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### The Hutchins School Song

Hutchins! Hutchins! grand and fair! The only School we serve; For thee till death we'll do and dar,, And nought can make us swerve.

### Refrain:

Let your voices ring, lads! 'Tis the old School's due; Sing her praises, sing, lads— Hutchins! Hutchins! tried and true

Thy name adown the ages past Thy sons salute and cheer; And so shall we while life doth last, With lips and lives revere.

We learn thine ivied tower beneath To play the game of life, And know they only win the wreath Who strive in honour's strife.

May all thy sons prove ever true, Whate'er their gifts and powers, That man may yield to thee thy du, Beloved School of ours.

> Words by J.W. Bethune Music by J. Scott-Power

### Headmaster's 102nd Annual Report

### Speech Night, December 16, 1948

MR. Chairman, My Lord Bishop, Ladies and Gentlemen,

This is a season of Speech Days and Speech Nights. They are functions which have a place in School life, but are apt to become either boring or thoroughly out of proportion. Many of you are here tonight from a sense of duty—duty to the School and your own children. We have just had the Junior School Speech Night, if that is the right term for a most enjoyable function. Perhaps we are nearly ready for something of the same kind in the Senior School. At the moment, however, functions such as tonight's can serve two useful purposes.

1. A public recognition to merit in school work. How exactly shall we define "school work"? The sports awards have been made when they were most suitable, i.e., when they were won, on the occasion itself, or as soon after as practicable. We are apt to forget on Speech Nightsand it is a bad thing-that there are other forms of success than these celebrated tonight. There are boys of the School who have won distinction in musical contests at New Norfolk, boys who have received first prize for painting at Hobart and Launceston shows, boys who have by real effort in work and sport brought credit to themselves and their School—often merely by doing their best. Others there are who have achieved no public distinction, but by a real effort they have developed fully in mind, body and spirit to the best of their capabilities. No one can expect more. These are some of our greatest successes; yet they receive no recognition other than the knowledge that they and we have, that they have done their best. In our prize awards we have tried to overcome some of these difficulties-in sport the team is the thing that matters, not the individual, and in work (except in VIA) we have Honour prizes for outstanding ability,

and Merit prizes for those who have done well. However, I often feel that we ought either to give prizes to everyone except those who have made no effort, or do away with them altogether.

2. The second purpose for a Speech Day is to give the Headmaster an opportunity to speak to parents as a whole on education in general and the School in particular. Parents have chosen this School rather than any other because they believe in the soundness of its principles. They must, therefore, be expected to co-operate in its practice, and this they cannot do unless they know what we are trying to do and how we are trying to do it. It is not my intention, this year, to give a detailed account of the year's events, sporting and academic-that is available in the School magazines. I must by this Report give you the opportunity of understanding what we are aiming at, and the details when necessary.

Education, like Gaul, can be divided into three parts — the development of mind, body and soul. So, too, is this School for administrative purposes—Sub-Primary, Junior School and Senior School. Each of these, though a unit, is part of a whole.

In the Sub-Primary at Sandy Bay and the Junior School at Macquarie Street we aim at giving something of value in itself-and also the preparatory education necessary to enable the boy to move on to our secondary training and enjoy it to the full. Briefly it is this-a knowledge of the basic skills of reading, writing and number work, a development of the child's curiosity and love of learning, an atmosphere in which he can develop his body and soul naturally - because happily-learning the love of God, and respect for himself and his fellows, and thereby both self-control through the control of others, and a sense of responsibility. Because these two units are a

part of the whole, I would definitely prefer to have the children from the very beginning (we take children in the Sub-Primary from  $4\frac{1}{2}$  years of age to about 7+). If that is not possible, then at least from the beginning of the second unit, i.e., at the age of about 8, when they are due to start the work of Grade III. Many people have said to me, "Oh, we'll be sending him along later." I cannot stress too urgently that we can give the boy so much more if we have him from the very beginning. For the School is one whole.

It is particularly advisable for boys to be with us in this primary stage. The work of the four years is mapped out carefully, and boys coming in late are bound to be handicapped. At the top form of the Junior School the first language is begun, both as a basis for language training and to avoid starting too many new subjects in the first year of secondary education. More especially, our Junior School offers something which is extremely valuable in fitting the boy for his life with the Senior School. It has its own Assembly, House Organization Clubs and Activities and Sportsdesigned to give the boys the right thing at the right time. Moreover, we have there a highly trained staff, in whom I have the utmost confidence. The boys coming on from the Junior School are, I know, well prepared in every way, and I look to them with all their sense of responsibility, to take an active part in the life of the Senior School next year.

The secondary course, beginning in Remove A, is a four year course, culminating in the Schools' Board Examination. This examination serves a double purpose. Firstly, it is the first (and for some, the only) public examination, and is more and more consistently being demanded as a sign of adequate general education, a pre-requisite for entry into most trades, commerce, and some branches of apprenticeship. Its second use is as part of the requirements for University Matriculation. It is, there-

fore, an examination which has to meet the needs of nearly all boys who enter the Senior School; it is wide in content, but not deep in treatment. For this examination we give the boys as wide a choice of subjects as possible, so that it will be suitable for them whether they are going to the University, to business, or to farming. It is quite beyond the scope of such a school as this to offer the technical subjects; but we combine the functions of a high school and a modern school, and we believe it right that they should be joined in one school. It is part of real education that both should mix, for the academic and the modern have much to give and to gain from each other in their school associations.

The year following the Schools' Board is the Matriculation Examination, for which the requirements are deliberately deep, and not wide in treatment. It is left to each school to give it its width and to see that a balanced course is given. We also give the boy, whenever possible, time for private study in school hours. It is just as ridiculous to expect a boy to absorb continually all day, as to imagine that he can "do the course" by lectures alone. He needs the time to try out unaided on his own the skills he has learnt in class, and do the necessary reading. Moreover, boys whose afternoons are so often filled with games cannot be expected to work all night as well. I am frankly alarmed at the late hours which many boys are allowed to keep. At this stage, two hours per night should be the maximum needed-provided the boy is allowed a clear run, without the distractions of gossip or wireless. Even with the better boy, two years are advisable in the Matriculation Form (VIA). The second year enables him to cover the whole course and reach a really high standard of achievement in it-something valuable in itself-as well as being a better-because more gradual-approach to work at University level. The chief value of the second year, however, lies in the scope

it gives for a fuller development of character and a more leisurely maturing, which gives a boy greater poise of mind and body with which to take his place in the community. The same is true also of many boys who leave with the bare requirements of Schools' Board. They leave just at the moment when their real development is beginning. From the School's point of view we lose them, after all our work, just when they can give us back something of what they have received. Moreover, I am convinced that many boys would be better merchants, business men and farmers if they took up their life work with the maturity that the extra year gives them. When they leave school they are "on their own," and with this additional security in themsclves, they are better equipped to face the world at large, and their own problems in particular.

That brings me to the subject of choice of occupations; I nearly said the "boy's choice," but, unfortunately, far too often it is still the parents' choice. Four factors are involved in this choice: I, the boy's interests; II, his aptitudes; III, the vacancies occurring; IV, the parents' ability and willingness to carry their boy for the long or short time until he is established. This year I have tried outside help in trying to determine the first three. The Commonwealth Employment Service has placed its resources at our disposal. In assessing the boys' interests and aptitudes, it has been 98% successful. By that I can only mean that in all except 2%their reports have agreed with records determined by the Staff as a whole. They may possibly, by an impersonal approach, have discovered a few things about the boys unknown to school or parents, and they may even-time alone will show-have been accurate in predicting what occupation a boy can successfully attempt. The C.E.S. certainly has available Commonwealth-wide statistics to show the fields of employment in the immediate future. I am sure we can still do more in this matter of placing

our boys when they leave. I have already discussed with the President of the Old Boys' Association the formation of an advisory committee to discuss with me fields of employment for boys, and to give boys a direct contact with professions, trades and other avenues of employment. I would urge all Old Boys to communicate with me (as many of them do) when they have, or know of, vacancies. I am always ready to discuss with parents the problems of their son's education and future, but I would be grateful if they would make appointments, and thus avoid inconvenience and waste of time.

This is only one side of school life. Parents look for, and I hope find, others as well. There are certain things which we should provide here, or we should be failing as a school. A few I can mention:-A knowledge of current affairs, so that a boy can take an intelligent interest in the world around him, and develop an appreciation of the problems that confront him-an enjoyment by active participation in at least one of the arts, the development of his leisure-time activities. Next year we shall tackle that problem from a different angle. All boys will have in school a Singing Period and a Current Affairs Period. Hobbies, on the other hand, will go out of school hours-during lunch time or after school. This change has been made possible by the Staff. They believe that such activities are so valuable that they are best tackled on a voluntary basis, when the willing are not handicapped by the presence of the uninterested. They are, therefore, willing to give up even more of their spare time than at present to make this possible. I am indeed grateful to them, and I am sure that you and the boys are, too. We shall thus be able to add more hobbies, and I even have hopes that we can do something in the way of founding an orchestra. This would be easier if parents would encourage boys to take up string or wind instruments as well as, or instead of, the almost inevitable piano.

Frequent use will be made of our sound

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projector. It already has had considerable use. This is no longer one of the "frills" of education but an integral part of necessary equipment, particularly if you remember that it is one of the visual "aids"-not a substitute for the teacher, but aid for him in teaching. It will be used, not only for class instruction, but, I hope, to a large extent in providing healthy recreation for day boys and boarders. It will serve another purpose as well. We will, I am sure, admit that children all too frequently see films that are entirely unsuitable for them. The label "suitable for general exhibition"at its best-usually means "devised for adults, not harmful for children." In addition, too many children see films (either in full or the trailers of them) which are definitely labelled "not suitable for general exhibition" or "suitable for adults only." I am sure that the problem should not be tackled on the negative side only by excluding them from such films, but on the positive side also, by providing them with good films, specially produced for them so that the emotional growth of the children may be both natural and healthy. To this end our projector will be a valuable means. Once again I am indebted to the Parents' Association, which has provided the money out of receipts from the Fair.

Now so far we have been considering the good of the boy himself, but he should also learn service to his community, and in it find happiness and the fullest development of himself. Some form of social service work should be developed in the School. This year it has had only small beginnings. There has been a small weekly collection which has been distributed by the decision of a representative committee to worthy objects, e.g., Canterbury Appeal, Clarendon Home, Kennerley Boys' Home, Home of Mercy, etc. There have also been voluntary working parties which have done small tasks on the premises. The ground at the rear of the School was in a poor way. Two parents provided us

with the expert information necessary, and the groundsman and the boys have done the rest. The result is a good area of turf, with excellent wickets; achieved by parents, staff and boys. This example bears the seeds from which we may develop something valuable later. If next year parents and Old Boys can provide us with the tasks to be done—some tasks of service to the community outside, e.g., hospitals or charitable institutions—I am sure we will be able to tackle them. In that way we can be of use to the community, and the boys will learn much by doing something.

Under this heading come Scouts and Cadets. A good Cadet Corps is good for the School-but a poor one is demoralizing-for its indiscipline spreads quickly. The response to my appeal for Cadets last year was fairly good. This year the Cadets have done a great deal for the School, and I thank them all. Led by one of the prefects, the detachment has trebled in numbers, and its efficiency is very high. But its numbers are still far too small, and it is not fair that those who give up their time for Cadets should be at a disadvantage because of their sacrifice. Next year I shall expect-and I think it is a reasonable request-that all boys over 14, and all boys turning 14 during the year, shall join the Cadets unless they are members of a Scout Troop, or their parents have obtained special exemption, and I trust that parents will be slow to seek such exemption. During cadet periods, non-cadets will do Life-Saving Land Drill, St. John's Ambulance and other things which will make them useful to society. I would repeat my plea about the Cadet Camp. This takes place regularly at the end of the second term and the first few days of the holidays. It is an integral part of the training; without it the School can receive no efficiency grant-but more important still, the boy misses one of the most important parts of the training-a healthy holiday under camp discipline. I would urge parents not to deprive their boys of this enjoyable and healthy holiday.

It is often argued whether the sound body produces the sound mind, or vice versa. At all events, the sound body is important. That we try to encourage and develop by competitive games on a house basis where real teamwork, too, can be learnt, and also by regular physical education for all boys, graded to help the natural growth of the body and its control by the mind. Health is so important. We have really had a year remarkably free from serious illness. I am thankful to the Matron of the Boarding House; our only casualty in the Boarding House was one case of chicken-pox. Our cases of influenza have been really few-and that in a year when so many infectious diseases have been about.

On the religious aspect of school life, I would like to say much, but it is such a big subject that I shall leave it for another year. But I do want to say this. I was very happy to see so many parents, relatives and friends at the School Confirmation Service. Some had come many miles to be present; others had come as a family. All were there to help by their presence and their prayers the boys being confirmed. It made the service a very happy one for all, and I am sure the boys will remember it as a most inspiring service. The same spirit of devotion marked the First Communion on the following Sunday-those are things which really matter.

Such, then, is an outline of the things we do and hope to do. But it costs money. Unfortunately, we are a school without endowments, and must rely on fees to balance the budget, repair the ravages of time and build for the future. To attempt to do this on fees alone is a hopeless task. The cost of living is rising—I was going to say "steadily," but it is actually by leaps and bounds, as you know from your own household accounts. Such a rise in costs affects rhe School and staff too. It has been inevitable—though with regret—that the Board of Management has had to pass these on to you by increasing the fees for 1949. Retrenchment of any kind would only mean an inferior type of education. We have a responsibility to offer the best education possible, and we shall continue in our efforts to do so. The Old Boys have inaugurated a fund for the purchase of further furnishings and equipment. I sincerely commend this appeal to any Old Boys present and to any others who are willing and able to help.

As Church Schools are fee paying, they must, to that extent, be "privileged." It is, therefore, incumbent upon them to offer assistance by means of Scholarships to those boys whose abilities merit them, but whose parents are unable to pay the fees. This year the whole Scholarship Scheme has been reviewed. The new Scheme is not yet quite complete, but the Board offers each year one Scholarship of half fees, tenable for four years, and extendable for one more, and others covering three years, extendable for another two years-in other words, Scholarships sufficient to assist a parent to carry a boy through the five years of secondary education up to and including Matriculation. The Old Boys' Scholarship, available from time to time, materially assists parents for the whole of the secondary education of their child. In addition, through the kindness of Sir John and Lady McPhee, the Donald Cameron McPhee Memorial Scholarship has been altered, and will now provide the sum of £12 per annum for one year to the best Matriculation candidate from the School, to assist him with University fees and books. This will be available for 1949, and is, I hope, the first of many such leaving Scholarships; for they serve a very valuable purpose.

Before reaching my last point I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all who have given their services to the School; to the staff—teaching, office, Matron's domestic and ground; and in particular to Mr. Viney and Miss Burrows, who have so ably looked after the

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Juniors. The new members of staff have settled in, and I feel they must like vs, for with one exception, there are no changes of staff for next year. This is most important-for a Public School, the staff must be good and there must be a continuity. Mrs. Chapman came to us at Easter, and in spite of her recent arrival with her family and a long journey from India, settled straight to work. She leaves us for reasons of health, and we thank her for her work at Sandy Bay. Her place will be taken by Miss Hilary Morgan, who comes to us after experience in Melbourne at Lauriston Scotch College and Ivanhoe Grammar School. We assure her of a very hearty welcome.

Lastly, tonight, it is my happy duty to perform a quite unnecessary task-to introduce to you the Bishop of Tasmania, the Visitor of our School. He needs no introduction to you, but I know I am speaking for all of us when I say how glad we are to have him and Mrs. Cranswick back again with us in Tasmania, after the Lambeth Conference. We give them both a very hearty welcome home.

### Assembly Notes

A nendeavour has been made to set aside one day each week, usually Monday or Friday, on which some visiting speaker addresses the School. During the Dean's temporary absence in England, Rev. T. J. Gibson has come each Friday, and his sincere and practical talks have been greatly appreciated.

In February, Rev. McGawlech, of the Church Missionary Society, spoke on missionary work in Tanganyika, and Mr. F. J. Williams, of the School staff, gave an address on the work of U.N.E.S.C.O.

We were very happy to welcome back Rev. John May, O.B.E., who has spent two years in Oxford as a result of a scholarship award by the British Council. His accounts of Oxford and "that other place" (Cambridge) were most interesting.

Another Old Boy to visit us was Mr. Steele, Trade Commissioner for Egypt, who spoke of life generally and his work in particular in that country. In March, also, we were honoured by a visit from Mr. Justice Brown, of the Supreme Court of Singapore, who spoke of the difficulties experienced in Malaya as a result of Communist and guerilla activities.

In April we enjoyed a most interesting and breezy address by the Danish play-

wright, Mr. Martin Glanner, who gave us much surprising information about his country. He described conditions during the German occupation, and the measures taken by the present Government to restore normal life. Anzac Day was commemorated on April 22nd owing to the holiday on the 25th. Our usual ceremony was observed,, a wreath being placed on the Honour Roll by the Senior Prefect after the sounding of the Last Post. The occasional address was given by Padre A. E. Palmer, of the Seamen's Mission.

Mr. Eric Wood, a well-known Tasmanian on the teaching staff of the Diocese of New Guinea, spoke to us in June of his work in Papua, and expressed the gratitude of the Anglican Mission for the Lenten subscriptions of our boys, which amounted to over £30 this year. Mr. McCallum, of the S.C.M., later addressed us on the recent Students' Conference in Ceylon.

It is appropriate to mention here the Australia-wide broadcast of 'Community Hymn-Singing" by our boys. After assiduous practice a selection of some of our favourite hymns was recorded in St. David's Cathedral, and the record was broadcast throughout Australia on the Interstate network, on June 19th. The

general effect could have been greatly improved by a better placing of the microphone, which was too near some rather strident trebles. We were not "led by the choir of St. David's Cathedral," as the announcer said. We sang our Assembly hymns by ourselves! If we are to have a similar broadcast in the future, it would almost certainly be better to hold it in the familiar atmosphere of our own Gymnasium. Nevertheless, we are grateful to the A.B.C. for the privilege of making our first bow to the people of Australia.

We have been privileged to hear visit-

ing musicians who have given special recitals at the School. The Rayner Sisters sang folk-songs of various countries, dressed in the appropriate costume for each, whilst Miss Joan Coxon gave a recital of songs, choosing one from each century over a period of 500 years. It was a special treat to hear the Australian aboriginal tenor, Harold Blair, who came as the guest of the Headmaster, and sang to us in the Gymnasium. We greatly appreciated the courtesy of this visit and the music he gave us. J.P.M.

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### Matriculation Examination. 1948-49

### (Ordinary and Supplementary)

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I. T. Renney was awarded a Tasmanian Government Medical Scholarship and the Donald Cameron McPhee (School) Scholarship.

F. M. Young Memorial Prize for Geography: A. J. Hay.

Schools'			Examination, and Supplementary)										
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 Clark, J. R	 С	Р	L	Р		С	Р	С					10
Cooper, J. W.	 р	Р	Р	Р		Р	Ρ	L					10
de Laine, R. J.	 Р		L	С		С	Ρ	L					8
Kirby, D. E.	 С	С	Р	L		С	Р	Ρ					10
McCabe, P. W	 Р	С	С	Р		L		Р			L		10
Phillips, I. P.	 Р	Р		С		Р		С					8
Shelton, J. T.	 Р	Р	Р	Ρ		Ρ						Ρ	10
Smith, R. C.	 Ρ	Р	Р	Р		Р		Р			L		11
Valentine, R. S.	 Р	Р	Ρ	Р		Р		Ρ					10

#### SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Donald Cameron McPhee Memorial: J. T. Renney.

D. H. Harvey: J. C. Teniswood.

Newcastle and Board: D. M. Gibb, J. E. F. Sorell.

Franklin: P. N. Heckscher.

Crace-Calvert Memorial: A. Gibson.

Magistrates: H. M. Thompson.

Nicholas Brown: A. M. Graves.

Clerical: H. Shepherd, D. S. Thomas.

#### BURSARY WINNERS

Senior City: E. G. Butler, B. F. Johnson, G. Page-Hanify. Junior Country: D. Jackson.

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### Staff Notes

THE only Staff change at the beginning of the year was at the Sub-Primary School, where Mrs. B. G. Nichol took the place of Mrs. E. J. Chapman. At the end of the first term Mr. L. A. Hickman, Senior French Master, resigned to take up a corresponding position on the Mainland. In his place we extend a cordial welcome to Mr. F. E. Dayan, who has had wide experience in Egypt, and has already made his presence felt.

Our hearty congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chapman on the recent birth of a daughter. We also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. B. Nichol on their marriage during the Christmas vacation, and wish them a long and happy married life.





### METEORS

IN the June, 1948, instalment of these jottings, reference was made to the occasional disintegration of comets and their replacement by swarms of meteors. The Editor, in a footnote, drew attention to a publication in which the charting of the paths of meteors by means of radar is discussed. As this book can be obtained in Hobart at a cheap rate we do not intend to dwell on that phase of the subject, but a few observations on meteoric phenomena in general may be of some interest.

Everyone is familiar with what is known as shooting stars, and there are few nights in which one or more of these bodies may not be seen. They have been observed from prehistoric times, and it was confidently believed until the beginning of the nineteenth century that they were mere exhalations in the earth's atmosphere.

It was not until 1833 that the attention of astronomers was definitely turned to the subject. On the night of the 12th November of that year a magnificent shower of meteors was witnessed, more particularly in America, where the rain of stars lasted all night long. The brilliant display was carefully watched by two American observers, who ascertained that the meteors all appeared to come from the same point in the heavens. This showed that they were moving in parallel lines and had entered our atmosphere from a vast distance. In 1866 another shower made its appearance in scarcely diminished splendour, all coming from one point in space. It was concluded, therefore, that meteors were not atmospheric, but cosmical in nature and origin.

We pointed out a year ago that comets, for example Biela's comet in 1872, sometimes approach too close to the Sun and get transformed into multitudes of meteors. It is consequently assumed that a comet is simply a swarm of meteoric particles, more or less closely packed together. The celebrated Italian astronomer, Schiaparelli, 75 years ago, stated that "The meteoric currents are the product of the dissolution of comets, which is brought about by the action of the Sun and planets on the particles composing the heads of the comets."

Of course, shooting stars have no right to be described as stars at all. They are merely countless numbers of tiny fragments of hard, rocky or metallic substances passing through our own atmosphere. These tiny pellets are continually travelling through outer space, and when they enter our atmosphere both the air and the surface of these meteors are very greatly heated by friction. The meteors first become hot, then red hot and finally white hot, and it is only in the last stage that they look like stars. They soon vaporize, disintegrate into gas and dust, and disappear from sight.

But these meteors do not include the much larger bodies known as meteorites which from time to time fall on the surface of the earth. From the earliest times traditions have been preserved of stones having fallen from the sky. For instance, the sacred stone of Mecca, and the "image that fell down from Jupiter," referred to in the Acts of the Apostles, were evidently held in special reverence.

The meteorites sometimes fall as a single piece, but more frequently there are many pieces. In modern times the largest masses known were found in Greenland and South Africa. Both are composed of iron, the first weighs at least 36 tons and the second over 60 tons.

But it is conjectured that in prehistoric times meteorites incomparably larger must have struck the earth. As they opened up great craters in the earth's surface it is obvious that they must have been of enormous dimensions and moved with very high momentum. For instance, the "Meteor Crater" in Arizona, U.S.A., has a circumference of three miles and a depth of 570 feet. It is estimated that it was formed by the fall of a huge meteorite about 500 feet across and weighing 14,000,000 tons.

In Central Australia there is a whole group of similar but smaller craters. The largest of this group is about 220 yards long, 120 yards broad and 50 feet deep. The others, although not so large, are all of considerable size.

### D. D. T.

D.D.T. are the initial letters of the words Dichlor-Diphenyl-Trichlorethane. This terrific word-combination is the name of a chemical compound which is quite easily built up in factories with the necessary plant. Its history is so interesting and its properties so beneficial to mankind that it merits more publicity than it has hitherto received.

In 1874, a student in Strasburg artificially produced the compound D.D.T. He recorded the result of his researches in a short thesis for a degree, but he lived and died without once suspecting that he had discovered a most effective insecticide.

For over sixty years the thesis lay neglected on a shelf, but some ten years ago, Muller, a Swiss scientist, discovered by accident the amazing insecticidal properties of D.D.T. In 1939, the Swiss potato crop was attacked by the Colorado beetle, but a sufficient amount of the chemical was made available and the crop was saved. In 1942, 100 lbs. of D.D.T. was sent to the United States Department of Agriculture. Experiments were undertaken, and the effects were so spectacular that, a year later, a firm in

Cincinatti began to manufacture it in quantities suitable for commercial use.

Developments in Britain took a somewhat similar course. A chemical concern took out a patent in 1942. Investigations were made by biologists, chemists and malarial specialists, both in the laboratory and in the field. The verdict was favourable enough to warrant the commencement of the manufacture of D.D.T. on a greatly extended scale.

Since that time its properties as an insecticide have been most thoroughly tested, with results that were startling in their range and persistence. It was found that flies alighting on walls on which D.D.T. was sprayed were killed instantly for as long a period as three weeks after the spraying. This feature is most valuable in places like hospitals where flies are common and very dangerous. Powdered D.D.T. dusted on clothes renders them immune from lice for a month, even after several launderings, and a bed sprayed with it is fatal to bedbugs for almost a year. During an epidemic of typhus in Italy in 1944, the powder was blown down the sleeves and necks of dressed persons. Not one of the people thus treated contracted the disease. In Naples the health authorities treated in this way as many as 73,000 persons in cne day. No other disinfectant could possibly act so quickly or prove so efficacious.

It is said that underclothing impregnated with a solution of the substance protects the wearer from noxious insects for five or six weeks, even when the garments are washed weekly. During the war, this method was adopted to keep our fighting men free from typhus, trench fever and lice.

The significance of the benefit of D.D.T. to human welfare will be appreciated when it is considered that, formerly, no known insecticide would keep a person free from lice in certain circumstances for longer than two days. It must be remembered that the dreaded disease of typhus is carried and transmitted to humans principally by lice.

D.D.T. is also useful in the control of mosquitoes, which is of the utmost importance in the prevention of malaria. For this purpose the substance is made up into emulsions and sprayed over the stagnant waters where the mosquito larvælive. It is also believed that large areas could be rendered safe from mosquitoes by being sprayed with strong D.D.T. from the air. So that the possibilities of this new warfare against malaria are very great indeed, and it is hoped that the mosquito which is the carrier of the disease may be completely extirpated by this means.

The depredations of moths and silverfish are quickly terminated by an application of the chemical. A very wide range of the pests which are the plague of the farmer and gardener are controlled, and even the codlin moth and apple blossom weevil are said to retreat before the onslaughts of the new weapon. But D.D.T. is without effect on snails, and, fortunately, it is perfectly harmless to earthworms, fishes and bees.

### MATHEMATICS AND THEOLOGY

In a recent issue of the S.S.M. Quarterly, a publication of Kelham Theological College, in England, there appeared an able article on the subject of Mathematics as a preliminary to the study of Theology. The author puts the case for mathematical study so logically and so convincingly that we would like to "eproduce the whole article in these jottings. However, that is impossible, and we must be content with giving, in a very condensed form, the gist of his arguments, more or less, in our own words. Here it is:

Most people suppose that the goal of mathematics is knowing how to do sums. This, although an accomplishment not to be sniffed at, is entirely a false conception, and is quickly dispelled when once the subject is studied seriously. It is then seen to be far more than mere arithmetic; it is more even than an instrument for working out practical problems.

The mathematician proper, like the scientist, is interested in the subject for its own sake. He studies its laws and carries out his operations in accordance with them. His knowledge is mathematical knowledge, and he is not primarily concerned with the uses to which it can be put.

Ânyone looking forward to a career in which mathematics is of no direct practical use may think that it is a waste of time and energy to gain knowledge and proficiency in a subject which belongs to quite a different vocation. But this apparent remoteness from the student's main object constitutes for him the real value of mathematical study, for mathematics is a matter of pure thinking, and requires nothing to work on except its cwn principles. Moreover, it is in little danger of being deflected from its course by any of the influences which commonly affect our minds. In the words of C. E. M. Joad, "Mathematics is pre-eminently the sphere in which the mind swings free."

Mathematical thought is not a special mode of thinking suitable only for a special compartment of the brain or for a special mental faculty. A mind trained to think in the rarefied atmosphere of this subject should be capable of thinking with equal clarity and calmness in any other subject.

It will be admitted, the writer goes on to say, that the study of theology calls for rigorous, sustained and impartial thinking. To that end, the study of mathematics affords a valuable preliminary exercise. Its methods—which are simply methods of thinking—enable the student to grapple with problems of any kind in a business-like manner and with some measure of confidence.

Every question in mathematics is a challenge to the learner's skill and ingenuity and his innate desire for conquest. That confidence which he acquires in mastering these questions engenders competence in dealing with

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problems of other kinds, including those which at one stage or another confront the theological student.

It is worthy of note that many of the great mathematicians of history have either been theologians themselves, or, at least, interested in the science of Theology—men like Newton, Leibnitz, Pascal and Salmon.

### THE EARTH'S ROTATION

A message from New York, published a few weeks ago in the daily press, stated that the Astronomer Royal (Sir Harold Spencer Jones) had made a report to the American Philosophical Society that the earth's rotation is slowing down. 'To many people this may have seemed a sensational announcement, but it is no new information.

As far back as 1898, as the result of prolonged investigation, G. H. Darwin developed his theory of tidal friction. He found that the tides act on the earth as a brake on a machine. The moon is responsible for the greater part of the tides raised on the oceans of the earth. These, exerting a pull on the solid earth beneath, slow down its speed of rotation. The length of the day, which, of course, depends on the rate of this rotation, will, therefore, continue to increase, and will go on increasing until the earth and moon are rotating and revolving respectively in complete unison. The earth will then rotate once on its axis in the same time that the moon will take to revolve once round the earth.

The period of revolution of the moon is gradually but slowly becoming longer, and when the state of equilibrium between our planet and its satellite is reached the earth will always turn the same face to the moon. When, if ever, that time comes the inhabitants of one of the hemispheres of the earth will never see the moon at all, while the other side will be lighted by it every night.

For many years it has been generally accepted by astronomers that the length of the day is increasing by about one-

thousandth part of a second per century. Darwin, calculating backwards, was enabled to point to a time in the remote past when the earth was probably rotating on its axis in a very short period, between three and four hours in fact. But in the far distant future, when the periods of rotation of the earth and of the revolution of the moon become identical, a day on the earth will be equal to 47 of our present days. We need not be concerned, however, for it is estimated that this state of things is not likely to be attained until after 50,000 million years have elapsed.

H.D.E.

### Exchanges

E have to acknowledge receipt of the following magazines since December, 1948, and apologise if any have been inadvertently omitted.

*Tasmania*: Church Grammar School, Launceston; The Friends' School, Hobart; State High School, Hobart.

Victoria: Scotch College, Hawthorn (2); Melbourne Church of England Grammar School; Trinity Grammar School, Kew; Geelong College; Mentone Grammar School; Geelong Grammar School; Ballarat College; Queen's Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Ballarat.

West Australia: Guildford Grammar School (2).

New South Wales: Sydney Church of England Grammar School (2); The Armidale School; Barker College, Hornsby; Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga; The King's School, Parramatta.

South Australia: Collegiate School of St. Peter, Adelaide; Scotch College, Mitcham.

Queensland: Southport School; Church of England Grammar School, Brisbane.

Overseas: Prince of Wales School, Nairobi, Kenya.

### The Parents' Association

IN March, the Parents' Association held its Annual Meeting with an attendance of approximately 150 parents. Reference was made to the very keen and active interest taken in the School by the retiring President, Mr. E. J. C. Stopp, who has been associated with the executive for some years. To him we extend our thanks for loyal service, and welcome him as a Vice-President, in which office he continues to be most interested in the welfare of the boys.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. J. C. Tinning, who has been elected President, and who, too, has been actively associated with the executive and the welfare of the School for a considerable time. All good wishes are extended to him for a successful term of office.

The Annual Fair, held on 5th May, was very successful, the gross proceeds being approximately £254. Congratulations and many thanks are extended to the organiser, Mrs. G. A. Robbie, to the organisers of the various stalls, and to all who contributed towards the success of the Fair, the proceeds of which may be used for the purchase of reference books for the library.

On 4th May, the Parents' Association farewelled the Senior French Master, Mr. L. A. Hickman, whose resignation was received with much regret. Over one hundred parents, several Old Boys and friends were present, and on their behalf a cheque was presented to him by the Chairman, Mr. Stopp, who, with Mr. H. D. Erwin, of the Board of Management, paid high tribute to the esteem in which Mr. Hickman was held by all who appreciated his highly satisfactory and outstanding service to the School. In extending best wishes to him, we thank Mr. Hickman and hope he will meet with every success.

At the General Meeting in June a welcome was extended to Mr. Hickman's successor, Mr. F. Dayan, who, it is hoped, will have a succesful and happy year. During the evening films were screened and those present had an opportunity of seeing in action the sound projector recently donated to the School by the Association. Other recent contributions include \$50 from Reserve Funds for reference books for the library, \$40 to the Old Boys' Equipment Appeal, which was raised on the produce stall of which they were the organisers. An amount of \$23 has also been donated by the Association for black-out curtains.

The following resignations from the executive were received with regret, Mesdames Q. McDougall, C. D. Cuthbert, G. A. Boyes, J. N. Turner. Mr. M. G. Gibson, a former President, and Mr. E. W. Lacy, former Treasurer and Secretary, held office for a considerable time, and to them the School owes a debt of gratitude for their loyal, valuable and long service. A welcome is extended to all new members of the Association and to the following members of the executive: Mesdames R. W. Lawrence, G. A. Robbie, Dr. W. V. Teniswood, Messrs, F. T. Thompson, A. P. Brammall, the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. W. Kimber, the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. M. Lilley and Mesdames Perkins and I. Grant, Sub-Primary representatives.



# Distinguished Old Boys

[Many Old Boys of the School have achieved distinction in their chosen walks of life, and it would be difficult to name any profession which has not had prominently in its ranks one who has passed through this School. The Editor is endeavouring to arrange for two articles to appear in each issue of the Magazine, written by persons qualified to do so, and giving a brief history of any Old Boy who, it is considered, has earned his place in the "Fame Coach."

Suggestions for such articles would be greatly appreciated. The two published in this issue have been written, at the request of the Editor, by an Old Boy who prefers to remain anonymous.].

### HUGH COLIN WEBSTER

THE recent appointment of Dr. H. C. Webster to the Chair of Physics, at the University of Queensland, should be a source of gratification to the School, and especially to Mr. H. D. Erwin, to whom he owes his early training, and whose sound methods of teaching have been responsible for so many successes achieved by his old students.

The following notes may be of interest to those who like to follow the careers of Old Boys of the School.

In 1923, after leaving Hutchins, Dr. Webster entered the University of Tasmania, and graduated there as a Bachelor of Science in 1926. He then entered the University of Melbourne, where he carried out research work under the late Professor Laby, and in 1928 obtained First Class Honours and was awarded the Dixson Scholarship. Later in that year he was awarded the 1851 Exhibition Scholarship. He then went to Cambridge, where he entered Clare College and worked on problems of radioactivity under the late Lord Rutherford and Sir James Chadwick. He was admitted to the Ph.D. Degree in 1932. After leaving Cambridge he held for two years the position of Research Assistant at the University of Bristol, and in 1933 was appointed to the staff of the (Australian)

Radio Research Board, and subsequently carried out investigations relating to "Atmospherics," under the direction of the late Professor Laby. In 1937 he was appointed Lecturer in Biophysics at the University of Queensland, operating the Radon Laboratory and acting as Consultant Physicist to Queensland hospitals.

During the war—from 1940 to 1945 he was seconded to the C.S.I.R. for 1 adar work, and from 1941 to 1943 served as Australian Scientific Liaison Officer in London, being for some time in charge of the Australian Scientific Research Liaison Office.

In 1943 he returned to Australia to take charge of the Countermeasure Group at the Radiophysics Laboratory in Sydney. In 1943-4 he made two short visits to combat areas in New Guinea under authority from General Headquarters.

In 1945 he returned to Brisbane, and in December of that year was appointed Associate Professor in Radiation Physics. The close contact between the Physics Department of the University of Queensland and the State Hospitals—a contact which is not maintained elsewhere—has permitted an integration of the philosophies of medical practice and physical science, the results of which have been embodied by Dr. Webster in a text book on medical physics, published last year.

Dr. Webster is a member of the Queensland Health Education Council. He is Vice-President of the University Staff Association, and for the current year, President of the Royal Society of Queensland. He is also a Fellow of the Institute of Physics. In 1897 he was invited to deliver the John Thomson Lecture at the University.

His selection as Professor of Physics in succession to the late Professor Parnell is a recognition of his outstanding services to Science, and the culmination of a record of achievement of which the Hutchins School may well be proud.

### JOHN D. L. HOOD

MANY years ago an essay was submitted for the Stewart Essay Prize, then recently established, which impressed me greatly by the quality of its styte and the unusually thoughtful treatment of the matter. The subject set for the Essay was a quotation from Wordsworth's well-known poems, dedicated to National Independence—

"Two voices are there; one is of the sea, One of the mountains; each a mighty Voice."

A difficult theme, and, one would think, not calculated to inspire the average schoolboy to any high flights of imagination.

But the writer of the Prize Essay was not an average schoolboy—he was John D. L. Hood, the subject of this memoir—a boy whose subsequent brilliant career has justified the high hopes of those who knew him in his youth, and who realised the promise that lay behind that shy, reserved exterior.

John Hood's first success, the Mac-Naughtan Scholarship, was followed by a Scholarship which took him to the University of Tasmania, where he graduated in Arts. In 1926 he was selected as Rhodes Scholar for Tasmania, and went to Oxford, entering Magdalen, the College founded by William Waynflete, Bishop of Winchester. There he achieved further distinctions, both in scholarship and sport, gaining the coveted Rowing Blue, and obtaining his B.A. Degree with First Class Honours in Modern Greats.

After leaving Oxford he took up journalism and was admitted to the staff of "The Times," where his ability was soon recognised and rewarded by the post of a Sub-Editor—a rare distinction for an Australian. His work at "The Times" lay largely in the field of Public Affairs and led to his next appointment, that of Liaison Officer in London to the Australian Department of External Affairs.

In 1939 he returned to Australia, having been transferred to the Diplo-

matic Corps at Canberra, and for some time he acted there as Secretary to the Department of External Affairs. In 1946 it was decided to set up an Australian Legation in Holland, and Hood was sent to the Hague to open the new Establishment as Charge d'Affaires. While in Europe he also acted as Political Adviser to the Australian Mission in Berlin. Subsequently he was appointed a member of the United Nations' Commission of Enquiry into the Balkan situation in relation to Greece, and later a member of the Palestine Committee, set up by the United Nations to investigate the problems arising out of the conflict between Arabs and Jews.

Since then his activities have been chiefly associated with the work of the United Nations Organisation, and at present he holds the office of Minister in Charge of the Australian Mission to the United Nations Assembly at New York.

Mr. Hood is still a young man, but he has already established an international reputation. He has travelled far and wide since those early days at Hutchins o'er mountain and o'er sea—but the two voices of Liberty, of which he wrote with such understanding in that Prize Essay of long ago, still ring in his ears, and guide him in his search for international understanding.



# Launching of New Racing Four

THE new four-oared racing boat, which has been on order for ten years, was not delivered until this year owing to the intervention of the war. It was formally presented to the School on March 28th by Mr. L. Nettlefold, and was named the "Stuart C. Walch" in honour of a former Hutchins oarsman who lost his life in the Battle for Britain.

The boat was officially named by Mrs. Nettlefold, wife of the donor, in the presence of Mrs. P. C. and Miss Brenda Walch, mother and sister of the late Stuart Walch, and a large gathering representative of the School, Old Boys and parents.

In his address, the President of the Old Boys' Association, Brigadier E. M. Dollery, said:

"In the course of our policy to assist the Board of Management by providing essential and modern equipment for the School, the Old Boys' Association also undertook to provide funds for the new racing four which has been recently delivered by the builder after being on order for some ten years.

"When Mr. Len. Nettlefold heard of this he most generously offered to pay the cost of the boat as his contribution to the Old Boys' Appeal. As President of the Old Boys' Association I wish to thank Mr. Nettlefold most sincerely for his practical interest in his old School. When the question of naming the boat was raised, my Committee was of the opinion that the name should perpetuate the memory of a prominent oarsman of the School who had given his life in the service of his country. After examination of our records we came to the conclusion that no one was more deserving of this tribute than Flight-Lieut. Stuart Crosby Walch. His name was, therefore, submitted to Mr. Nettlefold who readily agreed with it and with the idea which prompted it.

"Stuart Walch entered the School in 1927, his number on the School Roll be-

ing 2,832, and left at the end of 1934. He was above average in the sporting side of his School career, being especially good at football and rowing. He rowed in two School crews, including the winning Head-of-the-River crew in 1934. After leaving School he entered his father's firm, but the air called him, and he later decided to make flying his career. He joined the R.A.A.F. in 1936, and after gaining his wings, he proceeded to England to take a short service commission with the Royal Air Force. He eventually became a very capable Flying Instructor, and the outbreak of war in 1939 found him in 238 Flying Squadron. His squadron was engaged in operational duties from the beginning, but the intensive period broke in 1940, when the German air armada made its determined attempt to smash the R.A.F. and thus pave the way for an invasion of England. The resultant heavy and continuous struggle in the air between hordes of enemy bombers and a small but elite band of allied heroes in fighter planes has passed into history as the epic Battle for Britain. We know the outcome. The invasion was cancelled, Britain was saved, the World was saved from ruthless and un-Christian domination, and as a result, we people assembled here today retain our freedom and our democratic way of life to pass on to our descendants.

"On 10th August, 1940, Walch was commanding a leading flight of Spitfires which became engaged with two waves of raiders which were attacking a convoy of small ships off the coast of Hampshire. Only three planes of his flight returned from the battle, which took place 15 miles out to sea, but the convoy was saved. He was aged 23. He was the only Tasmanian amongst the 32 Australians who lost their lives in the Battle for Britain, and his name is recorded in a r.ost beautiful Memorial Chapel in Westminster Abbey dedicated to the 1,378 men who died in that momentous action. Right.—The President, H.S.O.B.A. (Brig. Dollery), addressing the gathering





Left .--- Mr. Len. Nettlefold presents the boat

Right .--- Mrs. Nettlefold names the new craft





Left .--- The "Stuart C. Walch" is launched

It is known that Stuart Walch was held in high regard by his comrades. He was prone to undertake the most dangerous job himself, and to shepherd the younger and less experienced pilots. In short, he was a man of whom our School may be very proud, and for whose inspiration and example we may be most thankful. His name on this boat is intended to be symbolical of all Hutchins oarsmen who gave their lives for their country, and vividly reminds us of the maxim conveyed in our motto—'Vivit post funera virtus.'

"Mr. Leo Chambers, who was the cox of the winning crew in which Stuart Walch rowed, has kindly donated a plaque to commemorate this ceremony. The plaque will be mounted in the School Rowing Shed.

"I now ask Mr. Len. Nettlefold to present the boat to the Headmaster, who will receive it on behalf of the School."

R.S.V.

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### Cadet Notes

O.C. Detachment: Position vacant C.S.M.: W.O. ii E. G. Butler C.Q.M.S.: S/Sgt. S. Q. Davis Sergeants: D. Fisher, G. A. Renney, D. R. King

Promotions and Appointments: Cpl. Butler to W.O. ii; Cdt. Davis to Sgt. to S/Sgt.; Cdt. Fisher to Cpl. to Sgt.; Cdt. Renney to Cpl. to Sgt.; Cdt. King to Cpl. to Sgt.; Cdt. Calvert to L/Cpl. to Cpl. Cdt. Lange to L/Cpl. to Cpl.; Cdt. Mitchell to L/Cpl. to Cpl.; Cdt. Gibson to Cpl.; Cdt. Russell to Cpl.; Cdt. Shepherd to Cpl.; Cdt. Tinning to L/Cpl.

This year there has been a great deal more interest and enthusiasm in the Cadets, even above that seen in 1948. The strength of the Detachment has risen from 48 to a total of 58. This has enabled the Detachment to form two platoons, one consisting of second and

third year, and the other of first year cadets. As the officers and most of the N.C.O.'s of 1948 left School, the Detachment has been set back and is only now recovering from the loss. It has necessitated a great deal of uncertainty in promotions, but it is expected that by the end of July all vacant positions will be filled and stabilized.

### N.C.O.s' and Officers' Course of Instruction-

This annual School of Instruction was held at Fort Direction in January, 1949. Three Hutchins School Cadets attended and all gained higher passes. There were eight members present at the N.C.O's Refresher Course held at Anglesea Barracks during the first term holidays, and all passed favourably.

The Detachment has been present at two ceremonial parades this year — the Empire Day march through Hobart and the King's Birthday Ceremony in Parliament Square.

Bivouac-Fort Direction-

A bivouac was held at Fort Direction during the first term. No. 2 Platoon and some members of No. 1 attended, and this enabled the recruits to finish off their elementary training. This week-end camp also gave them some idea of what life will be like at the main camp at Brighton at the end of this term. But it is absolutely essential for all cadets to attend these functions as even one absent cadet can upset the balance and hinder a platoon's training as a whole.

The usual  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -hour parades have been held each Tuesday, and the first-year cadets have reached a high standard considering the setbacks the Detachment has experienced. During these instructional periods W.O. i Taylor, of Anglesea Bartacks, has given invaluable assistance in the training and organizing of the Detachment, and has been a great help in maintaining as high a standard of proficiency as last year.

E. G. Butler, C.S.M.

### Scout Notes

T'S been an' gone an' happened, and what a great time it was. What was? The Pan-Pacific Jamboree at Yarra Brae, of course. Nine from 3rd Hobart joined in the revels on the banks of the Yarra, and, in the words of the classics, a good time was had by all. But what an inspiration Lord Rowallan was to all who attended, and what a great realisation of the fellowship of Scouting was attained by mixing with scouts of other nations, creeds and colours.

For many it was their first trip to the "big city," and three of our number found it so hard to drag themselves away from Melbourne that they stayed on for three weeks. Apart from the novelty of the Jamboree itself, there was the added thrill for many of travelling on an L.S.T. It was, however, a thrill which not a great number would be too anxious to repeat.

The outstanding figure at the Jamboree was, undoubtedly, Lord Rowallan, and his visit to Tasmania was greatly appreciated. I am sure that all who have heard him speak will never forget his stirring addresses. A fine man, and an able leader of Empire scouts, his visit proved to be an inspiration.

The Clark Trophy competition at Eastertide was rather an anticlimax after the Jamboree, but our chaps managed to fill fifth place.

The Seniors, for so long without a Leader, were very lucky to obtain the services of Mr. E. C. Brown, himself a Wood Badge man, and things among the Seniors are definitely on the up grade. The Patrol has entered for the Meredich Trophy—Senior Scout equivalent of the Clark Trophy—and at present they are working flat-out towards it.

John Shelton, after a sojourn with the Rovers, with whom he went to the Jamboree, has returned to the Troop and applied for a warrant as A.S.M. T. A. S. Atkinson and Robin Read have swapped

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places, the former being A.S.M. and the latter S.M.

Due to the short notice given and the proximity of Easter, we were unable to hold our open night, but it will be held in the near future. All Scout and Cub parents are invited to attend as it should be a good show.

Scout Week ended with the Annual Rotary Service in St. David's Cathedral, where one of our number distinguished himself and the Troop by reading the Lesson. Rumours that he has since been approached by several secular bodies, three Sunday schools and an Evangelical meeting are entirely without foundation. Empire Youth Sunday also found the Troop at the City Hall, and the Troop's consecrated colours were placed on the stage as the representative colours for the Scout Movement.

On 8th April, together with other Scouts from the School, we carried United Nations flags in St. David's Park for Mr. L. J. Shaw, of U.S.A., to photograph.

Finally, a short extract from the Chief Scout's message at Yarra Brae:

"We should think, not of our own welfare, but the progress of mankind. Scouts are following in a great tradition —a tradition built during the last war, when Scouts showed themselves unequalled in courage and endurance—the bravest of the brave."

G.P.H.



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### Dramatic Society

Master-in-Charge: Mr. K. Jarvis President: G. Page-Hanify Secretary: E. G. Butler Treasurer: R. S. Valentine Librarian and Script Manager: B. Purvis Wardrobe Manager: H. Thompson Settings: G. Salmon Stage: S. Davis Publicity Manager: J. Clark

S the Dramatic Society's first Com-A<sup>S</sup> the Draman Gound Mr. mittee, under the guidance of Mr. K. Jarvis, was able to handle successfully the bulk of the Society's business in 1948, it was decided at the first meeting this year to continue the Committee by electing new officers in the vacant positions. Those elected are: G. Page-Hanify (Chairman), E. G. Butler (Secretary), R. S. Valentine (Treasurer), B. D. Purvis, H. M. Thompson, G. W. Salmon, S. Q. Davis and J. R. Clark. These last five members are in charge of the specialized sections of the Script Library, Wardrobe, Stage Settings, Stage Managing and Publicity respectively.

After the additions and renovations last year, it was decided to augment the lighting arrangement to meet the requirements of the enlarged stage. Such items as permanent built-in footlights, a better wiring circuit and switch-board system are to be installed before our main production this year. As about £70 was required to bring these necessities to reality, the Committee decided to hold a dance to raise part of the sum. This function was successfully held on Saturday, 30th April, and the Committee would like to thank those parents who helped with the supper while also busy preparing articles for the fair.

The One-Act Plays, held in the first term to discover talent for the main production and to give new members experience behind the footlights, were run on a different basis this year. Instead of Mr. Jarvis directly producing the four plays, the three remaining principals of "Toad of Toad Hall," G. Page-Hanify, B D. Purvis and J. R. Clark, each produced a play. These were "Pawns," "The Will of God" and "Thread O' Scarlet" respectively. The remaining play was undertaken by Mr. Jarvis, who used the younger members in "Marmaduke." These productions were presented to the public on Tuesday, 3rd May, and considering the difficulty in producing plays of this type, excellent performances were given. The amount raised from the dance and the plays was nearly half the sum required to modernize the lighting system.

The main production for 1949 is to be "What Happened to George," a a comedy by Vera Beringer. Work on this play will begin soon, and, judging by the high standard of the One-Act Plays, this yearly feature of the Dramatic Society should be well up to last year's success with "Toad of Toad Hall."

E.G.B.

# Debating Society

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Patron: Mr. W. H. Hudspeth President: Mr. H. D. Erwin Hon. Secretary: J. P. Morris Committee: E. G. Butler, D. Thomas, G. Page-Hanify, R. S. Valentine, K. Webster.

THE House Debates began on June 16th, and the "A" Competition resulted in a win for Stephens House, with Buckland second. We are very grateful to Mr. H. D. Erwin for acting as Adjudicator in the Senior Debates.

The Junior Impromptu Speeches were held on 20th April, and Mr. Williams was the Adjudicator. He awarded first place to Woodward, of School House, and second place to Bowden, of School House. This House, therefore, won on points, with Buckland second.

The Senior Impromptu Speeches were held on 27th May, the Adjudicator being Mr. Erwin. Shepherd and Morris tied for first place and shared the title of Senior Impromptu Orator. The House results were Stephens, first, and Buckland, second. We would like to thank Mr. Erwin for his sound advice and his stressing of the importance of public speaking in later life.

We have received an invitation from Fahan to debate against their team, the proposed date being 7th July. It is uhought, also, that at a later date we ask the Fahan Debating Society to join with us in an informal discussion on some topical issue.

J.P.M.

### Natural History Club President: The Headmaster

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Secretary: R. Wright "HIS year the Club's membership has

dwindled to seven. We meet in Friday lunch hours to discuss topics of interest and to give pre-arranged talks. These included discussions on Flying 'Possums (Wright), The Carnivorous Animals of Tasmania (Gibson), The Spotted Crake (Mr. Radford), Flying Foxes (Millington), and we had many others, including one on snakes.

Only one outing has been managed so far, and was held on 19th April, when the Club went to St. Crispin's Well.

As this year to date has been very busy, the activities of the Club have been rather curtailed, but we have several plans for the future, including a showing of films and, on 12th August, a trip to Chauncy Vale.

R.W.

# Film Club

President: Mr. B. G. Nichol Secretary: M. S. Gibson Committee: E. G. Butler, R. S. Valentine, J. T. Shelton, T. Brain, A. Gibson, H. Foster.

Shelton, T. Brain, A. Gibson, H. Foster. WITH the gift of the splendid sound projector by the Parents' Association it has been possible to make use of the wide selection of films available from the Education Department and the State Library. Selections are made by the Committee, and are shewn mostly on Thursdays at lunch-time and on Saturday evenings. A big range of topics has been presented, from travel, science and sport. It is hoped to arrange longer programmes for Saturday nights, to alternate with the School Dancing Class. We have been able to have daytime shows, thanks to the provision of black-out curtains in the Gymnasium by the Parents' Assocation.

Possibly the most outstanding film we have seen so far is one about Westminster Abbey. This film views the interior as well as the exterior of the famous old Cathedral. Choral and symphonic music accompany the pictorial presentation, and some scenes include the coronation of King George VI.

We have seen many films of various countries, and of different sports—the sports being most popular with the boys. A film on the essentials of the art of cricket by Test players W. Edrich, J. Simms and G. Evans proved most interesting, as did a swimming film. A few minutes of a Victorian football final provided some thrills and was possibly the best remembered film. A Disney cartoon showing the importance of vaccination was very interesting, whilst some photos of the actual growth of an onion plant were amazing.

M.S.G.

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President: Mr. O. H. Biggs Secretary: J. P. Morris

**T**N contrast to its size last year, the Music Club is very small in membership. Perhaps this is due to the fact that membership is on an entirely voluntary basis. Although we would like to see our Club grow a little, there are advantages in having a small club. The meetings are less formal and we can choose more varied programmes.

This year the Club meets every alternate Thursday at four o'clock. We have an hour or so of music, and we are thus able to present complete major works.

Among the major works presented this year have been a delightful, rediscovered symphony of Mozart—Symphony No. 33 in B Flat, Saint-Saens' Concerto in G Minor, Beethoven's 1st Symphony, Elgar's Enigma Variations and a wonderful new recording of Tchaikowsky "Romeo and Juliet Fantasy-Overture" by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, under Von Karajan. The shorter works presented included compositions by Wagner, Chabrier, Ponchielli and Saint-Saens.

The programmes were arranged by the President, Mr. Biggs and Messrs. Shepherd and Morris. We are extremely grateful to the President for his enjoyable lectures and his interest in the Club. A most informative programme presented by the President was a set of recordings showing the scope and character of each of the instruments of the orchestra.

A cordial invitation is extended to any boy to join the Club. As may be seen from the foregoing, the music presented is varied in style and needs no special technical knowledge for its appreciation. Most of the works heard are played in response to requests. They can be enjoyed in comfortable surroundings and through the medium of a superb amplifier. If you have any taste whatever for music, come and indulge it to the full! I.P.M.

Secretary: C. K. Oliver SEVERAL meetings have been held this year and, membership being on a voluntary basis, most are taking an active interest. Displays have been given by the President (2), D. Gibb (2), and C. K. Oliver, whilst several interesting items have been passed round for inspection. Auction sales have benefited individual members and the Australian Board of Missions, care being taken to protect both buyer and seller in "price control."

An innovation is to be tried in the circulation of approval sheets supplied by members, whilst the time-honoured game of "swaps" will also be re-introduced. It is hoped also to start a series of talks

on some of the finer points of philately, such as watermarks, perforations, plateflaws, etc.

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# Library Notes

Librarian: D. E. Kirby Committee: E. G. Butler, J. R. Clark, J. W. Cooper, R. d'A. Cuthbert, M. S. Gibson, J. W. Heckscher, B. F. Johnson, J. P. Morris, G. Page-Hanify, G. A. Renney, D. U. Shepherd, S. Turnbull, R. S. Valentine.

Form Representatives: Intermediate, D. C. Hume; Vth Form, W. Grant; Remove A, B. Kemp. T the first meeting of the Committee A this year it was decided to do away with the afternoon opening of the Library. This meant that the building would be open only between 8.30-9.00 a.m. and 1.00-1.45 p.m. This has proved quite successful as the Library is used in the afternoons only by boarders, at which times the boarders on the Committee are able to supervise. This year several new offices have been added to the Committee -a Form representative from Intermediate, Vth Form and Remove A-to watch over the borrowing of books when the respective Form is in the Library.

Earlier this year there was a display of books in the Library. About £50 worth of books were lent by the Mary Fisher Book Club of Launceston, covering a wide range of subjects in all age groups.

The Library's reference section, which is already very good in many respects, is, we understand, to be augmented by an allocation from the amount realized at the Fair. Smaller tables and more comfortable chairs have been procured for the Library, which enables boys to have more privacy and quietness when they wish to consult the books in the reference section.

At present many magazines are being bought, and it is hoped to increase the number soon by procuring several new periodicals which have recently appeared on the market. With these, and more new books, we hope to build the Library up to meet the requirements of the School. E.G.B.

### House Notes

### BUCKLAND HOUSE

Colours: Maroon and White House Master: Mr. F. J. Williams House Captain: J. W. Golding Vice-Captain: D. E. Fisher Captain of Cricket: J. Clark Captain of Swimming: J. W. Golding

THIS year we have made a very successful start in the various House competitions.

We won the swimming sports, where the fine House spirit shown by the team pulled them through to victory against determined opposition. The final results of the House cricket competition will not be known till third term, when the Second XI have to play a postponed match. At the moment we are equal first. Congratulations to all the teams.

The debating competition this year went against us, and we congratulate Stephens, who beat us, although the teams under Morris put up a good job.

In the Inter-School swimming sports Golding was captain of the School team, which included Mitchell, Fisher, Aherne, D. Thompson, J. Thompson, McDougall and Salter. They put up a very good show.

School Cricket Colours were won by Mitchell, Clark and Salter; Mitchell also gained the best bowling average. Well played, chaps.

John Morris won the Senior impromptu debate, a very creditable performance.

The football season is still young, and House competitions have not yet started, but we have high hopes. Mitchell has already captained the School XVIII. To all, our best wishes for a successful season.

Outside School Fisher had the honour of representing Tasmania in the inter-

State life-saving team competition on the Mainland recently. Mitchell and David Thompson rounded off a fine swimming season by coming second in the Under 18 swimming championship of Tasmania, and the A Grade dive at the Hobart Regatta respectively. Geoff. Burrows reached the final of the doubles in the Tasmanian boys' tennis championship. To all we extend our hearty congratulations, and for ourselves, we hope that we will at least do as well in the coming half-year as we have done so far.

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### STEPHENS HOUSE

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold House Master: Mr. R. L. James House Captain: D. M. Pitt Vice-Captain: R. S. Valentine Captain of Cricket: G. Page-Hanify Captain of Siwmming, Tennis and Football: G. A. W. Renney Captain of Athletics: R. S. Valentine Captain of Cross-Country: D. M. Pitt Debating Representatives: G. Page-Hanify and R. S. Valentine

THIS year finds Stephens in high hopes of becoming Cock House despite relatively big losses in some of last year's key men. However, we have a fine batch of keen sportsmen lined up, and with our conscientious sports captains we are confident of every support from the members of the House, especially when the individual sports like crosscountry, standard athletics, tennis and athletics come along.

School House once again won the cricket Shield, although not without a hard fight. In the first "A" House match against Bucks. they scraped in by about five runs. In the second match we suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of Bucks. However, in the final match we showed our true form, and after an exciting match defeated School by 16 runs (Stephs., 97; School, 81). This meant that the Shield rested with the results of the "B" House, as all Houses were equal. Here School won both its matches easily to gain the win necessary for the Shield. The final "B" match, Stephs. v. Bucks., is at present not played, and will be left until the last term. With only four members of the Firsts, Page-Hanify, Stopp, Brain and Trethewey, Stephs. did quite well, and with a stronger "B" House, might have pulled it off.

In swimming Stephs. did well this year to finish second to Bucks., the contest being undecided until the last event. Several distinguished themselves for the House, especially G. Salmon, who broke the Under 16 breast-stroke record. We were well represented in the inter-School contest by Renney, Salmon, Stopp, Banks-Smith, Trethewey, Brain, Halley, Thompson and Von Bibra.

Stephens once again proved strong in the Senior Impromptu debates, having Shepherd as one of the two Senior Orators, with Page-Hanify, McCabe and Valentine shining. We were also successful in the "A" House Debates, the winning team being Page-Hanify, Valentine and Shepherd. In the Junior Debates held last term A. Gibson proved to be the best from Stephens. both divisions. Nobody was outstanding but all pulled their weight, and we have great hopes for the future.

In the cricket, School fielded two strong teams, but in the "A" division they disappointed. Johnson, bowling with devastating accuracy, was responsible for our two-run victory over Bucks. after early batsmen had failed. Our batsmen again failed against Stephens, and Pitt lit out lustily after accurate bowling pinned the other batsmen in their creases, winning the match for them. J. Lord (11 wickets for 14 runs) and M. Blacklow (9/41) were responsible for two comfortable "B" House wins, and our success in gaining the cricket Shield.

The Senior impromptu speeches found us for the second time filling last place, but we had the honour of the most "triers" to attend the meeting. J. Heckscher and E. Butler were outstanding. However, in the Junior division Woodward (1st), Bowden (2nd) and P. Heckscher were responsible for our clear-cut win.

At present it seems that any House may win the competition, but it would be out of place to find School anywhere but first, so go to it, lads.

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### SCHOOL HOUSE

Colours: Light Blue and Dark Blue House Master: Mr. B. Nichol House Captain: M. S. Gibson Vice-Captain: J. T. Shelton Captain of Cricket and Football: J. W. Heckscher Captain of Swimming: K. A. Webster Captain of Debating: E. G. Butler Captain of Rifle-Shooting: D. C. Hume Captain of Cross-Country: A. G. Bowden

A S usual, School House made a bad start by coming last in both "A" and "B" House swimming, but it was very consoling to find improvement in





### FIRST XVIII Captain: J. P. Mitchell Vice-Captain: J. W. Heckscher

THIS year we have been very fortunate with the weather and have been able to train regularly every Monday and Wednesday since Easter. The side, on the whole, is very young and inexperienced, but is improving every match, and we hope by the end of the season to have a fairly strong team.

The training list is as follows:

Mitchell, Heckscher, Golding, Aherne, Bowden, Brain, Clark, Cooper, Cuthbert, Douglas, Fisher, Gibson, Halley, Hume, Johnson, Madden, Page-Hanify, Pitt, Renney, Stopp, Thomas, Thompson, J. Trethewey.

Before the first roster match we played four games, against St. Virgil's, Technical School and twice against Friends'. Of these, the only win was against Friends' the first time.

The first roster match was against St. Virgil's on 23rd June.

St. Virgil's, in the first quarter, went to a nine point lead, but in the second, Hutchins, kicking with the wind, confined St. Virgil's to 1 behind, and went on to 3 goals 3 behinds. After half-time, both teams seemed very even, Hutchins holding a 10-point lead at the end of the third quarter. Holding Hutchins down to 2 behinds in the final quarter and putting on 2 goals 2 behinds, St. Virgil's went to a 2-point lead which they maintained till the final bell. Final scores:

> St. Virgil's, 5.11 (41 points) Hutchins, 5.9 (39 points)

Best players: Golding, Mitchell, Heckscher, Trethewey, Thompson, Clark, Hume.

Goalkickers: Trethewey (2), Mitchell, Page-Hanify, Douglas.

The next match was against Friends' on 2nd July.

Friends' had most of the play for three quarters, with Hutchins within striking distance most of the time. Halfway through the third quarter Hutchins broke through to take the lead. Just before the third quarter ended, Friends' kicked the equalizer.

Friends' took the lead soon after the start of the last quarter, and maintained it until, with only a few minutes left, Hutchins drew level. Just before the end, however, Friends' kicked a goal to put the issue beyond doubt. Final scores:

> Friends', 3.10 (28 points) Hutchins, 3.5 (23 points)

*Best players:* Golding, Heckscher, Renney, Mitchell, Hume, Trethewey.

Goalkickers: Golding, Renney, Douglas.

# CRICKET

#### Captain: M. J. Gibson Vice-Captain: J. W. Heckscher

THIS year, with so much young blood in the team, a process of team building for next year was entered upon. With four of the 1948 team as a nucleus, a solid eleven was built up, which, unfortunately, only really began to show its true strength towards the end of the season.

In the first two roster matches against S.V.C. and Friends', we rather easily succumbed, but in the last two we went within an ace of victory. A little more experience at critical moments could easily have pulled us through.

In the practice matches, held against Friends', S.V.C. and State High, several weaknesses became apparent. Like the other two schools, we lacked a good fast bowler, and although Johnson, Bowden and Mitchell strove hard, at no time did their speed become dangerous. Thus it was we had to rely on our spinners, particularly Trethewey, Brain and Gibson.

Our batting, with five left-handers, showed signs of strength, but only too often we saw moderate bowling treated with far more respect than it deserved. Stopp and Page-Hanify opened, but it was not until the last two roster matches that opening partnerships exceeded thirty.

Skipper Gibson took the important position of first wicket down, but in spite of several solid scores, he never really got going in the rosters except for his 75 n.o. against Saints. Then followed Heckscher, Brain and Hume, all of whom were responsible for several good scores. The tail rarely wagged, except in the second Friends' roster match.

Fielding, like the batting, at times reached great heights, several excellent run outs being recorded. But, on the other hand, some easy catches were dropped, and inaccurate returns at crucial moments sometimes resulted in overthrows. However, everybody pulled together as a team at all stages, and although we did not win a match, the last one being drawn, we never lost heart. The outlook for next year appears bright, with the possibility of over half the team returning; and the experience learnt in our defeats of last season should prove invaluable.

No cricket notes would be complete without mention of the coach, Mr. Mc-Kay. With so young and inexperienced a team, his was a difficult job, and he is to be congratulated for the fine work he did in raising the team to its high standard in so short a time. It is to be hoped that next year his efforts may be rewarded with the Premiership.

We congratulate S.V.C. on winning the Southern title, and wish them the best of luck in the State Premiership at Launceston. Finally, tribute should be made to the umpiring of Mr. Wicks, who has been associated with cricket for fifty seasons, and who has been always ready to help with advice and assistance.

Results of Roster Matches

Round 1.-Lost to S.V.C. by innings and 164 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 91 (Brain, 24; Heckscher, 15; Gibson, 13). Second innings, 49 (Heckscher, 17; Brain, 16).

S.V.C., 1st innings, 304 (Johnson, 3-59; Brain, 1-24; Mitchell, 1-34, Bowden, 1-48).

Lost to Friends by 5 wickets and 2 runs. Hutchins, 1st innings, 87 (Stopp, 26; Hume, 17 not out; Page-Hanify, 12). Second innings, 108 (Hume, 25; Heckscher, 16; Mitchell, 14; Gibson, 12).

Friends, 1st innings, 155 (Bowden, 5-46; Brain, 2-33; Trethewey, 1-9; Johnson, 1-42. 2nd innings, 5 for 42 (Johnson, 4-21).

Round 2.—Lost to S.V.C. on 1st innings, by 22 runs.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 165 (Gibson, 78 not out; Page-Hanify, 19; Stopp, 16). 2nd innings, 6 for 76 (Page-Hanify, 40; Gibson, 15; Stopp, 11). S.V.C., 1st innings, 187 (Mitchell, 4-14; Trethewey, 3-38; Hume, 1-2; Bowden, 1-55).

Drew with Friends.

Hutchins, 1st innings, 112 (Stopp, 36; Page-Hanify, 16; Clarke, 14 not out).

Friends, 1st innings, 8 for 91 (Gibson, 3-15; Brain, 2-21; Johnson, 1-7; Trethewey, 1-26).

### 2nds CRICKET

#### Captain: A. Graves Vice-Captain: D. Fisher

The Seconds had a very succesful season and looked certain to take the Premiership. Unfortunataely, bad weather intervened and the final match had to be cancelled.

The first roster game was played at St. Virgil's, and Thomas is to be commended on his fine bowling, taking seven wickets and dismissing S.V.C. for 62. Halley and Jones, in a grand batting display, soon lifted our score to give us an easy victory at the bell of 6 wickets for 145.

In the second game we met Friends at Clare Street, and again Thomas and Pitt quickly dismissed Friends for 66.

The batting was less confident than it had been against S.V.C., but Graves, Thompson, Jones and Golding steadily brought the score up to give us our second victory with 5 wickets for 81.

In the second round we met S.V.C. again, this time on Christ College ground. S.V.C., with accurate bowling and one or two mistakes on our part, dismissed us for 63; Thompson and Halley the only batsmen to score double figures. With this incentive, Saints batted well to gain the victory with 103 runs.

Bowling honours in this match went to K. Smith, our young left-hander taking 5 for 16.

Unfortunately, we did not meet Friends again due to bad weather.



#### CRICKET TEAM

Back row: B. F. Johnson, R. G. Bowden, J. R. Clark, J. Russell, P. S. Trethewey, T. G. Brain, Mr. G. A. McKay. Front row: J. P. Mitchell, J. W. Heckscher, M. S. Gibson (Captain), G. Page-Hanify, D. C. Hume, E. J. C. Stopp.

# SIXTREPAC

THIS year the veterans of the mighty Sixth of 1948 mourn the loss (from School) of the still mightier "Buddy," who so ably performed the function of Form Captain last year. Our grief is largely mitigated, however, by his successor, the up-and-coming "Fith'ook," of tadio fame. If you want to know all about a condenser, ask "Fith'ook," and if you don't, well ask him anyhow. The effect is the same.

Believe it or not, work is going apace, so fast that we may not catch up with it! If we may be permitted slightly to misquote one of the masters, we might say we are "working like Trojans." The misquotation lies in the fact that he said we ought to be "working like Trojans," but what is a word or two amongst friends? The determination to answer a question, no matter how difficult, was well instanced by McCabe, who, when asked why the ancient English traders went to Iceland, replied, "To get ice!" This remarkable piece of erudition was closely matched by a member of VIB, who informed the master that "Louis Blanc had something to do with some sort of revolution in some European country sometime in the eighteenth century!" Do you wonder that we confidently forecast C's and H's in the Matric. exam.

It would appear that the School authorities have awakened to the fact that the question, "May I get a book from my locker, please?" entailed a considerable waste of time if answered in the affirmative. Consequently, the lockers are now in the room with us. Apparently, a character named "Boney" is practically in complete possession, though here and there one may detect the labels "Supermouse," "Herby" and "Dabs," whoever they may be.

We are told that the Maths. we are now engaged upon will "open the door to all future work." Some of us wish the door was closed-there's a draught! We are consoled, however, by being informed that all our problems (well, nearly all, mathematical or otherwise) which previously had required "a lot of spade work" (to quote O.H.B.) are now made ridiculously simple by the application of the Differential and/or Integral Calculus! These topics, we are told, can be used extensively as bull-dozers. Some people certainly need them! Still, we are trying hard to win the "Mathematical Tripe" and the title of "Senior Wangler" that goes with it. So far, a promising contender for the title is Cooper, whose self-imposed thesis on "Solutions of General Equations of the Second Degree in Two Variables" is truly remarkable. Even O.H.B. is slightly baffled, but "admires the industry shown."

Well, we must make way for the frothy vapourings of the Lesser Sixth, and, wishing each other "Good Wangling," we sign off.

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# Echoes from VIB

E are working much too hard to be able to render an exhaustive account of our doings (we trust the Editor doesn't see this), and we trust you will excuse this potted version of our activities.

French: We *speak* it—that's how good we are. No longer do we say "Pass the butter," but "Givez le beurre une breeze."

English: Meticulous marking has been responsible for the development of our latest genius in precis-writing and correction of sentences. No longer are our prepositions boggled at or with. Maths.: Doubtful, but you should see our Maths. III tigers! We must be prepared to work immediately the master enters the room, or else.

Latin: Only five doing it, and they don't matter. Or do they?

Commerce: Alderman L. assures us we are the ant's pants, bless his heart and soul.

Science: H<sub>2</sub>S and all that. We are informed by one who should know that scientists (or was it science masters?) are "necessary vermin." Perhaps we had better leave it at that. But aren't the stinks good?

Social Studies: You tell us.

We greatly miss "our 'Arry," who has been languishing in hospital for two months on a diet of penicillin. Good luck, Harry, and keep your chin up. Heartv congratulations to Renney and Mitchell, who have been elevated to the rank of Probationary Prefect.

Well, readers, as one of our number said to another, "Back to the asylum!"

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### Inter. Form Notes

HELLO, One, Two Three, testing. Hello, this is the voice of Inter. bringing you all the gossip of the halfyear.

THE BIG THREE—Mr. Gerlach, Form master; Golding, Captain; Halley, Vice-Captain—have got the class well under control (with a few exceptions).

In the sporting sphere (not the "Sporting Globe") we have done particularly well, Golding being elected Captain, and Brain, Brook, Halley, Hume, Salter, Thompson, D. and J., and Trethewey all being representatives of the swimming team. Also Bowden, Brain, Hume, Russell and Trethewey were in the School cricket team. Football is now in full swing, and eight of our class are on the Senior training list. Last term, in a "Courrier Australien" competition, three of our boys came equal second. They were Lord, Russell and Woodward. We were all very sorry to lose Mr. Hickman at the end of last term, but we welcome in his place Mr. Dayan.

Mr. G. still insists that "Josephine" is a low-cost running car, because if it wasn't he wouldn't be able to keep it going !!!! However, now that petrol rationing has been lifted we expect to see "Josephine" around the School more frequently.

The other day Mr. G. asked "Texas" where catgut came from. Prof. "Texas" replied, "Caterpillars!" "Woofta" is now trying to work out how many caterpillars would be required to string a tennis racket!

This year's Gem was in one peaceful (?) science period. R.L.J. was explaining the different forces (gravitational, etc.) acting in the earth. He asked if we knew of any forces other than the ones he had mentioned. Our great scholar "Shedrick," using his brains for the first time that day (and week), replied "Air Force"!

"Durgess" has consented to give a large reward (about  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ .) to anyone who can enlighten him on the following:

Why are "Digger" and "Bullfrog" always late?

Who says "Cop this, yong 'Arry"?

Who winks at his class?

Who says "Oh, you boys"?

What is a Mathematical Lie?

Why does "Boof" still attend the Yacht Club after the season has closed?

Some boys "crash" in exams., some "crash" into dances, but who "crashed" in the playground when chasing a football?

### Fifth Form Frolics

THIS year the Fifth consists of 25 loud-voiced and unruly schoolboys, whose apparent main object in life is to skip work (we have some exceptions, of course).

Last term the Form was kept in check by Mr. Hickman, capably assisted by A. Gibson (Form Captain) and A. Park (Vice-Captain). We are very sorry to have lost Mr. Hickman last term, and wish him good luck for the future. Mr. James took over the vacant and undesirable job of Form master. We give him our heartiest congratulations. Also, we welcome Mr. Dayan to the Form.

Mr. James, who doesn't see much of the Form, is assisted in the difficult task of keeping us in the collar by the Form Captain and the new Vice-Captain, K. Smith (Park left last term, but still reminds us that he has an interest in the Form by roaring and revving past our room each morning in a giant truck).

In sport, the Form has several boys who have great possibilities (and many who haven't). M. Darcey again coxed the School crew in the Head-of-the-River, Gibson is the Under 15 tennis champion, and Burrows, Smith and Gibson did well at cricket, whilst Brewster represented the School at swimming.

Complaints have been made by the Latin scholars (?) that Alderman Layton doesn't let them back into class soon enough after the two bells have gone, and therefore they get a late start for Algebra, which is very sad. The duster always seems to be missing when Mr. Gerlach wants it (very strange), as also does the chalk. Any solutions to this great mystery will be gladly accepted by Gibson.

The Fifth Form brains trust, headed by Prof. Butler, wishes to be enlightened on these questions:

What does B.G. do under the cover of the master's desk?

Why does P.H. always forget his homework books?

What causes tidal waves round Battery Point?

Why is D.L. always being straightened up?

Whose father is 140 years old?

There is a rumour that a reward of one halfpenny is being offered by Bill Grant, so hurry your answers in to the learned Proefssor.

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### The Voice of Remove A

THIS year we are the biggest Form in the Senior School, so in our first vear in these exalted circles we can boast of quantity, even though some of our masters have been known to question quite pointedly our quality. We would like to point out that our thirst for knowledge is proved by devoted slaves to learning who, not content with the day's lessons, are regularly to be seen putting in extra work after hours (on Tuesdays and Fridays). On the whole, we are fairly pleased with the way we are settling down to the new subjects of the Senior School, although we sometimes get rightangled triangles mixed up with algebraic equations where the answers are equal to "Je ne sais pas."

In sport we have made ourselves felt. Joyce has been picked for the Second XVIII, not to mention many boys in the Under 15 and Under 14 teams. In cricket, we had Joyce in the Thirds. In swimming, McDougall, von Bibra and Banks-Smith represented the School in the inter-School Swimming Gala. To all, we offer our congratulations.

Under our Form master, Mr. Williams, and Cooper, the class Captain, not co mention the team Captains, Gibb, Hirst, Sorell and Hughes, we hope to have a high passing-out percentage at the end of the year.

#### SCHOOL JOURNAL JUNIDER

General.-Once more we of the Junior School find ourselves in print. We have pleasure in offering our readers some information about our activities so far in to our Assembly, and keenly look forthis year.

Form Notes .- IIIB, IIIA, IV and Remove B Forms have settled down to their new work with a will, and already many boys are showing the benefits of another year's "schooling." We look forward to the rest of the year with its work and sport and companionship. Altogether there are 116 of us this year, and we boast of the fact that we are a very happy little family.

House Notes .- The three Houses, Hay, Nixon and Montgomery, began their sports competition this year with the Swimming Carnival. After a keen struggle, Hay proved the winners, and provided us with some good performances, D. McDougall and H. Lindsay being outstanding.

In House football we have played only two matches, and Montgomery has been successful in each, defeating both Nixon and Hay. It appears that the remaining matches will be most exciting. No cricket matches were played in Term I as we were fully occupied in the inter-School competition. The House roster takes place in Term III.

Tennis, athletics, music and civic work are the remaining features of our House competition for the Wilkinson Shield.

To the struggle, boys, and may the best House win.

Library.— Our libraries continue +0 serve and delight us. Mr. Chapman looks after the general reading and Mr. Vincy is in charge of the reference. Both sections are steadily growing, and the committee of each is a live, energetic group. We would like each boy on passing out of the Junior School to donate a book to the libraries.

Chapel.-This year we have introduced what we call "Boy's Chapel." At this the boys of Remove B do all the work-the

accompaniment, the prayers the lesson and the announcements.

Each Wednesday we have Mr. Radford ward to his visit, just as we do that of Rev. Latta on Friday.

Cricket .-- Our cricket matches against the other schools did not favour us well. However, all matches except one were closely contested and brought out patches of good batting, bowling, fielding and sportsmanship. We congratulate the other schools on their wins, and Mark Roberts on his fine captaincy.

Lenten Contributions .- We have continued to collect our share of Lent contributions. This year we are supporting two boys in New Guinea. Congratulations to IIIA for easily topping the list with a total of  $\pounds 8/1/7\frac{1}{2}$ . On June 15 we had an interesting visit from Bro. Moore, a master in one of the New Guinea schools. He told us about missionary work in the Islands, and was most interesting.

Original Items .- We are sorry that these are not available for this issue of the Mag., but we are determined to make a good showing in December. when we will also give our readers an account of our Club activities.

### "WHO'S WHO"

Captain of the Junior School: A. C. Goodfellow.

Captain of Cricket: M. Roberts.

Captain of Football: D. C. P. Brammall.

House Captains .- Hay: D. Martin; Nixon: D. C. P. Brammall; Montgomery: A. C. Goodfellow.

Reference Library Committee: A. Goodfellow, D. Brammall.

Fiction Library Committee: T. Bowden. I McDowell.

Form Captains .---- IIIB: R. Verrell, T. Morgan, M. Gibson, L. Hodgman; IIIA: C. Chen; IV: N. Swan; Remove B: A. C. Goodfellow.

# SWIMMING

### HOUSE SPORTS

The annual inter-House swimming sports were held at Amateur House on the morning of the 3rd March, with the following results:

Buckland	 	141 points
Stephens	 	117 points
School	 	60 points

The most outstanding performance was that of Salmon, who reduced the record to 1min. 3 secs. in the 66 metre Under 16 Breaststroke.

Open events:

66 Metres.—Mitchell (B.), 1; Renney (St.), 2; Shelton (Sc.), 3; Fisher (B.), 4. Time, 48 4-5 secs.

100 Metres.—Mitchell (B.), 1; Renney (St.), 2; Fisher (B.), 3; Shelton (Sc.), 4. Time, 1.28 4-5.

66 Metres Backstroke.—Stopp (St.), 1; Fisher (B.), 2; Mitchell (B.), 3. Time, 1.10 1-5.

66 Metres Breast-stroke.— Salmon (St.), 1; Fisher (B.), 2; Thompson (St.), 3; Butler (Sc.), 4. Time, 63 4-5 secs.

200 Metres.—Golding (B.), 1; Mitchell (B.), 2; Salmon (St.), 3; Brewster (Sc.), 4. Time, 3.33 2-5.

Dive.—Renney (St.), 1; Thompson ii (B), 2; Aherne (B.), 3; Heckscher (Sc.),

Teams' Race.—Buckland, 1; School, 2; Stephens, 3. Time, 1.42 1-5.

### Under 16 Events:

66 Metres.—Golding (B.), 1; Stopp (St.), 2; Brain (St.), 3; Thompson i (B.), 4. Time, 49 2-5 secs.

100 Metres.—Golding (B.), 1; Stopp (St.), 2; Thompson i (B.), 3; Brain (St.), 4. Time, 1.29. 33 Metres Backstroke.—Golding (B.), 1; Stopp (St.), 2; Hume (Sc.), 3; Webster (Sc.), 4. Time, 29 2-5 secs.

66 Metres Breast-stroke.— Salmon (St.), 1; Webster (Sc.), 2; Thompson (St.), 3; Wright (B.), 4. Time, 63 secs.

Dive.—Aherne (B.), 1; Thompson ii (B.), 2; Banks-Smith (St.), 3; Brook (Sc.), 4..

Teams' Race.—Buckland, 1; Stephens, 2; School, 3. Time, 2.41 2-5.

Under 15 Events:

66 Metres.— Brook (Sc.), 1; Salter (B.), 2; Halley (St.), 3; Jones (B.), 4. Time, 1.4 4-5.

33 Metres Breast-stroke.—H. Thompson (St.), 1; Salter (B.), 2; Cooper-Maitland (Sc.), 3; Halley (St.), 4. Time, 32 secs.

33 Metres Backstroke.—Brook (Sc.), 1; Trethewey (St.), 2; Ellis (St.), 3; Hughes (B.), 4. Time, 35 secs.

Under 14 Events:

66 Metres.— McDougall (B.), 1; Brewster (Sc.), 2; Lucas (St.), 3; Gibb (B.), 4. Time, 1.3.

33 Metres Breast-stroke.—Salter (B.), 1; Darcey (St.), 2; Latham (Sc.), 3. Time, 34 4-5 secs.

Dive.—Banks-Smith (St.), 1; Lucas (St.), 2; McDougall (B.), 3; Hughes (B.), 4.

### INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS

Though the competition was keen, the School continued its winning sequence in the inter-School sports. Points:

Hutchins	 	 117
Friends'	 	 55늘
St. Virgil's	 	 53 <u>1</u>



SWIMMING TEAM - SOUTHERN PREMIERS, 1949

Back row: C. E. Von Bibra, G. Banks-Smith, D. B. Thompson, J. B. Thompson, T. G. Brain, R. G. Brewster, E. M. McDougall. Middle row: P. S. Trethewey, D. C. Hume, B. J. Aherne, Mr. W. J. Gerlach, W. Halley, H. M. Thompson, B. J. Brook, D. R. Salter. Front row: D. E. Fisher, J. T. Shelton, G. A. Renney, J. W. Golding (Captain), J. P. Mitchell, E. J. C. Stopp, G. L. Salmon.

The outstanding performance was that of S. Mather (Friends') in the Open Breast-stroke, in which he clipped 2.6 secs. off the record in swimming the 66 metres in 60 secs. Another excellent performance was that of E. McDougall (Hutchins) in the 33 metre Under 12 event. Despite a slow start McDougall equalled the record of 26.8 secs.

### Results—

Open—66 Metres: P. Mitchell (H.), 1: D. Faulkner (F.), 2: G. Renney (H.), 3. Time, 48.4 secs.

100 Metres: P. Mitchell (H.), 1; D. Faulkner (F.), 2; G. Renney (H.), 3. Time, 1.25 4-5.

Dive: G. Renney (H.), 1; M. Counsel (S.V.), 2; D. Thompson (H.), 3.

Teams' Race: Hutchins, 1; Friends', 2; St. Virgil's, 3. 200 Metres: P. Mitchell (H.), 1; J. Golding (H.), 2; S. Mather (F.) and B. Cole (S.V.), dead-heat 3. Time, 3.19.

Breast-stroke, 66 Metres: S. Mather (F.), 1; G. Steward (S.V.), 2; D. Fisher (H.), 3. Time, 60 secs. (record).

Backstroke, 33 Metres: R. Noble (F.), 1; D. Faulkner (F.), 2; P. Ray (S.V.), 3. Time, 29 secs.

Under 16 — 66 Metres: J. Golding (H.), 1; D. Lipscombe (F.), 2; J. Stopp (H.), 3. Time, 51.2 secs.

Backstroke, 33 Metres: P. Ray (S.V.), 1; D. Lipscombe (F.), 2; J. Stopp (H.), 3. Time, 28.8 secs.

Teams' Race: Hutchins, 1; Friends', 2; St. Virgil's, 3. Time, 1.38.

100 Metres: J. Golding (H.), 1; D. Lipscombe (F.), 2; T. Brain (H.), 3. Time, 1.27 2-5. Dive: D. Thompson (H.), 1; B. Ahearne (H.), 2; D. Lipscombe (F.), 3.

Under 15-33 Metres: M. Rush (S.V.), 1; B. Cole (S.V.), 2; B. Brook (H.), 3. Time, 23.4 secs.

Breast-stroke, 33 Metres: H. Thompson (H.), 1; F. Eiszele (F.), 2; D. Salter (H.), 3. Time, 31.8 secs.

66 Metres: B. Cole (S.V.), 1; B. Brook (H.), 2; B. Jackson (F.), 3. Time, 58 secs. Under 14—33 Metres: M. J. Rush (S.V.), 1; R. Brewster (H.), 2; D. Moore (S.V.), 3. Time, 25 secs.

Dive: P. Koch (S.V.), 1; C. von Bibra (H.), 2; P. Ray (S.V.), 3.

Under 13—33 Metres: E. M. Mc-Dougall (H.), 1; C. von Bibra (H.), 2; J. Dunn (S.V.), 3. Time, 25.8 secs.

Under 12—33 Metres: E. McDougall (H.), 1; B. Coburn (F.), 2; H. Lindsay (H.), 3. Time 26.8 secs. (equals record). Composite Teams' Race: Hutchins, 1; St. Virgil's, 2; Friends', 3. Time, 2.36 1-5.

# ROWING

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THIS year's rowing activities expanded beyond the usual run for school clubs. Although not successful in the Head-of-the-River race, the First crew had considerable success in outside regattas. Owing to registration difficulties the crew had to join the Derwent Rowing Club.

The preparation for the Public Schools' classic was a long and intensive one. The First crew went into training in May of last year, while the Seconds started in October, both crews undergoing revision at the beginning of this year.

With hardly any racing training a scratch crew entered in the under-age fours at the New Norfolk regatta and finished third.

A training camp was held at Berriedale in January, but unfortunately, at the last minute the Seconds were unable to attend. The fortnight was much enjoyed by all and a distance of about 130 miles was covered, despite the last week being devoted to fast work. An average distance of fifteen miles a day was the target, and despite confinements to a small bay, the "Reef of Thompson's Woe" and a stranding on a "far away shore" this programme was adhered to. The crew's first success was at the Lindisfarne regatta when, rowing on a strange course and in a strange boat, we won after a gruelling struggle with the eleven and twelve stone crews.

As it was the first time a school crew has ever competed in the maiden fours at the Royal Hobart Regatta we created much interest in this event, and put up a creditable performance by finishing fourth in a large field of contestants.

The next Tuesday saw us in our fourth race, again in the under-age fours, but did not row as well as expected to finish third after being blown off course by a strong cross wind.

By the beginning of March the crew had reached top form and we demonstrated this when, coxed by J. Biggs of the Seconds, we defeated the highly successful Lindisfarne crew by two and a half lengths at the Woodbridge regatta. This was our last race in the blood-red Maltese cross of the Derwent Club.

After this race there was an intensive "polishing" programme, with few long rows but miles of sprints, starts and later on to mile courses, two of which we did a week. Our last long row was when we covered about fifteen miles and visited Friends' in New Town Bay after some strenuous sprinting and on the way back we ran over the course.

About the middle of April we moved to Lindisfarne for our final training, and were joined by the Seconds about a week later.

Saturday, April 30, saw us waiting at the start of the Head-of-the-River. The conditions were ideal for light crews (we average only 10st. 3lbs.) but the water was aggravated by boats following the Seconds race, and the conditions were ruined by the awkward side slop created.

Occupying the outside position we gained a good start, but Friends' were out faster and had about a canvas lead, which they held for three-quarters of the race despite determined bids by Hutchins to to pass, but we only succeeded in drawing level for a short time. For the first halfmile Hutchins maintained a terrific rating of 40, while Friends', with their superior weight, hurled their boat along at a powerful 35. Grammar was in third place, with Scotch and St. Virgil's fighting it out and rating about 32 and 36 respectively. It was clear after the first hundred vards that it would be a "battle royal" between the two leading crews, Friends' and Hutchins.

At the half-way mark Friends' dropped their rating to about 30, but still kept their power through the water. Hutchins lowered their rating to about 34, and a general easing up was apparent in all crews. By this time St. Pat's had broken up and were well out of the race, rating about 26.

Just before three-quarters of the way Hutchins lifted its rating to about 39 in another effort to pass Friends', who successfully answered the challenge and drew away from us steadily. Grammar at this time were slightly ahead of St. Virgil's and Scotch, but although they were towing stronger than before, did not appear to be a danger to the two leading crews. Scotch had now dropped back into fifth position, and it was evident that the fancied crew would not be

placed. With 200 yards to go Friends' put in their final burst and swiftly drew away from Hutchins, while Grammar passed Hutchins with only 100 yards to go in a determined and powerful sprint, to gain second place to Friends', with Hutchins third. St. Virgil's finished fourth, followed by Scotch fifth and St. Pat's sixth.

Throughout the race the rough water proved awkward to the Northern crews, but Friends' and Hutchins "displayed precision and fine teamwork." Although Hutchins did not carry splashboards, the boat had hardly any water in it, which speaks well for our coach's policy of "watermanship," sending us out in all weathers. Indeed, there were only two or three days when we were daunted in our intrepid outings at Sandy Bay.

We were not very successful in the Seconds' race, which proved to be a battle between the evenly matched Scotch, Friends' and Grammar crews, all of which finished within half a length, our crew only a length behind the winners. However, our crew put up a good showing as the two inside courses were curved to miss the shore. The Seconds were further handicapped by being without a coach until late in the training period.

The Thirds put up a creditable performance in their race. Although they were beaten by the Friends' cricketers, the Hutchins crew rowed with precision and style, but were overwhelmed by sheer weight They presented a good sight one or two of this crew may find seats in the Senior crew next year. These rowers had a short training period together, but developed quickly.

We congratulate Friends' on their meritorious win in the Head-of-the-River and for their success in the Thirds' race.

Our hopes for next year's races are high, and the crew will be just as well prepared as this year's but will probably have the weight which we lacked so much. They will also have the skill brought by intensive training and experience, which in itself breeds self-satisfaction.





Personally, as stroke, I would like to thank sincerely each and every member of the crew for his never-failing support and loyalty throughout; I am sure no one could wish for a finer bunch of chaps to train with, and after eleven months of strenuous work and, in the last two months frayed nerves, that is saying a great deal. The seriousness of the task and discipline were always remembered, yet fun was always there and we enjoyed every minute of it.

### The Crews

First Crew: J. W. Cooper (bow), D. E. Kirby (2), R. Cuthbert (3), R. Valentine (stroke), M. G. Darcey (cox.).

Second Crew: I. T. Darcey (bow). J. P. Morris (2), E. G. Butler (3), H. Shepherd (stroke), J. B. Briggs (cox.).

Third Crew: D. Tinning (bow), B. Purvis (2), K. Webster (3), H. M. Thompson (stroke), R. Nettlefold (cox.). We take this opportunity to express our deepest apppreciation of the time, energy and work put in by the First's coach, Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen, who was also our Master-in-charge. We are sure he must be one of the most enthusiastic coaches in Australia, and we wish him every success with next year's crew . . . this time he will not have to train it from scratch as he did this year.

We all join in to thank everyone who has in any way helped us, notably Mr. S. Hammond, who made the motor launch available to us, Lindisfarne Rowing Club for the use of their sheds, and all those people too numerous to mention.

R.S.V.

### Coach's Commentary

The Crew:-

The crew was so young and in particular so light that it needed a very considerable margin of skill to pace it with its rivals. That it was able to trade punches for three-quarters of the way with the solid and heavy Friends' crew, to which it had to concede two stone a man, is the best proof of its oarsmanship. The degree of skill the crew had, demonstrated by faultless combination in bad conditions, was only got in the hard way, by long preparation in all seasons and weathers, concentration, and sacrifice of other less exacting interests. I have coached many winning crews, but never one that deserved to win more than this one.

The Individuals:-

Bow (J. Cooper).—Is inclined to be stiff, which at a high rating tends to make him drop his head over the front stops and hurry in. Very solid through the water.

2 (D. E. Kirby).—An easy, natural and imperturbable oarsman, began uncertainly but developed that easy and relaxed swing and ranging drive through the water which makes a coach's heart glad.

3 (R. D. Cuthbert).—In every way the stylist of the crew; his experience and quiet efficiency was a strength to the crew. Teamed up very well with stroke, even to the occasional wash-out at the finish.

Stroke (R. S. Valentine).— Showed great ability and real generalship in the key seat, and for a man so light, developed considerable power. His body form was always good, but over-eagerness to keep the stroke fast through the water caused him often to wash-out at the finish.

Cox. (M. G. Darcey).—A chip off the old block, which means plenty, and at all times a great help to both crew and coach.

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Senior School:

Calvert, D. C.; Cooper-Maitland, W. E. W.; Hay, P. K.; Hughes, W. J.; Jackson, I. H.; McIntosh, I. R.; Plummer, G. D.; Thiessen, B. N.

Junior and Preparatory School:

Clarke, T. M.; Cooper, M. D.; Davis, R. K. F.; Elliott, D. G.; Fife, P. D. S.; Filbey, B. A.; Hill, K. J.; Hood, A. D.; Lewis, B. J. I.; Loney, R. W.; Munro, J. F.; Nicholson, I. K.; Page, M. C.; Parsons, A.; Pixley, S. J. B.; Roberts, M. F.; Roberts, J. H.; Robins, B. L.; Shott, A. G.; Slicer, P. W.; Stokes, G. L.; Verrell, R. S.; Wansborough, R. M.; Ward, R. C.; Watson, J. E.; Watts, N. G.; Willington, B. H.

### and Farewell !!

Best, M. J. (1943); Bloomfield, P. W. (1941); Campbell, P. N. (1944); Champion, N. W. (1947); Clennett, M. W. (1946); Cornish, R. I. (1945); Courtney, M. C. P. (1943); Cumming, A. R. (1944); deLaine, R. J. (1948); Edgerton, B. T. (1945); Evans, R. S. (1947); Firth, A. W. (1948); Fooks, C. (1948); Game, C. J. A. (1948); Glover, R. B. (1945); Gordon, E. D. W. (1944); Hadrill, I. M. (1945); Hand, C. H. (1945); Harris, A. J. S. (1944); Harris, L. H. (1943); Harvey, A. N. (1946); Hay, A. J. (1945); Hopwood, R. J. (1944); Hull, I. D. (1944); Hughes, K. J. (1940); Hume, F. W. K. (1942); Jenkins, K. (1947); Johnson, R. F. (1942); Jollev, M. (1942); Lathey, M. (1947); Mackey, C. L. (1943); Menzies, J. G. (1948); Millington, D. F. (1938); Park, A. F. (1942); Parks, H. W. (1948); Palfrevman, A. J. (1946); Pearson, C. J. M. (1943); Read, R. F. (1947); Renney, J. T. G. (1934); Rush, M. J. (1945); Salter, G. D. (1943); Scaife, D. E. (1946); Smith, R. C. (1939); Smyth, R. I. (1942); Southwell, G. C. (1947); Stilwell, G. T. (1943); Strutt, D. W. (1940); Tanner, C. P. (1938); Taylor, D. H. (1941); Thompson, R. J. (1946); Vautin, J. L. (1946); Wills, M. W. (1947); Wolfhagen, E. M. (1940); Wood, K. W. H. (1942).

### Prefects' Pars.

or not, there are some who used to doubt this statement. But it has now been proved for all to see. For the major part of the first term we inhabited no permanent place of abode, our traditional study having been requisitioned for the House Seniors, but now, at last, our "home from home" in Christ College has been completed. The hardship of having no study was borne valiantly by the then four prefects, later to be joined by Cuthbert.

While on the subject of the new study, there are a couple of other points to be made. Firstly, tenders are being called for sound-proofing it-especially on the VIB side. How can we study (we do study, you know) while the pros and cons of Cecil Sharpley or Isaac Newton are being discussed for all to hear next door? Secondly, we wish to deny malicious reports to the effect that the entire fume cupboard was placed in the Chem. lab. because of our study's close proximity. If such had been the case we would have raised a stink about it.

The extensive Prefects' library of other years went the way of the old study, so we are now slowly building up a new one. We wish to thank Geoff. Stilwell for brightening up many dull moments with his excellent selections from the Public Library.

Jack Heckscher, after a term as a day boy, decided to chuck it and become a boarder. It never rains but it pours, and so Page-Hanify likewise honoured the boarding house with his presence for the first half of the term.

Experiments performed on the new super deluxe radiator by a scientific member of the party (a rower-need we say more?) resulted in a surplus of several nuts, which, however, does not appear to have effected its heating properties. The physical characteristics of the same radi-

PREFECTS are tough! Yes, believe it ator were also investigated, and after reference to Ohm's, Boyle's and the Poor Laws (unfortunately the "little black box" was unavailable), it was discovered that maximum efficiency varied inversely with the angle made with the vertical. In other words, we found it worked best upside down although a smell of burning solder flux permeated the study for days.

> The rowers' affected superiority over the cricketers, stalwart weilders of the willow, disappeared completely after the 30th April, but, unfortunately, this trend appears to be returning. For instance, the other day our holy of holies was desecrated by the presence of two oars.

> At one stage the supply of rubber bands in the study appeared inexhaustable, but the supply has lessened considerably. We would mention it here. but no doubt the story of how the Prefects defeated the paper-pellet pest will be headlined in a more prominent part of the Magazine. It has been our most successful (and remunerative) case this year.

> A little research about last year's Pre's revealed that Chief Pre., Mick Courtney, was working with "The Sun" newspaper; Dave Scaife was wasting time at the Zinc Works; John Renney incarcerated at the "shop"; Max Rush of uncertain employment; and Pearson's whereabouts under a haze.

From past to present, we find Page-Hanify at the helm, with Heckscher, Butler, Valentine and Cuthbert completing the Big Five. Then there are some half-dozen probationers, all striving hard (we hope) to be raised to the exalted rank. Numbering from left to right we find Clark, Cooper, Morris, Mitchell, Shelton and Renney. In the not too far-off future we hope to see some of them as Pre's, if only to ease the load on the tiring shoulders of the present mob.



THE following is an excerpt from I. "The Poets' Commonwealth," with apologies (if necessary) to J. L. Cuthbertson.

The morning fog thinned slowly, the frost hung low to the sea,

And down the shadowy Red Dorm. the wind came swirling free.

The icy, inky blackness of the dark Tasmanian morn

Clouded the sleeping boarders, just before the dawn.

Out of the dying darkness, out of the bathroom dim.

The form that appeared was Jimmy, shaking each giant limb.

To touch upon each of the children, red with the cold sea mist,

And the frost on the sleepers crackled, and their shining beezers kissed.

The Master-on-duty vanished, but yet nobody stirred,

And the wind in the Red Dorm. wavered, yet still nobody stirred.

The Master-on-duty returned, grabbing each boy by the chest,

He pulled him, not ungently, out of his crannied nest;

And each did moan and bewail, and slowly turning red,

Cursed the unfortunate Master, and 1eturned with disgust into bed!!

Our roving reporter, G. Burbury, attended the last Friday meeting of the H.B.T.A.

Last Friday the H.B.T.A. (Hutchins Boarders' Trotting Association) conducted its annual meeting. As large crowds

rolled up from everywhere, the meet was extremely successful. The first race, "The Granny Memorial," resulted in a brilliant win for "Matches." The hot favourite, "Bushy," accidently crashed into a locker at the start, forcing him to retire. Spectators watching the 5-lap race saw "Biro," the equal favourite, take the honours by actually covering half the first lap! The Steeplechase was won by "Dolly," the fleetest horse that ever ran on two legs. This wonderful horse (the only starter) injured one of his hooves while jumping the third hurdle (an upturned bed), but carried on bravely to the bathroom door.

At the beginning of this term, Gibson and Heckscher started a nightly session under the shower of all the songs heard at the University Revue. However, the "Powers that be" put the kibosh on all further recitals, so now the Green Dorm. can get to sleep at about 9 instead of 10!!

Amongst other things we'd like to know:

- 1. Where did the cat that was seen at the garbage can get to???
- 2. Who stealthily spifflicated the solitarv snag?
- 3. Why does "Minnie" get around quickly these days?
- 4. Who sent their shoes to the wash?

Vale .- Our best wishes are extended to Mr. Oliver Heyward, the Rhodes Scholar for 1949, who leaves shortly to go to Oxford. We hope he has enjoyed his stay with the boarders (a good test for any man!) and thank him for his many kindly offices. Good luck, Oliver.

### Beneath the Ivied Tower

Random Ramblings by a Staff Reporter

THE Hutchins Old Boys' Lodge has made many gifts to the School, and to commemorate the School Centenary presented a set of portraits of past Headmasters. There being a balance left in the Lodge Centenary Fund, it was decided to expend it in having a Notice Board made and installed in the cloisters. This very handsome piece of work was designed by a member of the Lodge and executed by Mr. C. S. Snook, and was formally handed over to the School by the W.M. (Mr. E. J. McCreary) early in the year. The Headmaster thanked the Lodge for its ornamental and useful gift.

The School also gratefully acknowledges the following gifts from parents: from Mrs. E. Kirby, a Leitz microscope with attachments and case; from Mr. H. L. McDowell, several copies of the English "Mechanics and Hobbies Illustrated"; from Mr. E. M. Lilley, several numbers of "The Times Weekly." These gifts are greatly appreciated and will be widely used.

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Reference to the splendid gift by Mr. Len. Nettlefold of a new carvel-built racing four is made elsewhere in this issue.

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The Chemistry laboratory has been enriched by an extra fume-cupboard, taken from the former "Demonstrating Room," and some shelving. Further major alterations are proposed which will greatly improve the lay-out and increase efficiency. This year has seen the introduction of a dancing class at School, in the capable hands of one of Hobart's leading teachers, Mrs. C. G. Donnelly. Held on alternate Saturday nights, it has proved to be very popular, and the relatively small number of pupils enhances the opportunity for individual attention for beginners. The class is attended by pupils of Collegiate and Fahan as well as the Hutchins boys.

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The first dance for this year was held on April 30, in the School Hall. Run by the Dramatic Society, it proved to be an enjoyable night despite unexpected numbers. The Committee had prepared for about one hundred and seventy, but over two hundred and twenty attended. However, everything turned out all right, and the proceeds helped the Lighting Fund substantially. This lighting scheme will cost in the vicinity of £70.

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Already this year the School, with Collegiate, has attended three services at the Cathedral, on Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Ascension Day respectively.

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The new movie projector went into regular operation at the beginning of this year. Films are shown in the Gym. every Thursday, and the Film Society is now taking over the selection of the films and gradually stepping into the stride of the administration.

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The School participated in the Empire Day march, but as the majority of boys in the Senior School are in the Cadets or Scouts, only about thirty boys were available to march as a School. However, we were well represented in the Cadet and Scout divisions, where the good marching was the result of consistent practice.

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Early in June the School went to the Cathedral to record some of the hymns we sing regularly in Asembly. The owners of the lusty voices enjoyed the singing (and the break from School) very much. The subsequent broadcast of the record throughout Australia gave us a chance to "hear ourselves as others hear us," but who says the microphone, like the camera, cannot lie? We look forward to a further invitation from the A.B.C, and hope that certain trebles will maintain a discreet distance from the "mike."

Some difficulty is being experienced in obtaining suitable gravel to cover the two quadrangles and the drive. At present the only gravel obtainable is either too big or too small, but efforts are being made to combat the winter mud.

Empire Day, this term, passed without the usual small explosions. They were forestalled by the Headmaster's timely announcement in morning assembly.

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However, the usual wave of the rubber bands and pellets craze arrived instead. Owing to the vigilance of the prefects this also was subdued (it is rumoured the mass confiscations went towards a similar war in the Study).

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This term non-cadets are kept occupied in being taught first-aid. We find this a more interesting study than lifesaving which we undertook last term. However, we wish to discount the statement that the joint in the shoulder is a leg of lamb.

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Riding on bikes across the Barrack Street footpath has now become quite hazardous with the new Prefects' Study window overlooking the area. It is thought that one prefect spends most of his spare time in leaning out with the sole aim to "heckle" the offenders on Likes.

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Since the last accident on the Barrack Street corner the fence has not yet been repaired. We are inclined to think that this is the most vulnerable corner in Hobart. Anybody who is seen to stand on this junction for any length of time is liable to be questioned by the police on the grounds of attempted suicide.

R.S.V.





### ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

[Some articles are unavoidably held over and will be published in our December issue.—Ed.]

### "SOLITUDE"

(A Sentimental Presumption)

The busy day is over, and homeward footsteps turn,

- The milling mass of mortals, their faces cold and stern,
- Are returning to their houses, their loved ones or the spouses.
- The trains and buses cease, all is quiet, all is peace;

And the city, cold and grey and lifeless, Emptied of the burden of its mercenary business,

Settles down to sleep-

Till early dawn awakens it from

Its Solitude.

- The proud and haughty forest, its giants stately stand
- In serene and pond'rous beauty—was e'er a sight so grand?
- But here the night-time brings a thousand living things,
- Fighting for their living, grabbing-never giving;
- Striving for their young ones and their newly born,
- But fearing, ever fearing, the coming of the dawn.

For then the night life ceases,

- And the proud and haughty forest stands aloof
- In Solitude.

In the hearts of all the living, whether animal or man,
There is one stark fear resounding like the roaring of the fan.
That cools our engines' breath, more terrible than death
Itself.
When all the fighting's done, when all battles have been won
And lost—as all must be—
On land or on the sea,
Then the greatest fear of all,
Always lurking in our minds, is the fear Of Solitude.

G. Page-Hanify, VIA

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### "THE SWORDSMAN"

With cunning leap and trusty blade The swordsman fights unafraid Until that youth hath deservingly made The last and final victory.

Then we note a deadly flash, Followed by a bleeding gash Made by the sword that will always clash That notable man, the swordsman. The swordsman's pranks are played but twice,

The duelling on a field of bice, Until one paying so great a price As to be worth his tomb-stone. M. J. Chen, Remove A

### "THE BELL"

The period's dragging, The subject is dry, I don't know why We bother to learn it at all. When masters are raging and venting their wrath, And over our work they begin to despair, A sweet and sonorous sound Fills the air: The Bell.

Recess has begun and I join in the fun Of kicking a football From end to end across the ground. But then I hear That dreadful sound: The Bell.

Assiduously working at English or Maths., I begin to wonder . . . How we'll do in the Aths. "I say, Smith— You little brat, Attend to your work!" But what's that? The Bell.

We run for the tram And home to dinner (I'll eat more today, I'm hungry And growing thinner). Pictures in Gym., Hurry to school, Only to be met by that sound so cruel: The Bell.

Now what have we got this afternoon? Singing— Then soon Chemistry Prac. I'm rather glad it's not Algebra, I haven't the knack. A demonstration, "Look and learn how." We've scarcely begun, But there it goes now: The Bell.

And now that school's finished Do you think that I'm free? Well, the answer is "No," 'Cos I've got a D.T. J. R. Clark, VIA

### A HOT TIP

NOW the time of winter has arrived I have been considering various ways and means of keeping warm, and in the course of my researches I have made some startling discoveries. For instance, I came across an eye-witness account of the "Indian Rope Trick" as seen by a traveller to India. Just think how handy it would be if we could introduce the trick into Australia. At the football, for instance, we could mount our rope, give the magic word, and "Allez Oop"! We would be swaying above the crowd with a grandstand view of the match.

After much hard "work" I found what I had been seeking, a defroster for humans, the answer to the prayers of my fellow-students and football players. They say the higher caste of Tibetan does not feel the cold because of a special system of breathing which keeps him warm from within. Now you may say you are not interested and have no intention of sitting, half naked, on the top of a very could Tibetan mountain to prove you can keep warm by inner breathing. Neither have I, but supposing we could keep warm by this method, we should'nt need to wear an overcoat this winter. The only trouble is-would people allow us to go without overcoats. If I went out without a coat on a bitterly cold day, my Tibetan breathing system might be pumping merrily away inside me and I might be as warm as toast, but people would think I couldn't afford to buy an overcoat. It's a pity, because we should be much healthier without overcoats, and personally, I can think of a lot of much more useful and amusing things I could buy for the price of an overcoat.

By the way, could any of you chappies lend me a few bob to buy myself a nice, warm "football jumper" for this winter?

P. J. Lawrence, VIB

A LAMENT FOR THE DEAD OSIRIS O sing of Osiris which is dead! O ye people, lament the fallen head! O ye people that weep In this time of his sleep, Refrain, for he shall wake To rule again, and heavens make Before the starry skies The darkness flies. Come. Osiris, now grown cold, To receive thy worship as of old; Come Isis, Horus, ye gods of Egypt And rule again this land of Khem. John Bloomfield, V

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### THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL

TT is a fine morning and the Mediterranean Sea glistens in the hot sun. We are glad, for today we reach Port Said, near the River Nile, which runs its tributaries into the sea nearby. Port Said is a bright town on the coast of Saudi Arabia. We have friends, and they show us the sights. We see the huge reservoir and beautiful gardens which contain banyan trees and rare flowers. We see the bazaar, the bustle of people buying and selling, and the stern policeman carrying a cane denoting his rank. We feel generous, so we give a beggar a cent, and immediately we are surrounded by children. The policeman comes to our aid and drives them off.

John Rankin, Remove A

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### DAGWOOD'S DOUBLE or Split-Second Timing

THE ceremony at Parliament Square celebrating the King's Birthday impressed me with its precision of timing. One cannot help being awed by the Big Gun Salute, the feu-de-joie and the swoop of the 'planes as the Royal Standard is broken at exactly twelve o'clock. But with all your admiration, if you stop to consider you begin to wonder just how many people think of the nation-wide, nay, world-wide, practice of precise splitsecond timing commonly called the Breakfast Rush.

I am quite willing to believe that this regular, every-morning experience definitely out-does anything the army can display. Who can ever be brazen enough to answer "no" to the question "Have you rushed yourself this morning?" Is there any commander who can rival the sly glances at the clock during the five minutes preceding the appointed specific rising second? At (7.30 to the second) you take a deep breath with vague thoughts of war heroes and V.C. winners, and leap out of bed. All in one action you are in the shower room. After the cleansing programme you realise with horror that it took 45 seconds too long, and you must make up for the lost time. By the time you have reached the shirt stage you are desperate. Panic; button off the shirt; lost time; late. Incoherent thoughts fly through you head.

A frenzied race down the hall follows, as you realise with pride that Treloar couldn't pace your morning dashes, and by the time you are back to the bedroom the shirt is on and buttoned. Mother enters the circuit now with the announcement that breakfast is ready, dodging with amazing agility into a doorway as you scream past fifteen seconds behind schedule. As the breakfast is gulped you pat yourself on the back for arranging your overcoat, case and cap at suitable intervals along the way to the front door the night before.

Is it possible for a pilot to equal the take-off and acceleration out of the dining-room and down the hall? Mother is to be faintly seen holding the door open and peeping from behind it with your tram money "at the ready." You sweep past and blaze out the gate with a faint glimpse in your mind of the postman diving off the path in wild disorder --you know once more that you are late—he usually holds the gate open for you. People stop and stare as the typical Dagwood hurtles up the road in the wake of the speeding tram. With a spring and a prayer that it, too, may be late, you land aboard the step and the now familiar willing hands drag you up.

You've made it, and your fate now rests with the Municipal Tramways. As you take up your usual place under someone's big feet, and around a suitcase, you forget about tomorrow's inevitable repetition . . . and Mother collapsed in a chair.

Does this ring a bell?

R. S. Valentine, VIA

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### "SUNSET"

Look ye there towards the west, Where the sky is at its best; The simmering sun is sinking fast, Soon it will be gone at last.

The simmering sun is half sunk now, Sending rays o'er tree-top'd brow; It is now behind the hill, Darkness shall all spaces fill.

All little animals leave for home, The little red ant creeps under her stone.

When all are gone I go to rest, And night has conquered in the west.

Wm. Cooper-Maitland, V ↔ ↔ ↔

### "DESOLATION"

Land of emptiness— Brown and fuming dirt In an endless race to the horizon Scattered clumps of withered bush—

Earth in an endless day Submitting

To th' incessant pounding of a universal sun.

Hot evenings of a dry and parched brown —A brilliant crimson

Where earth and sky collide.

A vast stillness envelopes all-

And as the swiftly fading day Drags with it all the burning colours Night descends to embrace the ruin Only to be swept away By th' oncoming morning

—and heat.

John R. Clark, VIA

CHANNEL CRUISE

DURING the May holidays several of us went for a cruise on the yacht "Utiekah III," of the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria. She measures 52 feet, and has cruised extensively in Australian waters, including a trip to the Fiji Islands. We were under the charge of Mr. E. Giles, who is owner and skipper, and his crew was Don Hume, 2nd mate; Don Calvert, cook's mate; Colin Jeanerette, galley "slave"; Kay Webster, John Golding, Terry Brain, deck-hands; John Lord, sailmaker; myself, navigator-mate.

We joined the ship on Friday, 6th May, at Cygnet, where we stayed for the day, and the next morning sailed to Waterloo Bay. At night several of us thumbed a ride to the pictures at Geeveston. On Sunday we set sail for Esperance Bay in a hard breeze, in which we carried two reefs but soon had them shaken out; we anchored at Rabbit Island and rowed cver to Dover at night.

The following morning was rather wet, so we motored up the Esperance River in the morning to the Raminea mill, which is the oldest in Australia. That afternoon the trip to Stringer's Creek was made, half of us walking, half in the motor boat. Several new names were given to prominent places, such as Knowledge Island, Beaten Track, etc.

Thursday was a day of variable winds as we set off for Bay of Islands, commonly called Mickey's Bay. On the way we had a swim, and just as we had climbed on board again a dozen dolphins surfaced under the bowsprit, but soon gave up the chase. That night we caught a 6ft. x 4ft. skate on the line; after a while we managed to gaff him with the boat-hook. This was too much for the line, which broke, and the fish sank.

The rest of the cruise was uneventful, ending on 18th May, at Cygnet, where we stripped the boat for next Spring. Much nautical knowledge was learnt on the trip, which was thoroughly enjoyed by everybody concerned.

H. D. Calvert, VIB



OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the passing of the following Old Boys:-Burrows, T. F. (1920, 2,418); Canaway, A. P. (1868, 726); Evans, L. A. (1888, 1,274); Hutchison, H. R. (1887, 1,259); Lord, Ron. C. (1916, 2,130); Murdoch, Ronald, (1903. 1,642); Wilkinson, L. A. (1891,1,364); Harcourt, C. V. (1881,1,019); Whitchurch, R. V.

### ENGAGEMENTS

- BLACKBURN, Hugh, Miss  $_{\mathrm{to}}$ Dorothy A. Jessup.
- CLOUDSDALE, Albert, Miss toMary Smith.
- COLMAN, Geoffrey W., to Miss Ella Dawn Grueber.
- COTTRELL-DORMER, Kim, to Miss Meryl Musgrove.

- CRAWFORD, Richard M., to Miss Helen W. Humphries.
- HAWKER, Denis N., to Miss Helen T. Crisp.
- INGRÂM, David B., to Miss Patricia Hav.
- LORD, W. D. B., to Miss Margaret Brown.
- ROUND. Graeme, to Miss Sylvia Huxley-Robinson.
- SANSOM, G., to Miss D. Pelham.
- SELLERS, Milton S., to Miss Patricia J. Slevin.
- SMITH, I., to Miss N. Clark. ST. HILL, F. A., to Miss Lysbeth
- Boyd.
- STOPS, John T., to Miss Sheila M. Gatehouse.
- TERRY, E. V., to Miss Margaret Gunn.
- WRIGHT, R. K., to Miss Susanne Cheesebrough.

### MARRIAGES

- BAILEY, P. R. B., to Miss Mary L. Cairns Officer.
- BEZETTE, I. G., to Miss P. N. Crisp.
- BURBURY, P., to Miss Hilda Tuek. CLENNET'T, J. R., to Miss Jean
- McKenzie. CLOUDSDALE, Rev. A., to Miss B. A. Muir.
- CRAWFORD, R., to Miss Helen Humphries.
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DRISCOLL, M. H., to Miss Marie Deagan.

- KENNEDY, John, to Miss Lorna P. Brewer.
- LUCAS, Stephen B., to Miss Gladys I. Vout.
- RAIT, B. W., to Miss Nola Johnston. SANSOM, P., to Miss Shirley Kile. SAUNDERS, P. W. D., to Miss Anne Findlay.
- SCARR, J., to Miss Peggy Watson. SHUGG, K. W., to Miss P. M. Bignell. STEELE, A. J., to Miss Patricia Crisp.

TYSON, C. M., to Miss Betty Aiton WARD, H. A., to Miss Barbara Blake.

### BIRTHS

- ANDERSON .- To Mr. and Mrs. L. T. R. Anderson: a son.
- ARNOLD .- To Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Arnold: a son.
- BINNEY .- To Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Binney: a son.
- BRADLEY.-To Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Bradley: a son.
- BROINOWSKI.-To Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Broinowski: a daughter.
- CASTLEY, .-- To Mr. and Mrs. F. Castley: a daughter.
- CHAMBERS .- To Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Chambers: a son.
- COLMAN .- To Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Colman: a son.
- DENNY .- To Mr. and Mrs. K. Donny: a daughter.
- ELTHAM .- To Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Eltham: a daughter.
- GIBLIN .- To Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Giblin: a daughter. GLUSCHKE.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. A.
- Gluschke, a son.
- HAMILTON.-To Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton: a son. HAY.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hay:
- a daughter.
- HAY .--- To Mr. and Mrs. F. J. A. Hay: a son.
- HEWER.-To Mr. and Mrs. A. Hewer: a son.

- HOOD.-To Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Hood: a son.
- IBBOTT.-To Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ibbott: a son.
- JONES .- To Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones: a son.
- MAXWELL.-To Mr. and Mrs. P. Maxwell: a daughter.
- MASTERS .- To Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Masters: a son.
- NETTLEFOLD .- To Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Nettlefold: a daughter.
- McDOUGALL.-To Mr. and Mrs. C. McDougall; a son.
- PAGE.-To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Page: a daughter.
- PIGGOTT.-To Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Piggott: a son.
- PIXLEY .--- To Mr. and Mrs. S. E. A. Pixley: a daughter.
- REX.-To Dr. and Mrs. K. E. Rex: a son.
- REID .--- To Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Reid: a son.
- RODWAY .- To Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rodway: a son.
- RODWELL.-To Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rodwell: a son.
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- SHEA .--- To Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shea: a son.
- STABB.-To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stabb: a son.
- STAUNTON-SMITH .--- To Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Staunton-Smith: a daughter.
- SWAN.-To Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Swan: a daughter.
- THOMPSON.-To Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Thompson: a daughter.
- UNDERHILL .- To Mr. and Mrs. A. Underhill: a son.
- VALENTINE .--- To Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Valentine: a daughter.
- WALKER .- To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walker: a daughter.
- WARNER .- To Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Warner: a daughter.
- WHELAN .- To Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whelan: a daughter.
- WHITEHOUSE.-To Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Whitehouse: a daughter.
- WISE .--- To Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Wise: a daughter.
- WOOLNOUGH .--- To Mr. and Mrs. L. Woolnough: a daughter.

### GENERAL

Almost 70 Old Boys of Queen's College attended the Annual Re-union held in December. At the Annual Meeting prior to the function the following officers were elected:

President: S. B. Harper, Esq.; Vice-President: J. H. Clennett, Esq.; Hon. Secretary: Mr. D. M. Urquhart; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. S. C. Hawker; Hon. Auditors: Messrs H. C. Ikin and J. H. Bumford; Committee: Messrs. A. Sar-gison, F. Elliot, H. C. Smith, A. Hewer, R. Latham, L. Murdoch, R. Woolley.

J. R. M. Driscoll has been elected Secretary of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

During the swimming season Barrie Foster won four championship titles, in each case his time being within a second of the record.

R. F. (Dick) Walch, Major in the Regular Army has been reposted to Brisbane.

Desmond Giblin, after being in Hobart for some months, has returned to Malaya.

Roy Harrison played brilliantly to win four events in a recent Huon Tennis Association tournament.

During March, Cyril L. Steele (1913, 1,958), High Commissioner for Australia in the Middle East, stationed at Cairo, visited Hobart and was present at the quarterly luncheon of the Association held during that month.

Emerson Rodwell was captain of the Glenorchy Cricket XI which won the T.C.A. "A" grade premiership. Also in the team was Fred. Hay. A visitor to Hobart during Febru-bry was Bog. Adams. from New Zoo.

ary was Reg. Adams, from New Zealand.

E. C. R. Spooner, R. F. Cane and A. Brettingham-Moore were over for the Science Congress.

F. D. Cruickshank has been appointed associate professor, University of Tasmania. He first graduated in 1930 and was awarded D.Sc. degree in 1946 for distinguished work in optical research.

At the conclusion of the Sydney-Hobart yacht race Sir Claude Plow-man and "Rubber" Kellaway were interviewed by Brian Hodgman for 7HO.

Ron Morrisby was again the State Cricket Captain, whilst Emerson Rod-well and Harry Ward were members of the team which met Victoria.

C. A. S. Page is president of the Tasmanian Lawn Tennis Association.

"Halycon," sailed by A. J. and C. D. Steele, was first in the Bruny Island yacht race, whilst G. W. Rex in "Mistral V" gained line honours,

closely followed by "Westward" (G. Gibson).

A visitor from West Australia in January was F. C. B. Edwards, who is Superintendent of East Fremantle Hospital.

E. D. Tudor will be absent in England for a couple of years' work on behalf of the C.S.I.R.

The Association was again repre-sented in the "Tassie Too," which won the usual Inter-State Races for 21ft. restricted class yachts, Harry Whelan and Ron Gorringe being crew members.

Included in the Tasmanian Eight which rowed at Murray Bridge this year were Ron and Brian Pitt.

year were Kon and Brian Pitt. In February, Alfred Pedder was successful in having a painting accep-ted and hung in the Wynne Exhibi-tion in the National Art Gallery, Sydney—"Departed Glory," Risdon. Ron Morrisby won the batting averages for first-class matches last

cricket season. He also headed the T.C.A. averages for the seventh time

T.C.A. averages for the seventh time and for the third successive season. Len Huxley has taken up his posi-tion at Adelaide University. He travelled out from England on the "Orion" with John May. V. A. Clark headed the delegation to represent Austrolic at the Armage

to represent Australia at the Annecy talks in France for a general agreement on tariffs and trade.

J. A. (Jock) Cooke is President of the Deloraine Wanderers Football Club.

Dr. C. N. Atkins, a past President of the Association, was included in the King's Birthday Honours list-C.M.G.

Dr. S. H. Bastow is an executive member on the C.S.I.R.O. He was formerly chief of the Division of Tribophysics.

T. D. Simpson has been admitted to the Bar.

E. A. Boyes was helmsman of the champion Sharpie "Kittiewake II."

E. E. Rodwell was captain of the State Amateur Football team which played Victoria this month. Ken Cossum, Max Rush and Ron Smith, members of the Old Boys' team, were also selected, whilst K. James, an Old Boy of the School, was seen in No. 11 jersey on the Victorian side. He played an excellent game for Victoria.

J. T. G. Renney has been awarded a Government Medical Scholarship.

At the recent investiture held at Government House the following Old Boys received decorations: O.B.E.:

Lt.-Col. S. T. Hodgman, Lt.-Col. C. D. R. Chesterman, Chaplain J. L. May. W. F. Crace-Calvert, Esq.; M.C.: Capt. C. G. Brettingham-Moore; D.F.C.: The late W.O. S. A. Ikin (received by Mrs. E. E. Ikin).

Mr. A. P. Canaway.—We record with regret the death of Mr. Arthur Pitcairn Canaway on the 2nd February, in Sydney, aged 91 years. Arthur Pitcairn Canaway was born in New Town, Tasmania. He was admitted to the Bar of New South Wales on 1st August, 1885—easily the earli-est of those on the list of practising barristers in the State. His practice after admission lay in Equity and in the Land Court. He was the author of an annotated edition of the New South Wales Real Property Act. His figure was a familiar one in Denman Chambers, where he daily attended at his chambers. It was only last year he was talking of retiring.

> (From the "Australian Law Journal" of 17th February, 1949).

#### BRANCHES

We have been advised that the New South Wales and Victorian Branches will be holding their Annual Reunions as follows:----

N.S.W.: Friday, 29th July, Petty's Hotel, York Street, Sydney, Your Secretary is Dr. A. Stafford Crane, 217 Macquarie Street, Sydney. Get in touch with him.

VICTORIA: Wednesday, 3rd August, Victoria Coffee Palace, Little Collins Street, Melbourne. Your Sec-retary is David S. Gibson, Ormond College, Carlton, N.3. Don't forget to attend, Old Boys.

Ties.-Old Boys are advised that Old Boys' Association ties are available from either the Hon. Secretary or Messrs. J. Bidencope & Son. Price, 6/7. This is a magenta and black silk poplin tie, with a thin gold stripe separating the colours. In adopting this tie we wish to record our thanks to Messrs. C. H. Read, of Melbourne, and A. J. R. Miller, of Hobart, for their interest in the matter.

Chairs .--- Since the Magazine was published in December we wish to record that the following chairs have been ordered for the furnishing the Gymnasium:-Messrs. P. of Donovan, J. Donovan, H. Westbrook, H. F. Ruddock, N. J. Ruddock, G. C. Carter, R. F. Walch, C. H. Grant, L. K. Sansom, H. F. Lovett, R. Chancellor, C. A. S. Page, H. H. Cummins, E. Shoobridge, E. M. Dollery, A. A. Reid (in memory of the late M. Tuttle) and F. D. Ward. These chairs are to be used for the furnishing of the Gymnasium and each will have a name-plate with name of donor and year of entry to the School. £2 will do the same for you.

Life Members.—The following life Members have been added to the Old Members have been added to the Old Boys' rolls:—Messrs. R. P. Ikin, N. B. Foster, S. E. A. Pixley, H. Ellis, C. M. Miller, E. V. Terry, J. R. Lucas, N. E. Johnson, R. H. Ikin, A. G. Ramsey, R. O. Harris, R. Kennedy, J. A. Smith, C. A. Bennison, G. W. Cheverton, B. Foster, R. T. Gray, R. J. Downie, L. J. Lazenby, T. A. S. Atkinson, A. C. Gray.

Honour Board, 1939-45.—The Board of Management has given authority for the Honour Boards commemorating the Boer War and Great War to be removed from the back wall of the Gym., where they are hidden by the curtains of the stage, and for them to be re-erected in the Memorial Library, which is, of course, where they should have been previously. The Committee, realising the calls that have been made on Old Boys, does not wish to sponser an appeal for a Board to commemorate the 1939-45 war. The matter was brought forward at the June Luncheon, and at the end of the function an Old Boy approached the Secretary and handed in a donation to start a fund for this purpose. It was also suggested that Old Boys and other friends of the School may like to donate towards this special object, and it is suggested that donations should be 10/-.

Since the Luncheon a number of Old Boys have indicated their desire to subscribe to this memorial. Donations can be forwarded to the Secretary.

The matter will be further discussed at the Annual General Meeting.

#### EQUIPMENT APPEAL

In the last issue of the Magazine we advised that an appeal for funds to purchase badly needed equipment for the School in the way of tangible assets had been launched and that Mr. L. Nettlefold had donated a new racing skiff to the School. Since that time we have received subscriptions from Old Boys in England, New Zealand and all the Australian States. The Committee wishes to thank all those who have subscribed to this fund and announces that the fund will close on 31st July.

Whilst we do not wish to select any particular person for special reference in regard to this appeal, we think that extracts from Miss Buckland's letter are of interest.

"Prof. Dunbabin sent me a letter recently which he had received from you about an appeal for funds for the

you £5, which please let me know when you receive it. I am sorry I am unable to send more. . . . I am naturally interested in the Hutchins School as my grandfather and father were Headmasters there, but I have never been to Hobart myself. . . . My father's sister, Miss Kate Buckland, now 86, is living in England near Maidenhead, and I will send your appeal letter on to her."

Hutchins School. I am shortly sending

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#### CRICKET

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Old Virgilians (in future to be known as St. Virgil's College Old Boys), who carried off the first premiership of the Southern Old Scholars' Cricket Association. O.V.A. owed their victory to better fielding. Undoubtedly our team during the

Undoubtedly our team during the past season was one of the best we have fielded. Of the leading seventeen batting averages in the Association we gained eight positions, including second, third and fourth. Catches, second and third; whilst Gibson was third to O.V.A. bowlers Middleton and Fahev.

Our congratulations are offered to George McKay on scoring two centuries, and Tom Turner for the highest score for the season (125 not out).

During the football season the Cricket team hope to complete the laying down of a concrete practice wicket at Christ College Ground. The wicket is to be put down on a section of the ground which at present is not used and will remain dead ground. It is also anticipated that as from the 1949-50 season a President and Committee of Management will manage cricket affairs. The suggestion is that a President or Chairman shall be appointed, with a committee of two non-players, Captain and players' representative (not the vice-captain).

Details of 1948-49 season:-

#### Round 1

v. O.V.A. Rained first day, no play. Lost by two runs on first innings. O.V.A., 96 (Seidel, 34; Gibson, 2 for 21). Hutchins, 94 (Simpson, 23; Pelham, 2 for 5; Carrick, 2 for 11; Goss, 2 for 29).

v. O.H.A., won outright by an innings and 24 runs. Second wicket partnership by McKay and Muller of 119. O.H.A., 1st innings 122 (Street, 41; Lyons, 31; Gibson, 4 for 26; Bull, 4 for 51). 2nd innings 135 (Street, 56; Hudson, 31; Allwright, 24; Milles, 3 for 35). Hutchins, 8 for 281 declared (McKay, 120; Muller, 62; Ruddock, 33; Brown, 4 for 88).

v. Friends. Won outright by six wickets. Friends led by one run on first innings, but collapsed in second. Friends', 1st innngs 111 (Burrows, 50; McKay, 3 for 15; Bull, 3 for 39). 2nd innings 49 (Burrows, 38; Gibson, 6 for 20; Bull, 2 for 25).

#### Round 2

v. O.V.A. Drawn game, rained on second day. Feature, O.V.A.'s 98 in 45 minutes, also McKay and Colman's fifth wicket partnership of 119. Hutchins, 241 (Verrell, 23; Terry, 26; McKay, 70; Colman, 57; Middleton, 4 for 49). O.V.A., 2 for 98 (Kelly, 44; Carrick, 30). v. O.H.A. Won on 1st innings by

v. O.H.A. Won on 1st innings by 109 runs. Rain stopped play at 3.25 on second day, just as O.H.A.'s final wicket fell. Hutchins, 205 (Creese, 30; McKay, 23; Colman, 43; Turner, 20; Southorn, 3 for 35; Moore, 3 for 37). O.H.A., 96 (Southorn, 25; Brown, 22; Gibson, 6 for 19; Creese, 3 for 6).

v. Friends. Won outright by an innings and 141 runs. Friends collapsed in their first innings and this was followed by McKay's second century for the season. Friends, 46 (Stokes, 25; Gibson, 2 for 19; McKay, 6 for 24). 2nd innings, 111 (Burrows, 36; Bowden, 29; Turner, 3 for 30; Bastick, 3 for 15). Hutchins, 298 (Verrell, 29; Terry, 31; Boddam, 30; McKay, 107; Colman, 21; Ruddock, 23; Turner, 26; Burrows, 6 for 93; Bowden, R., 4 for 61).

#### Round 3

v. O.V.A. Splendid second wicket partnership of Kelly and D. Carrick, of O.V.A. (110), followed by a collapse to 6 for 130 and recovery, Carrick remaining undefeated for 104. Hutchins were 7 for 82 when Turner and Gibson put on 142 for the ninth wicket, Turner being 125 not out at the close of the innings. Saints featured in another collapse in the second innings. O.V.A., 301 (Kelly, 70; D. Carrick, 104 not out; Sattler, 48; Gibson, 5 for 78; Colman, 2 for 3; McKay, 2 for 60). 2nd innings, 6 for 37 (Verrell, 3 for 15; Bull, 2 for 7). Hutchins, 249 (Terry, 20; Colman, 27; Turner, 125 not out; Gibson, 39; Nalty, 2 for 69; Delaney, 4 for 63; Fahey, 3 for 26).

v. O.H.A. Won outright by nine wickets. O.H.A., 1st innings, 101 (Brown, 31; Gibson, 4 for 33; Bull, 2 for 30; Bastick, 2 for 5). 2nd innings, 160 (Jackson, 80; Parker, 27; Gibson, 5 for 44; Bull, 3 for 48). Hutchins, 1st innings, 211 (Boddam, 30; Colman, 21; Turner, 59; Gibson, 32; Bull, 26 not out; Brown, 5 for 72; Southorn, 3 for 97). 2nd innings, 1 for 59 (Creese, 38).

v. Friends. Won on first innings by 93 runs. As in the previous game against O.H.A., the tail-end batsman of the opposition saved outright wins being obtained.

Friends, 1st innings, 119 (Burrows, 53; Boden, 20; Gibson, 4 for 36). 2nd innings, 6 for 109 (Boden 25; Brooke, 25 not out; Gibson, 2 for 35; Colman, 2 for 8). Hutchins, 5 for 212 declared (Verrell, 40; Creese, 27; McKay, 42; Colman, 43 not out; Turner, 34 not out; Burrows, 3 for 49). Premiers, Old Virgilians, 272 (D. Carrick, 122; Gibson, 4 for 83; Burrows, 3 for 62; Southorn, 3 for 40), defeated the Rest, 209 (Burrows, 63; Colman, 56; Turner, 27).

#### Statistics

#### Played 9 matches:

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#### **Batting Averages**

No. of innings	Times N.O.	H.S.	Total Runs	Average
9	<b>2</b>	125	292	41.71
10	-	120	387	38.70
10	3	57	257	36.71
6	1	38	125	25.00
$\overline{7}$	3	39	99	24.75
8	-	33	140	17.50
<b>6</b>	-	31	95	15.86
11	1	40	167	16.70
6	-	30	80	13.33
6	3	12	30	10.00
6	1	26	37	7.40
6	-	8	23	3.83
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Others: Muller (26.33); Simpson (12.50); Chambers (3.67); Hodgson (1.00); Brettingham-Moore (0.00).

### Bowling

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	
Gibson, A.E.	119	12	384	42	9.14	
McKay, G. A	. 51	3	227	15	15.13	
Bull, M. S.	97	9	439	26	16.88	
Others: B (3.80); Ve (15.33); C (22.16); Tu:	rrell	(	(12.83)	í: I	olman Milles astick y (-).	

#### Catches

Gibson 9, Colman 7, Turner 5, Creese, Chambers, Boddam, Bull 4, Terry 3, McKay, Bastick 2, Milles, Hodgson 1.

### ROWING

The Old Boys' Race at the Headof-the-River Regatta, rowed on the Derwent in the last week in April, was won by the Old Launcestonians' crew. We finished in third place.

It is regretted that our Country Old Boys' crew, comprised of Old Boys from the Huonville and Franklin districts, were left lamenting for their boat. Arrangements had been made with the Lindisfarne Rowing Club for the crew to use their boat, but one of the school crews competing in the Seconds' race for the schools got interested in the Head-ofthe-River and failed to return to the ways.

We offer our congratulations to the Old Launcestonians crew, and they have now won the trophy for the third successive time. As we hold the record of four consecutive wins in this race, we shall have to break the Old Launcestonians' run of successes next year.

Our crews were boated as follows: No. 1 (Country crew): B. A. Clark (bow), R. J. Shield (2), A. F. Calvert (3), B. A. Clark (Str.), F. Ashworth (cox.).

No. 2 (City crew): D. Burton (bow), W. Thompson (2), Scaife (3), R. Thompson (str.), Thompson (cox). In the School's section of the magazine will be found photographs and a report of the launching of the "Stuart C. Walch" boat presented to the School by an old Boy, Mr. Len. Nettlefold.

To commemorate the occasion, Leo. Chambers, who for a number of years was cox of the School crew, has presented to the Association a plaque with a suitable inscription. This will probably be placed in the Memorial Library, as the boat commemorates through Stuart C. Walch all those rowers who sacrificed their lives during the 1939-45 war.

#### FOOTBALL

As we go to press, a very pleasing picture can be painted of our prospects for the present season. The team is in the happy position of being leaders at the end of the first round. With the second round, stiffer opposition can be expected in some quarters, but unless we strike an over abundance of injuries we seem assured of a place n the final four. Although we had seventeen players who did not seek re-registration this season, the team has been very fortunate as regards recruits. Members of last year's School side have joined up and demonstrated that their form in School football was wrong.

Emerson Rodwell, last season's captain and coach, advised that he would not have the time to take over these positions for the current season. Mr. Norm. Venables has been appointed non-playing coach, and we are very happy to have his services and advise. On account of our early dark hours, Norm. attends practice during the lunch-hour on Wednesdays, when there are always at least fourteen players in attendance.

It is hoped that team members will continue to attend practice in the numbers shown to date, and that they do not forget that Thursday night is a practice night. It would appear that from now on, barring unforeseen accidents, the selection committee will have to make a rigid rule that nonattendance at practice without reasonable excuse will mean non-selection for the next game.

The General Committee of the Association has given authority for the team to amend its form of management. The Committee has stipulated that copies of all minutes and financial statements shall be presented to the General Committee of the Association. Club officials for the season are:—

Patron: Brig. E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C. President: Mr. J. R. Rex. Vice-President: Mr. R. W. Vincent. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. A. E. Gibson. Hon. Auditor: Mr. J. S. Conway. Committee: Messrs. B. H. Bayes, G. E. Hodgson, A. G. Turner (nonplaying members), R. M. Swan (captain), H. S. Bennett (vicecaptain), W. Fysh (players' representative). Hon. Secretary: R. W. Vincent.

As stated previously, Mr. Norm. Venables is coach, and with the captain and vice-captain, forms the Selection Committee, whilst a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. G. E. Hodgson, A. G. Turner (who is manager of the side) and the coach is paying particular attention to players' form as they will select the trophy winners at the end of the season.

Trophies have been offered for the Best and Fairest, Most Deserving, Most Improved, Most Determined, and best first year player. There are indications that other trophies will be donated.

The Club wishes to thank those gentlemen who have donated to club funds. With fees to the T.A.F.L., Southern Division, and other necessary expenses, it costs about £90 a year to run the team. The players as they play contribute. Our thanks are due to Messrs. L. E. Rodwell, G. O'Neill, G. E. Hodgson and Dr. Parkinson.

At the long week-end in June a team from the Victorian Amateur Football Association visited Tasmania, playing in Hobart on the Saturday and in Launceston on the Monday. It is hoped that all players learnt something from this visit. Emerson Rodwell (captain), K. Cossum, M. Rush and Ron Smith gained selection in the Tasmanian team, whilst an Old Boy of the School in K. James, who plays with Commonwealth Bank, played a good game for Victoria.

For those interested in the Old Boys' football the match for each week will be found in each Friday's "Mercury."

It is interesting to note that in the first four matches the team came from behind in the last quarter to pull the games out of the fire.

#### Results to date:

Defeated Claremont (10.14 to 9.13) by 7 points. Defeated University (10.12 to 8.7) by 17 points. Defeated Old Hobartians (11.16 to 7.10) by 30 points. Defeated St. Virgil's (10.14 to 9.7) by 13 points. Defeated Lindisfarne (20.20 to 6.5) by 99 points. Defeated Friends (25.29 to 3.7) by 154 points. Defeated Ogilvenians (13.14 to 5.5) by 57 points.

End of Round 1. Points: Hutchins (7 wins) 14, Claremont 10, St. Virgil's, O.H.A., Ogilvenians, University, Lindisfarne, 6 each, Friends, 2.

As we go to press the Southern Division Amateur side to play the Seconds' League has been selected. E. E. Rodwell (captain), M. Rush, R. Swan, H. Bennett, L. Shea, W. Fysh, A. Hay and K. Cossum have gained selection.

### FAIR

The annual School Fair conducted by the Parents' Association was held on the last Thursday of the first term. With the Boarders, the Association was allotted the produce stall. Once again boarders, parents and Old Boys nobly supported the stall and the sum of £38/4/0 was handed in to the Parents' Association. We wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mesdames Vincent, Dollery, Turner, Bayes, Burrows, Hodgson and McKay for running the stall on our behalf.

At an earlier meeting of the Parents' Association Executive, the request of our President (Brig. Dollery), that the proceeds of the stall be placed to the credit of the Equipment Appeal was agreed to, and we advise that the Parents have forwarded the sum of  $\pounds 40$  to be devoted to that purpose. The Committee greatly appreciates this action.

### LUNCHEONS

Since the last Magazine was issued two luncheons have been held. At the December luncheon 84 Old Boys were present, at which the Equipment Appeal was officially launched.

In March we were fortunate to have a number of visitors in Hobart and the opportunity was taken for Old Boys to hear about matters on the other side of the world. Rev. J. L. May, who returned to Tasmania in February after over two years in England, was guest speaker, whilst C. L. Steele, Australian High Commissioner in Cairo, also addressed members.

The Committee is giving consideration to the holding of a Smoke Social.

### MAGAZINE

The School now has a complete set of Magazines, but the Editor wishes to complete his set, if at all possible. Should any Old Boy have any of the following issues, and does not wish to keep the Magazine or Magazines, Mr. Biggs would be very grateful if same could be forwarded to him at the School. The missing numbers are: 1913—June issue; 1917 —September; 1923—June; 1931— December; 1933—December. Following on requests for further bound copies of the Centenary Magazine, a few more of these have been bound and are available on application to the Secretary of the Association.

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Contemporaries of Harry Tresidder (1904, 1,663) will recall that he left School before the completion of his final year, as his parents had moved to New Zealand. The following extracts of a letter received by Mrs. A. M. Vincent (Madge Anderson) will probably prove of interest:

A. M. Vincent (Madge Anderson) will probably prove of interest: "I went to King's College (Auck-land) for a few years, and to my surprise one of the Hutchins School masters, 'Truthful Percy', also was there (Percy St. Michael Podmore). I left King's and joined a Communications Company, trained in Nelson and went to Adelaide. After four vears' training,-called in at Hobart and saw Gurney, then Headmaster, and several of the old boys—L. K. Sansom gave me a good day. He later died suddenly. From Adelaide, I went to Java, Singapore, Cocos Island. Saigon, Cochin China. That took me through the 1914-18 war and saw me back in N.Z. in 1920, when my father died and I returned to Singapore. . . . I went to Foochow, stayed in China for three-and-a-half years and went back to N.Z. for a holiday. I next went to Singapore for three years and then to North China (Shanhai), then Java again, then way up North China to Chefoo, Penang, Manila, Java again (Banjoewangi), and when this war broke out I was in Java (Batavia). I went to Port Sudan (Red Sea) for communications when the Mediterranean was closed, and was there for the Abyssinian campaign and building up of the stuff for the job in the Western Desert. Then I went to Zanzibar for the North African communications. then to Durban and back to N.Z. for a fresh-air leave, then back to Colombo, then flew in to Singapore for the surrender, and as manager of our show stayed 18 months until all was going again and then I retired (not before it was time—I was tired and wanted a holiday). Came home to see England and stayed on here waiting for a car and benzine to see England-still waiting, I thought I had better do something, so when the Vicar asked

me to verge I thought it would be a gentle change from gardening and visiting my relations. . . . "

### 103rd ANNIVERSARY PROGRAMME

Shortly after you receive your magazine the programme of events to mark the 103rd Anniversary of the Foundation of the School should be in your possession. As the general concensus of opinion is that the events to mark the Anniversary of the School should be confined to the one week-end, the Committee have approved of the following programme and trusts that Old Boys will show their interest in the various activities and support all functions.

Friday, 29th July—Golf, at Rosny. Table Tennis, at the School. Miniature Shooting, at the Barracks. Debate, at the School.

Saturday, 30th July—Tennis, at the School. Re-union, at the Continental. Football, St. Virgil's v. Hutchins (Old Boys), at the T.C.A.

Sunday, 31st July — Corporate Communion, at St. David's Cathedral. Breakfast, at the School. School Boys' Service, St. David's Cathedral. Evensong, Anniversary Service, at St. David's Cathedral. Preacher: Rev. J. L. Mav.

Monday, 1st August—Table Tennis.

WEDNESDAY, 3rd August—103rd ANNIVERSARY. School Assembly. Speaker: Association President (Brig. E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C.). Football, Past v. Present, at Queenborough. H.S.O.B.A., Annual General Meeting.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association will be held at the School, on WEDNESDAY, 3rd August, 1949, at 8 p.m.

#### Business:

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 30th August, 1948, and Special General Meeting of 16th November, 1948.

Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

Annual Report of Old Boys' Representatives on Board of Management. Amendments to Constitution, if any, and of which the requisite notice has been given. Election of officers. Any other business that may be ruled to be in order. R. W. Vincent,

Hon. Secretary.

NOTE: Rule No. 9 .--- "Nominations for the Committee shall be in writing, signed by the candidate and two members, and shall be delivered to the Hon. Secretary not less than THREE (3) DAYS before the Annual Meeting."

Rule 15 (b) .- "To consider alterations of the Rules of the Association,

of which notice in writing shall have been given to the Hon. Secretary at least FOURTEEN (14) DAYS before the date of the meeting."

Notice of motion has been given of the intention to move the following amendments to the constitution:---

Rule 3.—That the words "five shillings" be cancelled and the words "not more than ten shillings" substituted.

Rule 4.—That the words "five pounds" be cancelled and the words "not less than twenty years' subscription" substituted.



