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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 dare, 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 due Beloved School of ours.

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

Assembly Notes

OUR Assembly speakers this year have been many and varied, and some have given us very clear pictures of parts of the world about which we previously knew very little.

At the beginning of the year we were privileged to have a visit from His Honour the Administrator of New Guinea, Col. Murray, who gave us a vivid picture of New Guinea after the Mount Lamington disaster. He made special reference to the Martyrs' School at Sangara, which was of very great interest to us as we support some boys at this school.

Mr. J. R. M. Driscoll, a member of the Board of Management, gave the Anzac Day address, whilst during the following week Mr. R. W. Vincent, Secretary of the Old Boys' Association, presented the Cup won by the Old Boys' crew on the day of the Head-of-the-River Race.

On June 11 we had a visit from Mr. Clerk-Hunt, a member of the Colonial Service in Sarawak. He gave us an apt description of conditions in Sarawak, especially in regard to improvement in agricultural methods employed there, and afterwards in the Library with the Sixth Forms he answered many questions. On June 16 Commodore Synnott, of the R.A.N., gave a talk to Remove A and Remove B on the Navy as a career.

In July we had a visit from Major R. F. Walch, who is an Old Boy of the School. He spoke to senior forms on the possibilities of the Army as a career, with special reference to Duntroon Military College.

Our speaker for the Anniversary Assembly on August 3 was Mr. W. Hood, President of the Old Boys' Association.

On August 5 we had a visit from the Rev. David Read, the Chaplain of the Edinburgh University, whilst on the 8th Mr. Beamish, the Tasmanian Road Safety Officer, gave us an instructive lecture on traffic rules and general safety precautions.

On August 18 we had a welcome visit from Miss Robson, of the Canine Defence League. She instructed us in the management of cats and dogs, and many of us benefited greatly by her talk.

Our last speaker this year was the Rev. J. Hay, from St. George's School, Hyderabad, who gave us a vivid account of school life in India.

Beneath the Ivied Tower Random Ramblings by a Staff Reporter

EARLY in the year the School tennis court was re-surfaced and re-lined. Previously it had been somewhat like a part of the Sandy Bay Road, but it is now in much better condition. Those who wield the racket will appreciate the improvement to the court and should find their games considerably improved.

Following the mid-year examinations everyone was occupied for two days doing much-needed social service work at appropriate places around Hobart. The work was enjoyed by all, and was of considerable help to needy persons and organisations. One of the hardest jobs was woodchopping for the Hobart City Mission. At the end of the first day various reports came in to the effect that ten tons had been chopped. The same procedure occurred the second day. It is apparent that the reports were considerably exaggerated as only about five tons were chopped altogether. However, their reward was to have their photos in the local press next day!

On Monday, October 13, many members of the Senior School went to "Twelfth Night." The play was excellently presented by the Hobart Repertory Society, and added greatly to our appreciation of the works of the immortal bard.

On October 21 our complete collection of the Gould Bird Books was exhibited to mark the event of Bird Week. The books are exquisitely produced, containing, as they do, hand-painted lithograph prints which are perfect in every colour and detail. By reason of this they are extremely rare and valuable. By popular acclaim the most interesting bird was the "Spangled Drargo," which apparently resembled more people than one would have thought likely!

The School Cadet Detachment has been furiously training for the presentation of the Hoad Trophy which it won at the end of first term, when a section of the competition was held at Cadet Camp. The trophy was presented to the School by the Commandant, Brig. G. E. W. Hurley, on Monday afternoon, November 10, when the Detachment staged a ceremonial parade with distinction.

On Saturday, August 2, the annual School Dance was held in the School Hall. The announcement by Mr. Vincent restricting the number of dances to be had by any particular pair was annoying to a certain couple, but otherwise all anjoyed themselves considerably.

In September the majority of the Senior School saw, and enjoyed, the plays "Saint Joan" by G. B. Shaw and "The Miser" by Moliere, presented by the National Drama Company.

Chaplain's Notes

Here is a quiet room! Pause for a little space; And in the deepening gloom With hands before thy face, Pray for God's grace. Let no unholy thought Enter thy musing mind; Things that the world hath wrought— Unclean—untrue—unkind— Leave these behind.

Chaplain: Rev. S. C. Brammall, B.A., Th.L. Servers: Robert Dick (Sacristan), John Phillips THE Chapel has been enriched by a nice pair of blackwood altar-rails, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Purvis as a thank-offering for what the School meant to their son, Barry, a prefect who left at the end of 1951. The rails are to be dedicated when Barry arrives home from the Melbourne University.

Another very valuable gift was that of a cope, a gift from the Old Boys. It bears not only the School crest, but those also of the affiliated schools. It was blessed by the Chaplain in the Cathedral at the Holy Communion service on Anniversary Sunday, and was used for Festal Evensong the same day.

Graeme Salmon, last year's senior prefect, gave a Bible as a thank-offering. This is used at morning assembly by the prefects, and on Sunday evenings for the Lesson at Evensong.

The Sacrament of Confirmation was

Pray for the strength of God, Strength to obey His plan; Rise from your knees less clod Than when your prayer began, More of a man. —Donald Cox

administered by His Lordship the Bishop in September, when 23 candidates from the School were presented. The Chapel was used for the preparation classes, thus introducing day boys to the Sanctuary from which our school life should radiate. Post-Confirmation classes also have been held and have proved valuable. Services of preparation for Holy Communion are conducted prior to each Communion.

Confirmation Candidates: D. C. P. Brammall, P. D. Calvert, D. R. H. Dickinson, K. D. W. Eddington, I. N. Elliott, H. F. Fergusson, F. J. Grant, C. A. M. Hall, A. G. Johnson, I. J. Kitchener, G. A. M. Marshall, H. B. Marshall, J. G. P. Overell, M. C. Page, G. F. Parsons, E. A. Pitman, S. J. B. Pixley, R. H. Purden, G. H. Salmon, R. L. K. Smith, C. R. R. Turner, G. L. Woodward. D. Lane was ill on the day of the service and was subsequently confirmed at St. Mark's, Pontville.



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SUN-SPOTS AND WIRELESS

THOSE of us who listen in on the short wave radio are often irritated and disappointed. The reception is so marred by the presence of a background of rushing or hissing noises that nothing but discordant sounds can be heard. Careful observations have established that the average intensity of this noise is greater when sun-spots are visible.

Sun-spots, whenever they can be seen, are the most conspicuous and interesting objects on the solar surface. A normal sun-spot has a dark central umbra, surrounded by a fringing penumbra. They vary in size and complexity. The diameter of the umbra of a small one is only about 500 miles, but in the case of the largest it reaches 40,000 or 50,000 miles. The penumbra is sometimes as great as 150,000 miles across. There are at least half a dozen sun-spots each one of which could swallow the earth quite easily, and occasionally a sun-spot appears which is large enough to engulf all the planets at once.

Most sun-spots are very short-lived phenomena. One fourth of those shown on the Greenwich photographs lasted but a single day, and as many again from two to four days. The very largest are more lasting, but very few have a continuous existence into a second rotation of the sun. Incidentally, the apparent rotationperiod of the sun is 27 days and 5 hours.

Sun-spots can be seen quite frequently —sometimes every day. They do not come in a steady stream, but rather in gusts or waves, their numbers fluctuating up and down every eleven years or so. They were specially numerous last year (1951) and will be so again in 1962.

Sun-spots are continually ejecting matter which probably consists of a mixture of complete atoms, fragments of atoms and electrons. These are shot out and travel in all directions. Some of them reach the earth, penetrate its atmosphere and affect it in several well-known ways. They cause variations in the earth's magnetism, and have been known in extreme instances to change the direction of the compass needle several degrees in as many minutes. Violent magnetic storms are often produced, occasionally strong enough to interfere with the operation of telegraph wires. The aurora is caused by the attraction of electrons from sunspots to the earth's magnetic poles, and the air becomes ionised and forms lavers which reflect our wireless waves back earthward, thus enabling us to hear radio stations many thousands of miles away.

Until quite recently these phenomena were thought to be the only influences which sun-spots exerted on the earth. In 1942, however, it was noticed, more or less accidentally, that radio waves were coming from the sun. In England, during the war, radar sets were constantly scanning the sky for enemy bombers. For a few days early in that year they picked up peculiar signals unlike anything usually observed from aircraft. In direction they seemed to be coming from the sun, on which an unusually large sun-spot was then visible. Later in that year an observer in America turned on the sun some radar sets that had been built for military use. He found wireless waves which without doubt were coming from the sun. It was found that the latter were steady from day to day, but those observed in England varied widely in accordance with the number and size of the sunspots.

Since that time much careful research work has been devoted to the various kinds of radio waves from the sun. It has been confirmed that the intensity of solar "noise" becomes greater as the sun-spots increase in size, and that giant sun-spots are always associated with the most intense wireless radiation.

The radio wave lengths emitted by the sun are often of the order of our own short wave lengths, hence the disturbance in our wireless sets. This jarring is occasionally so serious as to cut off parts of the world for definite periods from all short wave radio communication. For example, about a year ago, it was reported from London that a huge sun-spot visible to the naked eye cut off London's short wave radio links with the rest of the world. The "blackout" began in the morning and continued during the afternoon. This happened twice in one week.

TO THE MOON IN TEN YEARS

H. P. Wilkins, director of the lunar section of the British Astronomical Association, has made the startling declaration that it will be possible to fly to the moon in another ten years. He further states that "interplanetary travel is not visionary, it is a certainty."

Of late years, forecasts like this, although not so sensational, have frequently been made; and although the astronomers are perfectly cognisant of the difficulties involved in such an enterprise, the obstacles to be overcome are often glossed over in public pronouncements. However, some eminent scientists are more cautious, and confine their predictions to a whole lifetime before the moon is reached. Even then, the proviso is included that if that is to be accomplished, research must proceed as rapidly as possible.

All are agreed that when the attempt is made it must be done by some kind of rocket. The rocket is the only known form of propulsion that will operate in airless space, where it is more efficient than in the atmosphere.

Fred Hoyle, a Cambridge mathematician, in a recent article in The Times of London, goes so far as to say that even with the rapid development of the rocket, one would have to be an optimist to believe that a trip to the moon and back will be safely accomplished within a century. The performance of the rocket is governed by the speed at which gases stream from the exhaust, which at present is only about one mile a second. But a speed of at least ten miles per second is needed to make space travel a reasonable and practicable possibility. Mr. Hoyle stresses the difficulties in the way of increasing speed. For instance, the fuel-burning heat must not be so great as to melt the motor's metal structure. There must also be a change in the chemical nature of the exhaust gases, and the use of hydrogen as a fuel would require the release of nuclear energy far more flexible than anything vet known.

Lt.-Col. James Bain, director of rocket development in the U.S. War Department, has in the American language "debunked" the talk of rocket flight to the moon. He avers that it would take billions of dollars and years of research to perfect a rocket capable of reaching the earth's satellite. To obtain the necessary velocity the moon rocket would have co be the size of a skyscraper with one rocket within another. The first rocket would reach a speed of 5,000 feet a second and would fire a second rocket which would reach 11,000 feet per second.

Bain estimates that with a four-stage rocket a velocity of 25,000 feet a second could be reached. That would mean the rocket would become a satellite revolving round the earth. Its original weight of 15 tons would be reduced to 7 lbs. Consequently, the rocket would not be free of the earth's gravitational pull and would never reach the moon.

However, a great number of those who have studied the subject deeply have a confident belief that space travel will yet become an accomplished fact. When it becomes possible to harness atomic energy for rocket propulsion, the era of interplanetary travel will be at hand.

Among those who have faith in the future of atomic energy control is the celebrated George Gamow, Professor of Theoretical Physics in the George Washington University. In his book "Atomic Energy in Cosmic and Human Life," reviewed in these columns in December. 1948, he points out that if in the rocket atomic energy is used instead of chemical energy the velocity of self-repulsion increases several thousand times, and the amount of fuel required is less than one per cent. This, according to Gamow, should give sufficiently condensed energy to propel the ship into space beyond the attractive force of the earth.

Finally, Mr. Hoyle asserts that however optimistic a view is taken of the feasibility of interplanetary exploration, it is clear that there can never be any travel to regions outside the solar system. Humans could not live long enough for a a trip even to the nearest star.

IS THE UNIVERSE RUNNING DOWN?

In an interesting article in a recent science publication, headed "A Hundred Years of Thermodynamics," J. A. V. Butler, of the Chester Beatty Research Institute, London, discusses, *inter alia*, the question: Is the Universe running down?

This is how he deals with the problem: In thermodynamics work can only be obtained when heat flows from a hotter to a colder body. But what happens when heat flows, as it often does, without doing any work? If you take a hot kettle and leave it on the table it rapidly loses heat to the surrounding bodies, but no work is done. There is, however no loss of energy, since all the heat lost by the kettle can be accounted for by the rise of temperature of the surrounding objects. But there is a loss of free or available energy, that is of energy which by reason of the higher temperature can be converted into work.

It was Lord Kelvin's great contribution to see in this a universal tendency in Nature. He saw that energy is always becoming less available, or, to use his own word, dissipated. We see all round us examples of this dissipation—in Niagara, in the geological disintegration of mountains, in the vast outpouring of energy from the sun. Normally, therefore, in Nature, available energy is lost or dissipated; and energy which becomes dissipated can never again be converted into work. Once lost it is lost for ever.

It follows that the Universe is running down. The time must inevitably come when there is no more energy that can be converted into motion, everything will have reached a uniform level at which nothing more can happen. The earth could no longer be lived on; all life will come to an end.

But if the Universe is running down, as the law of the dissipation of energy suggests, there must have been a time when some sort of winding up process took place. We know little more than Lord Kelvin did about the nature of this winding up. Was it a single act of creation, or is it happening continuously, as is suggested by some recent cosmological theories? We do not know. It might be that the law of dissipation is only a local law, and that there are other regions in which the reverse—a building up process —occurs. If that is so we have no knowledge of it.

Alternatively, it might be that our Universe began as a single, but possibly not unique, act in a larger drama, an episode in the life of a super-universe, an underlying substratum of which we know nothing, because the happenings in it make no impression on our senses.



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Forestry Scholarship: D. R. King.

Schools Board Examination, 1951-52

(Ordinary and Supplementary)

| Points Available | Eng. Exp. | Eng. Lit. | Soc. Studies | Gen. Sc. A | Maths. I | Maths. II | Maths. III | French II | Latin II | Com. Prac. I | Music Prac.II | Points |
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| Dunn, J. M | Р | | | Р | | С | Ρ | L | | | | 7 |
| Gibson, A. | Р | Р | р | Р | | L | | С | Р | | | 11 |
| Godfrey, A. W. W. | Р | Ρ | L | Ρ | | Р | | С | Ρ | | | 11 |
| Grant, C. W | Р | Р | L | С | | С | С | Ρ | | | | 10 |
| Levis, N. F | Р | С | | Р | | Р | | С | | Р | | 9 |
| Millington, J. F. | Р | Ρ | L | Ρ | Р | | | | | Р | Р | 9 |
| Phillips, J. | Р | С | Р | С | | С | Ρ | Р | | | | 11 |
| Taylor, G.W | Р | Р | Ρ | Р | | L | | | | | | 7 |
| Terry, R. R | Р | | Р | Р | | Р | | | | | | 7 |

Bursaries Examination, 1951

Senior City: J. M. Dunn, J. Phillips. Senior Country: A. W. W. Godfrey. Junior Country: S. Burbury.

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Obituary WILFRID HUGH HUDSPETH

WITH the passing of Wilfrid Hugh Hudspeth the School has lost one of its most cultured and respected Old Boys. A son of Canon F. Hudspeth, one of the small band of boys who attended the School when it first opened its doors at Ingle Hall, the late Mr. Hudspeth and his family had a long association with the old School. He entered the School in the year 1886. After leaving school Mr. Hudspeth graduated at the Melbourne University and subsequently qualified for admission to the legal profession. He entered into partnership with the late Sir N. E. Lewis and the Honourable Tetley Gant, and practised his profession for a number of years. He was one of the original Old Boys' representatives on the Board of Management of the School, and it was he who suggested the School Endowment Fund whereby each boy, upon entering the School, paid an entrance fee of £1. He took a keen interest in the School's Literary and Debating Society, and held office as Patron of the Society for a number of years. He adjudicated

on matters of debating, and was always most generous in providing the annual prizes for both the Junior and Senior Orators.

After Mr. Hudspeth retired from active practice he devoted much of his time to historical research. He was a valued member of the Royal Society of Tasmania. He was a widely read scholar and his literary ability was of a high standard. He contributed many papers to the Royal Society, and his history of the Buckland family and their long association with the Hutchins School is one of the School's most valued records. His broadcasts on historical places in Tasmania were always a joy to listen to and were prepared with scrupulous regard to accuracy. He had earned for himself a very special place in the cultural life of the community. He was a man of the highest integrity with a very kindly disposition.

So passes another Old Boy who never ceased to take a warm interest in the affairs of the School, and whose life was lived according to its best traditions.

V. I. C.

Gifts to the School

E gratefully acknowledge the following gifts: Chalice and Patten for the Chapel (Mr. and Mrs. G. Page-Hanify on behalf of their son); Altar Rails for the Chapel (Mr. and Mrs. D. Purvis on behalf of their son); Cope for the use of the Chaplain (H.S.O.B.A.); Bible for the use of Prefects at Assembly (Mr. G. L. Salmon); Money for the purchase of seats for the tennis courts (Mrs. C. G. Donnelly).

In addition to these gifts two funds have been established. The first is for the award of the G. C. Andrewartha Prize for character, effort and achievement,

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presented by his sisters, Mrs. R. C. Sharp and Miss Andrewartha, in memory of G. C. Andrewartha (1918-23, No. 2274 on the Roll). The first award will be made this year. The second fund is for the award of the John Player Prize for Captain of the Boarding House, presented by friends of the late Wing-Commander John Howard Player (1924-1938, No. 2649 on the Roll). The first award will be made next year.

A further amount of £50 has been generously given by Mrs. F. M. Young in order to increase the value of the F. M. Young Memorial Prize for Geography.

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The Parents' Association

President: Mr. R. A. Terry Hon. Treasurer: Mr. H. A. Harcourt Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. W. Salmon

HILE this will be the first published report of the activities of the Association this year, it does not mean that we have been idle. The Executive Committee has held well attended meetings each month and the usual quarterly meetings have also taken place.

As the principal function of any Parents' Association appears to be that of raising finance to purchase amenities which might not otherwise be available, the Association did not lag in this respect, as the usual annual Fair, which was opened by Lady Cross, was held on Saturday, September 13, at the School.

The holding of this Fair on a Saturday was decided upon in view of the desire of a number of people and for other reasons. Whether the change should be considered successful or not is a matter for further discussion by the Executive. While the Executive considers that the Fair itself was a success, the net profit, amounting to just over £295, was not as large as that in 1951. This it is considered was due mainly to two reasons-(1) the Old Boys' Association could not organize the Butcher's Shop as they did with such great success in 1951, and (2) because of the changed financial situation in September, 1952, as against August, 1951. However, the profit will enable several worthwhile projects to be financed.

The bulk of the work connected with preparing for and holding the Fair was again carried out by a small but loyal and energetic band of Parents — many of whom have helped with the Fair for years. Valuable help was also received from others who forwarded goods and donations for the various stalls—from Mr. Salter, who loaned all crockery used for afternoon teas and carted it to and from the School. To these and all who helped in any way — not forgetting those who worked at home, members of the Staff and the boys — the President wishes to convey his thanks.

When considering the allocation of the profits the Executive thought that as the three main items - i.e., Library Fund, Piano or Tape Recorder, and Gymnasium equipment-were each important enough to warrant every effort being made to assist them, it was decided to allocate the following amounts: School Library Fund, £100; Tape Recorder, £135; Gymnasium equipment, £100; Purchase of Plaques, £7/10/-; School Prize Fund, £40; Sub-Primary School, £35; Table Tennis table, £10. To enable this programme to be carried out in full it was necessary to request approval for the transfer of £100 from the reserve fund. This proposal was very ably put forward by Mr. H. R. Harcourt (the Hon. Treasurer) at the November quarterly meeting, and was approved unanimously, as a result of which the Headmaster now has the pleasure of spending £427/10/-.

Parents greatly appreciated films shown at the June quarterly meeting by the Lord Mayor (Alderman R. O. Harris) of his trip abroad, and those shown at the November quarterly meeting by Mr. R. Blomfield of films he took of the 1952 Public Schools' Head-of-the-River Race at Launceston and of the 1952 North v. South Public Schools' Athletic Meeting at Hobart, as well as portion of a film of the Empire Games held in New Zealand in 1948.

In conclusion, we take this opportunity of thanking the Headmaster and all members of the Staff for their interest in the welfare of the boys. May they all enjoy the approaching vacation with our best wishes for Christmas and the coming year.

Library Notes

Committee: A. W. W. Godfrey (Librarian), T. G. Bowden, R. G. Brewster, H. F. Foster, N. F. Levis, E. M. McDougall, R. H. Purdon, D. A. Walch.

ANY interesting and instructive books have been added to the Library this year, thanks mainly to the generous grant of £200 from the Parents' Association. Most of this money has been used to build up the reference section, which is now very comprehensive.

We also thank Mrs. F. M. Young and Brigadier E. M. Dollery, who have presented some valuable books on Geography, Archaeology, and many other subjects. Also, shortly before his death, the late Rev. H. C. Brammall generously donated a copy of the New Standard Encyclopedia. We found it necessary to overhaul the fiction section and remove a large number of dated and unused books in order to make room for the reference section owing to the large number of new books. The fiction section is now compact and composed mainly of books by such famous authors as Wells, Stevenson, Dumas and Kipling.

It has lately been found necessary to close the Library for the recess, which means that it is now open only in the dinner hour, this being the time during which it is used most.

The Library is now very popular and is used by a large part of the School for study and for general reading.

Literary and Debating Society

Patron: Mr. J. R. M. Driscoll President: Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen Hon, Secretary: A. Gibson

Committee: A. Gibson, A. W. W. Godfrey (Stephens), G. L. Woodward, J. Phillips (School), J. M. Dunn, N. F. Levis (Buckland).

N effort was made this year to expand the activities of the Society. In the first term we were hosts to Fahan School at a "Round Table Discussion," and they reciprocated by inviting us to debate against them and afterwards to listen to a play. Notwithstanding the fact that we were beaten by the girls, both our team and its numerous supporters enjoyed the evening and the Committee hopes that similar functions may be arranged next year.

Mainly due to the efforts of the President, a series of inter-school debates was arranged for second term. A combined Hutchins-Collegiate team, a Friends team and a St. Virgil's team competed.

In the first debate of the series "our" team — A. Gibson (leader), J. and R. Lilley and W. Godfrey — defeated the Friends team. St. Virgil's defeated Friends in the second debate, and in the final debate St.Virgil's defeated our team —J. Lilley (leader), R. Lilley, M. Dunn and W. Godfrey. The attendance at these debates has ensured that they will become an annual event.

The Senior Impromptu Orator for 1952 is G. L.Woodward. The adjudicator (Mr. Driscoll) commented favourably on the high standard of the speeches.

M. Hodgman won the Junior Impromptu prize by half a point from E. Lilley and I. Elliot. All three boys spoke with assurance and marshalled their facts well.

Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen adjudicated all the inter-House debates this year. His interest in the Society is most encouraging. The Rev. S. C. Brammall chaired all the Senior House debates, and we thank him for his interest.

JUNIOR HOUSE DEBATES

School v. Stephens was won by Stephens, who denied "That Trams in Hobart Should be Abolished." Best speaker was E. Pitman. School v. Buckland was won by Buckland House, who denied "That Country Life is Preferable to Town Life." Best speaker was I. Elliott.

Buckland v. Stephens was won by Stephens, who denied "That Cadet Training Should be Compulsory." Best speaker was T. Bowden.

Stephens House therefore wins the Junior Inter-House Debates, and E. Pitman becomes Junior Orator for 1952.

SENIOR HOUSE DEBATES

The first Senior House Debate was held on Friday, October 10, and was contested between Buckland House and School House. The subject was "That in the Interests of the Nation, the Basic Wage Ought to be Reduced," Buckland House speaking in the affirmative. The debate was narrowly won by Buckland House, and J. Millington was the best individual speaker for the evening.

The second Senior House Debate was held between School and Stephens on Saturday, October 18. The subject was "That Air-travel is Preferable to Seatravel," Stephens House affirming the motion. School House won the debate by one point. A. Gibson was the best individual speaker for the evening. The adjudicator remarked that he was glad the debaters had improved their technique from his comments made during the previous debate.

The final Senior House Debate was contested between Stephens and Buckland on Friday, October 31. The subject was "That in the Interests of Education, Public Examinations Should Be Abolished," Buckland House affirming the motion. Buckland House affirming the successful, winning by four points. J. Millington was the best speaker for the evening, and thus becomes Senior Orator for 1952.

We urge parents, Old Boys, and anyone interested in the School to attend these functions. During the last few years audiences have dwindled to a handful of boarders, and it is most discouraging for budding speakers to deliver their carefully prepared speeches to empty seats. With more support we look forward to an even more successful year in 1953.

Dramatic Society

W E started off the year with the House plays and were fortunate to have Mrs. Olive Burn as adjudicator. Mrs. Burn commented favourably on the standard of the plays and expressed her pleasure at being asked to adjudicate.

Buckland House won the competition with 78 points for their play "The Crimson Coconut," which was produced by Bill Cooper. School House gained second place with "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler," produced by Graham Woodward.

Stephens House, with "Nothing Ever Happens," produced by Adrian Gibson, was third.

The big play for second term was "The Middle Watch," by Ian Hay and Stephen King Hall. The play was chosen and cast by Mr. Wakeford, but, because of illhealth, he was unable to complete the production, and we are indebted to Ian McIntosh, who gave us an excellent production. We had almost a full house each night, and it was apparent that the Dramatic Society is on the upward path after a rather poor previous season.

We would like here to congratulate all members of the cast and to thank Robert Dick and his backstage staff for their excellent organisation of the work behind the scenes.

The Junior School Nativity production is well under way, and we are looking forward to something equally as enjoyable as their effort of last year.



O.C.: Lieut. G. W. Renney 2/I.C.: Cadet-Lieut. J. F. Millington Cadet-Lieut.: P. D. Lipscombe

THIS year the School Cadet Unit has A achieved two major objectives — the Hoad Trophy and promotion to a B class school. The annual camp was held in first term. The first-year cadets, therefore, went into camp with a decided disadvantage, but they put everything into their training and were acclaimed as the best unit in camp. The camp was concluded with an excellent performance by the unit in the Hoad Trophy competitions, in which we gained first place. This was a polished performance, and our congratulations go to the team and Lieut. Renney, who put in many hours of practice. Also at the conclusion of the camp the unit entered a team under W.O. ii Millington, in the Commander's Cup. This team was chosen only on the morning of the event and performed strange drill movements creditably, considering their lack of practice. The team took fifth place.

Among activities during the year was a guard of honour to welcome the new State Commandant, Brigadier G. E. W. Hurley, to the School. Brig. Hurley appears very interested in school cadet work, and remarked on the dress and bearing of the guard.

The detachment's band has improved even more this year, and has been chosen to play for several public parades. The band has increased its size and now includes three buglers.



THE CADET DETACHMENT BAND Standing: J. Phillips, R. Brewster, M. Clerk, D. Martin, D. Brammall. Seated: G. Burbury, D. Calvert, G. Burrows, H. Lindsay, N. Levis.

The unit has been chosen, together with Hobart High, to represent Tasmania in the King George V Trophy for Rifle-Shooting. As this goes to press we will be in the middle of the competition.

For the final parade of the year we provided a guard of honour for Brig. Hurley, who came to the School to present the Hoad Trophy. We have thus concluded a year's work on which we may feel a sense of pride.

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Music Club President: Mr. O. H. Biggs Secretary: J. Phillips

OWING to the intrusion of sporting and other fixtures into the alternate Thursday afternoons set aside for the Music Club, it has been difficult to have a planned sequence of musical works. We have been able to hold only about a dozen meetings, so that the programmes have been miscellaneous rather than connected. The amplifier continues to give splendid reproduction of recorded music, and among the major works heard have been Beethoven's Violin Concerto in D and Piano Concerto in C, Saint-Saens' Piano Concerto in G minor, two of Handel's Organ Concertos and his evergreen "Water Music." One afternoon was devoted to Russian music, when we heard Tschaikovsky's "Hamlet Fantasia" and Moussorgsky's "Dances of the Persian Slaves." Interspersed with these have been played vocal and instrumental recordings of shorter pieces.

A flesh-and-blood performance by various members was given in the Gymnasium one afternoon, the major work being Vivaldi's Sonata in E minor for 'Cello and Piano, played by J. F. Millington and the President. Others who contributed to the programme were J. and W. Bloomfield and I. Phillips.

In August we met at Holy Trinity Church, where the President gave a short recital. The main pieces played were two of Bach's Fugues, some Choral Preludes, and the "Gothic Suite" by Boellmann.



THE PREFECTS Standing: M. G. Darcey, R. R. Terry, G. H. Burbury. Seated: J. F. Millington, A. Gibson (Senior Prefect), The Headmaster, G. L. Woodward, K. Smith.

House Notes

BUCKLAND HOUSE

Colours: Maroon and White House Master: Mr. F. J. Williams House Captain: J. F. Millington; Vice, K. Smith Cricket: O. G. Burrows; Vice, K. Smith Swimming: O. G. Burrows; Vice, E. McDougall Football: K. Smith; Vice, J. F. Millington Athletics: J. F. Millington; Vice, W. Cooper Standards: W. Cooper; Scorer, J. M. Dunn Tennis: O. G. Burrows; Vice, N. R. Henry Debating: J. M. Dunn Dramatics: W. Cooper; Vice, N. R. Henry Music: J. F. Millington

THIS year has been a very successful one for us, both on the sporting and the intellectual sides. We began by securing a well-deserved win in the Swimming competition. Our congratulations go to Burrows, McDougall i and ii, Sorell, Henry ii, Hutcheon and Brammall, who were individual winners.

The "A" House Cricket ended in a draw with Bucks defeating School, School defeating Stephens, and Stephens defeating us. The "B" House roster is unfinished—the final round will be played at the end of the third term.

The "A" House Football resulted in a great struggle between Bucks and Stephens, the latter winning by one point, both Houses having previously beaten School. Our best players were Smith, Millington, Burrows, Sorell, Hall, Brammall and Cooper. Our "B" House team emphatically defeated both School and Stephens.

School House won the Senior Cross-Country. Our congratulations go to Martin of Stephens, who was the individual winner of the event. Buckland House, although running well, finally came in third. Our best runners were Cooper and Burrows. The result of the Junior Cross-Country was undecided owing to a breakdown in the judging system. However, our Junior runners did extremely well and our hearty congratulations go to our house-mate Goodfellow, who won the race.

The Athletic carnival was probably the most closely contested competition of the

year. The lead changed between Buckland and Stephens several times, Stephens finally beating us by $2\frac{1}{2}$ points. Terry's record-breaking put was too much for us. Congratulations, Stephs! Our best performers were Millington, Sorell, Brammall, McDougall ii and Grant.

Standard Athletics are not yet finished, but we are holding a firm lead at the moment and all working very hard towards the final issue.

Since the introduction of the Dramatic competitions Buckland House players have remained undefeated, and our heartiest congratulations go to Cooper for his untiring efforts which made our win possible.

We also managed to retain our hold on the Music competition. Some very fine music was enjoyed by all and the standard was much higher than last year. Our thanks once more are due to Brother Stevens, who again so ably adjudicated with many helpful comments. Our thanks are also due to our Housemaster, Mr. Williams, without whom we would not have won.

The Senior Impromptu Debate resulted in a tie for first between School and Stephens. Congratulations to Woodward of School, who was the best speaker for the evening. The Senior Debates ended with Buckland defeating its two opponents. Our team was Dunn, Levis and Millington, the last-named being the best speaker throughout the series.

Our congratulations also go to Pitman of Stephens, who was the best Junior debater. Our team finished third, the best speaker for Buckland being Hodgman i.

And so we wind up another round of inter-House competitions. The Cock-House is still undecided, although Stephens House appears to have a slight edge on us. However, we are not saying farewell to many of our members this year, and we look forward with confidence to 1953.

SCHOOL HOUSE

Colours: Light Blue and Dark Blue House Master: The Rev. S. C. Brammall Captain: G. L. Woodward Vice-Captain: G. H. Burbury Captain of Cricket: M. D. Russell Captain of Athletics and Football: R. Rattenbury Captain of Swimming: B. J. Brook Captain of Standard Athletics: G. H. Burbury Captain of Tennis and Rifle Shooting: D. J. Jackson D. J. Jackson Captain of Life-Saving: J. Lawrence Captain of Cross-Country: J. Fergusson Captain of Dramatics and Debating: G. L. Woodward Captain of Singing: J. Phillips

TYPE have almost completed our second year under Mr. Brammall as Housemaster, and it has not been entirely unsuccessful. We have not actually won very much, but the spirit of the House is probably at a higher level than it has been for some time, and that spirit has been there whether we have won or lost, whether a House match or an inter-school fixture. School House has been the backbone of the supporters, both in numbers and in volume.

We started off the year with the House Swimming, and our Open swimmers were particularly successful. Brook captained the inter-school team, and Brewster, Phillips and Latham were picked for the team.

The next event was the House Cricket, and the ultimate result of this was a draw in the "A" competition. At the time of writing it seems that we may win the "B" House, although the final results are not vet known.

The House Football, played in slurry at Christ College, resulted in a win for Bucks, with Stephens third. Best individual performers for School were Brook and Rattenbury.

In the Cross-Country we were successful in winning the "A" House competition from Stephs. and Bucks. We had a well balanced team who filled in most places from fourth to sixteenth, and it was these intermediate places that won the competition for us. The "B" House Cross-Country was abandoned, but some of our members ran very well, especially Johnson, who ran second after returning to school only a few days before the race.

We filled third place in the Aths. competition, which was won by Stephens. We congratulate them and Terry on an excellent performance. Rattenbury and Rankin in the under 16 group, and Phillips in the Open, ran well.

Standard Aths. resulted in a win for School, showing once again what an organised all-round effort can do.

The Rifle-Shooting was won by Bucks, and McDougall was the best shot of the night. School gained second place in the "B" House competition and third place in the "A."

The Tennis is not yet finished, but we have a chance there to win the competition, although on paper the Stephens team is the strongest.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Bucks on winning the Debating, Singing and Dramatic competitions. We were equal first with Stephens in the Senior Impromptu Debate, and Woodward was adjudged the best speaker of the evening.

The Life-Saving competition is to be held for the first time this year for many years, but owing to the state of the water at Amateur House, land drill will be the only factor in the competition.

That apparently closes the year, so, School House, let us prepare for another year and see if we can be Cock-House in 1953

STEPHENS HOUSE

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold House Master: Mr. W. J. Gerlach House Captain: R. R. Terry Vice-Captain: A. Gibson Captain of Swimming and Life-Saving: M. G. Darcey Captain of Cricket: I. R. Murray Captain of Football, Athletics, Standard Athletics and Rifle Shooting: R. R. Terry Captain of Tannic: D. I. Marrin Captain of Tennis: D. J. Martin Captain of Cross-Country, Dramatics and Debating: A. Gibson Captain of Singing: T. Bowden

CTEPHENS House has had a success-3 ful year, again winning the Cock-House Shield. Although on an average a young House, each member has pulled his weight in some form of activity and, with the all-round efforts of our Seniors, we have again proved victorious.

Swimming.—In this sport our team was below par, and lost to Buckland House. Individual winners were Clerk and Darcey. The margin at the end of the morning's swimming was 20 points in Bucks' favour, and we congratulate them on a fine performance.

Cricket.-In the "A" Cricket, we took the apparently weak School House team too lightly and were beaten easily; however, when we played Buckland, amends were made and we won comfortably. In the meantime, Bucks had defeated School, hence all Houses finished level on points.

In the first round of the "B" Cricket our team finished second, behind School House.

Football.-With six members of the First XVIII we had a good side on paper, and proved ourselves when we defeated Bucks by one point in a very close first game. Later we went on to defeat School, so gaining the football honours for 1952.

Our "B" House side did not fare so well and were beaten into second place by a bigger and more experienced Buckland House team.

Cross-Country .--- The three-mile Cross-Country run was held over the T.C.A. course late in second term. Although our team was not successful, fine individual performances were turned in by Martin, Darcey and Gibson, who filled first, second and third places respectively. Owing to the fact that these three were not backed up by a full team, School House won the competition and we offer them our congratulations.

The "B" Cross-Country had to be abandoned owing to an error in judging the final positions.

Athletics .- We had to wait until the final event of the House Athletics before Stephs. could be declared winners by $2\frac{1}{2}$ points from Buckland House. Terry put up a very fine performance by breaking two records and equalling another. Martin splendidly broke the 880 yds. under 16 record by eight seconds. Other outstanding athletes for the House were Gibson, Murray, Clerk and Chen. We congratulate these boys and the whole team on a wonderful performance.

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Tennis.-Our Tennis team - Martin, Murray, Gibson and Terry - caused a major upset by defeating the strong Buckland House team. Although the results of the Stephs. v. School match are not to hand, we are in a good position and expect to gain the tennis honours.

Rifle-Shooting. - Buckland scored a meritorious win in the "A" Rifle-Shooting. Final scores were: Buckland, 138; Stephens, 134; School, 131. E. McDougall of Bucks was the best individual with a score of 38 out of a possible 40. Our congratulations go to him and his House. Best shots for Stephs. were Terry and Walch with 36 each.

In the "B" competition School won narrowly from our second four, with Bucks in third place.

Standard Athletics .- Once again we find that members of the House were lax to compete in this necessary sport. Although a boy may not be a brilliant athlete, we expect him to try to reach the set standards; but we find that several members have not given their full support, and in some cases have not attempted to gain points for the House, and so at present we are running a bad last. We hope the position will be retrieved before the end of the competition.

On the intellectual side we have not had as much success as was hoped. We came third in the Dramatics, while we defeated only School in the Music competition. Our young pianist, R. L. Smith, played exceptionally well and our congratulations go to him, and especially to Buckland House, on winning both the Dramatics and the Music. The "A" Debating was keenly contested and, although the results have not been finalised, Bucks are to be commended on winning both their debates. In the "B" competition our young team brought the honours home for the House.

Finally, the whole House would like to thank Mr. Gerlach for his untiring efforts in bringing us up to the required standard. Also, we congratulate Terry and his captains on a very successful year. With the knowledge that three of the seven prefects came from Stephs., we sign off for the year, wishing the House the very best of success for 1953.

House Points

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| Ś | Stephens | Buckland | School |
| Swimming | 14 | 24 | 4 |
| Cricket | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| Football | 18 | 10 | 2 |
| Cross-Country | 10 | 2 | 18 |
| Athletics | 24 | 14 | 4 |
| Rifles | 10 | 18 | 2 |
| Ath. Standards | s 2 | 10 | 18 |
| Tennis | 18 | 2 | 10 |
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| Cricket Football Rifles | 6 6 6 | 1 12 1 | 12 1 12 |

COCK-HOUSE

| Stephens House | **** | 125 points |
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| Buckland House | | 110 points |
| School House | | 105 points |

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Hail!

J. R. Grubb, G. W. Stanton, M. Price, M. R. Maccreash, P. McDiarmid, G. Richardson, T. Middleton, O. S. Gibson, R. D. G. Brady, D. W. Wilson, R. W. L.

Turner, H. K. Skegg, J. Hay, P. A. Calvert, M. Legg, S. C. Bennett, R. E. Jones, I. A. H. Thorne, H. B. Marshall, R. A. C. Legg, J. B. C. Stark, B. J. Scott, D. Dickinson, R. B. Thiessen, S. Salter, D. W. Eddington, Ron Ferguson, Ray Ferguson, B. Hawkes, J. M. Jones, F. A. Denholm, J. Horler, M. C. Jagoe, G. H. Gorringe, P. S. Kyle, P. Brammall, M. Tuffs, R. Tuffs, M. Hutchins, G. H. Gregg, R. A. Gluske, J. B. Davies, C. E. Davies, W. Headlam, S. C. Bates, G. L. Denne, P. K. Bosworth, I. Johnson, G. Abbott, D. E. Bennison, R. I. Game, W. Bennett, S. W. Knott, P. N. Anderson, R. Cottam, A. Parsons, A. K. Fuller, R. J. Henry, A. Brooker, J. Douglas, J. D. Darling, L. R. Jones, A. Mitchell, B. Johnston, J. W. Hutchins, M. Muir.

and Farewell!

A. Cuthbertson, C. Tregenza, M. Price, J. Moore, C. R. Rex, H. W. Morris, D. K. King, V. J. Gadd, W. Fergusson, M. Howard, D. A. Phillips, A. A. Purdy, I. A. Rhodes, R. J. Stanfield, J. Fergusson, M. D. Russell, R. Davis, J. Davis, L. Misson, E. Coverdale, P. Tozer, C. H. Chapman, J. S. Chapman, ---. Kean, B. Lewis, B. W. Cadle, R. E. Dobbie, D. L. Logan, K. Hill, B. Smith, L. White, P. R. Peate, C. E. Button, -. Blee, -. Kean, L. G. Verrell, G. Taylor, N. J. Swan, B. Smith, G. Radford, R. Cooper-Maitland, G. Smith, G. Plummer, C. Parsons, N. Lovell, A. Lord, J. Lake, A. Hirst, J. Hicks, M. Chen, R. T. Taylor, P. K. Hay, B. Kemp, C. Pitt, J. Thompson, B. Thiessen, R. G. Bowden, W. E. Cooper-Maitland, F. J. Drake, C. W. Grant, P. N. Heckscher, P. D. Jones, M. J. Lucas, P. J. Radcliff, D. R. Salter, P. S. Trethewey, J. B. Biggs, J. A. Leplastrier, I. M. Madden, I. R. McIntosh, B. D. Purvis, G. A. W. Renney, D. R. King, G. L. Salmon, C. J. Smith, C. S. S. Turnbull, R. K. Wright, Elizabeth Hamilton, Pamela Smith, Stephanie Brown.

The Stuart Prize Essay

By A. GIBSON

HEN the colonies were first founded they were defended by Great Britain. They were given garrisons of British soldiers to keep order and to protect them from attack, whilst the British Navy guarded them from possible enemies overseas. But as they became self-governing the British Government urged that they should at least help to pay for their own defence. The colonies were loath to do this, but, when British soldiers left Australia in 1870, the colonies arranged and paid for their own military defence. They paid grudgingly and their defence was inefficient; meanwhile, naval defence was still paid for by Great Britain alone. Even before Federation, however, national feeling was growing in all the self-governing colonies. Troops were raised and contingents sent to help the Mother Country in time of war: for example, in the Sudan and Boer Wars.

By 1909 Australia had taken charge of her own defence. She began her own independent fleet and a citizens' force was instituted. In 1914, although she was responsible for her own international relations, Australia stood by Great Britain. Labor Prime Minister, Andrew Fisher, spoke for all Australians when he promised, "Australia will stand behind the Mother Country to help and defend her to our last man and our last shilling." (Even before the outbreak of war Australia had offered to give Great Britain control of her fleet and to raise 20,000 troops).

Australia signed the Treaty of Versailles in her own right as a sovereign nation. By the definition of Dominion Status made by the Balfour Committee (1926) and by the new conception of Commonwealth, codified by the Statute of Westminster (1931), the United Kingdom was on exactly the same level as the Dominions, though perhaps primus inter pares. Between 1914 and 1939 Australian defence was a matter of co-operation with Great Britain. When, on 3rd September, 1939, Great Britain declared war on Nazi Germany, Australia concurred and found herself once more fighting at Britain's side in defence of their common ideals. Once again it seemed that Australia could best be defended at a distance-by sending troops to the various theatres of war and acting as a supply base behind the lines. But when Japan entered the war in 1941, the whole face of the war changed for Australia. Within a few months of the fall of Singapore, Australian territory was being attacked, and, for the first time in her history, she faced a real danger of invasion. Australia was defended both by the strenuous efforts of her own armed forces and workers, and by the support of the United States of America and of Great Britain.

Australia must utilise her experience in these World Wars to form her defence policy, which is based on (a) What dangers are to be feared, (b) From whom such dangers are to be feared, and (c) The industrial and manpower resources available.

It is clear that at the present time Australia, like all other democracies, is threatened by the might of Russia. She has to protect herself from attack by Communist-controlled countries in the Pacific area, which Russia might use against her, for example, Indonesia and Communist China. But "Total War" is a matter for farms and factories, as well as for the armed services. There must be a national pride and belief in the Australian way of life. The people must be right behind the Government in time of war. Therefore, laws against Communists and other Fifth Columnists must be tightened up and enforced. If Communist-controlled Unions, such as the Waterside Workers, the Federated Iron and Metal Workers, and the Coal Miners, struck in time of war they could quickly ruin the Australian economy. As it is, they are sabotaging and hindering our national development.

In modern war the three arms of the Services are closely connected, and all three must be expanded and developed along the latest lines. Research must continue in all avenues of modern warfare, such as atomic weapons, guided missiles, germ warfare, new guns, jet 'planes, new ships, and, of course, the defence to these new weapons. At the moment Australia is not doing enough in this line.

As Australia is a continent, and in war would have to rely on a large external trade (for instance, no natural petrol is found in Australia), she must keep her trade routes open. To do this she must maintain a naval force comparable with that of her possible enemies, and an efficient Air Force working in conjunction with the fleet. The Air Force would also be needed for reconnaissance, combat with hostile aircraft, and action against hostile forces or bases. To support these two arms of the Services, Australia must maintain equipped naval bases, a steelship building and gun-founding industry, a sufficient aircraft industry, suitable airfields, strategically placed, and a reserve of aviation fuel.

At first it was thought that Korea was going to be a "push-button war," but time has shown that manpower is still an important-if not all-important-factor in war. Australia has a large coastline (12,100 miles) to defend with a small population. She must maintain a small, but sufficient, permanent military force, which must be ready at any time to be sent anywhere within the Pacific area: it must also garrison fixed defences at ports and bases. Militia forces, trained parttime, complete our Home Defence. The National Service and Citizen Army scheme will ensure that all male Australians will be prepared.

The Australian defence policy must also be governed by her probable allies and possible enemies. It is likely that if and when World War III comes, Russia and her satellites will be ranged against the U.S.A. and the other democracies of the world. Australia must not be lulled into a sense of false security by the United Nations. Despite its committees, all the major world powers are going neck-and-neck in the armaments race, and major-power deadlocks are ham-stringing all efforts made towards peace in Korea.

Australia, however, is bound by her membership of the United Nations to support any moves for stamping out acts of aggression. But too much importance must not be placed on this agreement, as it is obvious that Russia will break her agreement as soon as it suits her. There are two important alliances which influence Australia's defence policy. They are the alliance with Great Britain by tradition, and with U.S.A. and New Zealand by the ANZUS pact.

As Pandit Nehru pointed out, the Commonwealth is not an alliance, and there are no definite commitments which bind its members. On the other hand, their common outlook and their common traditions enable Commonwealth countries to exchange information and advice far more freely and frankly than is possible with most governments. Also, their whole approach to training and tactics are so similar that co-operation becomes a matter of course, and units such as ships, aircraft and land troops are freely interchangeable and can easily serve under a single command. This similarity of approach and tradition also enables an interchange of training facilities for sailors, airmen and soldiers. New and revolutionary designs for aircraft, developed in the United Kingdom, are produced in the factories of Australia, and research on new weapons is closely coordinated; for instance, the Woomera rocket range and the Montebello atomic tests.

But the United States and the Soviet Union are both considerably stronger

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than Britain in strategic position, military and industrial potential, population, and material resources. Time alone will tell whether Australia, as a member of the Commonwealth, will offset this decline in Britain's economic and military strength by advances in the British Commonwealth. In conclusion, Australia must make a greater effort. She has not fully realised the necessities of a proper defence policy, and she must not be left behind in the rapid advancements in both aggressive and defensive war. Si vis pacem, para bellum.

The Hudspeth Prize Essay (Junior) "THIS IS MY NATIVE LAND" BY W. M. HODGMAN

A S the first rays of the sun streaked across the morning sky, tingeing it with all its glorious majesty and causing the old crow in the yard to put all he had in a last valiant "revielle," I arose from my bed and stepped out into the morning. The birds were twittering boisterously and the whole countryside was scented with the fragrant smell of the gums, and the morning dew. The hawthorn sprinkled with countless pearls of daybreak glistened beautifully in the heralding sun.

"Just the day for a stroll," I thought, swiping carelessly at a young starling who was in the process of telling the world he was alive. Reluctantly I turned from the scene and stepped back, via the window, into my bedroom, where I quickly dressed and slipped quietly on tip-toe past the room where my uncle and aunt were sleeping.

The kitchen was only dimly lit, but I managed to acquire a couple of apples and a bottle of ginger beer, the home brew.

Out through the door, and across the yard I crept, just in time to hear a shattering snore from uncle as he turned noisily in his sleep, followed by a groan of disapproval from aunt.

I stepped to the kennel and loosed Chips, a lively little kelpie, who stood expectantly then started jumping joyfully as the infuriating chain was removed. Across the paddock of fresh green grass we hastened, stopping occasionally to examine a rabbit burrow or some other point of interest, and all the time getting farther away from the dust and smell of the sheep yards, where the foolish old ewes and plaintive lambs had been mustered the previous evening.

Gradually the incessant baa's ceased and all was quiet save for the sounds of the birds and other wild life. Now and then a kookaburra would let forth his tremendous laugh, as if mocking us as we passed beneath the massive gums. Here and there a magpie took the stand in the bush concert and was generally well heard by the smaller birds who came in for the finale.

Several native hens scuttled into the ferns on seeing Chips, but the latter was far more interested worrying a rather springy Scotch thistle. Dainty violets modestly lay behind blades of grass as if intent on their beauty hidden. Now and then an orchid or two was seen peeping through the dew-covered sprays of moist green foliage. On and on we wandered, content to whistle, admire the scenery, or perhaps chase a native hen.

At length we came to an old bullock track, which turned my thoughts to colonial days and the Tasmanian aborigines who were finally driven from their land. Kangaroos, wallabies, and even the local bandicoots turned out to see the intruders in the comparatively unheard-of territory. To them it was a most unusual spectacle to see a boy and a dog venturing so far into these parts.

Gradually I noticed the grass and undergrowth becoming greener and appearing more fertile. There were definitely signs of water, and as we advanced my thoughts tried to picture the stream. Would it be a fierce stream pounding the rocks beneath it and sweeping all the pebbles and whatever lay before it in a torrential onslaught, with spray in the air and the banks and all the surrounding growth sprinkled with dainty drops, or would it be a still, placid and emerald green stream, with the grey, brown and rainbow trout idly drifting in the silent swell, the banks beside it covered with lush, green grass and brown fern, with the massive gums forming a picturesque background?

As we approached I found it to be the latter. It was a heavenly spot. The banks were covered with green moss and grass. The tea-tree and a few other of our smaller Tasmanian trees fanned the glade in the hot sun, and the majestic gums standing erect in the background added to the beauty of the scene. The silent waters looked extremely refreshing, and as I was rather hot I thought a dip would be in keeping with the time and place.

Hurriedly I stripped, hanging my clothes on a young tea-tree as I moved towards the pool, and splashed into the crystal waters, sending a wave of riplets over to the far side. The water was cool and I romped carelessly in it with Chips, who seemed to enjoy it also.

"There must be a hot spring," I thought, for the water was quite warm around the edges and bottom of the pool. Here and there a young trout would glide away in surprise when he found the intruders in his domain.

With the blue sky above and the cool waters below, I was content to lie drifting lifelessly in the gentle swell. At length I left the stream and threw myself upon the velvety carpet of moss. With the foot of a gum as my pillow, I reclined happily and set to work on the New Yorks and the ginger beer. I soon finished off my meal and lay there in the shadow of a gum, thinking of old times. I was very, very happy in my solitude.

I awoke with a start. There were definite signs of approaching night. The tyrannical sun had been overthrown and the silent, silvery moon ruled in the kingdom of man. The little stars sparkled and winked as if carrying out some private joke with the Man in the Moon.

Hastily I dressed, having become quite dry by now, being even a little sunburnt. Chips had been wandering in the bush, and when I called him he proudly produced a rabbit, a bandicoot and a native hen, all of which he had caught in the afternoon and hidden in some gorse. I picked up the rabbit and hen and started down the old bullock track, but Chips rushed back, found the delapidated bandicoot and came trotting along beside me with the dead body. I wasn't going up with a stinking body, so I took the bandicoot and hurled it into a bush. An upset Chips appeared minus the bandicoot, and we proceeded on our way.

Mile after mile we stumbled on, until at last the lights of the house came into view. When I reached it there was a very angry uncle and aunt waiting for me. There were a few words of disapproval, but the hen and the rabbit silenced the mouths for a short period. I then had some milk and toast, wearily crawled into my bed, and lay silently meditating over the day's events. "A most enjoyable day," I thought. I turned noisily and prepared for sleep, determined to face whatever should come, good or bad, on the morrow.



Rowing

E commenced our rowing activities early in December, 1951, in preparation for the 1952 Head-of-the-River to be rowed at Launceston.

Our coach (Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen) had in view a start for the crew on Boxing Day at the New Norfolk Regatta. The crew, Grant (bow), Levis (2), Butler (3) and Millington (str.), settled down to three weeks' intensive training. They started in a training four, the "Argo II," and after a week had survived the minor ailments which often affect rowers commencing a preparation. They changed over to the "Stuart C. Walch" approximately ten days before the regatta, and, although the boat was strange, the crew soon got into stride by doing several long rows. These rows were gradually cut down in distance and stepped up in pace, so that by Boxing Day the chaps were in good physical condition.

Our boat was kindly transported to New Norfolk by the Sandy Bay Rowing Club. We were entered in the Under-Age Fours, our course starting at the bridge being approximately half-a-mile long. Owing to the number of crews entered, the race was decided in two heats and a final. We raced in the second heat, and after a good start went on to win comfortably. Unfortunately, in the final we came across a good crew which had won over ten races in a row, and were relegated to second place, a length-and-ahalf behind the winners. The crew rowed well considering the short preparation.

During the Christmas holidays we learnt, with regret, that Grant was leaving, and so the coach had to look around for a suitable substitute. When school began for 1952, Terry was invited, and although he had to forsake his love for "that grand old English game" he decided to accept, and so (quote) "come to life." We experimented with him in the 3 seat, Butler as bow and Levis in 2. This combination was not a success, so Levis and Butler changed sides. This meant that the final seating of the crew was Levis (bow), Butler (2), Terry (3), Millington (str.), and Darcey was again cox.

At the commencement of the school year recruits were called for to make up our second and third crews. A large number of enthusiastic boys turned up at the Sandy Bay Rowing Sheds for the first practice on the club's rowing machine, which was kindly lent for that purpose.

Our seconds, Foster (bow), Brewster (2), Boyes (3), Purdon (str.) and Page (cox.), were on the water within a fortnight. They commenced their rowing in the "Argo II," which meant that the firsts —who had been rowing in this craft transferred to the "Walch." The first crew, naturally, found the slim racing shell a trifle hard to handle after their spell in the "Argo," but soon settled down and concentrated on long rows.

It was early in March when Mr. R. Valentine, who had stroked our 1949-50 crews, kindly offered to take over the seconds. They transferred to the Sandy Bay sheds, where they trained in the "Val Fazackerley," a good racing craft owned by the S.B.R.C.

As the month was drawing to a close it was decided to have early morning rows instead of the customary ones after school. This was on account of the rough water we were continually experiencing in our later rows. The crew by now was forming itself into a strong, well-balanced combination, having plenty of long rows intermingled with faster work and lessons on boat control. The bladework was ragged, but this fault was soon corrected.

We received a setback early in April when our "3" man was ordered by his doctor not to sit down, and this meant that a substitute had to be found. Again

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we find an Old Boy helping out, for Mr. I. McIntosh, stroke of the 1951 crew, readily offered his services.

The crew began doing courses, the regular being from Long Point into Wrest Point. Although the times were not startling, they gradually improved. Meanwhile, the seconds were coming along well, mixing long, solid work with sprints and starts.

A thirds crew (all boarders), W. Fergusson (bow), Rankin (2), Lindsay (3), J. Fergusson (str.) and Calvert (cox. and coach), was formed about this time and, using "Argo II," put many miles under their belts.

With all crews at full strength the last fortnight of training was a fortnight of hard work for all concerned. Several courses were completed, sometimes the firsts rowing their full mile, picking up the seconds at the half-mile peg and the thirds at the quarter-mile. The firsts and seconds had many exciting starts and sprints.

On Monday, April 21, we loaded our craft—the "Walch" and the "Fazacker-

ley"-on the train for the trip north. It was that night that a freight train was derailed near Campania and fears were held that our boats may have been in the' smash, but on inquiry we were assured that our craft had got safely through to Launceston. As both the firsts and seconds were booked to travel by train on Tuesday morning, we were uncertain of our transport, but had a pleasant 'bus trip to Parattah, then continuing our journey by train. We arrived in Launceston on schedule. Billets had been arranged and everybody settled down well. On Wednesday morning we unloaded our boats and trimmed them for racing. They were housed in the North Esk Rowing Club's sheds. During the next two days both crews did very solid training. On Wednesday morning the firsts rowed a hard eight miles, while the seconds covered four miles at a steady pace. During the remaining day of training both crews did one course and spent several hours on starts and sprints. We had seen several of the other crews doing their final training and were confident about our prospects. On Friday



THE FIRST CREW Standing: B. Butler, M. Darcey, N. Levis. Seated: R. Terry, Mr. R. H. Keon-Cohen, J. Millington (stroke).

afternoon at the Tamar Rowing Club sheds, our Head-of-the-River crew drew No. 2 position for the course, which started at the northern end of King's Wharf and finished opposite Royal Park. Our third crew had arrived in Launceston that morning.

Saturday came all too quickly. It was a fine day with light northerly (following) winds. The majority of the School had travelled to Launceston on a special train for the day trip. We saw our thirds row quite a good race to finish fourth; then the seconds, fighting every inch of the way, rowed well to gain fourth place in their half-mile race.

The Head-of-the-River was an exciting race. From the gun Grammar took the lead, rating high and drawing away from St. Virgil's, with Hutchins, St. Patrick's, Scotch and Friends in a bunch. Grammar maintained their great pace for the first quarter-mile, then dropped their rating, holding a length's lead over S.V.C., who were heading S.P.C. by half a length, then coming Scotch, Hutchins and Friends. As the junction of the Tamar and North Esk Rivers was reached Grammar had a commanding lead of two lengths, then followed S.V.C.; Scotch had raced up into third place, with Hutchins beginning their finishing burst. With 200 vards to go we went past Scotch, but found Grammar and S.V.C. too far in front, so that we crossed the line in third place, two lengths behind the winners. S.P.C. finished fourth, then coming Scotch and Friends. It was a hard-fought race, and Grammar are to be congratulated on a very fine win. Our crew rowed well, but found the opposition just too strong. However, as three of our 1952 crew are returning to school in 1953, we hold high hopes for a victory in next year's Head-of-the-River.

Finally, we would like to express our thanks to all those who have helped us during the year, thanking especially the Sandy Bay Rowing Club for the loan of boats and sheds, also our coach for his untiring work, and we are only sorry that for all the time he has given up we did not reward him with a win in the 1952 Head-of-the-River.

Life-Saving

HIS is the first year that Life-Saving has formed part of the School's sporting activities. As many boys have gained awards, it is hoped that a high standard will be maintained. It is planned to hold an Inter-School Life-Saving Competition next year.

During the current year 24 boys from the School gained awards, some very finc performances being recorded. Nineteen boys won bronze medallions and eight were awarded bronze crosses, whilst J. Lawrence, of School House, won an Award of Merit. He is to be specially congratulated on his excellent work.

Our sincere thanks are due to Mr. D. Plaister, who willingly gave his time to coach us. It is very largely due to his untiring efforts that our team reached such a high standard.

Stamp Club President: Mr. O. H. Biggs Secretary: E. Venetos

THERE has been an increase in membership this year, largely owing to the promotion to the Senior School of philatelists among the Junior boys. The meetings have been held fortnightly for the most part, and have been quite well attended. Exhibitions have been given by the President, by Venetos, Lane, Leplastrier, Trollope, Hood, Jones, Chen and Elliott, whilst a talk on Australian stamps was given by the President early in the year.

The time-honoured "swap" session has again proved popular, and several members exchange also with overseas correspondents. "The Australian Stamp Monthly," of which we receive two copies per issue, is circulated amongst members and is read with interest.



THE TENNIS TEAM Standing: K. Smith, N. Henry. Seated: G. Burrows (capt.), Mr. W. J. Gerlach, D. Martin.

INTER-SCHOOL MATCHES

THOUGH the matches were closely contested, the School's representatives, with the exception of Smith, lacked the match-winning determination and ability to clinch vital games. Too many points were given away by double faults and loose shots. Details:

Hutchins v. Friends

Burrows and Martin lost to Munnings and Hansen, 1-6, 5-6.

Smith and Henry defeated Rogers and May, 6-2, 6-4.

Burrows lost to Munnings, 5-6, 6-2, 5-7. Martin lost to Hansen, 5-6, 4-6. Smith defeated Rogers, 6-4, 5-6, 6-4. Henry lost to May, 1-6, 3-6.

Totals: Friends, 4 rubbers, 9 sets, 71 games. Hutchins, 2 rubbers, 5 sets, 64 games.

Hutchins v. St. Virgil's

Burrows and Martin defeated Green and Johnson, 6-2, 6-5.

Tennis

Smith and Henry lost to Pullen and Neill, 4-6, 3-6.

Burrows lost to Green, 3-6, 0-6. Martin lost to Johnson, 1-6, 0-6. Smith defeated Pullen, 6-1, 6-0. Henry lost to Neill, 2-6, 4-6. Totals: St. Virgil's, 4 rubbers, 8 sets,

56 games. Hutchins, 2 rubbers, 4 sets, 41 games.

Hutchins v. Friends

Burrows and Martin defeated Munnings and Rogers, 6-5, 6-2. Smith and Henry lost to Laughton and Long, 6-2, 4-6, 4-6. Burrows defeated Munnings, 6-4, 6-4. Martin lost to Rogers, 4-6, 4-6. Smith defeated Laughton, 6-2, 6-4. Henry lost to Long, 6-5, 2-6, 2-6. Totals: Hutchins, 3 rubbers, 8 sets, 68 games. Friends, 3 rubbers, 6 sets, 64 games.

Hutchins v. St. Virgil's

Burrows and Martin lost to Green and Johnston, 4-6, 5-6.

Smith and Henry lost to Pullen and Neill, 4-6, 5-6.

Burrows lost to Green, 4-6, 4-6.

Martin lost to Johnston, 2-6, 6-3, 5-7. Smith defeated Pullen, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Henry defeated Neill, 6-5, 6-4.

Totals: St. Virgil's, 4 rubbers, 9 sets,

75 games. Hutchins, 2 rubbers, 5 sets, 67 games.

We congratulate St. Virgil's on winning the Southern premiership.

A School Seconds team—Rattenbury, J. Bloomfield, Calvert and Latham played a drawn game with Friends, each side scoring 3 rubbers, 48 games.

HOUSE MATCHES

On paper Buckland, with three members of the School team, appeared to have a mortgage on the "A" competition, but, strange to relate, it was relegated to third place. The surprise defeats of Burrows and Henry by Martin and Gibson respectively in straight sets enabled Stephens to gain the match against Buckland.

In the School versus Buckland match the crushing defeats of Henry by J. Bloomfield and Cooper by Latham in singles and of Henry and Cooper in both doubles gave School a well-merited win. Rattenbury and Calvert contributed by taking the second set from Burrows and Smith. Great credit is due to the School House players for the way they strove for every point and battled against odds to win a real triumph.

School also put up a determined fight against Stephens, and were defeated by only a small margin.

In the "B" competition School was successful in comfortably defeating both Stephens and Buckland. An interesting struggle for second place resulted in Buckland gaining the honour by seven games.

SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

With thirty-three entries for the Open and sixteen for the Junior, and play handicapped by other sport and bad weather, the competition has extended over a long period. Results:

Open Championship

Semi-finals: Burrows defeated Henry, 6-2, 6-2; Martin defeated K. Smith, 6-4, 6-1.

Final: Martin defeated Burrows, 6-4, 6-2.

Junior Championship

Semi-finals: Perry defeated Munro, 6-2, 6-3; Grant defeated Kemp, 6-4, 6-3.

Final: Grant defeated Perry, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Inter-School Swimming Sports, 1952

IN spite of increased opposition from St. Virgil's, the School had a comfortable win in this year's carnival, the final scores being: Hutchins, 107; St. Virgil's, 69; Friends, 49. No records were broken, but some very good times were recorded, especially by the younger swimmers.

The outstanding performance of the day was that of 13-year-old D. Robertson (St. Virgil's) in winning the Open 200 Metres in the good time of 3 min. 17.5 secs. Another excellent performance was that of E. McDougall (H) in winning the Open Dive. The main factor contributing to the School's victory was the performance of its Junior swimmers, several of whom swam in higher age groups than those for which they were eligible.

At the conclusion of the sports, the team captain (B. Brook) was presented with the Donovan Cup, which the School retains for another year. It also has the unbroken record of having held the Southern Swimming Premiership since 1917. Results:

Open

66 Metres: B. Brook (H), 1; M. Rush (V), 2; A. Fletcher (V), 3. Time, 48.8.



THE SWIMMING TEAM Back Row: G. Perry, H. Lindsay, G. Hutcheon. Middle Row: N. Henry, I. Parker, A. Kemp, A. Goodfellow, W. Godfrey, D. McDougall, S. Salter, D. Salter. In Front: J. Sorell, J. Phillips, E. McDougall, G. Burrows, B. Brook (capt.), Mr. W. J. Gerlach, R. Brewster, M. Darcey, M. Clerk.

100 Metres: B. Brook (H), 1; M. Rush (V), 2; G. Gleeson (V), 3. Time, 1.23. Dive: E. McDougall (H), 1; G. Dalco (F), 2; J. Robertson (F), 3. Teams Race: Hutchins, 1; St. Virgil's, 2: Friends, 3. 200 Metres: D. Robertson (V), 1; M. Rush (V), 2; B. Brook (H), 3. Time, 3 min. 17.5 secs. Breaststroke, 66 Metres: P. McKinley 58.3 secs. (V), 1; B. Mulcahy (F), 2; N. Fannon (V), 3. Time, 1 min. 4.3 secs. Backstroke, 33 Metres: B. Brook (H), 1: C. Gleeson (V), 2. 24.3 secs. Under 16 66 Metres: E. McDougall (H), 1; I. Parker (H), 2; R. Parker (V), 3. Time, 50.2 secs. Backstroke, 33 Metres: P. Rule (F), 1; D. Robertson (V), 2. Time, 32.1 secs. 25.3 secs. Teams Race: Hutchins, 1. Time, 1 min. 41.4 secs. 100 Metres: E. McDougall (H), 1; D. Robertson (V), 2; R. Parker (V), 3. Time, 1 min. 30.3 secs. Time, 2 min. 36 secs. Dive: I. Johnston (V), 1; G. Dalco

(F), 2; E. McDougall (H), 3. Under 15 33 Metres: J. Gadd (H), 1; M. McDougall (F), 2; I. Elrick (F), 3. Time, 23.6 secs. Breaststroke, 33 Metres: A. Godfrey (H), 1; J. Shirley (V), 2; A. Elrick (F), 3. Time, 39.3 secs. 66 Metres: J. Gadd (H), 1; A. Goodfellow (H), 2; I. Elrick (F), 3. Time, Under 14 33 Metres: D. McDougall (H), 1; J. Gaul (F), 2; D. Robertson (V), 3. Time, Dive: G. Hutcheon (H), 1; J. Robertson (F), 2; J. Gaul (F), 3. Under 13 33 Metres: G. Perry (H), 1; G. Hutcheon (H), 2; L. Nolloth (F), 3. Time, Under 12 33 Metres: G. Salter (H), 1; W. Roach (V), 2; R. Loney (H), 3. Time, 30.2. Composite Teams Race: Hutchins, 1.



THE CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM Standing: T. Bowden, W. Cooper. Seated: D. Martin, A. Gibson (capt.), M. Darcey.



HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY

THE Senior Inter-House race was run over the 3-mile T.C.A. course. Stephens House filled the first three places (Martin, Darcey and Gibson-time, 17 min. 3 secs.) but had to be content with second place as a full team was not entered. The final placings and points were:

School House (81 points) 1 Stephens House (90 points) ____ 2 Buckland House (143 points) ____ 3

The individual winner of the Junior event was A. Goodfellow of Buckland House. His time was 6 mins. 52 secs. for the $1\frac{1}{4}$ -mile race. Owing to a misunderstanding at the finshing line it was decided not to count this race towards Cock-House for this year.

INTER-SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

The old Elwick course could not be used this year because of buildings being

erected on it. A new course was therefore chosen on the Domain.

Considering the lack of training, due to the late finish of the football season. all members of the team performed very well. The St. Virgil's team ran splendidly and thoroughly deserved their win. We congratulate them, also M. Cooney, who won the individual event.

We thank Mr. Penwright for training the team, and are only sorry that his efforts were not rewarded by victory.

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CRICKET

FIRST XI Coach: Mr. G. A. McKay Captain: O. G. Burrows Vice-Captain: K. Smith

FTER losing five out of last year's First XI, our coach (Mr. McKay) had a hard task in building up a strong team for this year, and he is to be congratulated on the wonderful job he did. Although the team did not win any roster matches, we were by no means disgraced. More than once we were in commanding positions, but too many catches were dropped at critical stages, and the team relied too much on about four men.

We played several practice matches during the season, and on February 26 a 'social match was played with the cadets of the S.S. "Chantala."

An interesting addition to the matches this season was a match between a combined public schools side and the T.C.A. Colts. Three boys from Hutchins gained selection—Burrows, Smith and Gibsonand they performed very well. Burrows, going in first wicket down with the score one wicket for none, combined with D. Long, of Friends, in a partnership of 87. Smith and Gibson both bowled well, Gibson capturing one for 15 with slow deliveries, and Smith bowling medium pace, one for 54.

This year the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association is again presenting bats to those boys who scored 50 runs or obtained six wickets during roster matches. Bat winners are K. Smith (51, 81 not out, and six for 78), A. Gibson (65 and 53) and G. Burrows (51). Scores:

Hutchins v. Friends, at T.C.A. on February 29: Hutchins, 142 and three for 36; Friends, 203. Friends won on the first innings.

Hutchins v. S.V.C., at T.C.A. on March 7: S.V.C., 254 and none for 26. Hutchins, 158. S.V.C. won on the first innings.



THE CRICKET TEAM Standing: D. Walch (scorer), J. Horler, M. Darcey, G. Burbury, R. Latham, D. Martin, P. Lipscombe, Mr. G. A. McKay. R. Rattenbury, G. Woodward.

Hutchins v. Friends, at T.C.A. on March 21: Friends, 205; Hutchins, 146. Friends won on the first innings.

Hutchins v. S.V.C., at T.C.A. on March 28: Hutchins, 141 and two for 167; S.V.C., 209. S.V.C. won on the first innings.

SECOND XI

Captain: W. J. Cooper Vice-Captain: D. J. Jackson

The Second XI had guite a successful season, going through the season without an outright defeat. The team members showed a good fighting spirit, and everyone gave of his best in every game. A few of the outstanding points that come to mind at this time may be noted. Some of J. Sorell's "big hits" are easily recalled, and Jackson also obliged at times in the same way. In bowling we had Cooper and Dickenson, who, with Latham getting in his occasional "twister," all did very well. The fielding was inclined to be slack at times, but it definitely improved as the season advanced. With the help and advice of Mr. Penwright, a good season's cricket was played and enjoyed by all in the team.

Results:

Hutchins v. S.V.C., at S.V.C.: Hutchins, 79; St. Virgil's, 68.

Hutchins v. Friends, at Clare Street: Friends, 127; Hutchins, eight for 83.

Hutchins v. S.V.C., at Christ College: St. Virgil's, 107; Hutchins, eight for 92.

Hutchins v. Friends, at Christ College: Hutchins, eight for 96; Friends, 40.

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Colour Awards, 1952

Swimming-

Ist— B. Brook, E. McDougall, M. Darcey, G. Burrows, R. Brewster.
2nd—J. Gadd, J. Sorell, G. Hutcheon, G. Perry, I. Parker, D. McDougall, A. Goodfellow, M. Clerk, A. Godfrey, H. Lindsay, N. Henry, J. Phillips, A. Kemp.

Cricket—

- Ist—G. Burrows, K. Smith, M. Russell, A. Gibson, J. Horler, I. Murray, P. Lipscombe, G. Woodward, M. Darcey, R. Rattenbury.
- 2nd—W. Cooper, D. Jackson, N. Henry, J. Sorell, B. Tinker-Casson, Dickenson, G. Burbury, D. Martin.

Rowing-

- 1st— J. Millington, R. Terry, B. Butler, N. Levis, M. Darcey.
- 2nd-D. Purden, D. Boyes, R. Brewster, H. Foster, M. Page.

Football—

- 1st— K. Smith, M. Darcey, G. Burrows, B. Brook, J. Horler, J. Sorell, J. Millington, J. Fergusson, D. Hall, G. Burbury, W. Cooper, I. Murray, R. Rattenbury, A. Gibson, R. Terry, D. Calvert, P. Lipscombe, D. Brammall.
- 2nd—D. Jackson, E. McDougall, D. Martin, B. Butler, Dickenson, J. Lawrence, R. Brewster, L. Stokes, G. Woodward, D. Purden, H. Foster, A. Kemp, A. Goodfellow, H. Lindsay, B. Hawker, Ray Fergusson, W. Shearman, B. Tinker-Casson.

Cross-Country-

1st— D. Martin, M. Darcey, A. Gibson, J. Fergusson, W. Cooper. 2nd—T. Bowden.

Tennis—

1st— G. Burrows, D. Martin, K. Smith, N. Henry.

Athletics—

- 1st— R. Terry, A. Gibson, R. Rattenbury, K. Smith, D. Martin, J. Phillips, J. Millington, M. Clerk, B. Butler.
- 2nd—B. Scott, J. Sorell, J. Page, D. Brammall, D. McDougall, C. Chen, I. Kitchener, J. Rankin, R. Leplastrier, I. Murray. Total number of Colour Awards, 111.

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Coach: Mr. G. A. McKay Captain: K. Smith Vice-Captain: M. G. Darcey THIS year the team included many young and inexperienced players, as only six of last year's team returned to School. Although we did not win a match it was not for the lack of trying, as the team was very keen and practices were well attended.

The first practice match was played against St. Virgil's towards the end of the first term, resulting in a very easy win for S.V.C. During the first fortnight of the second term, practice matches were cancelled owing to excessive rain. The following week we went to Oatlands, where we were easily beaten by Launceston Grammar. Rain again interrupted



THE FOOTBALL TEAM

Back Row: J. Lawrence, D. Calvert, P. Lipscombe, D. Martin, E. McDougall, G. Burbury, D. Brammall. Middle Row: Mr. R. Penwright, J. Sorell, W. Cooper, J. Horler, H. Hall, D. Jackson, I. Murray, R. Rattenbury, Mr. G. A. McKay. Seated: A. Gibson, R. Terry, K. Smith (capt.), M. Darcey, G. Burrows, B. Brook.

games and two matches were cancelled, including a roster match against Friends.

On July 5 we played our first roster match against St. Virgil's. Playing very well in the second quarter, we kept within reach of Saints, but after half-time we could not hold the opposition. On July 12 we met State High, but once again we were beaten very easily. The next game, a roster match against Friends, was fairly even throughout, Friends holding the advantage and winning by 19 points.

We suffered a crushing defeat in our third roster match at the hands of St. Virgil's, who won by 222 points. The dry conditions suited our bigger opponents and we were no match for them. The postponed roster match against Friends was another even one, with Friends prevailing by 11 points. We congratulate St. Virgil's College on winning both the Southern and State Premierships for the second year in succession. The last game of the season was the match against the Old Boys, resulting in a draw, 11.9 each.

In conclusion, our thanks are due to Mr. McKay for giving up so much of his time in coaching us.

Details of Roster Matches

St. Virgil's, 12.17 (89 points), defeated Hutchins, 4.3 (27 points). Best players: Brook, Burrows, K. Smith, Darcey and Terry, Goal-kickers: Cooper (2), Darcey and Jackson.

Friends, 7.8 (50 points), defeated Hutchins, 4.7 (31 points). Best players: Darcey, Gibson, Cooper, Murray, Millington and Burrows. Goal-kickers: Gibson (3) and Rattenbury.

St. Virgil's, 33.30 (228 points), defeated Hutchins, 1.0 (6 points). Best players: Darcey, Burrows, Brook, K. Smith, Fergusson, Rattenbury and Hall. Goal-kicker: Gibson.

Friends, 7.14 (56 points), defeated Hutchins, 7.3 (45 points). Best players: K. Smith, Gibson, Rattenbury, Burbury, Burrows, Cooper and Darcey. Goalkickers: Gibson (3), Calvert (2), Lipscombe and Darcey.



THE UNDER-15 FOOTBALL TEAM Back Row: W. Shearman, G. Gorringe, M. Williams, G. Perry, S. Burbury. Middle Row: T. Loney, S. Salter, J. Page, M. Clerk, W. Wallace, N. Henry, D. McDougall. Seated: L. Stokes, H. Lindsay, A. Goodfellow, D. Martin, Mr. G. W. Renney, A. Kemp, B. Scott, B. Tinker-Casson. In Front: R. Fergusson.

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Athletics

THE House Athletics were run on October 7 at the Clare Street Oval. The meeting was very successful, and it appeared as if we had the strongest team for some years. The House points were very close and the final positions all hinged on the last race. Stephens (183 points) just defeated Buckland (180¹/₂ points), with School (92¹/₂ points) third. Southern Combined Public Schools Sports

These were held on Saturday, October 18, at the North Hobart Oval. The result was a win for St. Virgil's $(225\frac{1}{2} \text{ points})$ from Friends (195 points) and Hutchins $(136\frac{1}{2} \text{ points})$. We offer our congratulations to St. Virgil's and Friends on their fine performances. Our team secured three wins and seven seconds, which was better than for some years, although the result was not as good as we expected.

North and South Combined Sports This event was held on Saturday, October 25, at the North Hobart Oval. The

final points were: Launceston Church Grammar School, 162 points; St. Virgil's College, 147; Friends' School, 124; Hutchins, 62; St. Patrick's College, 52; Scotch College, 49. Our congratulations go to Grammar for their very fine performance.

Our team secured two wins. We were rather unfortunate in having D. Martin and J. Grant out through sickness, but even so we could not have bridged the large gap between ourselves and Friends. Every member of the team did his best, and, although we did not do as well as we expected, it was not through lack of trying.

In conclusion, we would all like to offer our sincere thanks to Mr. E. McCart for the time and effort he put in coaching us.

Note.—R. R. Terry broke the State record for Open Shot Put with a distance of 38 ft. 10 ins. C. Chen gained excellent wins in the 100 yards under-age events. —Ed.



THE ATHLETICS TEAM Back Row: I. Kitchener, D. Brammall, J. Grant, D. McDougall, R. Taylor. Middle Row: C. Chen, C. Rankin, J. Rankin, J. Phillips, J. Sorell, W. Wallace, E. McDougall, B. Scott, J. Page, J. Hodgman. Front Row: D. Martin, I. Mutray, B. Butler, A. Gibson, R. Terry (capt.), J. Millington (vice), K. Smith, M. Clerk, R. Rattenbury.

Prefects' Pars

"Abandon hope all ye who enter here."

I T has been suggested by various disrespectful people that this should replace the time-honoured notice adorning the Study door—"Prefects, Knock Before Entering." But this is because we are not really understood — the common "peasants" (influence from Brighton Camp here) do not realise that we are the cream of the School (clots, as some have it), and it is to enlighten the common herd as to our doings in the "inner sanctum" that we publish this year's pars.

Various rumours of nefarious goingson are circulating. These rumours are easily dispelled: Our criminologist found a use for the obsolete blind which used to keep the sun out. He proved to us that blinds can be used for strangling. Our scientist (one of the boarding-house bodgies) gave a display of electrical discharges with the co-operation (?) of the radiator, which is believed to be the first introduced to Tasmania. He also smoked Christ College out with a chemical display. This occasioned a visit from Mr. Biggs, as did the Lunch-Hour Jazz Club which, unfortunately, held only one meeting.

Of course, a comprehensive and chronological survey of all our doings would require more space than can be spared (not to mention the fact that both the compiler's memory and patience are short), therefore those who have reached this point in our journal will have to be content with the major and more recent happenings.

Last year's mob left us several carpets, a tin with some dried tea in it, a tea-pot, a flex (but no hot-water jug) and Gibson, Millington and Woodward. (Mr. R. A. Terry kindly eliminated one deficiency by donating a hot-water jug, but the others were quite hopeless).

The Study was soon added to with the appointment of Burbury, Darcey, Terry and Smith as Prefects. Brook, Brewster and Lipscombe were made probationers. All settled down quickly and shouldered their new responsibilities well.

The Study has been well represented in the Debates (both inter-House and interschool) this year, but we maintain that you do not know what a debate really is until you have heard a "discussion" in the Study!

One of last year's batch (no, not botch), Mr. Ian McIntosh, produced the School play this year, and again the Study rose to the occasion and provided the lead and several other parts. The remainder deserve praise for their polished ushering. Mr. McIntosh is to be complimented on his faultless choice of boys for the right parts!

On the sporting side every Pre. has obtained one—generally more—First Colour award (five Honour Badges should go to Pre's this year—an unparalleled record). This interest in sport seems to have affected certain members who have taken up body-building. Such terms as "big pecs," "abdominal (not abominable) type," "crushers," have been commonplace. It must have results, because we all saw that "husky boy" in the "Mercury" the other day.

We hope that these random jottings have shown to you that Prefects are at heart ordinary people, not inhuman despots. Remember that what we have done is what we believe to be in the interests of the School. To those boys who are leaving we wish the best of luck; to those who are returning we say keep up the good work; and to all to try to live up to the standards of "Vivit Post Funera" Virtus."



The Hutchins School Magazine

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HIS year we have become a "bi-Lameral house." The Upper House (the Arts lads insist that this is snobbery) sit "in camera" in the traditional Sixth Form room, whilst last year's "Study" (the Library, to the uninitiated) has been appropriated by those not dabbling in Science. The view from the Upper House is definitely superior, but Gud assures us that the Library has its advantages. Both houses join for Scripture and discussion periods (the topic varies, depending on whether the Head is present or not). These discussions are not to be confused with those held by the History boys, which usually centre on one subject.

Last year's repeaters have had a bad influence on the influx of the pure-minded —and as yet unhardened—youths. Benny is always quoting Keats (e.g., "O, for a beaker full of the warm South") and telling yarns of a startling character. Dolly brought in a gambling influence. He lost on one of his ventures, but has evidently gained many points by his recent support of the Bay team. "Crapaud" (Bull-frog —French) seems to have influenced Neil, and they converse in the unintelligible jargon of the car-lover.

Of the "new boys," Fish is one of the most successful. He has become a ruthless lover, but we hear that he got cramp in the Lab. the other day. Poor boy! Under mysterious circumstances Twinny left us for a fortnight in Melbourne. There are many theories circulating about his "holiday," but the one generally accepted is that the State got too hot for him. Josie should know. Merv. seems to have grasped a few of the finer points of life, and the rest are not doing too badly, but the following problems seem to have

beaten even the astute members of the Sixth:

What *does* Morty do in the dark-room? Who regularly chants in an all-toomonotonous voice: "Bu-u-und, stru-uutch"?

Why do the Chemistry periods go with a bounce this year?

Who sings "Mi, Mi" to the Library boys?

What is "intuitively obvious"?

Since when have Crapaud and Twinny been doing experiments with nitric acid? What does Merv. do with his crusher?

There was nearly another unsolved problem to add to the list, but on a closer inspection what at first seemed to be a space-man on a rocket-ship, turned out to be Morty on his "bomb." Incidentally, why is the B.S.A. Bantam coyly hidden behind a house opposite instead of being parked at School?

With the examinations drawing near, the oracle of the Form gasps-

> "Now my weary lips I close; Leave me, leave me to repose!"

Therefore, we leave you with these consoling words: Examinations are formidable, even to the best prepared, for the greatest fool may ask more than the wisest man can answer!





"Calm is the morn without a sound . . ." To quote a well-known professor named

Edwards: Greetings, Gentle Folk! The past year has been (to quote again) "every minute

packed with seconds," and so that you may know just how packed it has been, here we are to give you a brief resume (that last word, by the way, is French, and we feel that it will give this Budget a certain tone, a sort of academic atmosphere, similar to that which permeates our whole existence). Let us waste no more time in preamble, let us to our . . !

VALE (Latin)

Among those who passed to a higher (or lower) existence since our last Budget went to press are numbered the following:—Charlie Parsons, M. G. Stanfield, the Fergusson Brethren, P. J. Rattlebottom and Matches Thiessen who have all retired to their respective family seats. Dy ..., sorry! Richard Bowden is in New Zealand, telling the New Zealand Government how sheep should be farmed. Pommy Russell is directing operations (whatever that may mean) in the Agricultural Bank, while Bob is warming (?) a slab in the city morgue.

We feel it is beneath our dignity to mention Messrs. Hay, Heckscher and Button, who, we regret to say, have passed to lives of degradation and despair. Also, the late Graeme Millar.

AVE (Latin, Too)

We have to report a fine collection of New Year babies—Pete Brammall, Tony Brooker, Phillip Calvert, Charlie Davies, Graeme Denne, D'nD Eddington, 'Orrie

Gorringe, Sammy Gregg, Chaffey, Hay, Wayne Headlam, Roger Henry, Ian Johnson, Stewart Knott, Phillip Kyle, Little Brother of Big Buck, Stephen Salter, Matches II, and Dale Wilson. Gee! What a mob.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

Is your wireless making funny noises? If so, consult the experts, Calvert and Skinner, Radio Repair Service Unlimited. They won't fix the noises, but they'll make them all the funnier, and charges are most reasonable.

Are you thinking of an operatic career? The School House Conservatorium of Music (Principal, R. G. Brewster, Muck. Bass. failed) provides an advanced course in all forms of operatic singing and dramatic art. A large and incompetent staff, including such unknown musicians as Bushy "Jerusalem" Jackson and Fishhook Phillips, are in daily attendance . . . Conservatorium slogan: "Some people say that swans sing before they die—'T were no bad thing should some people die before they sing."

Taxi! Ring Silvertop, Service with a smile.

Moving? Consult Coige and Co., the removal experts. No job too big or too small. Special attention paid to valuable crockery.

Anthony's, the leading newsagents, announce a new and improved delivery service for morning papers. Enquiries, 'phone Red Dorm. 7.

If you require transport for weddings or similar functions, ring Ratten's Hire and Drive Service and one of their fleet of Rolls Royces will be at your door in nego) into the idiosyncrasies of the burnfive minutes.

The Woodward-O'Meagher Film Service announces its new D. and P. service. Films under or over developed without extra charge.

For Sale-One Antique Gramophone. Amazing frequency response, cheap. Owner leaving State (if he doesn't sell the machine).

Lost or stolen, in the vicinity of the front door, one brewery bag containing large assortment of dead marines (it must have been a glorious party).

Buy a copy of "Brownie" Burbury's Complete Alphabet, ideal for scandal mongers. Here is a sample-

A is for Alphabet which I'm trying to make.

B is for Burbury guzunda the weight. C is for Calvert—a number are here. D is for Dolly, house captain this year. E is for Englishmen, a couple I see. F is for Fergusson, last of the three. G is for Gorrie, from Cygnet he comes. H is for Hall, all fingers and fums. I is for Ian, Cakeface is named. I is for Jones, Jam making he's famed. K is for Keith, lately left Wales. L is for Loney-from Mangalore hails. M is for Munro, a jockey, they say. N is for Newman, from Tarralee way. O is for Orra-"the water's gone cold." P is for Pixley, a professor we're told. Q is for Query nobody knows. R is for Ronald, with whacking great Schnose. S is for Salmon, il n'est pas si mort.

T is for Thiessen, the brain of mousche thought.

U, V and W, X, Y and Z Are too hard for me, so I'm off to bed.

THE NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

Ouse-to-be-or-not-to-be Chapman, having applied for a job with T.G.R., is engaged in breaking in his three assistants, Charlie Rankin (Shadrack), Taffy Roberts (Meshack) and Simmo (Abeding fiery furnace.

Our military correspondent reports that the name of Cadet I. Rankin is being considered by the Military Board for appointment as Assistant Adjutant at Anglesea Barracks.

At a recent naval press conference in Melbourne our staff reporter interviewed members of the Naval Board. When asked his opinion of naval operations in Korean waters, Admiral Johnson commented,"Listen, son, wait till I get there."

We would like to confer the title of Saint on the following:-Giles Chapman, P. and J. Johnstone, and P. Cumming.

And now, having laughed yourself into a state of hysteria over the foregoing, let us turn to the more serious side.

We welcome our new Matron, Mrs. Stevens, who comes to us from Castlemaine, and we thank her for all the things that she has done for us this year. We wish to extend our thanks to Mrs. Ogden for many things, and a little of the lighter side of life.

The resident staff also deserves a mention-Mr. Renney, who came in this term: Mr. Blomfield, who has been coming in regularly all the year; and Mr. Boyes, whom we would like to congratulate on the success of the Australian Boys' Choir, twelve of whom have been chosen to tour with the National Choir at Christmas. We are pleased to know that there are three boarders (James Munro, Richard Blundell and Phillip Kyle) among the twelve.

Finally, our thanks are due to Mr. Brammall for his untiring work in making life a little more bearable for all of us. Thanks, too, to the Dungeon Staff, especially Doris, for all manner of things from spuds to eggs (hens', frogs' and horses').

May you all have a happy and sunny Christmas, and we'll see you next year.

"... There was a sound of revelry by night..."

The Junior School Journal

Who's Who in the Junior School

Captain of the School: Robin Partington House Captains: Hay: Michael Gibson Montgomery: Peter Ryan Nixon: Robin Partington

Captains in Sport: Athletics: Lachlan Holyman Football: Lachlan Holyman Cricket: Peter Ryan

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Form Captains:
          R.B. I: Robin Partington
R.B. II: Brooke Ellis
IV: John Fricke
   IIIA: Self, Jones, Chapman, Terry
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"AROUND THE FORMS"

R.B. I Notes E have had a most enjoyable year and we hope we have improved ourselves educationally, physically and socially. We have certainly been called upon to work hard so that at least we know how to tackle the job ahead of us in the Senior School.

Our form captain this year has been Robin Partington. He has been ably assisted by Peter Ryan. We owe much to these two, for they have looked after our interests well and even made certain we behaved correctly when Mr. Viney was out of the room.

Looking around our form, we find a great variety of young men-would-be scientists, lawyers, doctors, engineers, and a large group of farmers who never miss an opportunity to impress on us the fact that "farmers are the backbone of the country." Hall and Parsons lead this group and, backed up by their mates, have almost convinced us they are right.

Our boys are proud that all three House Captains are in this form-Partington, Ryan and Gibson. We also have the Cricket, Aths. and Football captains.

Actually, there isn't very much that is different in our form from any other form. We feel we are just another solid link in the good chain that makes the whole School-the Hutchins School.

A peep into the form room at lunch time on a wet day is interesting:

A chess group is very intent. A group around Jagoe is noisily discussing "birds" with much debate as to the better, British or Australian. Waters, Stump and Kemble "have their noses in books." The Model Club boys are working on the latest edition-"The Sopwith Camel." Some boys are painting-"dog fights" and "Blimps" and "Zeps"-and, of course, we have the inevitable representatives who are either "messing up" or "swotting."

We would like to congratulate Tim Morgan and Phillip Kyle on their selection for the Australian Boys' Choir tour of Victoria in 1953.

May we finish our notes by wishing ourselves and Mr. Viney a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Remove B. II Form Notes

We have had a very happy year in R.B. II. We are a small, select band-14 in number. Obviously, we believe in quality, not quantity! In fact, we started the year with all of 15, but one was too small, so we threw him back.

We've had several excursions during the year-one to the Australian Newsprint Mills at Boyer, and another to the Telephone Exchange. We hope to be able to visit the Zinc Works in the near future. Arrangements for these excursions were made by Robin Ward. Variety has been introduced into our work with the use of a new tape-recorder. Reading, Composition, English, and Social Studies have all benefited by the use of the recorder. Films have become part of our Monday afternoon time-table.

Show business! We as a Form are responsible for one complete act in the Speech Night Pageant, and noses are already down to the grindstone. Our congratulations to Doug. Trenham on his selection for the Australian Boys' Choir tour of Victoria and South Australia.

Finally, we wish you all good things for Christmas and the coming holidays.

Fourth Form Notes

Our form now consists of 32 boys, an increase of two this term. We wish to welcome Mark Legg and Scott Bennett to our ranks, and hope that they have a long and happy stay with us. John Fricke is our form captain, and John Brammall vice-captain. Both have done excellent work throughout the year.

This year we have had an excellent Form Library, due to the efforts of several boys, the chief of whom are Geoffrey Hiller, Donald Ferguson and Geoffrey Merrill. They have worked tirelessly to keep books in order and to run competitions for funds. As a result, many new and interesting additions have been made to the fiction library. We also have a reference library, which has been well used.

In the Athletic Sports we were very well represented both in House and interschool fixtures. In the inter-school, Blundell, Edwards, Lane, Cresswell and James Johnston represented the form. We would like to offer special congratulations to John Edwards, who won all his events and broke two records. Well done, John!

Our members were also well to the fore in many others of the House competitions such as Swimming, Football and Music.

We would like to wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Form III A

We are not a very large form—just 20 of us, six of whom are new boys. We have both worked and played hard, and have had a happy time together. We have enjoyed especially Social Studies, Nature Study, broadcasts and films.

Nearly all of us have played in House matches, and twelve of us have gained our Swimming Certificates.

We are now looking forward to a trip to Chauncy Vale before the end of term. Best wishes to Miss Lucas and all our other teachers for a Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Clubs

For the major part of the year clubs have been flourishing in the Junior School. The clubs are run entirely by the boys, and the majority of them have been started by the boys. The oldest of the clubs is the Chess Club. It has been in existence for about five years, and has had some players with much ability.

This year, although no championships have been held, Jagoe has beaten most players. The Club this year has three sets.

The Model Club has been the most popular during the year, owing to Mr. Viney letting it operate for a certain period each week. The Committee: President, Gibson; Secretary, Solomon; and General Committee, Salmon, Johnson, Parsons and Henry.

Unfortunately, the Stamp Club has almost fallen out of existence, but there are still a few boys who like to bring along their stamps and to get together with other boys. No doubt it will start up again next year when the Coronation stamps come out.

The Junior Library

This year we have had many improvements in our Library. We have bought many new books, too. For instance, we have bought a set of ten Children's Encyclopoedias by Arthur Mee, and several semi-fiction-semi-reference books.

Also, we have two very colourful books called "Wonderful Australia in Pictures" and "Ships of the World."

This year we have started a fiction library in a small way. We have also bought a set of many books entitled "The Young Travellers." This is a set of books that is very enjoyable to take home and read, as well as for reference purposes. We are hoping for a new cabinet, if we can afford it, as well as more new books.

Boys are using the Library very well, and the Committee is pleased generally with the way books are cared for.

House Music Competition

Our House Music competition came off very well. All the boys worked hard as the competition for the Wilkinson Shield was in doubt, and every boy wanted his House to win and be Cock-House. This year we started off differently from the past. The whole Junior School sang four national anthems. Here is the programme in brief:

(1) "God Save the Queen," "May God Save Australia," "O, Canada," "God Defend New Zealand."

(2) House Choir: "Bush Night Song" (unison), "John Cook's Grey Mare" (two parts).

(3) Twelve voices: "The Drunken Sailor," "Blow the Man Down."

(4) Eight voices: "Australian Carol," also a carol of own choice [Hay, "Good King Wenceslas" (highlight); Nixon, "I Saw Three Ships"; Montgomery, "Silent Night"].

We extend our congratulations to Hay for a very fine effort in coming first. Nixon came second, and Montgomery third.

We are grateful to Madam Helen George for her kindness in coming along to adjudicate, and also for the very useful points she reminded us about.

The Christmas Play

This year the Junior School is preparing for a Christmas play. There are four acts in this play. Act I is "Christ Comes to Egypt." The second act is "Christ Comes to Babylon." Remove B. II is doing the third act, which is "Christ Comes to Greece." The last act is "The Nativity."

The first scene in Act I is in the prison where Joseph interprets the dreams of Ptylus, the butler, and Chigron, the chief baker. Scene 2 is Pharoah's court, where Joseph interprets Pharoah's dream and becomes the ruler of Egypt. In Act II, "Christ Comes to Babylon," Daniel is thrown to the lions and is saved by an angel who closes the lions' mouths. His courage convinces Darius of the real God.

Act III tells of a soldier who tries to take jewels from a Greek Christian church. He is struck down by an angel.

The last scene is the Nativity. This is a very colourful one, and after the hymn it reaches its climax in the Blessing.

Cubs

There are approximately 16 Cubs in our pack. Miss Simmons, our Cubmistress, is very good to us. She takes us for picnics at least once a month. So far we have been to the Waterworks, Sandy Bay, Bellerive Fort, Berriedale, and quite often to the Domain.

About the middle of October the Cub Packs were going to have a field day, but owing to båd weather it was cancelled.

Some time ago we moved into the Scout Room, which is bigger than the old Cub Room.

The Sixers are: Black, Donald Ferguson; Red, John Brammall; White, John Edwards.

The Seconders: Black, Graham Peck; Red, Ian McKay; White, Brian Edwards.

SPORT

Inter-School Cricket

Round 1: Hutchins (28 and 20) lost to S.V.C. (150); Hutchins (11 and 23) lost to S.P.S. (93); Hutchins (57) lost to Friends (72).

Round 2: Hutchins (85) lost to S.V.C. (124); Hutchins (42) lost to S.P.S. (76); Hutchins (28) lost to F.S. (79).

Best Scores: Gibson, 25; Ryan, 22; Knevett, 20; Johnson, 19.

Bowling Averages: Gray, 7.1; Ryan, 8; Verrell, 13.4.

Inter-School Athletics

Junior Public Schools' Record Broken

One record was broken and two were equalled at the Hobart Junior Public Schools' Association Athletic Carnival at the North Hobart Oval. St. Virgil's College won the carnival with 72 points, with Friends' School $(61\frac{1}{2})$ second, St. Peter's School $(50\frac{1}{2})$ third, and Hutchins School (45) fourth. Results:

Under 14.—220 yards: Aiken (St. P.), 1; Walch (F.), 2; Baker (St. P.), 3. 29.5 secs. Broad Jump: Baker (St. P.), 1; Stokes (St. V.), 2; Walch (F.), 3. 13 ft. 8 in.

Under 13.—100 yards: Kendall (St.V.), 1; Sherrin (St.V.), 2; Arnold (St. P.), 3. 13 secs. 220 yards: Kendall (St. V.), 1; Holyman (H.), 2; Wood (St. P.), 3. 13.9 secs. High Jump: Kirkham (St.V.), 1; Jones (St. V.), 2; Fitzgerald (F.), 3. 4 ft. 3in. Broad Jump: Kirkham (St. V.), 1; Holyman (H.), 2; Broadribb (H.), 3. 13 ft. 7½ in.

Under 12.—75 yards: Collins (F.), 1; Collier (F.), 2; Dalco (St.V.), 3. 9.9 secs. 100 yards: Collier (F.), 1; Collins (F.), 2; Aiken (St. P.), 3. 13.4 secs. Broad Jump: Collins (F.), 1; Aiken (St. P.), 2; Knight (St. P.), 3. 13 ft. 1 in. High Jump: Collins (F.), 1; Aiken (St. P.), 2; Trenham (H.), 3. 4 ft. 5 in. (record).

Under 11.—75 yards: Edwards (H.). 1; Dorney (St. V.), 2; Fuglsang (F.), 3. 10.8 secs. 100 yards: Edwards (H.), 1; Fuglsang (F.), 2; Dorney (St. V.), 3. 13.4 secs. (equals record). High Jump: Edwards (H.), 1; Wherrett (F.), 2; Geappen (St. P.) and Fuglsang (F.), equal 3. 4 ft. 1 in. (equals record).

Under 10.—75 yards: Holliday (St. V.), 1; Fisher (St. P.), 2; Martin (F.), 3. 11.1 secs. 100 yards: Holliday (St. V.), 1; Fisher (St. P.), 2; Martin (F.), 3. Relay: St. Virgil's, 1; St. Peter's, 2; Hutchins, 3.

Inter-House Athletics

The Inter-House Aths. were held at the School Oval on Wednesday, October

15. A very enjoyable time was had by the boys and many parents who came along. Despite the bad weather conditions there were some splendid performances. We are again glad to thank the parents for the very fine afternoon tea, the ice cream and the oranges. Congratulations to Hay House on their fine victory in winning the B. P. Smith Cup. Results:

Open.—Broad Jump: R. Harvey (H.). 100 yards: A. Brodribb (M.). 220 yards: L. Holyman (N.). High Jump: L. Holyman (N.). Relay: Hay House.

Under 12.—Broad Jump: R. Blundell (H.). 75 yards: R. Blundell (H.). 100 yards: R. Blundell (H.). High Jump: M. Gibson (H.). Relay: Montgomery House.

Under 11. — 75 yards: J. Edwards (H.). High Jump: J. Edwards (H.). 100 yards: J. Edwards (H.). Relay: Hay House.

Under 10.—75 yards: B. Robins (H.). 100 yards: S. Bennett (M.). Relay: Hay House.

Inter-House Football

In the Inter-House Football competition Nixon House was successful, winning both their matches comfortably. Hay was second and Montgomery third. Results: Nixon defeated Hay by 33 pts.; Nixon defeated Montgomery by 28 pts.; Hay defeated Montgomery by 18 pts.

Inter-School Football

Round 1.—Hutchins lost to S.V.C.; Hutchins lost to S.P.S.; Hutchins defeated F.S.

Round 2.—Hutchins lost to S.V.C.; Hutchins lost to S.P.S.; Hutchins lost to F.S.

Our matches against Friends were very close. We won one and lost the other by only one point. The team showed distinct improvement as the season advanced, but we were very small this year. However, what we lacked "in inches" we made up for in spirit and enthusiasm.

Sub-Primary Notes

A S the Christmas season draws near we have the preparations for our "Break-up Day" well in hand and all are looking forward to a happy occasion.

We have had a happy year in school and, owing to the splendid effort resulting from the School Fair, the Parents' and Friends' Association has been able to furnish the School with much-needed equipment.

We wish to express our thanks to the mothers who have watched over our Library and mended and covered books as required.

We are sorry to say farewell to Miss Affleck, who is returning to England, and wish her a safe journey and welcome return to her home school.

Thank you, Arnold Shott and Ross Kelly, for your contribution to our School notes.

The School's Birthday

The School's birthday was held on Monday, August 4. We marched into Miss Lane's room. Mr. Radford cut the cake, and as he did so we sang the Hutchins School Song, and then we all had a piece of cake. After that we had a drink of cordial and then we had playtime. I was pleased because the School was one hundred and six years old. I think everybody else was, too.

Arnold Shott

The Sub-Primary Fair

On May 3 was the Sub-Primary Fair. I could hardly get through the crowd. Could you? The pony rides were good. I had a ride. Did you? I got a toffeeapple, some sweets and other things. Do you know how much money the Fair made? Why! about £220.

The Magazine

WITH this issue we commence publication of the Magazine annually instead of half-yearly. This has been brought about by the heavy increases in the cost of printing and other incidental items, and, on that account, we trust that the change will meet with the approval of parents and Old Boys, who eventually defray most of the cost.

It may be of interest to give a brief history of the Magazine. We understand that during the 1890's an attempt was made to publish a School Magazine, but it is unlikely that any copies have survived. If there should be any in existence, the Editor would be most grateful to receive a copy or copies for the School archives.

The Magazine boasts a continuous history from April, 1913, when "Vol. I, No. 1" made its appearance. From then till December, 1917, four issues were published annually, and thereafter (until December, 1951) publication was halfyearly. There have been 88 issues of the Magazine since its inception, so that this present publication is given the number "89" instead of quoting a volume and number as previously.

The Centenary Magazine, of 136 pages, was published on August 3, 1946, and contained accounts of most of the important events connected with the first hundred years of the School's existence. A complete list of all boys enrolled to that date was also included. Every boy should have a copy of this important record, and a few are still available from Mr. R. W. Vincent, Secretary of the Old Boys'Association.

The Editor has in his possession many copies of old issues (excluding the Centenary Magazine) even as far back as April, 1913, and any of these are available gratis to Old Boys on their personal application for them.



OBITUARY

It is with regret that we have to record the passing of the following Old Boys:-Bridges, R. (Queen's); Hor- Old Boys:-Bridges, R. (Queen's), Hol-ton, E. (1887, 1,264); Hudspeth, W.
 H. (1886, 1,177); Lucas, S. J. (1893, 1,460); Murdoch, G. (1888, 1,280);
 McCormick, J. (1892, 1,436); Old-meadow, A. K. (Kings'); Sharp, J. H.
 (1972, 005). Trachoway, L. (1943) (1878, 905); Trethewey. I. J. (1943, 3,701); Williams, H. C. (1893, 1,461).

KILLED IN ACTION-KOREA 12th November, 1952

Lieut. Seaton, J. L. (1942, 3,633).

ENGAGEMENTS

- BLAKNEY, C. David, to Miss Helen E. Morgan.
- BURTON, David A., to Miss S. Besford.
- CHAPMAN, David H., to Miss Beatrice Reid.

- DARGAVILLE, Donald K., to Miss Patricia J. Bertoli.
- DONNELLY, R. V., to Miss M. J. Grueber.
- EDGERTON, B. T., to Miss P. Sutherland.
- HAWKER, Ian, to Miss S. Williams. HECKSCHER, John W., to Miss Sheila M. Sonners.
- HUGHES, J. S., to Miss Helen J. Downie.
- LETHLEAN, P. J., to Miss Barbara H. Jones .
- MACE, M. D., to Miss Betty J. Chalmers.
- McCUAIG, D. G., to Miss P. Wilson. McPHEE, John C., to Miss Ruth Hay. ORBELL, Peter, to Miss Jennifer Tapping.
- PITT, Brian, to Miss Enid Breeze.
- SCAIFE, David E., to Miss Elizabeth Cornelius.
- SWAN, E. J., to Miss Anna Nicholls. WOOD, I. H., to Miss M. R. Robertson.

BIRTHS

- ABBOTT.-To Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Abbott: a daughter.
- ALEXANDER .--- To Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Alexander: a son.
- ANDREWS .--- To Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Andrews: a son.
- ASHBOLT .- To Mr. and Mrs. A. Ashbolt: a son .
- ATKINSON .- To Mr. and Mrs. A. Atkinson: a daughter.
- BAKER .--- To Mr. and Mrs. A. Baker: a son.
- BENJAMIN .- To Mr. and Mrs. G. Benjamin: a daughter.
- BENNISON .- To Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bennison: a daughter.
- BINNY .- To Mrs. and Mrs. D. H. Binny. a son.
- BLACKWOOD.-To Mrs. and Mrs. D. Blackwood: a daughter.
- BLUNDSTONE .- To Mr. and Mrs. M. Blundstone: a daughter.
- BODDAM .- To Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Boddam: a daughter.
- BULL .- To Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Bull. a son.
- CANE .--- To Mr. and Mrs. B. Cane: a daughter.
- CHAMBERS .- To Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Chambers: triplets-son and two daughters.
- CHEN.-To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Chen: a daughter.
- CLOUDŠDALE .- To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cloudsdale: a son.

COSSUM .--- To Mr. and Mrs. K. E. SARGISON .--- To Mr. and Mrs. A. Sargison: a daughter. CRAWFORD.-To Mr. and Mrs. R. SAUNDERS .- To Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Crawford: a son . L. Saunders: a daughter. CREESE .--- To Mr. and Mrs. E. A. SELLERS .- To Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Creese: a daughter. Sellers: a son . DONOVAN.-To Mr. and Mrs. J. SHIELD .- To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shield: a son. ELLISTON.-To Mr. and Mrs. J. SHOOBRIDGE .- To Mr. and Mrs. J. Elliston: a daughter . D. Shoobridge: a son. ELLISTON .- To Mr. and Mrs. V. G. SHOOBRIDGE.-To Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Shoobridge: a daughter. EVANS.-To Mr. and Mrs. C. W. SWAN.-To Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Swan: a son. ST. HILL.-To Mr. and Mrs. F. A. St. Hill: a daughter. TAYLOR.-To Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Taylor: a daughter. THOMAS.-To Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Thomas: a son. VALENTINE .- To Mr. and Mrs. B. Valentine: a son. WALKER .- To Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Walker: a son. WALKER .--- To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walker: a son. WALL.-To Mr. and Mrs. L. Wall: a son. WALCH .- To Major and Mrs. R. F. Walch: a daughter. WARD .- To Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ward: a son. WATCHORN .- To Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Watchorn: a daughter. WEBSTER .- To Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Webster: a son . WHELAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. Whelan: a son. WHITE .- To Mr. and Mrs. F. H. White: a daughter. WOOLNOUGH .--- To Mr. and Mrs. L. Woolnough: a son. YOUNG .- To Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Young: a son. MARRIAGES ABBOTT, R., to Miss B. Dunn. ALLEN, D. G., to Miss Fay E. Williams. BARNETT, B. L., to Miss J. Clark. BUTLER, G., to Miss Sheena Gibson. Reid. CLEMONS, Thor., to Miss Peg. Borthwick. CREESE, E. A., to Miss Myra Clark. MANN, R., to Miss Frances B. Rundle.

- ORBELL, A. C., to Miss Elaine Cruickshank.
- PALMER, G. S., to Miss Claire E. Arnold .
- SIMMONDS, N., to Miss Bette Horne. TERRY, J. M., to Miss M. Gibson.

ENGLISH.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. P. English: a son FOSTER.-To Mr. and Mrs. B. Foster: a daughter. GIBLIN.-To Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Giblin: a daughter .

Evans: a daughter.

Cossum: a son.

Donovan: a son .

Elliston: a son.

- HAWSON.-To Mr. and Mrs. E. Hawson: a son.
- HAZELL.-To Mr. and Mrs. D. Hazell: a son.
- HODGSON .- To Mr. and Mrs. D. Hodgson: a daughter. HOOD.—To Mr. and Mrs. John Hood:
- a son. HURBURGH .--- To Mr. and Mrs. M.
- Hurburgh: a son.
- JENNINGS .- To Mr. and Mrs. M. Jennings: a daughter.
- LORD.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. D. B. Lord: a daughter. MARSHALL.—To Mr. and Mrs. I. G.
- Marshall: a daughter.
- MARSLAND .- To Mr. and Mrs. Ron Marsland: a daughter.
- MAY .--- To Padre and Mrs. J. L. May: a daughter.
- MOIR.-To Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moir: a son.
- MORGAN.-To Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morgan: a son.
- McCREARY.-To Mr. and Mrs. N. H. McCreary: a daughter.
- McKEAN.-To Mr. and Mrs. Doug. McKean: a daughter .
- NICHOLS.-To Mr. and Mrs. P. Nichols: a daughter.
- PARK .--- To Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Park: a daughter.
- PAYNE.-To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Payne: a son.
- PLUMMER .---- To Mr. and Mrs. R. Plummer: a daughter.
- ROBINSON .--- To Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Robinson: a son.
- READ .- To Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Read: a daughter.
- SANSOM .- To Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sansom: a son.
- SARGISON .- To Mr. and Mrs. R. Sargison: a daughter.

- CHAPMAN, D. H., to Miss Beatrice

WHITE, A. B., to Mrs. Joyce Heathorn.

WOOD, I. H., to Miss M. R. Robertson.

GENERAL

K. A. Webster was selected to attend first Officers Cadet Training School at Portsea.

Dr. W. E. L. Crowther has been appointed chairman Medical Council of Tasmania.

R. O. Morrisby, captain of Southern XI in matches against North last season, scored 127 in Hobart and 176 in Launceston. Also Captain State XI against West Indies.

Franklin Senior Eight—D. F., B. A. and R. J. Clark successful at the Christmas Regattas at New Norfolk and Shipwrights Point.

Sayonara Cup crew of "Erica J" included Don. McKean and Peter Olney, whilst John Stopp at the helm of "Rangara II" in the Cadet Dinghy Championship for Stonehaven Cup, which he retained for Tasmania with a second in heat two, and first in heat three.

David A. Burton has been admitted to the Bar and has joined the legal firm of Archer and Guy, Ulverstone.

In T.C.A. "A" Grade Cricket, centuries were recorded by Emerson Rodwell (2), and Harry Ward. R. J. Clark, D. Scaife and J. Shield

R. J. Clark, D. Scaife and J. Shield initial selections for King's Cup crew.

Mr. Justice Andrew I. Clark retired from the Bench at the end of February.

Royal Empire Society. Members of Council include Brig. E. M. Dollery, Messrs. R. O. Harris, G. W. Rex, A. Pedder, whilst C. H. Grant is Hon. Treasurer.

A visitor from New Zealand in February was Noel Symmonds.

A visitor to Tasmania in March was Mr. Justice H. S. Nicholas, whilst George Hodgson and Len. Nettlefold met D. L. Dowdell in Royal Sydney Golf Club.

Confirmation of degrees—University Commemoration, March—B.Sc.: A. C. McLaren, C. I. Wood, N. M. Jack, Peter Sprent, C. H. Johnson; B.Com.: P. C. Olney.

J. D. L. Hood, Australian Ambassador to Indonesia visited Hobart in March. Later appointed Australian Ambassador to West Germany, has taken up duties.

Cyril Westbrook called on Secretary when over from Sydney in March. Dr. T. F. Brown, of Sydney, called on Secretary in June. It will be recalled that he recently presented a clock to the Prime Minister. Dr. Brown has a number of Old Clocks and indicated that he will be presenting one to the school.

The following Old Boys names were noticed amongst others for Council elections in May: R. V. Bowden and W. A. Allison (Bothwell); R. B. Chen (Clarence); E. G. Crisp (Fingal); A. Bisdee (Green Ponds); R. B. K. Pitt (Hamilton); T. A. Frankcomb (Huon); J. C. Milne (Norfolk); D. L. Burbury (Oatlands); and D. B. Gatehouse (Sorell); whilst at the Hobart City Council Elections—R. O. Harris was elected as Lord Mayor, for a further term.

S. C. Burbury, Q.C., appointed Solicitor General.

New address of Rev. A. C. Cloudsdale is C.M.S. Box 27, MPWAPWA, Tanganyika, East Africa.

J. H. A. Warner-June-New Norfolk Golf Champion.

G. A. (Peter) Brown selected as Captain State Golf team which played in Perth, B. L. Saunders, a member of the team. Peter was selected also in Australian Golf team, which visited New Zealand but had to withdraw on account of ill health.

A. B. Golding has succeeded his father, A. J., as time keeper to Tasmanian Racing Club.

W. C. Hodgman has been elected, President of the Hobart Sub-Branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A.

R. V. Bowden, appointed to Midland Regional Council.

During the year some ladies worked a cope for the use of the School Chaplain on festival occasions. This was handed over in August and worn by Rev. S. C. Brammall, at the Anniversary Service. We greatly appreciate the work done on our behalf. Embroided on the cope are the badges of affiliated Schools besides our own.

At the Annual General Meeting, Mr. E. R. Henry, informed the gathering that a client of his had provided for a bequest of £2,000 to enable the name of H. D. Erwin, to be perpetuated in the School, in such a manner as the Board shall decide. Mr. Erwin was present at the meeting.

Congratulations to Tom Chambers on becoming the father of triplets.

Congratulation to H. L. B. Garrett on his promotion to the General Managership for new Zealand of the Neuchatel Asphalt Co., which he joined in 1927, soon after leaving school.

Harry has deep family roots in Hutchins, as shown by his grandfather's name at the head of our "Exhibitioners" Honour Board.

Shan Turnbull, one of the two Tasmanian Freshman awarded full blue for Ski-ing. Shan is at Melbourne University.

Opening match of the T.C.A. 1952/ 53 cricket roster saw Emerson Rodwell record a century.

First across the line in the Annual Maria Island race conducted by Royal Yacht Club, Guy Rex's "Mistral V."

Old Boys of the 1920's will be pleased to hear that Alan Gilchrist has been appointed London Manager of the Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd. Alan belonged to the staff of the Bank of Australasia before the Amalgamation with the Union. Congratulations Alan.

As we go to press, advice has come to hand that Flight-Lieut. Arthur P. Stevens, R.A.A.F., serving with the R.A.F. in Malaya, has been awarded M.B.E. Congratulations "Fat One."

ACTIVITIES

Since the last magazine went to press the Association activities have been as follows:

DECEMBER:

Cricket.—Past v. Present. Rained but this did not prevent a most enjoyable game being played. Village green cricket. Umbrellas and hats turned down all way round very prominent throughout Old Boys session in the field. Very exciting finish. Old Boys, 5 for 121 declared, Ron. Morrisby, 77 n.o.; Richard Bowden, 3 for 24. School: 113; Trethewey, 45; Salter, 21. Wickets well split amongst Old Boys.

A feature of the game was two stumpings by Stephen Bisdee. Old Boys Captain R. V. ("Major") Bowden, whilst son, Richard Captained School Team.

Christmas Party.—At which trophies or Sports Clubs presented was held a week before Christmas. Enjoyable function.

MARCH

Luncheon.—Held on the 2nd Friday. Usual average attendance.

Cricket.—Old Boys successful in Southern Old Scholars Cricket competition. Had a lead of 16 points at the end of the roster. Several good

games, many being won outright in the last quarter of an hour's play. Played 12 matches 4 games won outright by an innings, 5 outright and one lost on 1st innings. E. G. Terry, who finished at the head of the S.O.S.C.A., batting averages scored a century. Terry, also shared the lead in catches. M. S. Bull commenced the final innings of the season requiring seven wickets to be the first bowler to obtain 100 wickets in a season. In any grade of cricket no mean feat. Bull did the job properly obtaining 9 wickets, twice going close to the hat trick. He finished at the head of the S.O.S.C.A., bowling averages. E. A. Crease ob-tained the hat trick whilst the fielding of the team was particularly good. Trophies were awarded as follows: "John Mullen Memorial," M. S. Bull, also most consistent. Most serviceable first year player, W. E. Halley. For outstanding performances, D. J. Harvey, E. G. Terry, J. R. Tunbridge.

RESULTS (Our scores first):

v. St. Virgil's: 92 and 3 for 46 to 56 and 77; 7 for 102 to 90; 176 and 4 for 146 to 186 and 2 for 85; 122 and 142 to 150 and 73.

v. O.H.A.: 8 for 193 to 39 and 2 for 95; 72 and 81 to 68 and 73; 177 to 40 and 40; 132 and 3 for 106 to 68 and 165.

v. Friends': 74 to 34 and 24; 202 to 55 and 113; 132 and 113 to 128 and 107; 217 to 84 and 87.

In the Inter Association Annual fixture against Old Launcestonians we led on first innings by one run but lost the game outright. O.L.A.'s first success.

APRIL

Rowing.—In the Old Boys Race at the Head of the River Regatta, our crew rowing in a very fine style, won the Old Boys Race, in a convincing manner. As the Schools' Association which conducts this Regatta has laid down certain conditions, it is possible that this race will be deleted from future Regattas. The conditions would not worry us, but some of the other Associations would find it difficult to fulfill them.

Football.—Roster commenced, K. E. Cossum appointed captain, and D. J. Harvey, vice. Mr. Ron. Postle accepted the position of coach and it was obvious from the start that we had a young light side which would be in excellent condition.

JUNE

Luncheon.—Held on 2nd Friday. Attended by 60 Old Boys. Secretary announced that an Old Boy, who at present desired to remain anonymous, had executed a deed of gift, by which the association would participate in revenue from a coal mine in N.S.W. The income will not be less than £400 a year, when the mine is operating, probably in 1953 and the committee of the Association is to provide Scholarships for sons of clergy and Old Boys. Any balance may be used to maintain school buildings.

Ball.—Annual Ball held at the end of June. Again very well supported by Old Boys, Parents and Friends. The proceeds of £109 was placed to the credit of the Old Boys Scholarship fund. We wish to thank the Parents Association and Lodge for their whole-hearted co-operation in making this function, again, one of the year.

JULY

Re-Union. — Melbourne (Report under Branch notes).

AUGUST

Anniversary. — Programme well attended and functions successful.

Golf.—Championship won by B. L. Saunders. Handicap to H. C. Butler. We have to record our thanks to Royal Hobart Golf Club for use of their course and Alan Murdoch for organising the function.

Table Tennis.—Old Boys 15 matches defeated Masters 1. Old Boys 4 matches lost School 11.

Minature Shooting.—Old Boys 656 defeated School 541. A. M. Henry top off rifle with 79. R. R. Terry, School, with 65 headed the School scores and won the Spoon donated for highest School Cadet Score.

School Dance.—To commemorate the Anniversary the Association gave the School a dance on anniversary week-end. Thoroughly enjoyed by the young.

Corporate Communion and Breakfast.—Usual number present at each function.

Evensong.—Well attended. Rev. L. F. Benjafield gave the address.

Anniversary Assembly. — It was noticed that more Old Boys and Parents attended this year. The President for 1951/52, W. M. Hood addressed the School.

Birthday Party.—Another innovation this year was a party for the Sub-

Primary boys at David Avenue. Their rendering of the School song was a credit to themselves and the School.

Tennis. — Matches were played against the Masters and the School and were won by Old Boys.

Football.—The afternoon tea may have affected our star players' form, but the game ended in a draw 11—7 each. Harry Ward kicked 7 gaols for Old Boys and Brammall, six for School. A match was played, also, against the Old Launcestonians Association and won by the H.S.O.B.A., 11—16 to 4—18.

Annual General Meeting.—Election of Officers resulted: President, G. E. Hodgson; Vice-Presidents, W. M. Hood and R. V. Bowden; Hon. Secretary, R. W. Vincent; Hon. Asst. Secretary, A. B. Richardson; Hon. Treasurer, F. J. E. Johnson. Committee: J. W. Cooper, N. M. Jack, L. L. Shea, T. D. Simpson, R. S. Valentine, A. B. White with Board member (A. P. Brammall), Headmaster (P. Radford), and 1951 Senior Prefect (G. L. Salmon), ex-officio. Report referred to successful year. Board report plesented by A. P. Brammall, and stated that Board had made a profit for 1951.

SEPTEMBER

Fair.—The School Fair conducted by the Parents' Association assisted by kindred bodies, was successful and we wish to thank those Old Boys who assisted in the stocking of the Produce Stall.

Re-Union.—North-West-Coast Re-Union held at Ulverstone.

Football.-Season concluded, whilst the team at one stage showed promise of making the final four, the promise of success was not maintained, mainly on account of the lack of sufficient experienced players and a distinct shortage of big men. The form of the young side, indicates, that next season, a lot may be ex-pected of this team. Trophy winners were "Arthur Walch Memorial," A. J. Hay, "David Corney Memorial," K. E. Cossum and J. L. Vautin. Best and Fairest, A. J. Hay. Most Improveed, J. R. Ward. Best First Year, G. Renney. The Clubs thanks are due to many Old Boys, particularly Ron Postle, who coached the team and showed players what a really fit team can do, notwithstanding the fact that it may be weak as regards key men; Alf. Kay, President and Secretary

for trophies and those Old Boys who so generously donated prizes for raffle, which was highly successful.

Re-Union.—Northern Old Boys, held in Launceston on the last Saturday in September.

Luncheon.—Quarterly luncheon for September was very poorly attended.

OCTOBER

"At Home."—Held on the Tuesday of Show week was a very pleasant function and is the only one held at the School, at which the ladies, who do so much for us during the year may join members in a social gathering.

Athletics.—The Old Boys Race for the Golding Cup was included on the programme of the School Sports. Association Handicapper Gerlach, did a very good job, C. I. Wood winning narrowly from Graeme Renney and John Cooper.

Cricket.—Annual meeting of Cricket Club held, resulting in George Hodgson, president; Ted Creese, captain and Max Bull, vice-captain being re-elected to their respective positions. Practice commenced in the middle of the month and although the loss of Terry (overseas) will be felt, it is anticipated that the club will have a good season's cricket if the weather behaves. Roster commences November.

NOVEMBER

Cricket.—An innovation this year was the Country V Town cricket match played on the day of the Annual Re-Union. The teams in the main consisting of players who have retired from active participation in competition games. The result was a win for Town XI, 160 to Country XI, 158.

Re-Union Dinner.—Held after the cricket match was a most enjoyable and successful function, being attended this year, by a record number including a large number of country Old Boys. At the conclusion of this function the President, G. E. Hodgson presented the trophies for sporting activities of the year.

Meetings.—The general Committee of the Association has met every month and found plenty of business to discuss. The main business early in the year was, of course, how to give effect to the amendment of the constitution of the Association, which provides that the committee shall elect the five Old Boys Members to the

Board of Management. The committee in its wisdom, or otherwise, endeavours to obtain a balanced Board, besides having Parents represented and also the views of Country folk. The two members elected early in the year were Messrs. G. A. Dick (Melton Mowbray) and David C. Lord, whilst Stanley Burbury, Q.C., accepted nomination in August. The Committee's principles of election of members have been included in the minutes, for future guidance and assistance.

Co-opted to General Committee, Messrs. J. R. Ward, H. A. Cuthbertson and P. N. Hutchins.

BRANCHES

The following information has been received from branch Hon. Secretaries:

Northern Branch. — The Fourth Annual Re-Union Dinner at Launceston on Saturday evening 27th September, was again an enjoyable function.

It was also regretted that, owing to various unforseen circumstances, no representatives were present from H.Q., but it was hoped that next year we all will have better luck.

President for the ensuing year is Dr. W. K. McIntyre and Honorary Secretary Chris. McDougall, whilst J. R. Rex has been added to the Committee.

Twenty Old Boys were present and we had a representative from Old Launcestonians and Old Scotch Association, with a last minute apology from St. Pat's which had a function of its own.

As a matter of interest, the following Old Boys were present:—Mr. Justice Green, Drs. W. K. McIntyre, G. M. W. Clemons, C. M. Shugg, and Messrs. E. G. Butler, Claude Clark, E. A. J. Green, J. L. Hudspeth, John Lord, R. P. Murdoch, Chris. McDougall, H. C. A. Pitt, J. R. Rex, R. E. Rodway, R. G. Swan, J. M. Taylor, M. K. Weatherhead, John Webster and D. G. Wherrett, while K. D. Atkins sent his cheque, but sudden illness precluded him from being present.

Apologies were read from Messrs. P. Radford, G. E. Hodgson, R. W. Vincent, K. D. Atkins, J. A. Cooke, H. J. Gray, H. Cane, H. Baldwin, H. Langham, G. Salter, and Rev. J. L. May who is now domiciled at Duntroon Military College. Victorian Branch.—Officer Bearers, 1952-53: President, G. S. Gray; Vice-Presidents, Rex. Reader and G. Robertson; Treasurer, W. A. Harrison; Secretary, D. H. Chapman; Committee: Messrs. F. H. Brain, R. C. Best, E. Y. Chapman, G. Colman, J. Conway, T. R. Crisp, J. R. O. Harris, R. S. Hodgson, A. Scott and N. Thomas.

The Committee was extended this year to 15 members in an endeavour to more closely bind the Association together. It was felt that with the larger Committee more personal relationship might be possible and therefore a stronger unity maintained.

The Annual Re-Union was held on Thursday 24th, July, as usual at the Public Schools Club of Victoria. Although total attendance was slightly lower than last year the fuction proved to be an unrivalled success.

Many suggestions were put forward and it was sumarily decided to convert the Xmas party to a Barbecue. The Committee has decided that the idea is workable and is making the necessary arrangements, for early in December.

This will be the only function, held by the Victorian Branch, which the women-folk will be able to attend. We hope to see an increase in enthusiasm as a direct corollary, especially since the show will be free of charge to all.

Members of the Committee were pleased to welcome George Hodgson, Hobart President, to our last meeting. Many minor grievances were voiced, resulting in a better understanding of the problems which arise in interstate negotiations from time to time. Thanks George.

ACTIVITIES, 1953

For the information of all members, the Association's programme of events and functions from 1st January next is listed below:—

JANUARY.—10th, Cricket v. St. Virgil's. 24th, 26th, Cricket v. O.H.A. 31st, Cricket v. Friends'.

FEBRUARY. — 7th, Cricket v. Friends'. 14th, 21st, Cricket v. St. Virgil's. 28th, Cricket v. O.H.A.

MARCH.—13th, Luncheon, 1 p.m. 14th, Cricket v. O.H.A. 21st, 28th, Cricket v. Friends'

APRIL.—18th, Rowing, Head-ofthe-River, Hobart. Football Roster commences. MAY.—29th, Annual Ball, 9 p.m., Town Hall.

JUNE.—5th, Luncheon, 1 p.m., Rotary Club Rooms.

JULY.—30th, Re-Union, Victorian Branch, Melbourne. 31st, Golf, commencing 9 a.m. Table Tennis, 7 p.m. Miniature Shooting, 7.30 p.m. Debating, 7.30 p.m.

AUGUST.—1st, Tennis, 9 am., v. Staff; 2 p.m., v. School. 2nd, Corporate Communion, 7.45 a.m.; Breakfast, 8.45 a.m. Evensong, 7 p.m. 3rd Foundation Day (107th)—Assembly, 8.55 a.m. School Birthday Party, 10.30 a.m. Sub-Primary. Football, 2 p.m., v. Present. 8th, Dance, 8 p.m., School Boys. 10th, Annual General Meeting, 8 p.m.

SEPTEMBER.—4th, Luncheon, 1 p.m. 19th, Re-Union, Northern Branch, Launceston. 26th, Football concludes.

OCTOBER. — 10th, Re-Union. 13th?, Athletics, School, O.B. Race, Golding Cup. 20th, "At Home," 6 p.m. North-West Branch, Ulverstone. 24th, Athletics, Southern Combined. 31st, Athletics, State, Launceston.

NOVEMBER.—7th, Cricket, 10 a.m., Town v. Country. Re-Union, 6.30 p.m., Hobart.

DECEMBER.—15th, Cricket, 10 a.m., v. Present.

MEETINGS.—Old Boys' General Committee meets on 4th Tuesday of the month, December excepted. Football Club, Annual Meeting, Monday, 2nd March. Cricket Club, Annual Meeting, Monday, 5th October.

The above information is circulated for the information of members, and owing to the high administrative costs the Committee is desirous of saving unnecessary postages, etc., as far as possible.

It is realised that everyone is not interested in all functions, and it is therefore hoped that all members will assist the Committee by detaching the attached return, deleting functions for which they do not require advice.

Members will be kept posted with events and functions to be held as indicated on their return.

Consideration is being given to arranging a Barbecue in February of 1954, and also an Inter-Association Golf Match in June of 1953, between teams from the Old Launcestonians' Assn. and the H.S.O.B. Assn. R. W. VINCENT.

Hon. Secretary