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EDITORIAL

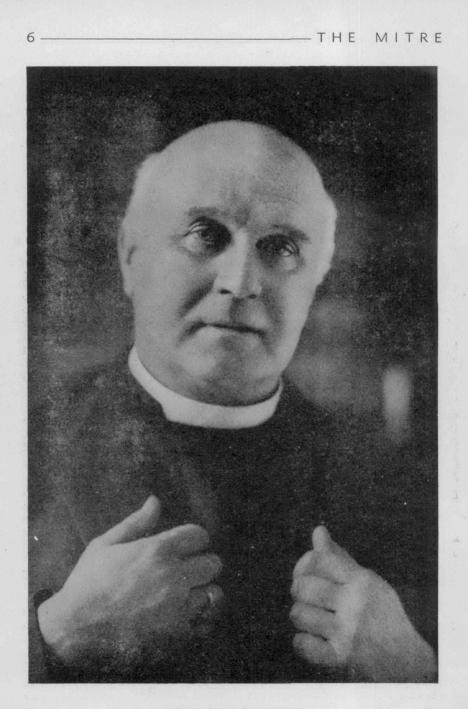
During the past seven years, the School has passed through a very difficult period. Although we were not directly affected by the war, we had many difficulties with which to contend, and the whole school had to readjust itself to these altered conditions. The older boys amongst us felt the war more personally because they had shared in the life of the School with many of those who had left it to join the fighting forces. Not a few of these, their former classmates, nobly gave their all for their King and country. These we will always remember.

In the last publication of this magazine we were fortunate in being able to reproduce a series of photographs of these old boys. To many members of the School these photographs were a great inspiration.

Among other things, the Old Boys' Association was forced, during the war years, into temporary retirement. This was most unfortunate, as many of the boys attending School during this period, were relatively unaware of the help that this Association has given to the School in the past. However now that it has been reorganised we hope that in the future it will serve as an inspiration to the older boys of the School, by making them aware of this tradition of service and loyalty.

On the playing field and in the form room, one learns to acquire this spirit, and it is something which a boy should remember during the rest of his life.

It is with this thought in mind that we, who are leaving School this year to take part in the fuller life which awaits us, will look back on the days we spent here. I hope that those boys who follow us will carry on and further the ideals which have played such an important part in the lives of so many of us.



HENRY FREWEN LE FANU Archbishcp and Metropolitan of Perth, 1929 - 1946

The Rt. Revd. Henry Frewen Le Fanu, D.D., M.A., was the fourth Bishop and second Archbishop of Perth. He was of an old Irish family and was educated at Keble College, Oxford, where he took his B.A. degree in 1893 and his M.A. in 1901. In 1936 the Lambeth Degree of D.D. (Oxon.) was conferred upon him.

He came to Australia in 1905 and was made Archdeacon of Brisbane. In 1915 he was consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of Brisbane, where he remained until he was chosen as Archbishop of Perth to succeed the Rt. Revd. Charles Owen Leaver Riley, D.D. He was enthroned in St. George's Cathedral, Perth, in December, 1929. In 1935 he was elected Primate of Australia and Tasmania, a position which he occupied until his death.

SCHOOL NOTES

At the beginning of first Term we welcomed Mr. Rucks and Mr. Essex, who replaced Mrs. Eagling and Miss Brewer. Mrs. Eagling left us to rejoin her husband who had been released from a prison camp in Siam. She rejoined him in England late in 1945, but they have now both been recalled to the Mission field in Siam. Mrs. Eagling sends her kind regards to all her friends in Australia, and would like to hear from anyone wishing to correspond with her. Her address at present is Christ Church Parsonage, Bangkok, Siam.

Mr. Williams had to leave us during first Term and his place was ably filled by Mr. Sim. We regret to say that at present, Mr. Sim is ill and not among us, and we wish him a swift recovery.

With the co-operation of the Shell Oil Company, we have enjoyed, at various times throughout the year, visual education films. These films have dealt chiefly with subjects of a scientific and geographical nature. One film of note however, was a coloured reel of the London Victory March.

We have also enjoyed a number of lectures in connection with Mission work. These were given by Padre Heerdegen, the Rev. Riley and the Rev. J. Bodger. During third term we held short services in Christ Church on Wednesday mornings. The collections from these services were donated to the A.B.M.

A number of our Old Boys were prisoners in Japanese hands during the last war. In second Term one of them who had been a prisoner in Korea, presented the School with a Samurai sword which he had obtained while a prisoner.

The School extends its heartiest thanks to the Parents' Association for its help throughout the year, especially for the alteration of the stage in the Gymnasium. Mr. Dafter asked, in the last publication of the "Mitre," for certain articles which would be of use in the manufacture of meteorological instruments. His thanks go to many parents who have responded to his request, especially the Rev. R. E. Davies, who donated some very useful parts for a seismograph.

Finally we would like to extend our congratulations to all those who were successful in the Leaving and Junior examinations last year. To those who are leaving School at the end of the year, we wish every success for the future, and to those who remain, pleasant and fruitful year for 1947.

House Colours.

VALETE ET SALVETE

VALETE

BRUCE; J.: Entered School 1944; Junior Certificate, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1944-45; 1st XI, 1944-45; Athletic Team, 1944-45; Hobbs Trophy for most efficient Cadet, 1945. Colours: Athletics, Football and House. Corporal Cadets, 1945.

COOK, L. A.: Entered School 1943; Junior, 1943; School Prefect, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1945; Athletics Team, 1945; Cadet Lieutenant, 1945. Approxime accessit to Hobbs Trophy, 1945. Colours: Football and Athletics.

CORMMELIN, T. W.: Entered School 1944; House Prefect, 1945; Champion Athlete, Open, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1945. Colours: Athletics and House.

ELLIOTT, R. M. L.: Entered School 1941; School Prefect, 1944-45; Junior Certificate, 1943; Leaving Certificate, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1944-45; 1st XI., 1944-45; Corporal Cadets, 1945; Debating Team, 1945, Vice-Captain of Queenslea House, 1945.

GIBSON, D. F.: Entered School 1936; School Prefect, 1943; Junior Certificate, 1942; Captain of Romsey House, 1945.

- HOGAN, P.: Entered School 1944; Leaving Certificate, 1945; House Prefect, 1945; Entered University, 1946; 1st XVIII, 1945; Athletic Team, 1945.
- JONES, W. R.: Entered School, 1942; School Prefect, 1945; Junior Certificate, 1943; Leaving, 1945; Entered University, 1946; 1st XVIII, 1945.
- LANKESTER, M.: Entered School, 1943; Junior Certificate, 1943; School Prefect, 1945; 1st XI, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1945; Swimming team, 1945.
- LYNN, P. G.: Entered School 1935; Junior Certificate, 1942; School Prefect, 1943-45; 1st XVIII, 1943-45; Captain Tennis, 1944; Athletic Captain, 1945; Captain Craigie House, 1944-45; Leader of Debating Team, 1945; Leaving Certificate, 1945. Colours: 1st XVIII. Athletics, Tennis and Honour Blazer.

NORTH, J. W.: Entered School 1941; Junior Certificate, 1945; 1st XVIII, 1944-45; 1st XI, 1944-45; Athletic Team, 1944-45; Swimming Team, 1945; Sergeant Cadets, 1945. Colours: Football, Cricket, Athletics, Junior Swimming and Honour Blazer.

OLIVER, V. D.: Entered School, 1943; House Prefect, 1945; Captain of 1st XVIII; Captain of Swimming. Colours: Football and Swimming and was awarded Honour Blazer, 1945.

Ackland, B. A. Anderson, D. Arney, B. Atherden, G. Benny, W. J. Bent, G. B. Beros, M. A. Biddiscombe, R. H. Biddiscombe, R. H. Bourke, P. B. Collinson, C. E. Collinson, G. R. Eggleston, D. J. Ellis, B. L. Farmer, D. W. Farmer, J. W.

Fyfe, C. Goss, P. G. Gribble, C. G. Grylls, J. B. Guest, M. J. Hall, D. H. Hamling, B. F., Herbert, C. G. Hoey, A. C. Jenkinson, G. F. Kiely, B. J. Lankester, G. E. Mattes, F. W. McCarthy, M. Nicol, A.

Frier, B. E.

Nielson, G. B. Olson, P. J. Patman, G. W. Prebble, F. H. Rucks, J. F. Ryan, J. C. Schofield, A. G. Speldiwinde, G. C. Stimson, I. G. White, W. A. Williams, A. T. Wilson, C. H. Wright, D. S.

SALVETE

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS, 1945

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

,	English	Latin	German	French	History	. Geography	Maths. A.	Maths. B.	Chemistry	Physics	Geology	Biology	Drawing
Davies, D. P	P P P P P P P P	P .	P P	Р Р	P P P	P D P P P P	P P	P	Р	P	D	P P P	P P P

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE

· · ·	English	Latin	French	History	Geography	Maths. A.	Maths. B.	Physics	Chemistry	Biology	Physiology and Hygiene	Bookkeeping	Drawing A.	Drawing B.	Music
Cox, A. B. Hobbs, M. S. J Hodge, R. L Johns, D. Lesslie, D. J Marsh, W. G Newman, J. D. North, J. W. Roe, A. J. Sadka, R. S. Secker, D. M. Sullivan, A. D.	4444 444 444 444 444 444 444 444 444 4	Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р	ይ ይ ይ	Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р	<u> </u>		Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р Р	P P P P P P P P P		P P P P		Р Р 	P P P P	P	P
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SPEECH NIGHT

Speech Night was held in the Parish Hall, on Wednesday, December 12th. Unlike the previous year, the weather was very pleasant and a large crowd attended, filling the hall completely. The late Archbishop Le Fanu presided and the prizes were presented by Mr. J. E. D. Battye, Vice-President of the Old Boys' Association.

The evening commenced with items by members of the School including some very spectacular pyramids by some of the senior boys.

The prize list was as follows:

VIa Form	III Form
Form Lynn, P. G. Maths and Science Gibson, D. F.	Form Giles, G. Languages Morel, F.
VIb Form	Maths and Science Fisher, M.
Form Heseltine, H. P. Essay Heseltine, W. F. P.	Consistent Work Knox, P. Special Ward, L.
Languages Heseltine, H. P.	lla Form
V Form	Form Hill, J. M.
Form Sadka, R. S. Maths and Science Anderson, R. W. Essay Sullivan, A.°D.	General Evans, W. Consistent Gawler, C.
Sub-Junior	IIb Form
Form Tucker, G. Maths and Science Clinch, P.	Form Archer, C. R. General Kerby, P. R.
Languages Tucker, G.	Divinity
IV Form Form Owen, H. Maths and Science Fawcett, W. General Wardell-Johnson Improved (i) Cooksley (ii)	VI and V Héseltine, W. F. P. Sub-Junior Holder, R. IV Wardell-Johnson III Heppingstone, F. II Hill, J. M.
Captain of the School	Davies, D. P.
Woolclassing (Presented by R. A. Cameron,	Esq.) Macpherson, I.
Drawing (Presented by Mrs. Eagleton)	
Senior	
Music (Presented by Mrs. Dean)	
Ability Improved	Secker D. and Cox A. B. Drummond J. and de Haag J.
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University Ce	rtificates
Leaving	McCall, I. W. P.
Junior	
Bridge, P. R.; Heseltine	W. F. P. Milner I. D. Brown D. C.

Hewett, W. J., Taylor, T. H., Davies, D. P., House, L. B., Trowell,

J. M., Heseltine, H. P., Lane, L. A.

Challenge Cups.

Beatty Cup (Champion House) Romsey
Beatty Cup (Best All-rounder) Oliver, V. D.
Eagling Cup (Best House Scholastically) Craigie
Tennis Cup Butler, F. R.
McLagan Cup (Gymnasium, Open) Grose, I.
Walker Cup (Gymnasium, Junior) Norrie, D.
Walker Cup (Gymnasium, under 13) Lapham, D.; Clark, R.
Flintoff Cup (Best Footballer) Oliver, V. D.
Swimming Cup (Open) Hammond, E.
Swimming Cup (under 16) Oliver, V. D.
Hill Cup (Best Fielder) North, J.
Best Boxer (under 14) Budge, H.
Hobbs Trophy (the most efficient Cadet) Bruce, J. W.; Cook, L. A.
Calthrop Cup (for the Boy with the most influence in the School) \ldots Davies, D. P.



VIEW FROM RIVER HOUSE.

QUEENSLEA HOUSE NOTES

1946 has proved an eventful year for Queenslea House. We have shown ourselves, as a comparatively new house, a formidable opponent to both Craigie and Romsey houses. For we were fortunate in wresting the Athletics in a close tussle with Romsey from the opposing houses. In swimming, we were less fortunate and to both Craigie and Romsey, we extend our congratulations. Yet our house made up for their crushing defeat in swimming to carry off, fairly easily the inter-house cricket:

Taking our sporting activities all round, Queenslea has not done too badly and to these boys especially we owe our successes.

To Butler, Davies and Budge, for their creditable performances in the Inter-House Athletics. To Campbell and Drummond for their hard fight in the swimming; Wharton, Budge and Ellis, for the good show they all put up in the Boxing Competitions and all those boys, too numerous to mention, that played so well in Cricket, Football, Gymnasium and Tennis.

And the boarding house . . .

Even though the kitchen staff has been working under adverse conditions owing to the strike, there still seems to be an unlimited supply of "boarding house stew," on Mondays.

Lately some of our number have heard that racing pigeons are bringing in good prices nowadays. There's your chance "Nig."

"Fish" realizes now the importance of the song "Milkman Keep Those Bottles Quiet." Sometimes it's not always the milkman, eh, "Fish!"

A tip for you Clive, keep away from those photographers boy, guite a few people buy the "Western Mail."

Christ Church's No. 1 Architect, "Rowt" of "Rowtow pre-fabricated Huts" fame; is pulling off home soon, for good. Our Architect by the way is a "crawlpul" in the Cadets.

Well as we conclude our notes, we congratulate all those boys who received their various sporting colours this year and Butler and Davies for gaining their honour blazers. Also Queenslea House joins together in wishing our very able Captain, Davies, who is leaving us this year, the very best of luck for the future, together with those others of our number who are not returning in 1947.

"SARKI"

CRAIGIE HOUSE NOTES

House Master Mr. W. Rucks House Captain W. F. P. Heseltine House Vice-Captain P. P. Clarkson

We began the year by welcoming our new House Master, Mr. Rucks, who has taken a most keen interest in all branches of house activity. The house has had a reasonably successful year in the realm of sport, and at the moment we stand an equal chance of wresting the Beatty Cup from Romsey, last year's winner, whom we here congratulate on last year's triumph and on this year's keen Competition. A brief summary of our sporting activities is as follows :—

Swimming — G. Atherden.

We started the year well by winning the swimming from Romsey with Queenslea in third place. All boys swam well, but G. Atherden deserves special mention and among junior swimmers, Hill i and ii were outstanding.

Cricket - W. Heseltine

In first term, we realized that our position as far as cricket went was rather desperate. However Mr. Rucks organised special "house" practices, and we startled the whole school by beating Romsey in the "A" Grade by one run without the aid of one first eleven player! Our "B's" were not so successful and in the match against Queenslea, our opponents proved too strong. However, with no second round played, we stand in a tie for second with Romsey.

Football — G. Atherden

Due to many football fixtures and impossible weather on fixed dates, it was found impossible to play the usual inter-house football matches. Points were divided equally among the three houses.

Gym. — I. Grose

In the Gym. tournament held in second term, our Captain was unable to compete owing to injuries. We were successful however in gaining second place to Romsey. R. O. Stephenson, deserves congratulations on his fine performance in coming second in the Open Division, while congratulations also go to Oliver who was under fifteen Champion.

Boxing — I. Grose

In the Boxing Tournament, we again came second to Romsey, I. Grose retaining his position as School Open Champion. Greeuw

also deserves mention for his splendid bout against Ellis, of Queenslea, a hard fight in which a decision either way was impossible. In Junior bouts, Hill i was outstanding.

Athletics

The Inter-house Athletic Meeting, resulted in a bad defeat for Craigie and we must tender our congratulations to Queenslea and Romsey for coming in a hard tussle, respectively first and second. Of our runners, G. Atherden and P. Burke deserve mention.

Congratulations go to W. Heseltine, P. Clarkson and I. Grose, on their appointment as School Prefects and to the first on his appointment as House Captain. As these notes go to press, the award of House Colours to G. Atherden, P. Clarksan, I. Grose and W. Heseltine is announced and to these also go our congratulations.

ROMSEY HOUSE NOTES

House Master H. G. Short, Esq. House Captain D. C. Brown House Vice-Captain R. L. Hodge

With only a few weeks remaining before the end of the term, the champion house, the winner of the Beatty Cup, is still undecided, and the position is extremely close. Romsey won the Gymnasium and Boxing and we were second in the Swimming and Athletics' Competition.

In the Gymnasium we were lucky to have Norrie as Open Champion. Lapham also did well. The Boxing Tournament was mainly won by the small boys. Among these, Schroeder was outstanding. In the heavier weights, Hodge also fought well, winning both his fights.

Although we did not win the Athletics' Competition, we are proud of the achievements of Biddiscombe, who was Open Champion. He also secured this honour in several inter-school meetings. G. Brown was Junior Champion. Another outstanding athlete was D. Brown, who won the Open Broad and High Jump.

The Swimming Competition was held at the beginning of the year. G. Brown and Baker both swam well. Points for Football were equally divided this year as no inter-house match was held.

In conclusion we would like to thank all members of the house for their co-operation during the year, and congratulate Brown, Hodge and Roe for their appointment as School Prefects. Best of luck to all boys leaving the school this year and those entering new forms next term.

VI FORM NOTES

Let's be original was the cry as the learned members of VI. Form sat down to set on paper that illustrious Form's doings for 1946. The brain however refused to answer the fevered "cry" for inspiration and in reluctance we fall back on the stereotyped pattern of the years.

Under the able guidance of our new Form and science master, Mr. Rucks, the Form (reformed greatly) settled down to some really serious work. But then how could they do otherwise, since there is now no door knob or any other distraction.

As a stout example to the Form — old and new — Pete has been working out "somagraphs" down at the beach.

Gussy has no longer any faith in human nature. Would anyone else, under the circumstances?

Ye Gods man! Dippy didn't arrive home until about 4 a.m. after the prefect's dance.

We hear that Poss is beginning to see the "light" in physics.

Lately Johnny has taken much interest in the pageant of history. It had a lot to do with Queen Elizabeth.

"Whart-on" earth can we say about Clive.

Bill has suddenly taken a keen interest in surveying contours on Friday afternoon.

We discovered a biological phenomen, at the end of Second Term, when we found that Fish had legs!

Goosey has taken to drawing squirrels.

Our worthy Bob has spent much money employing "plumbers," but all to no avail.

Since Harry has been playing his **own** bugle, he has gone into long trousers.

"Dickay" has taken to shooting a certain type of poultry.

Mick M., paddled too far and drowned.

Mick H., has been missing some linen since June. Did the thief come from Guildford.

Biddy has legs like Bernborough but not quite so many.

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V. FORM NOTES

This has been an eventful year for Fifth Form, both in the sporting field and in study. Yet as the Junior examinations draw so near we realise that our days of study could have been just a little more full.

Although in the minds of the Sixth Form this might sound a little audacious, we credit ourselves with having formed the backbone of Christ Church's sporting activities. Anyway to these boys especially we extend our congratulations.

To Butler, Brown and Lankester, for their excellent performance in the athletic sports. Ellis and Greeuw for their exciting exhibition of boxing in the competitions this year; also to our representatives who did so well in cricket, football and swimming.

This year, Mr. Rucks took over the position of Maths. and Science Master from Miss R. Brewer, who left us last year.

For some quite unknown reason, Midge has been arriving before ten these last few days.

Last week Tort remained awake for fully five minutes during a maths. period.

Mr. Rucks has been on our tails for the past term and has proved a tower of strength to all our studies.

"OO-Dat" who say we can't pass Geography.

In closing we would like to wish the very best of luck to all those of our number leaving School and also to those rising to the Leaving Form.

FIDELIS.

SUB-JUNIOR FORM NOTES

This year we welcomed Mr. Essex, who replaced Mrs. Ward, as our maths. and English teacher.

During Third Term, Burrows left us to take up a position in the P.M.G. Department and although he was rather quiet in school, we miss him quite a bit. It is also a great loss to our cricket team as he was a good bowler.

Form competition has been very keen this year, with Fawcett and Littlejohn struggling for supremacy and many others fighting it out for the coveted dux.

Now that Potter has returned to school after his illness, we are again subject to much "ear bashing" by virtue of his frequent imitations of the drums, saxophone, etc. He is gradually converting our Form into a crowd of "hep-cats" and "jive" lovers (Mon dieu !).

Wednesday morning has become heaven for us with free periods scattered throughout. Even Hillman's raucous laugh drifting in from the tennis courts can not stir the drowsy pupils sitting with heavy eyes and nodding heads as the voice of the master drones on and on usually to a sudden climax.

Thus passes another year, with only the black-outs and occasional wit of someone to break the monotony of constant study and toil.

IV. FORM NOTES

Fourth Form this year has been established in the science block and has made great use of its situation. The staff must often hear the words "Here he comes" with certain variations, quite a number of times during a term.

Our Form Master, Mr. Dafter, has caused much strife amongst us by creating gear boxes and Matrimonial bureaus.

The numbers in our Form have risen considerably, in fact to thirty-three. This makes us one of the largest Forms in the school.

Of course we are one of the best, as our sporting abilities show. We have representatives in almost all sports and we are proud to be represented in the 2nd XVIII. Of special note perhaps, is Ward, who, because of his excellent abilities in athletics, won his half colours.

In closing, we would like to wish every success to boys leaving at the end of the year and to those boys going into higher Forms.

III. FORM NOTES

During First Term this year, Mr. Williams left us and we were very sorry to lose him. Our sorrow however was shortlived as Mr. Sims arrived during Second Term to take over the troublesome troop.

We were very sorry to hear however, that Mr. Sims was taken to hospital on the 12th of November, and we wish him swift recovery and future good health.

There were only three new boys who entered our company this year. They were W. Bennie, A. Schofield and J. Rucks, and we wish them every success.

At the end of Second Term, marbles seemed to be the chief form of relaxation, but these gave place to tops in Third Term. We are wondering what will be next in amusements.

Inter-Form sports seem popular this term and at present we are in the middle of a cricket match with II. Form. Our chief representative in the sporting field is M. Seal, while C. Gribble showed great form in the athletic sports. We congratulate him on the winning of his half colours.

In closing, we would like to extend our best wishes to those boys who are leaving III. Form and also to those who are coming up from II. Form. We hope that the New Year will bring even greater success.

II FORM NOTES

Second Form this year is very large, but nevertheless work has gone ahead well. During the year we said goodbye to two of our earliest evacuee friends — Scott and Kuipers. We wish them every success!

Sports have kept us busy all through the year, but athletics seemed to be our best. The Under-thirteen Team — who were nearly all from Second Form — were successful in defeating St. Louis and Guildford. Olney seems to be our star, he broke a record for us.

Through the kind permission of the Headmaster we have a library now and it is enjoyed by all of us.

Visual education has become very popular and we have enjoyed two very good films. One was educational and the other was on the Mission work in New Guinea. We would like to thank the Rev. J. Bodger for the time he gave us in showing these films. How we wish for a projector, as "seeing is believing."

Wednesday morning is Chapel Service at Christ Church, Second and Third try very had to lead the singing.

We would like to thank you Dippy for all you have done for us during the year. We wish you luck in the future and to all others leaving school.

Finally we wish the best of luck to all those who are going on to Third Form next year and to all those who are coming up from First Form. We hope you enjoy Second Form as we have.

1 FORM NOTES

Form I., began this year with thirty on the roll and the "baby" room with twenty-seven. Not all the original band are with us however. Some have returned to pre-war homes, but some have gone to most interesting spots. For example, Rendell, is now at Christmas Island. Ryan i and Hallo, wondered optimistically if it is Christmas there all the time. They know better now. Turkington, who had the misfortune to lose his father recently, has gone to England with his mother.

We have become very keen on singing this year, so perhaps it's as well that our room is so far away from the rest of the school.

It seems we have produced a few nimble-footed people in Brown, Hallo, Ryan i, Bird and Sewell, who ran on the various Sports' days, and while we may know nothing of the Marquis of Queensberry, Peet, Bell, Lahoar, Ryan i, Cooper and Ryan ii, have appeared in public with the gloves on.

Friday tests have been of great interest especially as marbles were offered as prizes — till supplies ran out and now sweets have been substituted. It seems they don't last as long as marbles either.

Ia. Ib. and Ic., have been lately going down to Prep. as no doubt every one else has noticed, hoping to win promotion in the forthcoming examination now looming so closely.

Mrs. Berliner - look out, we hope to be with you in 1947.

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PREFECTS' JOTTINGS

To begin the year we were at first seven in number, but now we are eight, (congrats Goose).

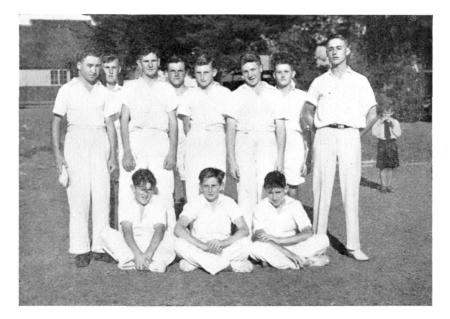
As a result of a lot of scrounging, a gratefully received donation from the Parents' Association and a large expenditure of elbow grease, we now have a reasonably respectable, if not always dry and tidy Pre's. Room.

This year the Annual Prefect's Dance which was held in the Myola Club hall, instead of the Gymn., was an even greater success than last year, despite the inevitable rain in the early evening. The supper was, as it always is, excellent and thanks are extended to Mrs. Jupp and her band of mothers who did such an excellent job. Thanks are also due to Mrs. Berliner and Mrs. Grose for the ever welcome ice cream and to all parents who made donations.

We say goodbye this year to D. P. Davies, who has so ably filled the position of head prefect for the past two years. To him and to all others who are leaving, we extend our best wishes for the future.

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In conclusion we wish Bob every success in the coming year as the only remaining prefect of 1946.



THE 2nd XI.

CRICKET NOTES

The standard of cricket during the year has been on the upward trend, a keener interest being shown amongst the players. In the course of the season we played interesting matches against the Old Boys, Parents, Incogniti and the Empire Journalists, who were covering the results of the M.C.C. Team. Owing to the limited time the Journalists remained in the State, it was impossible for them to play at every school. We therefore extended invitations to Modern School and Wesley College to send representatives, and so a combined team was formed. Also we were fortunate in having Gordon Kiessey, the State wicket-keeper, in our team. In this match we had the honour to play against such men as Jack Fingleton (Australia), Bill Bowers (England), George Duckworth (England), E. S. Whittington (Australian Services) and Norman Preston (England). The result of the afternoons play was Journalists 114 and combined School Team 77.

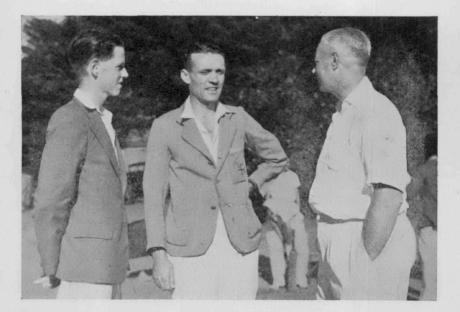
One of our most enjoyable matches was the game against the Parents' Association, which resulted in a win for the School team. Scores at stumps were Parents 71 and School 106.

Matches at home were considerably improved by the serving of afternoon tea in the Gymnasium. We thank Mrs. Berliner, Mrs. Rucks and Mrs. Eastaugh for the time they gave us to make this possible.

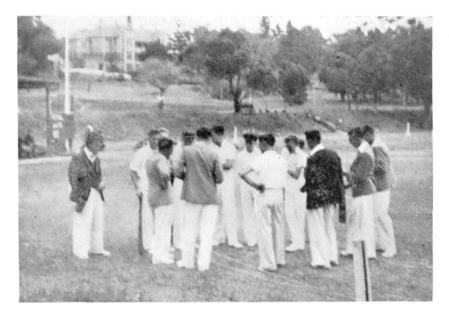
Competion is now very keen amongst players of the eleven. This is due to the awarding of two Challenge Cups. One is for the best all-rounder and the other for the best fielder. The Cramer Cup for the best all-round cricketer has been generously donated by Mr. Cramer, who has always taken a keen interest in school sporting activities. The Cup is beautifully engraved and is of a great age, making it one of the best Challenge Cups in the School.

Throughout the season, the most outstanding bowler was R. Butler. He bowled with devastating speed and accuracy with little show of fatigue and must be commended for it. His batting was consistent and his fielding good. Other players of note were Norrie, D.; Brown, D.; Fulwood, R.; Davies, D.; Drummond, J.

Congratulations are extended to the following players who were successful in obtaining their colours. D. P. Davies, M. J. Drummond and R. Fulwood.



OLD BOYS' DAY. D. P. Davies (School Captain), The Headmaster and H. N. Giles, President, O.B.A. - 23



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IN A HUDDLE before the match v. visiting English and Australian Journalists, October.

TENNIS NOTES

The tennis this season found many new and enthusiastic players. The coaching done by Mr. S. Edwards improved the standard of play extensively and would have been more beneficial had the pupils taken notice of their teacher and did less talking while on the court. Two new hard courts have been built; and one of the grass courts, top-dressed. These should prove very useful next term, by allowing more matches and therefore the standard of play throughout will benefit.

The "Slazenger Cup" team was entered, but was unsuccessful in defeating their opponents. Would have done better if the players had had more practise. The team consisted of N. Pearse, D. Fulwood, R. Butler and D. Norrie.

Promising players are C. Wharton, R. Biddiscombe, G. Lankester, I. Grose, B. Lynn, J. Murton and Lapham. The school entered two teams in the "School-boy Championships" this season. The players of No. (1) team were Heppingstone, Lapham, Murton and Lynn and No. (2) team were Beardman, Watkins, Oliver and Blunt. Two boys, D. Fulwood and N. Pearse, gained scholarships from King's Park Tennis Club. Tennis colours were presented to R. Buttler, D. Fulwood and N. Pearse.



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SWIMMING NOTES

In the middle of First Term, the Inter-house Swimming Carnival was held, and a fine day's sport was enjoyed by everybody.

There were many fast times taken especially by the under-age competitors and many exciting finishes were experienced.

The carnival this year resulted in a victory for Craigie, followed closely by Romsey, and Queenslea, who were greatly handicapped, last.

Successful swimmers of the day were: — Brown, Atherden, Baker, Murton and Lankester, and all competitors displayed great keenness.

Our thanks are due to the members of the staff who assisted in the running of the Carnival and who made it a great success.

At Crawley Baths on Saturday, March 16, the Inter-school Swimming Carnival was held, resulting in another victory for Perth Modern School, followed very closely by Wesley College and Christ Church, who fought gamely against heavy odds, third. Congratulations are due to the whole swimming team and on their fine display of sportmanship, and the way they fought gamely against superior swimmers.

Next year the team should do very well in the under-age events, and especially the younger members should develop into fine swimmers.

Also we should like to thank Mr. Ryan and Mr. Short for their keenness towards training the team.

Congratulations are due to Perth Modern School and Wesley College on their great sportmanship displayed.



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FOOTBALL NOTES

The team to take the field at the beginning of the season was a very raw one, with no other conception of the game than to get possession of the ball. This was overcome however by the able coaching of Mr. Rucks, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Lovegrove; the latter particularly, as he gave much of his spare time for coaching.

Although the team was not as successful as it might have been in winning matches, some particularly close games were contested; principle ones being versus Hale School, Scotch College and Guildford Grammar School. This last match versus Guildford Grammar was perhaps our best as we held on to them right up to threequarter time, giving them more than they gave us with regards to bumps. Guildford, by the way, was the winner of the Alcock Cup Competition contested by the Big Four.

Before the season ended, Mr. Lovegrove was called away to the Eastern States and his place was filled by Mr. Rucks who ably carried out the task of coach.

As regards the team itself, we had a very strong centre line, position being — Atherden (goal keeper), Campbell, (half-back), Brown (centre), Fulwood (half-forward) and Lankester (goal sneak). The ruck was very strong hardly losing the punch in matches. Chief ruckmen were Biddiscombe, Clinch, Drummond and Stephenson. The position of rover were very ably held by Norrie and Hicks, who changed positions from the right forward pocket.

Early in the season, Brown was elected Captain, and Fulwood, Vice-Captain. Congratulations are extended to them for the way in which they led the team throughout the season.

In the beginning of the season a few members found it very hard to see the ball; this was easily rectified with the aid of a pair of scissors.

Congratulations are extended to all the players who were awarded colours, namely Butler, Davies, Atherden, Biddiscombe, Fulwood, Campbell, Norrie and Drummond.

SCHOOL PLAY

Thanks to the untiring efforts of Mr. Rucks and his band of helpers who enlarged and altered the stage, to Mr. Lapham who attended to the lighting arrangements, and to Mrs. Lesslie and Mrs. Stephenson, who re-made the curtains it was possible this year, to hold the school play in the Gymnasium.

Produced on two consecutive nights, under the guidance and direction of Mr. Miller, it was the subject of much favourable comment. The setting was good, the tank being most realistic, and all members of the cast gave evidence of the many hours they had devoted to rehearsal.

The play by J. B. Priestley entitled "Desert Fighting" was not an easy one to perform, and the fact that the players were able to hold the attention of their large audience from start to finish speaks volumes for the quality of the acting, in fact, as one parent was heard to remark — "One really at times forgot that the actors were only school-boys — their acting was so mature."

It is hard to make invidious distinctions, but special praise must be given to D. P. Davies for his portrayal of the Cockney soldier, Knocker Elvin. Just one piece of criticism might be given, namely that the make-up man might have made him look a little older, that however had nothing to do with his acting, which was of a very high order. H. T. Taylor too, sustained his character of the Yorkshireman, Herbert Shaw very creditably, never forgetting his accent, which as another parent, himself a Yorkshireman, remarked, was a very good imitation.

Of the smaller parts, Georgie, the loveable country lad, was well played by A. M. Moore, while H. Heseltine as Illdyd Hughes, the rather choleric little Welshman, also deserves honourable mention.

The remaining two members of the cast, M. J. Drummond, as Sergeant Joseph and R. W. Anderson, as Corporal Donnington, also conscientiously did their bit towards making the play the success it undoubtedly was.



R. BIDDISCOMBE, Champion Athlete C.C.G.S. v. W.C. Athletics.

The athletic season commenced on Saturday, October 6 when, under ideal weather conditions the School Sports were held on the School Oval. Attendance was fairly large and a splendid meeting resulted. After a close tussle with P. Burke, R. Biddiscombe became champion athlete. G. C. Brown had a clear cut victory in the Under 16 Group and B. Ellis secured the Under 15 Title. H. Budge won the Under 14 Title and among the younger runners, Gribble and L. Ward ran well.

First meeting with another school was on Wednesday 17th, when Modern School, Guildford Grammar and the School, met on the Modern School grounds. Guildford won easily from Modern School with Christ Church a long way back. Although beaten in most events, Christ Church representatives showed their sportsmanship and fought hard to the finish. On this day records went cheaply (13 records in 24 events). Only record to Christ Church went to K. Biddiscombe who won the Open 440 in 52.8.

On Wednesday 24th, on the School grounds we scored a narrow victory over the Scotch College athletes. On this day our runners performed remarkably well and this performance should advance our claims to inclusion in the Public Schools' Competition.



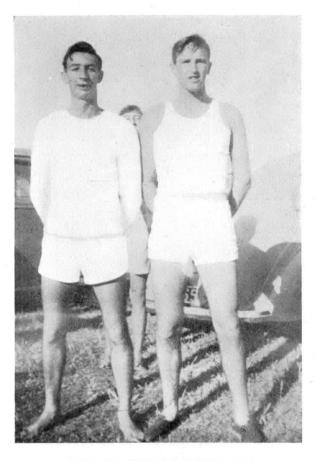
D. BROWN, High Jumping.

The final and most important meeting for the season was held against Wesley College on the W.A.C.A. ground, on Monday 29th October. Wesley secured a fairly easy victory over the School, but we were far from disgraced. All our open runners performed very well and in many cases secured all major places. R. Biddiscombe won the Open 100, 220 and 440 (last 2 in record time), while P. Burke and F. R. Butler secured major placings. D. C. Brown earned places in the High Jump and 440. J. Logan and D. P. Davies jumped well to secure places in the High Jump and Broad Jump respectively. G. Atherden ran splendid races to secure major placings in the 880 and Mile. In the Under 16 and 15 groups, although Wesley had a very strong team, our representatives, particularly G. C. Brown, ran well to fill major places. Among the younger runners, C. Gribble and L. Ward performed well, each winning their races. Final points were Wesley, 119¹/₂ and Christ Church, 68북.



220 OPEN - BIDDISCOMBE WINS BY YARDS.

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OPEN AND UNDER 16 CHAMPIONS SCHOOL SPORTS.



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CADET CAMP SCENE.

Since 1945, the corps has risen to one hundred members. This enabled us to form three Platoons and so carry a greater number of officers and N.C.O's. During the course of the year, Lieutenants Hodge and Brown obtained their commissions and took up the positions of platoon commanders. Congratulations are extended to them and also to the N.C.O's. who received their ranks during 1946.

During vacations this year, certain members of the corps were fortunate in attending Instructional camps. In January of this year Lieutenants Hodge and Davies attended a camp at Bonegilla, H.Q. Australian School of Infantry, Victoria and returned successful in their examinations.

Eight N.C.O's. were able to attend camps of similar nature at Swanbourne Range Camp. The most successful amongst these was Cpl. Biddiscombe, who attained second place with a distinguished pass.

At the conclusion of Second Term, the corps attended a Combined Camp at Swanbourne. This camp was very successful as far as we were concerned and the ten days were most enjoyable.

The Vickers, Signals and Mortars sections have carried on good work under their section leaders.

In recent weeks we purchased from the army two huts which were erected in a corner of the playing field to be used as a Q.M. Store and Orderly Room. Thanks are extended to those Cadets who gave their time to dismantle and re-erect the huts. S/Sgt. Norrie, took over the rank of Q.M.S. at the beginning of the year. His work has been most praiseworthy both whilst at camp and at home parades.

There has been much keen competition throughout the corps for the two Trophies. One is for the most efficient Platoon and the other for the most efficient Cadet.

Mention must be made of our 2 i/c., Cdt. Lt. Davies, who has always been in the forefront of all cadet activities. It is with genuine regret that we say good-bye to him at the end of the year. To him and to all other cadets who leave the school this year, we extend our best wishes for future success.

H. G. SHORT, O.C. Det.



ON THE RANGE.

RUGBY NOTES

During the year it was suggested to the Headmaster by the President of the Nedlands' Rugby Club, that a school team be formed. Keen interest was soon aroused and a rough team was selected. A scratch match was held with Modern School to give the boys a working knowledge of the game. Following this match twenty boys were chosen who seemed to show signs of definite promise.

A most successful season followed, during the course of which our only defeat was to Modern School, which defeat we made up in the return match. Due to the rather late commencement of our season we were unable to enter the scholars' grade competition however we had the opportunity to play most teams in this grade, all of whom, including the premiers, Kent Street School, we were successful in defeating.

As this was the first year of Rugby in the school, we feel that the team as a whole may be particularly pleased with their consistently good play throughout the season, and we hope that the game will be continued in years to come, maintaining the fine tradition that has been set up.

Congratulations go to the following boys who due to their consistently good play in every match were granted the newly instituted award of Rugby colours — R. W. Anderson, H. P. Heseltine, W. F. P. Heseltine, R. O. Stephenson.

The entire team in their respective positions appears below:

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Anderson

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Heseltine, W. Grose Greeuw

Taylor or Leggo

Stephenson

Heseltine, H.

Davies

Sisson or Ellis

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Brown

Biddiscombe

Campbell

Reserves:-Archer, Snow

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The project which the Association undertook this year was the enlargement and the proper equipment of the stage in the School. Gymnasium. The work was completed in time for the School Play in August; and everybody agreed that it was a satisfactory piece of work. The job was done entirely by the parents with the help of the boys, but the Association would like to record here its special debt of gratitude to Mr. Rucks, who supervised the whole project and spent so much of his valuable time on the job.

The project was financed out of the special fund which the Association is collecting for just such purposes. The total money in this fund stands at present at £53/10/-; and this must be considered a fairly satisfactory sum, considering that only a relatively few parents have as yet added their contributions to the initial generous contribution of £25.

The usual meetings have been held at the first Parents' Evening in June, a very interesting and valuable talk was given by Mr. Mac-Call, Careers Research Officer to the Department. At the second evening in November, parents were entertained and instructed by films shown by the Shell Oil Company and afterwards by their own conversation.

Final point of interest owing to the generosity of a parent, the School has now the use of another, and a good, piano. Parents will realise what a valuable loan this is.



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THE PRESIDENT

At the Annual General Meeeting Mr. T. C. Bedells was elected President of the Association for the year. It was Mr. Bedells first term as President, and he has previously been Secretary and a member of the Committee for many years. Mr. Bedells was discharged from the A.I.F. with the rank of Major in December, 1945, after over six years sevice, and saw action in Libya, Greece, Crete and New Guinea.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION NOTES

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OFFICE-BEARERS, 1946

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INTRODUCTION

With the return of conditions more approximately those we knew before the war, the Association this year has shown signs of recovering from its enforced lapse over the last few years. Probably the most noticeable aftermath of the war as regards the affairs of the Association is the difficulty of getting in touch with those of our Members who have changed their addresses since 1940 and who have not advised us of such changes.

Although under war-time conditions many returned Old Boys made new and lasting friendships with their fellow servicemen and possibly developed a feeling of pride for their Unit which has taken the place occupied by C.C.G.S. in their hearts, we urge them to flock back again to the Association and give to it the attention they did in pre-war days.

Considering the difficulties of settling back into civilian life, too much praise cannot be given to those Old Boys who have devoted much of their time to helping the Organisation back on to its feet, and their reward will be in seeing the Old Boys' Association even more powerful in numbers than it has been before.

We would again remind Old Boys that financial Membership of the Association entitles them to their copy of the "Mitre" upon publication each year, in addition to invitations to all functions and copies of the O.B.A. News-sheet, which we hope to publish at quarterly periods in the future. Addresses of office holders to whom

subscriptions and communications may be sent will be found elsewhere in these notes. The Secretary will be pleased to hear from Old Boys at any time, and only too glad to forward addresses of other members — if these are known — to those who wish to contact old friends.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The second Annual General Meeting since the revival of the Association was held in the School Gymnasium on 23rd March, 1946, at 8 p.m., with the retiring President — Mr. H. N. Giles, in the Chair.

Election of Office Bearers : Addressing the chair, Mr. J. E. D. Battye gave it as his opinion that a younger man than usual should be elected to the chair this year, in view of the number of young men actively interested in Association affairs, and nominated Mr. T. C. Bedells, who was elected unopposed. Mr. Bedells then took the chair and delivered a short address to the meeting, in which he wished the Association a most successful year. At this juncture, a vote of thanks for the work done during the previous year by Mr. Giles was proposed by Mr. C. W. May, and carried with acclamation.

War Memorial : There was a strong feeling at the meeting that a memorial should be raised in the School grounds in honour of those Old Boys who sacrificed their lives during this war, the meeting deciding that this was to take the form of Memorial Gates, these to be subject to and incorporated in, the Council's building and reconstruction plans for the school. In connection with this project a sub-committee was formed, which has since despatched circulars to all Members.

Although those who have responded have done so generously, the Fund has not been as well supported as its object deserves. We like to think that this is through forgetfulness rather than lack of willingness to contribute, and urge all Old Boys to respond immediately to the best of their ability. There is no sum too large or too small.

Vote of Thanks: A vote of thanks was proposed and carried with acclamation for the services rendered to the Association by Mr. J. Tucker in his capacity as Hon. Secretary during the year 1945, and his active and enthusiastic work in the re-starting of the Old Boy's Association.

Bursary Fund : Upon Mr. H. N. Giles proffering his resignation from the Bursary Trusteeship and nominating in his place, Mr. J. H. Lord, Mr. Battye spoke against the acceptance of Mr. Giles' resigation and suggested the co-opting of Mr. Lord to the Trusteeship. This being put as a motion and carried. Mr. Lord accepted the position with thanks.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Old Boys will be pleased to hear that a new supply of O.B.A. badges has been obtained, these are available upon application to the Secretary or Acting Secretary, for the remarkably small fee of 2/6d. Cuff-links are also in process of manufacture, but, due to strikes and limited supplies of necessary materials, the exact date of their availability is as yet unknown. Members will, however, be notified in due course.

The Annual Dance held this year was an outstanding success, even for an O.B.A. dance. A grand total of 186 Old Boys and their friends attended, enjoying themselves thoroughly. We are sure all those who attended will be there again in 1947, and, in addition, we hope to see along next year, all those who were unable to attend.

Previous to the Annual General Meeting on March 23rd, two cricket matches, were played against the School 1st and 2nd elevens respectively.

The Old Boys easily defeated the "Seconds" and had a moral victory over the "Firsts," the scores in this latter match being :----

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the Old Boys having batted first.

During 2nd Term, an Old Boys' Football team played a match against the School 1st XVIII. which, if nothing else, was certainly exciting. The roll-up of Old Boys was most disheartening — the Match unfortunately having to be played in the morning — and the strength of the Old Boys' Team fluctuated between 12 and 16 players, the discrepancies being caused by the number of players being carried off varying with the arrival of reinforcements.

The match was umpired by Danny Ryan, who was very fair to the O.B.A. in at least one respect, viz.: forbidding our opponents to kick us in the head after they had tripped us. In spite of these and other difficulties, we managed to win by the narrow margin of five points, which restored our morale if not our shattered bodies.

Notice was given by Mr. Maclagen during the year that at the next General Meeting he would move that the Gymnasium Fund be closed and the balance be transferred to the Memorial Fund.

The Annual Dinner was not held during show week this year, as had been intended, owing to no suitable accommodation being available. As this is particularly a function for country members, it has been decided to hold it in late January or early February, as many country Members have advised that this time is most suitable to them. Should Country Week fall at this time, an effort will be made to coincide the Dinner and this function.

Those who missed last year's River Trip will be pleased to hear that another one is scheduled for 1947, and are advised not to miss out on it then. Considering the excellent attendance last year, indications are that we will need as large a ferry as it is possible to obtain this year.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Hereunder are the addresses of officials who Old Boys may contact for social and financial information concerning the O.B.A.

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Treasurer : A. S. Humphreys, Esq., 23a Mount Street, Perth.

Membership Fees:

5/- per annum for members under 21 years. 10/- per annum for members over 21 years. £5 for Life Membership.

HONOUR ROLL

"Pro rege et pro Patria."



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* Denotes killed in action.

HOCKEY CLUB NOTES

The Club is indebted to efforts of several old players and Campbell Armstrong in particular, which led to the reforming of the Club in 1945.

Prior to the commencement of the 1946 season, a General Meeting of all those interested was held at the School and was largely attended by an enthusiastic gathering. It was decided to field three teams and apply to the W.A. Hockey Association for the admission into the A1, Reserve and B2 grades. This application was subsequently approved. Unfortunately the enthusiasm displayed at the General Meeting did not last and we soon found ourselves scratching for sufficient players to fill the three teams each week. Our thanks are due to Campbell Armstrong, Ken Sudlow and several other old players who, although they had officially retired from the game, assisted us very ably on numerous occasions.

One pleasing feature of the season was that our senior team, playing in the top grade, finished below only two "Old Boys" teams namely; Old Aquinians and Old Modernians. Christ Church has proved conclusively over a number of years that it can hold its own with other Old Boys' Associations where hockey is concerned and it is to be hoped that this record can be maintained. We should like to welcome many new recruits next year and prospective players can obtain any information they may require from the Secretary, Allan Pascoe, 33 Phillips Road, Claremont (Phone F 3469).

We should like to offer our congratulations to Rod Treadgold, on his inclusion in the State team. Although Rod did not play with us this season, he had done so for so many years previously that we feel the Club was really represented in the State side.

Let us hope that all old and new players will get together next season, practise assiduously and once again gain the Premiership Honours that we consider our due.

🕁 Original Contributions

MY CRICKET DAZE

In the days of railways, of strikes, yea even in the days of darkness.

I girt about me cap and glove and sallied forth. And as I went I did sing this song :

I will arise this day and slay these foolish fellows who, by many ways, have come to wrestle with the great.

I will descend upon them in my wrath, and cast their wickets far and wide.

They shall walk to the game in high spirits, but shall depart from hence without their bundles.

Yea they shall come even as the proud cock, but return to their fellows as whipped curs.

The leathern sphere shall spin and rise apace, yea it shall rise and strike him where he stands.

His arm shall rise to smite it, but before he remembereth himsefl he has had it, and he is returning even by the way he came.

His kinsmen welcome him with wooden dials, yea even as he approaches do they clap their hands and scowl.

The sphere is cast from man to man, till yet one more opponent taketh heart, to sally forth and try his skill against us, but still he goeth by the way he came.

Then doth their Captain enter on the field. We clap our hands, and with a cunning glance we watch his stately stride. He smites the ball and cheers rise from afar, but like the boarders meals, so vanish then their hopes in one foul sweep.

But what of our company? Behold, they are even as they were.

The bowler with unflinching eye and nerve, doth polish but one side of that fell sphere.

Like the arrow it shooteth through the air, and as steel to the magnet returns to the keeper.

The batsman runneth nimbly twixt the stumps, but as he speeds his wicket falleth fast, and in silence to his kinsmen he also doth return. Yea he goes back even by the path by which he came.

And it came to pass that as I sang this song a drop of rain did fall upon mine hand. In that day the heavens shook and all my dreams of conquest were forsook for stacks of prep and labour with a book.

-C.F.

THE PREFECTS' DANCE

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All along I said I wouldn't go. My dancing was atrocious and I am not really interested in females at any time. However, the prefects, in their eagemess to sell tickets, persuaded me to go.

On the night of the dance, I arrived at my partner's house and was ushered in by her mother, who explained that her daughter would be ready in a few minutes. Presently a sweet voice asked me to clamber over the neighbour's fence to get a rose. Naturally I couldn't refuse and my immaculate suite became somewhat dewy in consequence. On my return she had decided that a rose didn't suit her dress and added, "I wanted a white one anyway." Finally we departed and forty minutes after the dance had started, we arrived. On entering we drew curious looks from all present and I felt very uncomfortable.

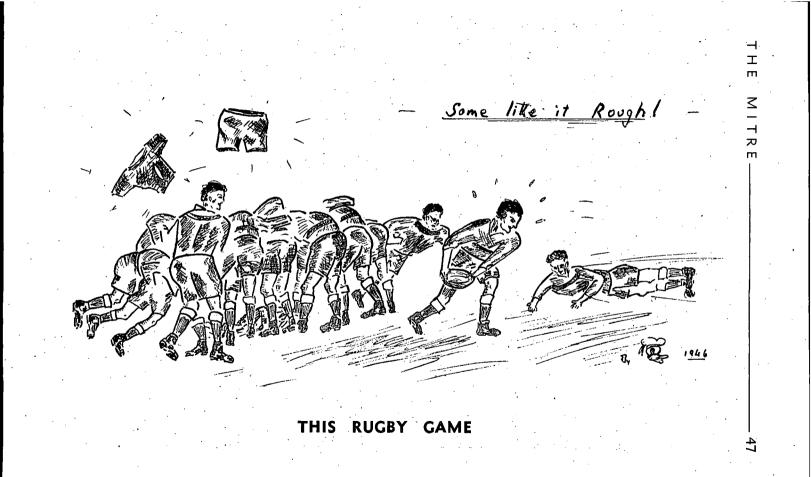
A barn dance, the best of my repetoire, commenced the evening and its success encouraged me. I grew bolder and asked for a quickstep but we were compelled to sit down as I could not manage the intricate footwork.

The evening was half gone. A carefully rehearsed introduction to the Head went well and then supper was served. I knew my good fortune wouldn't last and it didn't. A Form-mate accidentally kicked my shin and as if in prompt retaliation, I deposited by cup of tea on his partner's dress. It was his fault but I apologised and handkerchiefs partially repaired the damage. The next mishap occurred when I knocked some fruit salad out of a neighbour's hand. Half of it went on my sleeve but I was consoled by the knowledge that the other half lay in his trouser cuff.

During the next dances I became fascinated with the drummer, who was continually performing tricks to the accompaniment of facial contortions. He once made a face at me, whereupon I lost my footing and drew a remark from my partner. By this time I was showing signs of fatigue and I welcomed the M.C.'s announcement of the last dance. As a result of prolonged good-nights and much gossip on the part of my partner, we missed the last bus and had to walk. When I pointed this out she said, "We would have walked anyhow."

At last her front gate was reached. A relation of mine once said, " in my day we didn't hang over the front gate saying goodnight." For once I wanted to be old-fashioned but it was no good. She said in a sweet tone, "Haven't you forgotten something . . ."

Home at last. I climb into bed, weary from the strain of a night's dancing. I think to myself as I nestle between the sheets, "Never, never again."



FATE STEPPED IN

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The Story of Burke and Wills

By P. J. BENTLEY

Perhaps one of the most tragic stories of Australian Exploration is that of Robert O'Hara Burke and William Wills. It is a story tinged with hardship, suspense and tragedy, in fact all that would tend to make up a gripping drama or novel. Yet despite displaying an example of dogged determination and courage of which all Irishmen must be particularly proud, their expedition achieved singularly little, although from first to last it cost £50,000 more than Eyre, Sturt, Gregory, Mitchell and Leichardt spent between them.

Burke was born at St. Cleram, Galway, Western Ireland, in the year 1820. He was a lad of adventurous spirit, and like so many Irishmen, attracted by the danger and colourful life of the Army, he entered the Woolich Military Academy as a cadet. When he was seventeen he went to Belgium and became a member of the Brussels Military Academy. He later left this post and joined the "Seventh Reus Regiment of Hungarian Hussars," one of the most famous regiments in Europe. However he tired of the inactivity and returned to Ireland, becoming a member of the Irish Constabulary. It seemed that he was not to remain in his own land, for in the year 1848 the potato crop failed, and the Irish, blaming this on to British misrule, promptly demonstrated their displeasure by rioting. No true Irishman could be happy hearing the cries of his starving countrymen, and so Burke conceived the idea of coming to Australia. In March 1853, at Port Phillip this dashing young Irishman set foot in Australia.

In a short time, Burke had been accepted as a member of the Police Force, and within a year had become Police Magistrate of Beechworth. His adventurous spirit had not been quenched by this purely routine position, so when the news of the war in the Crimea reached him, he obtained leave and sailed for Europe, but he was too late for the war had ended. He returned to his home in Galway, and after a short stay he sailed for his home in Australia where he was put in charge of the Police Station in Castlemaine.

The Melbourne Philosophical Institute had appointed a committee to sponsor a trip across Australia from South to North, and the South Australian Government had offered a reward of £2,000 to the first person to accomplish such a journey. For some time Burke had been restless, for many tales of rich gold strikes and of explorations had reached him, firing his imagination. When he was placed in charge of this expedition with George Landells as his

second in command, his great ambition was on the road to realisation. A young man named William Wills was appointed Surveyor and Astronomer for the expedition.

On August 21st of 1860, the expedition left on what was to be one of the colourful, yet painful epics in the annals of Australian There were fourteen Europeans and three Sepoys in the history. party, as well as twenty-six camels and twenty-eight horses. good wishes and enthusiasm that followed the party were tremendous and continued to flow in throughout their journey to Menindie, which was to be the stepping off place. The party was however, being torn by internal dissensions owing to the "Military Dictatorship" and demands for obedience made by Burke. At Balranald, Charles Ferguson, the foreman, guarrelled violently with Burke and returned to Melbourne where he obtained £200 damages for "wrongful dismissal." At Menindie Landells and a band of shearers became intoxicated by drinking the rum kept as a stimulant for the camels. Again there was a violent guarrel and Landells also left for Melbourne, being dismissed and handing in his resignation at the same time. Wills was made second in command, The stay at Menindie was not prolonged. Torowoto, a swamp two hundred miles distant, was the next goal. Wright was sent back to Menindie for supplies while Burke pushed on to Cooper's Creek. In mid November, Burke had reached this point where good grass and abundance of water was found. Here a base was to be formed to await the arrival of Wright from Menindie. Burke grew impatient during the long wait for Wright, who did not set out until the 16th of January. So he decided to set out for the Gulf of Carpentaria, leaving Brahe, a Swede, to wait the arrival of Wright. Instructions were given to leave plenty of food behind if Brahe was forced to return to civilization. Burke, Wills, Gray and King set out on the 16th of December, travelling light with only the barest necessities. The country through which they were passing was experiencing a good season, and luck was with them at this stage. On February 4th, of 1861, they reached the estuary of the Flinders River, near where Normantown now stands. Although they did not actually gaze upon the sea, they saw the mangroves and rocks that were obviously covered when the tide was in. The aim of the expedition and Burke's ambition had been satisfied.

On February 16th, the return journey was begun, this was fated, it seems, to end in tragedy. They set out in high spirits but these were soon to be drowned, for the travelling was very hard and the food supply was dwindling. Gray was ill and Burke was suffering from dysentery. At Adaginni, Fate stepped in, Gray died and they waited a day to bury him. This cost them their lives, for Brahe, only seventy miles away, was preparing to leave the camp at Cooper's Creek. Had they been able to push on, they would have come up with Brahe before he left the base.

After three day's rest, Burke's tired and weary party set out once more, but it was hopeless. If they had stayed at the camp another five days all would have been well, for Brahe returned. He failed to see any traces of Burke and his companions, or the message they had left where the food had been buried, giving the course they intended to take. So Burke, Wills and King struggled on, attempting to live off the land like natives, but, weakened by their exertions and privations daily the outlook grew more hopeless. Burke and Wills died in the middle of June 1861. King, however, sought refuge with the natives who looked after him till he was found, weak and at the point of death, by a search party three months later. Of the party who had made the dash across country through some of the most arid and desolate land in Australia only one returned to the starting point.

In the annals of Australian exploration the names of Robert O'Hara Burke and William Wills stand high. Their journey destined by fate to be doomed from the beginning. Although they lost their lives, they left behind them an imperishable record of endurance and courage against overwhelming odds and became a spur to others to carry on where they had been forced to leave off.

EVENING SONG

The sun sinks slowly in the West,

The tired old man lies down to rest. He looks across the rolling plain

On which he's worked with might and main, Contented sheep are feeding there

The quiet cattle have no care,

He's ploughed the field and turned the loam And laboured long to make a home.

> By JOHN RYAN and IAN STIMSON, (Aged 7 yrs.)

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RECKLESS RHYMES

Dippy is Head Prefect, a fine and worthy lad, He gains the admiration of boys both good and bad. Second is "Fish" Taylor, just eighteen and not been kissed, When he leaves Christ Church Grammar, boy will he be missed? Another one to leave us is nearly six foot Drummond, Better send a notice home that the Navy is a'comin'. Campbell will be Campbell, and he going to "squat," Among his sheep and wheat-ears and leave Christ Church to swat. And yet another leaving to go back to the farm, Is Frank Royce Butler, alias Butts, to where he'll meet no harm. Doc. Anderson is going, I wonder what he'll do? But I'll bet my bottom dollar that he won't sit and stew. Fulwood is the silent type, at least that's what I'm told, Although he argues quite a lot, he's not so very bold. Dalgetys in the picture are claiming Wharton, (Clive) When he gets to the dances, boy does he like the "jive." Now Mickey Moore at Christ Church for another year of baking, Is then to be a journalist, at least one in the making. I could go on for ever about lads I've met just lately, Of the glamour boy of D. Dorm., who is so tall and stately. Of Herbie within his boils he really is a trick, By the time that lad is thirty he'll be walking with a stick. Then there's the great combination of Prior and McCrackan, What they can't do then no one can, from late nights to pantry crackin'. A poem would not be complete unless Ellis had a pimple, The remedy of all these things is really very simple. Now Jenkinson's a wizard at drying up the dishes, He doesn't do it on his own, but mostly 'gainst his wishes. His toe-nails are the worry of poor old Richard Leggo, When stepping out at night it sure dampens his ego. Hoey is another who's going to the country, To be another shepherd, alias a sentry. There's a boy called Barry Snow, who is so they say, Going to be Head Prefect at good old N.S.A. Now Dixon is a farmer of quite a few years standing, There is nothing you can tell him about a porker's "happy landing." Archer like Marconi is thinking of the wireless, His efforts just to aid mankind will really be quite tireless. A man discovered oxygen, he really was quite clever, Now Peter Wall and Rosman follow his endeavour. There are many more to take about, but time will not permit, So I'll have to leave you all with just this little bit.



GEOLOGY

Geology, as the name implies, is a science. This science, however, is quite a new subject to be placed on our curriculum. When one studies geology, one wonders why it has been omitted in previous years. It may be easily seen that without his knowledge of geology, man would not have been able to understand the structure of the earth. This subject is perhaps one of the most interesting of the science subjects, as it contains not only geology, but also the physical side of Geography.

No doubt it has been wondered what geology really is. It would be hard to write down in a few words what the meaning really should be. The Encyclopaedia Brittanica simply says, "It has for its object the elucidation of the history of the earth and its living inhabitants." That is again to be subdivided into sections all of which have their special aim or enunciation. An example of some of these branches are mineralogy, petrology, palaeontology, stratigraphical geology, cosmogony and physical geology. These terms are all very confusing, but for any student who may intend studying geology as part of his course, will be very pleased to know that only mineralogy, palaecontology, petrology and historical geology have to be studied.

For the reader wishing to understand the way in which the world has produced geology is 'the' subject. Geology with all its branches is able to set down for us all the steps by which this universe of ours, especially the earth, has produced from a molten gaseous mass, to planets with special characteristics of its own. In respect to the earth, the study of geology can explain how man evolved and how minute organisms which lived countless millions of years ago, have evolved into present day animals and fishes. An example of that would be how the fossil, "Trilobite" has through millions of years changed into the modern crustacean form of the crayfish. That shows that this study is important.

You may wonder what the word "fossil" really means. It is derived from the Latin fossilis, meaning dug up, that is to say that the old forms of life are to be found in rocks and to find them you have to excavate the ground to find them. In the same way the Archaeologist has to excavate large areas of land 'to resurrect ancient cities, which through the ages have been buried. These fossils are the stabiliser of all the geological ages and it is through them that we are able to tell when certain physical ages passed over a country. That is to say when ice ages, tropical swamps and other such events took place over a certain area. Where we find there are no fossils but hard rock, we say that volcanic action has taken place and therefore we can find on closer examination that, it contains minerals.

This then takes us on to mineralogy, where we can study the forms and occurrence of the most important minerals. It is only at school that the important ones are studied but for a higher knowledge one has to study further. This study of the minerals is also to prove useful to everyone. This study shows us how our valuable minerals such as gold, tin, aluminium, iron, asbestos and the rest. It is through the study of minerals that people are able to know how their country's income is procured. I wonder how many people have bothered themselves to find out in what type of rock the gold in Western Australia lies. Most people are contented to know that gold is found in the Eastern Goldfields, but few know that these gold-bearing rocks are part of the large "greenstone phase" which stretches throughout Western Australia. This is not very important to the majority, but to the geologist those "greenstones"

There are still three types of geology to be studied at school, of which I have not yet mentioned. They are petrology, historical geology and physical geology. The historical geology is practically taken up by the palaeontology. This section is the study of the geological ages and what main creatures lived in them, it also has under its heading the time ranges so that the student knows when certain creatures were prominent. The petrology section of geology is where the student learns and studies all about the different characteristics of rocks. The section is just as important as the others, as the geologist needs to know what type of rock is to be found in a certain district. By this, maps may be compiled and the student learns where rocks occur, and how to distinguish one from another in class and in the field. In the physical section of geology we are actually learning geography. What you learn in geography, about lakes, caves and the other such things, is exactly what is wanted for your study of the physical geology. That is where such a large comparison is made with the two subjects.

Then it can be seen that geology is perhaps, alongside with geography, one of the most interesting of the sciences. It is a wonder that more students do not like it and try to learn more about it. With its very close relationship to geography, one is able to study both subjects and learn about practically the same thing. Without the aid of geology, which was started hundreds of years ago, the man in the street does not know anything about the land on which he lives, or what the land is able to produce. It is the geologist who finds oil and without oil where would we be? Therefore to everyone the word "geology" must mean something, whether it is large or small.

A. M. MOORE.

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PIGS' PARADISE

As the rising sun of a mid-October morning lifted its golden sphere of life onto the awakening day, a strange sight was to be beheld in the Never-Never of a lonely sea-side resort. This strange sight, however, consisted of no other than a moaning, groaning, happy-go-lucky group of campers, arguing furiously, and in somewhat unpleasant tones, as to who was to be the mug and cook the breakfast. Of course the task fell onto the weaker member of the party, Mox, and within a period of about three hours, we were all assembled around the sizzling fire enjoying a delicious, savoury dish of camp pie and damper.

The little band of pilgrims, as they might well have been called, filled in a thoroughly enjoyable week-end by restricting themselves to nothing more than eating, sleeping, reading, fighting, washing-up and sun-bathing, often with as little on as a pair of shorts and singlet, with the result that "Poss," and another member of the 'gang' had the tops and back of their legs rather badly burnt.

Another interesting feature of the "Camp-out" was the milk situation. After spending some thirty-five to forty minutes giving chase, the two boys concerned returned with empty buckets and disgusted expressions, explaining that "they'd never tried milking those sort of cows before !"

Two of our most prominent members, 'Baldy' and 'Tort', who had for so long been gloating over their ability to handle stump-jump ploughs, bulldozers, etc., failed to prove this ability on a fishing excursion. No sooner had the boat weighed anchor and the fishing began when two slender figures, glittering brightly in the sun, leapt overboard and swam hastily for the shore, without even displaying the decency of waiting a few seconds longer and supplying the remaining fisherman with a little burley.

'Baldy' however, proved himself a stronger character at a later date, when passing through Fremantle on his journey home, he was invaded by a fleet of fans who swarmed across the road in a wild dash in order to have a few words with him. He warded them off quite well and we only had to delay the train for about three quarters of an hour awaiting his arrival!!!

The disabilities of a little rain during the three days at the only too-well named "Pigs" Paradise were easily overcome by a little ingenuity on the part of the more enterprising members of the party. These contrivances, however, were dismantled on our departure, only to be used by the very fortunate representatives of the School in years to come — Alas not us.

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W-A-L-L-Y.

THE HISTORY OF TRADE UNIONISM IN AUSTRALIA

As I write, with so many industries in this State disrupted, and . so may sections of the community inconvenienced by the action of the locomotive Engine Drivers' Firemen and Cleaners' Union, it is fitting to recall the history of Trade Unionism in Australia. Even under normal circumstances, this section of Australian History makes an interesting study, as by their past efforts, the Trade Unions have become an extremely powerful political force.

Although Trade Unions are usually acknowledged to have become properly organized bodies after the Gold Rushes of the 1850's, historians agree that there were attempts to form Unions before this time. The chief labour problem in the earlier years of the settlement was that of the free labourers. This class naturally could not obtain work as easily as the poorly paid, assigned convicts, who, in any case, had no choice in the matter. Also, the Free Labourers were bound by certain legal restrictions more fitting to convicts than Thus in attempting to remedy these social evils, the to Free men. Free Labourers combined together, and on some occasions, there were strikes. The Government of the time, however, was unsympathetic, as witnessed by the example guoted here. In 1828, the penalty imposed on the ringleader of a strike was solitary confinement for one month on bread and water, 500 lashes, and retransportation to a subsidiary penal settlement. Such treatment was sufficient to deter the workers from very active efforts at organization, but in the same year, Trade Unions were legalised, when the repeal of the English Combination Laws became effective in the colonies.

In the early 30's however, conditions became more favourable to the formation of Trade Unions. This was so, because the commencement of assisted immigration brought a greater flow of free labourers to the colonies. Thus by 1840, there were at least ten Trade Unions in Sydney, which were actively concerned with such questions as wages, labour, and other industrial matters. Unfortunately for the Unions, during the next few years, wages fell, unemployment became general, and there was industrial depression, and so the cause of Trade Unionism was impeded. Nevertheless the Unions still progressed slowly, and thus a fairly solid foundation was laid for later developments.

The Gold Rushes which occurred at this stage, completely altered the situation in several ways. Firstly, the population was greatly increased, and secondly an acute labour shortage came about. Neither must it be forgotten that among the miners were many English Chartists and Trade Unionists, who would naturally try and apply their principles to the new colonies. As the conditions were favourable for labour organizations, especially in Victoria, the Trade Unionist Movement forged ahead rapidly. In Vic-

toria, also occurred the famous Eureka Stockade Incident (1854) in which the miners rebelled because of their grievances about the Miners' Licences. This incident in Australian History has been greatly stressed by the Labour Movement. Indeed, to quote Dr. H. V. Evatt, "The Eureka Stockade was of crucial importance in the making of Australian History." This however, is only one opinion, and others may not agree.

In any case, the first lasting Trade Union had come into being before the Eureka Stockade, when the Operative Masons' Society was formed in Melbourne in 1850. This Union was the first of many others, but it was not until the 70's and 80's that the movement began to expand at all rapidly. The period between the 50's and the 70's was merely one of slow progress. This was so, because after the initial success, depression set in, and so the workers were placed at a disadvantage through unemployment. New South Wales suffered most in this period, but the Unions were still active. For instance, in 1861, an unsuccessful attempt was made by the miners at Newcastle to obtain preference for Union members.

At this point it will be helpful to notice the growth of the Labour Movement in the other States of Australia. On the whole, the Movement was not as highly developed as in New South Wales and Victoria. In South Australia the first Union was formed in 1846 by the Tailors. However the Unions were feebly organized until 1864 when the copper miners at Wallaroo and Moorta conducted a successful strike concerning wages and the management of the mines. In Queensland also, there were several weak Labour Organizations, but no real progress was made until the Australia wide movement of the 70's and 80's. In Western Australia and Tasmania, Trade Unionism was almost non-existent, as any dissatisfied labourers in W.A., left the colony, while the Movement in Tasmania was almost completely broken by the flood of convicts which came to the settlement.

At last in the 70's and 80's came economic prosperity, and all over Australia, Union became come and more successful. This was probably so, because the wealthy employers did not think they would be materially harmed if they granted concessions to the labourers. The Unions, largely organized by W. G. Spence, first started in the building trade, and then swept through the mining and pastoral industries, the waterside workers, and finally the water transport. Thus the Unions now embraced nearly all the important industries. Although already becoming politically minded, the Unions' chief concern was still with industrial matters, and one of their earliest demands was for an eight hour day, achieved by some Unions in 1856.

With the progress of Trade Unions in New South Wales and Victoria, came a simultaneous advance in Western Australia, Tasmania and the other States. With this great growth of the Unions,

it was only natural that the Unionists would try to enforce their desires on the employers, by the use of strikes. Thus began a long succession of strikes, which was in effect a struggle for superiority between employers and employees. The greatest strike was the Maritime Strike of 1890, in which the Seamen's Union went on strike against the Australian Steam Navigation Company. The strike lasted for several months, and the Miners' and Shearers' Union went on strike, in sympathy with the seamen. At last, after three months, the Unionists were forced to give in, and so in this phase, the employers were victorious.

Seeing that they could not gain their ends by industrial means, e.g., strikes, the leaders of labour decided to enter politics, and thus grew up the Australian Labour Party, whose purpose in the first place, was to express the opinions of the Unionists in Parliament. Perhaps one might say that the idea of the Labour Party was brought into being by the Inter-colonial Trade Union Congress, the first of which was held in Sydney in 1879. When the representatives at these Congresses saw the costly failure of the strikes, they conceived the idea of a political branch of the Labour Movement.

Although the Unionists now had a voice in Parliament, they also favoured the establishment of Arbitration Courts for the settlements of Disputes. This system soon gained popularity, and as only organized bodies can approach the Courts, Trade Unions have greatly extended their influence since Federation, when the Arbitration Courts were set up. Since 1900, also, the Unions have tended to unite in the cities into Trades Hall Councils. Then in 1927, the powerful Australian Council of Trade Unions was set up. Although all the States are represented on the Council, the greatest measure of unity has been achieved in Western Australia.

Under the Arbitration Court System, strikes are not in all cases illegal, but only in such cases as when a secret ballot is not held by Union Members to confirm the strike. However, if a strike is declared illegal, the offending Union may be deregistered — that is, its name is struck off the rolls of the court, and theoretically it retain very few powers. Such a situation, however, does not often arise, as it is only when the authority of the Government is threatenen, that penalties are inflicted. Unfortunately, such a situation has come about in this State, and at the moment, the people are anxiously waiting to see which will triumph — the accepted forces of law and order, or the offending Union.

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Although the purpose of this magazine is primarily for boys and written by boys, nevertheless, the boys should not have it all to themselves. The sayings of the boys and their writings in examinations provide that light touch without which the life of the master would be apt to be monotonous. There have been printed many "Howlers" said to be taken from the sayings and writings of school children; some may be true, others seem to have come more from the staff-room than from the boys themselves.

Here are some which may be new to most who read this magazine. This one has been vouched for as being taken from a general knowledge paper in which the boy was asked, "What would you do for rabies ?"

The answer was, "Rabies are Jewish clergymen and I would do nothing for them."

These have been culled from various papers:

"Charles I. was going to marry the Infanta of Spain. He went to see her and Shakespeare says he never smiled again."

"There was once a revolution in Canada and the wolves captured Quebec."

"While the parliament was discussing about the Bill of Rights, James II., suddenly had a baby, so the seven Bishops said he could not be King any longer."

"Henry VI., was a very gentle man and when sane, he never swore. Above all things he was a perfect Christian. He was very unsuitable for a King of England."

"Clive was a daring young man and having successfuly committed suicide, he joined the army."

"When the garrison of Lucknow ran out of provisions, a Scottish maiden put her ear to the ground and said, "Dinner, ye hear it ?"

"The natives of Papua are cannibals. They live together in tribes and are ruled by the chefs."

"The cold at the North Pole is so intense that the largest towns are not inhabited."

"Sir Douglas Mawson caught many wild animals such as ticks, in the Antarctic Regions."

Q.—"What is the longest day in the Southern hemisphere?" A.—"Sunday."

Q.-"Who invented the Bunsen Burner ?"

A.—''Boil.''

Q.—By how much is x greater than 6. •

A.—"18."

Proof-x is the twentyfourth letter in the alphabet and 24-6 equals 18.

"The Wimshurst machine proves that you can get electricity from the air providing you work hard enough. The master generally has to turn the handle for at least five minutes before it works."

On the other hand to get away from errors of the boys, the master also has his faults. This rather shocking story is told, although we refuse to believe it is true. At a certain school, the scripture examination was fast approaching and the master was very anxious that his pupils should do themselves (and him) credit. He went on with the scripture lesson well into the arithmetic period.

"How many times," he bellowed, "did Moses strike the rock?"

Very few hands went up.

"How many times," he thundered — and into the room walked a school inspector. Without a moment's pause he went on. "How many times does seven go into fourty two?" A forest of hands went up.

"This story following has a school flavour, although it is not directly connected with the aim of this piece. A certain Bishop during his visit to a parish was prevailed upon by the Rector to take a Sunday School Class. He told them a story of a boy who said his prayers when all the other boys in the dormitory had tumbled into bed. Sometime later, meeting the Rector again, the Bishop asked him if the boys had grasped his teaching about Moral Courage. The Rector told him that one of the boys had said to him that the Bishop had illustrated his lesson with a story about twelve Bishops who shared a dormitory. When they retired to bed eleven of them knelt down to say their prayers and only one jumped straight into bed. He was an example of moral courage."

Perhaps we may conclude with a few more extracts from boys' writings.

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"The difference between a metaphor and a simile is that in one you describe the things you compare and in the other you compare the things you describe."

"The school cadet corps advanced to the sounds of marital music."

"They teach you languages in school now in case you want to travel, but if you don't want to learn you can be a teacher."

Finally to end up, perhaps the attitude of most teachers can be illustrated by this story.

"A new playground was being laid down in the school and when the concrete was being put down a notice was given out that no boy must go near it. The boys could not resist the temptation and soon footprints marked the concrete everywhere. The head, summoned by the contractor, flew into such a rage and scolded the boys with such fury that one of the staff felt impelled to remonstrate. 'I thought,' he said, 'that you were so fond of boys ?' "

"'So I am,' he replied, 'they're well enough in the abstract but I don't like them in the concrete.'"