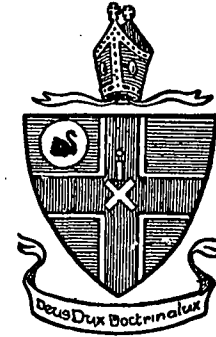


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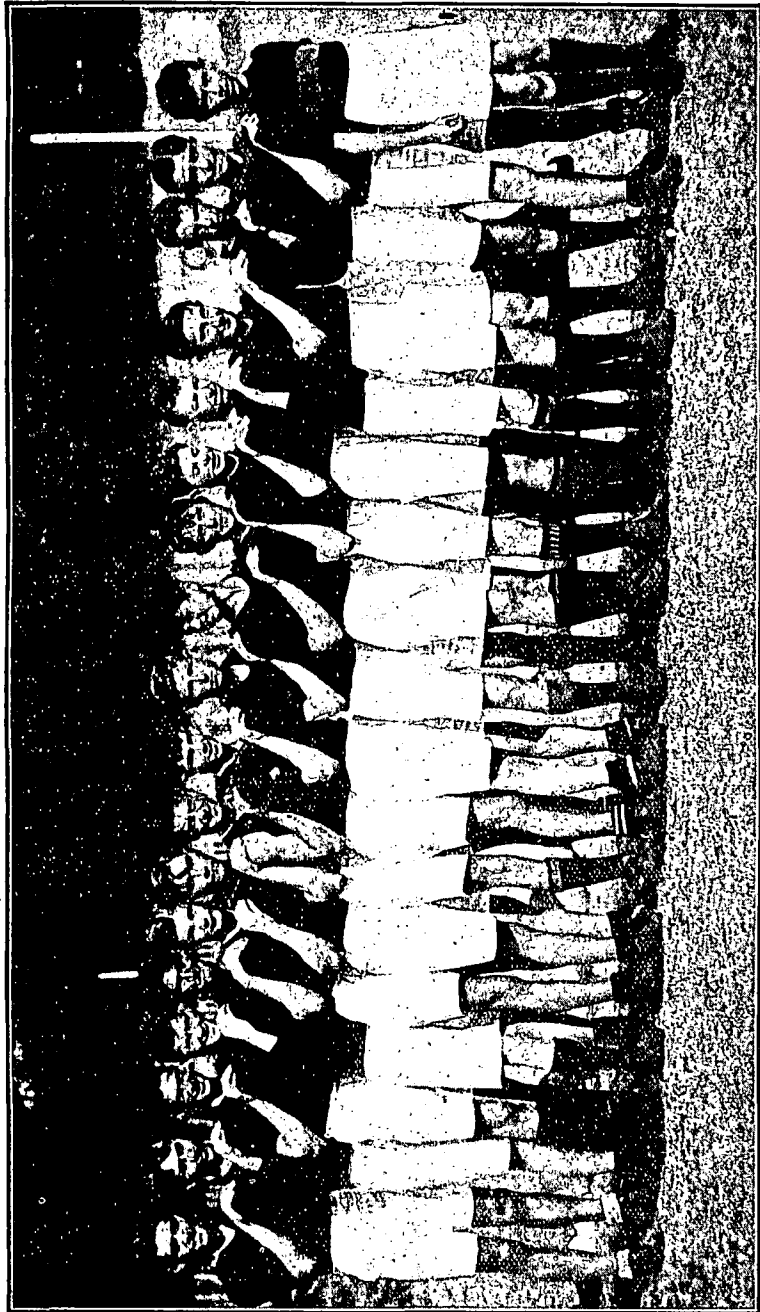
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HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD.

The chief event of the past term has undoubtedly been the commencement of the work on the grounds. This work is now so far advanced that it is possible to see what the final result will be. There will be a fine ground on a higher level and of a good size for cricket, approximately 110 yards by 100 yards, made by using the three strips of land that formerly were in the Romsey, Craigie and Girls' High School grounds. This ground will be about six feet above the level of the older ground which has been extended by the removal of the pittosporum hedge between the old ground and the Girls' High School property and when completed will have a length of 180 yards and a width of 120 yards and will run diagonally from near the corner of the old class rooms in a south-west direction to near the further drive. The clearance of various trees, much as it was regretted, was necessary, but only those trees that interfered with the grounds were removed, so that there are still a good number of trees left about the school property. When finished the grounds of the school will have a very effective appearance, especially as seen from the Perth-Fremantle Road. In front there will be the large football and cricket field; above that, the new cricket field, and in the back-ground the three main buildings which are to be used for the residential portion of the school at the beginning of 1931. The classrooms near the Perth-Fremantle Road will remain, and structural alterations will be made to them during the coming holidays and certain outside work will also be begun on the Boarding House at the same time, so that before next term begins there will be certain outside evidences of the move we are contemplating at the end of the year, and the enlargements of the playing field on the eastern side will also be completed. There is no doubt that the Council of Church of England Schools has been exceedingly generous and far sighted in the plans they have made for the future of this school. The playing fields will be very fine indeed when finished and ready for use, and the accommodation both for boarders and day boys will be excellent. This work could only have been done in the determination that Christ Church Grammar School is to grow into a very much bigger school than it has been in the past, for neither the present nor past history of the school would have warranted such lavish expenditure. It has been entailed by the improvements now being made. A venture of faith has been made and we feel sure that the venture will in the near future be amply justified and that Christ Church Grammar School will be a source of pride and congratulation to the Council of Church of England Schools as well as to the town of Claremont and the boys that have been educated and are being educated at it.

In school life itself the ordinary routine has gone along quietly. In the football, Mr. Hough's coaching produced good results, and the teams always gave a good account of themselves when playing

against any team of the same age and size. In House matches the vigour of the play and the keenness left nothing to be desired, and altogether the play has shown a marked improvement.

The actual dates of our sports and the sports against Wesley have not yet been fixed. The date of the latter depends largely on the availability of grounds. With considerably fewer to choose from than our rivals have, we will need keenness and enthusiasm in the training to make up for numbers. We expect a hard contest and, of course, hope to win again.

In social events the prefects again organised a dance which proved a great social success, and we are very indebted to the committee of ladies who so generously helped in the provision of supper and the other arrangements that help to make a dance successful. The Old Boys' Dance at the Karrakatta Club was also a delightful function, at which the majority were old boys of the school which made the gathering even more enjoyable than usual. A good number of old boys was present at the annual dinner at the beginning of August and their enjoyment was evident.

The formation of an Old Boys' Hockey Team has done a great deal to bring together old boys regularly and I am glad the team has had such a good first season. I understand that there is a chance of the team getting into the "A" grade and also that sufficient number of old boys are taking up the game to make it probable that a 2nd team will be formed for next hockey season.

The members of the Old Boys' Association are discussing a scheme for erecting a pavilion or spectators' stand for the sports grounds. The general meeting has already sanctioned the transfer of money in hand for the gymnasium that it may be applied to this other object and a scheme is being prepared for raising the necessary funds. I hope very much that the old boys will be able to carry out this scheme and that next Old Boys' Day will see its completion and opening.

On August 21st the school is taking an official part in the function of laying the foundation stone of the new building of St. Hilda's School at Cottesloe and the scout troop is forming the Guard of Honour.

In last "Mitre" I said that the name of the school was to be changed and that a decision had not been reached. Now I am glad to put on record that the name is "Christ Church Grammar School," chosen partly to preserve the association with the school's past 20 years of history and partly to mark the larger developments which are now beginning, as the word "Grammar" is connected with the great Church of England Secondary Schools of Australia.

FOOTBALL.

Football has been taken up keenly by all the boys in school this term. The standard of play we are pleased to say has shown a decided improvement on that of last year although our analysis of matches is still weak.

The 1st XVIII have been ably coached by Mr. K. Hough this term, but we had the misfortune of losing him about two-thirds of the

way through the term as he formed one of the Western Australian team that is taking part in the Carnival games. We wish him good luck. We are still at the disadvantage of a light 1st XVIII, and several of the players are young and inexperienced; however, they have performed creditably against the heavier teams of other schools. The under age teams have also shown a marked improvement and not one of them has failed to win at least one match.

ANALYSIS OF MATCHES.

	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.
1st XVII	10	2	0	8
Under 15	2	1	0	1
Under 14	6	2	0	4
Under 13	5	2	0	3

Leading goalkickers in 1st XVIII.—Bedells i, 19; Dickson i, 10; Jupp, 8; Deans, 7.

CRITIQUE.

Bedells i.—Captain, has fulfilled his office well. Has proved at his best when fighting with his back to the wall. Has kept his team together well. A very good high mark and reliable kick.

Jupp.—As Vice-Captain, has performed his duty well. Has done very useful work in ruck and in the half-back line. He is a good mark and good kick, is fast on the ball and disposes of it well.

Currie i.—Has performed creditably at ruck and half-forward. He uses his weight well, is a fair mark and kick and fast on the ball.

Bickford i.—Has done good work in the half-forward line. Is a fair mark and good kick and disposes of the ball well.

Ellershaw.—Has done good work as rover; he is a good mark and a good kick, is fast on the ball and disposes of it well.

Barsden.—Has successfully filled the position of goalkeeper. He is a good mark, good kick, and he clears well.

Parker i.—Has done well as a ruck and half-back. He is a good mark and a good kick, uses his weight well, but is slow on the ball.

Dickson i.—Has been troubled with water on the knee. However, for the latter half of the term he has filled the position of goal sneak well. He is a fair mark and kick, although rather slow.

Angel.—Has played well at full forward, is a good mark and a good kick. He also has been troubled with water on the knee.

Horne.—A young player who will do better with experience, fair mark and kick; he is slow on the ball.

Nielsen i.—Has proved fairly successful as a centre. He is a fair mark and kick, is fast on the ball and disposes of it well.

Nielsen ii.—A young player who has done well on the wing. He is a fair mark and kick, is fast on the ball and disposes of it well. He will improve when he gains experience.

McLaren.—A fair emergency ruck. Has done good work as a half-back. He is a fair mark and kick, but is inclined to be slow; uses his weight well.

Hoseason.—Has performed creditably as a back, is a fair mark but erratic kick and rather slow.

McGlashan.—Another young player who should improve as he gains experience, is a good mark and fair kick, also rather slow.

Bickford ii.—A young player who has done well as a half-back, is a good mark and kick and disposes of the ball well.

Howe.—A young player who plays full-forward, is a good mark and kick but is slow on the ball.

Currie ii.—A full-back who has performed creditably. He is a very rugged type of player, fair mark and kick.

Deans.—Has performed creditably as goal sneak in the first half of the term. He is a fair mark and kick, will improve with experience, being rather unduly nervous at present.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

1st XVIII v. Hale School, at Hale, June 4th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 12 goals 14 behinds; Hale 9 goals 12 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Guildford Grammar, at Christ Church, June 7th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Guildford, 9 goals 15 behinds; Christ Church, 5 goals 5 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Old Boys, at Christ Church, June 9th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Old Boys, 9 goals 13 behinds; School, 8 goals 14 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Scotch College, at Claremont Oval, June 11th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Scotch College, 5 goals 11 behinds; Christ Church, 4 goals 5 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Wesley College, at Claremont Oval, June 25th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Wesley, 24 goals 19 behinds; Christ Church, 2 goals 5 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Modern School, at Christ Church, July 2nd, 1930.

Result: Lost—Modern School, 9 goals 9 behinds; Christ Church, 4 goals 5 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Hale School, at Christ Church, July 12th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 26 goals 16 behinds; Hale School, 3 goals 3 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Scotch College, at Claremont Oval, July 23rd, 1930.

Result: Lost—Scotch College, 11 goals 14 behinds; Christ Church, 3 goals 3 behinds.

1st XVIII v. Wesley College, at Wesley, July 30th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Wesley, 25 goals 9 behinds; Christ Church, 1 goal.

1st XVIII v. Guildford Grammar, at Guildford, August 2nd, 1930.

Result: Lost—Guildford, 11 goals 17 behinds; Christ Church, 2 goals 3 behinds.

Under 15 v. Scotch College, at Christ Church, July 4th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Scotch College, 15 goals 10 behinds; Christ Church, 5 goals 4 behinds. (These scores uncertain).

Under 15 v. Wesley College, at Christ Church, July 9th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 9 goals 18 behinds; Wesley, 2 goals 3 behinds.

Under 14 v. Hale School, at Christ Church, June 4th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Hale School, 11 goals 11 behinds; Christ Church, 2 goals 6 behinds.

Under 14 v. Woodbridge, at Woodbridge, June 14th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Woodbridge, 6 goals 11 behinds; Christ Church, 3 goals 5 behinds.

Under 14 v. Guildford Grammar, at Guildford, June 28th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Guildford, 16 goals 9 behinds; Christ Church, nil.

Under 14 v. Woodbridge, at Christ Church, July 16th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 10 goals 9 behinds; Woodbridge, 5 goals 4 behinds.

Under 14 v. Guildford Grammar, at Christ Church, July 26th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 5 goals 5 behinds; Guildford, 4 goals 5 behinds.

Under 14 v. Scotch College, at Christ Church, August 7th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Scotch College, 6 goals 8 behinds; Christ Church 4 goals 5 behinds.

Under 13 v. Hale School, at Christ Church, May 31st, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 7 goals 3 behinds; Hale School, 3 goals 4 behinds.

Under 13 v. Scotch College, at Scotch, June 7th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Scotch College, 9 goals 12 behinds; Christ Church, 4 goals 1 behind.

Under 13 v. Guildford Grammar, at Christ Church, June 11th, 1930.

Result: Lost—Guildford, 13 goals 13 behinds; Christ Church, 1 goal 4 behinds.

Under 13 v. Guildford, at Guildford, July 2nd, 1930.

Result: Lost—Guildford, 13 goals 13 behinds; Christ Church, 0 goals 3 behinds.

Under 13 v. Wesley College, at Christ Church, July 30th, 1930.

Result: Won—Christ Church, 10 goals 11 behinds; Wesley, 2 goals 7 behinds.

INTER-SECTION FOOTBALL.

FIRST ROUND.

House defeated Queenslea, 6 goals 5 behinds to 5 goals 6 behinds.

Romsey defeated Queenslea, 11 goals 14 behinds to 4 goals 3 behinds.

Romsey defeated House, 6 goals 15 behinds to 6 goals 12 behinds.

THE FOOTBALL THEME.

We are Christ Church, we are the team:

We can't be beaten that's easily seen;

With Queenie in the centre and little Ikey on the wing,

All the boys get excited and this is what they sing,

"Any plum, any pud, is our Laurie any good?"

Through all the stormy weather we will always play together

To keep the flag on high.

So cheer boys cheer, we've no mortal foe to fear

For it's only now and then we have a lose,

And we'll play them all around, on their own or any ground.

So with Tom in the ruck, and Harry in the sticks,

All the boys get excited and this is what they mix,

"Any plum, any pud, is our Laurie and our Harry any good?"

[Vers very libre.—Ed.]

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Numbers this term stood at 86, the boarding house claiming 21 of these.

King's Birthday was celebrated as a school holiday on the following Monday, June 9th, when we played a football match against the Old Boys' team and were beaten by 5 points.

Staff.—Mr. Arnold, who joined the staff last term as assistant sportsmaster, left to give more time to studies at the University.

Visits.—At the beginning of the term Mr. Parlato gave a motion picture show at the school in aid of the scouts. The admission was, Adults, 6d.; Children, 3d.

On June 13th, the Rev. P. W. Stephenson visited the school and gave us an interesting talk on the North West frontier of India. In the afternoon he took the V. and IV. forms for Divinity.

During the term Mr. Collot D'Herbois visited the school and took the Junior French form for an oral and dictation test. The leaving form was luckily absent.

Magazine.—We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the "Wyvern" for July.

THEATRE PARTY.

The Prefects and Duty Boys wish to thank Canon and Mrs. Parry for the enjoyable evening which they spent on 7th May last term. At 8 o'clock we met outside His Majesty's Theatre and when everyone had arrived we went in to see the play "Henry V." acted by Alan Wilkie and his company of actors.

At the conclusion of the play we went to the Waldorf Cafe, where a table had been reserved for us upstairs, and after an enjoyable supper we thanked Canon and Mrs. Parry and returned home.

VALETE.

FORM VB.

N. Barrett.

SALVETE.

FORM IIB.

L. P. Dymock.

FORM II.

W. Vance (returned)

FORM I.

T. F. Northcote.

CONGRATULATIONS.

K. Currie and R. Ellershaw on the award of their football colours.

ROMSEY NOTES.

This term there have not been many contests between the sections. The cross-country running did not last long, to the unspeakable joy of many.

However, towards the end of the term inter-section football commenced. Out of the two rounds played only the results of the first round are in time for printing.

Romsey was successful in both the matches played. Against Queenslea we won 11 goals 14 behinds to 4 goals 3 behinds.

The goalkickers for us were: Lovegrove (3), Deans (3), Jupp (3), Howe and Eagleton.

The second match against House was a very close and exciting game, only three points separating us at the final whistle.

The results were: Romsey, 6 goals 15 behinds; House 6 goals 12 behinds.

Goalkickers for us were: Howe (2), Jupp, McGlashan, Eagleton and Angel.

Our side was a well-balanced, consistent team, "Little Ike" especially shining as rover. Amongst those who played well are "Big Ike," "Gabe," Jock, "Eggy," Mac, Laurence, Smithy and others.

Deans, Lovegrove and the two Hattons were consistent players, while "Colonel" and Parker did all that was wanted from them.

Let us hope we will win the second round as well as the first and keep up our victories during the third term.

L. B. W.

HOUSE NOTES.

Up to the time of writing these notes, the first round of the inter-section football has been finished. House first of all met Queenslea and defeated them by a narrow margin. We then played Romsey and were defeated by three points. Both games were very close, the scores giving a good indication of the evenness of the game. The scores were:—

House v. Queenslea, 7 goals 6 behinds to 6 goals 7 behinds.

Romsey v. House, 7 goals 12 behinds to 7 goals 9 behinds.

Romsey v. Queenslea, 11 goals 14 behinds to 4 goals 3 behinds.

So far Romsey are in the lead, having won two games to House's one, while Queenslea have yet to win a game. We are looking forward to the second round and hope to be by the end of the football season, if not top, second on the list. We congratulate Romsey on not having lost a match up to date. We will now close our notes and wish the members of the staff and the other sections a happy holiday.

PICKWICK.

BOARDERS' NOTES.

We wish Dreamy, because he is in charge of the library, would not take the rule that "silence must be observed in the library" so literally. On entering the library, Dreamy first has a look at the clock, and, if it is going immediately puts a silencer on it. The result is that we never know the correct time in the library. Cack did his best to get H2O on his knee and he has now attained his ambition. But instead of missing football practice and other school functions as he thought he would, he did the job so well that he will most likely spend his holidays on crutches. We offer our sympathy to Cack and next time he gets H2O, etc., on his knee, he will judge it a bit better. Fatty has a well trained wireless set; as soon as the "Test Cricket Scores" are coming through, the set promptly

goes on strike, the result is a general disturbance and a continual flow of advice from irritated listeners of what Patty ought to do with his set. Much to the disgust of the irritated listeners, Patty took their advice—now we have no wireless set to listen to the events of the world. While on the subject of wireless we wish to announce that a three-valve set containing inferior parts may be bought from the wireless company for sixpence.

We have caught a yellow bird which sings like a canary and has claws like a cat and has a dilapidated look about it, which we are told by the maids is a Pipernella, but most of us think that it is an overgrown greeny that had the misfortune to be caught. We will now end our notes and hope the staff and the rest of the house have a happy holiday and that Felix eats our canary or whatever you like to call it before next term.

PICKWICK.

QUEENSLEA NOTES.

Our numbers are still sadly depleted as we have only thirty-one boys. More than ten of these are in the first form, while there are only about half-a-dozen in the fifth and sixth forms, the remainder are mostly in the third form. We have not been very successful in inter-section competitions so far this year as we have failed to win either the swimming, the first term cricket or this term's football. In the football we were defeated by House by five points after a close, willing game, House only taking the lead in the last few minutes. We were defeated fairly easily by Romsey. However, we are confident of giving both House and Romsey a "good run for their money" in the running and third term cricket. We shall miss Bill Robertson this year in both inter-section running and the inter-school sports against Wesley. He has left us to go to Guildford. We hope he will perform creditably in the running at Guildford.

T. C. D.

PREFECTS' NOTES.

Once again the pleadings of the worried editor assail our lofty ears for the wherewithal to add "tone" to the pages of "The Mitre." We will do our best.

"Gam" is still our chief amusement, and anyhow who is "Billie?" "Gam" knows.

Tom who professed to be divorced has been seen with "someone else" and those of us who are women haters, including Mr. M——, watch him with saddened looks.

Keith, Laurence and Clayt. are still alive even though exams. are near and are busy swotting (?)

On Friday, July 18th, the Prefects held their Annual Dance in the Parish Hall.

The hall was gaily decorated with blue and gold streamers and Fred Nice's Orchestra provided the music.

Mrs. Parry, helped by a large committee of ladies, supplied an enjoyable supper which was set on the stage. Mrs. Currie again provided the decorations for the hall and assisted the Prefects and Duty Boys to fix them on the Friday afternoon.

We were glad to see Stan Arnold, "Taffy" Miller, Dick Lovegrove, and many other old boys present at the dance.

Exams. are now approaching like a cloud upon the horizon, and we are all working hard. That is to say, only some of us.

L. B. W.

SIXTH FORM NOTES.

Hullo! Hullo! Sixth Form calling. The mighty "Sixers" have lived up to their reputation of alternately working and loafing, you have only to ask any master to find that out.

Keith caused amusement in English by reading from his essay book that she (Miranda a Puritanical lady) would not give a poor man money to see a puppet show. Only he didn't say "puppet-show." That's why we were amused.

That fatiguing last period on Mondays and Thursdays has been assigned to "maths" by the higher powers and we now work hard (?) instead of loafing.

"Ike" has been swotting hard to the tune of "Tip-toe thru' the Tulips," First National—Warner Bros. calling. "Le joueur de flute" has been keeping us hard at work at French and English. Most of us know how to translate a line or two of Chaucer. The exams. are coming on so we will close down.

L. W. B.

5A NOTES.

The 5th Form has been all agog this term, in fact it has been quivering as the wireless waves beat upon the pockets of the enthusiasts, committing destruction to their pocket-money and bank books. What with the different wireless talk, the room has become intertwined with coils and catswhiskers. Of course, others have been making huge profits. Clayt. has been running a very payable business, and stock-market shares have decreased in value as a result. A large poster, assigned to be the work of Mr. Suremoney, once said "£50 reward for anyone making a wireless containing 10 valves, 5,000 volts, and catswhisker made of fencing wire." Try this on, boys—perhaps I may begin swotting again then.

Concerning the "Ancient Order of the Hoodoo," please apply to Esh or Bull for particulars. Telepathy is used, whereby the person afflicted is put off his football. This is the Hoodoo. Also apply book "Woop's Science," theorem 2349.

Another rumour is circulating. This is that everything that goes up does not always come down. I put forward the idea, that those interested should jump from a twenty-foot tree, and see the result. (A believer in spooks!—Ed.)

For exceeding merit, the following congratulations are given:—

Clayton.—For actually bringing in two Latin homeworks at right time. Wonders never cease.

Parker.—For obtaining less than thirty mistakes in French. Soon be a Froggie and croaking.

Hoseason.—For finding a new instrument called Peneplain. He says surveyors use it.

Angel.—For knowing that Longitude is East or West of the Equator. Hot work.

The above accomplishments would not have been manageable only for the intervention of a new kind of ruler—a STRAIGHT one.

"OBSERVER."

IVth FORM NOTES.

This term has been fairly successful in the eyes of the Fourth chiefly because Mr. Van Raalte has given up his detention class of which many of us were life-members. But a serious counter-blast to this was Mr. Marshall's raid on Latin verbs. However, now "all is quiet," etc. Among our small numbers such weird specimens of humanity must be mentioned as Peter who is beginning to rival Al Jolson as a dancer; old Buck who claims to be the oldest inhabitant, and brave Sir Ronald, the famous prospector.

ANON.

CAMERA CLUB.

This term Mr. Parlato continued his series of interesting talks on Photography. It is a pity that we have to wait for a fortnight between each lecture as we all enjoy them very much.

The average attendance this term has been twenty-two, and now and then two or three masters drop in (metaphorically speaking). Mr. Wheeler, a keen amateur photographer, attends regularly.

How to avoid mistakes and the forethought in choosing a proper background (no joke intended) was the first of the talks this term. At another lecture lantern slides were shown on a screen and represented faults in the taking of pictures. Most of the slides were from our own negatives.

The remaining lectures this term were:—(1) Developing films in the tank developer—a most interesting topic. (2) The art of printing, a lecture spoilt by the light which is never good in the library unless you try to block it out. Nevertheless, although the sensitized paper did fog quickly, the lecture and demonstration were made interesting by the use of negatives whose subjects were of the school and boys. (3) How to glaze prints.

Many thanks to Mr. Parlato for his interesting lectures and demonstrations.

Amongst those present we have noticed are "Cec," all eyes behind his spectacles, "Sandy" and "Dicky ii," with cameras to be mended cheap and films printed ditto. "Harry" usually interested in something else and Mr. Marshall and Mr. Blain—when the lecture is 100 per cent. all lantern slides.

L. B. W.

"THOSE FRIENDLY SECTION MATCHES."

The two teams cluster around their respective captains where they get the instructions to "cook" (destroy utterly) their opponents. The umpire believing in "Safety First" finds some secluded spot where he plucks up sufficient courage to take the field when duty calls. He dashes to the centre and gets the ball thrown at him. "Phee-eep," the game has started, but before he bounces the ball the rucks are engaged in a free fight. The ball gets clear and the fun starts, some person comes flying out of a scrum and "terra

firma" jumps to meet him, he gets up expecting to be given a free kick. However, when no free kick is forthcoming the luckless individual tells the "ump" in unresstrained language what he thinks of him, while others tell him to get rid of his "chewey." By now many players who have been penalized think themselves to be injured innocents and the "ump" is re-christened. By half-time the umpire has almost forgotten his own name and is glad to escape from the "battlefield" to refresh his shattered nerves. Again the teams cluster around the captains and those who have done well, i.e., got more than three victims to their names, are congratulated. Those who have not! well, they are warned that unless they "do their stuff" in the next quarter they will have their nasal organs bent and their facial expression altered. Oh, my brethren, surely Lord Nosalot was wrong when he said football was akin to "Kiss in the Ring."

There is now but a few minutes left of the "glorious hour" and each team, inspired by the dire threats of the captains redouble their efforts to overwhelm each other and each team is confident of victory (the team which scores the most points wins, not the team which has the least men injured). The players now begin to use their heads—please do not be surprised—I mean, of course, concretely. "Phee-eep" the game has ended—"ended the dream divine"—and the teams cheer each other. But the cheer for the gallant umpire, who kept his post—if not his head—in the face of opposition, is either forgotten or replied with "Boo, who said you could umpire?" By this time the umpire is half-way to safety followed by a wrathful band. However, they return to the changing room where after a few hostile remarks all enmity and bad feelings are forgotten; brotherly love reigns supreme. "I don't think."

'ARRY.

CAT'S WHISKERS.

Don't think me too impertinent
If I do but enquire
The way to make a wireless go
With just a piece of wire.

For cats are getting scarce now.
And keep out of my way
I think it must be all my fault
For spelling cats with "K."

I've tried so many kinds of hairs
To render it a talkie
But now I hate the sight of it
It's naught but buzz and squawkie.

Of course I keep a pet cat
But now the poor young' thing
Its bristles shine like haloes
When it begins to sing

So I keep trying day by day
To catch my cat of dreams
But none will ever pass me—
Natural instinct, so it seems.

BROKEN-HEARTED ORACE.

PENNY LOAF IN C.C.G.S.

First of all I must tell you about the house match. What an attractive young goalie George is; what with his dainty kick-off and his delicate marking he is so awfully ethereal.

The buxsome Lionel I noticed there. Isn't he so reliable-looking? He's just too solid for words. And did you notice his trousers cut away for about 2 feet at the side and caught together with a safety pin? Vivacious little Harry was there dressed in an ensemble of blue, yellow and white or was it pitch-black? He is so petit. I saw all this from the bakery end of the field.

Then I hied me to the Romsey end. Aren't the improvements improving? A little bird has told me there's such a lot of rock there—but that's by the way. The second quarter was simply scrumptious. I heard Mac quite a lot. They tell me he has such a mellow voice. I have only heard it once, but it's echoed ever since. The half-time quarrel was a jolly affair and wasn't Laurie brave to stay out there? I wouldn't be an umpire for all the wars in China, would you?

In the 3rd quarter I noticed Tom and his young brother. Aren't they a pair of inseparables? And dear old Tom is so thoughtful with his advice to little brother.

Then there was "Arry." Hasn't he an unusual headgear? He wears it hanging down "by colpoons, oon and oon" with the duckiest of little partings. And did you notice his socks—rolled at the ankle. They say socks are going to be less and less this summer. This tariff business is such a bore.

Jerry was a tower of strength. Rumour hath it that he is having his voice trained. Let's hope the train will go express. The two Curries were there—Big Bull dashing in in his usual chic manner. Isn't he a butterfly. Little Bull emulated Big Bull's example. By the way isn't it too quaint, too utterly-utter the way Sandy's jumper of navy blue—or is it taffeta crepe de sole—is cut away in the piquant jantzen style that came in, let me see, was it last summer? Tubby was conspicuous. I always think he has such an air, how shall we put it—a soupçon of je ne sais quoi. And what do you think, Horace, the dear little petite, is keeping the bridge as of yore, but I didn't see Herm or Lartius there.

Oh, there's such lots and lots I could tell you about it but really I must leave that till next term.

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THE BOARDERS' GRIEVANCE.

Electric light, not too bright, boarders' fad—very bad.

Prep done, after tea, no fun—Library.

Lectrician brought, much sought, fixed light—now bright.

Common room, not in gloom, like day—all O.K.

LES. LIGHT-WAIT.

AN AFTERNOON IN THE FIFTH FORM.

A PLAY IN ONE ACT.

Scene: Fifth Form Room, any afternoon except Wednesday.

Time: 1.50 to 3.40 p.m.

Scene I.—(A Divinity Class. Fifth and Sixth reading from their Testaments)

Head: (As one boy finishes). "Yes! H——, your turn."

H——: "Er—er—er—er—er— 'and they began——'"

Head: "You're wrong again, H——."

(Confusion of H——.)

Harry: "Oh, isn't it time yet?"

Laurence: "Yes, only half-a-minute to go."

(Gets up to ring bell. Harry, Tom, Ike and Dicky rise.)

Head: "The bell hasn't gone yet. Sit down!"

(Grumbles from Harry. Bell goes. All tear out)

Scene II.—(Divinity Class, now a French Class. Enter French Master).

F.M.: "Don't hurry, Hatton. Get your 'Contes.'"

A Voice: "What's it to-day, Sir?"

F.M.: "Reading and translation. (To Sixth) Have you anything to do?"

Sixth: "Yes, Sir, I'm translating."

(A period while boys in turn read haltingly from book).

Reader: "Et ils avaient biang——"

F.M.: "Storks! How often have I told you never to pronounce 'bien,' 'biang?' Be 'anged the lot of you. (Snigger from Sixth) Go on with your work!!" (Collapse of Sixth)

(All goes well till F.M. makes a horrible pun)

(Chorus of groans)

Harry: "You ought to be punished."

F.M.: "So will you if you make such puns, and you'll be behind the 'bars den.'" (Another chorus of groans)

F.M.: (Getting up steam)—"Even if he 'neels on' the ground he won't be able to 'curry' favour with me, I'll 'Ray'se Cain——."

(Bell goes amid howls of Fifth)

Scene III.—(French Class now a Geography Class. Enter Geography Master)

G.M.: "Silence!"

(Draws a map of Africa on board)

G.M.: "Place the towns, railways, rivers and products in a sketch map of British Africa and hand it in to-morrow."

A Voice: "Likely to."

G.M.: "One hundred lines."

(Silence for a while. Then, a noise like "Tip-toe Throu' the Tulips" to pencil accompaniment)

G.M.: "N—— stop that infernal jazz-band and get outside."
(Exit First National slowly)

Eggy: "Sir, is the longest day in winter or summer?"

(Amidst a death-like hush the bell goes)

FINIS.

L. B. W.

Old Boys' Association Notes.

OFFICE BEARERS, 1930-31.

President:

Canon L. W. Parry, M.A. (Oxon).

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T. C. Miller.

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J. R. Giles.

Hon. Treasurer:

W. H. Evans, Junr.

Committee:

T. Flintoff.

K. Whitlock.

E. A. Lovegrove.

C. W. May.

K. Hoseason.

FOREWORD.

Once more into the breach with the usual collection of notes and comments, joyful and woeful—chiefly, let us hastily assure you, joyful, to fill this our allotted portion of "The Mitre."

The winter term is always our most active period of the year, as in it comes the annual football match against the school, the annual dance and the annual dinner. In all these functions success was largely due to the support given to the committee by a large number of members of the association and other old boys. Further particulars of these functions should be found a little later in this issue, and it is sufficient here that we should only thank most heartily those old boys who rolled up to the association efforts, and by their enthusiasm made them as enjoyable as they were.

The hockey team of old boys has been doing valiantly in this its first year. Despite a poor showing at the start of the season the team at the time of writing holds fourth place in the "B" grade premiership table, although we understand that it will consider itself fortunate if it retains that position until the end of the season. Whatever happens, the team has done exceptionally well this year, and has earned for itself a reputation for fair play and sportsmanship in a sport known for those qualities. Well done! O ye hockey fiends, may your defence never weaken and your attack never weary.

Owing to the extensive alterations being made at the school by the Council for Church of England Schools, including the formation of an assembly hall and gymnasium in the existing buildings, the money which has been steadily got together by the association for the proposed erection of a gymnasium for the school cannot now be used for that purpose. The Council for Church of England Schools was asked to indicate how that and any other money raised might best be used to benefit the school. It suggested the building

of a sports pavilion on the school grounds, and the committee decided to recommend the scheme to the members of the association, having full faith that, although the pavilion would cost far more than at present exists in the fund, the necessary money, or the greater part of it, could be raised fairly soon among the old boys of the school. Accordingly a special general meeting was held in conjunction with the annual dinner, and the following motion, proposed by Mr. W. H. Evans, seconded by Mr. J. R. Giles, was unanimously carried:—

(1) That the Committee be authorised to draw up a scheme for building a sports pavilion for the school, and to proceed with the building.

(2) That the Trustees of the Gymnasium Fund be authorised to apply all or part of the moneys standing to the credit of the Gymnasium Fund towards the building of such pavilion.

(3) That all previous motions inconsistent with the above are hereby rescinded.

By the time this is published the committee will very probably have formulated some definite plan in connection with the pavilion. Mr. Printer, however, wants these notes before any particulars can be announced, and we can only appeal to all you old boys to support whole-heartedly whatever proposals the committee has to make, as, if we are to do something really worth while to help the school, now is the time to do it.

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FOOTBALL MATCH.

The annual football match against the school took place on June 9 at the school. We were able to field a heavy team, and chiefly through superior weight and hard rush-through tactics we were able to gain a victory over the school.

The old boys' team was capably led by Dick Giles, who showed exactly how small boys should be treated and set a magnificent example for the rest of the team. Mr. Blain had charge of the game, and his efficient work on the whistle is reflected in the fact that the old boys won.

Besides those who took part, Jim Battye and Tom Parker were there to see that the game was played in the right spirit.

Among the old boys in the victorious team were Dick and Norman Giles, Ken Hoseason, Tudor Evans, Geoff Martin, Keith Whitlock, Ken Sudlow, Ted Hamilton (a power in the crushes), Aidan Stilwell, Noel Unbehaun, Eldon Eilershaw and Dick Todd.

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THE ANNUAL DANCE.

The association's annual dance this year was held in the Karrakatta Club Hall, on Wednesday, June 25; and proved, both socially and financially, one of the most successful of its kind ever conducted by the association. The Clerk of the Weather (No! we don't mean Mr. Curlewis) was particularly kind, and provided one of the very few fine nights in the month.

The floor was in splendid condition, and the Harmony Girls' Orchestra "put over" some of the very latest hits with good effect. Mrs. Taylor came up to scratch with a truly excellent supper.

Novelties were introduced towards the end of the evening, and the many dancers were genuinely sorry when the orchestra played "God Save the King."

The President and Mrs. Parry came along during the evening and the Captain of School (L. B. Jupp) was also present. Among the old boys were Jim Battye, C. W. May, T. W. Flintoff, Bill Evans, E. A. Lovegrove, Selwyn Prior, Ken and Bill Sudlow, Weller May, "Blue" Carlton, Colin Maclagan, Geoff Martin, Tom Parker, Theo Lynn, Darrell Hick, Dick and Blair Giles, Hugh Banger, George Kelsall, Stan Arnold, Bob and Ted Ling, Rod McLarty, Jack Fulton, Taffy Miller, Ken Hoseason, Keith Whitlock, E. S. and Laurie Harrison.

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THE PREFECTS' DANCE.

There was a falling off in the attendance of old boys at the prefects' dance this year. Although not an association function, this dance is a medium through which we can well express our interest in the school, and it is up to old boys to back up the prefects in making the affair a success.

This year's dance proved most enjoyable, and we must congratulate the school prefects for staging such a creditable effort.

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THE ANNUAL DINNER.

The annual dinner of the association was again held this year in the Hotel Metropole, Perth, on Saturday, August 2. Although not so largely attended as was last year's function, a fairly representative gathering of old boys came along and saw to it that things did not lag.

To help the evening along an entertainer was engaged, and his sleight-of-hand, ventriloquism and mimicry had even the too inquisitive of the audience guessing the whole time. Tom Flintoff, however, proved that the tables could be turned by producing with a deft flick of the wrist, an egg, presumably a good one, from out of the conjurer's ear.

The aforementioned Tom, incidentally, did some very fine work at the piano, so that the fish course was accompanied by "Painting the Clouds with Sunshine," and we had to "Tiptoe through the Tulips" with the roast chicken. (Tom looked after himself quite effectively in the intervals).

The President and Mr. J. V. Brown were present, also the following old boys:—Jim Battye, Jock Hickey, Geoff Martin, Campbell Armstrong, Bob Ling, Weller May, Jack Fulton, Ted Hamilton, Raynor Crammond, Bob Giles, Darrell Hick, Harper Sanderson, Ken Hoseason, Blair Giles, George Bowes, Eric and Laurie Harrison,

Colin Maclagan, Norman Giles, Geoff Rooney, Selwyn Prior, Charles May, David Price, Selby Douglas, Stan Arnold, Ted Ling, Dick Todd, Percy Lorrigan, A. Adamson, Bill Evans, Dick Giles, Keith Whitlock, Tom Flintoff and Taffy Miller.

Quite a number of well-known faces were missed, but we suppose our dear old friend, financial depression, will come in for a bit more work to provide excuses in this instance.

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OLD BOYS' HOCKEY CLUB.

We are pleased to report a very successful season as far as we have gone, and our present position is full of interest as it is touch and go as to whether we finish up in the final four. Being our first season, to be as far up the list as we are is an achievement in itself.

To date we have won 6 matches, drawn 3, and lost 5, and are in third place on the list. Of our 19 goals R. Giles has scored 9, Maclagan 4, Flintoff 2, Martin, Sudlow and Ellershaw 1 each. We have only had 18 goals scored against us, which speaks volumes for the capable play of our backs, E. Giles, Flintoff and Todd in particular.

Practice as a whole has been fairly well attended, but a little more attention could be given to it with beneficial results. Unfortunately we have not been able to find room for everybody on Saturdays and to those concerned we offer our regrets and hope next year, if we can manage two teams, to find a place for everybody.

Our team work has not developed as we would like it, but with an excessive number of injuries the positions have been shuffled round each week, thus not allowing new players to become accustomed to the play in their proper positions. Campbell Armstrong played in the first five matches and then underwent an operation, and we have been denied his services since.

The same with Bob Giles, while Blair was out with a split thumb for a few Saturdays. Ken Brown's knee went back on him and he had to rest up for a few Saturdays also, while finally, to make matters worse, Scotty Maclagan kept dashing off to the country on business.

Of the players, Tom Flintoff and Todd have battled along consistently every Saturday, while the halves, Whitlock, Martin and Harrison have put in a lot of very effective work, Geoff Martin in particular. Hoseason, Ellershaw and Sudlow, although only starting half through the season, are picking up the finer points and everything points to a very successful season next year, all we want being a few more players.

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HERE AND THERE.

Reg. Miley was seen in town the other day on a holiday from Mr. T. H. Wilding's farm at Wilding.

Congratulations to Dick Lovegrove on his inclusion in the State football team that has been playing in Adelaide. We understand that Dick impressed as one of the best and cleanest players in the Western Australian side.

Wally Mudge is with us no more. He left during the winter for Melbourne and so was unable to be present at the dance or the dinner.

We understand that Tom Parker came all the way from Burma on purpose to be present at the dance this year. He was also seen at the football match.

The engagement has been announced of Tom Flintoff to Miss Jeanette Gordon. Another engagement is that of George Kelsall to Miss Monty Rolland. Our heartiest congratulations to one and all.

Stanley Manford, better known as "Skarky," was in Perth recently from his station near Menzies.

Fred Stanley and George Smith were two of the four members of the Muresk Agricultural College team that left last month to play matches against tennis teams from Eastern States Agricultural Colleges.

"Here we are again, sporting friends." Preston Wright of "Avalon," via Donnybrook, was one of the enthusiasts who sat up until all hours of the morning listening in for Test match results. Rupert of the same ilk was seen in town a fortnight ago.

Ken Sudlow is at present in Perth helping Messrs. Hodd, Cuthbertson and North to sell property.

We are given to understand that Charlie May is running the Royal Agricultural Society's show this year.

Allen Christison, of Tammin, was seen in town recently. He still holds several of the school athletic records.

Raynor Crammond has been making a name for himself with the Royal Fremantle "A" golf team. Another Fremantle player who returns a good card is Wallie Lodge. At Cottesloe, Don Stewart and Geoff Hill are two of the leading lights. Here's hoping one of them will be the next State champion.

Country visitors to town lately have been Rod McLarty, Harper Sanderson, Ron Wardell-Johnson, Selby Douglas, Fred Watson-Williams and Geoff Rooney. Bank life does not appear to disagree with the health of the last mentioned. It is understood that he tested several chairs at the old boys' dinner before coming to a final decision.

Ken Hoseason is continuing the good work with the school scout troop. He is also seen occasionally helping the Claremont choir to render sweet and melodious music.

Pat Marrie, who went to South Australia when he left this State, was seen in town the other day. He has spent some time up in the Nor'-West.

We hear that Reith Ross is to be married to Miss Betty McDonald towards the end of the year.

Four Giles brothers were present at the dinner this year. We are asked to announce that they claim this as a record.

The hon. secretary is T. C. Miller, of "The Western Mail," Perth, and the hon. treasurer is W. H. Evans, junr., of 18 William Street, Perth.