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EDITORIAL

For the past five years "The Mitre" has been published in an atmosphere of war. At first when war was limited to the European theatre, it did not greatly affect us. We read and heard ghastly tales of defeat, of the horrors of modern war and of the impending danger of the "Mother Country." We were overjoyed to hear of the "Victory Through Defeat" at Dunkirk, and the victory in the air in the historic "Battle for Britain." Events moved slowly until Japan eventually struck in the East. War was brought nearer to us—nearer than it had ever been before. Our boarders were told to "tighten their belts," but through some amazing management this aspect did not affect us much even in the so-called "worst period." We "blacked-out" when the order came, and quite enjoyed the novelty. It was then our turn to watch defeat and setbacks from a close quarter. Hong Kong, Singapore, Java and then New Guinea were all invaded, and Australia was bombed.

The Australian forces, by this time, had blazed the name of Anzac in many theatres of war and were now defending their own soil from a treacherous foe. As a reminder to those at home, a School Honour Board was erected, by the Old Boys, the names on which grew rapidly in numbers. Some of these were marked victoriously, though with grief, with a red spot. These boys will never be forgotten.

Amid these events articles appeared in our papers concerning certain of our Old Boys who were decorated. To these the School extends its heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

D.-Day. A new expression of significance to all peoples of the United Nations. The final round had started in Europe to be crowned by V.-E. Day. This was met joyfully everywhere, but amid our jubilation we were reminded by our leaders that the struggle had been begun in the Far East. The progress was slow but sure. The "Aussies" were winning back precious territory.

One morning we were amazed to read of the discovery of the Atom bomb and its terrifying devastation. Two were dropped on Japan and soon the rumour of approaching victory ran high.

V.-P. Day. It had come! Fighting had ceased everywhere. Peace had finally come even to war-torn China. This peace was met with much jubilation such as many of us have never seen. The whole country, as did the entire world, ran wild with excitement.

It is on this strain that we draw to the end of another year. Peace, though unsettled, is here, and must be maintained. Perhaps we might call the edition of our Magazine a Peace or Victory edition, and we hope that for many years to come it may be written in an atmosphere of peace.

SCHOOL NOTES

At the beginning of the year we welcomed two new members to our staff. These were Mrs. Ward and Mr. Dafter. Mrs. Ward has since had the difficult task of bringing Maths and Latin to a high standard in the Sub-Junior and IVth forms. Mr. Dafter has made his presence known by the erection of instruments to record weather changes. This has given us all an opportunity of understanding better the marvels and mysteries of Geographical science.

During third term Mrs. Eagling, who has been with us for nearly three years, received joyful news that her husband had been released from an intermment camp in Bangkok and, unfortunately for us. left hurriedly for England by the "Dominion Monarch." We wish her and her husband and Rosemary every happiness, and hope they will all return to us again.

Our former Chaplain, the Rev. A. F. J. Blain, who is Chaplain on H.M.A.S. "Hobart," has travelled extensively and saw something of the Japanese islands when his ship went with other units of the Australian force into Japanese waters.

The Parents Association has been very keenly active and has arranged various social evenings which were a great success. The Association has raised the sum of nearly £250 for the establishment and equipment of a School Library. Most of this money has been spent on books, both Reference and Fiction, and we have now, through their energetic efforts, the basis of a really good School Library.

An important section of the Library is the Reference, which contains, amongst other good selections, a full set of a recent edition (1943) of "Encyclopaedia Britanica."

The School roll now stands at 280 boys, of which 84 are boarders.

We extend our congratulations to -

- 1. School Office holders.
- 2. Winners of Junior and Leaving Certificates.
- 3. Winners of Prizes and Challenge Cups.
- Winners of Colours. Cricket: Brown, Butler, North. Football: Oliver, Lynn, Brown, North, Fulwood, Logan, Norrie, Bruce. Swimming: Open, Baker, Brown, G.; Junior, the remainder of the Inter-School team. Athletics: Crommelin, Hogan, Logan.

VALETE ET SALVETE

VALETE

- McCALL, I. W. P.: Entered School in 1935, left 1944; Junior and Leaving Certificates; Prefect, 1942; Captain of School, 1943-44; Cadet Lieutenant, 1944; Captain of School House, 1943-44; Captain Football, 1944. Colours: House, Football, Swimming.
- JEFFEREYES, E. B.: Entered School 1940, left 1944; Prefect, 1943; Captain of Romsey House, 1943-44; Captain of Athletics, 1944; Captain of Boxing, 1943-44. Colours: House, Athletics, Cricket, Boxing.
- MILNER, J. D.: Entered School 1942, left 1944; School Prefect, 1944; Junior Certificate, 1944. Colours: House, Swimming, Athletics, Boxing.
- LANE, L. A.: Entered School 1942, left 1944; Junior Certificate, 1944. Colours: House, Athletics, Football,
- WALKER, R. W.: Entered School 1939, left 1944; Junior Certificate; Captain Romsey House (Third Term, 1944); Prefect, 1944. Colours: House.

BOYS WHO LEFT AT END OF 1944

Beath, D.
Bridge, P. R.
Broad, E. F.
Brockway, J.
Butler, L. H.
Cadwallader, D.
Charlton, R.
Clark, J. H.
Cleland, R. D.
Cleland, E

Connell, F.
Cousins, R.
Crawshaw, H. k
Dewar, S. G.
Fulwood, D. C.
Hardy, J. L.
Hewett, R.
Hewett, W.
House L. B.

Jahn, D.
Manford, F.
Morlet, G. C.
Parsons, A. C.
Plunkett, M.
Richards, D.
Robinson, D. C.
Rosman, R. E.
Strahan, D. W.

SALVETE

BOYS WHO ENTERED FIRST TERM, 1945

Archer, C. R. Beardman, R. K. Beaver, G. R. Blythe, D. H. Brockway, P. A. C. Brockway, F., H. Browne-Cooper, D. Browne-Cooper, J. Cannon, D. Churchill, D. Coles, B. Cook, L. J. Cooksley, B. Cooper, J. Deshon, J. Doust, M. Drummond, M. Eggleston, R. Eles. K.

Forman, J. Fulwood, R. Glauert, G. Hallo, P. Hancock, D. Harburn, W. Heppingstone, F. Inman, D. Judge, D. Kerby, P. Kerr, H. Krantz, D. Leeke, A. Lippiatt, C. Lippiatte, K. Lohoar, R. Mason-Jones, N. McKenna, T. Meachem, N.

Newton, T. Olney, J. Page, J. Prior, G. Richards, I. Schroder, G. Sisson, J. Sisson, N. Snow, B. Strahan, L. Walker, G. Ward, R. Wardell-Johnson, E. Warren-Smith, G. Watson, I. Wharton, C Windsor, W. Menzel, R. Moses, W.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 1944

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

				English		Latin		French			History		. Geography
Lynn, P. G		• •		P P		Р		P	_		P P·		P P
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	English	Latin	French .	History	Geography	Maths A	Maths B	Physics	Biology	Bookkeeping	Drawing A	Drawing B	Music
Bentley, P. Bridge, P. R. Brown, D. C. Bruce, J. D. Davies, D. P. Goodall, P. Heseltine, W. P. Heseltine, H. P. Hewett, W. House, L. B. Lane, L. H. Milner, J. D. Taylor, T. H. Trowell, J. Wild, K. G. *Elliott, R. M. L. *Grose, I. J. *Whitaker, E. J. *Jones, R. K.		P P	P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P	P. PRPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPPP	PPPPPPPPPPPP	P P P	P P P P	P P	P.P. P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.P.	P P P	P P P P P P P P P	P P	þ

SPEECH NIGHT

Speech Night was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 6th December. The weather was not the best, rain falling in the afternoon and evening, but, nevertheless, there was a packed hall of parents, friends and members of the School. His Grace the Archbishop presided, and Mr. J. H. Reynolds, M.A., Warden of St. George's College, presented the prizes.

The evening commenced with items by the Junior School Choir, trained by Mrs. J. Dean, and concluded with a one-act play of a rather hilarious type, presented by the boys of the School.

The prize list was as follows:

VI Form	Form III						
Form Lynn, P. G. Essay Lynn, P. G. General McCall, I. W. Languages	Form						
. V Form	Form IIa						
Form Heseltine, H. P. General Heseltine, W. F. Languages Heseltine, H. P.	Form Giles, G. General Morel, F. Special Fisher, M.						
Sub-Junior	Form IIb						
Form	Form Hill, J. and Strahan, D. Special Gawler, C.						
Forms IVa and IVb	Divinity						
General Mettam, D. Form Tucker, G. Maths Nottle, B. Languages Marsh, N. C. Improved Holder, R. J. Murton, J.	VI and V Heseltine, W. F. Sub-Junior Sadka, R. S. IV Holder, R. J. III Owen, H. II Strahan, D.						
Captain of the School							
Certific	ales						
Leaving							
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Challenge	Cups						
Beatty Cup (Champion House) Craigie and Romsey (Tie) Beatty Cup (Best All-rounder) Milner, J. D. Tennis Cup Butler, L. H. Gymnasium — Open Hewett, W and Watson, W. Gymnasium — Junior Norrie. D. Flintoff Cup Lane, L. A. Swimming Cup — Open Hammond, E. Swimming Cup — Under 16 Oliver, V. D. Boxing — Under 14 Russell, M. Hill Cup North, J. Gymnasium — Under 13 Manford, T. Calthrop Cup Davies, D. P.							

QUEENSLEA HOUSE NOTES

House Master Mr. D. C. Miller House Captain D. P. Davies Vice-Captain of House Elliott

Owing to a large number of boarders it was decided, during first term, to abolish School House and create a Boarders' House called Queenslea. We are slightly smaller than the other houses, being 85 in number. This, however, has not seriously affected results in the sporting line.

We first congratulate the new boarding house Prefects who were made at the beginning of the year: Butler ,Moore, Fildes, Wild, Drummond, Campbell, Overington. Two of these, Wild and Fildes, left us at the end of second term.

Some notes on our Sporting Activities:-

Cricket - Captain, Logan

During first term we drew with Romsey for first place, defeating Craigie in both matches and Romsey in one. We were fortunate in having several members of the first eleven. Our most outstanding players were: Butler and Drummond in bowling, and Fulwood, Wright, Wharton and Logan for batting. The players in the "B" team played well but with a certain lack of interest.

Football — Captain, Fulwood

. In this we were defeated by Romsey, but held second place. A keen interest was shown by all members. Fulwood, Butler and Logan playing exceptionally well in all "A" matches; Fiebig, Clark and Sullivan in the "B's."

Swimming — Captain, Elliott

In this sport we were hopelessly outclassed by the day-boys owing to the fact that the majority of our members live in the country where swimming facilities are lacking. Nevertheless, several representatives of the Inter-School Swimming Team came from our House. All these boys gained their Junior Colours and are to be congratulated. They were: Logan, Drummond, Campbell and Clark.

Athletics -- Captain, Butler

We felt our lack of Senior boys though we were well represented by the Juniors. Fiebig, de Haas, Trebley, Moore and Sullivan were outstanding in under-age events. Carter was unable to run in the House Sports, but has proved his worth in Inter-School running since then. Butler also ran well in the open events.

Tennis - Captain, Butler

We are fortunate in having some stars at this sport. Butler, Fulwood, Pitts-Hill and Wright defeated the opposing teams each time. Three of these represented the school in the Slazenger Cup Competition.

Gym and Boxing have not yet been decided and so there is no comment to be made till next year.

A few highlights on B.H. life:-

The wiping of plates and clearing of tables still seems against the principles of many boys.

The only thing we don't like about Long week-ends is the acute laundry position sometimes created.

Certain writings of Poe seemed the Vogue during the temporary blackout period.

A certain corner of the front verandah seems to hold much attraction to certain of our members. Is it the view?

Again a violinist has come to our midst but "vos not as bad as der oder vun."

Bathers and Trumpets hold much attraction for Clive. Why, he even gave up an afternoon!

Mick is applying his wolf instincts to the water and is learning the art of "Paddling" with a partner.

We look forward to a pleasant year in 1946 with perhaps, a little more luck in our sporting sphere.

CRAIGIE HOUSE NOTES

House Master Mr. V. G. Dafter House Captain P. G. Lynn

A complete reorganisation of the houses at the beginning of the year led to many changes in our membership, but we hope that those who found themselves in a new house have become as much attached to Craigie as those who were priviliged to remain in it.

In addition to new boys in the house, we have also a new Housemaster, Mr. V. G. Dafter, whom we welcome to our midst and thank for the enthusiasm which he has shown in our activities—

including his idea for a new war-cry. We are sure that Mr. Dafter has by now learnt the wiles of Inter-House warfare and will be able to guide the house through the difficult years which we will soon have to face.

This year we will be saying farewell to our House Captain, P. G. Lynn, who has guided the destiny of the house for the past two years. He is the last original member of Craigie House, which was founded in 1937 when he was in Form II. A party is being arranged for the end of the year, and the House as a whole wishes him all the best for the future years.

This year has seen the inauguration of the Inter-House Schoolwork Competition for a cup presented by Mrs. R. A. Eagling, and we are proud to think that the first name to be inscribed upon it will be ours. We hope that we will continue to take first place in this competition for some years to come.

With the fate of the Beatty Cup for Champion House still in the balance, a keen struggle is ensured for this honour over the few remaining weeks of this year, and all members of the House are working to the limit to put our name on the cup again this year after a successful year in 1944. At the moment all three Houses are level on points, the competition being keener and the Houses more even than for many years past.

The outstanding athletes in the House this year are V. Oliver (Swimming, Football, Cricket), P. Lynn (Football, Athletics, Tennis), and T. Crommelin (Athletics), to whom the House is indebted for much of its success in 1945.

In conclusion we would like to thank all those whom we are unable to mention but who have carried the House through the year by the unswerving loyalty and devotion which is in the best tradition of everything the words Craigie House led us to expect, especially School Prefects Lynn, Lankester and Whitaker, and House Prefects Oliver, Crommelin and Grose. We are confident that those who follow in their footsteps will keep up the good work.

ROMSEY HOUSE NOTES

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House Master Mr. H. G. Short House Captain D. F. Gibson House Vice-Captain L. A. Çook

This year it was decided to alter the House system, uniting all the Boarders into a separate House, Queenslea. Of course, this called for a re-arrangement of all the House Lists, and, as a result,

the new Romsey is made up of a large number of ex-Craigie and ex-School House boys. However, we have successfully overcome all the difficulties arising out of this arrangement, and, considering the circumstances, we have had a very encouraging year.

We welcome back to Romsey Mr. H. G. Short, who has not spared himself in his efforts not only to improve the House, but to make every aspect of school life more interesting.

Our congratulations are extended to D. Gibson for having ably carried out the duties of House Captain; L. Cook, on his appointments of Vice-Captain of the House and Lieutenant of Cadets, and also for his fine average in shooting; Brown, for Athletics, and his promotion to Cadet Sergeant-Major; Hammond, Captain of Swimming, for his fine swimming record; all School and House Prefects; all Sports Captains.

The following is a brief summary of our sporting activities:

Tennis — Captain, D. Norrie

One round of tennis was played. The team consisted of Norrie, North, Brown and Hagan. These players put up a fine fight against a team of far more experienced players.

Cricket — Captain, D. Brown

We have also only had one round of Cricket, in which we tied with Queenslea for first. Both A and B teams played good games.

Football --- Captain, L. Cook

We were successful in winning all the four games we played. A fine effort. Congratulations to both teams.

Athletics — Captain, D. Brown

We won the Inter-House Athletics with a good lead from Queenslea and Craigie. This win puts us well in the running for the Beatty Cup, which should be a very even contest this year.

Swimming - Captain, E. Hammond

In the swimming we gained second place, Craigie gaining first place. The Swimming team gave an excellent display against superior odds.

With only the Gym and Boxing to be decided, the points for the Beatty Cup are as follows:

Craigie	 	<u>.</u> .	 13
Queenslea			
Romsey	 		 20

Mrs. Eagling also presented a cup this year for the House which gains highest points for school-work. We must congratulate

Craigie on their effort in obtaining such a lead for this cup as to put Queenslea and Romsey out of the race.

In conclusion, we would like to extend our best wishes to those of our number who are leaving school this year. Best of luck for the future. We would also like to thank the other Houses for their keen competition during the year, and we will close by wishing the Headmaster, the Staff, and all boys a very Happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

— D. F. G.

LIBRARY NOTES

At the beginning of the year the Parents Association determined to greatly enlarge the existing libraries, both fiction and reference. With their usual efficiency the movement was taken in hand, and by August a library consisting of six or seven hundred reference and rather less fiction (including old books, many of which had been capably patched up by some enthusiastic mothers) was handed over to the School by the President, Mr. King.

Due to the fact that cataloguing had not been quite completed, the library was not opened until the commencement of third term, the fiction library somewhat later. Since then, however, the library has been very extensively used, and this is indeed gratifying to the librarians, who have put in many hours of toil.

In passing we must not fail to acknowledge the invaluable assistance rendered by certain of the Prefects.

Several keen readers have already made contributions of books, besides those generously donated by parents at the library's foundation, and we would like to remind all boys that gifts are always greatly appreciated.

VI FORM NOTES

It was indeed with regret that we farewelled our Form Mistress, Mrs. Eagling, who sailed for England this term to rejoin her husband. Mr. Eagling was released from a prison camp in Siam in the August holidays. We wish them both every success and the best of luck for the future.

This year we have an even bigger and BRIGHTER Sixth Form than usual. The roll now tops 23.

We have had quite an interesting social year, a couple of boys actually turning up to a debating society meeting in the second term.

We are very distressed, as some of the masters appear to think that they have search warrants.

As usual we have some personal notes concerning some of the more important members of the form. Here they are:

"Terry," after failing his Leaving, intends to go cutting Jarrah.

"Cookie" managed to win the High Jump, with the aid of a piece of rope (and pretty thick rope at that).

"Pete Hagan" doesn't appear to be getting enough to eat at the B.H. as he has been very hungry lately.

What we at first thought to be "Lank's" moustache, turned out upon closer inspection to be only wool.

We wonder why "Sleepy" has taken to eating hundreds and thousands lately. Possibly it has something to do with his name.

"Bones" has been living up to his name lately.

Since "Dippy" has been made Head Prefect, he has been doing himself — prahd.

We find that "Goosey" has been doing piles of homework lately. "Whit" is getting whit-ier every day.

"Pete" is very distressed about the reduction in the meat ration. "Gibbo's" auto has at last been rebored.

SIX B

Crabs have become a decided menace to "Fish."

Trowell has been of invaluable assistance in transplanting "Rhubarb."

Brown has been taking the first practice to relieve the pressure. Switches last year; door knobs this year; what next year??? Hess 2 is now learning to play Hess 1's bugle.

Johnny is now learning to play Church music.

Well, it is now time to replace the door-knob, go out and roll the $p\ h\ h\ \dots$ itch (D.T.) and go home for breakfast. We therefore conclude by wishing everybody a good-day at the Victory Show, and a very happy Christmas and New Year.

FIFTH FORM NOTES

Our form this year has been larger than usual, but because of accidents two boys were obliged to leave us; Fildes, who will have to learn to ride, and Rosman, who seriously damaged his leg. At the end of the second term Hammond left the school.

The form is well represented in all sporting activities. We have representatives in all the teams. We particularly proved our strength when we "lashed" sixth form in football in the second term. One of our members has been outstanding in the sporting world. This is "Vern" Oliver. In the first term he won the Australian Championship "Under 16" when he went with the Inter-State Swimming Team to the Eastern States, and has also won the cup for the fairest and best football player in the Swanbourne Temperance League.

Also the majority of our members are in the Cadets. We had a very enjoyable time at the Annual Cadet Camp at Northam in the August holidays. In the past year this Corps has increased in size and efficiency beyond all bounds, due mainly to the enthusiasm and hard work of Mr. Short, our "C.O."

Some personal notes:

"Prof" is finding the Junior hard, so is working his fingers to the bone.

Dick, with the advent of summer, has decided to adopt breaststroking rather than back-stroking or even freestyle.

Moore is still paddling in earnest.

Stooge now realises why he can't obtain tyres for his bicycle.

Our Andy has taken a sudden interest in poetry and drawings.

The boys of Fremantle no longer come to school in the train, but Squib was deeply impressed and has decided to take up stoking in the Christmas holidays.

Since Vern has become a corporal in the Cadets he has specialised in weapon training.

A recent highlight was the forbidding of the Senior boys to play marbles, so as a diversion they have taken to billiards.

SUB-JUNIOR FORM NOTES

At the beginning of the year we welcomed Mrs. Ward and Mr. Dafter to the School.

Most of the boys from IVa last year came up to Sub-Junior this year and so, with the exception of a few new boys, we had the same "mob" as before.

On Saturday, 11th August (second term), "Shorty" took us for a picnic to Mundaring Weir, which everybody who went enjoyed very much.

Many Sub-Junior Cadets attended the Senior Cadet Camp at Northam, which took up the first week of our second term holidays.

"Spring" is still "gaining" and "trashing" us without much effect.

"Reg" and "Fully" have been our Form Prefects for the greater part of the year, but they are still trying to keep us quiet.

Now that exams are approaching, everybody is starting to work.

— "Woko - I"

IVa FORM NOTES

The time has come around when we find we must again write some notes on our Form for "The Mitre." During the year the class has worked very hard (?) except in times of strife when we must be "birched," strange though it may seem.

This year has also been an interesting one for us. We have had some new boys added to our lists. Among them are: "Tex," an athlete and gymnast; "Hank," an expert at maths; and "Bigjack," our chemistry brain. There are several others who, though not mentioned, are just as important. Our Geography lessons this year are taken by Mr. Dafter who took over from Mr. Short to give us the "physical" side of it. We find that this type of geography covers many subjects interesting to all.

Our Form brains, "Gengy Nit" and "Foresight," are still sticking it out together although they often have difficulty in climbing through a certain window in the Junior School. (They know what we mean.)

"Terence" has at last come to the height of his ambition. He has captured a monsoon. We all wish our fisherman "good fishing."

We also welcome to our school Mrs. Ward and Mr. Dafter. Although they have been here for some time it is never too late for a welcome.

The whole school was very sorry to have lost Mrs. Eagling, but we are also very grateful for her help in the school.

Well, we all wish ourselves the best of luck in the future, and so "Bon Voyage" until the next "Mitre" season presents itself.

-"Un garcon bien occupe"

IVb FORM NOTES

Once again it is time for this form to say something for itself. Our room this year has taken on a much brighter appearance with pictures and posters on its walls. Mrs. Ward has also helped us to make our room one of the neatest in the school.

Boys of this form have made quite a name for themselves in sport this year. In cricket, Whyte and Wilson have proved to be helpful and an asset to the team.

Potter, Bate and Fiebig have played excellently in football and have helped to win a few matches.

Trebley, a new-comer to the school, has distinguished himself in the athletics, as has also Clarke.

"Tojo" has not been his usual self lately, and has adopted quieter methods for getting into mischief.

Mrs. Ward and Mr. Dafter were both welcomed to the school this year, and we have benefited as a result of their teaching.

This year we have had a very enjoyable time in the Junior Red Cross, and thank Mrs. Short for having had so much patience with us. Members thoroughly enjoyed trips to National Park and Mundaring Weir.

FORM III NOTES

Our form is still about the largest in the school from point of numbers. It seems, too, that it must be one of the most popular; there are just a few who seem to like it so much that they don't want to leave it.

The majority of the boys, however, have done a very sound year's work. At both first and second term exams, Giles topped the list—a creditable performance. Knox is pursuing him closely, with Fisher, Morel, Wheeler, Krantz, Heppingstone, Glasson, Ward and others well in the running. Nine whole summers have passed over Ward's head, and that he is able to hold his own so well among much older boys is an unusual achievement. The final term exams, now in view, should provide an interesting contest. Like a big horse-race where every ounce of weight tells at the finish, now is the time when any effort made during the year will be shown in the final results. We wish every boy a fair chance: All are sports enough to ask for no favour.

Quite a lot of new entrants to the School this year have found a place in our form. They are: Churchill, Windsor, Blythe, Tootel, Kerr, Wheeler, Ward, Krantz, Menzel, Meacham, Heppingstone, Sisson, Harburn, Cooper, Williams and Inman. In addition two boys of Dutch Nationality from Batavia have joined the form this term. We welcome these juvenile representatives of our gallant Dutch Allies.

With the help of the Head we have improved our form by the addition of a small class library. We have 57 books, and the boys find them very useful as a source of wider reading than is provided by the school text books.

We have made an effort, too, to decorate the form room walls. We have some good prints hung up, and, facing the boys, is a nice picture of Princess Elizabeth. This is a much valued possession, and we are sure the Princess would be delighted to know that we have adopted her as our "Pin-up" girl!

Most of us are members of the Junior Red Cross and two of our number, Harburn and Woolcott, are members of the Cadet Corps.

In sport we have achieved quite a worthy niche. Lapham skippers the Under 12 Cricket team, and skippers it well; Oliver is his capable Vice. We were delighted when Knox won the Mile (open) Handicap, with Morel in third place. The various sporting results are detailed in the Sporting Section of "The Mitre." Here we can only emphasise the good results achieved in Sport during the year by Lapham, Oliver, Glasson, Heppingstone, Knox, Giles, Sears, Morel and others.

And now when the coveted Dux of the Form is decided, the School Year will be over—bar shouting. No, of course it doesn't matter that we don't all win. What does matter is that we all try.

II FORM NOTES

This year will be remembered as a milestone in our lives, as we celebrated both V.E. and V.P. Days. There were great rejoicings, but let us remember our broadcast motto: "Let us plan a **real** Peace."

When we heard the war was over, everybody's mattresses "fell" over the balcony.

One of the Masters, called Mr. Short, has commenced a Junior Red Cross, which has been successful. There are about 90 members. Each term we are taken camping or hiking. We hope the bazaar will be a huge success.

At the beginning of third term we welcomed back Flintoff— α former pupil.

In about the middle of second term Mr. Dafter took us around to show us all his "gadgets." I say "gadgets" because I can't understand them all. They are nice but complicated. From Sundials to things that can register an earthquake as far away as the Pacific Ocean. There were many other things, too, but that is all I can explain.

We have had some very interesting broadcasts, and some day we are hoping to have films to go with them.

We have not been very lucky at sport this year, but I'm sure we'll do better next year.

We are all very envious of "Oscar" as he doesn't come to school until second period.

This term we have lost Mrs. Eagling and Mathewson. We were sorry to see them go.

Swimming is a good sport. Our Sports Master is Mr. Ryan. He is hard on us (?) but we learn to swim.

Marbles are very popular this term.

We are all having some "lovely reads" from the library books. How nice the Parents Association is.

I FORM NOTES

The Junior School has extended this year.

Although several boys have left us and gone back to England with their parents, other new ones have come. We now have 40 in I Form and 33 in the Primary classes.

With the end of the year exams only a few weeks off the boys are all settling down to work in earnest. The 28 in Ia are hoping to be BIG BOYS next year down at the Senior School. We think first place in form will be keenly contested between J. Scott and M. Hill, while all the others are just as keen to be second.

The three H's, Hill, Hicks and Harris, who went to Guildford for the running, think they did not do so badly. Hill won his heat. Hicks was not chosen, and Harris says he would have beaten them all if he hadn't fallen down.

Swimming is eagerly awaited by the boys, not so eagerly by the Teachers.

Does anything exciting ever happen at the Junior School did you say? Ask Mrs. Mills about the visit of the Turtle a few day's ago!

KINDERGARTEN & PRIMARY

November sees us nearing the end of term, and Christmas—the first peace-time Christmas, as a matter-of-fact, that many of the children in this form have ever seen. To them, as they rush around the playground with their imaginary machineguns, peace-time seems very different from war-time—except, of course, for those whose Daddies have come back from far-off Prison Camps. We think of Marsh, Sandeman ii, Boumphrey, Sewell and Carrad, some of whom actually have their fathers home with them. It was with sadness that we heard that Ashworth's father is still among the Missing.

With the break-up afternoon in the offing, great are the preparations for the various items. Judging from the general blackness of the small boys after a day at school, the ten little nigger boys should not be hard to dress—also should any parent hear his or her offspring mooing loudly, bleating, or even quacking, they must betray no surprise, for we can assure them that many and strange are the noises which exude from this class-room during rehearsals.

In conclusion, it is hoped that small boys who do not gain prizes will not be disappointed, but make up their minds to get one next year for sure, because the task of differentiating is going to be a difficult one this year.

PAPER CHASE

Early in second term a paper chase was held, mainly for the purpose of assisting in the training of those boys in the first and second XVIII practices. However, all boys down to fourth form were starters.

Three hares were chosen from sixth form, Trowell, Whitaker and Grose, and a field of 94 hounds started off in close pursuit twelve minutes after the hares had set out. After a close run over the four to five mile course, during the course of which none of the hares were caught, the race was won by Newton, soon followed by Burrows and Slowan. The first ten in their correct order are found below.

A close finish was that of Hobbs and Heseltine i, who, after following every possible false trail, found themselves coming in a tie near the home stretch. With a final burst of speed the latter triumphed, reaching the finishing line a length or two ahead. Although this effort did not gain a place, it was, however, the first finish your reporter was capable of seeing. It may be added that several sixth-formers distinguished themselves by coming in in the thirties.

The first ten were: Newton, Burrows, Slowan, McCracken, Overington, Hubbard, Sutherland, Budge, Metherall and Newnham.

-- "Also Ran"

DEBATING SOCIETY NOTES

This year has seen more activity in Debating Society circles than is usually the case.

Our team met the Subiaco Boys' Club at St. Andrew's Hall, Subiaco, and the Scotch College team at the School. Mrs. Cardell-Oliver officiated at the first contest, and Mr. M. Cott presided at the second. At Subiaco the result was very close, but at home we won quite comfortably.

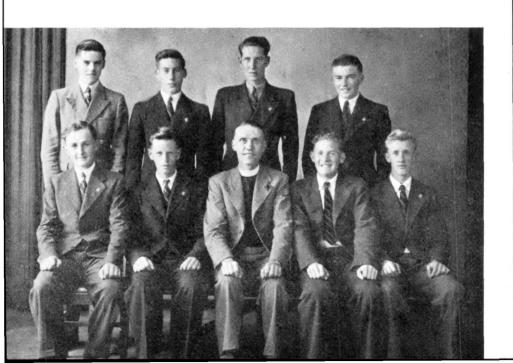
The school three consisted of P. G. Lynn and P. W. Hagan supported by R. Elliott and Heseltine i, respectively. We have enjoyed several hotly-contested debates at home under the Presidency of the Headmaster, assisted by Mr. Miller. The subjects under discussion were "Manpower control should be continued after the war," "The Nationalisation of Airways," "Soil Erosion" and "Chivalry is not dead," to mention but the most important.

In conclusion we would like to congratulate our opponents on their fine display of sportsmanship, and also thank all those who assisted our team, especially Mr. Miller.

-"Peter Pan."

PREFECTS, 1945

Back Row: E. Whitaker, M. A. Lankester, L. A. Cook, W. R. K. Jones.
Front Row: R. M. L. Elliott, D. P. Davies (Head Prefect), The Headmaster, P. G. Lynn,
D. F. Gibson.



PREFECTS' DANCE

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The Prefects' Dance this year was held on Friday, July 28th, in the School Hall, and we are proud to say that it accomplished that which we thought impossible—it was better than last year's. The hall was decorated in much the same way as in 1944 except that the stage was surrounded by a semi-circle of silver curtains which set off to great effect the cream music stands high-lighted in blue and gold and surmounted by the school crest. The cool drink bar was situated in the library in surroundings decorated with fern and palm trees, whilst the supper was, as usual, provided by the mothers in a manner which would have been amazing even in pre-war days. Thanks for this great effort are due largely to Mrs. Jupp and her committee of tireless workers, without whom we would have been unable to produce the shadow of the dance we did. Our gratitude also goes to Mrs. Lynn and her helpers for their remarkable effort in transforming the school gymnasium into a sophisticated dance hall.

Music was provided by the Rhythm Club Sextet consisting of two alto-sax. alternating clarinets, trumpet, electric guitar, piano and drums which would have made Beethoven turn over in his grave. Particularly effective were such numbers as Velvet Moon, featuring Max Jones in the Harry James arrangement; Frenesi, with Jack Leahy on clarinet; and all-star performances in such numbers as "That's a Plenty," "Golden Wedding" and "Woodchoppers' Ball," to name but a few. Feature numbers were made extremely effective by putting out all the hall lights and spotlighting the soloist against the silver background.

As is usual, the weather was not of the best, but this has become such a tradition that it is hardly worth mentioning. It was felt by all present that it would take more than a little rain to dampen the proceedings.

By way of conclusion, we challenge next year's Prefects to run as good a dance—to say "a better dance" would be asking too much. We hope that the Red Cross had as much pleasure in accepting the proceeds as we did in obtaining them.

CRICKET NOTES

As with last year, the First Eleven suffered from lack of experience, but some extremely good matches were played, especially with Wesley College, Perth Modern School, and with the Old Boys.

Most of the matches were played away from home owing to the poor condition of our wicket; but now Mr. Ryan, with the help of the boys, has been able to enlarge the wicket and get it into good condition once more.

The fielding of the side was good. North and Fulwood were by far the best fielders, and North must be congratulated on being awarded the cup for the best fielder.

Brown and North were the two outstanding batsmen, making the bulk of the runs of the season. They both did excellently against the superior bowling of Wesley College and Guildford Grammar School.

In conclusion, we would like to congratulate two very hard triers on getting into the team; namely, Davies and Elliott. Davies should get his colours next year.

Colours were given to Brown, North and Butler, and we congratulate them on a good season's cricket.

1st XI, 1945

Back Row: R. Fulwood, J. Bruce, M. Lankester, J. Drummond, J. Logan, D. Norrie.
Front Row: D. P. Davies, M. Russell, D. Brown (Capt.), D. H. Ryan, J. North (Vice-Capt.),
R. Butler, R. M. Elliott.





FIRST ELEVEN CRITIQUE

- D. C. BROWN (Captain): Has led his side very well, and set a good example on and off the field. He is a good bat after he has shaken off his nervousness. Has filled up the position of wicket-keeper very well.
- J. W. NORTH (Vice-Captain): An excellent fielder, very fast. Is a good bat, but must learn to keep an eye on the ball. Has made many runs for the team this season.
- BUTLER: An excellent fast bowler, with a consistent good length; has learnt how to swing the ball to a good advantage.
- I. DRUMMOND: A good safe field. Is a good spin bowler, but must learn to pitch the ball up.
- FULWOOD: Is a very fast and keen fielder, and is learning the finer arts of cricket very quickly.
- D. P. DAVIES: A most improved player, and a tremendously hard trier. His batting is fair, but is a safe field.
- R. L. ELLIOTT: A hard trier, and a good fielder. In time may be able to put his bowling to advantage.
- M. RUSSELL: Has improved greatly this season both in bowling and batting. Is an excellent fielder, and a good safe batsman. Has taken many wickets with his lea break.
- M. A. LANKESTER: Is a good opening batsman, and has made many runs for the team. Is a fair fielder, but is very slow.
- R. JONES: Has played a few excellent matches, but needs a tremendous amount of practice.
- J. LOGAN: Is inclined to swing his bat, but has made many runs by "stopping." Is a safe fielder.
- D. NORRIE: Is too greatly handicapped by his size. Is a good trier.

SEASON'S MATCHES

1st XI.

- v. G.G.S. G.G.S., 176; C.C., 51 (North 12).
 v. Old Boys Old Boys, 122; C.C., 40 (Brown 11, Butler 11).
 v. Wesley Wesley, 111; C.C., 51 (Brown 15 not out, North 19).
 v. C.B.C. Fremantle C.B.C., 61; C.C., 47 (Russell 12).
 v. C.B.C. Perth C.B.C., 110; C.C., 23.

SWIMMING NOTES

The 16th Annual Swimming Sports was held against Wesley and Perth Modern School on the 15th March. The weather was satisfactory for the swimmers, and some very fast times were recorded.

This year we came a tie with Wesley for second place, Perth Modern School being victorious. Congratulations are due to Oliver, Brown and Baker who were outstanding in the Open, Under 16 and Under 15 events. This year there were a number of relays in which boys who were not representing the school were allowed to enter. Our boys showed great promise by winning two of them out of five.

In conclusion we would like to congratulate Perth Modern School and Wesley College on the great performance made by them, and sportsmanship displayed.

SWIMMING TEAM, 1945

4th Row: M. Hancock, J. Walker, N. Sisson, G. Brown, J. Newman, R. Greeuw, P. Potter, W. Heseltine, W. Baker.

3rd Row: M. Jones, I. Watkins, T. Newton, B. Lynn, N. Marsh, G. Campbell, J. Logan, J. North, W. Watkins, J. Murton.

2nd Row: R. Metherell, A. Stephenson, J. Drummond, V. Oliver, D. H. Ryan, I. Grose, W. Marsh, S. Hillman.

lst Row: T. Mackenzie, R. Oliver R. Hill, R. Potter





The results in detail were:

Open Events

110 Yards Freestyle: Oliver (CC), 1; Cottman (PMS), 2; Wilson (W), 3; 69 seconds. 440 Yards Freestyle: Agnew (PMS), 1; Cottman (PMS), 2; Baker (CC), 3; 5.51 3-5. 55 Yards Backstroke: Oliver (CC), 1; Harris (PMS), 2; Jones (W), 3; 37 secs. (record). 55 Yards Breaststroke: Fowler (W), 1; Woolley (PMS), 2; Terry (W), 3; 40 3-5 secs.

Under 16

55 Yards Freestyle: Oliver (CC), 1; Gordon (W), 2; Collman (PMS), 3; 31 seconds.
55 Yards Backstroke: Oliver (CC), 1; Harris (PMS), 2; Jones (W), 3; 36 2-5 sec. (rec.).
220 Yards Freestyle: Agnew (PMS), 1; Cottman (PMS), 2; George (W), 3; 2.35 3-5 seconds (record).

Under 15

- 110 Yards Freestyle: Agnew (PMS), 1; Haris (PMS), 2; Jones (W), 3; 66 5-10 seconds (record).
- 55 Yards Breaststroke: Fowler (W), Agnew (PMS), dead-heat 1; Brown (CC), 3; 40 1-5 seconds (record).

Under 14

55 Yards Freestyle: Jones (W), 1; Sisson (CC), 2; S. Cowan (CC), 3; 36 3-5 seconds.

Under 13

55 Yards Freestyle: Hammond (W), 1; Newton (CC), 2; Crommelin (CC), 3; 41 2-5 seconds.

Under 12

55 Yards Freestyle: Clark (CC), 1; Hepwell (W), 2; Oliver (CC), 3; 45 2-5 seconds.

Relays

220 Yards Freestyle, Open: Wesley, 1; CCGS, 2; PMS, 3. 2 minutes 15 1-5 seconds. 220 Yards Freestyle, Under 16: PMS, 1; Wesley, 2; CCGS, 3; 2 min. 17 1-5 secs. 220 Yards Freestyle, Under 15: Wesley, 1; PMS, 2; CCGS, 3; 2 min. 32 1-5 secs. 220 Yards Freestyle, Under 14: CCGS, 1; PMS, 2; Wesley, 3; 2 min. 41 3-5 secs. 220 Yards Freestyle, Under 13: CCGS, 1; PMS, 2; Wesley, 3; 2 min. 53 5-10 secs.

Final scores were:

Perth Modern School	53
Christ Church Grammar School	43
Wesley College	43

On the 27th March, the Inter-House Swimming Sports were held at the Claremont Baths. This year there was a Diving event, and it showed that the boys were not at all out of class as here were some very neat divers present.

There was a good attendance of spectators, and the events were enjoyed by all.

This year it resulted in a win for Craigie, followed by Romsey, and Queenslea last.

All the Open, Under 16, 15 and younger swimmers displayed great keenness towards the sports.

Hammond, who was injured and could not represent the school Inters, was the Open Champion at the School Sports.

FOOTBALL NOTES

The First Eighteen team this year was not by any means strong, but they battled on through the season very gamely and are to be congratulated on their great effort.

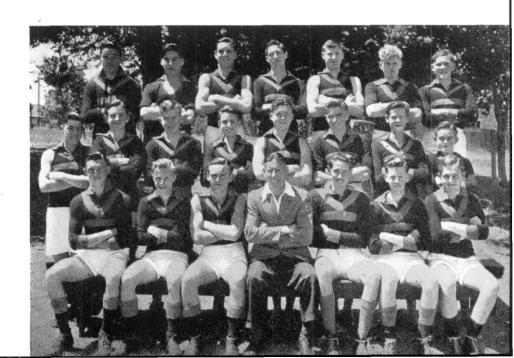
The team made good signs of doing good as on the ground they were very fast and their leading was satisfactory, but the main trouble is that the marking was lacking and it was a big disadvantage when battling against the bigger schools.

The following boys received Football Colours and are to be heartily congratulated: Oliver, Lynn, North, Logan, Brown, Norrie, Bruce, Fulwood.

1st XVIII, 1945

Back Row: J. Legan, M. Lankester, T. Crommelin, R. Butler, J. Newman, P. Hagan, P. Lynn. Centre Row: R. Fulwood, J. Bruce, C. Campbell, R. Pitts-Hill, M. Russell, R. Jones, I. Wright, D. Norrie.

Front Row: D. Brown, J. North, V. Oliver (Capt.), D. H. Ryan, L. Cook (Vice-Capt.), D. Davies, R. Elliott.





Results in detail:

- v. Perth Boys School. Won. Perth Boys, 3 goals 3 points; Christ Church, 9 goals 12 points. Played at School.
- v. C.B.C. Fremantle. Won. C.B.C., 5 goals 6 points; Christ Church, 7 goals 8 points. Played at Hilton Park.
- v. C.B.C. Perth. Lost. C.B.C., 12 goals 16 points; Christ Church, 6 goals 12 points. Played at School.
- v. Wesley. Lost. Wesley, 14 goals 18 points; Christ Church, 5 goals 7 points. Played at School.
- v. P.M.S. Lost. P.M.S., 28 goals 29 points; Christ Church 2 goals. Played at Leederville.
- v. C.B.C. Fremantle. Won. C.B.C., 2 goals 3 points; Christ Church, 16 goals 17 points. Played at Home.
- v. Perth Boys School. Won. P.B.S., 5 goals 7 points; Christ Church, 7 goals 5 points. At Perth Oval.
- v. C.B.C. Perth. Lost. C.B.C., 12 goals 9 points; Christ Church, 3 goals 8 points. Played at Subiaco.
- v. Wesley, Lost. Wesley, 14 goals 21 points; Christ Church, 1 goal 4 points.
- v. Albany High School. Lost. Albany, 2 goals 9 points; Christ Church, 3 goals 2 points. Played at Subiaco.
- v. St. Louis. Won. St. Louis, 2 points; Christ Church, 11 goals 9 points. Played at School Ground.

ROWING NOTES

During the past two years there has been very little activity in this section of sport. This was due to the lack of a coach in the school. This year the Sports Master, Mr. Ryan, contacted a coach, Mr. Lane, who is the Captain and Coach of the Perth A.N.A. Rowing Club. He has given up his time on Sunday mornings to coach a few of us. The boarders seem to monopolise the boats at present as time and lack of boats presents a difficulty as regards numbers. We have, at present, two very good fours, but really need a pair for the primary training.

Next year we hope to be able to extend times of training in order that the numbers interested may be satisfied.

Unfortunately, we have not reached a high enough standard to compete in Inter-School competitions. We hope that this may be overcome next year.



TENNIS NOTES

Vice-Captain R. F. Butler Captain P. W. Hagan

In the first term of this year the activities of the club were somewhat limited owing to the poor state of the courts.

This, however, was remedied before tennis was resumed in third term and the corresponding increase in the popularity of the game has been marked.

The Inter-House competition resulted in an outstanding victory for Queenslea, with Craigie beating Romsey narrowly into second place.

R. F. Butler, P. G. Lynn, R. Pitts-Hill and I. Wright represented the school in the Slazenger Cup competition, but were unsuccessful in gaining a place. R. Fulwood was unable to compete because of an illness.

The interest shown in the game this year, especially amongst the younger boys, has been most heartening, and we look forward to producing some champions from these in future years.

ATHLETIC NOTES

Sports Master Mr. D. C. Ryan Captain P. G. Lynn

Although the results obtained at our various meetings this year have not been very favourable, it can truthfully be stated that this is not due to any lack of keenness on the part of the members of our team, but rather to the fact that the teams we have encountered have been very solid and beyond our ability to beat.

The team trained hard and enthusiastically and the general attitude of all concerned was in the best traditions of sportsmanship. Particularly outstanding was the performance of T. Crommelin, who, after scoring twenty-three points, became School Open Champion and succeeded in becoming Inter-School Open Champion in the sports against Wesley College, scoring sixteen points. This is the first time the Open Champion has not belonged to the school winning the Lynn Shield.

ATHLETIC TEAM, 1945

4th Row: J. Bruce, E. Overington, W. Berliner, J. Logan, M. Russell, R. Anderson, R. Stephenson, I. Wright, N. Sisson, A. M. Moore.

3rd Row: M. Fiebig, R. Burrows, H. Heseltine, S. Leeke, A. Sullivan, R. Pitts-Hill, J. Murton, D. Norrie, R. Franklin, R. Clark, J. Seal.

2nd Row: J. Trowell, L. Cock, T. Crommelin, P. Lynn (Capt.), D. H. Ryan, D. Brown (Vice-Capt.), J. North, P. Hagan.

1st Row: T. Newton, J. de Haas, B. Oliver, B. Whyte, W. Glasson, T. Wyatt, M. Fisher.



Meetings were also held against Guildford Grammar School and Perth Modern School (Annual Triangular Competition), and Perth Boys School, the results of which are set out below. We extend our heartiest congratulations to these schools on their attainments and look forward to many more competitions, possibly with different results, in the future.

Congratulations also go to T. Crommelin as Open Champion; D. Brown, as runner-up, Open Champion; M. Russell, Under Sixteen Champion; M. Moore, Under Fifteen Champion; and to J. Logan, on his fine performance at the Inters v. Wesley. As a result of these meetings, Athletic Colours were awarded to T. Crommelin, P. Hagan and J. Logan.



Following are the results of our various meetings this year:

School Sports held Saturday, October 6th

Open Events

- 100 Yards Championship: Brown (R), 1; Crammelin (C), 2; Butler (Q), 3. Time, 11 seconds.
- 220 Yards Championship: Crommelin (C) and Brown (R), 1; Butler (Q), 3. Time, 25.9 seconds.
- 440 Yards Championship: Crommelin (C), 1; Brown (R), 2; Lynn (C), 3. Time, 57.6 seconds.
- 880 Yards Championship: Lynn (C), 1: North (R), 2: Cox (C), 3. Time, 2 minutes 23 seconds.
- Mile Championship: Hagan (Q), 1; Crommelin (C), 2; Lynn (C), 3. Time 5 minutes 20 seconds.
- Long Jump: Crommelin (C), 1: Brown (R), 2: Cook (R), 3. Length, 18 feet 2 inches.
- High Jump: Cook (R), 1; Brown R), 2; Morris (C), 3. Height, 5 feet 3 5-8 inches.
- 120 Yards Hurdles: Crammelin (C), 1; Brown (R) and North (R), 2. Time, 18 1-5 seconds (inaugural record).

Under 16

- 100 Yards Championship: Russell (R), 1; Stephenson (C), 2; Anderson (R), 3. Time, 12 seconds.
- 220 Yards Championship: Russell (R), 1; Anderson (R), 2; Wright (Q) and McPherson (R), 3. Time, 27 3-10 seconds.
- 440 Yards Championship: Russell (R), 1; Anderson (R), 2; McPherson (R), 3. Time, 62 1-5 seconds.
- 880 Yards Championship: Overington (Q), 1; Norrie (R), 2; Russell (R), 3. Time, 2 minutes 30 3-5 seconds.

Broad Jump: Carter (Q), 1; Russell (R), 2; Wright (Q), 3. Distance,

High Jump: Russell (R), 1; Pitts-Hill (Q), 2; Wright (R) and Brockway (Q), 3.

90 Yards Hurdles: Norrie (R), 1; Carter (Q), 2; Pitts-Hill (Q), 3. Time,

Under 15

- 100 Yards Championship: Moore (Q), 1; Sisson (C), 2; Sullivan (Q), 3. Time, 12.1 seconds.
- 220 Yards Championship: Sisson (C), 1; Moore (Q), 2; Sullivan (Q), 3. Time 28 3-5 sceonds.
- 100 Yards Handicap: Budge (Q), 1; Moore (Q), 2; Sullivan (Q), 3. Time 12 3-10 seconds.

Long Jump: Sisson (C), 1; Moore (Q), 2; Sullivan (Q), 3. Distance,

90 Yards Hurdles: Moore (Q), 1; Burrows (Q), 2; Budge (Q), 3. Time,

Under 14

- 100 Yards Championship: Leeke (R), 1; Whyte (R), 2; Trebley (Q), 3. Time, 12.9 seconds.
- 220 Yards Championship: Heseltine ii (C), 1; Hutchinson (R), 2; Trebley (Q), 3.

High Jump: Murton (C), 1; Whyte (R), 2; Franklin (Q), 3. Height,

90 Yards Hurdles: Whyte (R), 1; Heseltine ii (C), 2; Trebley (Q), 3. Time,

Under 13

100 Yards Championship: Fiebig (Q), 1; Seal (R), 2; Oliver (R), 3. Time, 13 3-5 sec.

220 Yards Championship: Fiebig (Q), 1; McKenzie (C), 2; Clarke (R) and Seal (R), 3. Time, 31 3-5 seconds.

Under 12

70 Yards Championship: Seal (R), 1; Ciles C), 2; Glasson (R), 3. Time, 10 seconds 50 Yards Sack Race: Lapham (R), 1; Fisher (R), 2; Parker (Q), 3.

Under 11

75 Yards Championship: Lockyer (Q), 1; Wyatt (C), 2; de Hass (Q), 3. Time, 11.1 seconds.

Under 10

50 Yards Championship: Hill (C), 1; Ward (Q), 2; Watson (Q), 3. Time, 7. 3-5 secs

Under 9

50 Yards Championship: Hill (C), 1; Harris (Q), 2; Hicks (C), 3. Time, 8 seconds.

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50 Yards Championship: Hallo (Q), 1; Turkington (R), 2; Coleman (C) and Joynt (Q), 3. Time, 8 3-5 seconds.

Under 7

50 Yards Championship: Sandiman (R), 1; Ashworth (C), 2; Utting (C), 3. Time, 8 4-5 seconds.

Under 6

50 Yards Championship: Brockway (R), 1; Lippiatt (C) and Cannon (R), 3. Time, 8 3-5 seconds.

Inter-House Relay: Craigie, 1; Queenslea, 2; Romsey, 3.

Relay Race - School v. O.B.A.: O.B.A., 1; School, 2.

v. Guildford Grammar School and Perth Modern School

Open

- 100 Yards: Wood (G), 1; Kiernan (G), 2; Douglas (M), 3; Crommelin (C), 4; Green (M), 5. Time, 10.6 seconds.
- 220 Yards: Wood (G), 1; Kiernan (G), 2; Crommelin (C), 3; Jones (M), 4; Brown (C), 5. Time, 24 seconds.
- 440 Yards: Jones (M), 1; Moss (G), 2; Crommelin (C), 3; Green (M), 4; Scott (G), 5. Time, $54\frac{1}{2}$ seconds.
- 880 Yards: White (M), 1; Bercove (M), 2; Moss (G), 3; Tanden (G), 4; Lynn C, 5. Time, 2 minutes 8 seconds.
- Mile: White (M), 1; Palmer (G), 2; Kenworthy (G), 3; Bercove (M), 4; Hagan (C), 5. Time, 5 minutes 1-5 second.
- 120 Yards Hurdles: Fairbrother (M), 1; Kiernan (G), 2; Crommelin (C), 3. Time, 17.2 seconds.

Relay: Guildford, 1; Modern, 2; Christ Church, 3..

High Jump: Stevenson and Powerie (M), 1; Brown (C) and Miller (G), 3; Cook (C), 5. Height, 5 feet 3 inches.

Broad Jump: Kiernan (G), 1; Blank (M), 2; Brown (C), 3; Moss (G), 4; Same (M), 5. Distance, 18 feet 8 inches.

Under 16

- 100 Yards: Brown (M), 1; Wheatley (G), 2; Lindsay (M), 3; Russell (C), 4; Carter (C), 5. Time, 11.3 seconds.
- 220 Yards: Lindsay (M), 1; Brown (M), 2; Wheatley (G), 3; Russell (C), 4; Doust (G), 5. Time, 26 seconds.
- 440 Yards: Lindsay (M), 1; Ellis (G), 2; Wheatley (G), 3; Fleay (M), 4; Russell (C), 5. Time, 58.8 seconds.
- 880 Yards: Lindsay (M), 1; Ellis (G), 2; Mod., 3; Overington (C), 4; Purslowe (G), 5. Time, 2 minutes 20.4 seconds.
- High Jump: Loukes (M), 1; Scott (G), 2; Pitts-Hill (C) and Lindsay (M), 3; Russell (C), 5. Height, 5 feet ½ inch.
- Broad Jump: Moss (G), 1; Loukes (M), 2; Lindsay (M), 3; Carter (C), 4; G.G.S., 5. Distance, 16 feet 10 inches.
- Relay: P.M.S., 1; G.G.S., 2; C.C.G.S., 3.

Under 15

100 Yards: Moss (G), 1; Kelly (M), 2; Moore (C), 3; Doust (G), 4; Walters (M), 5. Time, 11.3 seconds.

220 Yards: Moss (G), 1; Kelly (M), 2; Lyncham (M), 3; Donaldson (G), 4; Sisson (C), 5. Time, 26 seconds.

Relay: P.M.S., 1; G.G.S., 2; C.C.G.S., 3.

Under 14

100 Yards: Porter (G), 1; Cust (G), 2; Woodman (M), 3; Pitchel (M), 4; Leeke (C), 5. Time, 12.2 seconds.

220 Yards: Cust, (G), 1; Pitcher (M), 2; Woodman (M), 3; Trebley (C), 4; Tunbridge (G), 5. Time, 28 1-5 seconds.

Under 13

100 Yards: Piper (G), 1; Fiebig (C), 2; Clark (G), 3; Thomas (M), 4; Hand (M), 5. Time, 13.1 seconds.

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100 Yards: Hamilton (W), 1; Crommelin (CC), 2; Brown (CC), 3. Time, 11.4 second.s 220 Yards: Hamilton (W), 1; Crommelin (CC), 2; Brown (CC), 3. Time, 24.8 seconds. 440 Yards: Crommelin (CC), 1; Turpin (W), 2; Brown (CC), 3. Time, 57.2 seconds. 880 Yards: Peterson (W), 1; Grace (W), 2; Hagan (CC), 3. Time, 2 min. 13 secs. Mile: Petersen (W), 1; Hagan (CC), 2; Grace (W), 3. Time, 5 minutes 12.2 seconds. High Jump: Hughes (W), 1; Cook (CC), 2; Brown (CC), 3. Height, 5 ft. 4½ ins. Broad Jump: Weaver (W), 1; Brown (CC), 2; Hamilton (W), 3. Height, 18 ft. 8½ in. 120 Yards Hurdles: Crommelin (CC), 1; Morcombe (W), 2; Shellabear (W), 3. Time, 18.8 seconds.

Under 16

100 Yards: Watt (W), 1; Carter (CC), 2; Russell (CC), 3. Time 11.8 seconds.
220 Yards: Yeynolds (W), 1; Watt (W), 1; Carter (CC), 3. Time, 25.6 seconds.
440 Yards: Reynolds (W), 1; Wilderspin (W), 2; Watson (W), 3. Time, 58 secs.
880 Yards: Wilderspin (W), 1; McKay (W), 2; Reynolds (W), 3. Time, 2 min 22 sec.
High Jump: Lagan (CC), 1; Reynolds (W), Smith (W), Pitts-Hill (CC), 2. Height, 4 feet 10½ inches.

Under 15

100 Yards: Jones (W), 1; Diggins (W), 2; Keil (W), 3. Time, 11.6 seconds.

220 Yards: Jones (W), 1; Diggins (W), 2; Keil (W), 3. Time, 26 sec. (equals rec.)

Under 14

100 Yards: Hammond (W), 1; Dunlop (W), 2; Holloway (W), 3. Time, 12.4 secs. 220 Yards: Hammond (W), 1; Dunlop (W), 2; Trebley (CC), 3. Time, 27.8 secs. High Jump: Hammond (W), 1; Murton (CC), Gibbs (W), 2. Height, 4 feet 6 inches.

Under 13

100 Yards: Smith (W), 1; Donaldson (W) 2; Fiebig (CC), 3. Time, 13.4 seconds.

Under 12

75 Yards: Smith (W), 1; Robinson (W), 2; Seal (CC), 3. Time, 10.2 seconds.

Under 11

75 Yards: de Haas (CC), 1; Wyatt (CC), 2; Nixon (W), 3. Time, 11 seconds.



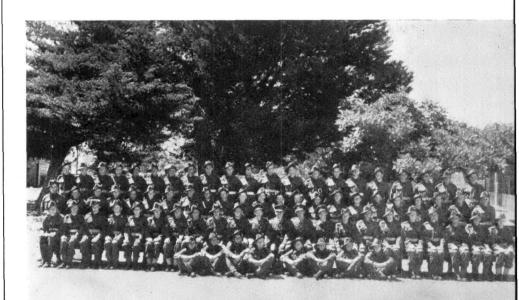
CADET NOTES



The Cadet Corps this year has made a greater advance than in any previous year and we now have the satisfaction of knowing that, at the Combined Camp at Northam, we were placed second only to Hale School in efficiency and discipline, and that the margin was very slight. We feel that the inspiration is due to our C.O., Mr. H. G. Short, who has worked tirelessly for the Corps and has inspired his Officers, N.C.O's and Other Ranks with a determination to be second to none next year.

We have expanded to two-platoon strength this year and consequently now number eighty-five members in all; plans are afoot to enlarge further our scope to three platoons in 1946, a great step forward from the original handful of cadets. Congratulations on their commissions go to the two Cadet Lieutenants, D. P. Davies and L. A. Cook, who have ably seconded Mr. Short in his efforts and have done an excellent job.

SCHOOL CADET CORPS, 1945 O.C. Lieut, H. G. Short



This expansion has thrown an extra burden on the Sergeant-Major, W.O. Brown, D. C., and the Quartermaster, S/Sgt. Lynn, P. G., and has led to the acquisition of another room for the "Q" Store. New uniforms of the A.M.F. pattern were issued to us from Army Stores in time for us to complete our issue before going to the Combined Camp, thus making the unit much smarter in appearance.

This year has also seen the formation of several specialist sections, namely, Vickers, Bren, Mortar, and Signal Sections. These have astonished their instructors by their aptitude, and are giving a display at the Red Cross Fete to be held on Saturday, November 17th in conjunction with the rest of the Cadets and the Junior Red Cross.

We have had numerous shoots at Swanbourne Rifle Range an done at Northam this year, and our average has consistently improved. In the recently-conducted shoot for the Commonwealth Cup, we improved four places on last year's performance, being successful in beating Modern School amongst others.

Competition for the Taylor Cup for the most efficient Cadet and the newly-donated Hobbs Trophy for the most improved Cadet throughout the year is now very keen, and the outcome should be very interesting.

In conclusion we bid farewell to Captain Meachem, S.O.S.C., who is shortly vacating this position. We thank him for the interest and ability he has shown, and wish him the best for the future.

—"Q" and "WO."

In this issue of *The Mitre* we have included several pages of photographs of Old Boys who lost their lives in the War. Unfortunately, not all are shown here owing to the fact that photographs were hard to get.

These boys, for so they are still to us, have left behind them of their spirit and their ability. Our remembrance of them is summed-up in these lines:

"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old, Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn, At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, We will remember them."



A.B. P. S. UTTING



Lieut. R. H. UTTING

P/O. A. R. NOSEDA, D.F.C.





F/O. W. J. H. LOVE



F.Sgt. G. P. TURNER



F.Sgt. K. FOXCROFT



J. TAYLOR



F.Sgt. R. R. SKIPSEY



F.Sgt. R. R. RICHARDSON

F/O. D. H. EVANS



F/O. A. M. HOWE



Lieut. N. H. T. BIRD

Lieut. P. R. JACOBY

HONOUR ROLL

"Pro rege et pro Patria."



Royal Australian Navy, Australian Imperial Forces, and Royal Australian Air Force.

Adcock, J. Angel, L. Arnold, S. R. Barsden, G. N. Barsden, H. *Barrymore, F. W. Bedells, J. G. Bedells, T. G. Bell, F. M. D. Bentley, D. J. E. *Beresford, B. de la P. Bicker, A. L. Bickford, C. Bickford, H. R. *Bird, N. H. T. Bleechmore, B. C. Blackall, J. W. Boultbee, A. P. Boultbee, E. D. Boultbee, R. T. Boethe, W. G. Bowers, G. Bowers, P. Boys, H. Brede, C. G. *Brownie, R. Bull, J. K. Burgess, R. W. Burridge, J. Bussell, F. H. Butler, L. Byfield, A. S. Calthrop, R.

Carter, W. I. Clarkson, D. Clarkson, G. D. Clarkson, J. Compton, G. S. Connell, F. *Courthope, J. E. K. Cooksley, D. S. Cooksley, R. Corboy, T. Cox, A. R. B. Cox, J. P. Cox, R. Craig, B. Crammond, R., Crimp, A. S. Crimp, G. S. Crimp, J. S. Critchley, A. Crooks, W. R. Currie, G. Currie, K. Daniels, J. Davies, L. L., *Davies, O., Dawes, A. H. De Castilla, J. . Deveson, J., Devitt, H. T. Dickson, A. Dickson, P. Dorritcott, D. A. Dossett, L.

Douglas, W. S. Drake-Brockman, F. R. Eaton, J. Eagleton, I. L. Ellershaw, E. Ellershaw, R. Evans, C: *Evans, D. H. *Evans, J. T. Evans, R. R. G. Eyres, G. Eyres, M. Farmaner, H. G. F. Finey, N. Fisher, V. A. A. Fitzgerald, P. W. Fitzherbert, J. R. Fletcher, W. Flintoff, T. W. G. Forbes; H. D. Fox, P. D. G. *Foxcroft, K. E. Frost, R. L. Gibson, R. Giles, A. B. Giles, E. C. B. Giles, H: N. Giles, J. R. G. Giles, R. O. Gill, T. Gordon, D. L. . Gordon, S. ·Gostelow, J.

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*Richardson, R. R. Roberts, W. E. Robertson, J. H. Robertson, W. G. Rogers, G. A. Ross, R. L. W. *Rowan, P. J. Russell, C. P. F. Russell, W. A. C. Sanderson, F. Sanderson, H. Sanderson, W. P. Saunders, J. Scott, J. A. Seward, A. Sewell, A. E. B. Shearn, H. V. Simmons, L. R. Simmons, S. *Skipsey, R. R. Smiley, N. Smith, A. E. Smith, K. E. Smith, P. M. H. Solin, D. H. Sounness, R. Stanley, F. Sudlow, R. P. Sudlow, W. E. Swinbourn, A. A. Tanner, A. E. Thompson, T. G. Taylor, J. *Taylor, J. F. Tolhurst, W. H. Townrow, M. Treadgold, R. Trenberth, G. W. Tucker, E. J. L. *Turner, G. Unbehaun, N. Upton, G. R. Utting, J. *Utting, R. *Utting, S. P. Vincent, R. Vinden, W. A. Walter, R. J. Walter, P. O. Walters, I. B. Watson-Williams, F. Weager, G. Webb, A. J. West, G. West, M. A. Whitlock, K. White, S. E. Wiley, B. J. Wright, I. Wright, P. Wylie, H. Wylie, L. Young, -

RED CROSS NOTES

Leader Mr. H. G. Short

This year, with a roll of 83, we have officially become a Branch of the Junior Red Cross Society. This means that we form what is known as a "Circle." We meet once a week for about an hour, and in that time we make toys, leathergoods and numerous other goods. For their assistance in this direction, we would like to thank Mrs. Short, who has given up much of her valuable time to instruct in feltwork, knitting, etc.; Mr. Miller, leatherwork; and Mr. Dafter, woodwork. And so, during the year we have got together quite a large quantity and variety of goods which we intend to sell at a fete. We are preparing for this Fete now as these notes go to press ,and as well as the sale of goods, there will be a demonstration of First Aid and stretcher-drill by twenty members of the Red Cross.

The Red Cross has had several outings this year. We went on two hikes to National Park and Mundaring, and a week-end camp at Gooseberry Hill, for which we thank Mrs. Gibson for the loan of her cottage. We had enjoyable times at all these outings. but unfortunately the week-end camp was somewhat spoilt by rain.

We received a portfolio from a Red Cross Circle at Central Manor School, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. This folio contains information and pictures about that district, and it forms a very interesting record of the type of work that circle is doing. In exchange for this, we are sending a portfolio back, telling our American friends all about our school and the work we are doing. This folio has been made up by members of our circle and it is really a credit to them.

From collections and donations, we have been able to equip fully for use a First Aid room, at an expense of over £30. In addition to this we have made several donations to various funds, including £3 to Sister Kate's Homes and £2 to the European Children's Funds. In a State-wide Air Race Competition we managed to raise £36 as well as our other efforts.

In conclusion, we would like to thank all those who have contributed to our funds during the year, and also all those parents and friends who have offered their assistance at the Fete on Saturday, 17th. Thank you.

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the Parents' Association was held on 12th March, when the following Office-Bearers were elected:

President: Mr. ALEC KING, M.A.

Vice-Presidents: The Very Rev. Dean MOORE, Mr. B. L. TUCKER.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. W. H. EVANS.

Committee: Mesdames D. F. LESSLIE, H. W. HESSELTINE, H. N. GILES; Messrs. J. C. GROSE, H. W. HESELTINE, J. O. GLASSON, J. E. HAMMOND, R. G. LYNN, H. MERRY.

A proposal was put forward for the parents to provide the School with a Reference and Fiction Library, the accommodation and furniture for which the School Council was asked to provide. The scheme was unanimously adopted, and as a result the nucleus of a splendid library was officially handed over to the School on 4th August.

Donations by parents now amount to £230 from 138 parents. Two parents issued a challenge that they would each subscribe £5 if twenty would do likewise. To date 14 have accepted the challenge. Are any others able and willing to do so?

There was a very large gathering at the "handing over" function, and although the display by the boys was cut short by rain, the afternoon was most successful.

In addition to the general library, class libraries are now being established.

So that the library can be built up and kept up-to-date, a library fee of 5/- a term has been instituted at the request of the parents.

Earlier in the year, a suggestion was put forward that a "Hobbies Evening" be instituted once a month, at which boys, staff, and parents could join in activities of interest to them all, such as music, craftwork, dramatics, stamps, and the like. The idea is not that parents should go along as instructors, but that they should take part in common activities on an equal footing with the boys. A number of parents have shown interest in the proposal, but unfortunately, it has not been possible to do anything this year. The Headmaster hopes that early next year he will be able to initiate the project.

Our "Parents Evening" for third term was held on 2nd November, and the function was most successful. An interesting and enjoyable item was provided by the King family, illustrating music in the home. We were asked to imagine, not that we were listening to a performance, but that we had chanced to pass by their home when the family were enjoying themselves with music. Mr. King, Mrs. King, Walter and Francis played respectively the violin, recorder, piano and cello, and all performers seemed to enjoy themselves as much as did their audience.

Mr. Short told us a little of his work with the boys outside school hours, particularly with the Junior Red Cross. Mr. Dafter described the meteorological apparatus he had constructed, and which has intrigued all passers-by. Apparently the instruments are made mainly from scrap, and we learned that Mr. Dafter has many more ideas as yet not executed, so if any parent has any scrap metal, passed on to Mr. Dafter it would be transformed into a scientific instrument (a list of the type of scrap wanted is shown below).

Miss Elspeth Lesslie delighted us with her playing of Liszt's "Consolation" and a Schubert Impromptu; and to conclude our varied programme, Rev. Mr. Jacquet intrigued us with his conjuring tricks. Supper then provided parents and staff to meet and talk with each other, and, indeed, we feel that this contact is the most valuable part of such evenings.

Our activities this year have resulted in a substantial increase in membership, which now stands at 125. However, there are still many parents who do not belong to the Association and a further increase would strengthen our efforts for the benefit of the School. The subscription is a nominal one, and any parent not yet a member may join by sending 5/- to the Honorary Secretary, W. H. Evans, 115 St. George's Terrace, Perth.

The following is a list of items being sought by Mr. Dafter:

Old alarm clocks.

Piece brass, 1-8" to 1-4".

Sheet brass, 1-16".

Brass rod, square or round, 1-8", 1-4" or 1-2", or oblong any size.

Copper, brass, or lead tubing (long lengths if possible), about 1-2" internal diameter.

Lead for melting down.

Car or cycle speedometer.

Aneroid barometer.

Glass sphere of type used by crystal gazer, 3" to 4" diameter. Any type of survey instrument, no matter how old.

TO PARENTS

An important part of the education system, in which your son is now taking his part, is that which fits and trains him for the work that he will do when he leaves school. At the end of his primary school course, when he is about twelve years of age, you should talk with him and his teachers about the trade or profession into which he wishes to enter. Then, can be planned ahead along what lines his studies will lead him. Here, a boy finishes his primary schooling when he passes out of Form III.

Three years elapse before your son sits for the Junior Certificate. In the first year all boys cover the same syllabus of studies, with one exception. The course, in the first year, consists of: English, Latin or Bookkeeping (which is the exception), French, History Geography, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Physics, Chemistry, Biology. Of course, he can study, as extra subjects, Drawing, Woodwork and Metalwork.

In the second year, there enters a degree of specialisation. This specialisation is dependent on the profession into which your son wishes to enter, or whether he aims at Matriculation in one or other of the faculties of the University. For a boy who is to leave school at the end of the third year, that is, after having passed the "Junior," we suggest that in the second year his studies consist of English, French, History, Geography, Mathematics A and Mathematics B, Commercial Methods and Bookkeeping, and a Science subject. If he wishes to go on to Matriculation the subjects advised for various faculties are eight subjects from these groups, some of which is it obligatory for him to pass:—

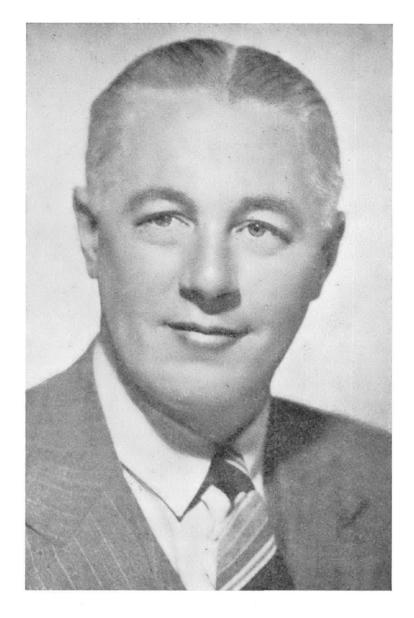
- **Arts.**—English, Latin, French, History, Geography, Maths A, Maths B, Biology or Geology etc., Drawing, German.
- Science.—English, French, Physics, Chemistry, Maths A, Maths B, Biology, Geology, Latin or German.
- **Engineering.**—English, French, Physics, Chemistry, Maths A, Maths B, Geology etc., Drawing B, German.
- Law.—English, Latin, French, German, History, Geography, Maths A, Maths B, Biology, etc.
- Medicine.—English, Latin, German, Physics, Chemistry, Maths A, Maths B, Biology, French, etc.

Dentistry — as for Science. Architecture to include Physics and Drawing. Various requirements are needed for entrance to Banking Houses and the Public Service, knowledge of which may be obtained from brochures which are regularly sent out.

As well as these "necessary" subjects the school curriculum covers other general factors, but in this article the emphasis is laid on requirements necessary to qualify by Public Examination for Matriculation, etc.

If the second and third years are planned the choice of subject for the "Leaving" or for Matriculation becomes easier and the risk of disappointment by failure to cover necessary requirements before Matriculation is overcome.

This planning ahead is very necessary and all members of the teaching staff are only too willing and eager to help any parent in this part of his son's future career.



H. N. GILES, Esg. President, Old Boys' Association

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION NOTES

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Hon. Auditor: H. R. MERRY, Esq.

INTRODUCTION

It is a fully organised Association which once again gives news from its own section of "The Mitre." Ever since the inevitable "recess" began in 1941, these days have been looked forward to. Now that they are with us and the Association has been functioning again as such for almost eight months, we feel that a good step has been made towards attaining pre-war strength.

We hope from now on to have a steadily increasing flow of new and young blood into our ranks as the boys leave school, and we can feel with some degree of certainty that this hope will be realised. Our numbers can also, however, be extended amongst many who have already left school for varying periods of time. It is up to our present members to seek out and contact any they know and inform the Secretary of their whereabouts.

It is in numbers that an Association has its strength — numbers of financial members. Let your subscriptions roll in, the Treasurer loves writing receipts! And to you who are undecided about joining the Association, I say read the words of one of the past Headmasters of the School, then Canon, now Archdeacon Parry:

"There is no greater joy in life than comes from the fellowship of those who are linked by ties of affection and memory to the same school, and through the Association each of you will be able to do much for the welfare and prosperity of this school."

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held this year on April 7th in the School Gymnasium, at 8 p.m. This took place as a result of a very encouraging roll-up to a cricket match against the school, during the first term. At this match, it was deemed possible to revive the Association on account of the increasing number of interested Old Boys in or about Perth. Consequently, on Monday, 7th April, some 36 would-be members set to work, and after the Election of Office-Bearers (see above) proceeded with general discussion.

Membership Fees.—The rates were fixed as follows:

5/- for members up to the age of 21.

10/- for members over the age of 21.

A motion was put forward with regard to a scheme in which parents of boys leaving school could make their sons financial members of the Association until they reach the age of 21 by payment of a nominal fee. This matter was finalised at a later Committee Meeting.

Hockey Club.—A motion to the effect that the Hockey Club once again be formed, was carried unanimously. Campbell Armstrong accepted the tedious job of Secretary to the Club.

Constitution.—It was moved that the old Constitution be revised by Mr. May, to suit the Association in this new era, and then be submitted to the Committee for approval. The motion was carried.

THE PRESIDENT

Mr. H. N. Giles, as a result of the Annual General Meeting, assumed office as President of the Association for the year. It is Mr. Giles' second term as President, he having held the position previously in 1937. A returned man from this war, a foundation member of the School, a member of the Council for Church of England Schools, and always a most active Old Boy, it is fitting that Mr. Giles should be first to take the helm of the newly-revived Association.

ACTIVITIES

The activities of the Association have been revived in a small way. The Annual Dance which was held on Friday, 3rd August, in the School Gymnasium, was the largest function arranged for the year. Some 75 couples, dancing on the Gymnasium floor to the music of a modern four-piece band, made up for the dances so much missed between 1941 and 1944. A magnificent supper provided and elegantly arranged by wives and mothers of Old Boys,

to whom we are most grateful, was greatly enjoyed by the crowd. The whole evening was voted a great success, and as a result we were able to turn over to the School Junior Red Cross Society, the sum of eleven pounds fifteen shillings.

Cricket matches against the School First and Second Elevens, were played in the first and third terms. The Old Boys now with the added strength of returned servicemen can beat the School in the First Eleven match — but don't be donwhearted, boys, we have the pick of the champions of all years, you know. No end of fun is had by both sides in these matches, especially when some of the renowned sloggers "get their eye in."

The football match against the School was missed this year unfortunately, but we hope to remedy this error next year. An Old Boys' Day has been arranged for December 8th. Here's anticipating some fun!

HONOUR BOARD

Many names have been added to the Old Boys' Association Temporary Honour Board during the latter half of the year, bringing the total now to 286. There are, however, still many names missing and any information in this regard is sought for by the Secretary. It will be an impossibility to erect a permanent board for some considerable time yet, as with present indications it is going to be hard to ascertain whether or not we have a complete record.

We feel deeply for the number of these, our old school mates, who will not return from the field of war. (Photographs of these appear elsewhere in the magazine.) We can do little else but offer their relatives our deepest sympathies, since this is no matter for words.

To those from our ranks, also, who have distinguished themselves among their countrymen through the winning of decorations, we send our heartiest congratulations. Among these we must name the following, (all from the R.A.A.F.) with apologies for any omissions:

*Noseda, A. R. (Pilot-Officer), D.F.C.
Boultbee, A. P. (Wireless Air-Gunner), D.F.C.
Boultbee, R. T. (Wireless Air-Gunner), D.F.C.
Marshall, J. L. G. (Pilot-Oficer), D.F.C.

* Killed in Action.

MATRIMONIAI.

Since the Old Boys' Notes appeared last in "The Mitre," many of our number have taken to married life. We wish the following,

and others of whom we have not yet heard, every success for the future:

Peter Bowers, Lloyd Marshall, Harry Devitt, Dick Sudlow, Roley Larke, Tom Bedells, Roy McGlinn, Ray Burgess, Peter McRostie, Gordon Crimp, John Crimp, Alec Crimp, Reg Miley and Bob Minchin.

APPRECIATION

These notes would not be complete without an expression of our appreciation of the hospitality and help afforded to us by the Headmaster and Mrs. Jupp during the past year. Though we sought the help of Mr. Jupp in his busiest time, it was not denied us and his aid was never stinted. A feeling of welcome to Old Boys always prevailed when he was about. Many were the times also when Mrs. Jupp gave up an afternoon to provide tea for the Old Boys during a match. With such a spirit of co-operation between School and Old Boys, the interest of Christ Church cannot fail to be furthered.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

At a recent cricket match against the School, many Old Boys spoke to Ted Hayward, a foundation member of the School. Ted now displays service ribbons of two wars.

We welcomed back some time ago Jack Bedells and Peter McRostie, who had returned from the privations of the P.O.W. camps in Germany.

Six of our members are now attending the Perth University: Mr. Jupp, Jack Neil, Hugh Sanderson, Gerard Cramer, Dave Hutchison, and Paris Drake-Brockman. We wish them all the best of luck in their various exams.

John Crimp is now working with the British War Shipping Administration — without portfolio. Is that right, John?

Mr. Noake, an ex-Headmaster of the School and a Vice-President of the Association, welcomes any letters, or even visits from Old Boys of the School. His address is: 56 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove, New South Wales.

"Pete" Harrison is often heard announcing over 6KY. He arranges some good music programmes, too.

We hear Gerard Cramer was recently elected Co-President of the S.C.M. at the University for the coming year. Good work, "Crim"!

As "The Mitre" goes to press, we welcome excellent news of Frank Manford. Miraculously recovering from a critical illness, Frank is now well on the way to recovery, we hear.

HOCKEY CLUB NOTES

After five years in retirement we welcome the opportunity to write about the recommencement of Hockey. The idea was fostered by some of the up and coming Old Boys who having recently left school felt the need of some kind of active sport and a few of the older enthusiasts agreed to help the younger members to re-form the Old Boys' Hockey Club. Prominent in this connection was John Crimp, who, besides rounding up players at various times, assisted the Secretary at every opportunity in carrying out the Club's duties.

The team was very lucky to have a very able captain and organiser in Campbell Armstrong, who, after much hard work, managed to produce one team in the A1 grade of the Association, which for this season consisted of A1, A2 and Junior grades. We hope that next season will bring all the grades of the pre-war days back on to the field.

The 1945 season was not as successful as we would have wished from a premiership position point of view, although it was not till the last match that we were definitely "out of the final four." But it can be said that it was a very useful experience for the new players who, after the initial shock of trying to learn the game in the top grade, should benefit considerably from the knowledge gained. The number of new players who came forward was a little disappointing and it was certainly discouraging to see one or two Old Boys voluntarily playing for another Club.

The team was grateful for the help of other former well-known Al players in Tom Flintoff, Ken Sudlow, Geoff Martin (these three together with our captain were original members of the Club in 1930), and Warren Nielsen. Later in the season we welcomed back Peter McRostie and Jack Bedells who had each been a P.O.W. in Germany for four years. John Utting also joined us whilst on leave from the R.A.A.F.

Although our defence was usually sound, our main trouble was the inability to obtain an efficient combining forward line and one of the reasons for this was the continual changes rendered necessary by injuries and the non-availability of some players for vital parts of the season. The selection committee had a continual job for it was not known from one week to the next whether the whole eleven would be available for the following match and in this connection it should be stated that we did not have the same team for any two consecutive Saturdays. The obtaining of practice has been another drawback, no more than four or five members have turned up regularly and there must definitely be an improvement here if we ever hope to gain premiership honours.

Amongst the new members this year we have some promising players. Firstly, we were indeed glad to welcome to the team the Headmaster, he has filled a difficult position creditably and as his experience grows, together with his speed, should give us a strong wing for future teams. John Tucker, as soon as his stick work improves, as it will, shows promise of a very forceful and useful player. Another speedy player is Terry Crommelin, and when he has acquired a greater knowledge of anticipation, will make an excellent winger who should go far. Peter Bridge has been a very enthusiastic but erratic player who has tried hard and is one who has unfortunately been shifted a great deal, did very well in the last match of the season.

We list this year's team in full: C. Armstrong (Captain), J. Crimp (Vice-Captain), V. Morgan, K. Sudlow, G. Martin, W. Nielsen, J. Neil, L. Jupp, J. Utting, P. Bridge, J. Tucker, T. Crommelin, B. Readshaw, T. Flintoff, K. Dukes, H. LeMesurier, R. Counsel.

Our most consistent players were perhaps Vaughan Morgan and Jack Neil, both were solid half-backs, and the former gained a place in the Association team against a Services Eleven. A very consistent performance was also given by Ken Sudlow in the back position, he had more than a fair share of defending to do on occasions.

It is satisfying that the Club is once more a going concern and by next year many former members should be back in our midst to carry on from the start made this year. It is noteworthy that out of the six pre-war secondary schools Old Boys Teams, ours was the only one to re-form this season. Let us hope that with peace, we will be able next season to field three or more strong teams, and in doing so, once more establish the Old Boys' Hockey Club on a firm basis with many old and new members.

We regret to have to record that the following former members have paid the supreme sacrifice during the war years: Doyle Moseley, Geoff Turner, Noel Bird, Jock Howe, Brian Beresford, John Love.

A Original Contributions

"THE STARTERS"

Have you ever sat in the waiting-room of your dentist's chilled with fear that has even robbed you of your brain? Have you ever interviewed a gruff, blunt individual seeking your first position in past-school life? Perhaps you were caught riding your bicycle on the footpath by the local constable? If you have been in a situation such as these, then I know that you will sympathise pathetically with us.

With a heavy stomach and cold clammy hands we "jog" onto the field, acting on instructions to "warm up" before our event. We talk amongst ourselves, usually about the size and calmness of our opponents (undoubtedly the opposing individuals, trotting on the other side of the field, find similar topics to talk about). Without fail we are always at the starting line several races before our own, which makes the ordeal more "nerve-racking" than is necessary.

Powered only by excess adrenalin we raise our shaking hands to the box to draw for our lanes. Invariably the starter will sarcastically ask, "Nervous, boys?" and the reply will assure him in one direction only. Finding our lanes, we proceed to "dig in," having first wished each other the very best of luck in the coming trial.

We feel less agitated as we warm up by practising darting from our holes. I say less because in our stomachs is still the feeling of heaviness as though we were not joking when we remarked on our mothers' cake.

Finally, our pulses quicken to the order of "Get ready, boys!" from the starter, and with impatience we peel off our jackets, at once realizing that we are bathed in a cold perspiration due to anticipation. Pacing up and down with twitching hands we find relaxation in the final command of, "On your marks." Our nervous emotions change miraculously to feelings of impatience. "Get set," brings our muscles to a state of tautness. One thing races madly through our brains, "It'll soon be over." We raise our heads looking towards our geal. Suddenly, without apparent warning, the report of the gun catapults us violently forward.

As we walk back to the rooms we are intensely happy.

A VISIT TO THE ASYLUM

As the gates clanged shut behind me—purely as a visitor, of course—I could not help but reflect on the peculiar things which are done in the name of education; this present visit being the inspiration of my psychology lecturer. I might state that my schooldays are now some time behind me and I am at the University.

So lost was I in reflection that I almost bumped into a peculiar-looking contrivance painted a greyish hue: Being a keen student of history, it took me less than five minutes to establish, beyond any reasonable doubt, that the Thing was undoubtedly some type of antique automobile. Having made certain of this, my next step—which was, unfortunately, onto the hand of somebody beneath the car—was to locate the owner. The obvious thing to do appeared to be to step on the protruding hand a second time, which I promptly did.

A considerable amount of writhing then took place, with the apparent object of pushing some object out from between the wheels. Upon closer inspection, this appeared to be a face, from which emanated a series of gargle-like sounds and deep breaths. Having been brought up on a farm, this took little translating. The purport of the message was simple.

"Hitler," said The Face, "is over there. See him about it, not me. If I don't fix this quickly they'll send me off to be a master in some school."

It occurred to me that I should not have been so thoughtless. I trembled to think that an action of mine should threaten a man — or even A Face — with such dire punishment. I resolved to consult Hitler and see if he could help me.

He was easily distinguished by his moustache, in spite of the fact that his hair was pushed back and he wore glasses. Standing upon an upturned wheelbarrow, his arm raised in the Nazi salute, he was addressing a multitude consisting mainly of two men asleep under a tree, the remains of a picket fence, and two old dustbins. His speech rang out with the clearness of air bubbles forcing their way through a vat of boiling treacle, but the meaning seemed a little obscure.

"We will continue to fight the Bolsheviks!" he stated. "Heil!" He stopped, as if awaiting something. "Heil!" he said, a little louder, but still with no avail. "Dumber than Sixth Form," I heard him murmur. "Heil!" This time he practically screamed.

"Huh?" grunted one of the men under the tree, stirring uneasily.

"Thank you," replied the Fuehrer, apparently mollified, "I knew we would."

This seemed like a promising moment for me to effect an entrance.

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"Excuse me," I said, "but "

"No! No!" he screamed. "Keep away from me! Keep away from me, Josef!"

With which he took a step backwards and disappeared from sight. I could not but help thinking that this must be a very useful trick, and I was wondering how he could have done it with such speed that I almost walked into a hole behind the wheelbarrow, which was evidently used for depositing rubbish. To this day I still can't understand how he vanished so quickly.

Thinking I would try a tactful approach, I walked up alongside a man who was carrying a brick across the field with intense concentration.

"Excuse me," I said politely, "but have you the time?"

"No," he snapped. "I'm building a dam over here to store water for the grounds, because I'm tired of mending the pump, and if there's no water the grass won't grow. It's going to rain in six years. What d'ye want?"

"I merely wanted to know if you had seen Marie Antoinette," I told him.

''What business have you with her?'' he demanded suspiciously. ''She's Napoleon's wife.''

"My dear man," I said, wondering inwardly at his ignorance, "you are an impertinent wretch. You should be hung, drawn and quartered — or at least halved." Slowly, impressively, I drew myself up to my full height. "Why," I said, "don't you recognise me? I AM Napoleon."

— P. G. L.

THE SEASHORE

Along the white and sandy shore
The waves will crash for ever more.
A maiden with her golden locks
Is gathering shells in a tiny box.
There are lots of small shells
Many are shaped like tiny bells.
Little children make mud pies
And throw sand in each other's eyes.

BUNK-HOUSE BOSH

A few new members were welcomed into our class this year, but activities resemble last year.

We have in our midst a specimen of the rare Boonyulla tribe — a Boong — who together with his "puppet' do the rounds together.

The notorious White Rat is still at large and all efforts to capture him have been in vain. He is said to be in hiding with the Japanese Ambassador "Yoto" but the truth of this is unknown.

In our world-famed animal zoo we have a curious-looking Ant Eater, somewhat related to the "Mollusc" of C Dorm, but how that happened we don't quite know.

After a lot of furious swindling we managed to persuade the makers to sell us a 'fridge. We eventually got itl—and now and again they cook up a batch of ice cream and we get a fair dip.

Barbed-wire is getting scarce now. Some new fencing or "keeping-us-in" method will have to be adopted.

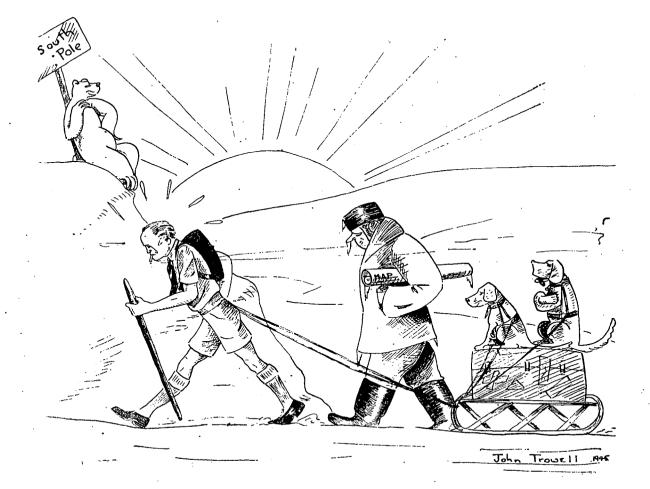
"Mac," they say, has discovered a new form of propulsion—suction propulsion.

Anyhow, we can't moan, we have had a fair spin and we must thank the masters for giving us some — what to do; you know — work.

-"King Mide."

RED CROSS NOTES

This year (1945) we started a Red Cross Circle at school. The first term we were pretty rough and inexperienced, some being better than others (being more experienced, I suppose). We learned how to make animals and slippers out of felt; a few things were sold by the boys, whose friends brought them. In the Second Term we started to divide the Circle into three clases: (1) felt class; (2) carpenters' class; (3) leather class. It was decided to hold the fete on the 20th October, but as it was drawing too near it was postponed to the third Saturday of November (17th of November). In the leather class Mr. Miller, the leather class teacher, who gave up his time for the class, made a purse to be raffled on the day of the fete. Mr. Dafter has given up time to help the boys put the wooden toys together, and Mrs. Short comes every Wednesday atternoon to show the boys how and what to do. Also, Mr. Short, who is the Leader and organiser of the Red Cross, has worked hard for the drilling of the boys every "break" so that a good showing could be made on Fete Day.



SAM HOLLOWAY'S VISIT TO CHRIST CHURCH

I've just paid a visit to Christ Church,
The school as tha knows by that name.
I'll admit I saw much that was novel,
And here's what I learned at the same.

I asked if the boys studied countries
And heard about strange foreign ways,
But when I saw how they did "geog,"
My brain it was fair in a maze.

They'd all sorts of funny contraptions, With names that I never had heard, And one of them sounded like "bromide," Though maybe that isn't the word.

There were gadgets that started with "ano,"
While others began with a "ther,"
I may be a little thick headed,
But I'm danged if I know what they're fur.

It seemed to me so complicated,
To what I had learned as a lad.
I remember we had a few lessons,
But they didn't seem nearly that bad.

So then I went off to parade ground,
To see young cadets do their stuff.
They really was rather worth watching,
Though some of them looked a bit rough.

I remembered my days as a private,
And as I was looking around,
I heard the loud roar of a sergeant
As a lad dropped his musket on't ground.

And as I went back to see Staff Room,
I thought to myself, "it is strange,
They may teach 'em many things different,
But ruddy old Army don't change."

At Staff Room I met all the Masters, The Mistresses were there as well, I heard 'em discuss ''education'' While waiting for next lesson bell.

Their ideas was many and varied,
And arguments often arose,
Though what they decided at finish
The good Lord and they only knows.

They talked about Latin and language,
And what was the use of them all,
And some thought that "maths" was important,
And one said that boys **must** play ball.

I must say I felt in deep water,
Then they gave me a nice cup of tea.
On the matter of eating and drinking,
Was one point where we all did agree.

So then I said farewell to Christ Church,
I sure had a very nice day.
I had learned about New Education,
So, goodbye, and that's all I'll say.

-"Sam Holloway."

A BOMBING MISSION

It was a very dark night as the Hampden took off from the big aerodrome in Cornwall. Its occupants consisted of five men. The first pilot was named John Jameson; the second pilot was Harry Mason; the wireless operator was Charles McLean; the navigator Dick Longsford; and last of all, the rear gunner, Bill Morgan. They were to blow up a large dam near Bremen.

After two hours of flying they came over the borders of Germany, and this is where the fun starts, mused Bill to himself. Even then a searchlight stabbed into the darkness, but the plane dodged the searchlights, thanks to John's marvellous flying.

A bit of flak burst round the plane, but did no damage. The plane was soon over Bremen. Suddenly they saw their target, and two yellow missiles of destruction went screaming down. Both found their mark. Out of the darkness came two fighters firing away as hard as they could. The rear gunner gave them a burst of tracers and one went down in flames. The other plane came straight at the Hampden, but was shot down with a withering fire of tracers. Soon they were over the coast of France, and were soon climbing from their plane to be congratulated by Group-Captain Jackson; "You have done a wonderful job for England." They smiled at each other.

THE SUPENATURAL

Raymond Blair laughed and kicked the cat out of his way. "Sacred animals indeed!" The people made him sick. "I will kick any animal I please, and no one will stop me. Let them try!" So ran Blair's thoughts. He looked round as if expecting a priest to stop him. Strangely enough they only looked at him with hatred in their dark, flashing eyes. Raymond Blair was in Burma, land of mystery and fascination. His unit was stationed there ready for anything the Japs might try.

Blair was a hot-headed, foolish man. He stated flatly that he did not believe in the supernatural, and to prove it he had kicked a sacred cat. The Burmese believed in the supernatural, and weird uncanny things had often happened; things which no one could explain. Raymond Blair had done a thing for which he would have to pay dearly.

The night was dark and eerie, the crickets and other insects could be heard singing their songs; the moon could be seen dimly through the dark, fluffy clouds. Raymond Blair tossed about uneasily in bed, he knew he was waiting for something to happen; just what was going to happen he could not tell. Suddenly, through the still night he heard the gongs of the Temple strike. Once, twice, three times. The last stroke seemed to clang right through his body. Then he was silent. Something compelled him to go outside. The night made him feel excited and nervous, but he was quite a brave man and he shook off the feeling. It was then he heard a slight sound in the bushes to his right. He turned, and to his amazement saw an arm beckoning to him; all that was visible was the arm. He stumbled over towards it, but when he finally reached the spot there was no one there. He walked on through the jungle. Suddenly he stopped and rubbed his eyes. For, at the end of the clearing he saw his wife, beckoning to him. was dressed in shining black. Blair rushed toward her in his excitement, but too late he found his mistake; his feet sank into the mud. He looked for his wife; she was no longer there; but in her place was a huge, purring, black cat. He shouted for help, but was too far away to be heard. The last thing he remembered was the weird high-pitched laughter of the Priests

In the morning the C.O. opened a letter and read:

"Dear Mr. Blair,

This is to inform you of your wife's death. She was killed in an air raid on the 3rd of September."

As the C.O. read the letter, the sound of a purring cat disturbed him.

-"Ex Saint."

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THE BARREN WASTES

On the wastes of barren places Where men have lost their lives, White skulls, once smiling faces, Bleaching and rotting lie.

Life-giving water blesses
In places such as these,
And death's much feared caresses
Lurk in the dusty breeze.

The sun does burn the souls of men!
In waterless wastes of sand
The hopes of life are very few;
Not many escape death's hand.

-- H. B.

THE SONG OF YOUTH — AS IT REALLY IS

With riffing sax and screaming brass the day of swing has come, The hep-cats jumping with delight, the ickies looking glum. The rhythm section drives along, the trumpet rides on high As eight-beats give out from the stand and the nimble fingers fly, And jitterbugs are nuisances to those who aren't so spry. Swing is really here to stay, and if you have a doubt, Listen to those saxes jump, those brasses giving out. The clarinet is tops with us, who are the youth today, And if you, the not so young, don't like the swing we play, Keep to yourself your protest, for we shall have our way. "It is a pity," the old folks say — how oft we hear it said — "But now we hope that those who play this 'swing' will soon be dead."

Speak on, speak on in ignorance, for they will die in time, But, unlike you, they will have reached a height of joy sublime To which you, who have no love for swing, can never hope to climb.

If you don't like our music, then please do not deride
The spirit which produced it, which sweat and blood has cried,
To give to it a name which since has made the welkin ring;
So, when you're dead, be not amazed if angels do not sing,
For now they jive, and jitterbug, and play their harps in swing.

— P. G. L.

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SIC TRANSIT

While searching vainly for an inspiration
Which might adorn "The Mitre's" sacred page;
I find that in this situation
My thoughts revolve in slowness stage by stage,
Until I seize upon, by happy chance,
This thought, that I shall write in serious strain
Of trial and tribulation to the brain
Imposed upon us now by circumstance.

No doubt of old some half wit sage has said,
That school days are superior by far
To those in which we earn our daily bread.
But I look gratefully upon a star
Which pre-ordains, without a single tear,
That I must leave in this my final year.
If I may venture herewith to inquire;
What boy is there who does not burn with ire
At thought of rolling pitch and weeding field?
And all unhappy, too, that he must yield,
Without display of anger or of pride,
To reproof methinks all unjustified?

Then, who is he who toils not night nor day
Without respite and has no time to play?
Who studies, works and weeps to no avail?
Who flinches under blows from merciless flail?
Why! That boy is the ever suffering lad
Who, book in hand, dons cricket gloves and pad,
Or runs around the field on beaten track,
Or hunts the leathern sphere amidst the pack.

Prince—In all the seven ages of mankind, Is there no toil nor strife nor tear nor joy, Encountered in the life and in the mind, But which at school is met by every boy?

Envoi

ST. FRANCIS

While Richard the Lionheart was in the Holy Land, there was a boy growing up in Italy. His name was Francis, and he lived in the town of Assissi.

His father was a rich merchant, and Francis had all he desired. There were horses for him to ride, and rich clothes for him to wear.

One day he fell ill and his mother and the servants nursed him tenderly. While he was too weak to plan, he said to himself, "I waste my time seeking pleasure, when I am well I will help the poor."

When he was better he went round helping the poor and singing to the lepers. He would empty his purse into a beggar's hand. Outside the town was a chapel, and Francis wanted to repair it. He did not have enough money, so he sold his horse and some of his father's rich silks. His father was very angry about this and sent Francis before the judge, who said, "You can't serve God with your father's goods." So Francis went away, and, when he returned, he was only wearing a hair skirt and a piece of rope round his waist.

He put his silk clothes by his father's feet and then went away, never to return again. Francis gave up everything trying to follow the ways of the twelve Apostles.

Soon others began to join him. Each called the other brother, and soon there were so many that Francis sent them around different countries. Some went to England and travelled until they came to the town of Canterbury. Here the people let them live at the back of the school.

For a long time they did not hear of Francis, until one day they heard he was dead.

He had been carried back to the chapel he loved. As he was dying he said, "Welcome, Sister, Death!"

- Evans I, aged 10.

THE STORY OF THE RED CROSS

Do you know how the hospital gets all gifts for the sick people? Well, they are from the Red Cross!

The Red Cross was started by Henri Dumont. He was going to see Napoleon as a battle was taking place; his servants did not want to have to go through the enemy lines. So he went by himself.

As he went through the town, the sight that met his gaze was one of horror.

There were wounded men lying everywhere. When he asked one of the soldiers, he replied there were only two doctors to look after six thousand wounded.

So he went to England, and after a while he gathered sixteen nations together; so came about the Geneva Convention. That was how the Red Cross was formed and much valuable work has been done since then. In 1926 there were eight million boys and girls in the Junior Red Cross. The Headquarters are at Geneva.

The Motto is, "I Serve."

-C. Gawler, age 10.

THE STORY OF THE CATTLE RUNS

On the cattle runs, men have to work very, very hard. They have to get up early in the morning, and then they have to work until night.

The cattle station homesteads are made of wood and iron. There are not many pretty things inside them, but they are good enough for a bushman. Nearly always the house is painted white; and it has a big verandah all round it.

The children on the station don't have much school work, but they know a good deal about riding horses and knowing how to find their way home by the stars and the moon.

The wife on the station is very lonely, because she hasn't many friends, as they live so far away.

COMPARISONS ARE ODIOUS

During this year, our industrious Sixth Formers have had the opportunity of studying the Prologue to Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, and so will know that this work gives an excellent cross-section of life in the poet's day. However, after studying the Prologue, I have come to the conclusion that many of Chaucer's characters may be found today, only lightly disguised in some form or other. Indeed, many members of the Sixth Form are comparable to one or other of the characters in the Prologue.

For example, Chaucer tells us that the Merchant "knew well-how to make a profit by the exchange of his crowns." Surely our esteemed friend, "Blue," may be likened to this character, especially on such occasions as the Melbourne Cup.

Then again, Chaucer emphasises how industrious the Ploughman was. Surely we have, in our midst, a modern Ploughman, in the form of "Sleepy." A more energetic character is seldom to be found.

Even the one and only "Jimmy" has a double in the Prologue—the Man of Law, who knew all the court cases from 1066 onwards. Also, the Maunciple and Terry may be compared. We are told that the former "waited in his achat." Terry, also, waits in queues. We can't guess what for!

Although I could go on making these comparisons "ad infinitum," I really must stop. However, before closing, I must mention that the Miller, who was "a stout carl" and "ful big of braun and eek of bones" has his present-day counterpart in "Pete," the only difference being that Pete has brains, while the latter, we assume, has not. However, according to one of our distracted masters, our erring class-mate fails to use his natural ability.

— Н. Н.