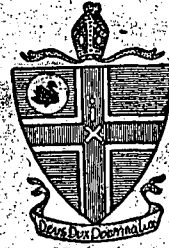


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HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD.

We have come to the end of the first term of the year. We always wonder at the end of a year who will take the place of those who leave us, and how the School will manage without them. Now though we do always miss them, we always find that the tradition of the School continues and that the mantle of the departing is taken up by the returning and the new comers. So it has been this term. We had serious losses last term, both from the staff and from the School. Mr. Beere left us to go to Guildford and Mr. Adams' death, just after term ended, was a great shock. Mr. Beere had been so long at Christ Church and did so much in every department of the school's life that we knew his place would be hard to fill and that it would be some time before his successors could pick up the threads that he had dropped. We have, however, been trying to do our best, and I think the new members of the School Staff are doing all they can to maintain the traditions of the School. Mr. Matthews joined us in the position of Sports Master. I think every boy has realised now how much Mr. Beere used to do over and above what it was his duty to do. For you had come to rely too much on one man doing everything for you, and have taken some time to realise that on every one of the Senior boys there is an obligation, not only to take part in the games you yourselves are bound to play, but also to interest yourselves in the smaller and more Junior Members of the School and teach them the traditions of the School and the art of playing for the School. The Sports Master's duty is to organise the games, but no one man can bear all the burden of superintending and coaching and watching in every game and match. So I ask the Senior boys of the School to practise public spirit and do their part. It would be possible to have a paid professional both for cricket and football, but I am not sure that it would be the best thing for the School or for the spirit in which all school games should be played. I want boys to remember this next term when football is being played and willingly to take their part in helping their Juniors. An old boy, Dick Giles, has promised me to come and help with the 1st practice game and 1st XVIII, and I am very glad he has, but without your willing backing his help will not be of much use to us. I have digressed a little because the mention of the sports of the School and the memory of some of the matches this term led me to say what I had in mind and I hope that you will take notice.

Others to join the Staff this term were Mr. Bell, Mr. Henry, and Mrs. Spratling. You nearly all knew Mr. Bell before he was ordained

last December, and I am sure you were all glad that he consented to come and live with us taking charge of the discipline of the house, taking his part in some of the class work and interesting himself in everything connected with the School, and latterly taking charge of the Scouts. Mr. Henry and Mrs. Spratling were both strangers to us, but both have taken their place in the life of the School. Mrs. Spratling's work with the 1st Form I particularly appreciate, as she has solved the problem of making our smallest boys work and at the same time remain quite happy. There are some boys, you know, who think they are not happy if they are working, at least until they have had a whole term in a form where they have not been made to work.

As to new boys, I was glad to welcome considerably more than in 1926, and that the members again went above 100. Seventy-eight of our boys are day boys, and I look forward to the time when the Boarding House will be full again.

You will notice that "The Mitre" has changed its cover and form. It will appear to be smaller. But if you take the trouble to count the words in this "Mitre" and in the last you will be rewarded by finding that though there are less pages there is not much less reading matter. The financial side of "The Mitre" has long been an anxiety as our circulation was small and cost of production so great that the Sports' Funds always lost on it. With Mr. Bell as the Editor-in-chief and an Old Boys' Editor and the School Editors, I think we will have all interests represented, and now that the O.B. Association has raised its subscription in order to cover the year's issue of "The Mitre," they can guarantee that they will take more copies and we can assign definitely a certain number of pages each issue to them. I hope the arrangement will work well and that it will make "The Mitre" more interesting to past and to present boys.

As to functions, we had a good Parents' Day on March 26th, and on April 23rd the Old Boys turned up in force, and on both days the Cricket team acquitted themselves well, and we had excellent games. The Eastertide holiday, followed by Anzac Day and other interruptions, has made the end of term seem to slip past. But none of you seem to mind holidays, and I hope you will enjoy the May holidays and take a proper part, as becomes loyal citizens, in the welcome to the Duke and Duchess of York.

Finally I congratulate the Tennis Team in their progress and successes, and also T. C. Miller, captain of the School that he was selected to go with the Scouts representing W.A. to Canberra for the ceremonies there. With Dick Giles and "Dick" Lovegrove in the Military Contingent and G. Turner and Miller in the Scouts, Christ Church School was well represented at this important event in Australia's history.

SPEECH DAY.

Wednesday, Dec. 15.

We were somewhat unfortunate in having a very cool night for Speech Night, but in spite of that a very large crowd of friends, parents, brothers and sisters came to show their interest in the School and their appreciation of the visit of His Excellency the Governor to present the prizes, and His Grace the Archbishop to

act as Chairman for the evening. In reporting the evening the "West Australian" said:—

"A large crowd of parents and friends gathered in the grounds of Christ Church School, Claremont, on Wednesday night for the annual speech day and presentation of prizes. A drill and gymnastic display, given by the pupils, clearly demonstrated that the work of the school was not confined to scholastics.

"In introducing his Excellency the Governor (Sir William Campion), the Archbishop, who presided, said that his Excellency had been educated at a college, the pupils of which were scattered all over the world. Since he had been in Western Australia the Governor had taken a great interest in the schools of the State. Unfortunately although the schools did not have hundreds of years of tradition behind them they were hundreds of pounds behind so far as finances were concerned. After presenting the prizes, his Excellency said he appreciated the warmth of the welcome that had been given him. He realised that they welcomed him as the King's representative and their greeting was but another instance of the loyalty and affection with which the people of Western Australia regarded the King. Some of the boys had not won prizes. They should not be disappointed but should remember that some of the cleverest and ablest men were those who had been unsuccessful aspirants for school honours. He commended the interest of the school in the Boy Scout movement. At Christ Church School the pupils had every opportunity of laying the foundation for great and honoured traditions. (Applause)."

The Headmaster, in the course of his report on the School for the year, said that the year had been one of consolidation and progress. We have had slightly fewer on the roll than in 1925, as there has been a decrease in boarders in numbers, but not in quality, and an increase in day boys. The decrease (103-96) has not worried me particularly as I have every reason to think that it is only temporary. I have great faith in this school. If I had not, I would not have come here in 1923, nor assumed larger responsibilities in regard to it in 1924, nor be here now. Perhaps my faith has not been shared by others, but I am quite prepared to act on my own judgment in these matters, and if I am mistaken to be mistaken without squealing about it. You can see the concrete evidence of my faith in the School in many things, these tennis courts, the many improvements at the Boarding House, the New Classrooms, Science Room, and Bicycle Shed and other things. I am very grateful to the Trustees of the Diocese of Perth for the financial help they have given me, but I would like to say that most of these improvements have been done by me and that out of the sum of a little over £2000 which has been spent here since the middle of 1924 I have been responsible for over £1,300 myself. It does not look as if I had doubts as to the future of this school, does it?

He alluded to the progress in the games, the work of the Scouts, and the keenness of the Old Boys' Association, and that Manual Classes had been started.

With regard to the future of the School, he said: A school must develop naturally, as all healthy growth is slow. But like that of the boys who compose the school the development must be many sided and without pressure. I am therefore content to let the school develop naturally. But from time to time I hear suggestions about these things. Sometimes it is that we should only be a day-school. I will be quite content to follow that line of development if

It proves to be the natural one. I do not however think that it will be, and for this reason the demand everywhere is for hostels to be attached to the existing day-schools, and a hostel cannot be what it should be unless it is under the control of the school authorities, and hence we get the Boarding School and all that it implies. Further than this, we were actually started by Canon McClemons as a day-school, and he soon found that he must take boarders, and after a few experiments he built the present Boarding House. That is the School has already developed into a boarding school and its position for boarders is so ideal that I see no prospect of reversing the process.

Sometimes I am told that we should only be a Preparatory School. Here again we started as a Preparatory School, and then found that we had to keep our boys to the Junior Exam. Standards and some to the Leaving Standard, and we have for the last 6 years been a fully recognised Secondary School. I am not likely to reverse this process, even if the other schools were to follow the English system completely and not admit boys until they were in their 14th year. They show no intention of doing this, and as I was appointed to this school on the understanding that it was definitely a Secondary School I see no reason why others should make arrangements for me. At the same time I take it as rather a compliment that Christ Church School arouses a good deal of interest, and I do not mind being discussed; it will not make much difference, however, to the future of Christ Church School.

Those who know me know that I believe in a wide education that will fit boys for any walk of life. So I begin broadly and do not allow specialisation until a certain standard is reached. It is what I call the pyramid system. At the same time the Education here must have relation to the needs of the boy, as man, and the life he will lead as a citizen. I regret very much that boys have to leave school earlier than they should owing chiefly to the compulsory rates of pay, for a boy at 15 or 16 does not usually know what he wants to be and he has no right to go into anything unless he has a reasonable chance of reaching the top of that particular business or profession. And when the tendency of the modern business world is to give the top places to those who have stayed longest at school and then proceeded to the University for specialised training, it is not fair to our boys to rush them into positions where their prospects in after life at 30 or 40 are very limited. The same applies to boys going to the country. The men on the land will form the main element of this country's greatness, and the better educated they are the better will it be for themselves, their districts, their state, and the Empire. Because some have done well on the land with very little education, it does not follow that our future pastoralists and farmers should leave school at an earlier age than the business man or one entering a profession.

The Prize List, excluding the prizes won at athletic sports, was

Form Prizes—

VI	Evans I	III	Swirles
V	Noseda	II	Giles II
Vb	Ellershaw	I	Bickford II
IV	Bateman		

Languages—

VI (Mr. E. Shaw's)	Evans I	IV-III	Bateman
V	Noseda	II	Cox

Mathematics—

VI	Utting	III	Hatton
V	Sudlow	II	Giles II
Vb	Ellershaw	I	Pearse
IV	Lynn		

Science—

VI-V (Mr. Guise's)	McLarty	II	Cresswell II
IV-III	Bateman	I	Sanderson

Divinity—

VI-V	Utting	II	Giles II
IV-III	Eagleton	I	Sanderson
	Confirmation Class		Noseda

Special Prizes—

Captain of School (Headmaster's)			McLarty
Essay (Mrs. Parry's)			Miller
Writing—			
IV-III	Evers II	II	McRostie
Singing (Mr. Donald's)—			
IV-III	Eagleton	I	Burridge II
II	Maclar		
Dancing (Miss Scott's)			McLarty
Elocution (Miss Durlacher's)			Elsegood

Preparatory School (Extra Prizes)—

I. Writing			Smith II
Ib. General Work			Devitt
Arithmetic			Dickson II
Ic. General Work			Waite

Mr. S. R. L. Elliott's Cricket Prizes—

Bowling			Wright
Fielding			Sudlow

Old Boys' Bat (for Best Average)

Miller

The Beatty Cups.

Section Cup			Romsey
Highest Aggregate Individual Points			Eyres II
The Lockwood Cup (Best Sportsman under 14)			Eyres II

REQUIESCAT IN PACE.

ROBERT JAMES ADAMS.

Just after term ended last year Robert James Adams passed to his rest in St. John of God Hospital, Subiaco. He had been on the staff of the School since June of the previous year, while he was completing his course at the University. Right at the end of term he had been taken ill and as the doctor diagnosed his trouble as acute appendicitis he was hurried to hospital and operated on at once. From this operation he rallied and seemed to be making a good recovery, but about a week later, complications set in and his condition became so serious that little hope was held out of his recovery. On the Monday following the close of term he passed

away and was buried the following day at Karrakatta in the presence of representatives of the Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Trust, the University, the School and his sorrowing sisters and brother and friends. The death of any one we know is always sad to us, and in the case of Robert Adams there seemed to be something especially touching in his being called to go just at the time when he had gained the coveted B.A. at the University and was looking forward to going to Adelaide University to study for his B.C.L.

Boys at Christ Church School were not, of course aware of Mr. Adams' personal history, but it is no breach of confidence now that they should know that Mr. Adams was one of those who lost his father through the great war, and was in consequence with his sisters and brother, left without his natural protectors. So it came to pass that he was sent to the Swan Boys' Orphanage. From there he won a Scholarship and went to the Guildford Grammar School where he did brilliantly at his work and passed the Junior and Leaving Examinations, was first of all apprenticed to the Commonwealth Line of Steamships with a view to joining the Mercantile Marine as an officer. He later left that service and joined the University and was doing second year work there when he joined our Staff.

It was a great delight to him that he had passed all his examinations for the degree of B.A. at the November examinations in 1926. The degree list for 1927 contained his name and he was awarded, though he had passed away, his degree. He had therefore overcome a good many of life's handicaps and I looked forward to him acquitting himself with honour in the career of law that he had chosen. But this was not to be, and I feel certain that you all join me in sympathy with his sisters and brother who mourn his loss.

L.W.P.

LENTEN SELF DENIAL.

Each year we try to raise £10 to be sent to the Forrest River Mission and the New Guinea Mission to maintain a child at each of the Missions. I had hoped that with 100 boys giving 2/- each this Lent the amount could have been sent to the A.B.M. before the end of term. But the Lenten offerings have fallen short of that £10 and have only reached £7 15s. 8d. The details of the way this was contributed are:—6th Form, (2 contributors), 3/7; 5A (5 contributors), 13/5½; 5B and C (12 contributors), £1 13s. 4d.; 4th Form (4 contributors), 3/6½; 3A Form (14 contributors), £1 8s. 7d.; 3B and II Form (18 contributors), £1 5s. 6½d.; 1st Form (8 contributors), £1 11s. 2d.; four others (unidentified), 16/4½. In all, 69 boys contributed, and two boxes came from others, making a total of £7 15s. 8d. What do the 32 who were so selfish as to give nothing intend to do? If they had done their share we would have had over £10. The largest amount was sent in by a small boy who contributed 7/2. Other good amounts were 6/5, 5/6, 4/8 and 8/9 (for 2 boys).

L. W. P.

PREFECTS' NOTES.

"The incessant wranglers part"—sometimes, in our case the "sometimes" being very seldom. Our room, when we are freed from the bonds of toil and labour, is the source of all kinds of noise imaginable, from Saxophone or Ukelele to Taffy's voice, prefer which you will. Gibby and Tudor produce the volume, however, and a con-

stant drone informs one that they are engaged in some heated argument. The chief debate is on "Evolution," in which everyone states his opinion, whether asked for or not. A really well-founded discussion lasts three or four days. Owing to the existence of a Scotchman, a Welshman, and an Irishman in our ranks, the question as to which race (we refrain with difficulty from using the word "tribe") is intellectually superior is keenly contested. To a mere Englishman it seems absurd to wrangle over such a paltry and impossible question.

Fitz (need we state nationality) has come down on the little kids with an iron hand, and they are beginning to show signs of improvement in sundry ways, especially is this so in the case of Gongs, who is willing to submit to anything rather than be fined apples. Have any of you noticed that some of the boarders have grown much thinner lately? The result of a very frequent enquiry "Where is your soap?"

Tudor has lightened our wearied spirits, etc. His thoughtfulness for others has been received most enthusiastically. In fact we say "Bravo! Encore!"

FIFTH FORM NOTES.

Once again our select company has begun a new year with great hopes of good Junior results ahead.

The form fowl has still been seen trying to fly off the roof, and this term has been elected vice-captain of Queenslea. Congratulations! Black Douglas has severely severed his toe, and mousy has stopped trying to crawl into small cracks and holes and now chases cheese in the cases. Ish and Chisel, the elastic kings, are still seen flinging round pellets, and Stanley proves an excellent target for them. We have done well in Maths. and Geography this term, having finished all our Junior work in the first three weeks. Aus. has just made one pull and is considered in the Olympic Games. As exams are near, our notes will not continue, but all boys are requested by the writer to work hard in the holidays.

GLAXO.

CRICKET.

Our cricket results have left a lot to be desired this term, the 1st XI's batting being lamentably weak. The bowling, however, has been very good and the fielding fair, but unfortunately our performances in these two departments of the game failed to counterbalance our paucity of runs. In justice to the 1st XI, it must be admitted that tho' beaten in all matches bar one, it was not disgraced.

We were compelled to scratch two fixtures and content ourselves with the thought that but for this we might have had two victories to our credit.

It is to be hoped that next season a greater enthusiasm for the game will be shewn, more especially amongst the younger players. The importance of smart fielding and accurate throwing in cannot be sufficiently stressed; runs thus saved being runs gained. Let our motto be "When we play, we play with all our might!" and let this be applied to practices too, as we cannot hope to produce in matches form which we make no effort to attain at other times.

Miller and Lewis headed the batting averages with 19.6 and 13 respectively, while Stillwell with 20 wickets for less than 6 runs apiece and Miller with 20 for less than 7, have done remarkably well with the ball.

The under age teams have played so badly this term that one is forced to look for some reason other than sheer lack of skill to account for their failure. Want of confidence appears to be largely to blame for the pitiable scores made by our juniors, this will no doubt worry them less in future, and if they put their hearts into practices, there is no reason why at the end of the year they should not have achieved some very different results.

It is pleasing to have to announce that Preston Wright was awarded his Cricket Colours by general consent. He proved his worth as a thoroughly good all-round player.

ANALYSIS OF MATCHES.

	P.	W.	L.	D.
First XI	5	0	4	1
Under 15	1	1	0	0
Under 14	4	0	4	0
Under 13	3	0	3	0

FIRST XI MATCHES.

v. P.H.S. 2nd.

At P.H.S., 2/3/27.

Result.—Lost.

Scores.—P.H.S. 105 and 4 for 78 (Hancock 36, Morris 18, Woolley 37 (retired)).

C.C.S. 44 (Noseda 10, Lewis 9).

Bowling—P.H.S.: Brown, 3 for 10; Everett, 1 for 5.

C.C.S.: Miller, 6 for 24; Stillwell, 3 for 25.

C.C.S. 1st XI v. Scotch C. 2nd XI.

Result.—Drawn.

Scores.—S.C.: 63 and 62 (Milligan, 24 not out).

C.C.S.: 79 and 46 (Miller, 38; Noseda, 10; Stillwell,

10).

Bowling—S.C. (not available).

C.C.S. (Stillwell, 6 for 4; Poulton, 6 for 28).

v. Parents.

At C.C.S., 26/3/27.

Result.—Lost.

Scores.—C.C.S.: 156 (Miller 88; Lovegrove, 1, 8).

Parents, 158 (Mr. Stilleman, 73 retired; Mr. Cooke,

29).

Bowling—C.C.S. (Stillwell 2 for 3. Barsden 2 for 21).

Parents: (Mr. Evans 2 for 14; Mr. Miller 3 for 25).

v. Wesley College.

At Wesley, 6/4/27.

Result.—Lost.

Scores.—Wesley, 31 and 52 (Smith, 9; Guard, 6).

C.C.S. 26 (Lewis 15, Stillwell 4).

Bowling—Wesley (South, 3 for 14; Stephens, 4 for 0).

C.C.S. (Miller, 3 for 19; Stillwell, 6 for 9).

v. Old Boys.

AT C.C.S., 23/4/27.

Result.—Lost.

Scores.—C.C.S.: 89 (Lewis, 33; Stillwell, 9).

Old Boys: 98 (Giles, H. M., 36; Lynn, 15).

Bowling—C.C.S. (Stillwell, 8 for 38); Miller, 1 for 23).

Old Boys (Giles (ii), 3 for 8; Giles (iii), 3 for 7).

THE 1st XI.

Miller (Captain): Is a good and graceful bat, but has been unlucky in only producing his true form on two occasions this term. His bowling and fielding are both excellent.

Lewis: Is by no means a poor bat as he has proved on one or occasions and the team is unfortunate in having to sacrifice the services of a promising fast bowler to their need of a wicket-keeper, which position he is filling satisfactorily, though there is room for improvement.

Stillwell: Has done so well with the ball that room for criticism is wanting. He is a useful fielder, and with greater confidence will become an excellent bat.

Lovegrove (i): Has been rather disappointing this term, and he probably feels it. He should take heart, however, as he is unmistakably cut out for the game.

Noseda: As a bat has some attractive strokes at his command, and his bowling is fair.

Evans: Is an erratic bowler, capable of putting down some very nasty ones. His batting is poor, and his fielding not quite up to the mark.

Miley: Bowls a good length, medium paced ball, and is a useful change bowler who should develop into something more. He is energetic as a fielder and a trier.

Boulden: Has done nothing startling with the bat this term, and though a good stylist appears to be poor in his judgment, this shows occasionally in his fielding which is pretty good in spite of it. As a bowler he is quite useful.

Giles (i): Could be a great asset to his side if he would take the game more seriously. He does not appear to suffer from nerves, and exhibits promises of style with the bat. He has some idea of keeping wicket.

Smith (i): Is a steady-going individual, and a pretty safe field. He could, with advantage, show a greater turn of speed when leather hunting.

Jupp: Is probably the most inexperienced member of the team, and is at present rather out of touch with the game. At the same time keenness goes a long way, and practice may do the rest. Once he can overcome his nervousness and get behind the ball, we may expect more of him.

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

CERTIFICATES AT JUNIOR EXAMINATIONS.

Ivers, R.—Eng., Mathematics, History, Geography, Physics and Drawing.

Utting.—Completing from 1925. French, Geography and Drawing.
 Fitzgerald.—Eng., French, History, Geography, Biology, Physics.
 Arnold.—Eng., Mathematics, History, Geography, Physics.
 4 subjects. Nosedá.—English, French, History, Geography.

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VALETE.

Form VI.

G. Utting.—Passed Junior, 1926; XI, XVIII.
 G. Martin.—Passed Junior, 1925. Captain of Football.

Form V.

*R. McLarty.—Captain of School.
 *P. Wright.—Colours, XI.
 *J. Bland.—Colours, XVIII. Swimming Colours.
 R. Ivers.—XI, Junior Exam., 1926.
 G. Bowers.—Colours, XI and XVIII and Athletic Sports. Vice-Captain Football.
 D. Evans (ii).—XVIII.
 M. Eyres.—XVIII, XI.
 W. Sudlow.—Colours, XI, XVIII. Tennis. Calthrop Cup, 1926. Vice-Captain Cricket.
 G. Eyres.—Junior Section Cup. XI, XVIII. Tennis.

Form IV.

I. Ivers and A. Poulton (1st Term, 1927), XI.

Form III.

S. Pocklington.

Form II.

W. Burrige and J. Watson.

Form I.

E. Bailey, J. Burrige, D. Waite.
 *Boarder.

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SALVETTE.

Form V.—*V. Clayton.

Form IV.—*H. Young, L. Jupp, J. Bursden.

Form 2A.—R. Rowe, A. Vance, R. Ellershaw, J. Bateman (ii).

Form IIIB-II.—*P. Rowan, *L. Clayton, G. Day, J. McKenzie.
 N. Rutter, A. Forrest (returned), K. Edwards.

Form I.—*A. Bothe, A. Burnside, T. Evans, (ii), A. Messer,
 W. Vance (ii), N. Bird, F. Burt, F. Parry.
 *Boarder.

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TENNIS.

Towards the end of the term we were able to arrange two matches between our leading four and a four from Scotch College; and it is encouraging to note that C.C.S. did remarkably well, win-

ning the first match with the loss of only one set, and the second by 6 games, the latter a creditable performance considering the match was away and our best player, Miller, also.

MATCHES.

C.C.S. Four v. S.C. Four at C.C.S., 9/4/27.

Result.—Won.
 Scores.—C.C.S., 12 sets, 78 games.
 S.C., 1 set, 43 games.

SINGLES.

Details:—
 Miller (C.C.S.) beat Daw (S.C.) 6-1 6-3
 McGlew (C.C.S.) beat Anderson (S.C.) 6-1 6-4
 Stillwell (C.C.S.) beat Andrews (S.C.) 6-3 6-1
 Lewis (C.C.S.) beat Broadhurst (S.C.) 6-4 7-5

DOUBLES.

Miller and McGlew (C.C.S.) beat Daw and Anderson (S.C.) 6-2 6-4
 Stillwell and Lewis (C.C.S.) beat Andrews and Broadhurst (S.C.) 5-7 6-4 6-3

C.C.S. Four v. S.C. Four at S.C., 30/4/27.

Result.—Won.
 Scores.—C.C.S. 6 sets, 62 games.
 S.C. 6 sets, 56 games.

SINGLES.

Details:—
 McGlew (C.C.S.) beat Dawe (S.C.) 6-2 6-1
 Stillwell (C.C.S.) beat Anderson (S.C.) 7-5 6-4
 Gardiner (S.C.) beat Lewis (C.C.S.) 7-5 8-6
 Broadhurst (S.C.) beat Miley (C.C.S.) 6-3 6-4

DOUBLES.

McGlew and Stillwell (C.C.S.) beat Dawe and Anderson (S.C.) 6-1 6-4
 Gardiner and Broadhurst (S.C.) beat Lewis and Miley (C.C.S.) 6-3 6-4

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CRICKET ADDENDUM.

OLD BOYS' DAY.

Beautiful weather ensured a most enjoyable time for the entertainers, and to judge from appearances, for the O.B.'s too. We were fortunate in being able to offer them the two tennis courts. Both in fair condition and they seemed to be thoroughly appreciated, being fully occupied from about 10 a.m. till dusk.

The match between our 1st XI and an XI representing the O.B.'s was quite a close one; the School put up a good fight, and but for Miller's early dismissal without scoring had an excellent chance of winning.

Afternoon tea on the field was a very welcome interlude, and thanks to the energy of Matron and her staff, a fine spread in the dining room, followed by a speech or two, concluded a very jolly day.

THE MITRE.
SWIMMING.

Our Annual Swimming Sports were held at the Claremont Swimming Baths on the morning of Saturday, 5th March. Cloudy weather and an easterly wind provided conditions far from ideal from a swimmer's point of view, and though contests were keen all competitors were thankful to dry their shaking limbs and don clothing after about two hours' exposure to breeze and water.

McGlew was unfortunate in being attacked by cramp during the morning, which prevented his entering for some events, and no doubt affected his swimming in others. He swam very well, however, and won with ease the two breast stroke championships for which he entered. Unbehaun proved himself to be an exceptionally fine swimmer, winning 2 out of the 3 open School Championships, thereby carrying off the handsome cup, kindly presented by Mr. McGlew. Especially worthy of mention was his performance of coming in first in the 200 yds. Open Handicap, with the formidable handicap of being last away in a large entry and long way behind most, he won comfortably.

One heartiest thanks are due to parents and others who contributed to the success of the sports, both by their presence and by generous donations to the Prize Fund, from which a large number of boys have been able to obtain souvenirs of their prowess.

RESULTS.

- 100 yds. School Champ.—Unbehaun, 1; McGlew, 2; Douglas, 3.
 50 yds. under 13 Championship.—Partington, 1; Hatton, 2; Lockwood, 3.
 50 yds. under 16 Handicap.—Jupp, 1; Douglas, 2; Robertson (1), 3.
 25 yds. under 12 Handicap—Jacoby, 1; Stileman, 2; Howe, 3.
 50 yds. under 16, B. Stroke Champ.—McGlew, 1; Unbehaun, 2; Boulden, 3.
 Neat Dive, under 14.—Boulden, 1; Partington, 2.
 50 yds. School Champ.—Unbehaun, 1; McGlew, 2; Boulden, 3.
 Long Dive, Open—Lewis, 1; Unbehaun, 2; Douglas, 3.
 50 yds. under 15 Champ.—Ellershaw, (1), 1; Jupp, 2; Douglas, 3.
 Neat Dive Open—Lovegrove (1), 1; Unbehaun, 2; Ellershaw (1), 3.
 25 yds. under 12 Handicap—Jacoby, 1; Cresswell (11), 2; Stileman, 3.
 25 yds. under 13, B/S. Handicap—Gill, 1; Cresswell, 2; Stileman, 3.
 50 yds. School B/S. Champ.—McGlew, 1; Unbehaun, 2; Douglas, 3.
 Wading Race under 11—Howe, 1; Bedells, (11), 2; East, 3.
 50 yds. under 15 Handicap—Jupp, 1; Lovegrove (1), 2; Ellershaw (1), 3.
 50 yds. under 14 Handicap—Jacoby, 1; Dickson (1), 2; Bedells (1), 3.
 High Dive, Open—Unbehaun, 1; Lovegrove (1), 2; Douglas, 3.
 200 yds. Open Handicap—Unbehaun, 1; Lovegrove, (1), 2; McGlew, 3.
 50 yds. under 14 Champ.—Boulden, 1; Partington, 2; Dickson (1), 3.
 50 yds. Open Handicap.—Hoseasonn (1), 1; Miley, 2; Cresswell (1), 3.
 50 yds. under 16 Champ.—Unbehaun, 1; McGlew, 2; Hassell, 3.
 50 yds. under 13 Handicap—Jacoby, 1; Cresswell (11), 2; Howe, 3.
 50 yds. under 15 B/S Handicap—Boulden, 1; McGlew, 2; Douglas, 3.
 Relay Intersection Race—Romsey, 1; Queenslea, 2; House, 3.

SCOUT NOTES.

Owing to the change of Scoutmasters the ordinary routine of the troop meetings was discontinued, and we do not expect to begin our regular work till next term. After the holidays the Court of Honour, which has not been held this term, will continue its meetings, and it is hoped that a new system of work and Patrol Competition will bring an even more scouty spirit into the troop.

We have lost seven of our last year's scouts, and have enrolled in their places eight new members, making in all three patrols of seven scouts each. We have also temporarily lost Miller, whom we congratulate, on being included in the W.A. Contingent of Scouts, who are journeying to Canberra to take part in the opening ceremonies of the new Capital.

During the first Boarders' week-end some of us went to Mundaring Weir for a week-end camp. We had a breezy wet time under two leaky tents and a tarpaulin which would persist in blowing sky high in spite of four of us hanging on to it. Tinned soup at 3 a.m. and at 5 o'clock we rose to find all the provisions swamped, boots like rags, and blankets—well, we could wring part of the rain out of them. At six o'clock we shifted camp to a Rotunda, about a hundred yards away, breakfast at ten, then we started work trying to dry the clothes. After this we went to clear Scout land, leaving Clayton (1) to prepare a stew?

During the afternoon we lay back and took things easy—the reason may suggest itself—and it's a good job we did too, for plank seats and bags of cement are not very comfortable beds. But all things have an end. We rolled out at 6 a.m. ready for a tiring walk to Mundaring.

Now we all look back and shiver when we think of a breezy night, holding down the tarpaulin, dreaming of parachutes, chasing tents, having our feet scorched and our ears frozen and drinking tinned soup. That soup was the brightest spot of the Camp.

Hosea, stop away next time, you always bring the rain to every camp you've been to.

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GIANT BOY SCOUT.

ASPIRANT FOR JOURNALISM.

With Canberra Party.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

"Any chance of a job on your paper?" The chief of staff looked up, up, up, over 6 feet 1½ inches of Boy Scout until he met the smiling gaze of a pair of merry brown eyes. They belonged to "Taffy" Miller, from Perth. "After I leave school," he added hastily.

Miller is a 16-years-old schoolboy and an aspirant to journalism. He has travelled all the way from Perth to be one of "The Guard of Honour" for the Duke and Duchess at Canberra. He is one of a party of 16 chosen by a committee of Scout masters to take part in the ceremony. One qualification required was that the boys should be first-class Scouts with at least two years' experience, and should be 16. Miller is tall for his age and enjoys the distinction of being the only schoolboy in the party. His school is Christchurch, Claremont. He is sub-editor of the school magazine, and will write

a story about the opening of Canberra, illustrating it with snapshots from his camera.

After a short stay in Melbourne Canberra will be reached by the party on Friday, May 6. Camp equipment is being provided there, and with parties from the other States the Scouts will prepare for duty, which will probably include despatch work. They will realise their proudest ambition when they form a guard of honor for the Duke and Duchess, and are hoping that an inspection will be made. After leaving Canberra the Perth boys will go to Sydney for four days, then to Adelaide for four days, returning home on May 25.

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RUBBER.

Unlike many things, rubber comes from a tree, and this tree grows very like the tea tree of Ceylon, namely, with branches. In those zones of the world where the temperature and humidity of the atmosphere is just right, and the soil is sufficiently fertile, there you find the rubber tree growing in profusion, some trees large, some small, and some even in between. Rubber comes from all rubber trees, because all rubber trees produce rubber. Therefore this rubber is collected and used for all sorts of purposes. The natives of Lower Syria, it is said, used to use the shanghais that grow on the topmost branches for shooting the small tum-tum birds, their native dialects, but now they make pea-shooters from the pith of the sago palm. Hannibal, when crossing the Alp to invade Mussoline, used the trunk of the rubber trees for catapults. This was not successful as the breeches jammed. Cross sections of the trunks are used for auto tyres, little ones from the top, big ones from the bottom, and middle sized ones from the middle. Rubber is exported largely to Iceland for the manufacture of sugar canes, and it is also used in Manchuria for telegraph wires (perfect insulation), the insulators being made of copper (or vice-versa). England has extensive rubber mines in Ireland to provide the Scots with elastic money bags and bagpipes.

Rubber is used for this and that, mostly that. Rubber necks are also products of the rubber tree and are exported to America and are used extensively.

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OLD BOYS' NOTES.

LAST YEAR'S PROGRAMME.

Official Annual Cricket Match.—Held at the school on Saturday, 11th December, 1926. This function was one of the nicest functions of the year, although numbers were not all that could be desired, as after the eleven had been picked, very few were left to look on or play tennis. Remember, if you don't play cricket, there are two tennis courts in excellent order at your disposal.

We congratulate the school on their win, and hope when we meet again we will put up a better showing and that the score will be reversed. We were all pleased to see Kieth Calthrop lead us on to the field, and to find that he has not lost that cunning that was his in the days of yore.

The scores were:—1st Innings, O.B.A., 49; School, 54. Second Innings, 6 for 60; School, 4 for 59. The School won on the 1st innings.

Before leaving this function, we must not forget to mention how sorry we were that it was Mr. G. B. Beere's last match. Mr. Beere, as we know, left the School Staff at the end of the term to go to his old school, Guildford. We wish him luck in his new position.

Annual River Trip.—Held on 17th January, 1927, on a delightful moonlight night, was undoubtedly the most successful function of the year. Many people and old boys of other schools have told me and others how much they enjoyed the trip; this was most gratifying to the committee, and it certainly augers well for a successful function next year. With regard to the financial side, the figures compare very favourably with the previous trip, as the loss this year was under £3/- as against nearly £8/-.

Tennis Tournament.—This function had a run of bad luck attached to it, for first of all the courts which had been definitely booked, had to be postponed owing to top-dressing; then when they were rebooked they had to be postponed again owing to the curator deciding that the lawns had not sufficiently advanced through the top dressing. Then when at last the day did come, rain came down and stopped the play. However, Ted Ling is to be congratulated on the way he handled the tournament, and also of having the honour of being the only organiser to hand over to the Treasurer a profit which was 12/-. Under the system which the tournament was run, Merv. Brooking won the doubles and Wells May the singles.

Annual General Meeting.—Held at the School on Friday, 4th March, 1927. There were some 40 Old Boys present, which shows a good percentage, as fully 75 per cent. of our members are country. After the Secretary and Treasurer had read their reports, the election of Office Bearers and Committeemen took place, and of those gentlemen nominated, the following were duly declared elected 30 days after the meeting:

H. N. Boys, Chairman.	G. W. Connor.
G. C. R. Maclagan, Hon. Sec.	C. W. May.
W. H. Evans, Treasurer.	J. E. Eaton.
J. R. Giles, Assist. Hon. Sec.	G. Jacoby.
F. J. Gloster.	

There was a considerable amount of business up for discussion during the meeting; I therefore do not propose to mention everything, but merely give to you discussions of importance. The first on the list of general business was the voting to the motion to raise the Subscriptions to 10/- per annum, to include copies of the school Magazine. The members seemed to think that motion was a very good one, so was passed unanimously. After Mr. Maclagan had submitted quotes for the new lapel badge, it was moved that an order should be placed with the best people for the job. It was also decided that only financial members would be permitted to wear the new old boys' blazer and badge. A somewhat lengthy discussion took place on where the dance should be held, which ended in a special meeting being called. The proposed members of the new committee were to decide that at the meeting on the following Tuesday.

PROGRAMME FOR THIS YEAR.

1. Old Boys Day, 23rd April, 1927, at the School.
2. Football Match, 6th June, 1927, at the School.
3. Dance, 23rd June, 1927, at Y.A.L. Hall, Perth.
4. Dinner, 6th August, 1927, at Savoy Hotel, Perth.
5. Night Tennis. Date to be arranged.
6. Tennis Tournament, 29th October, at Kitchner Park.
7. School Sports Day. Date to be arranged.
8. Official Cricket Match, 3rd December, 1927, at the School.
9. River Trip, 9th January, 1928, S.S. Emerald.

You will all see from the above programme that the Committee have arranged an extensive programme, and it is the intention of the Sports' Committee (J. R. Giles, C. W. May, F. J. Gloster), to make each sporting function as interesting as possible, indeed it is one of the main objects of this year's Committee to try and bring old boys in closer touch with one another, than hitherto has been done. So please do give them your very necessary support, and I am sure you will have no cause to regret it.

Old Boys' Day.—Held at the School on Saturday, 23rd April, 1927, at the very kind invitation of our President, the Headmaster. Indeed it is hard to show or say how much we appreciated and enjoyed this one whole day in the year when Old Boys from near and far can come to school and be boys again. Those of us who were able to spend the morning at school passed away pleasant hours by inspecting the boat shed and boats and playing tennis. Some 20 old boys had luncheon at the School. In the afternoon, the cricket pitch and tennis courts were taxed to their utmost. The cricket match resulted in a drawn game, the match being unfinished.

Obituaries.

Many Old Boys were shocked to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Adams, a member of the school staff, we extend to the school our sympathies in their loss. Certain of us were very sorry to hear that Fred. Watson-Williams had lost his father. We offer him our sincere sympathy.

ONE THING AND ANOTHER.

Not by "Scrutator."

Since our last issue two of our members have joined the ranks of the "Benedicts." Merv Brooking and Jim Battye. Jim, by the way, is in Melbourne. We offer them our best wishes for the future.

Congratulations to Harold Boys on becoming Chairman of the Association.

Frank Bladen we hear is doing very well in Melbourne. Frank is quite a distinguished musician now.

Hurst Balme has now become his Company's representative at Kellerberrin.

"Blue" Carlton now one of Crawley's noted residents.

Klath Calthrop leads the Old Boys on to the field at the December cricket match, it seemed quite like old times to see "Cally," "Skinny," "Birdie," taking the field together.

Congratulation to Jack Eaton on becoming a member of the Committee.

Bill Evans now the Association's Hon. Treasurer.

Tom Flintoff was at the "Old Boys' Day."

T. O. Gaze now managing the firm's business at Port Adelaide.

Ted Hayward is now over from "Roseworthy." He is now taking it out of the soil at Morowa. His address is C/o. N. L. Gill. I am sure he would welcome letters from "Old Boys."

"Jacko" Higham is also married, we hear. We offer him our heartiest congratulations.

Darrell Hick, we hear, is going "Up North."

We feel very proud of Dick Giles, on being selected to go to Canberra with the Citizen Forces, as also are we of Dick Lovegrove, also of "Snips" Turner, to represent the Scouts of W.A.

While on this subject we must congratulate the School on "Taffy" Miller's selection to go with the Scouts. According to the paper reports he has already distinguished himself.

Roy Gibson has gone to Adelaide University to study medicine.

Rupert Kendall has just returned from Carnarvon and the East, the latter place where he has been on holidays.

Charlie Mudge has given up banking in this State, and has gone to Melbourne.

Brownie Philp, who returned from England some time ago, is now on the land.

The Secretary received a letter from Anson Sewell who is in the Malay States. His address is C/o. F. B. Sewell, Esq., Supt. of Surveys, Singapore. I am sure he will welcome letters from his old school chums.

We were all very pleased to see "Boof" Porter last Xmas while he was over for a holiday.

Charlie Rawll is now a married man. We wish him every success in his new venture.

Jack Stansfield was up from Collie a few weeks ago to receive the advice of a specialist, having lost the sight of an eye during the course of this profession. We offer him the best of luck for a quick recovery.

"Bubbles" Wright has now returned to town to continue his studies in Agriculture. His brother Irwin came to school for the "Old Boys' Day."

Lapel Badge.—The new lapel badges are now finished, and by the time this magazine is printed will be here. The price is 5/-.

Old Boys' Blazer.—The blazer is now ready, although at the time of writing, I have not been able to see the cloth, but I am assured by the makers that the cloth will be of an excellent quality, and judging from cloth of similar quality, which the makers showed me, I am quite satisfied that the job will be a good one. The cost of the blazers will be somewhere in the vicinity of fifty-five shillings.

Old Boys' Privileges.—Many old boys have asked what privileges does one gain by being a financial member of the Association. To this we reply, that now we can offer two concrete privileges, those of wearing the badge and blazer, and a third which is surely enough

that of being a member of the Association, surely many of us have that love for our old school that should make us proud to belong to the Association. Then again, we offer perhaps, the best privilege of the lot, that of being the guest of the Headmaster to spend the day at School again, which we call "Old Boys' Day." Now we offer to you, since the beginning of the year, the school magazine, the "Mitre," and I hope that you will assist me in making it worth while to be a subscriber to it by sending in news of old boys, and as was done in the last issue, little articles on incidents which happened when you were together, think what interesting reading it makes to our country members, and I know when you think of them and think of the few functions they are able to attend, you will come forward and make it worth while for them.

Subscriptions.—What a nasty word it is to many of us when we think of the pocket it has to come from.

Well to get straight to business. The subscriptions for the year 1927/8 are now due. It is only 10/-, so please let us have it as soon as possible. The Treasurer is W. H. Evans, Junr., Howard St., Perth. Please send it to him.

