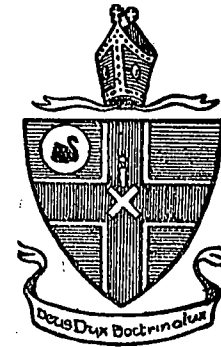
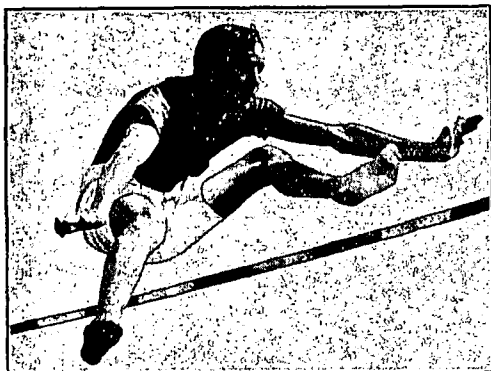


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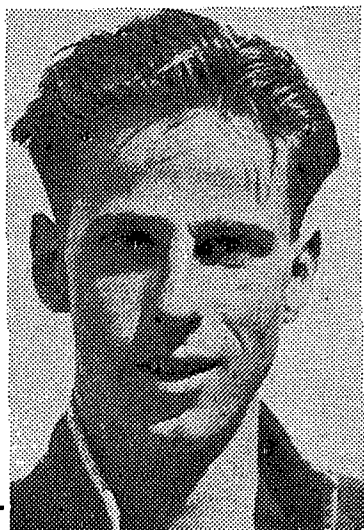


T. C. BEDELLS,
Champion Athlete
under 16, making
a New Record for
the Under 16 High
Jump.



Above:
"They're Off."

Right:
S. R. ARNOLD,
Champion Athlete
(Open).



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THE HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD.

This is the twentieth foreword I have written for "The Mitre" since I became headmaster in January, 1923, and I have been reading through all my Christmas forewords. You know when I write a foreword, by the time I have thought it out and put it on paper and read it over before I hand it to the editor and then again, when I see it in print, my foreword seems to me rather a worn out sort of thing. But when I looked up the old forewords, having forgotten what I wrote, I find that quite a number of interesting things had been happening at school and that the foreword had given me a chance to say something about them to you. So though it takes time to write, I do not grudge the time, and I feel I must try and think out my foreword to "The Mitre" of December, 1929. Of course, if it had been the "Mightier," perhaps I would have refused, but then the "Mightier" comes out so much more often than "The Mitre" and has among its contributors such a galaxy of talent (including even Aunt Mary), that the editors would forgive me for not spoiling their show. But I think I deserve at least three sheets for the foreword I am now writing. So here goes.

And first of all, the owl! Most of you have seen it in its glass case. It is a different sort of owl to the usual one met at school, because this one is a shorteared Scottish stuffed owl and not of the species "bubo humanus" with which we sometimes meet. Our owl was a prohibited immigrant and was only allowed into the State after the usual tests and on my guarantee that it was being admitted to the school for educational purposes. Well we have it for educational purposes and every one of us can see what an owl is like and feel that the Athenians were wise in regarding the owl as a sacred bird and an emblem of wisdom. We are very grateful to the Rev. F. M. Oliver, of Trayning, who presented the owl to the school, and I have an idea that he is going to give us its history some day, and perhaps even its correct scientific name.

The past term has been marked by one coveted victory. After two defeats in an Inter-School Athletic Sports Contest with Wesley College we just managed to beat them after a very exciting contest of which the result depended upon the last event. Congratulations to the running team and to Arnold on being champion athlete of the two schools. Our own sports too were interesting, and enjoyable, and the cricket up to date has not been the one-sided thing it sometimes was. I am glad to notice that a greater proportion of boys are taking cricket seriously and realise that it is a game that repays what is put into it.

Though we have had a small and select VA and VI, quite a representative number have been sitting for the Junior and two for the Leaving Examination. We await results with interest. This year the examinations did not begin until November 25th, and we were able to start school examinations at the same time and in consequence have a more enjoyable time at the very end of term, when there is plenty to do, but we do not like doing the ordinary routine things. The last Friday of term was marked a school and parents' Centenary School Picnic in the launch Sunbeam, and has, we hope, proved enjoyable.

During the year the numbers attending the school have gradually crept up in spite of boys leaving us at the end of the 1st and 2nd terms. Our roll at present is 101—of these 18 are over 15 and 22 are under 10—between the ages of 10 and 15 we have 61 boys, 19 of whom have turned 14. The number between 10 and 15 has remained much the same during the last five years, but the number over 15 is lower than it has been since 1924, and the under 10's have risen again to nearly the 1925 number of 25. I think this shows that the size and age of the boys is very much now what it has been in the past since we became a secondary school, and that as total numbers increase we will get a larger number of boys over 15 at the school, and in consequence a stronger 1st XI and 1st XVIII. Considering the composition and size of the school there is much to congratulate ourselves upon.

As far as I can ascertain, about the usual number of boys are leaving us, some to go out into business and their life's work, and a few to go to Guildford Grammar School. I do not grudge them going on to the Council's bigger school, though I would very much have liked them to stay at Christ Church School and face the future with us.

In the House, Miss Paterson came at the beginning of the term as Matron, and we soon found that she was keenly interested in the welfare of all in the Boarding House and everybody appreciates the interest she has shown and her unflinching kindness to all.

I am very sorry indeed that Mr. Beere will not be coming back next term. He was at Guildford during 1927, and has been back here again as our Housemaster during 1928-1929. We will miss him very much now that he has decided to go back to Guildford again, and wish him all good luck and happiness there.

Now let me add a personal note. I have been here seven years and to Mrs. Parry and myself they have been seven very happy years. For the last 5½ years I have been trusted by the Council for Church of England Schools, to do my best for Christ Church School without their interference in any way with me. The time for which I undertook to take that responsibility has now come to an end, and with 1930 there will begin, I believe, a period of development which within three years will make our school a bigger school than it now is, for the Council has definitely decided to develop Christ Church School, and the Trustees of the Diocese have already allocated the money for development subject to the plans, now being prepared, meeting with their approval. The work will begin as soon as possible, but it is not likely that we will benefit by the new buildings until the very end of 1930, or the beginning of 1931. I have always held that our school has a great future in front of it by reason of its position in an ideal situation and in the midst of a rapidly growing district, and now I feel that the time of development and growth is upon us, and I hope very much to share with

you in the things that are to be, as the school comes into its own. Recently Synod did me a very great honour in electing me a Canon of St. George's Cathedral, Perth, and the honour is the more gratifying because though it gives me an official position at St. George's Cathedral, it does not involve any alteration of my position as Headmaster here.

Now finally, I am glad the holidays are here and wish you all a happy Christmas and enjoyable holidays. Boys, who are leaving, keep up the school tradition wherever you are, and make it your business to become members of the Old Boys' Association, and you that are returning next term come back determined to put your best into the life of the school and to be in the best sense of the word worthy of all that your school stands for.

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EDITORIAL.

The Editor feels again this term somewhat like an ambitious fowl sitting on a china egg. Not that he's ever sat on a china egg for three weeks, but for about that period he's been patiently sitting in his editorial chairs, most of which have nails sticking up everywhere, waiting for the results of his "eggs." The results are one hen and two or three very scraggy roosters. The other ninety odd eggs were evidently all "duds." Anyone who knows anything about fowl-farming will admit that the law of averages has been violently upset and one should respect the law.

Contributions this term have fallen off considerably in quantity, more considerably in quality. Personal paragraphs at others' expense seems to be the limit of literary attainment. "Exams" is one plea put forward for lack of contributions. What a pity we can't print smiles! No literary gift is another. Well, why not cultivate it at the expense of "The Mitre." The magazine, like a car without petrol, is running very well—downhill. We must have some petrol, or as it is rather well-named, dry gas to get up the hill next term. Read these facts:—

- (a) Printing costs approximately 3d. per line. Hence the value of a short article in terms of cash is 5/- to 10/-.
- (b) Taking everybody into account the magazine is read, or not read, by hundreds of people.
- (c) It is sent to several schools for them to judge on the brains and achievements of Christ Church School.
- (d) "The Mitre" has to be very hurriedly prepared and if articles are not in early, the Editor's task is a very worrying one.

There are always blanks to be filled somehow. We rejoice to think that these blanks can be filled somewhat this term by photos of members of the school. What more fitting to fill up blanks than the photos of boys whose minds are too blank to send in, at any rate, an attempt.

To conclude in a more cheerful frame of mind congratulations to MacKenzie whose verses entitled "The Disappointed Phantom," and to "One who Knows" whose article "The Way There and the Result" were the only substantial contributions of any value this term.

CRICKET.

A general enthusiasm which has led to an interesting term's cricket, has been the most noticeable feature this term. Owing to Lewis, our captain, leaving, the election of a new captain was necessary. May we here congratulate Noseda on his election to this position and Jupp to that of vice-captain. The bowling has been very well managed, and the 1st XI has played some very interesting matches. May we also congratulate Bell on his 76 not out against Guildford.

The under 13 XI has played some good games, and although we have lost McGlashan, Bickford ii has filled the position of captain very successfully and managed his team well.

Unfortunately our style has been rather cramped by the advent of chicken-pox, but we are hoping this will not affect us much longer.

MATCHES PLAYED.

1st XI.

- v. **Scotch College**, away, 2/11/29. Lost.
S.C. 114 (Byass 38, Newman 22).
C.C.S. 61 (Bell 16 not out and 3 for 15, Noseda 4 for 10).
- v. **C.E.G.S.**, here, 9/11/29. Won.
C.C.S. 99 (Bell 19, Arnold 12, Douglas 11 not out, Bedells 11, Jupp 3 for 10, Angel 2 for 10).
C.E.G.S. 78 (Hugall 24 not out, Barrow 21).
- v. **H.S.**, away, 23/11/29. Lost.
C.C.S. 59 (Bell 27, Jupp 11 and 4 for 18, Noseda 5 for 20).
H.S. 80 (Godden 23, McKay 14).
- v. **C.E.G.S.**, away, 27/11/29. Drawn.
C.C.S. 140 for 2 wkts. (Bell 76 not out, Elsegood 29).
C.E.G.S. 62 for 0 wkts. (King 34 not out, Clarkson 26 not out).

Under Age.

- v. **Woodbridge House**, here, 6/11/29. Drawn.
C.C.S. 89 (Bickford ii 56, Howe 16 and 2 for 4, Horne 2 for 6).
W.H.S. 46 for 5 wkts. (Agar 24).
- v. **Scotch College**, away, 25 & 26/11/29. Lost.
S.C. 120 (Allnutt 41 and 4 for 9, Newman 2 for 6, Grieve 14 and 3 for 12).
C.C.S. 38 (Bickford i 5 for 34).
- v. **Guildford Preparatory School**, away, 9/11/29. Lost.
C.C.S. 47 (Weir 10, Smith 10, McGlashan 5 wkts.).
G.P.S. 94 (Merryweather 52 retired, Pope 22 and 3 for 6, Penny 3 for 9, Sadler 3 for 14).
- v. **Woodbridge House**, away, 20/11/29. Lost.
C.C.S. 53 (Horne 18, Bickford ii 5 for 14).
W.H.S. 100 (Cantlay 22, Agar 17, Cameron 16).

- v. **High School**, here, 23/11/29. Lost.
C.C.S. 27 (Bickford ii 18).
H.S. 86 (Moore 18, retired, White 16, Pearse 15).
- v. **Scotch College**, here, 7 & 8/11/29. Lost.
S.C. 93 (Allnutt ii 43).
C.C.S. 73 (Bickford 19 and 4 for 28, Horne 11 not out).
- v. **S.C.**, away, 2/11/29. Won.
S.C. 18 (Thomas 6).
C.C.S. 6 for 79 (Bickford ii 50, McGlashan 18, McGlashan 6 for 8, Bickford 4 for 10).

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INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS.

In doubt until the last event—the mile, spectacularly won by Arnold—this year's sports against Wesley College proved the most exciting of the contests yet held. The outstanding features were the large number of records, Wesley's consistency in the under 15 and under 14 events and our own consistency in filling, at any rate, second place. In Arnold and Bedells we had both open and under 16 champions. These two alone scored 38 of our total points.

The sports this year were held on our home ground, Claremont Oval, and the programme was carried through very smoothly. At the conclusion of the day, the referee, Mr. Rooney, presented the Lynn Shield to Arnold, the champion athlete, and it rests proudly in the school hall—we hope for many years. We are glad the shield did not go to Wesley again—as indeed seemed probable at times during the meeting—but we do congratulate them on the very close contest which they provided us.

Following are the results of the races:—

Open.

- 100 Yards.**—H. Taylor (W.), 1; S. R. Arnold (C.), 2; R. Gamble (W.), 3. Time, 11 1-5 sec. (record).
- 220 Yards.**—S. R. Arnold (C.), 1; L. B. Jupp (C.), 2; H. Taylor (W.), 3. Time, 25 4-5 sec. (record).
- 440 Yards.**—N. Reid (W.), 1; S. R. Arnold (C.), 2; L. B. Jupp (C.), 3. Time, 1.0 2-5 sec.
- Mile.**—S. R. Arnold (C.), 1; N. Reid (W.), 2; T. B. Craven (W.), 3. Time, 5.24.
- High Jump.**—L. B. Jupp (C.), 1; T. Bedells (C.), 2; W. Watkins (W.), 3. Height, 5 ft. 2 in. (record).
- Long Jump.**—H. Taylor (W.), 1; S. R. Arnold (C.), 2; N. Reid (W.), and L. B. Jupp (C.), 3. Distance, 18 ft. 10½ in. (record).

Under 16.

- 100 Yards.**—W. Robertson (C.), 1; R. Gamble (W.), 2; T. Bedells (C.), 3. Time, 11 2-5 sec. (equals record).
- 220 Yards.**—R. Gamble (W.), 1; W. Robertson (C.), 2; J. G. Moss (W.), 3. Time, 26 4-5 sec.

440 Yards.—T. Bedells (C.), 1; W. Robertson (C.), 2; J. G. Moss (W.), 3. Time, 1.3½.

880 Yards.—T. Bedells (C.), 1; A. Stoneham (W.), 2; J. G. Moss (W.), 3. Time, 2.24 (record).

High Jump.—T. Bedells (C.), 1; A. H. Nicholls (W.), 2; W. Robertson (C.), 3. Height, 5 ft. 0½ in. (record).

Under 15.

100 Yards.—R. Gamble (W.), 1; A. Pierce (W.), 2; A. W. Lilburne (W.), 3. Time, 11 3-5 sec (record).

220 Yards.—R. Gamble (W.), 1; A. Pierce (W.), 2; A. W. Lilburne (W.), 3. Time, 26 4-5 sec. (record).

Under 14.

100 Yards.—J. Arnott (W.), 1; P. F. Maclaren (C.), 2; W. Gordon (W.), 3. Time, 12 1-5 sec. (equals record).

220 Yards.—J. Arnott (W.), 1; P. F. Maclaren (C.), 2; W. Gordon (W.), 3. Time, 29 1-5 sec.

High Jump.—W. Gordon (W.), 1; G. Gibson (W.), 2; A. M. Howe (C.), 3. Height, 4 ft. 6½ in. (record).

Under 13.

150 Yards.—J. McGlashan (C.), 1; A. J. S. McKay (C.), and A. R. Dutton (W.), 2. Time, 21 sec.

Under 12.

75 Yards.—J. G. Bedells (C.), 1; A. R. Dutton (W.), 2; N. H. Bird (C.), 3. Time, 9 4-5 sec.

Under 11.

75 Yards.—A. R. Dutton (W.), 1; N. H. Bird (C.), 2; D. Tregonning (C.), 3. Time, 10 1-5 sec.

Under 10.

50 Yards.—A. Johnson (C.), 1; W. Bird (C.), 2; B. Ulrich (W.), 3. Time, 7 2-5 sec.

660 Yards Old Boys' Relay Race.—C.C.S. (E. A. Lovegrove, A. M. Brown and C. Maclagan), 1; Wesley (C. E. M. Agg, A. J. Guard, and H. B. Hanton), 2. Time, 1.17 (equals record).

SCHOOL SPORTS.

The Annual Sports were again held on the school grounds, and quite a successful and pleasant gathering resulted. Although the track was a little heavy in places many good times were recorded. Among the most successful competitors were: Arnold, who won the title of champion athlete; Jupp, runner up; T. C. Bedells, champion athlete under 16 and W. Robertson, runner up. Maclaren also ran well in breaking the record for the 100 under 15.

We wish to thank Matron and her staff for their assistance, also those parents and friends who acted as officials for the day.

The results (as far as available) were as follows:—

Open Championships.

100 Yards.—Arnold, 1; Jupp, 2; Robertson i, 3. Time, 11 3-10 sec.

220 Yards.—Arnold, 1; Jupp, 2; Robertson i, 3; Currie i, 4. Time, 26 3-5 sec.

440 Yards.—Arnold, 1; Jupp, 2; Currie i, 3; Buckingham 4. Time, 59 2-5 sec.

880 Yards.—Arnold, 1; Jupp, 2; Currie i, 3. Time, 2.25 4-5 sec.

Long Jump.—Arnold, 1; Jupp, 2; Robertson, 3. Distance, 18 ft. ¾ in.

High Jump.—Jupp, 1; Bedells, 2; Nosedo, 3. Height, 4 ft. 10 in.

Under 16 Championships.

100 Yards.—Robertson i 1; Bedells i, 2; Bickford, 3; Nielsen, 4. Time 12 1-5 sec.

220 Yards.—Bedells i, 1; Robertson i, 2; Simmons, 3. Time, 59 sec.

440 Yards.—Robertson i, 1; Bedells i, 2; Parker i, 3. Time, 64 4-5 sec.

880 Yards.—Bedells, 1; Parker, 2. Time, 3.15 sec.

Long Jump.—Robertson, 1; Bedells, 2; Ellershaw, 3.

High Jump.—Bedells, 1; Robertson i, 2; Ellershaw, 3. Height, 5 ft.

Junior Championships.

Under 15.

100 Yards.—Nielsen and Maclaren, 1; Bickford, 3; Higham, 4. Time, 12 3-5 sec.

220 Yards.—Moir, 1; Maclaren, 2; Higham, 3; Nielsen, 4. Time, 30 2-5 sec.

Under 14.

100 Yards.—Maclaren, 1; McGlashan, 2; Deans, 3; Horne, 4. Time, 12 1-5 sec.

220 Yards.—Maclaren, 1; Deans, 2; Howe, 3; Horne, 4. Time, 31 4-5 sec.

High Jump.—Howe, 1; Robertson iii, 2. Height, 4 ft. 1 in.

Under 13.

100 Yards.—McGlashan, 1; McKay, 2; Bedells ii, 3; Smith, 4. Time, 13 sec.

150 Yards.—McGlashan, 1; McKay, 2; Smith, 3. Time, 20 4-5 sec.

Under 12.

75 Yards.—Bedells ii, 1; Sanderson, 2; Bird, 3; Scott, 4. Time, 10 1-5 sec.

Under 11.

75 Yards.—Scott, 1; Bird, 2; Tregonning, 3; Dickson ii, 4. Time, 11 sec.

Under 10.

50 Yards.—Bird, 1; Davies i, 2.

Relay Races.

School v. Old Boys.—Old Boys, 1; School, 2.

Inter-Section.—House, 1; Romsey, 2; Queenslea, 3. Time, 41 4-5 sec.

Scouts.—Bullfrogs, 1; Magpies, 2; Dingoes, 3; Kookaburras, 4.

Handicaps—Open.

100 Yards.—Robertson, 1; Jupp, 2; Dossett, 3.

Mile.—Connor, 1; Adams i, 2; Dickson, 3.

Under Age—Under 16.

100 Yards.—Bedells i, 1; Ellershaw, 2; Bickford, 3.

Under 15.

100 Yards.—Moir, 1; Currie ii, 2; Manning, 3.

220 Yards.—Moir, 1; Kau, 2; Currie ii, 3.

Under 14.

220 Yards.—Horne, 1; Robertson iii, 2; Giles, 3.

880 Yards.—Howe, 1; Odlum, 2; Kau, 3.

Under 18.

100 Yards.—McKay, 1; Bedells ii, 2; McGlashan, 3.

440 Yards.—McGlashan, 1; Adams, 2; Dickson, 3.

Under 12.

100 Yards.—Bedells ii, 1; Tregonning, 2; Bird, 3.

Under 11.

100 Yards.—Tregonning, 1; Bird, 2; Scott, 3.

75 Yards.—Tregonning, 1; Hatton ii, 2; Bird, 3.

Under 10.

75 Yards.—Johnston, 1; Parry, 2; Elsegood ii, 3.

Under 9.

50 Yards.—Richardson, 1; Adams ii, 2; Brisbane, 3.

Fancy Races.

Siamese.—Maclaren and Parker i, 1; Nielsen and Howe, 2.

Donkey.—Adams i and Bedells ii, 1.

Egg and Spoon.—Langford 1; Odlum, 2.

Wheelbarrow.—Maclaren and Kau, 1; McKay and Elsegood ii, 2.

Sack.—Berry, 1.

Old Boys.

100 Yards Handicap.—Brown, 1; E. Lovegrove, 2; A. Lovegrove, 3.

880 Yards Championship.—Lovegrove, 1; Hamilton, 2; Todd, 3.

SCHOOL NOTES.**The Headmaster.**

One of the most important items of school interest this term has been the appointment of the Headmaster as Canon. The honour is one that has not been often conferred in this State and is usually the acknowledgment of services rendered to the Diocese. Those who have read the various newspaper accounts of the Headmaster's work must realise how well-deserved the honour is and will need

no second reminder of that work. Those connected with the school should be especially satisfied with the choice of the headmaster when they remember that in order not to sever his connection with the school, he had already refused the position of Dean of Perth. As yet the school has not offered its congratulations. It takes the opportunity offered by the school magazine to do so now.

Staff.

Although more about the changes in the school staff will be learned from the Headmaster's Foreword, we take this opportunity of again saying farewell to Mr. Beere. All that has been said about him when he left us before will apply again. So we won't say it, but content ourselves with expressing our genuine regret at losing one who invariably if unobtrusively, did his best for the school both as master and as a personal friend and adviser to boys. We wish him all happiness and success at Guildford whose boys are fortunate in getting such a comrade as master. We are sure Mr. Beere will not forget us and will pay us visits occasionally at our various sports and similar fixtures.

Matron is by this time quite at home among us, and we have done our best to show our appreciation of her services by as many as possible getting chicken-pox or water on the brain—sorry. Dicky, we meant knee—broken noses (one each of course), etc. However, what is a Matron for?

Donation.

The school is very grateful to the Rev. F. M. Oliver for the gift of a stuffed owl. The Head gratefully accepted it undertaking, as requested, to use it for educational purposes only. The Customs officials apparently do not like the damage done by stuffed owls and their importation is prohibited. So we feel very proud of our prohibited alien. The headmaster wrote to Mr. Oliver explaining that "although we already have a good many owls for educational purposes, none are old enough to be shot (in one sense, not in another) and only at times stuffed, so one more literally stuffed will be acceptable for the school library and museum."

CONGRATULATIONS

To Nosedá on his appointments as Prefect and Captain of Cricket.

Bedells i, Jupp, McGlashan on the award of their Running Colours.

Bedells i, on his appointment as a duty boy.

VALETE.

Form IIIa.—Rogers.

Form IIIb.—Doddemeade.

Form IIa.—Burnside.

SALVETE.

Form IVb.—W. Featherstone*.

Form II.—D. J. Forrest (returned), L. Samuel.

Form I.—R. Richardson*, P. Bowers, G. Harcus.

*Denotes Boarder.

SCOUT NOTES.

When I wrote in the last issue of "The Mitre" I overlooked the fact that the third term was a strenuous time for many of us; exams. and so forth. And so there is no long list of badges won, but I think we have every reason to be pleased with the general smartness of the troop. The attendance has been good and if one gets good attendances plus correct uniform the troop will go ahead.

The first item that needs comment, I think, is the New Dingo Patrol. Jerry could be nothing but a Dingo after his wonderful performances on the megaphone at the sports. Anyhow, Parker and his patrol, nicely graded so far as size is concerned, are to be congratulated. Good old Dingo and Pups. Gus seems to be Instructor General and Passer, and his custody of troop funds and collection of subs. is not all beer and skittles. The other leaders, Bedells and Eagleton, have been suffering from examinations; to them we extend thanks and good wishes so far as results are concerned.

Mrs. Odium, who has been in England, sent a bound volume of the "Daily Arrow"—the journal of the International Jamboree Camp to the Troop. The gift was much appreciated. Thank you. Geoff Connor and Ken Hoseason have helped with troop meetings and camps. The former is organiser of Scout Forestry Service, and Ken is secretary; so No. 4 is doing a bit in a quiet way.

And lastly—my hardy annual. Christmas is essentially a time for the Good Turn; there are many youngsters in Perth who will not have enough to eat over Xmas, and on behalf of such children the "Daily News" has a fund to provide real good feeds. 2/6 provides an astonishing number of children with a real "tuck in" and a little less Peters, Speedway and Pictures for you and a happy day for several should appeal to the Good Scout. There are no bad Scouts in No. 4 Troop.

S. M.

THE WAY THERE AND THE RESULT.

Not far from the country of the Glubberlys lies the fair land of the Wallpugs. In order to get there you must take the train, and you will in time reach the River Splosh. But you must not reach the Splosh, for it flows in a circle, and has an armed garrison at all corners. You may, however, if you go far enough, see the land of the Wallpugs rising high above the river, but unfortunately, as the land is as flat as a pancake, it can only be seen by crawling up to it in the dark, while it is sleeping upside down upon the river. As it is an island, it is only separated from the country of the Glubberlys by a narrow piece of land. But do not think that you can enter by it. No, the Wallpugs are proud of their country, for they only let strangers enter when they have been there before. As the land of the Glubberlys lies next to that of the Wallpugs, the best way to get there is to burrow into the earth and you will, after turning all corners, eventually arrive out again upon "Terra Firma," the quivering bog that occupies the market place of Schychgr, the Wallpugs' chief town. Most likely the place will not surprise you very much at first, for as the land was found to be too large for the inhabitants, they saved space by building their habitations on the mushroom principle. The kitchens are conveniently placed on the ground floor, in order that the houses occupants may never need to be hungry; not that the houses are

ever occupied. As life is very easy most of the time is spent in digging for fossilized gooseberries, of which the Wallpugs are very fond, and in rolling water uphill. As to the general appearance of the Wallpugs, their chief characteristic lies in the fact that their short legs and arms come together into points, between which is fixed a spherical body, which perpetually revolves.

ONE WHO IS IGNORANT.

"THE DISAPPOINTED PHANTOM."

The Phantom sat in his easy chair,
As the fire was burning low:
And he said in the tones of a sad despair,
"Oh, why am I treated so?
Why, why do the youth of the present day,
With an impudent twang reject
The awesome spell of the olden sway,
That aroused such deep respect?
They never will hear me shake my bones,
In the cellar beneath the Hall:
And they pay no heed to my favourite groans,
When the moon makes shadows to fall.
Yet I won't resign to a crew so pert.
But I'll give 'em some top-notch frights:
And very particular tricks exert
To recover my ancient rights."
He rose, as he spoke, with a long, lank yawn,
As the midnight bell did toll:
And out of the room he was deftly gone
'Ere its echoes had ceased to roll.
He climbed the stairs to a far-off room,
Where Bartholemew Wilfred lay:
And he troubled his dreams with an awful gloom
'Till he woke in a wild dismay.
Then the Phantom wailed in a gruesome style
That he fancied would freeze the heart:
But it brought no more than a pitying smile
From the cool collected Bart.
"I've got it too, old spook," said he,
"For of course it's far from wise,
To mix up chocolates, nuts and tea
With turkey, tarts and pies.
But cheer up, do, for you doubtless guess,
Or recall from your ancient past:
That these are the troubles we all possess
While the Christmas junkets last."
He spoke to the air for the Phantom fled
And afar in the North Wind's roar,
Was heard a sound that distinctly said,
"I will haunt the world no more
For the youth of the world has too much lip,
And a self-respecting sprite
Can never put up with the fits of pip,
That their impudent snubs excite."

MAC BURNS.

ROMSEY NOTES.

Congratulations to House on their success in the school sports and to Arnold (House) on being Champion Athlete; also to Nosedo on his appointment as captain of cricket. The only intersection match thus far played has resulted in a victory for Romsey over House.

We have a great loss to bemoan. Our chief amusement is gone. "Will" has left school to look for a job.

By the time these notes appear The Junior will be a thing of the past—or won't it? We rely on our representatives worthily to uphold Romsey. "LEG BEFORE."

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BOARDERS' NOTES.

A year of work has ended; we prepare for relaxation. Those of us who are now doing everything for the last time—the last geometry lesson, the last singing lesson—view the holidays as an exhausted swimmer does the near-by shore.

Have we worked during the preceding term with requisite enthusiasm? Will the exams. prove a holocaust of miserable failures, or the consummation of efforts well applied?

Our business heads have for the last month or so been publishing a weekly paper, "The Mightier," which keeps us all well-up in the news of the week. We learn from time to time that Dicky, Gongs and Ken, are progressing favourably, that George is also progressing, and that Max too is progressing, all in different ways; Max in fact in all ways.

Dicky was pronounced to have "H₂O on the knee," and we extend to him our sympathy for his unpleasant plight.

Disturbances in Wall Street have necessitated a hurried, if temporary, removal from the offices of "The Mightier." We learn that the shares (all four) are unaffected and are still booming at twice their value. A financial slump is anticipated.

House must congratulate themselves on winning the running this year—the first time for four years. This fact was rather eclipsed by our win against Wesley, but we now take the opportunity to say "Well done, House." "SIRRAH."

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Va NOTES.

Throughout the term or at any rate for a few hours, Bill, Tom, 'Arry, Les, Keith and Laurie have been hard at work for the Junior. Our only grievance is those little history extras on Friday afternoons—even History Masters have their weak points—once a week. "Will" has taught us during History that the "Battle of the Nile" was fought at Seringapatan in Canada, in 1805. Alas, Will has left us disconsolate. May he search long before he finds his job. In closing, we wish the best of luck to those leaving the school at the end of term. "L.B.W."

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Vb AND IVa NOTES.

(From numerous reporters)

Tinkler has had a hair-cut. The lawn mower is being sharpened.

Jerry is a real Porcus now, and stands up to his name by doing the exercise "Pigs in Clover" very well.

Gus tried to catch a fly. The fly won easily by about the length of the classroom.

Sim finds that a certain meeting has its attractions—when it's over.

Gabe is still soaring at the top of the form with Klaxon trying very hard to get past him. We didn't know that angels ignored horns—we thought that even in the ether there was a rule of the road—either way traffic.

We are very sorry at losing our friend Dang. How will we know when lessons are over, without him?

We are still wondering about our tourney with IIb and II Latin. When is it coming off?

Congratulations to the Headmaster on the recent honour conferred on him.

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FROM EXAM. PAPERS—OUR VERY OWN.

The plague raged for two years, then it debated.

Columbus sailed to America. His boat was the "Endeavour."

The Black Death came in 1666 and burnt half of London.

Egypt is not ruled by anyone now.

Lord Burleigh was a French General.

Calais was one of the best parts of England captured by the Turks.

What good thing did Henry VII. do? He had 7 wives.

The Armada sailed up the Streets of Dover.

"Regardant le vieux hussard d'un oeil severe. Looking the old hussy in the eye."

Formation of English Plurals: Words ending in—use change—use to—ice e.g. mouse, mice.

Barometer measures the rain if it's going to rain.

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LIBRARY.

New books this term include:—Avery, "Between Two Schools," Burroughs, "Thuvia, Maid of Mars," "The Land That Time Forgot," "Tarzan and the Golden Lion," "At the Earth's Core;" Bullivant "Every Boy's Book of Hobbies;" Bourne, "Coppernob Buckland;" Broster, "The Yellow Poppy;" Coke, "The House Prefect;" Curwood, "The Flaming Forest;" C. Doyle, "The Doings of Raffleshaw;" Heyer, "These Old Shades;" Hayens, "Play Up Blues;" Mason, "Witness for the Defence;" Miln, "It Happened in Peking;" Oppenheim, "Nicholas Goode, Detective," "Harvey Garrard's Crime;" Orczy "The First Sir Percy," "Sir Percy Hits Back;" Packard, "The Devil's Mantle," "The Slave Junk;" Le Queux, "Double Nought;" Seltzer, "The Trail Horde;" Wren, "Driftwood Spars," "Father Gregory;" Wentworth, "Hue and Cry;" Wallace, "The Black Abbot," "The Green Archer," "The Double," "Sanders Again;" Wodehouse, "Adventures of Sally," "Coming of Bill;" Wright, "Calling of Dan Matthews," "The Mine with the Iron Door;" Yates, "Blind Corner," "Anthony Lyveden," "The Stolen March;" Bridges and Tietman, "Heroes of Modern Adventure."

Front Row—A. McKay, J. Nielsen, H. Higham, A. M. Howe, C. Blackford, G. E. Horne
 Second Row—V. Moir, F. Sanderson, J. Scott, J. McGlashan, R. Noseda, J. Bedells, A. Johnston, G. Deans.
 Third Row—G. Buckingham, R. Elisegood, D. Tregominig, N. Bird.
 Back Row—A. J. Parker, P. MacIaren, W. Robertson, L. B. Jupp, S. R. Arnold, T. C. Bedells, K. Currie, L. Dosssett.



VICTORIOUS ATHLETIC TEAM V. WESLEY.

Old Boys' Association Notes.

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FOREWORD.

As the association year is now drawing to a close, a few words on the remaining functions would not be out of place. The annual cricket match against the school, a tennis tournament, perhaps, and Old Boys' Day, complete the year's programme. As one function will be over by the time this edition of "The Mitre" is issued and another is as yet undecided, we will confine our remarks to Old Boys' Day, when Canon Parry, as Headmaster of the School and President of the Association, invites all old boys to be present.

The school swimming sports are held in the morning, when special events for you are provided, and in the afternoon old boys' cricket teams will compete against one another. Tennis and other forms of amusement are provided.

In the evening, the Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held, when you can let off steam and air your views on association matters.

Last Old Boys' Day some 40 or 50 were present at one of the most successful gatherings we have had. Next Old Boys' Day, at the beginning of March, 1930, we expect to see that number doubled. It is the event of the year, and it is up to you to accord Mr. Parry a generous response to his very cordial invitation.

There is little more to be said except to remind some old boys that the days of free association sports are over. No longer is anybody to represent the association in any match on the strength of the prowess he showed at school—unless he is a financial member of the association. It is felt that this is only fair to those who support the association and doubly so to the snipe who shows no more interest than to expect to be allowed to make his customary duck or two every year.

BRIDGE EVENING.

Held on Saturday, 20th September, the Bridge Evening this year proved a social, and, contrary to the usual run of gatherings, a pronounced financial success.

Under the direction of Mr. Keith Whitlock, who, by his winning personality on behalf of a good and noble cause, was able to interest an enthusiastic ladies' committee in this function, the evening was entirely satisfactory.

Some twenty-four tables were occupied for bridge and other games of chance, there being a fair number of old boys present. The association funds benefited to the extent of £9 8s. 3d. being considerably better than last year.

Our best thanks are due to Mrs. H. Boys, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. C. H. Briggs, Miss Evans, Mrs. J. E. D. Battye, Miss Amsberg, Mrs. Tregonning and Mrs. May, who formed the ladies' committee who provided an excellent supper and helped in other ways to make the evening a success.

Honourable mention must be given to Messrs. K. Whitlock and E. A. Lovegrove as the joint organisers of the event.

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ATHLETICS.

There was a large representation of old boys at the annual school sports held on Saturday, October 12th, at the school. Amongst those present were: Whitlock, Maclagan, Brown, Bold, Armstrong, H., Bold, Todd, Armstrong, C., Hamilton, Lovegrove, E. A., Lovegrove, H., Hoseason, Nielsen, Harrison, E. S., Harrison, L., Martin, Utting, Evans, T., Evans, W. H., Evans, C.H. and Evans, D. H.

All old boys present confidently lined up for the 100 yards handicap which had to be run in three heats, the eventual winner being Max Brown who won from Dick Lovegrove by a short nose with H. Lovegrove a good third.

Owing to the ministrations of Messrs. W. D. & H. O. Wills and Swan, the large field in the 880 yards championship was sadly diminished in the final stages. Dick Lovegrove, who proved the best jostler, was able to get a flying start, was never headed, and managed to stall off a fast finishing opposition to win by about 50 yards.

The relay race against the school was another win for the older generation, Messrs. Lovegrove, Brown and Maclagan, who ran for the old boys, just getting there by the barest of margins.

INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS DAY.

Owing to the Annual Sports versus Wesley College being held on a Wednesday afternoon only a moderate number of old boys were present, amongst whom were C. May, K. Sudlow, Miller, Flin-toff, Atkinson, Brown, Lovegrove and Maclagan.

The old boys' relay was won by us rather comfortably, but the good time recorded shows that our opponents were by no means a slow team. We would like to congratulate Messrs. Lovegrove, Brown and Maclagan for running an exceptionally fine race.

While we are patting ourselves on the back we must not forget to congratulate the present boys on their most meritorious win, and trust that they will make it their business to see that they retain the Lynn Shield next year.

PERSONAL PARS.**Matrimonial, etc.**

The marriage of Mr. Henry Norman (Skinny) Giles to Miss Eleanor Barker was celebrated towards the end of October last. Mr. and Mrs. Giles are now living in Claremont.

Mr. Tony Montgomery was married to Miss Bennett on Sept. 21st last.

We hear that Jack Eaton is to be married on Christmas Day at Albany. Selwyn Prior will be best man.

The engagement of Ted Ling to Miss Shiela Johns, of Cottesloe, has recently been announced.

To Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whitlock—a son.

Congratulations from the association to one and all.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. Doug. Lord has been appointed advertising manager for the Shell Oil Company Ltd.

Mr. Fred Gloster is another rising member of the Shell staff. We understand that Bob Giles is a fully qualified aviator.

Tom Lovegrove has entered the realms of international sport—more or less. He has represented Liverpool University against Ireland in a recent rugby tour.

Other rugby exponents are Dick Calthrop, who is a member of the State rugby team, and Peter Montgomery, who ranks high in the gentle art. Dick, in his spare moments, is studying law at the University.

Theo. Lynn ran well for Guildford Grammar in the Public School Sports in the open events and secured a few points for them.

"Snips" Turner has recently returned from the North-West after a prolonged spell of wool classing.

Allan Christison has been seen in Perth lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Christy and their little son are now back at Tammin.

Bob Ling and Campbell Armstrong are spreading themselves a bit and are now in Sydney showing the locals how to paint the town red.

Old boys are warned not to offend Max Brown in future. We understand he is an intimate friend of Count Zarynoff and has learnt enough high sounding grips to wallop a regiment.

Ted Ling looks very smart in that sports model Chev. of his. Ted is now the traveller for the Hume Pipe Company Ltd. Concrete, we understand, has certain advantages over steel.

Ted Hayward is a clearing contractor up north.

STOP PRESS.

CRICKET.—1st XI.

v. Wesley, here, 4/12/29. Lost.

Wesley 56 (Moss 21, Crawford 12, Arnott 4 wkts., Tresise 3 wkts., Crawford 3 wkts.).

C.C.S. 40 (Barsden 12, Angel 6 for 25).