

"The Old Boy"

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As the new President of the Association it is proper for me to report, not upon the past activities of the Association, but upon its aims and anticipated activities during the forthcoming year.

During the period that I have been a member of the Association I have often heard Old Boys ask the question, "What does the Association do for its members?" To a large extent this question arises, not because of any lack of activity on the part of the Association, but by reason of the intangible nature of the benefits to the members of the Association and the School from the Association's activity.

I consider that during my term of office the Association must strive, by positive action, to make tangible its objects, and the benefits that members derive from their membership. It is axiomatic, however, that this can only be achieved with the full and active support of all Old Boys.

One of the principal objects of the Association is to promote fellowship among Old Boys, and to generate a climate of social intercourse between members. Apart from the obvious benefit to members of keeping in contact with fellow Old Boys, such fellowship provides a valuable opportunity for members to obtain vocational advice and assistance from each other.

Perhaps one of the most significant steps taken by the Association in recent years, has been the re-introduction of the Bursary Fund, which received approval at the Annual General Meeting. The fund, which has not operated for many years, has its origin in the Association's Constitution: is administered by four trustees, and enables the Association (inter alia) to provide for the education of sons of Old Boys who because of financial difficulty are unable to commence or further their education at the School.

Provision of assistance from the fund, will of course only be utilised in cases which the trustees deem appropriate, and at this early stage will take the form of an interest-free loan repayable in instalments after the boy leaves school. It is of course hoped to expand the operation of the fund in the future and the committee will investigate all aspects of the matter including the steps to be taken to finance the scheme.

The committee is confident that the Association will readily appreciate the benefit and desirability of the fund and will actively support it thus providing tangible proof to Old Boys and members of the School of the general value of the Association's work.

For some considerable time the Association's social functions have not been well supported and the committee will look at a new approach to our social activities. The basic problem to be solved, however, is and always has been, an attitude of indifference by many members. Members must remember that the committee elected by them voluntarily spends many hours organising functions, and on their part members must show a responsible attitude to the Association by supporting these functions thus ensuring that they can be run profitably, enjoyably and to the overall benefit of the Association.

It is sincerely hoped that this year increased membership and active support

will enable the Association to enlarge its activities, fulfil its objects and provide considerable benefits to its members and the School. However, this is the task of each Old Boy and cannot be left to the next man.

WHO'S WHO ON THE COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:

John Wisbey, aged 28, attended Christ Church from 1953 to 1960. John, a Solicitor, has been on the committee for eight years and has been a member of the hockey club for 10 years. Telephone 31 1235.

SECRETARY:

Guy Dowling, aged 26, attended Christ Church from 1955 to 1963. Guy has been on the committee for five years and is also an active member of the hockey club. He is a bank accountant with the A.N.Z.

TREASURER:

Stan Simmons, attended Christ Church from 1928 to 1930 and is aged 56. Stan, the father of two Old Boys, has been president, secretary and treasurer of the Association and served on the committee. He is the Manager of the Saving Bank Division, Rural and Industries Bank, Perth. Telephone: 31 4691.

VICE-PRESIDENT:

Ian Parker, aged 25, attended Christ Church from 1958 to 1963. Ian is a long time member of the hockey club and is an executive trainee with the Commonwealth Bank.

John Saleeba, who is 28 years of age attended Christ Church from 1954 to 1959. John holds a commerce degree, has served on the committee for five years and has been a member of the hockey club for 10 years. Telephone: 86 4625.

Barry Crommelin, Managing Director of Crommelin Chemicals Pty. Ltd. is 39 years of age and attended Christ Church from 1937 to 1949. Barry has been on

the committee for two years. Telephone: 31 2946.

COMMITTEE:

Peter Potter, who will have two boys attending Christ Church in 1972 attended school from 1939 to 1945. Peter is 42 years of age and carries on the business of fashion and textile agents. Telephone: 86 5754.

Peter Foss is a solicitor, aged 25 and attended Christ Church from 1958 to 1963. Peter has been on the committee for three years. Telephone: 71 4072.

John Doust, who is 40 years of age, attended Christ Church from 1937 to 1948. John is Managing Director of H. A. Doust Pty. Ltd. Telephone: 86 2591.

Alan Ledger, attended Christ Church from 1958 to 1966. Alan is an Accountant, aged 22 years, employed by Arthur Anderson & Co. and has been a member of the hockey club for many years. Telephone: 3 6729.

Geoff Simpson, attended Christ Church from 1965 to 1966. Geoff, who is aged 22, is a Project Engineer at BP Kwinana and is an active member of the hockey club. Telephone: 86 4628.

Tim Russell, a geologist, is 32 and attended school from 1948 to 1957. A member of the hockey club for many years Tim has served on the committee for four years. Telephone: 86 4824.

Dick Sudlow, who is 30 years of age, attended Christ Church from 1953 to 1958. Dick is Transport Manager for Smith Allan Pty. Ltd. and has been a member of the hockey club for many years. Telephone: 31 3510.

Peter Browne-Cooper, a geologist, attended Christ Church from 1946 to 1958 and is aged 30. Since leaving school Peter has been a member of the hockey club. Telephone: 31 4963.

Geoff Leach is 25 years of age and attended school from 1958 to 1963. Geoff holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and is a Journalist with the A.B.C. Telephone: 67 2320.

WALKABOUT

Bruce Menzies who graduated in law at the W.A. University is working with the Australian Department of Immigration in Europe and travels to all major capital cities spending approximately four months in each city.

Trevor Taylor who was until recently working for Dalgety's in Melbourne has returned to Perth with his wife and family.

Hugh Gillett who is in Canberra working with the Department of Defence met up with **Bryan Cooper** on a recent trip to Melbourne.

Peter Edwards (Rhodes Scholar in 1966) was married at the Nuffield College Chapel, England on October 1, 1971. He and his wife Jean hope to return to Perth in December prior to Peter taking up the position of Principal Research Officer with the Foreign Affairs Department in Canberra. His brother **Alan Edwards** is presently Australian Consul in Noumea, New Caledonia.

Bill Southwood who is now a grade 4 Engineer with the Department of Post and Telegraph is presently stationed in

Port Moresby and is expected to remain there for several more years.

His brother **James Southwood** is presently employed as Music master at the Trinity Grammar Preparatory School, Strathfield, Sydney. James has a flat at Summerville, Sydney.

Michael Leach who was originally in London with the Coldstream Guard is still in London but is teaching physical education at Tavistock High School. Michael, his wife and three children are residing at 12 Highview Road, Upper Norwood, London, SE 19. He has continued with his Clarinet studies and is presently studying under Pamela Wolfe at the Royal Academy of Music.

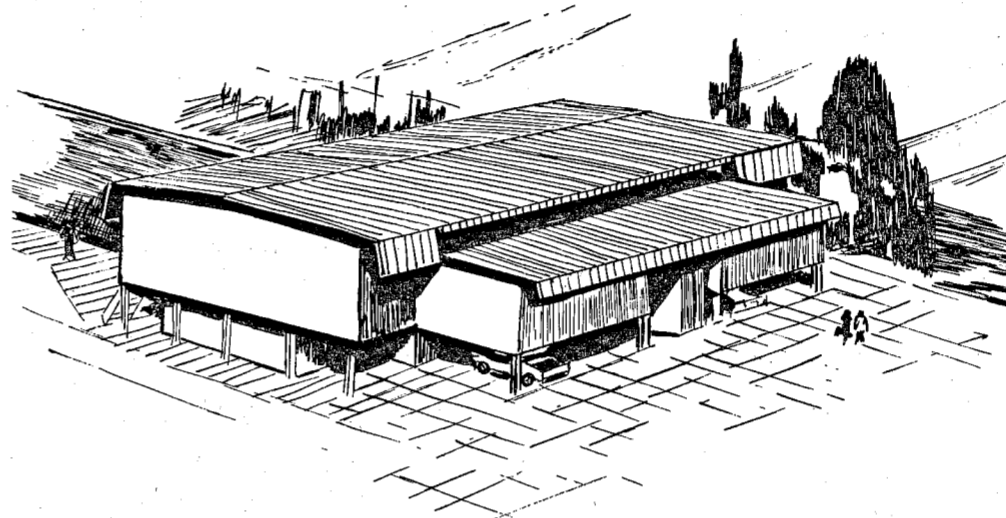
Rodney Leach was married very recently and is working in Perth and is playing cricket in the Second Grade with Nedlands Cricket Club.

Brett Hutton who has been touring England and Europe for some months is presently living in a flat in London and working in the Economics Branch of a large firm in London.

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Building Programme

The Physical Education Centre



Architects drawing of proposed Physical Education Centre.

Mr. John Lidbury of Hobbs, Winning, Leighton and Partners, Architect for all school buildings for the past ten years, has almost completed the design and planning of the Physical Education Centre.

Following his success with the School Chapel, for which he was awarded the Bronze Medal for 1970 by the West Australian Chapter of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects, he is enthusiastically pursuing the preparation of plans for this final project resulting from the Building Fund Appeal in 1967.

The initial stage of the Physical Education Centre was the building of the swimming pool which was the first project completed shortly after the appeal was launched. The buildings now planned comprise a large main gymnasium building sited to the north and immediately adjacent to the swimming pool with two hard tennis courts between it and Stirling highway. To the east of the tennis courts and also bounding on the highway will be a building containing workshops and staff residential quarters. Further east still will be facilities for the housing of grounds machinery, groundsman's workshop and storage yard.

To make way for these three separate buildings the old cottages, grounds shed, cadet sheds and pavilion will be pulled down. In their place the three new buildings will complement the other newer buildings of the School in design and materials used, the Architect again choosing the cream block work and bronze coloured finish to roof treatments which are now firmly established as a feature of the School's architecture.

Additional Facilities

The gymnasium block will be the largest by far of the three buildings. This will house on the ground floor change-

rooms for more than 400 boys at a time. Hot showers will be available but the time allowed beneath the shower will be strictly controlled by Mr. Kovacs who has made sure that he has master control valves at his fingertips! The layout of these changerooms is such that on the occasion of mixed School meets we will be able to provide first class changeroom facilities for the girls' school as well as for the boys. Staff changerooms are also provided and toilet facilities will be available to spectators of both sexes at swimming meets and gymnastic displays. Also on the ground floor will be a sports-master's office and store, a resuscitation room facing on to the swimming pool, the Cadet armoury store and officers, the Exploration Club and Adventure Group store and offices, and a large games room for the use of the boarders. It is hoped to equip this with ping pong tables and other such indoor games.

ENTRANCE and GALLERY

An impressive entrance hall, which overlooks the hard tennis courts and car park to the north of the building, will give access to the three changerooms from the north side. At the other end of the changerooms will be doors leading directly to the north end of the swimming pool concourse where a large well-shaded area will be provided by the overhang of the gymnasium floor above. The entrance hall will also lead to a staircase which at first floor level will give access to two squash courts and the gymnasium and at second floor level will give access to a spectator gallery from which squash and activities in the gymnasium can be viewed.

The gymnasium itself will be large enough to take a full sized basket ball court and will be provided with wrap away net curtains which will enable two physical education classes to be carried

out at one time, the bottom half of the net curtains being covered with a material to provide a visual barrier. These curtains will be on tracks designed to permit of the gymnasium being cut in half on either a north-south or east-west axis. This will also enable two practice games of basket ball on smaller courts to be played across the gymnasium.

Large glass windows on the south wall of the gymnasium will take in the view over the swimming pool to the boarding houses over the senior and junior ovals.

The spectator gallery which is on the north side will also provide additional floor space for circuit training, weight lifting and such pursuits as fencing, tumbling, etc. Storage space for gymnastic equipment and a remedial gymnasium will be provided under the gallery.

Accommodation

The second building will house at ground floor level the new School maintenance workshops, one set up as a carpentry workshop, another as a metal work room and a third as the main school property store. Along side these will be a large woodwork and metalwork teaching room for the use of the School's manual training and arts department.

At this time it is planned to build one storey above the workshops to provide two flats for teaching staff members and their families and four single men's rooms for the use of resident grounds-men, cleaners and watchmen. Provision has been made in the design and planning for a third storey to be added at a future date to house any further facilities which the School may find necessary to provide in this area.

An access road to all buildings will lead direct from Stirling Highway so that deliveries need not be made through the main School grounds. On the other side of this road will be sited the new grounds shed with storage facilities for all the grounds equipment and bins for the various materials constantly in use in maintaining the grounds.

It is planned that the facilities of the Centre will be open to boys as much as possible during their leisure hours. This will be a great boon especially to the boarders as the variety of facilities available to them will include hard tennis courts, the squash courts, basket ball and other gymnastic pursuits, the games room, and manual training workshops.

