 13H (2) 35B.</p> <p>Maloney, P.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 17B.</p> <p>Marr, G. E.: 1B 5A 6B 13B 35B.</p> <p>Martin, B. H.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 18B.</p> <p>Martin, P. G.: 1B 3B (O) 5B 6B 9H (2) 13B.</p> <p>Matsin, M.: 1B 7B 9B 17B.</p> <p>Middleton, P. W.: 1B 3B 7B 9B 17B 18B.</p> <p>Migevecius, A.: 1B 5B 6B 35A.</p> <p>Milne, J. D. L.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 35B.</p> <p>Minto, I. W.: 1B 5B 13B 35B.</p> <p>Mitchell, K. J.: 1B 3B 5A 6B 12B 13B.</p> <p>Mobbs, J.: 1B 7B 12B 17A 18B 35B.</p> <p>Moore, B. A.: 1B 3B (O) 5A 6B 12A 13B.</p> <p>Morris, A. J.: 1B 5B 6B 13B 17A.</p> <p>Mullen, D. P.: 5B 6B 13B 35B.</p> <p>Muller, P. R.: 1B 7A 9B 17B 18B 23B.</p> <p>Murray, P. I.: 1A 3B (O) 5A 6B 9B 18A.</p> <p>Myles, K. W.: 1B 3A (O) 5A 6B 9A 13A.</p> <p>Neilson, D. P.: 1B 5A 6A 9A 18B 23A.</p> |
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Phillips, A. G.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 18B.
 Pill, T.: 1B 2H (2) 7B 9B 13B 17B.
 Priestley, A. H.: 1B 3B 5A 6A 12A 13A.
 Reece, D. J.: 1B 5A 6B 12A 18B.
 Reid, D.: 1A 5A 6B 12B 13B 18B.
 Rolinson, R. B.: 1B 5A 6B 12A 13B 35B.
 Rollason, P. W.: 1B 5A 6B 8A 12A 13B.
 Rowe, J.: 1B 5B 6B 12A 13B 35A.
 Ruddiman, D. G.: 1B 5A 6B 13B 17B 18H (2).
 Ryder, J. M.: 1A 2B 5H (1) 6H (1) 8A 18A.
 St. Baker, T. C.: 1B 5H (2) 6A 8A 12H (2) 18B.
 Shaw, D. L.: 1B 5A 6B 17B.
 Shoebridge, R. A. L.: 5B 6B 12A 13B 35A.
 Simpson, B. F.: 1B 6B 12B 13B 17B.
 Smith, B. L.: 1B 5B 6B 12A 35A 37B.
 Smith, R. L.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13A 35B.
 Sparkowski, A.: 1B 5A 6B 12B 13H (2) 17B.
 Spence, I. W.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 18B.
 Spinks, J. E.: 1B 7B 9B 17H (2) 18B.
 Stephens, I.: 1A 3B 4B (O) 7B 9H (1) 18A.

Stewart, D. I.: 1A 2A 3A (O) 7A 9H (1) 18H (1)
 Stewart, J. C.: 1B 9B 17B 18B.
 Stiel, J.: 1B 5B 6B 9B.
 Stow, J. W.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 18B.
 Stubbin, D. B.: 1B 9B 17A 18B.
 Sutton, J. M.: 1B 5H (1) 6H (1) 8A 12A 13A.
 Thurling, B. L.: 1B 5A 6B 8A 12A 13A.
 Todd, N. D.: 1B 9B 17B 36B.
 Tomkyns, M. A.: 1B 7B 9B 17A 18B.
 Tyas, P. J.: 1B 5B 6B 18B 35B.
 Vesperman, A. J.: 1B 5H (2) 6H (2) 8A 12A 13A.
 Walker, R. M.: 1B 5B 6B 12B 13B 35B.
 Waller, M. J.: 5B 12B 18A 35A.
 Weiss, R. W.: 5B 6B 9B 17B 18B.
 Wilkinson, K. E.: 1B 5A 6B 13B 35B 36A.
 Wilson, A. G.: 1B 5A 6A 12A 13B 23B.
 Wood, M. R.: 1B 7B 9B 17B 18B.
 Woodcock, B. T.: 7B 9A 17B 23B.
 Young, R. W.: 1A 7B 9H (1) 17A 18A.

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Air, D. C.: Physics, Second; Chemistry, Second.
 Bentley, P.: Latin, Second.
 Berg, V. N.: German, First (Second in State);
 Chemistry, Second.
 Bock, K. W.: Economics, Second.
 Collins, J. D.: Mathematics I, Second; Mathematics II,
 Second.
 Collins, R. E.: Mathematics I, First (Fifteenth in
 State); Mathematics II, First (Nineteenth in
 State).
 Coster, H. G.: Physics, Second; Chemistry, Second.
 Crabbe, B. D.: Economics, Second.
 Delahunty, J. T.: English, Second.
 Dilley, D. J.: Mathematics I, Second; Mathematics II,
 Second.
 Dyster, B. D.: English, Second (First in State for
 Shakespeare); Modern History, First (Fifty-
 second in State).
 Edwards, M. H.: Mathematics I, Second.
 Elliott, B. J.: Physics, Second; Chemistry, Second.
 Foong, Y. W.: Mathematics I, Second; Chemistry,
 Second.
 Gray, A. W.: Geography, First (Tenth in State).
 Lockhart, R. S.: Mathematics I, Second; Mathematics
 II, Second.
 Lunsmann, P. D.: Physics, First (Thirty-fifth in State);
 Chemistry, Second.

McRae, C. A.: Chemistry, Second.
 Martin, P. G.: Modern History, Second.
 Pill, T.: Latin, Second.
 Ruddiman, D. G.: Economics, Second.
 Ryder, J. M.: Mathematics I, First (Twenty-seventh in
 State); Mathematics II, First (Twenty-first in
 State).
 St. Baker, T. C.: Mathematics I, Second; Physics,
 Second.
 Sparkowski, A.: Chemistry, Second.
 Spinks, J. E.: Geography, Second.
 Stephens, I.: Modern History, First (Thirty-first in
 State).
 Stewart, D. I.: Modern History, First (First in State);
 Economics, First (Tenth in State).
 Sutton, J. M.: Mathematics I, First (Fifth in State);
 Mathematics II, First (Ninth in State).
 Vesperman, A.: Mathematics I, Second; Mathematics
 II, Second.
 Young, R. W.: Modern History, First (Fortieth in
 State).

From the above list it can be seen that the School
 gained fourteen first-class honours and thirty-two
 second-class.

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The following boys from the School were placed in the first hundred candidates in the State:—

Sutton, J. M.: Equal twelfth.
Collins, R. E.: Thirty-seventh.
Stewart, D. I.: Equal fifty-second.

Ryder, J. M.: Equal seventy-ninth.
Vesperman, A. J.: Ninety-fifth.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE, 1956.

The successful candidates were as follows:

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| Adam, P. J. | Dalzell, R. L. | Healey, D. V. | Moir, R. E. | Sexton, I. S. |
| Adams, W. F. | Davison, R. G. | Henderson, R. W. | Monks, P. R. | Shackleton, W. G. |
| Allen, R. N. | de Beuzeville, P. B. | Hewett, G. R. | Morris, A. K. | Skates, D. |
| Alpen, G. R. | de Groen, G. L. | Higgins, R. G. | Moylan, R. F. | Smith, H. W. |
| Anderson, J. | Diamond, P. M. | Hogan, L. R. | Mumford, S. J. | Smith, R. M. |
| Andrews, A. P. | Dmitrieff, A. | Howells, S. | Murdoch, J. A. | Somerville, M. A. |
| Barnes, P. J. | Doutty, C. J. | Hughes, G. J. | Neilson, R. J. | Stanton, D. A. |
| Bannerman, J. F. | Dowling, J. P. | Hughes, N. W. | Nelson, G. J. | Steele, P. J. |
| Bartley, S. E. | Downe, A. A. | Hughes, P. J. | Ormerod, J. H. | Steer, S. J. |
| Bath, D. G. | Durie, S. J. | Hull, G. E. | Ovenden, R. A. | Stevens, R. C. |
| Batty, E. M. | Eady, S. W. | Ingram, J. W. | Ozolins, A. P. | Stevenson, B. M. |
| Bellenger, A. S. | Eagleson, G. K. | Jack, P. A. | Palme, R. K. | Stuart, R. |
| Bernstein, M. | Easton, R. A. | James, R. S. | Pamplin, J. | Summerson, E. |
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| Bloom, A. N. | Exton, P. D. | Kelagher, D. C. | Pickering, J. R. | Thomas, D. H. |
| Bokenham, B. L. | Favelle, J. W. | Kelly, N. D. | Pierce, K. E. | Thomas, R. C. |
| Bristow, R. H. | Fenton, J. H. | Kennedy, P. L. | Plaude, C. J. | Thompson, D. L. |
| Brown, D. M. | Ferguson, R. A. | Kimble, H. F. | Pollock, B. G. | Tompson, B. M. |
| Brown, E. M. | Field, C. G. | King, S. C. | Pomerv, B. L. | Totterdell, D. J. |
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| Bunyan, P. R. | Fowler, S. D. | Leeder, S. R. | Pritchard, G. J. | Wallace, W. M. |
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| Cull, D. J. | Hardwick, B. A. | Miller, K. A. | Savell, W. L. | Young, R. W. |
| Cunningham, G. C. | Harlum, J. B. | Mitchell, J. A. | Schwartz, R. A. | Yuan, F. |

Leaving and Intermediate Certificate Examinations, 1958.

The following texts have been prescribed for study in connection with the subject of English at the Leaving and Intermediate Examinations, 1958:—

THIRD YEAR.

- A. *Prescribed Book*: Shakespeare: "Henry V."
B. *Books for General Reading*: 1. Prose: (a) "The Wind in the Willows" (Grahame).
(b) "The Breath of Life, Book 1."
2. Verse: "A Treasury of Verse, Part III."
"Sohrab and Rustum" — Arnold.

FIFTH YEAR.

- A. *Prescribed Books*:—
1. Shakespeare: "Hamlet" (Australian Students' Shakespeare, Murdoch).
2. "Eight Essayists" (edited Cairncross), Macmillan.
The following essays are to be read:—
Bacon: "Of Studies"; Steele: "Fashionable

Affectations"; "The Art of Story Telling"; Addison: "Sir Roger at Home"; "Sir Roger in London"; Goldsmith: "Doctors"; Lamb: "The Superannuated Man"; "Old China"; Hazlitt: "On a Sun-dial"; Stevenson: "Walking Tours"; Chesterton: "On the Cryptic and the Elliptic"; "On Lying in Bed"; "The Architect of Spears."

- B. *List of Approved Books for General Reading*:—

- Jane Austen: "Pride and Prejudice".
Or John Galsworthy: "The Man of Property".
- "Short Stories of To-day". (Harrap).
Or G. Daviot: "Richard of Bordeaux".
- "A Background Anthology of English Poetry".
(At least 20 poems are to be studied from this text.)

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY.

OFFICE BEARERS, 1957.

President: Mrs. S. J. Phillips.

Vice-President: Mrs. J. Murphy.

Secretary and Treasurer: Mrs. F. Gwalter.

First, I would like to express my thanks to the Editor of the School Magazine for making this space available for the report of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The following is a brief resume of our activities for this year: As in previous years, morning tea was again served to parents of new pupils on the two enrolment days at the beginning of the year. In February, we held a luncheon at the School, when the Mothers of newly enrolled boys and the Subject Masters of the School were our guests. On Friday, July 26, a street stall was held in Rochester Street, Homebush. From the sale of home-made cakes, sweets, jams, pickles and home-grown vegetables and fruit, the very pleasing amount of £47/10/- was raised. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the parents who so generously donated the goods for sale. Without their help we could not have raised such a goodly amount.

The Athletic Carnival was held on the 7th August, and, as usual, there was a wonderful response by Mothers to assist in the preparation and selling of lunches, sweets and drinks. I am proud to report that a good profit of £16/14/- was made on the day.

On behalf of the Ladies and myself, I would like to express our thanks to Mr. Golding, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Dyet, Mr. Moore and the teaching staff generally for their much appreciated assistance and co-operation on all occasions. We also extend to Mr. Cox a special "thank you" for his most willing and valuable assistance which is always so unstintingly given.

—Raie Phillips, (President).

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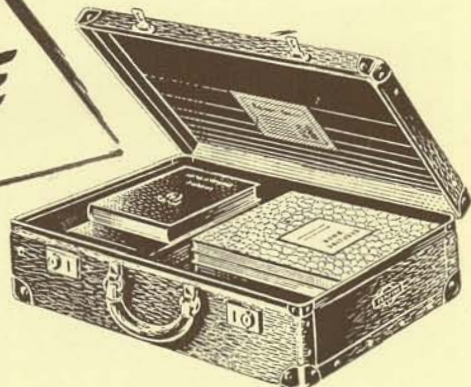
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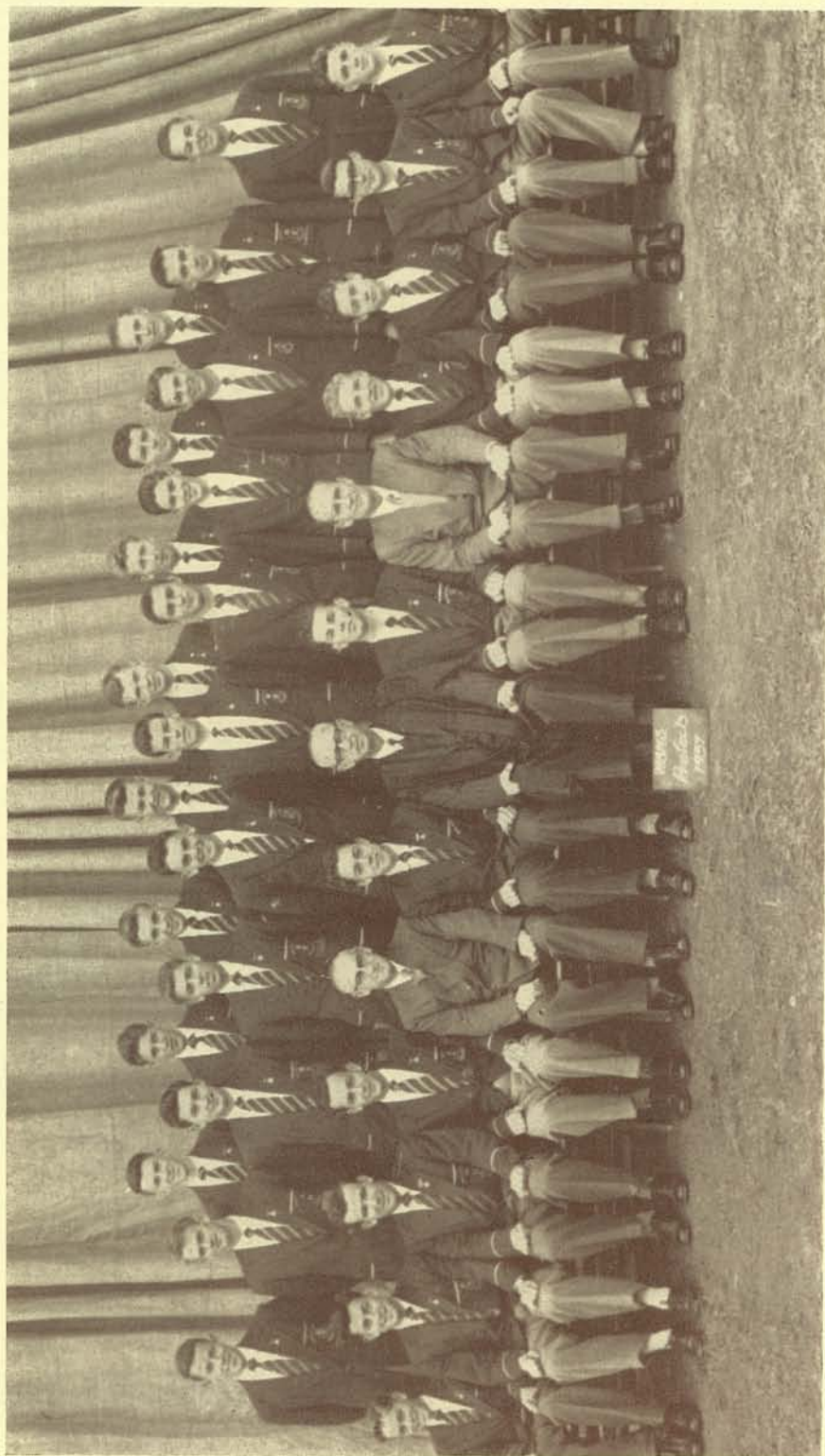


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STEWART HOUSE.

Because of the efforts of the school children of the State, the Stewart House Preventorium continues faithfully with the task of caring for many under-privileged children.

This year H.B.H.S. has already sent to Stewart House a cheque for £220, and more will be forthcoming. Last year we topped the list of donations, and we hope to do so again.

We would like to give a hearty "Thank you" to Mr. Cullen for his untiring efforts for Stewart House, and for his fostering in this school of a spirit of giving.

Keith King was Mr. Cullen's mainstay in organising collections. Many thanks to you, Keith, for your help to Stewart House.

This year we are very fortunate in having two such able organisers as B. Pomery and G. Pritchard, to follow Keith King on the organisation work. They have already shown that they will do a wonderful job.

Our thanks go to the following class collectors who give up time to do the essential work of collecting from the boys of their class:—

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| 2C. W. Higgs. | 4B. P. Chapman. |
| 2D. J. Stanton. | 4C. G. Cunningham. |
| 2E. K. Gurney. | 4D. R. Everett. |
| 2F. G. Richmond. | 4E. P. Kavanagh. |
| 2G. R. Frost. | 4F. W. Martin. |
| 3A. D. Dunn. | 5A. L. Butler. |
| 3B. N. Barnes. | 5B. D. Bradbury. |
| 3C. R. Robinson. | 5C. A. K. Jones. |
| 3D. R. Sherman. | 5D. G. Vaughan. |
| 3E. M. Hearne. | 5E. E. Jones. |
| 3F. L. White. | |

The contest for the picture of Stewart House has stimulated the "giving spirit". So far, the most successful class has been 2G. Congratulations!

The Chairman and the Directors of Stewart House have sent their heartiest congratulations and thanks to all those who have contributed. Their message is,

"God bless you all for your unselfishness."

Thank you, boys, for a job well done.

—N.K.

THE OLD BOYS' UNION.

OFFICE BEARERS, 1957

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Vice-President: Mr. R. Lockhart.
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Committee: Messrs. B. James, J. Armsworth, G. Heimann, K. Myles, V. French, B. Moore, R. Collins, S. Droder, G. Marr.

ANNUAL REPORT.

First, on behalf of the Old Boy's Union, I should like to congratulate the School on its Twenty first anniversary. We are all proud to be ex-students of this school, the reputation of which has been built up steadily over the years. We are proud of the eminent position it holds among the high schools of Sydney.

I should like to express the Union's thanks to the headmaster Mr. R. A. Golding, and the liaison officer, Mr. C. Johnson, for their support and encouragement in all our activities; to the Ladies' Auxiliary, for the wonderful help they so readily give at all our functions; and to Mr. H. Cox, who is a tower of strength, no matter whether the problem be small or large.

Our social whirl was set in motion this year with our Annual Barbeque at Rodd Island. This proved, as usual, a very enjoyable evening. Then followed our other annual functions, Smoko, Ball, Dinner and Bitza Nite — all very successful, socially and financially. This year we have been running our functions alone, Hornsby Old Girls Union going their way, and thus the Oval Fund has been benefitting to a greater extent than before.

Talking of the Oval, I am very pleased to report that it is now completely finished and we will be playing on it from January next year. On 2nd November, we

expect to hold the "Official Opening of the Oval", and that will be the final function held in connection with it.

The Fete, held on 30th March, proved to be the most successful one to date and I should like, on behalf of the Union, to thank all parents who assisted us in any way, because without their help it would have been impossible to run it so smoothly and successfully. The profit, £876, has been put to a special account which will finally go towards building a grandstand at the Oval, when the necessary capital has been raised.

Our way of celebrating the 21st Anniversary of the School was the O.B.U. v. the School football match, followed by a barbeque and dance. Bearing in mind that one day we would play the School on its own oval we have been endeavouring to build up support for, and interest in this football day. A good deal has been achieved in this direction. Next year we hope to see more parents attending.

To all those facing the ordeal of examinations the Old Boys wish every success. We invite all those leaving school to join the O.B.U., and look forward to your support in 1958.

Frank Murphy,
Hon. Secretary.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS.

Jim McLauchlain (1936). Past captain of the N.S.W. Ice Hockey team. Now gaining favour in the Badminton Assoc.

Bob Home (1949). Overseas on a three year scholarship.

Peter Rheuben (1946). Has recently retired from first grade Rugby Union after many years with the Eastwood Club. Now the proud father of a bouncing baby boy.

Arthur Murray (1946). Gone to Darwin in the National Bank.

Keith Sinclair (1947). Has been sent to Canada for further experience with Caltex Oil Co.

Keith Colley (1948). Now sportsmaster at the School. Has received a high position in Apex.

Peter Allen (1949). After a highly successful medical course at Sydney University is now specialising in neuro-surgery at Prince Alfred Hospital.

Don Hayward (1949). Private secretary to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Canberra.

Ross Lyons (1949) and brother Bruce (1951). Both gone on a working trip to England.

Bill Armsworth (1950). Gone to Orange with the P.M.C. Dept.

Allen Taylor (1951). Has gone to Rabaul, New Britain, with Burns Philp for the next two years.

Bill Peters (1951). Recently graduated from Sydney University in Engineering, with brilliant results. Has taken up tennis again and is playing 1st Grade with the Strathfield Lawn Club.

Michael Gulley (1952). Has returned after two years studying dramatic art in London. Recently has been with the Phillip Street Theatre.

Doug Leverett (1952). In Darwin with Territory Rice Ltd.

Arthur Summons (1952). At present playing with Gordon first grade R.U., and is in line for an overseas tour with the Australian team.

David Russell (1952). Teaching at Inter. High School, Finlay, southern N.S.W.

Ian Beatty (1952). Is a valuer in Valuer General's Department. With headquarters in Tamworth has been running the tape over Armidale and points west.

Hugh Home (1952). Has given away insurance and is now school teaching.

John Maloney (1953). Graduated in Science last year, is an industrial chemist these days. Plays tennis with the Strathfield Lawn Club. Hopes to go overseas next year to do research.

Neil Gibson (1953). At present playing in all the overseas tennis tournaments and having some brilliant successes.

Colin Roche (1953). Now at Balmain Teachers' College, having returned last Christmas from a working tour of New Zealand, Canada and the U.S.A.

Raine Roche (1948). Accompanied his brother Colin on tour and has remained in Canada working with M.G.M. Film Co.

Bob Doyle (1951). Graduated in science and is now working with a chemical firm doing valuable research into various chemical problems in agriculture.

Bob Howe. Has become an international tennis figure after three years overseas with his racquet. Semi-finalist at last Wimbledon in two events.

Kevin Meyers. Did a grand tour with his tennis racquet and camera last year. You should see his photographs.

With Mr. Peter Phillipott's enthusiasm and inspiring coaching an Under 18 Junior Rugby Union team had a most enjoyable and successful season, reaching the semi-finals. The team contains names you will remember:— Ken Myles (capt.) Ron Dayman (Vice-Capt.), Vic French, Peter Lake, Brian James, Graham Farrell, Darryl Marriott, Paul Ross, Keith Mitchell, Ken Bock, Bob Young, Doug Reid, Bill Scott, Don Burrows, Malcolm Chambers, Allan Ashton, Dave Corliss, Denis Warner, Bob Newey, Dave Austin, Alan Vesperman, John Spinks, Brian Baker.

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OUR SCHOOL LEADERS.

The School Captain: Arthur Roy is a lad of admirable temperament. His conscientious attitude has earned him the respect of all who know him. As one might imagine, from his solid build, Arthur is a leading light in School sport. He has won laurels in football, swimming, water-polo and athletics. On the football field he is a mercurial, clever winger who has never made the mistake of relying on his powerful physique to enable him to score tries. He has played first grade Rugby for the last two years. In athletics he excels at sprinting and at the 1956 C.H.S. carnival he won a division of the 100 and 200 yards. In addition, he is a very fine swimmer over all distances, plays first grade water-polo and has achieved great distinction at life-saving.

Moreover, Arthur is a hard-working, earnest student. He is striving most at English, in which subject he is studying for honours. Last year, we saw him give a sterling performance on play day. He took the part of Michael Dara in "The Dark Valley".

The Vice-Captain: Jeff Hickey is prominent not only because of his height but because of his active interest in sport at Homebush. Jeff has played grade football and cricket since first year, and for the last two years has been in the First XVI, besides captaining the First XI. His prowess on the cricket field has won him a position in the C.H.S. team in each of the two years, and, in addition, he has played full-back for the C.H.S. rugby team. In his spare time he is often to be found on the golf course sinking putts with uncanny accuracy.

Of course, Jeff does not devote all his time to sport and this is borne out by the fact that he has achieved good results in Geography and Physics. He intends to do a Science degree at the University with a view to becoming a metallurgist. Coin collecting is among his hobbies — he has quite a collection.

Jeff impresses all with his pleasant manner and quiet efficiency. It is as a result of his untiring efforts that the northern quad, is always kept so scrupulously clean.

The Senior Prefect: Ian Dance is a boy whose scholastic achievements, particularly in the science subjects, are notably remarkable. His capacity to absorb facts, his ability to work for long periods at terrific pace, and an unswerving perseverance have brought him very high marks in all his subjects. Like the School Captain, Arthur Roy, Ian is a very quiet fellow whom one barely notices on most occasions. Nevertheless, he is held in the highest esteem by both his fellow pupils and his Masters alike.

He is studying for honours in Chemistry and Maths I and his ultimate ambition is to become a chemical engineer. Long hours of his spare time are spent in tinkering about with radio and electrical equipment, but in class tennis he is known and feared as a player who rarely drops a set. In addition, he ably captains the Third Grade Cricket Team which is as yet unbeaten. He is a most reliable batsman, a good off-spin bowler and an efficient coverpoint fieldman. He recently took up piano-playing and is already quite efficient in this art. *J. T. and B. J., 5A.*

The School Prefects: Apart from the three school leaders, mentioned above, the rest of the Prefects had their share of responsibility too. Much of the voluntary work done by them such as standing in for absent Prefects, attending to classes before school on wet days, helping in the tuckshop, and innumerable tasks of a similar nature, are a tribute to the willingness of a fine group of boys as well as being a fine example to the rest of the School. At times onerous duties like the supervision of lines on Assemblies, become very trying, but not one of these boys was ever heard to complain. If you should ask anyone of these boys if he regretted being elected a Prefect, the answer, I am sure would be a very vehement negative.

The spirit of comradeship is very real and very strong amongst our Prefects. It goes with them onto the sporting field, it is to be seen in the playground, on the Assemblies, or wherever duty calls them. They are ever-ready to lend a helping hand in carrying out the semi-official duties of their office.

Arthur Roy, School Captain.

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOL

With the Combined Secondary Schools' Concert in Sydney Town Hall in mind, we commenced the year with early, daily, half-hourly choir rehearsals. The loyalty of choir members bore fruit in the excellent performance of the four-part songs at the end of July.

Empire Day was again celebrated in the School Assembly Hall by the inspired singing of national songs by the 200 First Year pupils, accompanied by the School Orchestra.

Fourth and Second Year boys who attended the A.B.C. Symphony Concerts for schools, found the music recital series a very enjoyable experience.

Twenty-nine of the School Choir represented the School on Education Sunday at a church service at Epping. They sang three Chorales from Bach's "St. Matthew Passion."

We are now looking forward to the Music and Drama Festival, when various contributions by the Choir and Orchestra, including solo items, will be presented.

—C. Lipscomb.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE.

The following Homebush boys are to be congratulated on passing this year's Alliance Francaise examinations in French dictation, reading and conversation:—

Fifth Year: A. Frankovits, B. Jenkins, E. Jocelyn.

Fourth Year: M. Bernstein, J. Fenton, R. Ferguson, J. Ingram, G. McEachran, T. Meiusi, B. Stevenson, R. Stuart, A. Taylor.

Third Year: P. Bambrick, R. Conway, R. Frost, R. Gough, J. Hamilton, R. James, A. Kimber, R. O'Reilly, A. Perendi, R. Powell, A. Samin, D. Stuart, G. Yates, W. Yeomans.

Second Year: B. Ackerman, J. Busch, M. Cram, R. Denton, S. Fowler, R. Hewitt, I. McKenzie, A. Quinton, R. Senior, C. Yuan.

First year: L. Brown, S. Bryant, M. Catt, P. Chessher, G. Dethlefs, A. Gale, E. Grantham, W. Helson, N. Kennard, G. King, D. McKinnon, C. Neal, P. Ovenden, R. Quinn, D. Rees, J. Samin, G. Talbot.



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Once again it is pleasing to be able to report that the School Shop has enjoyed a profitable year, with increased turnover. Our thanks are due to all those parents and pupils who have supported this particular school activity, for they have contributed in no small way to the more efficient functioning of general school activities. All profits from the School Shop are devoted to the improvement of small amenities. An appeal is therefore directed to those who have not previously supported the Shop that they take this aspect of its function into consideration.

There are always ample supplies of school exercise books available at competitive prices. These books, which are exclusive to the Shop, and bear the School crest, contain high quality paper and are of uniform size.

Ties, pocket badges and pullovers are also available, and next year it is likely that sports blazers will be sold through the Shop.

This year, for the first time, zealon socks were sold, and the glowing reports from satisfied mothers indicate that this line has come to stay. In the short time that these hose have been available, they have established a high reputation for durability and good appearance.

In conclusion, let me appeal again to parents and pupils to support the Shop. By so doing you are buying the best, assisting the School, and making a very appreciable saving. Help us to help you.

—V. Durick.

THE CHESS CLUB.

The Chess Club has had a very successful year and each lunch hour a group of enthusiasts is to be seen in Room 4

Two teams were entered in the inter-school competition, a "B" team and a "C" team. Each team won

its division and each finished third after the finals were completed.

Best players in the "B" team were G. Hedges with 8 points, P. Diamond with 7½ and C. Dennet, also with 7½. In "C" grade, B. Maxwell with 6½, R. James with 6 and D. King with 5½ were the best competitors.

New boys are always welcome to join the club.

Thanks are due to Mr. Carson for help and encouragement.

—C. Dennet.

SCHOOL FINANCES.

Although there was an excess of receipts over payments at 31st July, 1957, of £837/4/3, this represents a decline in available funds of £24/13/10 since 1st December, 1956. The implication of this state of affairs is that during 1957 the School has barely received enough money to cover the many increasing commitments that result from an increasing school population.

At the 31st July, the accompanying figures show that more money had been spent on the School Shop requisites than had been received in cash sales. This is not such an alarming position when it is realized that the School Shop is very heavily stocked with ties, exercise books and pads. It is not expected that any further supplies of these goods will be required this year.

The Union Fees of £3 (1st to 3rd years) and £3/10/- (4th and 5th years) enables the School to supply text books, sporting equipment, duplicating material; hire grounds for sport; publish the School magazine and provide first-aid and hospital treatment for the pupils.

The Headmaster's Account has the special function of dealing with charity collections, the Oval Fund, social functions, the Music and Drama Festival, and the supplying of necessary equipment that is not provided by the Education Department.

UNION ACCOUNT.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER, 1956.

| RECEIPTS. | | PAYMENTS | |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, Jan., 1956 | 187 11 5 | Text Books | 1764 15 6 |
| Lockers | 36 0 6 | Union Expenses | 174 10 5 |
| Text Book and Union Fees | 3413 14 7 | Reference Library | 113 17 10 |
| Reference Library | 150 0 0 | Library—Books and Repairs | 262 6 7 |
| Library—Subsidy and Fines | 86 0 0 | Purchase of Ties and Exercises | 2576 5 9 |
| Sale of Ties and Exercises | 3093 8 1 | Travel | 420 5 5 |
| Fares Collected | 456 15 7 | Swimming Entrance and Hire | 123 6 7 |
| Swimming | 2 15 11 | Cricket Equipment | 45 7 11 |
| Cricket | 2 5 6 | Cricket Practice Wickets | 308 13 2 |
| Replaced Football Jerseys | 3 0 0 | Tennis Equipment and Courts | 65 17 0 |
| Magazine Advertisements | 52 0 10 | Athletic Equipment | 89 7 6 |
| Duplicating | 9 3 6 | Football Equipment | 133 18 7 |
| Telephone | 18 15 3 | Hire of Sports Grounds | 61 0 0 |
| Contra and Sundries | 158 2 7 | Duplicating Materials | 288 17 11 |
| | | Telephone | 70 1 4 |
| | | Ambulance and Hospital | 33 12 0 |
| | | Contra and Sundries | 275 12 2 |
| | | Excess of Receipts over Payments | 861 18 1 |
| | | | |
| | £7482 2 4 | | £7482 2 4 |

The following is a brief summary of the financial position up to 31st July, 1957:—

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|----------------------|-----------|
| Total Receipts | £7410 1 5 |
| Total Payments | 6572 17 2 |
| | £837 4 3 |

The chief receipts have been:—

| | |
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| Text Book Fees | £1861 18 0 |
| Union Fees | 1641 0 10 |
| Sale of pads, ties, exercise books | 2672 2 7 |
| Magazine Advertisements, 1956 | 115 5 8 |

The chief payments include:—

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Text Books | 1921 19 8 |
| Library | 153 13 4 |
| Reference Library | 78 17 3 |
| Fares | 205 6 4 |
| Purchase of pads, ties, exercises | 2744 9 10 |
| Sporting Equipment | 337 15 4 |
| Duplicating Materials | 260 8 2 |
| Magazine, 1956 | 275 6 1 |
| Hire of Grounds | 33 10 0 |

HEADMASTER'S ACCOUNT.

The Headmaster's Account up to 31st July, 1957, reveals the following:—

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|--|------------|
| Total Receipts | £1961 15 7 |
| Total Payments | 397 4 11 |
| Excess of Receipts over Payments | £1564 10 8 |

The above balance of £1564/10/8 includes an amount of £1273/1/0, which has been set aside to help finance the remaining work to be completed on the Oval. Also £208/15/2, which has been raised by the pupils in weekly collections will be sent to Stewart House in the near future.

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Ten years ago, in 1947, total purchases were 128 books. This year, 1957, already at the end of third term, 300 books have been accessioned. This is an enviable position to be in. However, problems arise in a library which is growing quickly. One of the most serious problems will be overcome in the first few weeks of third term when arrears of cataloguing of the pre-1950 library will have been completed. Aided by Miss Hill of School Library Service, the librarian and cataloguing committee have already catalogued up to 300 of the older books.

Copying of cards by B. Pomery has enabled many more books to reach their readers than in previous years. Hard work by workshop committees in each class has helped to hasten the processing of books. The librarian is grateful for this help.

Interesting books were displayed during Children's Book Week and discussions were conducted concerning the winning book and those commended by the judges.

A display of projects was given during Education Week. The range of subjects was revealed this having the effect of spreading the reading in the library.

Increasing the library is being used for reference purposes by classes other than library classes and by the subject departments. It must be emphasised that even if a second library is available to boys, that this library is in closer touch with the actual subjects studied. In some departments separate specialist libraries have been developed and books are available to boys if they obtain the permission of the subject masters.

HERE AND THERE.

PERSONAL AND MISSING FRIENDS:

The following members of the Staff left us at the end of 1956: G. Brown to Sutherland as Maths Master; M. Allen to North Sydney Tech; R. England, resigned, now on Trinity Grammar Staff; D. Anderson to Newtown Junior Tech; P. Moss, Science Master, retired; B. Roberts to Parramatta High. Towards the end of first term this year, M. Cullen was transferred to Parramatta High as Science Master. To all these we wish the best in their new spheres.

We wish to welcome the following newcomers:

J. Killen, Science Master, replacing Mr. Moss, from Nowra; G. Pavell, Maths Staff, and J. Webster, Science Staff, both from Sutherland; S. Jones, English Staff, from Drummoyne; A. Taylor, Physical Education, new appointment; W. Robertson from Gilgandra, replacing Mr. Cullen.

The ranks of the "elderly gentlemen" were thinned by the loss of Mr. Roberts. However we're hanging on to Mr. Austin and Mr. Gilgoley.

There will be lunch time tennis once again on the School tennis court. It has had a face-lift, new surface, new fence, and new surrounds. Union and Soccer will have to look to their laurels now.

There is a rumour that Mr. Hensley is going to use the new court to train a Staff team, including no less a person than the Dep. Head. There is keen competition for the other positions, but Mr. Moore and Mr. Moalem are said to be in the running.

Can't you see the grass growing on the Oval from the windows of the Southern Staff room. Mr. Golding's efforts in getting hundreds of boys to bring and plant couch runners early in the year have borne fruit — or is it grass? He has another deep plan to get hundreds more to weed it. So lie low.

Mr. Evans, Clerk of Works, advises that after 18 months the Dept. has finally given permission for hot showers to be erected in the basement. We'll all be clean now. Another achievement by Mr. Evans was the promise by the Dept. to install power points in the Northern Staff Room and Master's Room. No wonder the Staff has been cold to the students all these years. A much warmer feeling will now prevail.

Luck's a fortune! Though Mr. Emanuel is bereft of his car he still has his life. A close shave but he's his old dynamic self again.

What a success that Fete turned out. Mr. G. looked so pleased. I think some daring student might have got away with a "crew". The result, nearly a "grand". The Oval almost sprouted a pavilion overnight.

Hats off to "The Colonel" for the perfect state of the grounds. Not a blade of grass out of place. It wouldn't dare. The new seats behind the tennis court and on the Fifth Year lawn add to the appearance. At long last the old dilapidated summer-house is gone.

Homebush High was put right on the map this year. I hate to mention it, but it was a tennis player who did it.

Yes, Neil Gibson, school champion four years ago, overturned the mighty Hoad in the French Championships. "Gibbo" and Bobby Howe, another old Homebushian, will be giving an exhibition on the School court later this year. They don't know about it yet. But just you watch.

Midday revels in the Gym. Mr. Moalem, ex-N.S.W. Squash Champion, supported by Mr. Mason, Mr. Durick and sundry other teachers have been showing the boys how. A silver coin admission has swollen the Oval funds.

Big send-off to Mr. Cullen. We didn't want to lose him, but we felt he had to go — promotion as Science Master to Paramatta High Co-educational School. Lucky dog! The good things that were said about that man at his send-off should make him blush for years.

Full marks to 3B for painting those new seats in the grounds. They're not the tough guys we thought them.

You can almost here the purr. The reason. A letter from the Director of Secondary Education, congratulating Mr. Golding, the Staff and students on the fine achievement in the L.C. Last year five boys in the first hundred places, with J. Sutton equal twelfth. First place in History Honours, D. I. Stewart. Not mentioned were the three double firsts in Maths and four double seconds.

Our thanks to the cleaning staff and particularly Miss Shaw who has been so long with us.

After being commissioned in August, 1942, as an officer of the Citizen Air Force for service with the Air Training Corps of the R.A.A.F. Mr. W. L. Havard, having reached the retiring age, relinquished his commission on 22nd August. Mr. Havard's service was continuous over a period of fifteen years and he was recently awarded the Cadet Forces Medal instituted by Royal Warrant on 1st February, 1950. Mr. Havard is the first member of the N.S.W. Department of Education to receive this award.

Another feather in our cap, and Barry Dyster's too, of course. In the Leaving Certificate Examination Barry won the Shakespeare Prize.

Our undying thanks to William Arnold Proprietary Ltd., for the free use of their Soccer ground and tennis courts for the duration of the competition. Homebush is very lucky indeed, to have the use of what *must* be the finest soccer ground and tennis courts in the Metropolitan area.

Another school benefactor. This time, Mr. T. H. Hensley, brother of Mr. J. Hensley of the Commercial staff. Mr. Hensley has been assisting us by repairing and patching our soccer footballs. Thanks Mr. Hensley.

Amongst the missing for some weeks this year were the Deputy Headmaster, Mr. A. Meyers and Mr. H. Quail. Both underwent major operations but are none the worse for them now.

The John Tierney Literary Prizes, Senior and Junior Sections, were won by Arthur Roy of 5A and Gavin Yates of 3A, respectively.

Arthur Roy, the School Captain, who was highly commended last year for his prize entry, invaded the field of Science Fiction and won the Senior Prize with a short story entitled "New Star". As the judges commented, Arthur showed a "gifted imagination".

Gavin Yates chose a human interest story, entitled "The Fugitive", in which he showed, to quote the judges again, "a skilful portrayal of atmosphere and analysis of character".

Both boys are to be congratulated on their efforts. Many thanks to the other contributors. Try again and better luck next time.

S.C.J.

THE SCHOOL POUND.

"The golden age of prosperity is still with us". Such might be the thoughts of the keepers of the School Pound, Lee Squires, Colin Smith and John Highfield, because an inspection of the cupboard in Room 1, where they do business, shows indeed a wide range of lost property. The collection includes a blazer and a number of college-grey coats, which, believe it or not, have lain there unclaimed for months.

The Pound is one School institution which aims at keeping boys out of trouble. Pupils' property, lost and subsequently found, is sent to the abovementioned boys who work under the general direction of Mr. Faehrmann. It is due to their generous and capable efforts that wayward items are returned to their owners.

Because the Pound does exist, neither the Headmaster nor the Deputy Headmaster appreciates being asked to duplicate the work of the Poundkeepers. However, some boys like to add to their already busy timetable and "mum's" too, by having her ring the office about missing articles. It does require a little effort to walk around to Room 1, and the performance may have to be repeated a few times as the lost items do not reach the Pound immediately they disappear. Parents and our Headmaster feel that it is good training for each boy to make the effort for himself.

Locker keys and train passes are not impounded, but are sent directly to Mr. Moalem and Mr. Parr respectively, because they are items of immediate importance. Text books are held for some time before they are returned to Mr. Leeder. In the latter connection, parents are strongly advised to see that each book on loan to their boy has his name in it.

In conclusion,

ASK: Lee Squires, Colin Smith, or John Highfield:

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ON: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays:

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Firstly, we have to report the death of our late Patron, Dr. L. Parr, M.L.A., one who was ready at all times to do service on our behalf. To his family we tender our sincere sympathy.

This year we joined forces with the O.B.U. and the School, and its staff in staging a grand fete in the School building and grounds. This was most successful, both financially and socially, and it is proposed that another fete be held early next year. To all those who assisted in making this year's fete so successful, we tender our thanks for their unstinting efforts. The P. and C. also co-operated with the O.B.U. in the holding of the School's Annual Ball, held in the Commodore Ballroom. This, too, proved a wonderfully successful social occasion.

Such a large number attended the Annual Family Night that arrangements proved rather inadequate, but, next year, it is proposed that this will be remedied by dividing the School and holding the function on two separate nights.

The P. and C. are proud of the fact that they have added their share of amenities to the School this year. Visitors at night will be better served by the extra lights provided—over the main entrance steps, in the foyer, and by two spotlights over the honour boards.

Membership of our Branch stands at 1900, but attendance at meetings is very much below this figure, most of the Branch's business being carried out by a small, enthusiastic group of loyal followers. We would ask that many more parents attend these meetings which are held in the School Library on the third Wednesday of every month, at 8 p.m. We know there is the problem of transport in getting to the School, but there are compensations in the form of first-hand information regarding School activities, given by

the Headmaster, Mr. Golding. Moreover, you, as parents, should keep yourselves abreast of what is being done in the interests of your son.

Our main objective this year is the Memorial Oval opening ceremony. In conjunction with the O.B.U. and Strathfield Council, we are working to make this ceremony, to be held in November, appropriate to the realisation of a great venture.

In conclusion may we thank Mr. Golding and the staff for their assistance. Our gratitude goes, also, to the Association's Office-bearers, to the Ladies' Auxiliary, and, last, but not least, to the everwilling Mr. Cox.

J. Murphy, President.

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE.

This year has proved a very busy one for the Careers Adviser and the School Counsellor. Early in first term about 250 boys were given vocational tests by psychologists from the Education Department. These, together with cumulative record cards that have followed boys through primary and secondary schools, provide a useful part of the information on which guidance is based.

Later in the term a career survey of Fifth Year was carried out and it may be of interest to parents and the School to know that we have 30 engineers, 12 pharmacists, 14 scientists, 20 teachers, 15 architects and draftsmen, and a few doctors, lawyers and dentists in the making. To supply these groups with the information they need, the library of career pamphlets (supplied by the Guidance Section of the Education Department) has been extended and classified. I would like to thank B. Pomery 4A, G. Fullerton 3G, B. Leslie 3G, J. Porter 3G, for their assistance in this matter.

A letter just received from the Technical College and University of Technology lists 58 boys from 1956 Leaving Class from Homebush who are doing Diploma and Degree Courses. This number does not include boys at Sydney University.

Thanks are also due to Mr. Gordon for his help in displaying career information in the library. Mr. Williams obtained an excellent set of charts showing the various careers associated with the faculties of Architecture, Science, Veterinary Science, Law, Medicine, Arts and Economics, Engineering, Social Work. Boys in 2A are making copies of these and the two

received so far from G. Thompson and C. Yuan are excellent pieces of work.

An interesting film, "Finding Your Life Work", stressing important principles of guidance was shown to Fourth and Fifth Years. Third and Fifth Years had the opportunity of hearing Mr. Frape and Mr. Henry outline the variety of worthwhile careers available in the Public Service.

I would like to conclude this year's report with a reference to some very interesting tours, to which Homebush High boys were invited. The following extracts were selected from articles written by some of the boys who took part.

H.M.A.S. RUSHCUTTER BASE. B. Lammas, 5E.

"Sailing your own yacht is quite an experience as all the crew soon learnt, for after having educated ourselves on how to steer and control the sails of "Samuel Pepys" we were given a free hand at sailing the boat under "Spike's" leadership. After sailing for about fifteen minutes we sighted off the portside an interesting object floating about three-fifths in the water. After about four unsuccessful attempts to capture the "bomb", it was picked up and found to be some type of air-to-sea communicator".

TECHNICAL COLLEGE, ULTIMO. P. Allen, 5D.

"We were first conducted to the School of Civil Engineering where we saw a most impressive display of a machine which assessed the breaking points of different building materials. We were amazed to find that a piece of four inch square wood, which we saw broken in the machine, required nearly two tons to do this. Quite near to this demonstration we saw the concrete-mixing class, where students learn the theory and practice of concretes, and here the Homebush Boys were amused to see old boy Avo Tinni putting a shovel to good use."

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, J. Tremain, 5A.

"At the University of Technology we inspected the School of Chemical Engineering and the School of Metallurgy. After an informative address by Professor Myers, our party was conducted over each of the sections by the professor in charge, who outlined the many aspects of the subject and explained how it was related to chemical engineering. In this way we were able to obtain a thorough idea of just what is involved in a university course preparatory to a career in chemical engineering".

—J. Coffey.

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ARMY CADETS.

Due to increased interest in the School Cadets, the Establishment has been raised to 121, which makes it possible for us to have another Under Officer.

Each Tuesday afternoon, the Cadets study the use of weapons and undergo courses in drill, fieldcraft, etc.

This year the specialist sections put on a display at the School Fete, which was witnessed and praised by hundreds of parents and friends. The highlight of this demonstration was the firing of "dummy" mortar bombs.

During the past year seven cadets attended and passed a Course for Potential Officers, namely: Neil Horn, Keith King, Don Wakeling, Michael Buckpitt, Brian Tompson, Robert Blunden, and Peter de Beuzeville. Congratulations to you all.

Moreover, during the recent May holidays, the following cadets passed Specialist Courses and also deserve congratulations:—

Michael Buckpitt, Brian Tompson, Barry Pratt, Burland Pomery, Alan Josey, Neil Elliott, Stephen Fowler, and Darrel Maher. It is nice to see these boys trying to improve themselves, and more particularly as this will help to raise the efficiency of the Unit.

We are proud to state that Michael Buckpitt came First in N.S.W. in the Section studying Intelligence

Work, and he received a prize from the Eastern Command.

On 21st July, C.U.O. Horn was taken for a tour of Duntroon by the Dept. of the Army. While there he saw the four ex-students of Homebush High who are under-graduates of the Royal Military College. All being well, Neil hopes to be selected for Duntroon this year and we wish him luck.

During Education Week, the Army Cadets marched through the City, and the march was acclaimed by the many who were able to witness it.

The enthusiasm of the Cadets and the efficiency of the N.C.O.'s speaks well for our Unit in the future.

It is pleasing to note that this year, Capt. S. Broome has been able to obtain valuable assistance from Lt. J. Webster and Lt. D. Thornton in organising the Unit.

In conclusion we wish to thank the Principal, Mr. R. A. Golding, for the assistance given us, and to pay tribute to the guidance and help given us by 8 Cadet Bn. (Capt. Cooper and staff)—particularly "our own" W.O. Williams, who has put much of his own time into improving our Unit at Homebush High School.

—C.U.O.'s N. Horn and K. King.

DEBATING.

SENIOR:

Out of quite a number of keen and competent debaters, the four finally chosen to represent the school in the Hume-Barbour Competition were: Brian Jenkins, Keith King, Victor Kennedy and John Shaw.

The team gained practice in contests at lunch time against Fourth and Fifth Year boys, and in two very welcome debates where strong opposition was provided by the Old Boys. Encouraged by this experience and prepared by sound research and careful thought on the set topics our team met and defeated the three schools in this zone—Drummoyne, Macquarie and Fort Street High Schools. We enjoyed these three debates in which our opponents put forward good arguments and left us with no great margin of superiority.

After winning the zone competition the Homebush team met the successful Parramatta team in the quarter-final held at Sydney High School on July 19th. The fortunes seesawed as each alternate speaker added his contribution to the case, and though fighting hard, Homebush was beaten by one point.

Our team has also entered the debating section of the City of Sydney Eisteddfod, and has hopes of doing well.

—D. Dillon-Smith.

JUNIOR:

The team participated in the Karl Cramp debates competition. In the first debate against Drummoyne we were defeated in a very close contest. Each of our speakers, J. Fenton, G. Eagleson and D. Eastop, did quite well but the Drummoyne team had better co-ordination.

Against Macquarie High we were successful, each of our team speaking forcefully and well. J. Fenton, as second speaker, was particularly impressive. We were also successful in defeating Fort Street, even though it was a very narrow win. In this debate, D. Eastop as whip was really good, and he was ably supported by R. Henderson and G. McEachran.

The experience so gained in actual debating will be most valuable to the members of the team when they form the nucleus of the Senior Team in 1958.

I would like to thank all members of the team for their active interest during the year. Our thanks also go to Mr. Miles, Headmaster Homebush Primary School, who adjudicated the debate held at this school against Macquarie High.

—N. Kentwell.

I.S.C.F.

The I.S.C.F. has had a very successful year. It has been one of the factors in moulding many lives and helping boys to come to a full realisation of the real meaning of life. Many are the questions which boys ask and some of them have been answered by the various speakers who have visited us from time to time. We have been privileged and honoured by the presence of some eminent visitors, who have given of their time to come and share their knowledge and pass a little of it on.

Mr. J. Thompson, with his many degrees and his knowledge of archaeology stirred us greatly by his account of tablets which had been discovered with records of ancient history on them. Another highlight was a visit from our friend Dr. G. Sutton, who spoke on Science and the Bible. Dr. Sutton showed how the old idea of conflict between Science and Religion had been superseded by a more intelligent understanding of both, and of the perfect reasonableness of faith.

The boys themselves have been the mainstay during the year, taking most of the Monday meetings themselves. This affords good practice in speaking as well as considerable personal benefit in preparation. Their talks have been most helpful and much appreciated.

A group of boys regularly meet at the Methodist Church after school on Tuesdays to remember the work of the I.S.C.F., and their own personal needs in prayer.

As a friendly gesture to Fifth Year the I.S.C.F. was able to secure and show the film of "Macbeth." While the diction was not all that could be desired, it was felt that a new angle on the play was given and it was hoped that some Fifth Year fellows were helped thereby.

Our final item of interest is that a Quiz team from our I.S.C.F. took part in a friendly contest at Strathfield Presbyterian Church one evening with a view to being televised. We expect to hear more of this in the near future.

In conclusion we would like to extend our thanks to Mr. Golding and Mr. Meyers for their interest and for the use of the P.A. System for announcements. Also, thanks are due to Dennis Weekley for having such a good friend who made the new Notice Board which appears in the Tuck Shop. To all others who have helped in any way, Staff and Boys, we tender our thanks and look forward to another successful year in 1958.

—B. Morey, 5B.

TEXT BOOKS.

The book scheme has functioned successfully for another year. Although prices of books have continued to rise, the fee was left unchanged at 30/- for the lower school and £2 for the senior school. This returns approximately £1800, all of which has been spent on the purchase of new books and replacing old and worn out ones. It is a simple matter to see that if a boy in Fifth Year receives 40 books and pays 40/- for their hire, then each book worth 10/- has to last 10 years. It speaks well for the care that many boys bestow upon their books, when it is noted that quite a number of sets have indeed been in use for that length of time.

On the other hand there are boys who care little for the books loaned to them. Some are obliging enough to deface books and let us find out. They then make a donation to the school of a new book! This is a good method of replacing worn-out stock, but very costly in terms of time.

About 25,000 books are in use at any one time and about another 15,000 are in reserve in the book room for later use. Close on 30,000 books are issued and returned each year. This laborious task was willingly undertaken by a team of boys from 3A, who soon remembered where everything was hidden and could find a book when required in very smart fashion. It was indeed miraculous how they managed to get such good sets of books for themselves!

A matter, which is still one for concern, is the frequent loss of books. Boys still, will not write their names in their books; and consequently, if the books are left about, no possibility exists of returning them. Parents are then subjected to the trouble of replacing the book. Perhaps the best result this report could have would be to spur boys on to care for their own property a little more diligently.

—N.M.L.

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A.T.C. CADETS

Back row: L.A.C. Summerson, Cadet L. Cogan, R. Kerr, D. Kirk, Sharp, Davis, Dorrrough, Norris, L.A.C. Cunningham Cdt. Smith. *Centre:* Cadets Mann, Holland, Craft, Moore, Burley, Arnott, L.A.C. Cipants, Cdt. Coutts, Webb. *Seated:* Cdt. Smith, L.A.C. Andrews, Cpl. Phelan, Flt./Sgt. Bird, Flt./Sgt. Havard W/O Phelan, Sgt. Pearce, L.A.C. Walsh, Cds. Cox, Corny.

No. 11 Flight, N.S.W. Squadron, R.A.A.F., A.T.C., composed of boys only from Homebush Boys' High School, has had again a very good year. The establishment is still for fifty cadets, but the number of seven N.C.O.'s has been increased to nine, namely, two cadet pilot officers, one flight sergeant, one sergeant, and (here the increase lies) five corporals. This opens the way for more of the keener cadets, with, of course, the necessary ability, to gain N.C.O. standing. Recently boys have been making application to join the Flight, and it would be well for those who wish to be enrolled to submit their applications for consideration before the close of this year.

The N.C.O.'s, and indeed all the cadets, have been enthusiastic and efficient in carrying out their duties. The Flight has been well represented at school vacation camps, which have been held at different R.A.A.F. stations in N.S.W. Many of the cadets have participated in A.T.C. ceremonial parades, both in the city and suburbs. Close contact with R.A.A.F. service life has been of inestimable benefit to them all.

It is still most important that Homebush Boys' High School should acquire its own miniature rifle range. It must be emphasised again that with such a range permanently available, boys could be taught to handle a rifle safely. Indeed one mother is known to have encouraged her son to join the A.T.C. for this very purpose.

Thanks are tendered to the School Army Cadets and their O.C., Capt. S. Broome, and his officers, for help in training during the year. C.P.O. F. Ralph, who left the school during the year, has maintained his lively interest in the Flight, and has expressed his best wishes for the success of its members in all their courses.

Mr. P. N. Tester is taking over command of No. 11 Flight, commissioned in his old war-time rank of R.A.A.F. Squadron Leader. The change comes about because I have reached the retiring age as determined by the Department of Air. I hand over to Squadron Leader Tester, sharing with parents the knowledge that here at hand is the opportunity for boys to benefit from first rate training under his guidance. For myself I have always felt it a privilege to be associated with the cadets of the Air Training Corps, and with its officers. To No. 11 Flight in particular I wish you all, not just luck, but what you deserve—the very best fortune.

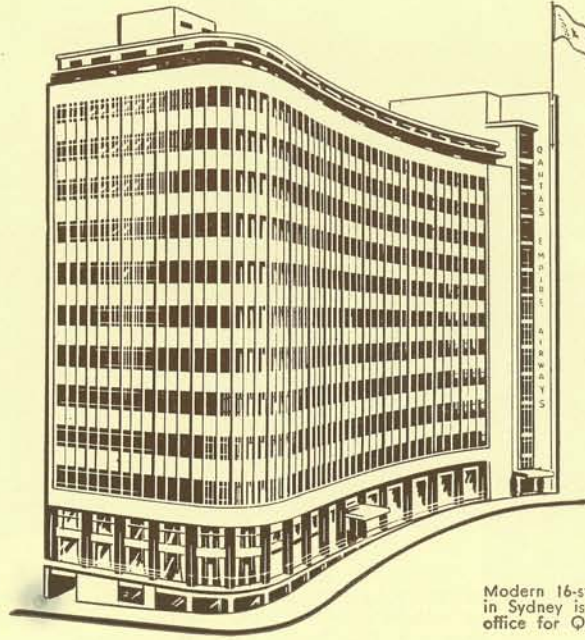
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A TRIBUTE

F/Lt. Havard has been an officer of the A.T.C. for 15 years. It has always been one of his closest interests. This interest he has maintained over periods of post-war school "demobilisation" of cadet units, of changing headquarters and school staffing, and during periods when less keen officers would have tended to withdraw. He has brought to the cadets in the Technical High and Homebush Corps a very keen insight into the spirit and background of the R.A.A.F. He has been an officer who has always been keen and willing to undertake the responsibilities and duties of his rank. For his services to the A.T.C. he was recently awarded the Cadet Forces Medal.

On behalf of all members of No. 11 Flight, A.T.C., I wish to extend the warmest possible wishes to Flight Lieutenant Havard for a long and happy period of retirement. We genuinely thank him for a job very well done in the Air Training Corps.

P.N.T.



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THE ANZAC DAY CEREMONY.

As the years go by the tradition of Anzac grows stronger. Therefore, we publish below the text of the address delivered by Mr. J. Bathgate at the School's Anzac Day Ceremony. Mr. Bathgate was a "digger" of the First World War.

"Today is the forty second anniversary of the landing at Anzac Cove in 1915. You have heard that memorable story many times, and I do not intend to re-tell it today. You have just faced the West, and then on the command, "About Turn", you faced the East. Facing the West is a sign of remembrance and respect for those who died in the two World Wars — those who died in the cause of love of country; facing the East is a gesture of welcome to the rising generation. In this year, 1957, you are the rising generation, and it is to you that we look to accept the responsibilities of your generation with courage and determination.

"Now, going back to the First World War, the time when Anzac Day actually occurred, let me give you some ideas about the events of those days. First, there were no wireless sets so that England's declaration of war on Germany was brought to the notice of Australian by the Press. The Australian Government had promised 20,000 troops to Britain and our recruiting depots were rushed by volunteers. By 1918, 312,000 Australian men, many of them only lads in their teens, had volunteered for overseas service. Fifty-nine thousand of these did not return. These we remember with humble gratitude today.

"Now what about the typical soldier of those days? After enlisting at the recruiting depot and being medically examined, and having taken the oath of allegiance, the young soldier was given several days grace before reporting to Victoria Barracks. Once there, he realised that the Army is a great leveller, that civilian class distinctions are temporarily forgotten.

"Then came days in camp under the strict discipline of the Training Corps. Here lasting friendships sprang up. Each man was taught the importance of unquestioning obedience to orders. Then there came the great day of qualification for embarkation with ball ammunition and rifle. There followed embarkation leave, usually seven days with travelling time added. During this leave the soldier went through a series of rushed farewell functions which were brought to an end by the ordeal of saying last goodbyes. The return to camp was marked by issue of identification disc, close inspection of kit, and cancellation of all leave.

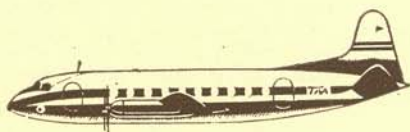
One "day" at 2.30 a.m. at Liverpool camp, the soldier was paraded ready to embark. Dawn found him at Woolloomooloo wither he had arrived by marching in full battle kit through a sleeping city. As he stood looking around him, wistful thoughts flicked through his mind. Then he was taken to his hammock on board a troop transport. So he sailed, not knowing his destination, buoyed up by the friendship of his companions.

Eventually, he reached Egypt, there to undergo further intensive training for the big day. This was the type of young man who was to conquer the well-nigh inaccessible heights of Anzac Cove. This he did because he had been taught a sense of responsibility to himself, to his mates and to his superiors".

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MUSIC AND DRAMA FESTIVAL

If one were to judge from the enthusiastic response of the audience, the high standards of skill and artistry displayed in the Music and Drama Festival were readily appreciated. The Festival, which was held on the 20th and 21st of August, was attended by a capacity audience on both nights.

The programme got under way with a lively rendition of "Anchors Away" by the School Orchestra conducted by Mr. Lipscomb. The School Choir then followed with an operatic work, the opening chorus from Smetana's "The Bartered Bride", which was also awarded an enthusiastic response from the audience.

A skilfully executed saxophone solo, the Serenade from "The Student Prince" was given by Alan Downe.

The first play of the evening, "Pyramus and Thisbe" was adapted by Mr. Philpott from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream", and had a cast taken from Class 2G. This amusing burlesque, telling of the unfortunate fated love of Pyramus and Thisbe, which was thwarted by evil chance, was enthusiastically received amidst much laughter, caused no doubt by the clever antics of the actors. Pyramus, R. Frost, Thisbe, F. Bullen, and Lion, P. Andrews, played their parts most effectively. The part of Wall, was most skilfully interpreted by J. McFadyen. A special mention must be made of Moonshine's Dog, W. Wilson, and Moonshine himself, E. Bull, who were given tumultuous applause. The play was a great success and every credit goes to all those associated with it.

Malcolm Catt, whose playing has already earned him several prizes in competitions, then gave a brilliant and polished performance of "Study in G Minor", by Moscheles. He was followed by Paul Furniss who delighted everyone with a clarinet solo, a sensitive performance of an excerpt from the "Swan Lake" Ballet music.

The curtain rose on the next play to the accompaniment of several recorders and a piano-accordion, which lent a suitable Oriental atmosphere to what was to be a very interesting performance, "The Stolen Prince". This, a Chinese play, was produced by Mr. Philpott, with boys from 1C. The play is set in China one thousand and one years ago, and it effectively illustrates the moral that everything turns out all right in the end. Interest, however, was sustained at a high pitch throughout and fine performances were given by the whole cast. The property man, who so charmingly provided the scenery, was played by J. Read, and J. Fisher as the Nurse, through whose foresight the lives of Joy and his foster-parents, Hi Tee and Li Mo, were saved, was most convincing.

To conclude the first half of the programme, Mr. Golding gave an address in which he traced the history of the Oval and its progress up to date. He was

followed by the President of the P. and C. Association, Mr. J. Murphy, who outlined the work done by the Association.

During Interval, the P. and C. stall did a roaring trade in soft drinks. Thanks go to the Prefects who acted as ushers and programme sellers, and to Mr. Moore who was in charge of the seat booking arrangements.

With the resumption of the programme after Interval, the School Orchestra played the March from "Scipio" by Handel. As a background to this item the School Gym. Squad gave a physical culture display under the direction of Mr. Mason.

There followed two clarinet duets given by Paul Furniss and Neale Taylor, Largo from Dvorak's "New World Symphony" and Rommanze from Mozart's "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik". Their co-ordination and faultless skill earned for them the acclaim of the audience. Jim Saunders, preceded the Revue with an experienced trumpet solo, "At Sunset" by Percy Code.

The revue "Birds in the Bush", written by Mr. Gordon, assisted by some fourth year boys, was designed to coincide with the School's twenty-first birthday, and was intended to be a pictorial parade of Homebush School past and present. "Birds in the Bush", incorporated some modern compositions, but also featured some Australian bush songs. Although it is a musical revue it did not suffer from lack of balance. The witty sallies of G. Eagleson and P. Henderson were ably supported by Alan Downe as Willoobegeera Joe and Alex Volcov as "the old time ornithologist". All these combined to create a diverse, well-balanced performance. The chorus of bullock drivers, shearers and red-backed birds was ably supported by R. Henderson's guitar, D. Healy's violin and the School Orchestra led by Mr. Lipscomb. The incidents concerning present day Homebush were much appreciated and the whole revue was an outstanding success.

After the conclusion of the revue, the presentation of a sapling to commemorate Homebush's coming of age was made to Mr. Golding by Arthur Roy, the School Captain.

Mention must be made of the scene shifters and electricians under the supervision of the stage manager, Mr. Cowan, of Mr. Cox who kept the hall in such faultless order and of all those who, working behind the scenes, made possible the brilliant success of the Festival.

At the conclusion of the Festival, presentations were made to Mr. Lipscomb and to Mr. Gordon by the members of the revue cast and the Orchestra.

J. Fenton and J. Ingram, 4A.

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LITERARY SECTION

New Star

(Awarded the John Tierney Literary Prize, Senior School).

Every muscle tingled with nervousness. Pilot "X" was strapped horizontal on his take-off couch. Fifteen minutes to zero, and what an eventful zero that would be: for the first time in history, a man would leave Mother Earth to be free of her "apron strings" as they say.

But, at that moment, Pilot "X" was thinking of the green hills of earth. He looked up along the vertical walls of the motionless rocket. He didn't notice the ladder that ran up the length of the inside of the long smooth cylinder, nor did he see the long conduit-like tubes that ran alongside it. He wasn't looking at the silver, metallic lustre of the ship's interior. His "inner eye" wandered and settled far away. He saw green meadows studded with purple, gold and white flowers. He saw giant gums reflecting the noonday sun on their shiny leaves; he saw the silver brook that gurgled among smooth stones, with brambles and fallen blossoms trailing its surface. All these beauties of earth could be found among the hills near his home town in California. Beauties that were green and fresh and inspiring. Beauties that he would not see for over a year, perhaps for ever. His heart was heavy that he was leaving them — and it was apprehensive too. He smiled to himself. The vision was so real that even the walls of the rocket had taken on a greenish hue. No one on earth, at that moment, appreciated the beauty of rolling hills, and of trees and of birds as much as Pilot "X" did. And he was leaving it.

He remembered the little train that had brought him to White Sands. The train that clattered over wooden sleepers, over the little trestle bridge, down the little valley where fern grew thick and dewy among grey rock and gnarled trees. He remembered the train because it was slow, allowing Pilot "X" to drink in the greenness of the hills. And, oh, the satisfaction when the little puffer waited in a siding until the express screamed past. It was beautiful.

Pilot "X" had enjoyed that trip for he knew that, soon, he would disappear in a searing flash of light and scream heavenward at a scorching seven miles a second. As he lay still now, the window of the little train was still there imprinted on his mind's eye. The delicious green of the Californian landscape still unfolded before his spellbound gaze — hills and valleys, rivers and hills, trees and ferns, bushes and flowers, all rolled past in glorious panorama.

A whistle screamed outside — five minutes to zero. Fifty million television viewers sat quiet, hushed and breathless. Pilot "X" could just imagine them and again he laughed softly, not knowing why. Perspiration streaked his face and he took a deep breath, smiled to himself nervously and lay back, relaxed, as the seconds pipped off on the control board above his couch. His hands held the switches in perspiring grip. Then a red glow showed behind his viewing screen. Thirty seconds. The world waited. A wave of nausea blurred his vision for an instant . . . 3 . . . 2 . . . 1 Zero. He pulled the switch and the atomic motors pulsed with herculean energy. The rocket trembled and a high pitched scream told him that he was climbing into the dawn sky. The needle told him that his speed was increasing by the thousand mile an hour

rate. The vertical lines of the walls blurred in a haze of colour, the ladder slowly undulated and then swam shapeless on a green background. Pilot "X" was blacking out — he had known that he would — but what he didn't know was when he would come to — nor did he ever find out.

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Let us go back one hour — one hour prior to zero. Three miles from the take off site, at half past three in the summer morning, a long wire fence, running across the desert as far as the eye could see, glinted in the starlight. Behind it waited the panel of press observers. This small crowd shivered in the chill air as it awaited take-off. In the distance, barely visible in the pre-dawn darkness, a dart shaped rocket, poised inside its steel gantry, appeared eager to hurl itself towards the stars. Destination Mars. At four a.m. the gantry was wheeled aside and the rocket left alone on the sand.

At six the previous evening, a brilliant star had appeared in the eastern skies, very high above where the space ship now rested. It had been noticed by an eminent astronomer and it was of great interest to him. Although telescopic inspection revealed nothing, (it was too far distant) it was like a beacon that heralded in a new era in man's space exploration. It was a new star, brighter than Venus or Mars, and the astronomer gave it out that the star was an unusual one but it had happened before that stars in our galaxy had exploded and had thus displayed such brilliance in the heavens. Curiously enough, as the evening progressed the star remained fixed in its position. It should have behaved like other celestial bodies, circled the heavens and set in the west.

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The sands were white and they glimmered with the first light of the approaching dawn. The new star shone faintly above the ship.

A blue smoke gushed from the warning siren on the concrete control tower. The sound reached the spectators a few seconds later. The group waited. Soon . . . soon . . . now. Flame streaked from the exhaust as the sun caught the hull in a goldenweb. Up it streaked. Suddenly it came to a halt in a huge pink blossom of flame. The sound as of a thousand exploding guns deafened the onlookers. It was stunning. It had happened so swiftly that the vision of a precious dream was a pencil-thin streak of exhaust smoke, motionless and purple, frozen against the dawn sky. No one saw the new star wink out. Pilot "X" would never see his green hills of earth again.

The spirit of Pilot "X" drifted down like a lonely bird. He wished for physical being again, so that he might warn his fellow earthlings of the futility of trying to probe the secrets of Martian space. But, all in vain. In vain might his spirit voice, like the moaning of the wind, say, "The Martians are waiting for you up there". His warning went unheeded.

—Arthur Roy, 5A.

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As if the land they mock.*

*The sea, the sea, the tranquil sea,
Unruffled, blue and clear,
Sparkling in bright sunshine,
Pleasant to the ear.*

*The sea, the sea, the treacherous sea,
Full well does everyone know,
That unheralded burials have taken place
In the green depths below.*

*The sea, the sea, in varying moods,
The heart of man portrays,
But always in its many forms,
The sea it holds our gaze.*

—R. Wilson, 3A.

The Storm.

Thick, inky black clouds rolled over from the southwest, heralding the coming storm. A great calm reigned everywhere, broken at intervals by the slight whispers of a little frolicking breeze as it danced among the tall, green Australian gums. The monotony of the dark blanket of cloud was split by a bright, vivid blue flash. There followed a snarling roar of thunder which caused hurrying people to run.

One spot — and yes, another, much larger, fell from the heavens to hit with a loud splatt. The rain-drops were falling quickly now. Another flash of lightning darted forth to penetrate the growing gloom. The thunder sounded as before. The little dancing breeze had turned into a howling wind which rattled the windows and swept under the old oak door. Its twin brother poked his nose inquisitively down the chimney. White spots appeared on the lawn and now the hail pelted down upon the iron roof, bouncing to the pavement below.

But soon, the black clouds had rolled away and vanished as quickly as they had come. Everyone was busy once more. People walked and chatted in the freshly washed streets.

—H. Schofield, 1E.

Those Pesky Flying Saucers.

Surprisingly enough, he had only one head, and apart from the presence of his three eyes and his vertical mouth, and the fact that his skin was bright green, he might have passed for an Earthman.

"Good morning", he said in passable English. "I'm from Mars".

"How do you do?" I replied, trying to be as polite as possible.

"How do you do what?" he answered, looking puzzled. Puzzlement, coming from three eyes evenly spaced in a diagonal line across a face, can be quite upsetting.

I could see that he was going to be difficult, so, trying to change the subject, I asked him how he had come. Was it by flying saucer or by ordinary space-ship?

"By flying saucer", was the reply. "I parked it in that field over there".

Turning in the direction indicated, I perceived a dull green disc-shaped object about twenty feet in diameter. As I looked, the lid opened and what appeared to be a blob of jelly wobbled, or should I say oozed its way out. Perhaps waddled would be a better description.

"What's that?" I enquired.

"That's my pet slobberwaddle", my green friend replied. "They're very faithful creatures. He's been with me now", he added, very thoughtfully, "about four hundred and fifty years".

"Very faithful", I managed to say, stifling a yawn. "I say old man", I appealed (he must have been an old man if this slobberwaddle thing had been faithful for as long as that), "do you mind if I leave you now. I have work to do".

"Not at all, my friend", the Martian answered. "Anyway, I had better be going myself".

As he walked off towards his flying saucer, he called "Come, Trite", and the thing waddled loyally after him.

In a few seconds I heard a very faint humming sound and the disc rose quickly to a height of about five miles and slowly disappeared.

"He's gone at last", I thought, and lying down in the shade of a tree, I resumed my 'interrupted' slumber.

—R. Baker, 2A.

Radio.

*All day, all night, on it goes,
Emitting serials, sappy songs and the news
As well as commercials and queer quiz shows
On comes Elvis Presley and dad's face screws
Into contortions many,
Because of the nature of the voice so uncanny.*

*All day, all night, on it goes
Urging us to take Mac's Blue Pills
In the hope of ridding us of the ills
Which follow in quick succession
After listening to the housewives' gossip session.*

*All day, all night, on it goes,
Gurgling out a fearful ado,
Even Junior exclaims, "Goo",
But the ignorant youngster just doesn't appreciate
That our Canberra friends are having a debate.*

—D. Cull, 4B.

Highway Scene.

The white posts flashed by, blurred by the background of the green trees, as the car, travelling fast, swept up and around a sharp bend. In the car, a man clenched the wheel and glanced quickly in the rear-vision mirror. Then he pulled the sun-visor in front of him as the late afternoon sun shone in his eyes. A straight stretch of road was unravelled in the path of the speeding car, a road criss-crossed by the lengthening shadows of the trees. The roar of the engine grew in intensity as the accelerator was pressed slowly to the floor and the speedometer dial showed the increasing speed.

The blonde beside the driver reached down and nervously switched on the radio and the lushness of the Melachrino strings clashed with the screech of tyres as the car took yet another curve at high speed.

"Slow up a bit, Sam," she said, sharply. "You're taking these bends too fast." But Sam merely grunted and took no notice.

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They were approaching the top of a long incline, where, if you were interested, as they were not, you could enjoy a wonderful view of green bushland. But such beauty was given not even a fleeting glance by the occupants of the car. At 80 miles an hour the green was only a blur anyhow, so why bother. The driver's eyes were more interested in flicking from mirror to road, from road to mirror, in ceaseless cycle. The blonde opened her purse and made up her face, occasionally glancing at her companion, or turning to survey the road behind with a nervous toss of her head. Ceaselessly the tarred surface disappeared under the swiftly revolving wheels. The road behind was gradually being swallowed by evening shadows. The winter sun was already seeking refuge among the nearby hills.

The music ceased to gush from the radio and the announcer's voice broke in with, "This is the A.B.C. Here is an important police message. Will Sam Gates of Blakehurst, the winner of yesterday's State Lottery, thought to be travelling south on Prince's Highway, please return to Sydney . . ." The rest was drowned by two blending sounds: the blonde's frantic scream, following hard on the explosive report of a front tyre. Then the vehicle plunged off the road, through the safety fence and crashed its way through yielding greenery into a small gully. Then there was only stillness. In the car two figures slumped forward in their seats. The harsh sound of a jazz number blared from a miraculously unbroken radio. Outside the twilight thickened darkly into night.

—P. Durrant, 5A.

The Desert,

A sea of yellow endless sand,
Is this forsaken, dust-dry land.
A traveller stumbles with feeble cry,
And groans for water in stream-bed dry.
So he falls to the ground to lie,
Until of thirst he soon will die.
Vultures circling near at hand,
Await the toll of this stark land.

—P. Matthews, 4B.

The True Terror of the Bush.

The day was hot—not that that was unusual, for it had been hot now for the last ten days. The grass had died long ago, and the dry, brown, crackly stems were bent under the searing breath of the scorching wind. The trees hung in lifeless, exhausted manner, barely moving in the fitful puffs of stifling air.

The tourist car came roaring round the dusty, bumpy road, shattering the silent stillness of the bush. Clouds of dust whirled in seeming merry abandon, then settled slowly on the trees and grass as if trying to choke them even further. The people in the car dressed in gaudy summer clothes, were laughing and joking as one of them paused to throw a lighted match from the window. In a swirl of dust the car careered on.

The little squirrel poked his head from his tree cubby-hole. Suspiciously he sniffed the air. Then he almost fell out of his tree in haste, for his keen nose had smelled something—something that set his heart beating furiously in horror—something that prompted him to fill his lungs with air, and to scream a warning as long and as loud as his tiny throat could stand.

As the warning scream echoed around the frowning ruggedness of the surrounding cliffs, animal life erupted, for everyone knew that he must run-run for his

life, run till his head whirled, heedless of natural friend or foe that might run beside him, run screaming his hate of fire and the pungent grey haze that is even more choking than dust.

The once sombre, dignified trees writhe in a paroxysm of terror. The earth cracks and grass disappears into crumbly, black ash in an instant, as the roaring flames hit them. Trees fall with roaring crash, as if jealous of their more mobile forest friends. They seem reluctant to allow them to escape the greed of the bushfire. But there is no need for them to worry. Puny animals cannot run as fast as the yellow terror. It devours them in a single licking sweep and flings itself on, bringing death and destruction to all in its path.

So is it any wonder that the little squirrel ran in chattering terror from the yellow match flame near a tiny dry leaf of grass?
—John Stokes, 3F.

Food for Thought.

I overheard two Australians talking in the train the other day. Their conversation was typically Australian:

"How are yer? Train a bit packed, isn't it? D'ya think it'll rain?" After the customary pause in which both were trying furiously to think of something else to say, the taller one of the two went on, "I see the Yanks have developed a new rocket," and the other replied, "Yair. Trust the Yanks. They're always showin' off by seein' how quick they can outdo the rest of the world". This fairly made me furious. If there is anything I detest, it's an Australian criticising the U.S.A. and her people.

The majority of Australians regard Americans as casual modernists who delight in producing plastic houses, fantastically wide cinema and television screens, glass-bodied motor cars and backyard swimming pools. They seem to hold a grudge against the Americans which becomes all the more bitter as they hear of another great American achievement. But I think that this form of racial jealousy is really a criticism of Australians, because there is no denying the fact that America is the most prosperous and modern country in the world, and that Australia lags far behind her.

Americans live in a colourful and modernised world of the future, while Australians plod wearily on in a life that was old fashioned ten years ago. Americans are always finding something new. They are forever applying the ideas of 1958, or even 1959, to the life of 1957. They wish to progress, whereas Australians are lazy and complacent.

When it comes to defence, America is so well fortified that she is almost impregnable. Her army, navy and air force are the most efficient in the world, and she intends to keep them that way. Compare Australia—of equal land mass, she boasts of her beautiful sandy beaches, which are an open invitation to any ambitious invader. Australia's defence consists of hopelessly outdated, inadequate equipment. But, of course, I forgot. Australia is a young country, but surely no invader will consider this. Will he be a little more considerate of Australians because we are only a young nation? Again, are the other nations of the world impressed by the extreme youth of Australia when it comes to a question of trade and security? Of course not. This age is a race between nations, and the stragglers are left to look after themselves.

Americans have improved their homelife immensely by adding gadgets and useful ideas. They have broken free from the antiquated conventionalism of grandma's day and from the routine of work, to eat, to sleep

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to work. They have the capacity for really enjoying life—something which Australians know nothing of. They have the true community spirit. Every American community has a pride in its affairs, whereas in most cases Australians have the "couldn't care less" attitude.

Perhaps Australians would say that modernisation is not necessary in a young, progressive country. How wrong they are. Are we then to follow the example of Britain whose modernisation programme has always been retarded by an ingrained love of tradition? Surely not.

Australians should face the facts. Our country has an area of three million square miles and 50 per cent. of this is uninhabitable. 65 per cent. of our population lives in the south-east quadrant. On whom then must we rely for modern ideas and protection, for motion pictures and modern recordings, for modern scientific inventions, for guided missiles, vaccines and the various electronic devices? The answer is too obvious for me to state once again. If there was no America, life for the average Australian would be a dull, miserable existence. We must be brought to realise how much we owe our American friends.

—Alan R. Jones, 5C.

The Fugitive.

(Awarded the John Tierney Literary Prize, Junior School.)

The young man lay panting on the damp ground. He had escaped without any great difficulty and had used all the cunning of his twisted mind to outwit his pursuers. Glassy eyes, opened wide, he looked anxiously back the way he had come. All was quiet, and the semi-darkness of early morning lay over the countryside.

Somewhere, not far distant, was a stream. He could hear the gurgling of water over a shallow bed. Like a panther, crouched low, he crept swiftly to it. While scooping handfuls of water into his dry mouth, suddenly he froze. He had heard the tramp of heavy feet. Then came the low monotonous mumble of voices. Hastily concealing himself in a thick patch of briar he waited. The thorns tore viciously at his skin, but he did not move. They were quite close now and he recognised one gruff voice. It was one of the guards. They trudged on, and a low sob escaped the hiding man's lips. He peered along the narrow track trying to pierce the blackness. Finally, satisfied, his limbs still trembling, he began his long trek south.

As the first rays of the sun shone through the trees, a crouched form moved closer to a small farmhouse. Roosters crowed, and the thought of cooked poultry did little to ease the painful throbbing in the man's empty stomach. Bent double, he ran to the cover of a large stack of timber, and then to some fruit-laden orange trees. He ate one orange and stuffed others into his shirt. As he did this a high-pitched shaky voice behind him challenged. "Turn around," came the words.

Panting like a cornered beast, the man eyed the person who had uttered the words. It was a small boy, no more than ten years old, who held an ancient shotgun in his hands. On the ground near the youngster's feet lay two dead wood ducks, proof of his shooting ability. At that moment, however, a call came from the house, nearby. "Are you there, Johnny?" As he half turned to answer, Johnny was knocked down and kicked viciously by the madman, who, seizing the gun and the ducks, ran desperately for the scrub.

He kept running only to stop, sprawling headlong, when a fallen branch tripped him. He lay there, weak, almost completely exhausted. But, after some minutes of rest, he seemed to revive. He raised himself slowly and stumbled off in search of water. Near a small stream flowing from between two large rocks he built a fire and boiled water in an old tin he had found to pluck and cook the ducks.

After a satisfying meal, the fugitive extinguished the fire, and, picking up the gun, he climbed a steep ridge and surveyed the scene in front of him. To the left he could see what he thought was a town, but between himself and it were several mountain ridges! Travelling by day would be easier and during that day he covered some 14 miles over very rough, rugged country. After sunset he slept with difficulty on an empty stomach. The two cartridges in the gun had been uselessly fired at pursuers who did not exist. An insane imagination and thick scrub had caused him to fire wildly at scurrying animals.

Some time through the night, he awoke screaming. He had dreamed that he had been captured, and that he was being beaten for his attempted escape. Jumping to his feet, he wandered aimlessly in a feverish state, stumbling over countless objects. Finally, he fell over a shallow ravine and rising unsteadily careered into some large rocks. Scratched, bleeding and torn, his eyes rolling, he fought madly to reach the town. There he thought lay his only hope of escape—a train. He tripped, stumbled, and tripped again, many times, until merciful oblivion overwhelmed him and he slumped unconscious at the base of a large tree.

The next morning returning consciousness found him in a hospital bed. Between the clean linen his body ached. He saw several men standing at the end of his bed. He recognised the guard with the gruff voice, but the short, bald man, the Superintendent of the asylum, he did not know.

A policeman had just handed this man a card on which was written: "Leonard Sydney Heenie, No. 147, was trusted to work in the outer grounds, but failed to recognise his responsibilities and escaped. For injuring a small boy and for the theft of a gun, since recovered, he should be judged according to his mental condition."

—Gavin Yates, 3A.

Voices of Music.

Violins sighing, like breezes in pine,
'Cellos flowing, as water in streams.
Basses grumbling, in harmonies low,
Flutes a-trilling, as birds in the trees.
Oboes chirping, with nasal tones,
Trumpets sounding, a call to arms.
Trombones blaring, in harsh fortissimos,
Tympani rumbling, as thunder in skies,
And cymbals clashing, exciting finales,
Yea, voices of music, in speech to the soul.

—Malcolm Catt, 1A.

A Social Insect.

Man considers his society something that he can be proud of. His vanity suggests, firstly, that his social evolution has been unique, and secondly, that his present social organisation is efficient and successful. Both claims may be disputed by the humble honey bee.

Systems which have come into use in man's society only in the last few centuries have been known to bees for ten times as long. One of the most outstand-

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ing of these is the division of labour and specialisation in work carried out in the bee colony.

On emergence from its cell the young bee begins a life of little rest, which lasts for three months in winter or three weeks in summer. For the first three days of her life, the bee is busily engaged in clearing and cleaning cells. The next three days are spent in feeding the older grubs and then she spends the next six days feeding a mixture of pollen and nectar, processed by her own body, to the younger bees.

From this twelve day old stage until she is twenty-one days old, the young bee joins a group which is occupied in cleaning out the hive, acting as hive guards and building new comb and cells. During this time she slowly learns to fly, and goes on short orientation flights to learn the position of objects and landmarks near the hive.

The foraging stage is the last in the bee's life. During this period she does nothing else but gather pollen and nectar from plant and tree life. This period brings many dangers. The bee may be drowned or she may be devoured by one of her many insect enemies.

Possibly one of the most interesting and astonishing of all features of the bees' social life is the "language" they have evolved. If a flow of nectar of considerable amount is located a bee will report this fact to others on her arrival back at the hive. This she does by means of the "round dance" which indicates that the nectar is within a radius of fifty yards of the hive. For supplies further afield, a "tail-wagging" dance is used. This dance takes the shape of an "O" with a line drawn across it. The line indicates the direction of the supply in relation to the position of the mid-day sun, because all these dances take place at about twelve noon. The distance of the nectar supply from the hive is indicated in flying time by the number of tail wags used in the dance. Hence experimenters have found that in the event of there being a headwind, bees misjudge distance, but not time.

Man could well learn the lesson of co-operation from the humble bee. Man's life may be more complicated and intricate in its design, but bees have learned the lesson of interdependence. No thought of maltreating or suppressing one's fellows is to be found in the organised life of a beehive.

—B. Pomery, 4B.

Somewhere in the Swiss Alps.

About 9 p.m. one bleak night we were flying en route to Australia via Rome and Singapore through a dense mist—the densest I'd seen in my ten year career as a pilot for a large airline company. The visibility was practically nil and the craft's sixty passengers, some of whom were flying for the first time, were sitting uneasily gazing out at the murky gloom.

I noticed that the altimeter was showing only 11,000 feet, and I was about to climb to avoid the mountains I knew we must be rapidly approaching, when I saw dimly through the murk, the immense dark outline of a mountain side. Then dead ahead I saw another dim outline looming treacherously. I knew immediately that it was too close for the plane to rise over it, so I looked desperately for some ledge or cleared space that might serve for an emergency landing. Time was vital because the plane seemed to be flying in a huge cul-de-sac, and, although the mist was not quite so dense as it had been, it was still very difficult to see clearly.

Only just in time my eyes fell upon the only suitable stretch, a ledge, high up on the mountain side and to our left. We must either take our chances of a landing there or crash headlong into the cliffs ahead. I swerved the large, cumbersome aircraft until it was in line with the ledge, our only hope.

As the port wing was wrenched off and snapped free I heard dimly in the background the screams of terrified passengers from behind me. Then a resounding explosion sent my head whirling and the cockpit seemed to be engulfed in flames.

I can remember nothing of what happened immediately thereafter. I may have been thrown clear or perhaps in my semi-conscious state I crawled clear, but I do know that when I regained consciousness, I was lying some fifty yards from the twisted, barely recognisable remains of the fire-gutted craft. After careful examination, I found that my only injury was a deep cut in my left leg, which I somehow bandaged with my unused handkerchief. Minor scratches and bruises I did not consider as I limped towards the plane to see if anyone else had survived.

I started at the nose and worked my way slowly back towards the stern. At first sight I could not possibly imagine how anyone could have lived through the crash, let alone the fire which had followed it. But I did find one man who now lay near the tail of the craft where he had been thrown by the force of the impact. I salvaged some blankets to keep him warm, for his injuries were so bad that he could not walk.

My next thought was to see if I could find a way of descending the mountain, but in this respect I was disappointed. The descent would prove impassable to anyone but a skilled mountaineer, who, even then, would need the proper equipment.

Thus, there we were, my barely conscious companion and I. We were somewhere in the Swiss Alps and all we could do now was to sit and wait, for what I knew not. But I still had the will to live, and hopes that a rescue party from a nearby village would reach us were ever present in my mind. As I lay there I could visualise this party making ready to climb hundreds of feet upward to where we were.

For two whole days we waited. The nights were long and cold. On the third morning, I was gazing dejectedly yet ever hopefully down the forbidding slope, when I thought I saw a long line of men climbing towards us. I watched them coming closer, then I overcame my weakness, and from sheer joy, yelled until my throat and lungs could stand no more. My terrible experience was over.

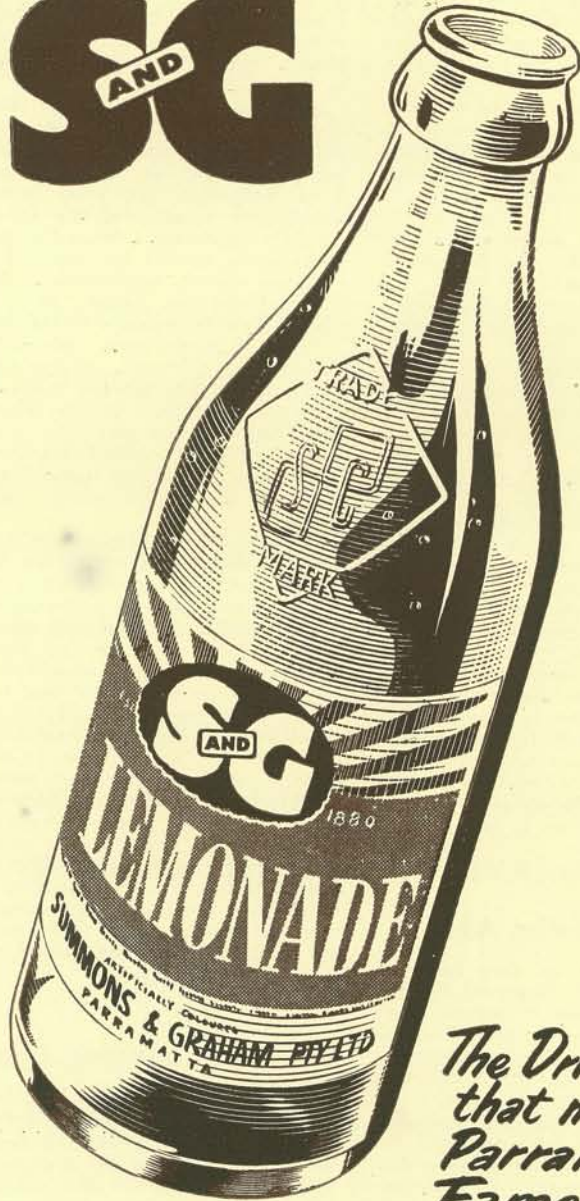
—D. Stynes, 3A.

On Changing One's Mind.

Just as it is essential to let a fresh, cleansing breeze through a room every now and then, so it is essential to air one's views so that old-fashioned ideas may be swept away. One of the misfortunes of this world is that too many people shut out this wind and flatly refuse to change their opinions or to compromise their principles.

A person's views should remain forever flexible and the worst thing that can happen is that they become rusty and immovable. When there is change and ventilation of ideas, one's mind is kept active and life is interesting and productive. Fixed opinions can be both ridiculous and dangerous. An exaggerated example would be an adjudicator of a debate who

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awards the points before hearing the speeches, or, a scientist who, after obtaining a certain result in an experiment, does not take into account later evidence to the contrary.

It is quite a widely held belief that not changing from one's set principles is a sign of strength of character. I question the validity of such an idea. Surely it takes greater strength of character to decide quickly and decisively on the course of action to be taken, than to be guided in all decisions by fixed principles. This fault is found in most of us. We tend to generalise and not to weigh each individual situation on its own merits. We inevitably think back to past events, very often borrowing a bias and a prejudice associated with these events, and allowing it to colour the judgement in the instance under present consideration.

Pride is also a factor in this problem. People refuse to acknowledge their mistakes and refuse to change an opinion even though the contrary evidence is overwhelming.

A very common fault caused by fixedness of opinions and ideas is distrust and even dislike of anything new. Thus people refuse to accept (or they do so very reluctantly), new mechanical inventions, revised scientific theories and new styles in anything from literature to hair-does. This problem is still serious in our day of the introduction of automation, as it was in the days of the industrial revolution. Progress is obviously retarded by this narrow-minded attitude, and it must be overcome if we are to obtain a sensible and effective communal life.

—T. Meiusi, 4A.

My Neighbour's Dogs.

I hate dogs. My neighbour has three. My neighbour and I often quarrel.

On this particular night I went to bed early. I was just dozing off to sleep when an alley cat intruded into my neighbour's backyard. The three dogs were chained and the cat stayed just out of their reach. This drove them to more barking and also it drove me from my side window, whence I was watching, into my backyard. In the cold night air, fuming with an inner heat, I selected some stones, estimated the position on the other side of the high brick wall, and threw the first stone. No result, so I cast several more. Although the cat was knocked unconscious it toppled over, apparently, just out of reach of the first chained dog. More barking, and nothing had been achieved to better the position. Again I threw more stones over the wall, and from the human howls I concluded that my neighbour, emerging to investigate the commotion, had inadvertently walked into the path followed by one of the stones. I rushed inside, my anger somewhat appeased.

Next morning I decided I must take more direct action. It would be more than useless to approach my neighbour on the matter, so on the way home that afternoon I purchased two things; first, some of the choicest off-cuts of beef that the butcher would sell me, and, second the most potent poison I could persuade the chemist to part with. That night I prepared my baits and while my neighbour was out

giving his darlings their daily walk I substituted my meat for their carefully prepared evening meal. Soon, I thought, my troubles would be over.

As luck would have it, my neighbour had gone to a dog show, not to exercise the mongrels, and when he returned very late, he threw out my baits. He must have thought that they had been left too long and that the meat was now unfit for canine consumption.

During the next few nights the dogs were barking nearly every night. Then I had my second and final inspiration. I went to visit my friend, a member of a gun club, and for a few pounds (a paltry sum, all considered), and from him I bought an old rifle and a few rounds of ammunition.

Borrowing a ladder from my neighbour on the other side, I decided to do the job in style. Next night I placed the ladder against the wall and quickly ascended. Curse it, the dogs were in their kennels. "Psst," I hissed, and one animal emerged, growling suspiciously. Quickly, taking aim, I fired, wounding the dog through the ear. In the squealing and barking interlude that followed, I managed to make good my retreat.

In the ensuing court proceedings I was fined £15 for discharging a firearm in a populated area, but my neighbour was ordered to stop his dogs from barking for at least three nights a week.

Perhaps I am biased, but I still hate dogs.

—R. Frost, 3A

Spring.

A delicate odour is borne on the wings of the morning breeze,

Of leaves and grass and new turned earth,
And happy birds sing happy songs in leafy trees,
Rejoicing in welcome to Spring's long awaited birth.

Spring's belated arrival fills the woods with whispered tales of love,

As the pine tree rustles with laughter and tosses its mantle of green,
Sweetly sings in placid contentment the silver-breasted dove,

Calling his shy mate to share the delights of this fresh scene.

The lark starts up from his downy bed in the meadow there,

Breaking the gossamer nets and threads of dew,
And climbs the sunny heights of perfumed air,
Then swoops and dives in the heavenly vault, a flash of blue.

On a lake's flowered water glides a graceful swan,
Peering at her mirrored reflection with painted courtisan's care,

Smoothing ruffled feathers so that she may attract a mate,

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—John Ingram, 4A.

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The Language of Animals.

People often wonder whether animals do speak to each other. It can't be proved scientifically that they do, but I propose to give just a few examples of the way in which animals do make use of "language."

Animal language is not just the mere uttering of sounds. Humans have a language of facial expressions and of gestures, so animals, too, can express fear, caution, joy, grief, gratitude and despair in ways other than by making sounds. A dog's language involves more than just barking. Dogs communicate by smell, muscle tenseness, the raising of the hair, and by wagging or thumping their tails.

Rabbits, when in mortal danger, utter piercing screams. Giraffes, also, although supposed to be mute, have been known to make a peculiar gurgling whimper, and mothers call to their young by whistling.

Even marine creatures do a lot of talking. The ocean is full of peculiar squeaking and cackling sounds. Scientists have used microphones to listen to the various sounds in the water. They report having heard noises like that of coal tumbling down a chute and the sounds of heavy chains being dragged over wooden floors.

Dolphins speak in at least three known sounds. One is a snapping sound made with the jaws, and the others are whistling and barking sounds. The whale's language is made up of high-pitched whistles, squeaks, ticking and clucking sounds, meowing, chirps, bell-like noises and even a peculiar trilling noise. All these carry long distances under water.

In many cases the language of domestic animals can be easily understood. The cat's purr and the different ways it meows enable humans to understand what it wants and how it feels. A dog's language can also be understood. An excited bark of joy or welcome can be heard when his master returns home. When a prowler is around, a snarl gives ample warning. Easily distinguished from other language sounds is the yelp of terror.

Now, the question arises as to whether animals learn their language by imitating others of their kind. To find the answer to this question a scientist isolated an ape from the time of its birth until it was five years old. He could still make himself understood by other apes. This indeed would make many humans envious. The ape apparently knows his language by instinct.

The language of alarm is the most popular in animaldom. The hairy marmot of Alaska is an example in point. The golden eagle is extremely fond of "marmotburger," but to avoid being on the menu, the marmot warns his fellows by emitting a long piercing whistle. Immediately all the marmots for a mile around head for underground shelter. When the danger has passed, the sentry emerges and sounds the "all clear" with a low pitched whistle.

Monkeys have been known to preach. In fact, in South America, a monkey called locally, "the preacher of the woods" separates himself from the rest of the tribe and addresses the others. His gestures and facial expressions would put any campaigning politician to shame. His audience is almost human in its reactions to his oratory. Many drift off to sleep while others utter cries of disgust.

—R. Mouritz, 3A.



Character Sketch—Heard on a Bus.

"She's just the same as ever. She flounces down the stairs every evening in a dress that caused a sensation in the '90's. She is a devil incarnate to the servants. At dinner the waiter doesn't escape—she looks at him as though he were some species of newt, and, of course, nowadays, waiters won't tolerate that sort of thing. The domestics take it in turn to attend to her. Not that I blame them."

"You mean your old Aunt—the one who used to be an actress? Oh, well, I haven't seen her in years. Last time I saw her, she told me that she was sick and ailing badly. I didn't believe a word of it. She looked as fit as a fiddle. She was forever trying new potions to 'cure' her. But, naturally, she had to take care of herself and her health—"

"Health? Don't mention that word. I remember, quite recently, when I went to visit her at that abominable hole where she hides herself away from the world. She calls it a spa; a misnomer if ever there was one. There she was terrorising the staff and the other boarders . . ."

"Yes. She's quite an old battleaxe, but she must have been quite right an actress in her day."

"Well, yes, and no. People who saw her say she had talent, but not enough imagination. She didn't make her parts come to life. She went in more for that Restoration Drama—she became typed. But, experience—she worked through the provinces from one end to the other, I don't know just how many times."

"She must be quite well-off, then?"

"Not really, though you might think so. She calls herself a woman of independent means, and, of course, she's frightfully reactionary, but that's because she sees things in a nineteenth century way."

"I suppose she faded out gracefully?"

"More or less. She just grew out of fashion—became outmoded, a relic of the past and out of step with the times. She was forced into the provinces until she gradually disappeared into obscurity. She was drifting aimlessly when an old actor friend of hers suggested "The Esplanade," a dreary private boarding house with a pretentious name. And, there she is to this day, a 'memento mori' to the living—a tribute to an almost forgotten past."

—J. Fenton, 4A.

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The idea of establishing a School Memorial Oval was first suggested by our Headmaster, Mr. R. A. Golding, at an Old Boys' function some four and a half years ago. This suggestion was promptly and enthusiastically adopted. Pupils, staff, old boys and parents alike, their imagination fired by the very boldness of the scheme and eager to accept the challenge implicit in a task of such proportions, immediately went into action and by strenuous and unremitting effort soon collected a considerable sum of money in the furtherance of their aim.

The peak in fund-raising activities came in 1954/55, when the Strathfield Municipal Council adopted the proposal for the construction of an oval in Airey Park and undertook to find the balance of the money necessary for the carrying out of this work.

It was a red-letter day in the annals of Homebush High School when, on 10th May, 1955, the ceremony of the "Turning of the first Sod" took place in the presence of a large and representative gathering. The oval was at last under way, and work has been proceeding steadily ever since.

Since that first memorable ceremony, there have been two others — not nearly so impressive, perhaps, but each important in its way. First, in February of this year, we had a three-day "Ceremony of the collecting and planting couch runners" and then, on the afternoon of Wednesday, 21st August, the "Ceremony of weed deracination", in which all members of the school were zealous and perspiring participants. The weeding operation having been certified as satisfactory by the fifty-odd overseers, the oval was then declared ready for the final top-dressing.

As we go to press, plans are in hand for the most important ceremony of all, the official opening of the Homebush High School Memorial Oval by His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant General E. W. Woodward, on December 7th, at 2.30 p.m.

In conclusion, it is fitting that we pay tribute and tender our sincerest and most grateful thanks to all who have assisted us in any way in this splendid and worth-while project. Especially do we remember with gratitude and affection that fine gentleman and wonderful friend of our school, the late Alderman Cave, to whose whole-hearted support and unflagging interest in our endeavours we largely owe the fine playing field that is shortly to be an adornment and an invaluable acquisition to Homebush High as well as a worthy and enduring memorial to those Old Boys of long ago, who, fresh from this school and barely out of their teens, served their Country in the Second World War.

SPORTSMASTER'S FOREWORD

What should a schoolboy learn from Sport?

There are many answers to this question — self-discipline, co-operation, team-spirit — but by far the most important lesson, to my mind, is to play all sport in the true sporting spirit — to be a keen student of the game, to play it intelligently and fairly.

It is very nice to win a match, but we should be able to enjoy the game for its own sake, regardless of the final result, for, after all, someone must lose.

At Homebush, we pride ourselves that a large majority of us learn this all-important lesson. We are not all experts, but most of us are the triers of "good sports", who become useful additions to sporting clubs when our schooldays are over.

Further news of Old Boys: It is pleasing to note that two of our Old Boys are in the Wallaby Team to tour Great Britain — Arthur Summons (1952) and Geoff. Vaughan (1950) — we congratulate them both on their fine sporting achievement.



SPORTS AWARDS

CLASS COMPETITIONS

Cricket: Unfinished.

Rugby: Senior 4C/5C, 4D/5D, Third Year 3C, Second Year 2G, First Year, 1F.

Tennis: Senior, Third Year, Junior, Second Year.

A.A.A. OF C.H.S. BLUES

Cricket: J. Hickey.

Rugby: P. Joyce, R. Newey, J. Hickey, D. Marriott.
Soccer: P. Vassella, R. Hayes, T. Peters, R. Cottle, F. Hansen, G. Beard, R. Freeman, H. Spinks.

Tennis: R. Pearce.

Water Polo: B. Bilinsky, J. Elliott.

SCHOOL BLUES

Cricket: J. Hickey, D. Cathro, A. Bloom.

Rugby: J. Hickey, P. Joyce, R. Newey, D. Marriott, D. Warner, B. Connott, S. Fletcher, R. Turner.

Soccer: P. Vassella, R. Hayes, T. Peters, R. Cottle, F. Hansen, G. Beard, R. Freeman, H. Spinks, K. Fitzpatrick.

Tennis: R. Pearce, R. Benjamin, R. Smith, J. Ringrose.

Athletics: D. Warner.

Water Polo: B. Bilinsky, J. Elliott.

CHAMPIONSHIP PENNANTS

Swimming: Senior, R. Newey; Junior Under 16, J. Elliott; Junior Under 15, K. Jonsen; Juvenile Under 14, D. Black; Juvenile Under 13, D. Jamieson.

Athletics: Senior, D. Warner; Junior Under 16, D. Burns; Junior Under 15, W. Yeomans; Juvenile Under 14, B. Connors; Juvenile Under 13, T. Kirk, M. Dale equal.

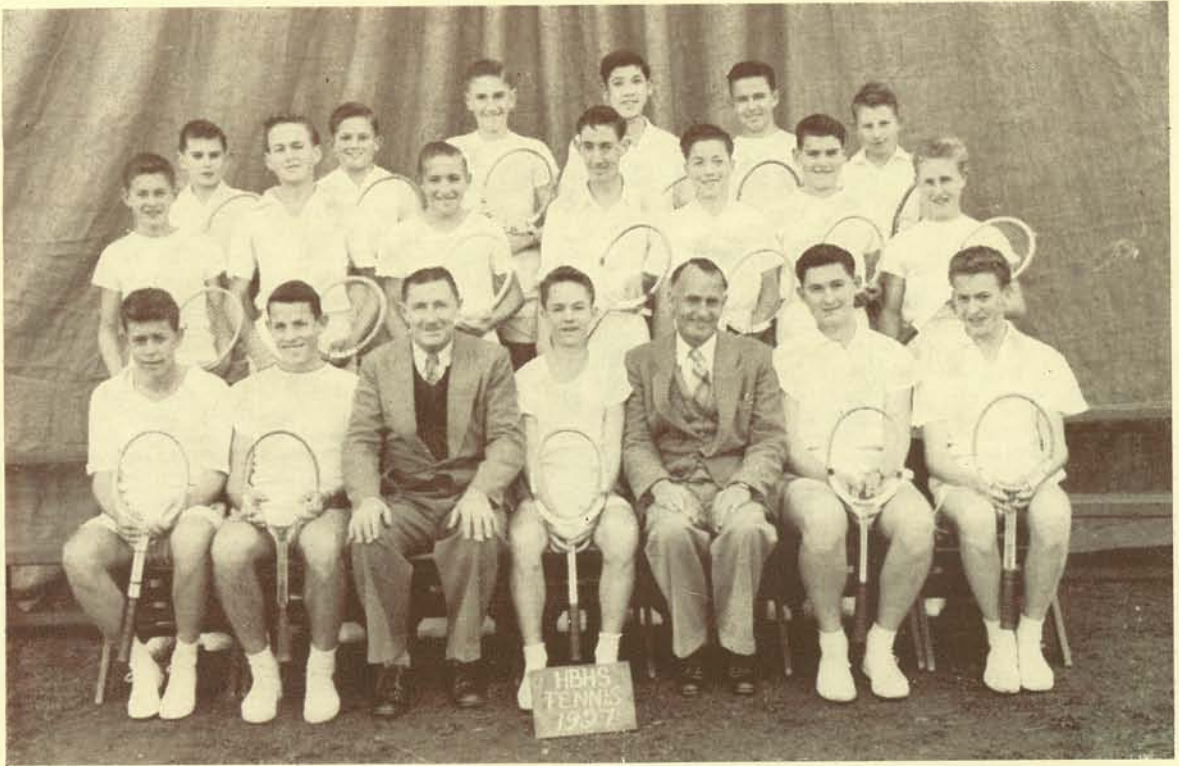
Tennis: R. Smith, A. Grade; R. Higgins, B. Grade.

Referees (Officially Recognised by Head Bodies).

Rugby: Philip Matthews, Burland Pomery.

Soccer: John Edwards, Dennis Baldock, William Kapp,

Alan Jones, Brian Tompson, Harry Bromwich.



GRADE TENNIS GROUP

Back row: G. Langham, W. Costin, R. Meyenn, C. Yuan, J. McMullen, J. Carrol. Middle row: J. Ringrose, R. Gregg, G. Peters, B. Elder, R. Conway, C. Ryman, D. Dunn. Seated: G. Fisher, R. Phelan, Mr. S. Jones, R. Benjamin, Mr. H. Quail, R. Smith, G. Robertson.

TENNIS

Competition: First and Second Grade teams played well in the competition, Seconds, led by Bob Phelan, winning their zone, and by defeating Sydney Technical High by five sets to three, becoming premiers in Second Grade. Firsts were undefeated till the second last match, when they went down before the big guns of Canterbury High, led by Martin Mulligan, No. 1 junior in the State. Seconds comprised: R. Phelan (capt.), G. Fisher, G. Peters, B. Elder, G. Robertson. Thirds and Fourths were not up to usual standard, but C. Ryman, captain of Thirds and C. Yuan and R. Meyenn of Fourths, showed distinct promise. The following is an analysis of the point score.

| Grade | Played | Won | Lost | Drew |
|--------|--------|-----|------|------|
| First | 8 | 6 | 2 | 0 |
| Second | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| Third | 9 | 5 | 4 | 0 |
| Fourth | 9 | 3 | 6 | 0 |

In the aggregate points which determined the Zone champion school, we were third to Enmore and Canterbury. We hasten to congratulate these schools and look forward to greater success next year. Robert Pearce, a newcomer from Ashfield Junior High, gained selection in the combined C.H.S. team against Northern High Schools. He therefore gains a C.H.S. Tennis Blue. Awards of School Blues are as follows: R. Pearce, R. Benjamin, R. Smith, J. Ringrose.

Teams representing the School were:

Firsts: R. Benjamin (capt.), R. Smith, R. Pearce, J. Ringrose.

Seconds: R. Phelan (capt.), G. Fisher, G. Peters, B. Elder, G. Robertson.

Thirds: C. Ryman (capt.), R. Conway, D. Dunne, R. Gregg, I. Shanks.

Fourths: C. Yuan (capt.), J. Carrol, R. Meyenn, J. McMullen, G. Langham, W. Costyn.

The following were selected to represent Homebush against Tamworth: R. Benjamin (capt.), R. Smith, R. Pearce, J. Ringrose, R. Phelan, G. Fisher, G. Peters. The team had an enjoyable time and lost only one set.

School Championships: The Annual School Championships are well under way. Already in the semi-finals of the A grade are: R. Benjamin, R. Smith, G. Peters, J. Ringrose. There was a large entry for the B Grade Championships. These have commenced, but have been held up by the weather.

Representing their respective districts in Inter-District Competition are: R. Smith (Tremlett Cup), and J. Ringrose, G. Fisher, R. Pearce, G. Peters and C. Ryman.

A most popular innovation this year for Second Year players was an American Tournament, on a change your partner basis. All players showed a noticeable improvement in play during the course of the contest, which was won by R. McCall (2A), with W. Costyn (2B) runner-up. The Second Years are to be congratulated on their high standard of dress and court behaviour. We hope to see some of them in the Grade teams in the next year or two. Incidentally, R. McCall lost only three games out of a possible 49 during the competition.



FIRST XV

Back Row: R. Hine, R. Newey, D. Turner, P. Joyce, V. Driksna, J. Saunders. *Second row:* W. Martin P. Lake, D. Marriott, B. Bilinsky, R. Ashton, D. Warner, R. Hinksman. *Seated:* Mr. Mason, R. Burgoyne, B. Connett, Mr. Golding, J. Hickey (captain), A. Roy, Winterfeldt, Mr. Colley.

RUGBY UNION

Points for and Against

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th |
|-------------------|--------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| Macquarie | 26-0 | 17-0 | 49-0 | 6-3 | 14-0 | 9-0 |
| Penrith | 19-3 | — | 3-8 | 27-0 | 15-3 | 20-3 |
| Parramatta | 24-14 | 19-13 | 9-12 | 24-8 | 51-3 | 20-3 |
| Hurlstone | 3-8 | 3-3 | 3-25 | 12-8 | 17-20 | 3-10 |
| Fort Street | 24-9 | 3-39 | 11-16 | 9-3 | 5-3 | 6-3 |
| Penrith | 26-0 | — | 5-0 | 18-0 | 26-3 | 16-0 |
| Macquarie | 22-0 | 25-0 | 50-0 | 14-8 | 6-5 | 6-6 |
| Hurlstone | 5-19 | 3-8 | 3-11 | 16-8 | 0-18 | 3-3 |
| Fort Street | 0-9 | 0-15 | 3-16 | 6-13 | 12-0 | 9-0 |
| Drummoyne | 9-3 | — | 13-0 | 21-6 | 6-3 | 3-13 |
| Canterbury | 9-8 | 3-15 | 0-16 | 14-0 | 8-6 | 0-8 |
| Parramatta | 13-9 | 3-3 | 3-8 | 35-0 | 42-0 | 19-0 |
| Totals | 180-82 | 76-96 | 152-112 | 202-57 | 202-64 | 114-69 |

FIRST GRADE

The First Fifteen acquitted itself quite well throughout the season. Under the capable leadership of J. Hickey, the team played some splendid football, the outstanding games being against Hurlstone and Canterbury. In these matches, Hurlstone proved too strong and our congratulations go to them for winning our division. Our only other loss was to Fort Street, who avenged an earlier defeat.

P. Joyce and R. Newey gained C.H.S. Blues when selected for the C.H.S. Firsts, as did J. Hickey and D. Marriot who played with the C.H.S. Seconds. Each of these players is to be congratulated for his fine performances in the C.H.S. teams.

School Blues were awarded to:

P. Joyce, R. Newey, J. Hickey, D. Marriott.

The annual fixture against the Old Boys was the best ever, and after a keenly contested game before

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a fairly large crowd the Old Boys ran out victors by 16 to 14. The dance and barbecue which followed at the School were enjoyed by a large gathering. Next year this match will be played on "The School Oval" at Airey Park.

The trip to Tamworth was a great success whilst the hospitality extended to the teams by the Staff and pupils of T.H.S. was up to the usual high standard shown our visiting teams in the past — many thanks, Tamworth.

Now for the players:—

J. Hickey: School and C.H.S. Blue. Captained the team well. His long kicking and outstanding defence at fullback was a feature of his game.

B. Connett: School Blue. Vice Captain, leader of a fine pack of forwards, inspired his team mates with robust play in the breakaway position. He should gain C.H.S. Honours next year.

P. Joyce: Excellent "prop" whose fine all-round play gained him a place in the C.H.S. Firsts against R.M.C. Duntroun, Combined Associated Schools and Combined G.P.S.

B. Hine, J. Driksna, P. Lake, R. Bilinsky, R. Hinksman and R. Turner were good hard rucking forwards who played best when the going was toughest.

D. Warner and D. Marriot: Two of the best all-round forwards in the competition, both capable goal kickers. Marriot represented in the C.H.S. Seconds against Combined Associated Schools where he landed seven fine goals. Warner was the utility man of the team, playing with distinction in practically every position in the back line.

R. Newey and S. Fletcher: Fine pair of centres whose spectacular runs ended in many tries. Newey gained C.H.S. representation, his display against Combined Associated Schools being outstanding.

A. Roy and J. Saunders: The "flyers" of the team and once clear it was only a matter of "shutting the gate".

W. Martin: Five-eight, recruited from class ranks and showed remarkable improvement. Has shown prospects of gaining C.H.S. representation. We were unlucky to lose our star halfback, A. Ashton early in the season through injury. This position was capably filled by B. Burgoyne and later by V. Winterfeldt. These two players showed their versatility by starring either as backs or forwards.

The team would like to thank Mr. Golding for his continued support and guidance which were at all times an inspiration to us. We were pleased to see our coach, Mr. Mason back again on the job and we appreciate the invaluable help he gave in conditioning and moulding us into a team.

SECOND GRADE

The team was a happy combination if not a match-winning one, of high quality. Taken all round the season was a successful one, because the boys improved their Rugby considerably, and their attitude, spirit and conduct was a credit to every member of the team.

Schwarzer, centre, Freckleton, five-eight, and Driksna, breakaway, shared the responsibility of leading the team at some stage of the competition.

The strength of the team lay in a pack of forwards which improved in cohesion, vigour and fire, as the season progressed. Wakeling, Russell and Driksna proved fast reliable back row forwards. Rainis, as well as gaining valuable possession from lineouts, was a tower of strength in the tight play. Barlow, Elliott, Hine, Plaude, Eldridge and Clift made up a pack which had no peer in the competition.

For a number of reasons the backs presented a different picture each time they went onto the field. It is understandable that under these conditions they did not always develop a smooth combination.

Firth and Freckleton played steadily and with understanding as halves. Schwarzer, Cooper, Anderson and Birrell played well in the centres while Henry and Poulton ran with determination and tackled well on the wings.

Silvester at fullback, linked up with his backs as the opportunity offered and kicked and positioned himself well.

THIRD GRADE

Throughout the season we had a large number of injuries to the team and replacements to the higher grades were very heavy, the number for one match reaching six replacements.

Nevertheless the team won more than half of the matches, finishing well up in the competition, but without championship possibilities.

The policy that was adopted of training younger players in this grade will show returns in the higher grades next season.

Our congratulations go to Canterbury (Zone winner) and to Sydney High (competition winner), on their success this year.

Our thanks go to Mr. Tester who coached us this year.

Team: W. Comans (capt.), D. Roe, K. Radford, T. Moore, G. Scoble, R. Green, E. Rourke, P. Read, G. Adam, C. Plaude, P. deBeuzeville, P. Steele, I. Ezzy, A. Stead, M. Celinskis, R. Laws, B. Hall, J. Anderson, D. Nelson, J. Favelle, R. Watt, R. Connelly.

FOURTH GRADE

This team experienced a successful and most enjoyable season. Finishing in an equal first position with Fort Street, it was eliminated from the zone final by a 9-5 defeat in the play-off against that School. That the team was able to do so well was a tribute to it, as it was probably the smallest team in the competition and often gave away a tremendous weight advantage.

This spirit, however, was typical of a team whose approach to Rugby left little to be desired. The keenness and enthusiasm, the sportsmanship and team spirit, were of the highest order, and made the position of coach not only an easy one, but a most enjoyable one.

The football throughout the season was based on a speedy back-line which was fed by a small but mobile pack of forwards, who gained a feast of ball from lineouts, scrums and rucks on every occasion. Probably the major fault in the team was the lack of that additional fire and vigour — that "tiger" — which drives a player into doing things first rather than trying to counter the opposition's work. The team was ably captained by five-eight McGuinness, who was a safe pivot and often initiated try-scoring movements. He received good service from half backs, Hughes and Arnott, both of whom continued to get the ball away no matter how pressed. The centres, Yeomans and Thomas, ran strongly, always concentrating on positioning their outside supports, and being particularly safe in defence. Their efforts were appreciated by the wingers — Pogson, Burns, Munro, Aiken and Sherman — who showed speed and determination in scoring the majority of the teams tries.

Yates, at fullback, was an invaluable last line of defence in whom everyone had the utmost confidence. Not only was his handling and defensive work excellent, but many tries came from his intelligent joining of the back line.

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The forwards did all that could be asked of them. Aylett, Alpen, McFarlane, Hansford, Taragel, Page, Jonsen and Elphinstone made up a pack which set out to feed its backs at all times, and that they were successful in gaining a majority of the ball in every match, proves that their work was excellently done.

FIFTH GRADE

Team: A. Farnsworth (capt.), D. Herd, D. Black, E. Barnett, B. Connors, J. Christie, M. Reynolds, W. Wilson, A. Bilinsky, D. Collard, B. Origlass, R. Hay, A. Smith, T. Pierce, D. Moylan, C. Deegan.

The Fifth Grade team would like to congratulate Hurlstone Fifths, who won the competition. Our team, an evenly balanced group with no weak links, gave a very good account of itself.

The forwards, led by Bilinsky, Hay and Collard, proved to be a competent pack, but sometimes they did not get the ball to the excellent back-line. In the backs, Herd played very well at five-eight, and the two wingers, Connors and Barnett, scored many tries. The Captain, Farnsworth, played very well and was an inspiration to the side. The team's most commend-

able feature was an improvement in tackling, which alone saved many tries. Black, as full-back, played excellently. The team scored its best victories over Fort Street, Parramatta and Canterbury.

The team would like to thank Mr. Quinlan, our coach, for the interest he showed during the season.

SIXTH GRADE

The team: R. Marlow (capt.), J. Sutton (vice-capt.), R. Young, A. Harris, W. Aunapuu, O. Jeffreys, T. Kirk, G. Smith, R. Dwyer, C. Bilinsky, S. Lazareff, I. McDonald, R. Frost, M. Castles, N. Davidson, W. Latham, D. Jameson, G. Murdock.

The forwards were a good even pack, that always held its own; but the backs, although they played some good games, lacked initiative, with a little more pace near the scrum and more determined tackling by all, this should develop into a good team.

In the backs, Kirk was outstanding, while Marlow and Sutton were consistent. McDonald, Dwyer and Latham were the best of the forwards. The whole team deserves praise for its conduct both on and off the field of play.



FIRST GRADE SOCCER

Back row: D. Cathro, B. Smallbone. Centre rows H. S pinks, R. Cottle, J. Langtry, R. Squires, R. Hayes, D. MacIntosh, J. Pennicook, F. Hansen. Seated: Mr. S. Broome, D. Johnson, A. Peters (capt.), Mr. R. A. Golding (Principal), P. Vassella, K. Fitzpatrick, Mr. K. Colley. Absent: G. Beard (vice capt.), R. Freeman.

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FIRST GRADE

Team: A. Peters (capt.), G. Beard (vice-capt.), P. Vassella, R. Hayes, R. Cottle, K. Fitzpatrick, R. Freeman, F. Hansen, D. MacIntosh, H. Spinks, R. Smallbone, D. Cathro, J. Pennicook, D. Johnson, J. Langtry, R. Squires.

The C.H.S. Soccer Competition was divided into two zones this year to enable the numerous new schools to compete.

For the second successive year Homebush were undefeated premiers, beating Macquarie, the other zone premiers, in the final, 6 goals to 1. To Macquarie we would like to express our thanks for a great final and to sympathise with them for meeting us on one of our best days.

In all, Homebush played 12 games in which we scored 49 goals for and 3 against. The team was very well balanced being both penetrating in attack and sound in defence. Their excellent teamwork, combined with their demeanour both on and off the field were a credit to Homebush High. The team owes much to the capable and inspiring leadership given by the captain, Tony Peters, and the vice captain, Geoff Beard.

The forwards were more effective than last year's, resulting in the three inside forwards scoring freely — T. Peters 14, R. Cottle 16, R. Hayes 11, P. Vassella and K. Fitzpatrick played exceptionally well on the wings, each providing many scoring opportunities.

The halves, G. Beard, F. Hansen and H. Spinks, were by far the best combination in the C.H.S. competition and had much to do with our success.

The backs, R. Freeman and D. MacIntosh, although not overworked, were consistent and were seldom beaten. The same could be said for goalkeepers, R. Smallbone and D. Cathro, who allowed only three goals to be scored against us.

J. Langtry, J. Pennicook, D. Johnson and R. Squires blended very smoothly into the team in various positions and played well.

Homebush had seven representatives in the C.H.S. First Grade:— P. Vassella, R. Hayes, T. Peters, R. Cottle, F. Hansen, G. Beard and R. Freeman, whilst H. Spinks was a reserve and played one match. This "Homebush C.H.S. First Grade, won all its matches, scoring 21 goals for 1 against.

We offer our sincere thanks to Mr. Broome, our coach, who worked tirelessly throughout the year to give us a very enjoyable season. We would also like to thank Mrs. Broome and the mothers who helped to supply a very much appreciated party.

In conclusion it might be noted that Homebush High won the School Soccer Championship this year for points obtained in the four grades of C.H.S. Soccer.

SECOND GRADE

The team played very well, and should have finished higher up the competition table. However, just when goals were required, the forwards seemed to have an off-day. A little emulation of the Hungarian 'shooting' would pay big dividends next year.

Goalkeepers, Elliott and Rolfe carried out their job well, and brought off some good saves.

Millington and Craft proved a strong defence, but at times they wandered too far up field, and the opposition were able to score.

The half-back line was altered several times due mainly to Norgate being injured. Owen and Cotterill were fairly safe, while Walker, McLean and Graf played well when required.

The forward line contained some fine individual players, but the combination could have been better. Duffy showed a great turn of speed on occasions. Liddle was very reliable while Parjel sometimes forgot where to 'shoot'. Gorman showed much promise while Clark was always a danger to the opposition. Sage tried hard whenever required. Last but not least was Brian Gray who captained the team in an excellent manner, and played wherever most effort was required. It is pleasing to note that both Gray and Millington were selected in the C.H.S. Second Team to play Newcastle.

The team: B. Gray (capt.), J. Millington (vice capt.), N. Elliott, T. Rolfe, R. Craft, R. Owen, L. Norgate, P. McLean, R. Walker, P. Cotterill, K. Graf, P. Duffy, G. Liddle, R. Clark, J. Parjel, S. Gorman, N. Sage.

THIRD GRADE

Team: N. Brisby (capt.), L. Bath, B. Maxwell, K. Robb, J. Filmer, A. Swinfield, T. Gilmore, J. Emmas, B. Liddle, G. Herps, K. McIntyre, R. Manning, B. Waights, C. Norgate.

This team did well to win the B Division competition.

In the Premiership Final against Cleveland Street, after attacking the goal for most of the game without success, Homebush was beaten in the last five minutes by a solo effort from the opposing captain. Our congratulations go to Cleveland Street for winning the Competition. Analysing the goals scored — 14 for and 4 against — it will be seen that this team must score more goals, and this can only be achieved by accurate kicking and a constant attack on the goal itself. Too many opportunities were missed by passing in front of the goal, and by trying to 'walk' the ball into the goal, rather than making definite shots from a distance.

The team was ably led by captain Neil Brisby, who played well throughout the season.

Our congratulations go to B. Maxwell, L. Bath, A. Swinfield, T. Gilmore and J. Emmas, who were chosen to play in the C.H.S. Thirds at Newcastle.

FOURTH GRADE

The Fourths played well during the season, finishing second in the Zone B competition. Passing was very good and team work improved as the season progressed. However, failure to shoot for goals from a distance cost the team many points.

Team: B. Snitch (capt.), J. Hogg, B. Jones, T. Yuile, J. Dale, R. Hill, C. Reynolds, R. Rose, C. Thomas, S. Bryant, A. Johnson, V. Smith, W. Milne, R. Mudford.

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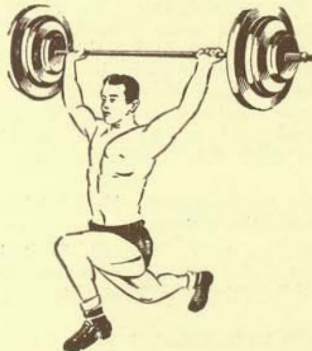
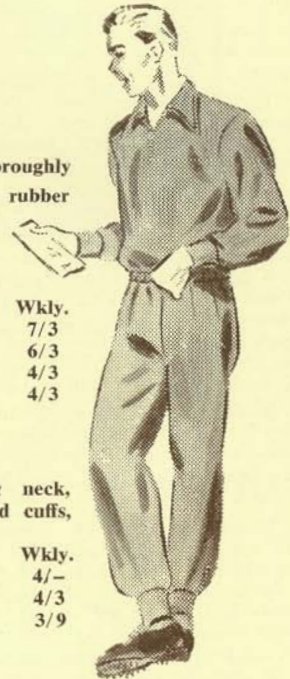
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FIRST XI

Back row: Mr. K. Colley, R. Benjamin, J. Pennicook, J. Mitchell, B. Smallbone, G. Stafford. *Seated:* A. Bloom, R. Smith, A. Peters, Mr. R. A. Golding, J. Hickey (capt.), G. Silvester, D. Cathro. *Inset:* Mr. P. Philpott.

CRICKET

FIRST GRADE

The First Eleven has had quite a successful season, our only defeat being in the match against Parramatta. Even with this defeat we are still leading in our zone with one competition match to play and so have good prospects of entering the final.

Examples of the fine team-work displayed can be found in the matches against Fort Street and Penrith. In these matches it was sound fielding and sensible batting along with attacking bowling that enabled us to win so convincingly. Our place in the competition can only be attributed to sound team-work and excellent coaching. Mr. Philpott provided us with the much needed coaching and improvements in all departments followed — many thanks Mr. Philpott, we really appreciate your efforts.

The Orange trip proved to be most enjoyable, as did the trip to Katoomba. Our thanks go to all concerned in the organisation of these trips.

Players: J. Hickey: Has captained the side enthusiastically and performed splendidly as a fast bowler. Jeff once again was chosen in the C.H.S. Eleven and performed creditably against Northern Schools at Newcastle.

T. Peters (vice captain): Excellent slow-medium spin bowler with some fine performances throughout the year.

D. Cathro: A fast bowler who can swing the ball to great advantage. Gained a place in the C.H.S. team against Newcastle.

A. Bloom: A reliable wicketkeeper who has helped in many dismissals throughout the year. Alan is also a reliable opening batsman.

R. Benjamin: Ron is one of our best attacking batsmen. His excellent 79 against Fort Street shows his batting ability.

G. Silvester: Left hand opening batsman, another of our attacking men. Graham, who is in Fourth year should do well next year.

G. Stafford has been our mainstay of the opening batsmen. His stylish batting has held his end up in many anxious moments.

J. Pennicook: A dependable all-rounder who has supported both batting and bowling at all times. Jack shows great fielding ability in slips.

R. Smith: Roger has not had much luck this season, but at all times has shown great batting ability.

J. Mitchell: A left hand slow spin bowler whose clever variations have sent many batsmen back to the pavilion.

R. Smallbone: Another all-rounder whose solid batting has held the side together. His slow leg-break bowling is quite effective.

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• SECOND GRADE

Team: K. Furniss (capt.), R. Hayes (vice capt.), B. Hall, R. Freeman, N. McDonald, J. Langtry, D. Mackintosh, D. Healey, P. Durrant, B. Hine, J. Ringrose, R. Higgins.

Second Grade has performed well, obtaining two outright wins and one on the first innings. The match against Hurlstone was drawn due to rain on the second day, which saved us from possible defeat.

The batting has been somewhat inconsistent. The most promising batsmen are B. Hall, D. Healey, D. Mackintosh, J. Langtry and N. McDonald. The team is fortunate in having two very good opening bowlers in Hayes and Mackintosh. Russell Hayes had two outstanding performances — 8 for 9 and 6 for 17. Don Mackintosh's best performance was 5 for 13. Richard Freeman and John Ringrose ably relieved these bowlers when required.

Keith Furniss has proved an intelligent and effective captain of this keen fielding side, while Brian Hine's wicketkeeping has been generally sound.

THIRD GRADE

Team: I. Dance (capt.), B. Morey, R. Learmonth, G. Boseley, B. Jenkins, F. Hansen, S. Fletcher, C. Russell, B. Thompson, R. Wilson.

Third Grade has won all matches to date, and with one match to go has a good chance of making the Zone Final.

The team is well balanced, and is most fortunate to have no less than five bowlers who have acquitted themselves well — Thompson 3 for 2, 4 for 13, 2 for 1; Morey 3 for 17, 5 for 10; Fletcher 2 for 0; Russell 5 for 6; Learmonth 3 for 12.

Hansen took the batting honours with scores of 62, 52 not out and 56.

FOURTH GRADE

Team: G. Peters (capt.), B. Gray (vice capt.), K. Thomas, P. Brockett, J. Millington, B. McFarland, G. Aitken, S. Gorman, D. Yabsley, R. Lovell, P. Richardson, R. Clark, G. Liddle.

Homebush, 6 for 155, (B. Gray 71, P. Brockett 23) beat Fort Street 7 for 141 in a one-day match, K. Thomas and P. Brockett taking 3 wickets each.

Punchbowl beat Homebush by 4 runs on the first innings. S. Gorman took 5 for 40, G. Yates 4 for 15. In batting, B. McFarland made 37 and S. Gorman 30.

Against East Hills, Homebush lost a very close match by one run on the first innings. Thomas 2 for 10, Brockett 3 for 16, Yates 4 for 15, bowled well. Yates took 3 smart catches in slips.

The bowling and fielding of Homebush were of high standard, but the batting will need to show improvement. Brockett, Thomas and Yates, our three fast bowlers, bowled well at all times. Our most dependable batsmen were Gray and Peters.

G. Peters was a very capable captain.

Towards the end of the 1956 season the team had a most enjoyable visit to Orange, where it succeeded in beating its hosts comfortably.

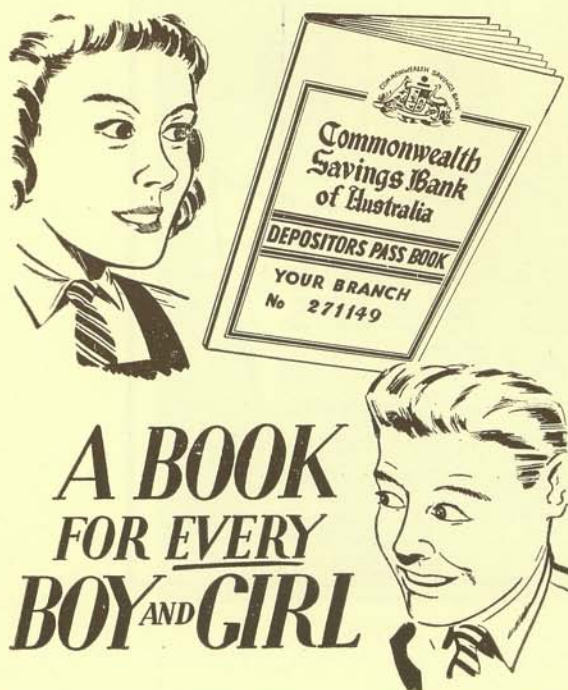
FIFTH GRADE

Team: V. Margan (capt.), N. Brisby, D. Moylan, R. Meyer, B. Maxwell, C. Yuan, P. Rowan, K. Ryan, D. Collard, H. Dearing, D. Kingston, P. McIntyre, B. Connors, R. Herbert, J. Birmingham.

Except for the addition of Ryan, Rowan and McIntyre the team remained the same as last year's Sixth Grade.

We started the season badly, losing to Fort Street, drawing with Drummoyne, and losing to Punchbowl.

Fort Street made 143 and we replied with 136, losing by a mere 7 runs. Ray Meyer took 3 for 21 and Neil Brisby and Vic. Margan scored 44 and 36 respectively in this one-day match.



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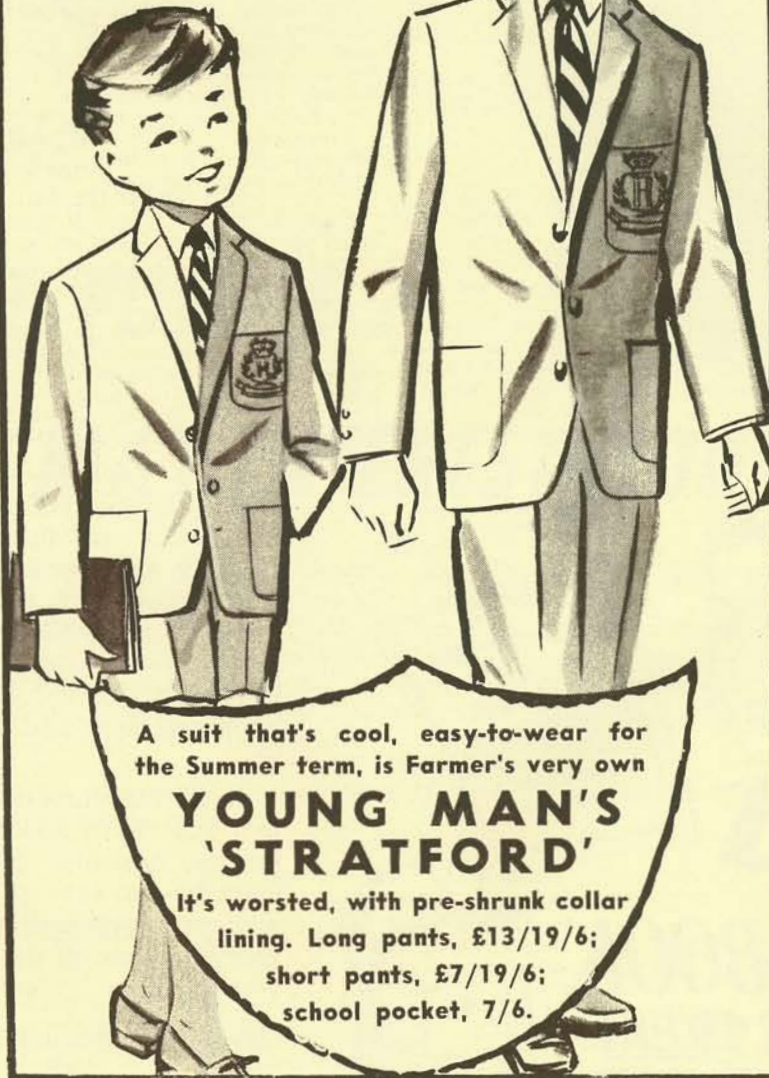
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The match against Drummoyne was washed out on the second day after we made 178. Ken Ryan scored a handy 32 runs.

Against Punchbowl we were caught on a bad wicket and could only reply with 49 to our opponents' 69.

We had a change of luck in our next match when we defeated the virtual premiers of this zone, East Hills, who made 204 runs to our 218, including 84 by Brisby and 69 by Margan.

The team has high hopes of more success next season.

SIXTH GRADE

Team: R. Marlow (capt.), J. Sutton, R. Young, M. Stevenson, P. Furniss, W. Hinson, R. West, R. Quinn, M. Rowan, C. Reynolds, C. Cannon, G. Smith, J. Haines, B. Somers.

The season began successfully with a win on the first innings over Fort Street in a one-day match. Fort Street scored 64 and Homebush replied with 5 for 70.

It was in the second match that the team suffered its only defeat to date at the hands of Drummoyne. In this one-day match, Homebush batted first and scored 78 whilst Drummoyne replied with 6 for 85. A feature of the match was the outstanding catching by the Drummoyne boys and fine stand by Haines for Homebush.

The match against Punchbowl was a game of changing fortunes. Punchbowl batted first and here Young turned in one of his several outstanding games for

Homebush. He secured a hat trick and, at one stage, Punchbowl were 6 for 13, but went on to make 69. Homebush declared at 110. On the second day, Punchbowl declared at 115 leaving Homebush 45 minutes in which to secure the 75 runs necessary for an outright win. It was at this stage that we saw the memorable batting of Stevenson, Hinson, and Marlow — the runs came up with minutes to spare.

Against East Hills we again saw fortunes fluctuating. East Hills were dismissed for 79 — a good score on the large ground and under damp conditions. In reply, Homebush could only muster 30, saving a follow-on by the minimum margin. On the second day both teams were a man short and here Young really rose to the occasion for Homebush. He played the major part in the dismissal of East Hills for 20 and in the second innings Homebush were able to muster the necessary runs for an outright win.

With one game to be played, Homebush is leading in the zone and hopes to go on to better things.

Mention must be made of the inspiring leadership of Marlow. Graceful in the social aspects of the game, a consistent batsman and bowler, he has won the respect of his team-mates and opposition. In Quinn, we have a keeper who is a peerless performer and seems destined to go on to high cricket honours. The same must be said for Young, whose speed, accuracy, condition and determination, for one of his youth, are something to marvel at.



SECOND GRADE TENNIS PREMIERS

Standing: G. Peters, G. Robertson, B. Elder. Seated: G. Fisher, Mr. S. Jones, Mr. H. Quail, R. Phelan.

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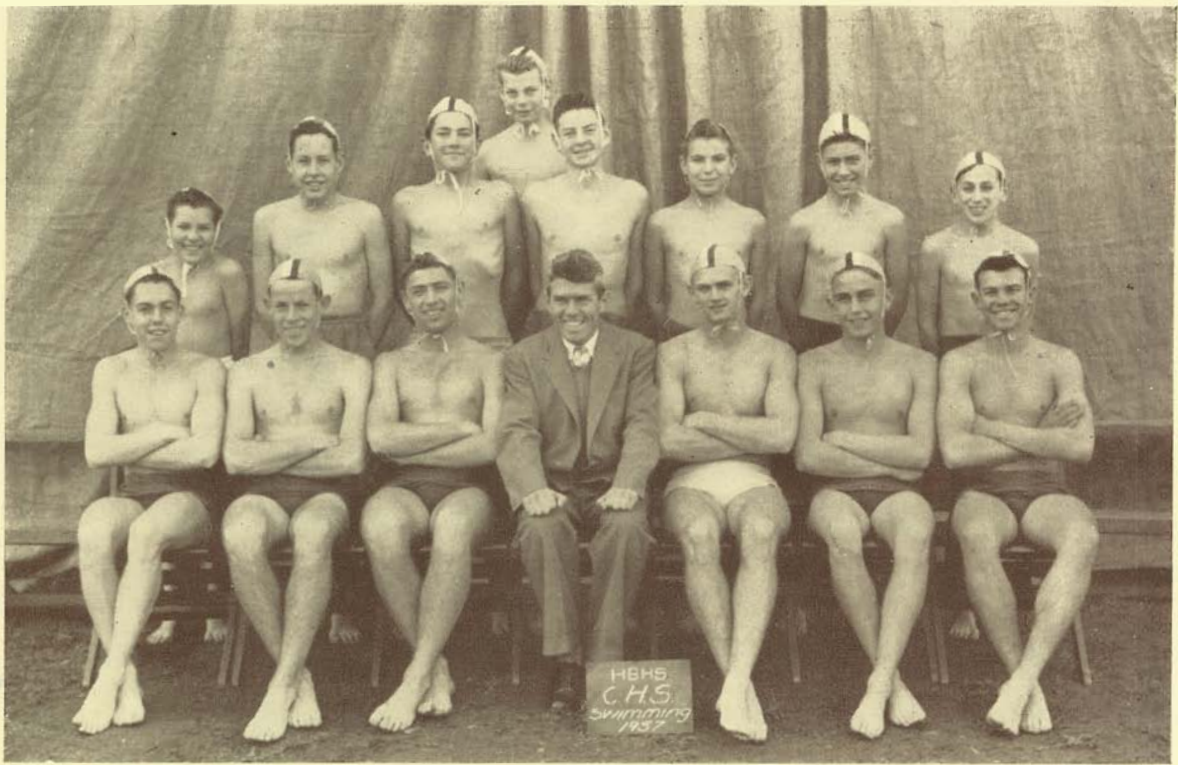
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C.H.S. SWIMMING TEAM

Rear: D. Black. *Second row:* S. Bryant, P. Kennedy, R. Frost, S. Burley, J. Origlass, Rowan, J. Gurney.
Seated: A. Roy, R. Phelan, B. Bilinsky, Mr. J. Faehrmann, R. Newey, J. Elliott, K. Jonsen.

SWIMMING SCHOOL CARNIVAL

The School held its fourteenth annual swimming carnival at Bankstown Olympic pool on Thursday, 7th March.

Although a few showers fell during the day, the weather was a decided improvement on that experienced at last year's carnival.

Jeff. Elliott set new records in the under 16 440 yards freestyle and 55 yards butterfly events. The Old Boys Union sent a team of water polo players along at lunchtime and they played the School firsts, much to the delight of the spectators.

Here are the final results:

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior: R. Newey 1, S. Chan 2, A. Roy 3.
 Under 16: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, A. Abraham 3.
 Under 15: K. Jonsen 1, L. Munro 2, B. Gray 3.
 Under 14: D. Black 1, J. Origlass 2, J. Kirk 3.
 Under 13: D. Jamieson 1, S. Bryant 2, R. Frost 3.
 Class point score: 2C 1, 3F 2, 4A 3.

SENIOR

55 yards freestyle: R. Newey 1, J. McKeever 2, S. Chan 3.
 110 yards freestyle: S. Chan 1, R. Newey 2, A. Roy 3.
 220 yards freestyle: R. Newey 1, S. Chan 2, A. Roy 3.
 440 yards freestyle: S. Chan 1, R. Newey 2, R. Milne 3.
 880 yards freestyle: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, A. Abraham 3.
 110 yards breaststroke: B. Bilinsky 1, S. Chan 2, R. Newey 3.
 110 yards butterfly: R. Newey 1, A. Roy 2, R. Phelan 3.

55 yards backstroke: S. Chan 1, A. Jones 2, J. McKeever 3.

Senior Dive: R. Newey 1, G. Burgoyne 2, M. Trachtenberg 3.

UNDER 16 YEARS

55 yards freestyle: J. Elliott 1, B. Smith 2, R. Watkins 3.

110 yards freestyle: J. Elliott 1, R. Watkins 2, S. Burley 3.

220 yards freestyle: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, A. Abraham 3.

440 yards freestyle: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, A. Abraham 3.

55 yards breaststroke: J. Elliott 1, A. Abraham 2, P. Lorsch 3.

55 yards butterfly: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, B. Hall 3.

55 yards backstroke: J. Elliott 1, S. Burley 2, A. Abraham 3.

Junior Dive: K. Jonsen 1, P. O'Connell 2.

UNDER 15 YEARS

55 yards freestyle: L. Munro 1, K. Jonsen 2, B. Gray 3.

110 yards freestyle: L. Munro 1, K. Jonsen 2, B. Gray 3.

220 yards freestyle: L. Munro 1, K. Jonsen 2, B. Gray 3.

440 yards freestyle: L. Munro 1, M. Huckstepp 2, 55 yards breaststroke: K. Jonsen 1, B. Gray 2, R. Sutton 3.

55 yards butterfly: K. Jonsen 1, B. Gray 2, K. Wybrow 3.

55 yards backstroke: P. Kennedy 1, P. Elphinstone 2, K. Jonsen 3.

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UNDER 14 YEARS

- 55 yards freestyle: D. Black 1, R. Jones 2, J. Origlass 3.
110 yards freestyle: D. Black 1, J. Origlass 2, D. Lennor 3.
220 yards freestyle: D. Black 1, J. Origlass 2, D. Lennon 3.
55 yards breaststroke: J. Kirk 1, J. Origlass 2, J. Roberts 3.
55 yards butterfly: J. Kirk 1, J. Origlass 2, D. Black 3.
55 yards breaststroke: J. Kirk 1, P. Ellem 2, D. Black 3.
Juvenile Dive: D. Black 1, J. Samin 2, J. Origlass 3.

UNDER 13 YEARS

- 55 yards freestyle: I. MacDonald 1, R. Frost 2, S. Bryant 3.
110 yards freestyle: D. Jamieson 1, C. Bilinsky 2, R. Dwyer 3.
55 yards breaststroke: R. Frost 1, C. Bilinsky 2, D. Jamieson 3.
55 yards butterfly: S. Bryant 1, D. Jamieson 2.
55 yards backstroke: S. Bryant 1, D. Jamieson 2, W. Costin 3.

NOVICE 55 YARDS FREESTYLE

- Senior: J. Hickey 1, P. Joyce 2, P. Maddock 3.
Under 16: M. Poulton 1, R. Blunden 2, R. Jennings 3.
Under 15: P. Kennedy 1, J. Blackwood 2, D. Bath 3.
Under 14: D. Herd 1, D. Collard 2, I. Atkinson 3.
Under 13: D. Slayter 1, J. Hager 2, R. Menteith 3.
Beginners' Race: O. Jeffries 1, N. Davidson 2, J. Morrison 3.

CLASS RELAY RACES

- Fifth Year: 5B 1, 5D 2, 5E 3.
Fourth Year: 4A 1, 4E 2, 4D 3.
Third Year: 3G 1, 3F 2, 3C 3.
Second Year: 2C 1, 2E 2, 2G 3.
First Year: 1C 1, 1B 2, 1F 3.

COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS' SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year saw a change in the running of the carnival. Due to the large number of competing schools, separate Zone Carnivals were held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 18th — 20th March, followed by the C.H.S. Championships on Thursday 21st.

Homebush competed on the Tuesday, where Jeff Elliott broke his brother Brian's Under 16 years 55 yards butterfly record. Two days later Jeff. bettered his own time in the final at the Championship Carnival.

The following boys were place getters in the Zone Carnival:—

- Jeff. Elliott: 1st in Under 16 Years 440 yards freestyle.
1st in Under 16 Years 55 yds. Breaststroke.
1st in Under 16 Years 55 yards Butterfly.
2nd in Senior 880 yards Freestyle.
Bohdan Bilinsky: 1st in Senior 110 yards Breaststroke.
Robert Newey: 2nd in Senior 55 yards Freestyle.
2nd in Senior Dive.
3rd in Senior 110 yards Freestyle.
3rd in Senior 110 yards Butterfly.
Arthur Roy: 3rd in Senior 440 yards Freestyle.
Stuart Burley: 3rd in Under 16 Years 220 yards Freestyle.
Keith Jonsen: 2nd in Under 15 Years 55 yards Butterfly. 3rd in Junior Dive.

Barry Gray: 3rd in Under 15 Years 55 yards Breaststroke.

Dennis Black: 3rd in Under 14 Years 220 yards Freestyle.

Stan Bryant: 1st in Under 13 Years 55 yards Backstroke.

Richard Frost: 3rd in Under 13 Years 55 yard Breaststroke.

Senior Relay Team: R. Newey, J. McKeever, S. Chan, A. Roy — 3rd place. Jeff Elliott and Keith Jonsen were finalists in the C.H.S. Championships as follows:—

Jeff Elliott: 1st in Under 16 Years 55 yards Butterfly.

2nd in Under 16 Years 440 yards Freestyle.

3rd in Senior 880 yards Freestyle.

3rd in Under 16 Years 55 yards Breaststroke.

Keith Jonsen: 1st in Junior Dive.

HOMEBUSH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL LIFESAVING CLUB

(Affiliated with the Royal Australian Lifesaving Society, N.S.W. Branch)

The Second Year of the Club's existence within the school has been successful and fruitful. Much of the lifesaving activities of the school has been initiated by the senior pupils and carried out by them in a most efficient manner. The training of various kinds which a lifesaving club provides is the type of training which will be of valuable assistance in wider spheres in later years.

1956-57 COMMITTEE

PATRON: Mr. Cullen (until April), Mr. Cowan (after April).

PRESIDENT: Arthur Roy.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Jeff Elliott.

SECRETARY: Brian Hine.

TREASURER: Don Johnson.

COMMITTEE: Peter Joyce, Jeff Hickey, Bohdan Bilinsky, Keith Jonsen, Allan Chilvers.

1956 LIFESAVING SCHOOL

During the second last week of the school year, 1956, most of the pupils, and many members of staff attended Cabarita Baths for the annual Lifesaving School — over 400 boys, and 13 teachers. The week spent, thus proved to be a peaceful, prosperous period. Although conditions at times became rather crowded, many awards were once again gained. The weather viewed the venture rather favourably — the rapidly changing colour of bare backs soon proved this.

Total number of awards won are as follows:—

- 12 Instructors' Certificates.
- 33 Trainee Instructors' Certificates.
- 3 Bars to Award of Merit.
- 12 Awards of Merit.
- 19 Bars to Bronze Medallion.
- 85 Bronze Medallions.
- 140 Intermediate Stars.
- 92 Proficiency Certificates.
- 207 Elementary Certificates.
- 228 Water Safety Certificates.

It is pleasing to note that these results won the W. Marx Cup for 1956-57. This trophy is awarded annually by the R.L.S.S.A. to the Boys' High School in N.S.W. which gains the highest number of Lifesaving awards. Two Progress Pennants have also been awarded. This is certainly an achievement of which the School can be proud.

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Standing: A. Chilvers, B. Bilinsky, J. Hickey, R. Newey, R. Sutton. *Seated:* J. Elliott, D. Johnson, Mr. J. Cowan, A. Roy, K. Jonsen.

GROUP INSTRUCTORS: R. Sutton, B. Hine, J. Elliott, R. Jonsen, J. Hickey, D. Johnson, B. Bilinsky.

TRAINEE INSTRUCTORS: R. Atkins, J. Bannerman, D. Bradbury, K. Brown, P. Buddle, I. Bull, S. Burley, R. Craig, J. Dowling, N. Elliott, G. Freeman, F. Hansen, M. Huckstepp, A. Jones, P. Joyce, N. Kelly, D. Liggins, P. Lorsch, P. MacMullen, A. Ozolins, J. Pickering, T. Hale, C. Plaude, P. Read, G. Robinson, J. Ryan, N. Sage, L. Singleton, R. Smith, R. Squires, R. Watkins, A. Vesperman, R. Vincent.

SENIOR AWARDS

BARS TO AWARD OF MERIT: B. Bilinsky, K. Jonsen, J. Elliott.

AWARD OF MERIT: A. Abrahart, K. Brown, S. Burley, F. Hansen, J. Hickey, D. Johnson, P. Joyce, A. Ozolins, J. Pickering, R. Sutton, R. Watkins, A. Vesperman.

BAR TO BRONZE MEDALLION: B. Bilinsky, J. Elliott, R. Clarke, N. Elliott, R. Sutton, K. Jonsen, R. Robinson, N. Sage, J. Hughes, B. Moran, G. Alpen, J. Hickey, R. Watt, R. Price, P. Buddle, A. Read, R. Smith, D. Liggins, L. Munro.

BRONZE MEDALLION: R. Gregg, W. Heath, J. Webb, J. Flachs, A. Jones, J. Ainsworth, D. Vass, P. Buddle, A. Stead, D. Lennon, D. Le Strande, L. Norgate, D. Blair, P. MacMullen, D. Lang, W. Gottaas, P. Lorsch, D. Jamieson, I. Gliddon, I. White, N. Hughes, A. Bray, J. Soede, R. Stevens, M. Taragel, B. Aylett, R. Cotterill, K. Mathews, A. Josey, R. Miell,

R. Robinson, J. McBride, R. Dalzell, J. McInness, R. Squires, J. Fowler, M. Huckstepp, R. Hansford, M. McLean, R. McGuinness, P. Bastock, I. Lippey, B. Ricketts, R. Sneddon, J. Roberts, D. Origlass, J. Ryan, J. Plaude, J. Delforce, D. Richardson, R. George, R. Vincent, S. Hughes, C. Erickson, J. Kirk, D. Bath, K. McIntyre, R. Fraser, J. Blackwood, J. Walter A. Perendi, I. MacKay, C. Clague, D. Rumble, D. King, A. Bullock, C. Deitz, R. Manning, D. Bradbury, G. Robinson, M. Celinskis, G. Freeman, J. Bannerman, P. Vassella, D. Kelaher, R. Frost, W. Johnson, C. Bartlett, A. Bilinsky, R. Posner, A. McInness, H. Blythe, G. Stevenson.

The part played by pupil-instructors, ably led by Chief Instructor, Bohdan Bilinsky, was a marked feature of the School. Their practical demonstrations of the skills involved, and their instruction in methods of water safety and resuscitation and simple First Aid had, in most cases, a professional touch about them. Our thanks are due to the members of staff who so ably assisted in the supervision of the school, especially to Messrs. Cullen and Colley.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We extend our thanks once again to the staff of the Cabarita Baths who have proved such valued friends of the School again and again. Sanders Bros. of Cabarita Boatshed once again lent us a boat for the Water Safety Demonstrations — our thanks to them. The supply of sunburn oil donated by Mr. K. Ford of Castle Hill seemed to be never-ending; if

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

It is anticipated that at the 1957 Lifesaving School, Homebush will be well supplied with Examiners. Messrs. Colley, Taylor, Thornton, Slinn, Faehrmann, Johnson, Cowan are all Examiners of the Society. Several of these have given of their services in this respect in other nearby centres.

The Executive Officer of R.A.L.S.S. (N.S.W. Branch) Mr. H. Bamford, has assisted the School in many ways, enabling the burden of the Committee to be a little lighter: our thanks to him for his co-operation.

Some of the Senior Members of the Society assisted Mr. Cullen in a demonstration of Water Safety and Skills at St. Gabriel's Home for Boys at Castle Hill earlier in the year — that is truly practical lifesaving.

The Lifesaving Club would like to express its sincere

appreciation for the effort Mr. Cullen has put into Lifesaving at Homebush. The existence of the Club as an integral part of school life is proof of the abiding influence of Mr. Cullen's work. Shortly before his departure for Parramatta, Mr. Cullen had the honour of introducing the Award of Merit winners for 1956-57 to Deputy Commissioner Smith of the N.S.W. Police Force who presented the Awards to the winners.

1957 LIFESAVING SCHOOL

We anticipate a similar Lifesaving School at the end of this year, to be held at Cabarita Baths again. The tentative dates are December 2nd to 6th, inclusive. At the nominal cost of approx. 10/-. covering fares to the baths for a week, and the cost of the awards and expenses of the school, each boy in the school will have the chance once again of qualifying for a further award, or even qualifying for the first time. A special invitation is extended to First Year boys to participate.

ATHLETICS

SCHOOL CARNIVAL

This year, as a preliminary to our all-day Carnival, we were able to conduct several athletic carnivals on Wednesday afternoons. These carnivals were conducted on a Year basis, starting with 5th and 4th Years and taking the junior years one at a time.

The organisation and conducting of these carnivals was carried out by a small, enthusiastic group of pupils taken from all years, assisted by several members of staff and we offer them our sincere thanks and congratulations for a job well done.

The Fourteenth Annual Athletic Carnival of the Homebush Boy's High School was held on Wednesday, August 7th on Concord Oval.

The weather was perfect and the groundsman and his assistants had, as usual, co-operated to the full to have the ground in excellent condition, notwithstanding the very dry weather experienced this winter.

Two new events — Discus and Javelin throws — were included in the Senior division, and both proved very interesting.

It is hard to single-out an outstanding performer, but mention must be made of the performance of our Senior Champion, Dennis Warner. In true sporting spirit, Dennis entered in the maximum number of events possible and, while he didn't win every event, he was placed in all but two of them — a really spirited, sporting achievement — congratulations Dennis.

The most pleasing feature of the carnival was, once again, the large number of competitors, especially in the not-so-top-class athletes, and the increased spectator interest.

A word of praise must also go to the officials who so ably handled the Carnival. The programme ran more smoothly than even the most ardent organiser could have hoped.

RESULTS

SENIOR DIVISION: Champion, D. Warner.

100 yards: P. Vassella 5E 1, A. Roy 5A 2, R. Newey 5D 3, W. Martin 4F 4. Time 10.3 secs.

220 yards: P. Vassella 5E 1, A. Roy 5A 2, R. Newey 5D 3, D. Warner 5E 4. Time 23.4 secs. Record.

440 yards: P. Vassella 5E 1, D. Warner 5E 2, G. Burgoyne 5B 3, S. Fletcher 5B 4. Time 53.6 secs.

880 yards: B. Morey 5B 1, D. Warner 5E 2, R. Newey 5D 3, P. Vassella 5E 4. Time 2 min. 10.3 secs.

Mile: R. Phelan 5D 1, D. Heyde 4E 2, J. Read 4A 3, R. Sutton 4A 4. Time 4 min. 59.8 secs.

Hurdles: R. Newey 5D 1, S. Fletcher 5B 2, L. Turley 5B 3, D. Warner 5E 4. Time 16.2 secs. New record.

Broad Jump: A. Roy 5A 1, D. Warner 5E 2, S. Fletcher 5B 3, D. Thompson 4A 4. Distance 19 ft. 2½ ins.

Hop Step and Jump: D. Warner 5E 1, R. Hinksman 3C 2, R. Schwarzer 4A 3, P. Vassella 5E 4. Distance 40 ft. 4 ins.

High Jump: D. Warner 5E 1, R. Newey 5D 2, R. Schwarzer 4A 3. Height 5 ft. 3½ ins.

Shot Put: R. Newey 5D 1, D. Warner 5D 2, B. Bilinsky 5C 3, J. Grauds 5C 4. Distance 37 ft.

Discus: R. Newey 5D 1, J. Grauds 5C 2, R. Phelan 5D 3, D. Warner 5E 4. Distance 97 ft.

Javelin: R. Newey 5D 1, D. Warner 5E, D. Johnson 5E equal 2, P. deBeuzeville 4D 4. Distance 127 ft. 11 ins.

UNDER 16 DIVISION: Champion, D. Burns.

100 yards: P. Coutts 4F 1, D. Burns 3B 2, P. deBeuzeville 4D 3, R. Allen 4A 4. Time 10.7 secs.

220 yards: P. Coutts 4F 1, R. Allen 4A 2, D. Burns 3B 3, P. deBeuzeville 4D 4. Time 25.3 secs.

440 yards: R. Allen 4A 1, D. Burns 3B 2, D. Thomas 4A 3, P. deBeuzeville 4D 4. Time 59.0 secs.

880 yards: R. Allen 4A 1, D. Burns 3B 2, D. Thomas 4A 3, R. Sutton 4A 4. Time 2 min. 19.5 secs.

Hurdles: D. Burns 3B 1, J. Hughes 3G 2, R. Allen 4A 3, D. Thomas 4A 4. Time 13.8 secs.

Broad Jump: P. deBeuzeville 4D 1, D. Burns 3B 2, M. Celinskis 4A 3, L. Hogan 4F 4. Distance 18 ft. 1 in.

High Jump: D. Burns 3B 1, P. deBeuzeville 4D 2, J. Hughes 3G 3, R. Sutton 4A 4. Height 5 ft. 0½ in.

Hop, Step and Jump: D. Burns 3B 1, P. deBeuzeville 4D, L. Hogan 4F, equal 2, B. Pogson 3G 4. Distance 40 ft. 2 ins. Record.

Shot Put: J. Elliott 4A 1, A. Chilvers 4E 2, A. Ozolins 4C 3, M. Celinskis 4A 4. Distance 42 ft. 9½ ins. Record.

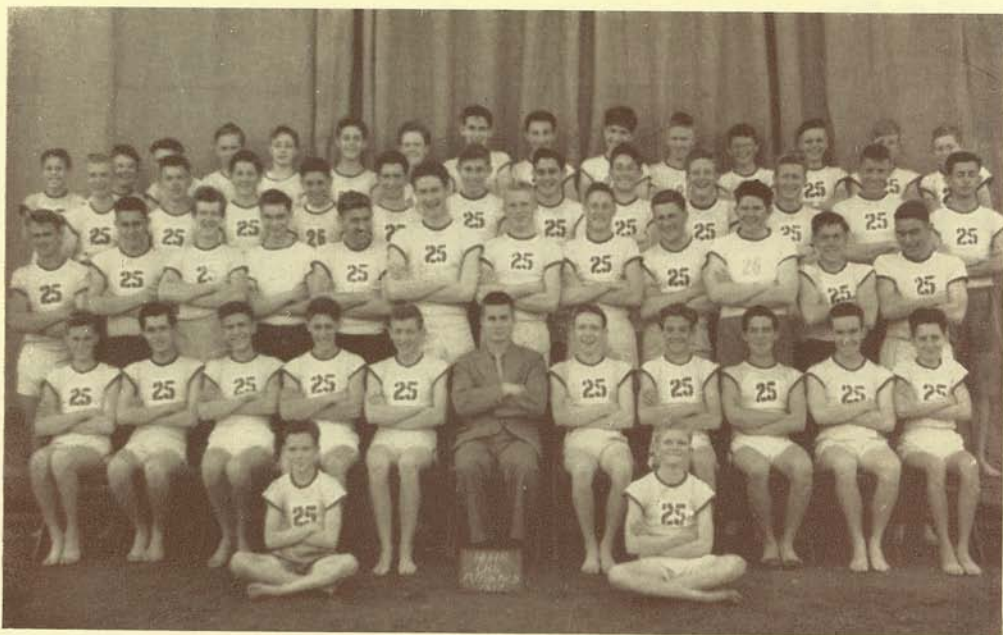


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Back row: J. Samin, N. Kennard, D. Matthews (obs.), T. Kirk, M. Davidson, M. Dale, T. Griffiths, W. Barnes, T. Ellem, A. Smith, D. Hyde, P. Guest, D. Kingston, R. Marlow, C. Thomas. *Second row:* K. Chapman, R. Allen, D. Burns, D. Hill, D. Brown, A. Bilinsky, P. Coutts, L. Hogan, W. Martin, D. Johnson, R. Phelan, G. Burgoyne. *Third row:* R. Newey, S. Fletcher, P. deBeuzeville, P. Davidson, B. Bilinsky, R. Hinksman, L. Grauds, R. Schwarzer, M. Cilinskis, R. Lovell, A. Roy, J. Elliott. *Seated:* B. Schwarzer, E. Barnett, T. Mackay, P. Vassella, R. Sutton, Mr. A. Taylor, D. Thomas, B. Connors, W. Yeomans, R. Webb, D. Evans. *In front:* T. Gilmore, J. Hamilton.

UNDER 15 DIVISION: Champion, W. Yeomans.

100 yards: W. Yeomans 3A 1, R. Webb 3F 2, T. Mackay 3A 3, A. Bilinsky 2B 4. Time 11.2 secs.

220 yards: W. Yeomans 3A 1, R. Webb 3F 2, T. Mackay 3A 3, L. Squires 3G 4. Time 26.2 secs.

440 yards: K. Thomas 3F 1, T. Mackay 3A 2, D. Debus 3D 3, G. Hackett 2B 4. Time 62.3 secs.

880 yards: T. Ellem 3C 1, T. Mackay 3A 2, W. Barnes 3C 2, W. Barnes 3C 3, R. McLennan 2B 4. Time 2 min. 27.5 secs.

Hurdles: W. Yeomans 3A 1, D. Evans 3B 2, J. Hamilton 3B 3. Time 13.4 secs.

High Jump: P. Davidson 3F 1, P. Guest 2B 2, P. Quinton 2B 3, P. Hyde 3F 4. Height 4 ft. 7 ins.

Broad Jump: W. Yeomans 3A 1, A. Bilinsky 2B 2, T. Mackay 3A 3, D. Hill 3B 4. Distance 16 ft. 5½ ins.

Shot Put: A. Bilinsky 2B 1, R. Lovell 3A 2, D. Brown 3B 3, D. Maher 3D 4. Distance 34 ft. 9 ins.

UNDER 14 DIVISION: Champion, B. Connors.

100 yards: B. Connors 2D 1, T. Griffiths 1A 2, B. Schwarzer 2D 3, A. Harris 1E 4. Time 12.2 secs.

220 yards: B. Connors 2D 1, T. Gilmore 2A, J. Hager 1D equal 2, B. Schwarzer 4. Time 29.0 secs.

Hurdles: B. Connors 2D 1, D. Kingston 2D 2, T. Gilmore 2A 3, J. Bailey 2A 4. Time 9.6 secs.

Broad Jump: B. Connors 2D 1, R. Chapman 2B 2, B. Schwarzer 2D 3, R. Marlow 2D 4. Distance 16 ft. 5½ ins.

High Jump: B. Schwarzer 2D 1, B. Connors 2D 2, D. Matthews 2B 3, R. Marlow 2D 4. Height 4 ft. 9¾ ins. Equals record.

Shot Put: A. Smith 2D 1, B. Schwarzer 2D 2, B. Connors 2D 3, A. Grudzinskus 3E 4. Distance 36 ft. 6½ ins.

UNDER 13 DIVISION: Champion, T. Kirk, M. Dale equal.

100 yards: M. Dale 1A 1, T. Kirk 1D 2, J. Samin 1D 3, C. Thomas 1E 4. Time 12.3 secs.

220 yards: M. Dale 1A 1, T. Kirk 1D 2, B. Hamilton 1F 3, W. Aunapuu 1C 4. Time 29.3 secs. Record.

Hurdles: T. Kirk 1D 1, M. Dale 1A 2, J. Samin 1D 3, M. Davidson 1C 4. Time ? ?

High Jump: J. Samin 1D 1, N. Kennard 1B, I. MacDonald 1C 2, R. Hill 1F 3, W. Aunapuu 1C 4. Height 4 ft. 5 ins.

Broad Jump: J. Samin 1D 1, T. Kirk 1D 2, M. Dale 1A 3, B. Hamilton, W. Aunapuu equal 4. Distance 14 ft.

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Champion Class 2D FIFTH YEAR EVENTS

Winning Class 5E

100 yards: B. Bilinsky 5C 1, J. Hotston 5A 2, I. Cooper 5E 3, L. Turley 5B 4. Time 11.5 secs. Record.

220 yards: D. Johnson 5E 1, B. Elliott 5D 2, I. Cooper 5E 3, J. Hotston 4. Time 26.3 secs.

440 yards: R. Phelan 5D 1, B. Elliott 5D 2, D. Johnston 5E 3. Time 58.7 secs. Record.

Four Lap (Fourth and Fifth Year): J. Hickey 5C 1, D. McIntosh 5B 2, P. MacMullen 5D 3, P. Read 5C 4. Time 4 min. 50 secs.

Relay: 5E 1, 5B 2. Time 49.9 secs. Record.

FOURTH YEAR EVENTS

Winning Class 4A

100 yards: A. Taylor 4A 1, B. Bokenham 4B 2, R. Higgins 4D 3, R. Henderson 4E 4. Time 11.2 secs. Record.

220 yards: B. Bokenham 4B 1, D. Thompson 4A 2, S. Steer 4C 3, T. Meiusi 4A 4. Time 27.2 secs.

440 yards: A. Taylor 4A 1, F. Birrell 4F 2, M. Celinskis 4A 3, C. Clague 4B 4. Time 61.5 secs. Equals record.

Relay: 4F, 4A, 4D, 4B. Time 50.4 secs. Record.

THIRD YEAR EVENTS

Winning Class 3A

100 yards: A Division: R. Hinksman 3C 1, R. James 3A 2, B. Pogson 3G 3, S. Tweedie 3G 4. Time 11.4 secs. Record.

B Division: W. Arnott 3A 1, W. Barnes 3C 2, D. Dunn 3A 3, A. Parker 3B 4. Time 12.2 secs. Record.

220 yards: A. Division: R. Hinksman 3C 1, B. Pogson 3G 2, R. James 3A 3, B. Watt 3G 4. Time 26 secs. Record.

B Division: W. Fitzgerald 3C 1, A. Parker 3B 2, G.

Bartlett 3A 3, B. Smith 3C 4. Time 29 secs. Record.

440 yards: R. Hinksman 3C 1, T. Ellem 3C 2,

R. Duffy 3E 3, W. Barnes 3C 4. Time 62 secs. Record.

Four Lap: K. Radford 3E 1, A. Read 3E 2, D. Evans

3B 3, G. Foster 3F 4. Time 4 min. 51.8 secs. Record.

Relay: 3A, 3F, 3G equal second, 3B. Time 52.9 secs.

SECOND YEAR EVENTS

Champion Class 2D

100 yards: A. Division: K. Robb 2D 1, B. Hamilton 2F 2, R. Walker 2F 3, P. McIntyre 2B 4. Time 12.3 secs. Record.

B Division: D. Hardie 2F 1, A. Smith 2D 2, C. Norgate 2A 3, G. Watson 2D 4. Time 13 secs. Record.

220 yards: A. Division: A. Bilinsky 2B 1, P. Hamilton 2F 2, D. Lang 2C 3, K. Robb 2D 4. Time 27.7 secs. Record.

B Division: D. Hardie 2F 1, J. Kernick 2C 2, A. Smith 2D 3, G. Liepins 2A 4. Time 29.5 secs. Record.

Two Lap: P. Hamilton 2F 1, B. Connors 2D 2, J. Filmer 2E 3, B. MacFarlane 2F 4. Time 2 min. 14.9 secs.

Relay: 2B, 2D, 2F, 2A. Time 55.6 secs. Record.

FIRST YEAR EVENTS

Champion Class 1D

100 yards: A. Division: J. Hager 1D, 1, R. Young 1C 2. Time 12.8 secs. Record.

B Division: M. Cody 1C 1, R. Yuile 1C 2, P. Kneeshaw 1C 3, M. Rowan 1A 4. Time 13.1 secs. Record.

220 yards: A. Division: T. Griffiths 1A 1, A. Harris 1E 2, J. Davies 1A 3, C. Neal 1B 4. Time 29.1 secs. Record.

B Division: J. Baker 1B 1, G. Murdoch 1C 2, J. Sutton 1F 3, R. Yuile 1C 4. Time 29.5 secs. Record.

Two Lap: B. Hamilton 1F 1, C. Reynolds 1A, K. Ovenden equal 2, R. Young 1C 4. Time 2 min. 32.3 secs.

Relay: 1E, 1A, 1D, 1C. Time 57.7 secs. Equals record.



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WATER POLO

The results of games played to date are as follows:—

| | First Grade | Second Grade | Third Grade |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Homebush v East Hills | 8-0 | — | — |
| v Canterbury | 3-4 | 0-4 | 0-5 |
| v Hurlstone | 6-1 | 0-4 | 0-4 |
| v Fort Street | 3-1 | 0-5 | 0-5 |
| v Drummoyne | 5-5 | 0-4 | 0-2 |
| v Sydney Tech. | 3-1 | 1-5 | 0-3 |
| Homebush analysis | Won 4 Drawn 1 Lost 1 | Won 1 Drawn 0 Lost 5 | Won 0 Drawn 0 Lost 5 |

This year the competition is being played in two Zones due to the number of Schools competing.

First Grade is enjoying the best season for many years. Success in the lower grades may come in the latter part of the season, as their teamwork is improving with each match. We are severely hampered by lack of training facilities in this sport — the boys travel to the Domain Baths to train on Fridays.

As this magazine goes to press we are joint leaders with Fort Street and Drummoyne in First grade in our zone.

The First Grade Team is:— B. Bilinsky (capt.), R. Phelan (vice capt.), A. Roy, A. Chan, C. Milne, J. Elliott, R. Newey, G. Beard.

During the absence of any team member, his position was capably filled by either K. Jonsen or A. Chilvers.

During the season the team has played some brilliant water polo, with the emphasis on teamwork.

The best game of the series was against Drummoyne at Rushcutters Bay. In this game Homebush was down 5-1 early in the second half, but did not give in and fought back, in true Homebush spirit, to draw level at 5 all. J. Elliott scored the last four goals in as many minutes.

B. Bilinsky, goalkeeper and J. Elliott, half back were selected in the C.H.S. team to play Teachers' College and our congratulations go to these players.

The Teachers' College team contained a Homebush Old Boy — Kevin Doughty — while the referee for the match was another "Old Boy", Frank Jordan, an ex C.H.S., State and Olympic water polo representative.

The teams would like to thank Messrs. Taylor and Manderfeld for the interest they have shown throughout the season.

Water Polo in the school is not limited to a few swimmers. It is hoped that boys in the junior years — especially second year — will try out for next season. Boys wishing to do so should contact the sportsmaster in the first instance.