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EDITORIAL

In recent years Western Australia has developed both industrially and agriculturally. Oil it is hoped will put new life into the near-stagnant economy of the State, while mineral deposits will one day form the basis of a stable secondary industry. Then too, man's mastery of the sciences is continually enabling semi-desert land to be put to the plough and salt-bush country to produce food. All this spells the fascinating word, progress.

Too often we tend to think of progress in the manner depicted in the opening paragraph. At the sound of the word one's mind focuses on active stock exchanges, factories belching smoke or modern cities with towering skyscrapers. How incorrect such a conception is. Materialistic development must be accompanied with a parallel advance of culture and of the willingness of people to accept their individual rights and duties. Many simply place all their reliance on national grandeur. This is a false reliance for the wealth of any community is measured by the quality of the functions performed by private citizens.

When our way of living as individuals is orderly then too our home life will be orderly, and the community life will be such that our Nation will possess a clear moral harmony. The orderliness that we should strive for will only come when an understanding of human things is reached, and understanding will only result from an exploration of knowledge of all things. Education or culture is merely the development of good taste in knowledge and good form in conduct, both of which enable us to live balanced lives.

Several years ago the leading citizens of Australia appealed to the Australian community to combat the dangers such as ignorance, laziness and cultural "backwardness" that could so easily undermine our nation. Those who are leaving the sheltered certainty of school life must respond to the call and accept their numerous responsibilities.

"When man is constantly exposed to the things of the material world which affect him and does not control his likes and dislikes, then he is overwhelmed by the material reality, and becomes dehumanized or materialistic. When man becomes dehumanized or materialistic, then the principle of Reason of nature is destroyed. From this arise disobedience, immorality . . . "

SCHOOL NOTES

This year we welcomed Mr Rolfe, who succeeded Mr N. E. Peard, Romsey House Master and master in charge of the Preparatory School; Mr D. Richardson, who replaced Mr J. R. Moore as senior geography master; Mr L. O'Hara, who succeeded Mr R. T. Jones. We were sorry to lose Mr J. Dixon at the end of first term; his place has since been taken by Mr L. Nixon.

The year began rather badly. Much to the disappointment of the boys, all swimming in the river was curtailed on account of the polio epidemic. Due to immediate restrictions enforced by the school and parents, there were no cases of polio from this school throughout the whole epidemic. The House swimming sports were held on Tuesday, 9th March, at the South Fremantle Baths, where there was no danger from polio.

The highlight of first term was the Royal visit of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh. Unfortunately, polio interfered and the children's rally at the Show Grounds was cancelled. However, on the 27th March the Cadet Unit lined the route at the entrance to King's Park for the Royal Progress to the War Memorial. The unit was later congratulated on their general turnout and bearing. A holiday was granted on the 29th March and this provided boys with additional opportunity of seeing the Queen as she made her final drive past along Stirling Highway to the "Gothic."

The annual cadet camp at Northam was cancelled this year on account of the polio epidemic.

Football and Hockey practice started immediately second term began. This year two teams were entered in the Schools' Hockey Competition.

The Annual Prefects' Dance was held on the night of Friday, 25th June. It was a grand social and financial success. All profits from the dance were donated to the Memorial Building Fund.

During the term groups of boys attended the A.B.C. Schools Concert; a special recital by the Vienna Boys' Choir; a stage presentation of "Twelfth Night"; and the screen production of "Pygmalion" and "Hamlet."

Towards the end of term work began on the foundations of the War Memorial Hall. After a lax period over the holidays work continued and the Hall is now rapidly taking shape. According to the contract, the Hall should be completed by February 1st next year. Parents and Old Boys have already donated over £2,170 towards the cost, which is about £7,500.

On Sunday, 26th September, a combined Anglican schools' service was held in St. George's Cathedral. Representatives from Christ Church, Guildford, St. Hilda's, St. Mary's, and Perth College were present. The Dean of Perth afterwards said he was most gratified with the success of the service and hoped it would become an annual event.

The Preparatory School Concert was held on Tuesday, 7th October. It was a great success.

On October 8th the Cadets held the Marching Out Parade. Lieut-eant-Colonel Jackson from Western Command inspected the unit and took the salute at the march past. This was the first official duty of the newly formed drum band. They must be congratulated on a very fine effort.

Much work has been done by parents, Old Boys and boys of the school in preparation for the Annual Fête, which is to be held on December 6th. In previous years this event has been a great success; it is hoped that this year's will be even better.

There are now 334 boys on the school roll, an increase of 32 on last year.

Congratulations to all boys whose names appear under the heading "School Officers," and to all others who hold responsible positions in the school; all winners of Junior and Leaving certificates, and all winners of prizes and challenge cups.

THE BEATTY CUP FOR INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION, 1954

	Swimming	Football	Athletics	Tennis	Cricket	Debates	Schoolwork
Craigie	5	1	1		3	3	
Queensle	ea 1	4	5		1	5	
Romsey	3	4	3		5	1	

VALETE ET SALVETE

VALETE

- PATE, A. L. (1948-53): Captain of School, 1953; Captain Craigie Sporting House, 1953; Junior Certificate, 1950; Leaving Certificate, 1953; School Prefect, 1951, 1952, 1953; Cadet Lieutenant 1951, 1952, 1953; Alexander Todd Memorial Trophy, 1950; Shooting team, 1951, 1952, 1953 (Captain 1953); School boxing team, 1952, 1953; 1st XVIII, 1953; 1st XI Hockey team, 1951, 1952, 1953; Colours—hockey, boxing, shooting and house; Honour blazer 1953.
- BENT, D. B. (1947-53): School monitor, 1953; Cadet W/O, 1953; 1st XVIII, 1951, 1952, 1953 (Captain 1953); 1st XI, 1952, 1953; School swimming team, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953; School athletic team, 1951, 1952, 1953; School shooting team, 1953. Colours—1st XVIII, shooting, and house. Honour blazer, 1953.
- JUMEAUX, C. E. T. (1952-53): Leaving Certificate, 1953; School hockey team, 1952, 1953; 1st XI, 1952, 1953 (Captain 1953). Colours—hockey, cricket and house.
- SMITH, T. B. (1950-53): School Prefect, 1953; Boarding house prefect, 1952,
 1953; Captain Queenslea Board House, 1953; 1st XI, 1952, 1953; School hockey team, 1951, 1952, 1953; School tennis team, 1951, 1952, 1953. Colours—tennis and house.

SALVETE

Atkinson, P. R.
Barsden, R. D.
Bent, P. J.
Bocquet, P. R. R.
Bookless, J. C.
Briggs, J. F.
Brown, P. R.
Campbell, A. D.
Cann, M. G.
Clarkson, G. A. D.
Clements, R. I.
Colebatch, H. G. P.
Cowan, R. K.
Dougall, M. R.
Douglas, J. McK.
Easterbrook, W. A.
Easterbrook, W. A.
Elsey, R. W.
Everett, D. K.
Ferguson, E. J.
Fleming, R. I.
Fraser, H. L.
Gidney, B. G.
Giles, D. B.
Gustafson, G. J.
Haberfeld, E. G.
Harris, C. H.

Harvey, I. R.
Hesterman, B. J.
Hordern, M.
Hordern, P. S. R.
Illidge, P. G.
Jordan, D. J.
Lawn, R. E.
Lawrence, B. J.
Leete, J. W.
Barrett-Lennard, D. T.
Levinson, L. M.
Maddams, J. W. S.
Martin, W. G.
Meagher, R. C.
Minchin, J. K.
Morgan, P. F.
Mosley, T.
McKay, B. A.
McMillan, R. J. F.
McNaughton, R.
Phoa, W. H. T.
Price, H. T. S.
Ray, R. G.
Richards, W. H.
Rolfe, J. G.
Sadique, I. B.
Sawyer, S. L.
Scholes, I. W.
Slatter, B. J.

Smirke, R. C.
Smith, B. P.
Sudlow, R. G.
Thanos, J. J.
Turner, G. H.
Urwin, C. L.
Watson, S. B.
Wackett, M. S.
Walker, M. B.
Weaver, R. B.
Williams, R. H. E.
Woods, T. F.
2nd Term, 1954—
Ausden, G. M.
Cocks, V. M.
Huton, I. M.
Hutton, R. J.
Lee, R. T.
Walsh, P. H.
3rd Term, 1954—
Antill, E. G. M.
Fleming, P. W. I.
Henderson, J.
Hooke, A. J. N.
Loader, A. T.
Overton, W. T.
Lang, H. R.
Garton Smith, R.

3rd Term, 1954— Barnes, R. W. A. Beck, W. B. Bent, D. B. Clarke, R. G. Coleman, M. C. Cook, M. K. N. Davies. J. T. C. Dray. K. L. Ellery, E. G. Van Emden, M. H. Evans, R. L. Forbes, G. R. W. Glauert, G. V. Goddard, W. W. Green, L. A. Hallo, P. J. Hartfield, B. S.

WALETE
Holt, S. J.
Hurse, A. D.
Johannsen, D. W.
Johannsen, P. K.
Jumeaux, C. E. T.
Lovegrove, R. J.
May. G. M.
Meers, I. St. J.
McDonald, C. P.
Millar, A. M. T.
Miller, F. J.
Nankivell, P. J.
Nuttall, R. G.
Pate, A. L.
Peard, M. F.
Harcourt-Poole, G. J.
Sadique, D. H.
Smith, T. B.

Steele, J. M.
Steele, R. M.
Thompson, E. W.
Thompson, F. A.
Thompson, P. J. S.
Till, M. C.
Trethowan, A. M.
Wan Nong
1st Term. 1954—
Briggs, G. S.
2nd Term. 1954—
Cerny, J.
Denney, H. G.
Hordern, M.
McDonald, C. P.
Williams, R. H. E.

SPEECH NIGHT, 1953

Speech Night for 1953 was held on Wednesday, December 9th, in the Claremont Theatre, at 8 p.m.

- Mr J. E. D. Battye, the chairman of the School Council, opened the evening's proceedings. He called upon the Headmaster to present his report. Mr Moyes was able to report steady progress in scholastic, sporting and extra-curricula activities. He announced that an Old Boy had generously donated the remaining money necessary to pay for the newly-opened Memorial Classroom Wing. This enabled the Council to go ahead with plans for the next item on the building programme, a Hall which could be used for assemblies, physical education and social activities.
- Mr S. L. Prescott, Vice-Chancellor of the University of W.A., presented the prizes, trophies and challenge cups to the successful boys. Mr Prescott has specialised in the study of Chinese culture and he gave a very interesting talk on the educational methods of China, which he contrasted to our own. His talk was enlivened by a pleasant wit and was enjoyed by all.

Prize List

VI A Dux (R. H. Parry Memorial Prize)	A. L. Pate A. L. Pate E. Jumeaux
VIB Dux (R. H. Parry Memorial Prize)	E. de Chazal E. de Chazal R. M. Howlett H. Everitt
V (P) Dux (R. H. Parry Memorial Prize) General Merit	E. F. Bruce M. Van Emden R. Simonsen R. Retchford
V (G) Dux	R. D. Meyer R. L. Evans
Sub-Junior (P)Dux	A. T. Dowling D. McNamara C. D. Lee
Sub-Junior (G)Dux	P. Dodd W. Cavey
IV (P) Dux General Merit	C. A. Edwards J. May D. H. Evans

IV (G)	Dux General Merit	J. Corbin A. Ashford
III A	Dux	M. E. Coales B. Cook
	Prize)	A. V. R. Everett
III B	Dux General Merit	W. Creed R. A. Fry M. K. Cook
II A	Dux Prox. Access	A. J. Hodge R. M. Steele
II B	Dux Prox. Access	P. G. Edwards K. S. Hatch
Music Prize	(K. W. Edwards Prize)	R. G. Clarke

UNIVERSITY OF W.A., 1952

Leaving Certificate. - E. M. Holt.

Junior Certificates.—M. A. Beros; I. M. Crozier; E. de Chazal; W. J. H. Everitt; M. J. Guest; R. M. Howlett; A. D. Hurse; B. J. Kasten; B. T. Kinsella; S. J. Montague; B. R. McCullagh; P. J. Nankivell; D. S. Smith; T. B. Smith; I. R. D. Watson.

Prizes and Trophies have been kindly presented by— Mr. E. N. Browne-Cooper; Mr. K. W. Edwards; Mr. F. D. Eggleston; Members of the Staff; C.C.G.S. Old Boys' Association; Mr. K. H. Sudlow.

CHALLENGE CUPS

Beatty Cup	(Champion House)	Romsey
Eagling Cup	(Best House Scholastically)	Queenslea
Beatty Cup	(Best All-Rounder)	D. B. Bent
E. B. Kerby Cup	(Outstanding Sportsman)	P. R. Kerby
Calthrop Cup	(Leadership and Influence)	. A. L. Pate
McGlew Cup	(Open Swimming Champion)	P. R. Kerby
Giles Cup	(Junior Champion Swimmer)	E. F. Bruce
J. Healy Cup	(Highest Agg. Swimming 10-14 yrs.)	R. Simonsen
W.A. Hockey Assn. Cup	(Best Tennis Player)	K. M. Ram
Cramer Cup	(Best All-Round Cricketer)	E. Jumeaux
	(Best Fieldsman)	
Flintoff Cup	(Best Footballer)	. D. B. Bent
Norrie Cup	(Best Rifle Shot)	A. L. Pate
Potter Cup	(Best All-Round Junior)	B. Beresford
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Alexander Lodd Memorial 1	rophy Sgt	. K. Howlett
Cricketing Trophies-Batting		D. Bowker

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS, 1953

Leaving Certificate

The subjects are denoted by the following numbers: 1, English; 2, Maths. A; 3, History; 4, Applied Maths.; 5, Biology; 6, Maths. B; 7, Physics; 8, Chemistry.

C. E. T. Jumeaux, 1, 2, 4, 6, 7; A. L. Pate, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8.

Junior Certificate

The subjects are denoted by the following numbers: 1, English; 3, Latin; 4, French; 9, History; 10, Geography; 11, Arithmetic and Algebra; 13, Geometry and Trigonometry; 14, Physics; 15, Chemistry; 20, Physiology and Hygiene 21, Art; 22, Technical Drawing; 24, Woodwork; 26, Book-keeping.

B. W. Armstrong, 1, 10, 11, 14, 15, 21, 22; D. J. Bellett, 1, 11, 13, 14, 15, 22; D. C. Bowker, 1, 9, 10, 20, 11; E. F. Bruce, 1, 3, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 22; R. G. Clarke, 1, 9, 10, 11, 24; M. C. Coleman, 1, 11, 13, 14, 15, 22; R. J. Dollimore, 1, 9, 10, 13, 14, 21; E. G. Ellery, 1, 9, 10, 11, 13, 20, 26; M. H. Van Emden, 1, 4, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15; G. D. Hill, 1, 9, 10, 11, 15; A. B. Jones, 1, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15; R. S. Mauger, 1, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15; I. St. John Meers, 1, 4, 9, 10, 14, 15; C. Moore, 1, 11, 13, 21, 22; R. A. Simonsen, 1, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 22; J. M. Steele, 1, 4, 9, 11, 13, 14; G. J. Fergusson-Stewart, 1, 9, 10, 11, 13.

To Higher Education

Pate, A. L.—To study Science at the University with a Commonwealth Scholarship.

Jumeaux, C. E. T.—To study Dental Science at the University. Lovegrove, R. J.—To study at Teachers' Training College.

"THE MITRE" PRIZES

We thank Mr. R. M. Eggleston, an Old Boy of the School and former Editor of this magazine, for the generous donation of all prizes awarded for contributions.

The following prizes were awarded:—

Cover Design: R. Retchford.

Poetry: No 1st Prize awarded.

2nd Prize: B. W. Armstrong.

Prose: 1st Prize: W. J. H. Everitt.

2nd Prize: E. Phoa. 3rd Prize: E. de Chazal, Special Prize: W. Creed.

Photograph: D. J. Carroll.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES

We wish to acknowledge receipt of the following magazines:— The Swan (Guildford Grammar School), The Corian (Geelong Grammar School), The Western Wyvern (Wesley College). We apologise if any have been overlooked.



SCHOOL PREFECTS — 1954

Back Row: D. C. Bowker, A. B. Jones, E. F. Bruce
Front Row: P. R. Kerby (Captain of School); The Headmaster, I. R. D. Watson
(Senior Boarding House Prefect)



SCHOOL MONITORS — 1954

Back Row: R. A. Simonsen, K. M. Ram, C. Moore, S. Dodd.

Front Row: P. E. de Chazal, W. J. H. Everjit, The Headmaster, B. T. Kinsella, R. M. Howlett
Absent: I. M. Crozier

QUEENSLEA BOARDING HOUSE NOTES

Under the guidance of Mr Trimby and his assistant housemasters, Messrs Ovens and Richardson, and with the co-operation of the prefects, the house made great progress this year.

During the year a House Committee was organized. It consisted of Mr Trimby; the senior prefect, I. Watson; E. Bruce, another prefect; two representatives elected from the Senior Common Room (J. Dollimore and D. Sewell); two representatives from the Junior Common Room (G. Moses and R. Parsons), and R. Scott (the House Librarian).

The committee met whenever there was anything required for the benefit or enjoyment of the boys. Some things decided upon were: The re-covering of the lockers, the setting up of mirrors in the respective Common Rooms, and—for the Seniors—an evening at Guildford Grammar, a table tennis competition.

House entertainment was highlighted with film evenings. As we now deal with M-G-M, better programmes can be drawn up for next year. It was during second term that "Coca-Cola" provided a film evening for the boarders. There were seven cartoons and two films on the manufacturing of Coca-Cola. The evening passed very pleasantly; the free drinks were especially enjoyed.

It is now that we, one and all, thank Mrs Osborne for her tireless service; nothing was too large or too small for her to do—with the result we were presentable at all times. And it is Matron Muldoon that we thank for our physical fitness.

PREFECT JOTTINGS

This year saw six of us in the Prefects' Room, all with a common high ideal, and on the whole we have managed to stand up to them.

Third term saw a change of "birds" in the pre's room—a "Crow" was substituted by a "Chook"—(what's the day boys' life like. Murray?). Edmond has realized that the boarding house being is far superior to the day boy.

One of our members has paternal patience with the Juniors—eh, Evan!

Haydn, when not getting acquainted with *Morpheus*, is studying (figures). Which photo this time, Haydn?

These days the wireless isn't in the running in the Pre's Room; we have a "hit tune" crooner—haven't we, Gweethy? The last straw will be "You, you, you..." to the tune of Johnnie Ray's "Cry."

If mirrors could wear out, "Col" would do it with his continual striving to perfect a "straight drive"—It's getting a bit thin, Colin.

It is now that we take the opportunity to bid "farewell" to Haydn, Ram and Ian (may the future hold bright prospects for them), and to bid those returning another happy and successful year.

Now, as the year quickly draws to a conclusion, we wish all connected with the house a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ROMSEY BOARDING HOUSE NOTES

This year we welcomed to Romsey three new masters: Mr Rolfe as Housemaster and also as Headmaster of the Preparatory School; and Mr Dixon as Assistant Housemaster and Sports Master of the Junior School, and Physical Education Instructor of the Senior School. We were sorry when we found that Mr Dixon was leaving us at the end of 1st term, as his pleasant and jovial nature was enjoyed by everyone. In second term Mr Dixon was replaced by Mr Nixon, who continued to carry out those duties previously Mr Dixon's.

Besides the new masters there were also three new prefects, who endeavoured to keep the boys out of mischief.

Throughout the year, several film shows were enjoyed by all. At the conclusion of second term the Coca-Cola Company came along to school and showed us several featurettes and a film on "How Coca-Cola is Made." An extremely bright end to the show were the free Cokes handed around to everybody.

There have been several hobby clubs in being throughout the year: a Naturalist Club, Stamp Club, and a Model Aeroplane Club, which, unfortunately, was stopped during 3rd term owing to the risks of the fuel—amongst the younger boys. As well as these hobbies, a year's subscription to a monthly magazine, "Young Elizabethan," was paid; so now we have a regular magazine besides the morning paper.

Of course, sport is always a hobby and we were very disappointed when swimming was stopped during 1st term owing to the polio epidemic. During the warmer weather a regular Sunday event for those who didn't go visiting was an afternoon's walk around the banks under the supervision of one of the prefects.

As a conclusion, we feel sure that all the boys of Romsey extend their appreciation to the House Mother, Miss Moore, for all her good work throughout the year.

A.B.J.

QUEENSLEA HOUSE NOTES

Housemaster	Mr O'Hara
House Captain	E. F. Bruce
House Vice-Captain	. H. Everitt

This year the house welcomed Mr O'Hara as housemaster. He has led and guided our activities in a splendid manner, for which we thank him, and we hope he will have the pleasure of seeing the house triumph in many activities.

Craigie's victory in the swimming sports came as a surprise to us, as we expected our own team to take the honours. Fate pointed her hand at us, however, and last-minute sickness deprived us of many valuable points. Congratulations, Craigie, on a fine effort.

Debating was introduced as a house competition this year and we welcome this inclusion into intra-school activities. Our open team consisted of exceptionally skilled debaters and won both its debates, while the Junior team won one and lost one.

Queenslea got away to a fine start in the cricket by defeating Craigie in both the open and u/14 matches. Both matches against Romsey resulted in a close finish and although the results were against us, our two teams must be commended on their fine efforts.

The football competition illustrated the fine house spirit existing in Queenslea. The 1st XVIII fought out two matches in which it was supposed to be the underdog, coming out an easy winner in both. The u/14 team lost one match, but its members show great promise.

The final inter-house competition was athletics. After losing the march past and trailing Romsey by several points all day, our relay teams distinguished themselves and we ran out easy winners. Congratulations to Evans, Lewis, Phoa, Bowers and Mathews, who were outstanding athletes on the day.

Thus another year has concluded with the house playing an important part in all school activities. May its members ever respect and live up to the motto that appears on our house crest: "Spirit and Strength."

CRAIGIE HOUSE NOTES

Housemaster	Mr D. Richardson
House Captain	B. Jones
House Vice-Captain	M. Beros

We were not the strongest house at the commencement of '54, but the house spirit was extremely high and our hopes greatly optimistic. However, after an overwhelming victory in the swimming, the strength of the houses were evident. Though we strongly contested the other sports, we had no further successes.

Owing to the danger of polio infection, the swimming sports were held at the South Beach Baths. Conditions prevented many records being broken, but Craigie, having many strong swimmers, were easily victorious, with Romsey a poor second. Congratulations to P. Kerby as open champion, and also to McCarthy as being the best of our under age swimmers.

Possessing few members of the 1st XI, it was only due to great determination that we were able to draw with Romsey. Unluckily, we lost to Queenslea on the last ball of the day. Mention must be made of A. Watson's sparkling 37 when playing Queenslea. This determination was also apparent in the win of the u/14 team. Congratulations to Romsey on winning the cricket.

Having several members of the 1st XVIII, we expected to do well in football, but unfortunately we were defeated by both Romsey and Queenslea, failing to goal in the latter game. It must be remembered that it takes 18 players to win a football match. The u/14 also fared no better, losing both games. Congratulations to Queenslea on winning the football.

This year house marching was introduced, in which the three houses compete—with house flags—in front of parents and Army officials. The marching was of a very high standard, with Craigie gaining second place. The boys of Craigie would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs Kerby for making the house flag. This fine start, however, was no omen. Although all athletes ran well, the other houses were slightly stronger. Congratulations to Queenslea on winning the athletics and I. Watson on being Open Champion.

ROMSEY HOUSE NOTES

Housemaster	Mr. W. T. Rucks
House Captain	. I. R. D. Watson
House Vice-Captain	D. C. Bowker

This year we welcomed many new boys to the House, and we are pleased to see that the older members have encouraged them.

The swimming this year resulted in a fine win for Craigie, and we congratulate P. Kerby on his fine performances. Members of the house team are also congratulated together with those who tried so hard.

The cricket competition this year was very keen. Thanks to the senior eleven (undefeated), we managed to draw with Queenslea House for the honours. It is interesting to note that the Romsey members in both 1st and 2nd elevens are meeting with success and we wish them all the best for third term.

Our undefeated record in the senior football team was lowered this year when, after losing valuable players in I. Watson and C. Moore, we were beaten by the good Queenslea team. I'm sure, however, that with both sides at full strength, this would have been the match of the year and may have decided the football in our favour. Congratulations, Queenslea, on a fine win!

The tennis played during first term has given us an unassailable lead in that sport, and with only a few matches to play we seem certain winners. Thanks are due largely to Giles, I. Watson, Simonsen and Bowker.

This year house marching was introduced into the athletic meeting. Our victory (inaugural record!) was well earned and it helped raise the spirit of the boys for the sports to follow. We were just beaten in the run home, however, and our congratulations go to Queenslea on a fine win in the Senior School Sports.

We wish to congratulate the Prep. School boys of the house on their fine win in the Prep. School Sports, especially Beresford, who is a fine little leader.

Finally, I would like to congratulate I. R. D. Watson, G. B. Giles, A. J. Thomson, M. Synnot and A. Hibble on being the Champion Athletes of their age groups respectively.

In concluding these notes I would like to thank Mr. Rucks for the work he has done for us throughout the year, and also our Captain, Ian Watson.

Those returning I ask to remember the house warrry: honour the house flag and, above all, keep up the fine house spirit.

D.C.B.

PREFECTS' JOTTINGS

PREFECTS AND MONITORS

We commenced the year with five prefects and nine monitors.

The pound began its life in sixth form, but finally ended on the verandah, where it became the Mecca of all small boys who had forgotten their white shorts. Eventually a trunk was procured and now, under the eagle eye of Simonson, the pound's kitty is increasing rapidly.

The Prefects' Dance was held on the 25th June at the Myola Club. We spent the day blowing up balloons, clambering around the bank in search of creeper, and raiding gardens for flowers. However, we finished in time and everything went off without a hitch, including the programme Armstrong had painted.

Half-way through second term we were finally allotted a common room. It took the rest of the term to decide to paint it. Our painting was successful only in the amount of paint splashed without regard to tables, chairs, floor, clothes and hair. Our artistic effort eventually concluded in a mutual agreement that four white walls and two walls just plain off would be more in keeping with the usual atmosphere of the room.

AEROPAGUS SOCIETY

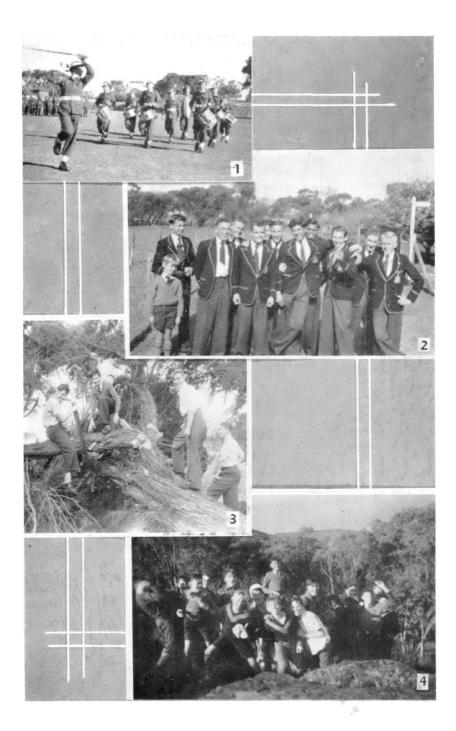
At the end of the second term a suggestion was put forward to the Headmaster, Mr Moyes, that a discussion group be formed to meet at regular intervals to discuss any selected topic put forward. The suggestion was considered, and the Areopagus Society materialized. The society is now thirteen strong and meets at appointed nights, usually at the Headmaster's residence. Usually one member is elected to read a paper, but at present the society is seeking a guest speaker from the University.

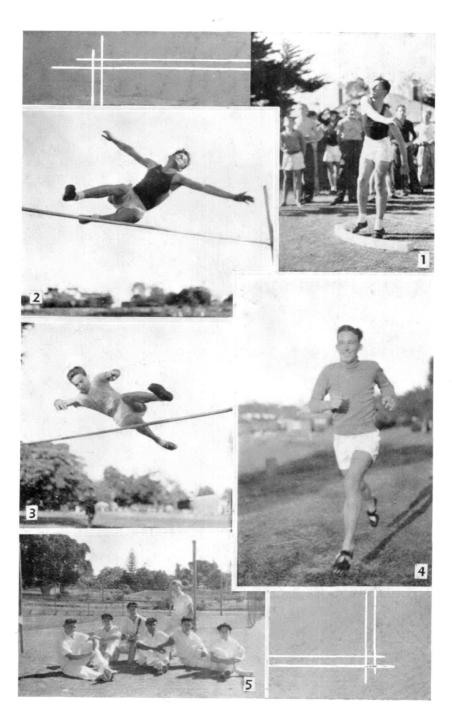
The society has proved very interesting and many strange and intriguing subjects have arisen during the discussions put forward.

R.A.S.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The School Band (E. Bruce).
 A group of the boys on the way to play football at Northam.
 Chopping down the old cypress to make way for the new hall.
 On the excursion to Swan Gorge (Mr Richardson).





BAND NOTES

Six drums arrived at the school at the beginning of the year. There were soon sufficient volunteers to form the band. Mr. Dixon trained the side-drummers. L/Cpl. J. Carroll took up the bass drum, and was soon playing it very well.

We were sorry to lose Mr. Dixon at the end of 1st Term. The drummers then had to depend upon their own enthusiasm to mould themselves into an efficient band. Sgt. Mathews was tireless in his efforts as Drum-Major, and much of the credit for the Band's success must be his.

Late in the 3rd Term Mr. Read came to instruct the drummers. With the addition of two drums, and with the donation of a mace the band was completed.

The band's first public appearance was at the Passing Out Parade. No doubt the whole school was proud of it. Its appearances at the two School athletic meetings helped to make the teams' march past a successful innovation. The band was also invited to play at the Methodist Ladies' College Sports.

Members of the band are congratulated on their enthusiasm. When (fairly soon we hope) the fifes are obtained, our pride in the new band will compensate for practices that will necessarily disturb many a lunch hour.

PHOTOGRAPHS

l. G. B. Giles who broke the School record for the Under 16 Shot Putt. 2. A. J. Thompson who broke the School Under 16 High Jump record. 3, R. G. Bowers, who broke the School Under 15 Broad Jump record. 4. I. R. D. Watson, champion Open Athlete. (These four photographs by D. J. Carroll). 5. Some of our cricketers at the nets (D. Lee).

^{*} D. J. Carroll was awarded the prize for this photograph.

CRICKET NOTES

The boys in the First XI were much more confident and keen than they have been for some years and the team's good results bear this statement out. The regular and well balanced practices possibly also helped to raise the standard; certainly as far as fielding is concerned. The team has a good opening pair for both the batting and bowling and all our matches have shown us that in batting the team has a strong tail wag.

The junior teams have done well, not forgetting that the Second XI has lost only two matches. The junior team members must take a leaf out of the 1st's book and watch the keenness with which they practice. A master should not have to hound boys out to practice. Everyone should be willing to do his bit for the schools' cricket teams.

FIRST XI CRITIQUE (By Captain)

- BOWKER, D. C.—Capt. (by Vice-Capt.) Has proved a thoughtful and capable captain, who conducts himself well on the field, is a powerful batsman and has some very good shots.
- BRUCE, E. F.—Vice-Capt. A consistent medium pace bowler. Fields well at square-leg and bats with determination.
- MOORE, C.—An opening batsman with concentration and a good knowledge of the game. Has some clever strokes and is a clever slips fieldsman.
- THOMPSON, A. J.—Opens both bowling and batting. Is a forceful batsman with punishing strokes.
- DOLLIMORE, J.—A consistent spin bowler whose averages show good performances both in batting and bowling. Reliable slips fieldsman.
- LEWIS, I.—An all-rounder of outstanding ability. Fields well in the covers and bowls a good length ball. With more concentration he will improve his batting.
- GILES, G.—A change bowler, who bowls the off break to advantage. A punishing batsman but like so many of us inclined to do foolish things.
- BEROS, M. A.—Opening bowler who tends to bowl round arm. Is a determined player and a good team member.
- RAM, K. M.—A medium pace bowler with a good average. Batting rather careless, but his fielding is of high standard.
- WATSON, A. F.—Wicket keeper who has improved considerably. His batting is full of action.
- McNAMARA, D.—A cautious batsman who stays put. Inclined to "poke" but experience will eliminate this.

D.C.B.

FOOTBALL NOTES

Captain	 	 . .	I.	R.	D.	Watson
Vice-Captain	 	 			D.	Bowker

This year it was the tuition of Mr Blackwood, whose persistent coaching and endurance welded together a young and light team, which, together with the team's spirit, brought about a fair measure of success—until (owing to numerous injuries) younger and less experienced players played in the first XVIII. These played gallant games but their sole downfall was their age. However, this will be overcome next year.

During the season there was a game in the country, against Northam High School, and it is here that we take the opportunity to thank those parents and friends that provided transport and those that organized the occasion. A wonderful time was had by all—.

This match was such a success that a return match was played.

Congratulations on winning the two games, Northam, but watch out next year!

The Under 15 XVIII was the most successful Junior team.

And it is now that we take the opportunity to congratulate M. Beros and I. Lewis on being awarded their football colours . . .

FOOTBALL CRITIQUE (By Captain)

- WATSON, I. R. D.—(Colours) (by Vice-Capt.) As a captain, held the team together. His back play is sound and he virtually carried the side in several matches.
- BOWKER, D.—(Colours). Vice-Captain playing at centre half forward. Marks the ball well and makes good use of his speed. His stab passing needs improvement.
- BRUCE, E.—(Colours). A good, sturdy ruckman with unusual tactics. Needs to improve his kicking but this is off-set by the fact that he never gives in.
- JONES, B.—(Colours). Played well at centre half back, stopping many opposing attacks. Has a good kick, perhaps not accurate, but plenty of distance.
- LEWIS, I.—(Colours). A rugged centre man who plays determinedly for four quarters. Tends to stray slightly but this is cancelled by ability to gain the ball.
- BEROS, M.—(Colours). A cool, level-headed player. Fully deserved his colours as he always could be relied upon, as a rover, to get the ball to the forwards.
- THOMPSON, A. J.—As full forward he turned in a good season's football. Is speedy and has a remarkably accurate punt kick. Will turn into a footballer of renown.
- SMITH, A. M.—As rover, excelled in getting the ball away from packs. Lacks ball control but is speedy.
- MATHEWS, P.—A wingman who always plays a stylish game, yet tends to treat his opponents and the umpire contemptuously. His enthusiasm should make him a good team member one day.

CAVEY, W.—A reliable back pocket player, lacks concentration at times in a hard game.

STRACEY, A.—Utility player who can go through if he wants. Was hampered with a rib injury but next season should see Allan in good form.

DODD, S.—Speedy wingman with tons of determination. Does however, lack anticipation and handling of the ball.

SIMONSEN, R.—Reliable forward pocket player with a good, accurate kick. With more weight his game will improve.

GILES, G.—A ruckman with great possibilities. Kicks well with both feet. Was hampered with a knee injury.

KERBY, P.—Solid backman with plenty of speed. Lacks a good kick and his poor mark tends to spoil his game.

MOORE, C.—Wingman with a good mark and reliable kick. A broken wrist put him out in the latter part of the season.

FLEMING, R.—A utility player who tends to become flustered. Will improve next year.

CARROLL, J.—A tall forward with a good kick. When he fills out he should be a valuable team member.

DOLLIMORE, J.—Clever forward who uses his head in deciding the time of action.

BOWERS, R.—A fast player from whom we expect a lot in the future. Try hard, Ricky, and put your heart into the game.

HOCKEY NOTES

Captain										K.	Μ.	Ram	
Vice-Captain	•, • •						,		D	. M	cNa	ımara	

This year the Hockey Association organized a special competition during second term for colleges and secondary schools. The school entered two teams. Our First XI was admitted to the First Division, and our Second XI to the Third Division. Once again we had Mr Hutchison for our coach, and he must be thanked for his tireless efforts in welding together a team that would fight even in defeat. Neither team was very successful in the competition. Considering that the majority of the players were newcomers to the game we can be satisfied that considerable improvement was shown during the season. We made some of the better teams fight harder than they expected to win. With as much enthusiasm and with more experience, we should do well next year.

Halfway through the season Mick Wright severely lacerated his arm, and was replaced by Graham Walker (captain of the Second XI) Jim Utting became captain of the Second XI. He and Edmond de Chazal were the most consistent in that team. With better ball control and more boldness in attack they will become sturdy players.

Social matches were played against M.L.C., St. Hilda's, P.L.C., and Leederville Tech. These matches were enjoyed by all. It is amazing how many boys become interested spectators of hockey when the girls visit us. Leederville Tech. trounced us by 8 goals to nil.



lst XI — 1954,
Back Row: K. M. Ram, D. McNamara, A. F. Watson, D. J. Carroll, I. Lewis, M. Beros, C. Moore.
Front Row: J. Dollimore, A. B. Jones, D. C. Bowker (Capt.), Mr. O. C. Trimby, E. Bruce (Vice-Capt.),
G. Giles and A. J. Thompson.



Ist XVIII — 1954

Back Row: R. Fleming, S. Dodd, R. Bowers, G. Giles, D. J. Carroll, D. Schupp, P. R. Kerby
A. Watson and A. J. Thompson

Middle Row: M. Beros, P. Mathews, E. Bruce, I. Watson (Capt.) D. C. Bowker (Vice-Capt.),
A. B. Jones, I. Lewis, A. Stracey,

Front Row: G. Moses, A. Smith, R. Simonsen, C. Moore, W. Cavey, J. Dollimore

Our congratulations to D. McNamara and R. Blake on being awarded their hockey colours.

THE FIRST XI

- K. RAM (Captain)—The team's most brilliant player, with excellent ball control and stick-work. Mastered his inclination to play the individual game when moved from centre-forward to centre-half to strengthen the defence and to give the team drive. The leading goal-scorer.
- D. McNAMARA (Vice-Captain)—A solid, reliable player, who became the centre-forward in mid-season, spearheaded the attack effectively, and was the second highest goal-scorer. Kept up with the game and capitalised on opponents' mistakes. Narrowly missed selection for the State team.
- G. WALKER—Promoted from the Second XI. A fast left wing; he must learn better ball control to make his game more effective. Good centreing sense, but co-operation with left inner needed.
- D. SEWELL—Played better at the left inner position than on the wing. Persistent tackler, but must learn to centre quickly and accurately.
- H. LIU—One of our many newcomers, he filled the position of right inner to the best of his ability. Centred effectively, but needs to improve stickwork and ball control.
- R. HOWLETT—A right wing for the 3rd year in succession. A steady player with a hard and accurate centre pass, but does not always stop the ball cleanly.
- M. WRIGHT—A good left half back with sound judgement, he was unfortunately kept out of the game in the second half of the season by injury.
- R. McCARTHY—A right half back who developed steadily. Cleared well with good, hard hits, but he must learn to keep his feet out of the way of the ball.
- M. DOUGALL—A left half back. He tends to 'cut' the ball, even from a free hit. Played well when in the mood, and dashed in with courage, but he must learn to give chase when eluded by an opponent.
- R. BLAKE—A tenacious full back, fast and effective. Good clearance when near the goal mouth. Fed his forwards well. One of the most improved players.
- B. SMITH—"Baby" of the team, though one of the tallest players. Played with gusto at right full back, but must learn to stick to his opponent.
- E. LIU—Played well as goal-keeper. Used his head in critical situations. Good use of his stick in stopping, but needs to develop more powerful kicking and hitting for clearance.

ATHLETICS NOTES INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS

Under ideal weather conditions the 39th Inter-House Competition was held at the School Oval on Wednesday, 13th October. The meeting was a great success, especially because of the improved fighting spirit of many competitors.

First and second divisions for all age groups except the Open were introduced this year. This ensured the participation of the Houses' second string athletes and enabled a House with all-round average strength to compete more fairly with a House fortunate enough to have more champions. House Marching was another innovation that gave a welcome touch of pageantry to the sports. The new School Cadet Band played a vital part in the success of the marching.

The cross-country runs were completed during the football season, the Annual Inter-House Cross-country being held in the last week of second term.

The following broke records at the meeting:—G. B. Giles (u/16 880 yards); Capon (u/14 High Jump) and Queenslea House (u/14 and u/15 relays). Giles also equalled the u/16 hurdles record. The Headmaster, Mr. Blackwood, Mr. Bowers and Mr. Hutchison must be thanked for coaching the athletes.

After the last race Mr. Kerby (father of our Captain of School) kindly presented the Challenge Cups and Medallions to the following successful athletes:—

Champion Athlete (Ipoh Cup), I. R. D. Watson; Champion Distance (Mrs. Kerby Cup), I. R. D. Watson; Open 100 yards (Staff Cup), D. C. Bowker; Open 200 yards (Lynn Cup), I. R. D. Watson; Under 16 Champion (MacLaren Cup), G. Giles; Under 15 Champion (Carter Cup), R. Bowers; Under 14 Champion (Lattice Cup), M. Synnot.

The School Committee has decided that only the Senior School results will count towards the Beatty Cup. We congratulate Queenslea on their victory. The final scores were:—

Queenslea, 725; Romsey, 727; Craigie, 614.

INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITION versus Scotch College and St. Louis' School, 26th October, at Christ Church

This year, because we could not find a mutually satisfactory date, Wesley withdrew from the usual triangular competition. Scotch accepted our invitation to take part in an inaugural triangular competition with ourselves and St. Louis. We were a little disappointed—after our good effort at Guildford—not to have finished nearer to Scotch. However, as was later shown in the "Inters," Scotch had a very strong team. Tragenza's brilliant mile must be mentioned as the best individual performance of the day. His inaugural time of 4 mins. 27.6 secs. is sure to stand for a long time.

Of our own team, the following are congratulated for their successes:—Giles, Bowers, Synnot, Hibble and Douglas.

Although Scotch soon went ahead, the tussle between ourselves and St. Louis' was very keen. Only the last few events finally decided in favour of St. Louis'.

Congratulations to Scotch and St. Louis'.

The final points were:—Scotch, $237\frac{1}{2}$; St. Louis', 142; Christ Church, $124\frac{1}{2}$.

versus G.G.S. and P.M.S.

On Wednesday, 20th October, the first triangular meeting of the year between G.G.S. and P.M.S., and C.C.G.S., was held at Guildford Grammar School. The atmosphere was keenly competitive, and we had our fair measure of success, despite the contrast in track.

We congratulate G. Giles and D. Jarvie on being first and second in the 880 Yards Under 16; M. Synnot on winning the 100 Yards and 200 Yards Under 14; A. Hibble on winning the 100 Yards Under 13 and Under 13 Relay on establishing a record. On the whole the results were most inspiring.

Congratulations to Guildford and Perth Modern on their results, but watch out for next year as we are on the upward trend.

The final scores this year were:—

Guildford Grammar School	$159\frac{1}{2}$
Perth Modern School	148
Christ Church Grammar School	$133\frac{1}{2}$

Compared to last year's: G.G.S., 185; P.M.S., 171; and our 71 points.

INTER-HOUSE ATHLETIC MEETING, 13/10/54 OPEN

100 YARDS-1, Bowker (R); 2, Ram (Q); 3, Kerby (C). Time, 11.9 secs.

220 YARDS-1, Watson (R); 2, Bowker (R); 3, Sewell (C). Time, 25.1 secs.

440 YARDS-1, Watson (R); 2, Jones (C); 3, Bowker (R). Time, 55.6 secs.

880 YARDS-1, Watson (R); 2, Sewell (C); 3, Fleming C).

ONE MILE-1, Watson (R); 2, Mauger (C); 3, Fleming (C). Time, 5 mins. 6.3 secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES—1, Jones (C); 2, Smith (R); 3, Everitt (Q). Time, 18.5 secs.

HIGH JUMP-1, Stewart (Q); 2, Carroll (R); 3, Jones (C). Height 5ft. 3in.

BROAD JUMP-1, Jones (C); 2, Bowker (R); 3, Watson (R). Distance, 17ft. 9½in.

SHOT PUTT—1, Stracey (C); 2, Watson (R); 3, Bruce (Q). Distance, 35ft. 5in.

CROSS COUNTRY—1, Watson (R); 2, Dodd (R); 3, Fleming (C). Time, 23mins. 22.1 secs.

UNDER 16-First Division

- 100 YARDS—1, Lewis (Q); 2, Watson (C); 3, Thompson (R). Time, 11.9 secs.
- 220 YARDS—1, Mathews (Q); 2, Watson (C); 3, Thompson (R). Time, 26.6 secs.
- 880 YARDS—1, Giles (R); 2, Jarvie (C); 3, Walker (Q). Time, 2 mins 17.1 secs. (Record).
- HIGH JUMP-1, Thompson (R); 2, Lewis (Q); 3, Giles (R). Height, 5ft. 1in.

- BROAD JUMP-1, Moses (Q); 2, Thompson (R); 3, Lewis (Q). Distance, 17ft. 11\frac{3}{4}in.
- SHOT PUTT-1, Giles (R); 2, Lewis (Q); 3, Thompson (R). Distance, 40ft.
- CROSS COUNTRY—1, Walker (Q); 2, Moir (Q); 3, Lawrence (C). Time, 10 mins 5.6 secs. (Record).
- 100 VARDS HURDLES—1, Giles (R); Utting (C); 3, Matthews (Q). Time, 15.5 secs.

UNDER 16-Second Division

- t00 YARDS-1, Moses (Q); 2, Nankivell (C); 3, Cavey (R). Time, 12 secs.
- 220 YARDS-1, Moses (Q); 2, Jarvie (C); 3, Watt (Q). Time, 27.5 secs.
- 880 YARDS-1, Moir (Q); 2, MacNamara (C); 3, Lawrence (C).
- HIGH JUMP-1, Burking (R); 2, Walker (Q); 3, Payne (Q). Height, 4ft. 6in.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Walker (Q); 2, Mathews (Q); 3, Utting (C). Distance, 15ft. 5\(\frac{1}{2}\)in.
- SHOT PUTT—1, Watson (C); Equal 2, Schupp (Q), Walker (Q).
- CROSS COUNTRY-1, Schupp (Q); 2, Dollimore (Q); 3, MacNamara (C).

UNDER 15-First Division

- 100 YARDS-1, Phoa (Q); 2, Brown (C); 3, Edwards (C). Time, 11:8 secs.
- 220 YARDS-1, Phoa (Q); 2, Bowers (Q); 3, Edwards (C). Time, 26.6 secs.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Bowers (Q); 2, Steadman (Q); 3, Smith (R). Distance, 16ft. 53in.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Bowers (Q); 2, Brown (C); 3, Tweeddale (R). Height, 4ft, 9in.
- 100 YARDS HURDLES—1. Bowers (Q): 2, Edwards (C): 3, Fitzhardinge (R) Time, 16.5 secs.

UNDER 15-Second Division

- 100 YARDS—1, Henderson (Q); 2, Blechynden (R); 3, Willhelm (C). Time, 12.9 secs.
- 220 YARDS—1, Steadman (Q); 2, Henderson (Q); 3, Oliver (R). Time, 29.1 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-Equal 1st, Sears (C), Giles (C); 3, Oliver (R). Height, 4tt. 2in.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Phoa (Q); 2, Oliver (R); 3, Schupp (Q). Distance, 14ft. 101in.
- 100 YARDS HURDLES-1, Schupp (Q); 2, Henderson (Q); 3, M-Jones (C). Time, 18.3 secs.

UNDER 14-First Division

- 100 YARDS—1, Synnot (R); 2, Evans (Q); 3, Stephenson (C). Time, 12.6 secs.
- 220 YARDS—1, Synnot (R); 2, Stephenson (C); 3, Evans (Q). Time, 29 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Capon (R); 2, Coker (C); 3, Watson (C). Height, 4ft. 71in.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Parsons (Q); 2, Priest (Q); 3, Sudlow (R). Distance, 15ft. 1in.
- 75 YARDS HURDLES—1, Synnot (R); 2, Stephenson (C); 3, Evans (Q). Time, 13 secs.

UNDER 14-Second Division

- 100 YARDS-1, Priest (Q); 2, Parsons (Q); 3, McQueen (C). Time, 13.1 secs.
- 220 YARDS-1, Sudlow (R); 2, Clements (C); 3, Brazier (Q); Time, 31 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Prior (Q); 2, Gillam (C); 3, Everitt (Q). Height, 4ft. 2in.
- BROAD JUMP—1, Everitt (Q); 2, Capon (R); 3, Watson (C). Distance, 13ft. 9½in.
- 75 YARDS HURDLES-1, Priest (Q); 2, Sudlow (R); Everitt (Q). Time, 13.1 secs.

UNDER 13

- 100 YARDS-1, Hibble (R); 2, Coales (R); 3, Cooper (C). Time, 13.1 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Coales (R); 2, Maddams (R); 3, Kerr (C). Height, 4ft. 1in.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Hibble (R); 2, Coales (R); 3, Wisbey (Q). Distance, 13ft. 8in.
- 75 YARDS HURDLES—1, Hibble (R); 2, Wisbey (Q); 3, Atkinson (Q). Time, 13.4 secs.
- OBSTACLE RACE-1, Ausden (C); 2, Korn (R); 3, Giles (C).
- ONE MILE HANDICAP (Open)—1, Capon (R); 2, Rocchi (R); 3, Patterson (Q).
- RELAY 4 x 110 (Under 14)—1, Queenslea; 2, Romsey; 3, Craigie. Time, 56 secs. (Record).
- RELAY 4 x 110 (Under 15)—1, Queenslea; 2, Craigie; 3. Romsey. Time, 53.5 secs. (Record).
- RELAY 4 x 220 (Under 16)—1, Queenslea; 2, Craigie; 3, Romsey.

 Time, 1min. 49.6 secs.
- RELAY 4 x 220 (Open)—1, Craigie; 2. Queenslea.

Athletic Meeting v. Scotch College and Saint Louis, at Christ Church

OPEN

- ONE MILE—1. Tragenza, S.C.; 2, Clarke, S.C.; 3, Quinn, S.L. Time, 4 mins. 27.6 secs.
- 880 YARDS—1, Stewart, S.C.; 2, Harris, S.C.; 3, Watson, C.C. Time, 2 mins. 5.4 secs.
- 440 YARDS—1, MacWilliam, S.C.; 2, Hopkins, S.L.; Hoar, S.L. Time, 53.8 secs.
- 220 YARDS—1, Thorpe, S.C.; 2, Hopkins, S.L.; 3, McDougall, S.C. Time, 25 secs.
- 100 YARDS—1, McDougall, S.C.; 2, Hopkins, S.L.; 3, Martin, S.L. Time, 11 secs.
- BROAD JUMP-1, Waddell, S.C.; 2, Purdie, S.C.; 3, Moses, C.C. Distance, 18ft. 9½ins.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Pidgeon, S.C.; 2, Quinlan, S.L.; 3, Jaentach, S.C. Height, 5ft. 8ins.
- SHOT PUTT—1, Casellas, S.L.; 2, Pinnock, S.C.; 3, Shewell, S.C. Distance, 41ft. 1in.
- 120 YARDS HURDLES-1, Martin, S.L.; 2, Jones, C.C.; 3, Gardner, S.C. Time, 17 secs.
- RELAY 4 x 220 YARDS—1, Scotch; 2, Louis; 3, Christ Church. Time, 1 min. 39 secs.

UNDER 16

- 880 YARDS-1, Kelly, S.C.; 2, Johnston, S.C.; 3, Giles, C.C. Time, 2mins. 10.5 secs.
- 220 YARDS—1, McLellen, S.C.; 2, Johnston, S.C.; 3, Watson, C.C. Time, 24 secs.
- SHOT PUTT-1, Giles, C.C.; 2, Brophy, S.L.; 3, McCowall, Distance, 43ft. 2in.
- 100 YARDS-1, McLellan, S.C.; 2, Johnston, S.C.; 3, Mathews, C.C. Time, 10.9 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Brophy, S.L.; 2, Crowles, S.C.; 3, Hudson, S.C. Height, 5ft. 4in.
- 100 YARDS HURDLES-1, Martin, S.L.; 2, McLellan, S.C.; 3, Bird, S.C. Time, 14 secs.
- RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS—1, Scotch College; 2, Christ Church; 3, St. Louis. Time, 47.5 secs.

UNDER 15

- 220 YARDS—1, Goerk, S.L.; 2, McCully, S.C.; 3, Phoa, C.C. Time, 26.2 secs.
- 100 YARDS-1, McCully, S.C.; 2, Martin, S.L.; 3, Goerk, S.L. Time, 11 secs.
- BROAD JUMP—1, Bowers, C.C.; 2, Horwood, S.C.; 3, Mansfield, S.L. Distance, 17ft. 5\(\frac{2}{3}\)in.
- RELAY 4 x 100 YARDS—1, Scotch College; 2, St. Louis; 3, Christ Church. Time, 50 secs.

UNDER 14

- 220 YARDS—1, Paramor, S.C.; 2, Synnot, C.C.; 3, Cooke, S.C. Time, 27.6 secs.
- 100 YARDS—1, Synnot, C.C.; 2, Paramor, S.C.; 3, Cooke, S.C. Time, 11.9 secs.
- HIGH JUMP-1, Somers, S.L.; 2, Capon, C.C.; 3, Wiese, S.L. Height, 4ft. 8in.
- RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS—1, Scotch; 2, Christ Church; 3, St. Louis. Time, 53 secs.

UNDER 13

100 YARDS—1, Hibble, C.C.; 2, Stevens, C.C.; 3, Rowe, S.C. Time, 12.9 secs.

UNDER 12

75 YARDS-1, Brophy and King (tie), S.L.; 3, Arbuckle, S.C. Time, 10 secs.

UNDER 11

75 YARDS—1, Douglas, C.C.; 2, Thomson, C.C.; 3, Bruce, S.C. Time, 10.8 secs.

Athletic Meeting v. Perth Modern and Guildford Grammar School, at Guildford

OPEN

880 YARDS—1, Honnibal, G.G.S.; 2, Masari, P.M.S.; 3, Watson, C.C. Time, 2 mins. 4.9 secs.

ONE MILE—1, Honnibal, G.G.S.; 2, McDonald. P.M.S.; 3, McGlew, G.G.S. Time, 4 mins. 50.9 secs.

440 YARDS-1, Wheatly, G.G.S.; 2, Johnston, G.G.S.; 3, Watson, C.C.

Time, 52.3 secs. 220 YARDS-1, Johnston, G.G.S.; 2, Hammer, P.M.S.; 3, Lim, G.G.S.

Time, 23.3 secs. 100 YARDS—1, Johnston, G.G.S.; 2, Lim, G.G.S.; 3, Hammer, P.M.S.

Time, 10.7 secs.
BROAD JUMP—1, Johnston, G.G.S.; 2, Broome, G.G.S.; 3, Hammer, P.M.S.

Distance, 19ft. 2½in. HIGH JUMP-1, Walsh, P.M.S.; 2, Forehan, G.G.S.; 3, Martin, G.G.S.

HIGH JUMP—1, Walsh, P.M.S.; 2, Forehan, G.G.S.; 3, Martin, G.G.S. Height, 5ft. 6in. 120 YARDS HURDLES—1, Walsh, P.M.S.; 2, Jones, C.C.; 3, Paddik, G.G.S.

Time, 17.3 secs. RELAY 4 x 220 YARDS—1, G.G.S.; 2, P.M.S.; 3, C.C. Time, 1 min. 38 secs.

UNDER 16

880 YARDS—1, Giles, C.C.; 2, Jarvie, C.C.; 3, Patterson, P.M.S. Time, 2 mins, 17.5 secs.

220 YARDS-1, Lamb, P.M.S.; 2, Mathews, C.C.; 3, Sparkman, P.M.S. Time, 25 secs.

100 YARDS-1, Lamb, P.M.S.; 2, Mathews, C.C.; 3, Butcher, G.G.S. Time, 11.1 secs.

HIGH JUMP-1, Ellis, P.M.S.; 2, Lamb, P.M.S.; 3, Thompson, C.C. Height, 5ft. 5in.

100 YARDS HURDLES—1, Baker, G.G.S.; 2, Ellis, P.M.S.; 3, Giles, C.C. Time, 14.4 secs.
BROAD JUMP—1, Ellis, P.M.S.; 2, Moses, C.C.; 3, Thompson, C.C.

Distance, 18ft. 6in.

RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS—1. C.C.; 2, P.M.S.; 3, G.G.S. Time, 48.6 secs.

UNDER 15

220 YARDS—I, Raynor, G.G.S.; 2, Tilbrook, P.M.S.; 3, Phoa, C.C. Time, 25.4 secs.

100 YARDS—1, Raynor, G.G.S.; 2, Phoa, C.C.; 3, Bowers, C.C. Time, 11.2 secs.

RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS-1, G.G.S.; 2, P.M.S.; 3, C.C. Time, 50.5 secs.

UNDER 14

220 YARDS—1, Synnot, C.C.; 2, Savvas, P.M.S.; 3, Stephenson, C.C. Time, 27.2 secs.

100 YARDS-1, Synnot, C.C.; 2, Savvas, P.M.S.; 3, Jones, P.M.S. Time, 12 secs.

RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS—1, P.M.S.; 2, C.C.; 3, G.G.S. Time, 57 secs.

UNDER 13

100 YARDS—1, Hibble, C.C.; 2, Stevens, C.C.; 3, Harding, G.G.S. Time, 12.5 secs.

RELAY 4 x 110 YARDS-1, C.C.; 2, G.G.S.; 3, P.M.S. Time 56 secs.

TENNIS NOTES

Captain										K.	M.	Ram
Vice-Captain								Ι.	R.	D.	W	atson

Mr Jones, who left us at the close of last year, has been succeeded by Mr Rucks as the tennis master, to whom we extend a very warm welcome. Our thanks go to Mr Rucks, who spared no effort in promoting the interests of tennis.

Once again we entered two teams in the inter-school competition, one in the Mursell Cup and one in the Herbert Edwards (under 15) Cup. Apparently our entries were rejected, as they were received, presumably, after the closing date. This was unfortunate, as the entries had been posted with two days to spare. As it turned out, the competitions were cancelled due to the epidemic of poliomyelitis.

Mr Rucks organised a tennis social with Scotch College. The result was a 3-all draw. The highlight of the day was the match between Ram (Christ Church) and Harris (Scotch), which Ram won (4-6, 6-3, 6-4). A week later another social was organised, this time by Watson, with the girls from M.L.C. and P.L.C. The afternoon proved very enjoyable and was successful in cementing our relations with one another.

In the Spring Tournament (schoolboys), held at Kitchener Park, G. Giles reached the round just before the quartet-finals, being beaten by Addis (6-3, 6-0). In the Open division, Ram was not so successful, being beaten in the 2nd round by P. Best, of Perth Modern (5-7, 6-3, 6-1).

This year each house fielded two teams in the Open division and one in the Under 14 division in the Inter-House Tennis Championships. At the time that this goes to press the house matches have not been completed. So far Romsey is leading, with Queenslea a close second, followed by Craigie.

CRITIQUE

- K. RAM (Captain)—A player with well-placed ground strokes, he smashes with power, though sometimes erratic. School Champion last year, he yet lacks a reliable back-hand.
- I. WATSON (Vice-Captain)—Serves the "American Twist." A valuable asset in a doubles game, he is an attacking player. Could use his height to better advantage when serving.
- G. GILES—An attacking player, he drives well with both back-hand and fore-hand. Rather temperamental, he tends to give up too easily when on the losing end.
- D. McNAMARA—A sturdy player who fights to the finish. Possesses a consistent game and has excellent court temperament. Strictly a base-line player, his net-play needs improving.

THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

1954 has been another highly successful and interesting year for the Preparatory School. During the year the numbers have risen steadily until we now have nearly 160 boys in the classes from Infants to Form P6 ("P" for Preparatory).

At the beginning of the year we welcomed Mr Rolfe, Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Stanley, Mr Dornan and Mr Nixon. We regret that this year we must say farewell to Mr Woodbury and Mrs Stuut, teachers who have been largely responsible for the excellent progress made in our section of the school.

Avon Criddle has been Head Boy of the Preparatory School, and helped by Monitors, David Beetles, Brian Beresford, Robert Fry, Robin Russell and Gary Samson, has been an excellent leader of the school.

Highlight of the year was undoubtedly the concert presented on October 5th in the Parish Hall, with parents as our guests. Thanks to the efforts of everyone in the Prep. School, and to those mothers who did such wonderful work with the costumes, the show was one of high-class entertainment. As one father said: "I enjoyed it more than 'South Pacific.'" The class plays, "Mr Nobody" (P2), "The Cross Princess" (P3), "Alice in Wonderland" (P4), "The Pied Piper" (P5), and "Oliver Twist" (P6), and some excellent singing directed by Mr Stephen Dornan, made up a most popular programme.

Mrs O'Connor and Mrs Watts have encouraged the boys to produce some outstanding work in Art and Craft. These are most popular subjects and the results have made a grand exhibition for the fête.

Gradually an excellent library is being built up in the Preparatory School. A library committee from boys of P5 are organising themselves and will soon have a good selection of books available for Forms P3-P6.

A number of cricket matches were played against Scotch College, Hale School, St. Louis' Jesuit School, and Guildford Grammar School, with creditable results. Once again our Under 10 team has been particularly successful and is still undefeated.

Our football teams were not quite as successful as we had hoped, but the undefeated Under 10 team gave us promise of successful years in the future. If all teams played with the determination of the Under 10 boys they would have far greater success.

The year produced some outstanding athletes in the Preparatory School. Our own sports on Tuesday, 12th October, showed us that we had some excellent candidates for the Inter-School meeting, especially

when R. Meagher (4ft. 01/2in.) and M. Broadhurst (3ft. 11in.) broke the record for the Under 11 High Jump, and several runners showed great speed. We congratulate C. Stevens and D. Oakley on being members of the record-breaking Under 13 Relay team in the Triangular Sports with Guildford Grammar School and Perth Modern School.

At the conclusion of the Preparatory School sports meeting, Mrs Kerby, mother of Peter Kerby, captain of the school, presented Medallions to the following winners of championship events:-

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Under 6- 50 yards: P. F. Morgan.
Under 7- 50 yards: C. W. Riley.
Under 8- 50 yards: M. S. S. Price.
Under 9- 50 yards: K. Paterson.
Under 10- 50 yards: B. W. Weaver.
Under 11-75 yards: J. McK. Douglas.
            High Jump: R. C. Meagher.
             Broad. Jump: W. D. Thompson.
Under 12—100 yards: D. L. Henley.
60 Yards Hurdles: P. H. Walsh.
High Jump: R. J. Cooper.
Broad Jump: J. J. Thanos.
Under 13-100 yards: C. Stevens.
             60 yards Hurdles: J. W. Leete.
             High Jump: M. W. G. Meecham.
             Broad Jump: A. Criddle.
Open—
             220 yards: G. F. Leiper.
             Broad Jump: R. T. Windsor.
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As 1954 comes to a close, we must say farewell to the boys of Form P6, who will enter the senior school next year, and to those who will be leaving the school. We wish them luck.

COMBINED JUNIOR SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC MEETING

The meeting this year was held at Guildford Grammar School and once again we congratulate St. Louis' Jesuit School on their decisive victory. There was a tussle between Scotch College and Christ Church for second place, settled finally when our Under 13 Relay team was disqualified for running in the wrong lane. Final points:—

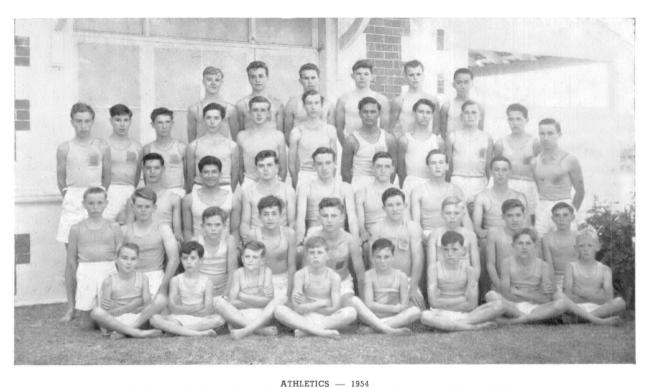
St. Louis' Jesuit School	
Scotch College	$173\frac{1}{2}$
Christ Church	$166\frac{1}{2}$
Hale School	161
Guildford Grammar	$150\frac{1}{2}$

OPEN

220 YARDS-1, Broadfoot (S.C.) 2, Leiper (C.C.); 3, Baush (H.); 4, Hunt (G.); 5, Fuller (S.L.) RELAY 4 x 110-1, Scotch; 2, St. Louis; 3, Hale; 4, Christ Church.

UNDER 13

100 YARDS "A"— 1, C. Stevens (C.C.); 2, Langford (S.L.); 3, Rose (S.C.); 4, Godber (H.); 5, Hatherly (G.)



Back Row: G. Moses, R. Bowers, A. Watson, A. J. Thompson, P. Mathews, E. Phoa 2nd Row: N. Stephenson, D. Sewell. A. Smith, D. Steadman, R. Mauger, G. Fergusson-Stewart, I. Lewis, R. Coker, A. Edwards, D. Jarvie, R. Fleming 3rd Row: D. J. Carroll, A. Stracey, E. Bruce, I. R. D. Watson, (Captain), A. B. Jones, D. C. Bowker, G. Giles 4th Row: V. Clennett, A. Criddle, M. Meecham, C. Stevens, D. Oakley, M. Synnot, A. Hibble R. Parsons, R. James Front Row: B. Weaver, C. Williams, K. Paterson, J. Douglas, N. Fisher, W. Thompson, J. Leete, B. Beresford. Absent: J. Dollimore.



COMMONWEALTH CUP TEAM — 1954

Back Row: Cdts. R. P. Scott. R. Lohoar, D. Sewell, R. Blake

Front Row: Cdt. A. J. Thompson, U/O R. M. Howlett, W/O2 A. B. Jones (Captain)

U/O. D. C. Bowker, S/Sgt. P. R. Kerby



HOCKEY 1st XI — 1954

Back Row: H. Liu, M. Dougall, R. Howlett, R. McCarthy, B. Smith, D. Sewell, M. Wright Seated: G. Walker, K. M. Ram (Captain), Mr. D. E. Huchison, D. McNamara (Vice-Capt.), R. Blake. Front: E. Liu.

4, Baird (S.C.).

100 YARDS "B"-1, D. Oakley (C.C.); 2, Stewart (S.L.); 3, Drummond (S.C.); 4, Ferguson (H.)

60 YARDS HURDLES "A"—1, Drummond (S.C.); 2, Ferguson (H.); 3, Damiani (S.L.); 4, Leete (C.C.); 5, Hatherly (G.)

60 YARDS HURDLES "B"—1, Hardie (H.); 2, Rose (S.C.); 3, Jones (S.L.); 4, James (C.C.) 4, James (C.C.)

BROAD JUMP-1, Brown (H.); 2. Drummond (S.C.); 3, Thompson (H.);
4, Hatherly (G.); 5, Chapman (S.L.); 6, Clarke (G.); 7, Criddle (C.C.);
8, Damiani (S.L.); 9, Grove (C.C.). Distance, 14ft. 5in.

HIGH JUMP-1, Duckham (S.C.); 2, Longley (H.); 3, B-Brown (H.); 4,
Chapman (S.L.); 5, Clarke (G.); 6, Sasche (S.L.); 7, Shaw (G.); 8,
Meecham (C.C.); 9, Grove (C.C.); Lakin (S.C.). Height 4ft. 6in.

RELAY 4 x 110-1, St. Louis; 2, Scotch; 3, Guildford; 4, Hale. UNDER 12 100 YARDS "A"-1, Groom (H.); 2, King (S.L.); 3, Lenton (G); 4, Arbuckle (S.C.); 5, Beresford (C.C.). 100 YARDS "B"-1, Blain (G.); 2, Papineau (S.L.); 3, Robertson (S.C.); 4, Hardey (C.C.). 60 YARDS HURDLES "A"-1, Brophy (S.L.); 2, Groom (H.); 3, Baker (G); 4, Walsh (C.C.); 5, Jones (S.C.).
60 YARDS HURDLES "B"—1, King (S.L.); 2, Webb (G.); 3, Page (H.); 4, Wells (S.C.). 4, Wells (S.C.).

BROAD JUMP—1, Brophy (S.L.); 2. King (S.L.); 3, Robertson (S.C.);
4, Blain (G.); 5, Groom (H.); 6, Webb/Ware (G.); 7, Thanos (C.C.);
8, Hasluck (C.C.); 9, Easterbrook (C.C.). Distance 14ft. 6in.

HIGH JUMP—1, Brophy (S.L.); 2, Allnutt (S.C.); 3, Biven (H.); 4, Webb-Ware (G.); 5, Allan (S.L.); 6, Smallacombe (S.C.); 7, Page (H.);
8, Cooper (C.C.); 9, Clennett (C.C.). Height 4ft. 6in.

RELAY 4 x 110—1, St. Louis; 2, Christ Church/Guildford; 3, Guildford/Hale; 4. Scotch. UNDER 11 75 YARDS "A"—1, Stowe (S.C.); 2, Thompson, (C.C.); 3, Brown (H.);
4, McLeod (G.); 5, Hoar (S.L.).
75 YARDS "B"—1, Douglas (C.C.); 2, Gardner (S.L.); 3, Bruse (S.C.); 4, Cowell (G.). 4, Cowell (G.).

BROAD JUMP—1, Imrie (G.); 2. Broadhurst (C.C.); 3, Fisher (C.C.);

4, Lee Steere (H.); 5, Jeffrey (S.L.); 6, Bruse (S.C.); 7, McLeod (G.);

8, Readhead (H.); 9, Duff (S.L.). Distance, 13ft. 04in.

HIGH JUMP—1, Inverarity (S.C.); 2. Broadhurst (C.C.); 3, Imrie (G);

4, Sanderson (H.); 5, Lee Steere (H.); 6, Newton (S.L.); 7, Meagher (C.C.); 8, de Chanear (G.); 9, Jeffrey (S.L.). Height, 4ft. 1in.

RELAY 6 x 75—1, Christ Church; 2, Scotch; 3, Guildford; 4, St. Louis. UNDER 10 50 YARDS "A"-1, Wilson (H.); 2, Weaver (C.C.); 3, Nicholson (S.L.); 4, Finlay (G). 50 YARDS "B"-1, Walsh (S.L.); 2, Forster (S.C.); 3, Dray (H.); 4, Martin (G.). RELAY 6 x 50-1, Christ Church; 2. Guildford; 3, St. Louis; 4. Hale. UNDER 9 50 YARDS "A"—1, Power (S.L.); 2, Paterson (C.C.); 3, Jackson (H.); 4, Ward (G.); 5, Beardsworth (S.C.).

Our thanks go to Guildford Grammar Preparatory School for the pleasant afternoon they organised. We look forward to welcoming the schools to Christ Church next year.

50 YARDS "B"—1, Williams (C.C.); 2, Peterson (S.L.); 3, Royalasky (G.);

RELAY 4 x 50-1, St. Louis; 2, Christ Church; 3, Guildford; 4, Scotch.

INTER-HOUSE DEBATES

To widen the scope of the activities included in the Beatty Cup Competition, Debating was added this year. It is hoped that other cultural activities will be included in the Inter-House competition in the future. Naturally enough, there were a few difficulties of organization, but, in the main, the debates between Junior and Senior House Teams were enjoyable and interesting. With this year's experience as a guide, organization will be easier next year. Queenslea were fortunate to have so many of the School's best debaters. Their success was not difficult to predict. These debates, however, were useful in that they revealed new talent among the younger boys as well as confirming the high standard of the skilled seniors.

Details of the Debates:

Queenslea v. Craigie

Senior: Australian Youth is Socially Irresponsible.

Won by Queenslea (negative). Junior: The Average American Film is Inferior to the Average British Film. Won by Craigie (affirmative).

Queenslea v. Romsev

Senior: Newspapers Control Public Opinion.

Won by Queenslea (affirmative).

Junior: The Empire Games Encourage Sport and Inter-Dominion Relation-

Won by Queenslea (affirmative).

Craigle v. Romsey

Senior: Competitive Examinations Should Be Abolished.

Won by Romsey (negative).

Junior: Conscientious Parents can make use of Boarding Schools.

Won by Craigie (affirmative).

Summary.	WINS							
,	Senior	Junior .	Total					
Queenslea		1	3					
Craigie	0	2	2					
Romsey	1	0	1					

LIBRARY NOTES

This year, under the capable direction of Mr. Ovens, the Library has continued to make the progress to which we have been accustomed over the past few years. Despite the number of books which are being catalogued each month, we still have sufficient space on the shelves to justify the statement that it will be some time before a change of location is required.

The History and English sections have continued to receive the most attention in the sphere of buying new books. However, it is encouraging to realise that the number of fiction works acquired this year should be sufficient to satisfy even the most ravenous literary appetite for many months. Sport and hobbies have not been neglected. Australian literature is rapidly becoming a feature of the Library. Our hope for next year is that no slackening of pace will hinder the great progress which has been and is being made in the Library.

THE SCHOOL BADGE

In 1923 the Games Committee of Christ Church sent a request to the Council for Church of England Schools that they should give a ruling as to the badge of this school. The difficulty was that at this time the school had no authorised badge, and had two in use. One of these was the ordinary badge hitherto on the cover of "The Mitre," and the other was a badge used on the honours pocket of the blazer. The request made was that a ruling be given as to these badges and a definite badge be adopted, with the recommendation that if possible the symbol of "The Mitre" be retained. This request was considered at the annual meeting of the Council and was referred to the Christ Church Sub-Committee of the Council.

The matter was discussed there and it was found that the school had no official badge at all and was using the Diocesan crest without the words "Dieu avec nous" which belonged to it. The Headmaster was then asked to contact somebody who knew something about heraldry and then submit a design symbolising that the School was a C. of E. school under the Council and was in W.A. Accordingly the Headmaster got in touch with the President of the Royal Society of British Architects in W.A., who most kindly gave his assistance and advice, and four designs were submitted to the school committee. The design approved by them and adopted is the one the school uses today. Its first official use was on the cover of the school magazine in 1923.

The mitre was retained, and so were the school colours—blue and gold. The badge itself is quartered by a red cross on a white ground, the cross of St. George, the soldier-saint of England and of Perth, the mother diocese of W.A. This cross is on the badges of the other C. of E. schools in the State. In the dexter quarter is the figure of the Black Swan, to show the State to which we belong, and of which we are so proud and fond. On the Red Cross itself are two little letters which look like an I and an X, but which are the Symbol of Christ Church, Canterbury, the Metropolitan See of the Anglican Communion. These letters stand either for the initials J and Ch of the name Jesus Christ, or are the first two letters, Chi and Rho, of the word Christ in Greek.

From this description you will see that the badge that the school adopted means something, and was carefully considered before it was adopted. In colours the badge has the additional advantage of being very beautiful. We hope that all those who have the honour of wearing it will remember what it stands for, and be worthy of it.

CADET NOTES

The year has been an extremely eventful one for the Cadet Unit. The unit was represented in Canberra at the opening of Parliament by U/O Bowker. For the Western Australian visit of the Queen the unit, together with other units, formed a guard along King's Park Road. That Christ Church was asked to lead the parade gives the unit plenty to live up to.

Unfortunately, the polio epidemic caused our annual camp at Northam to be cancelled, but to make amends for this a field day was held at Swanbourne on the last day of 1st term. The day's programme consisted of field craft and exercises for the specialist wings, and was ended with a mock battle.

During the August holidays eleven members of the unit attended a potential N.C.O.'s and officers' course at Northam. Here the unit triumphed. Not only did we gain top marks in three separate wings, but carried off several seconds as well. Congratulations to U/O's Bruce and Bowker and Sgt. Simonsen. Special mention must be made of Sgt. Simonsen's selection as the most outstanding cadet of Western Command.

The Challenge Cup was contested at Swanbourne Range, our unit finishing fourth out of the twenty-nine schools that competed. Congratulations to Cadet Thompson on being the fourth best individual shot in the competition.

A successful year was brought to a close with the marching out parade, held on the main school oval on Friday, 8th October. Lt.-Colonel Jackson inspected the unit and presented the Alexander Todd Memorial Trophy to U/O Bowker. In his address he congratulated the unit on its many achievements and at the same time warned us to take an active interest in our community's well-being. The march past followed and, thanks to the band, the marching was of a high standard.

Thus the year ended: possibly the most eventful one in our unit's history. $D.C.B. \label{eq:D.C.B.}$

SCHOOL NEWSPAPER "THE FORTNIGHTLY HERALD"

At the end of the mid-term examinations students could relax, having no further fears of examinations until the end of the year. However, this breathing space was not used idly by the members of the Sub-Junior forms, for they seemed determined to publish a school newspaper, written and published by themselves. Firstly, permission was sought, and then, two weeks before the end of the term, the first edition was on sale to the public.

The newspaper, "The Fortnightly Herald," mainly consists of humorous, tragic and frightening stories written by the Sub-Junior

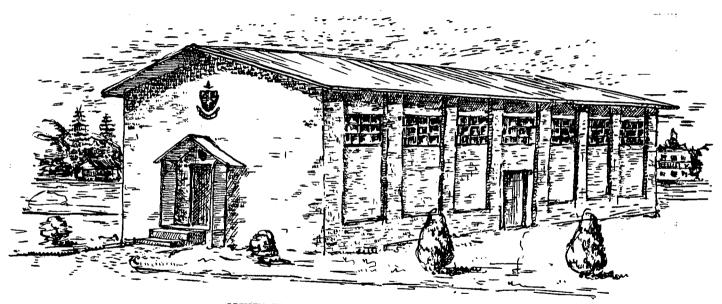


CADET OFFICERS AND N.C.O's. — 1954

Back Row: Sqt. G. D. Hill, Cpl. R. Mauger, Sqt. J. Utting, L/Cpl. D. J. Carroll
Cpl. G. Fergusson-Stewart, Sqt. R. R. Rethford, Cpl. A. Stracey

Middle Row: W/O.2 A. B. Jones, U/O. R. M. Howlett, U/O. D. C. Bowker, Capt. A. F. Blackwood
Lieut. J. N. Rolfe, U/O. I. R. D. Watson, U/O. E. F. Bruce, S/Sqt. P. R. Kerby.

Front Row: Cpls. A. Smith and D. McNamara, L/Cpl. D. Evans, Sqt. R. Simonsen, L/Cpl. B. T. Kinsella,
Cpl. M. Wright, Sqt. P. Mathews.



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF THE WAR MEMORIAL HALL

forms. It has an advertising section which is used to the fullest extent by members of the school wishing to buy articles such as racquets, running shoes, etc. The news regarding the activities of the school is faithfully recorded, and published on the front page of the paper. A crossword puzzle, devised by the Sub-Junior boys, and a serial are also included.

The first publication sales reached over seventy copies.

R.A.S.

ART NOTES

At the fete held in third term, 1954, there was a new attraction. An art exhibition, provided by the boys in the Senior School, was open for the public to inspect.

This attraction had been in previous years reserved for Speech Day. As this was difficult for some parents who could not be present during the day, the date was changed. Hence, not only parents but also people outside the school saw the exhibition.

Wan Nong bin Ahmad was the main contributor, having about thirty water colours entered, including a large portrait of Her Majesty the Queen. Other contributors were Masters Kennedy, Lewis, Armstrong, Lewis, Paterson, Sanders, Watson, I.R.D., Moore, and Dollimore. Many useful criticisms were obtained and some of the work was very much admired by both visitors and parents.

Several boys have entered their work in various district shows, and Dollimore and Armstrong entered work in the Royal Show. No awards were gained, but it will be a different story next year.

B.W.A.

DEBATING SOCIETY NOTES

The society has had a very full year, with several inter- and intraschool debates. The debates were all held in the Queenslea House library, which has been a great boon to the society.

In first term a debate was held against St. Louis' at school. St. Louis' won the Junior debate by convincing the adjudicator that "The only child should not be pitied." The tables were turned in the Senior debate, and after a very interesting debate it was decided that "The spoken word is more powerful than the written word."

Late in second term we invited St. Hilda's for an evening. A Junior and a Senior debate were held. The girls won the Junior debate on "The Empire Games promote inter-Dominion friendship"; but

the school's Senior team, by showing that "The Press does not control public opinion," carried the Senior honours. Congratulations to McNamara, Russell and Matthews, of the Junior side, and Bruce, Everitt and de Chazal, of the Senior team, for a good year's debating.

Finally, the society would like to thank Mr and Mrs Trimby and Miss Coupe for the assistance in entertaining the other schools, and the Western Australian Debating Society for sending us very fine adjudicators in Mr Briner and Mr Hyams.

E.F.B.



Some of the boys at Central Fire Station on Insurance Education Day



Sgt. R. Simonsen being congratulated on being adjudged the Outstanding Cadet of the year

FILM NOTES

We welcome Mr Richardson as the successor of Mr Moore, the latter having left us last year. Mr Richardson is solely responsible for opening negotiations with the agents of M-G-M once more, and in providing the boarders with some very enjoyable pictures.

Nine films have been scheduled for screening at school this year on Saturday nights. So far, seven of them have been shown. Included among these were such pictures as "The Happiest Days of Your Life," "Tony Draws a Horse" and "Courage of Lassie."

At the beginning of the year, the 1951 system was reinstituted, i.e., the films were shown in the Parish Hall instead of in the dining room. This facilitated matters for everybody except perhaps the projector staff, who had the added duty of seeing that the Parish Hall was in a respectable condition after the show. During the intervals music was played over the loud-speaker to keep the boys out of mischief.

The last picture of the year is scheduled to be screened in between two very important nights: the School Dance and Speech Night.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr Richardson for the organisation of the pictures, and to Watson, Scott and Sirr for operating the projector and in general arranging the seating accommodation in the Parish Hall.

R.K.M.

Original Contributions

WHEN THE BELLS RANG

Awarded 1st Prize for Prose.

Porchester Grammar. Quite a place! I am not sorry I have left it, but I must admit that it had something. I think it was the organisation that gave the school the air of self-sufficiency and isolation. Maybe it was only the fact that it stood some few miles from any village, but anyway it stood above its surroundings by reason of its atmosphere.

I was a master there. To tell the truth, I was in the unusual position of being the only non-resident person in the whole establishment, for all the boys were boarders. I was the only daily link with the village, save for the tradesmen, as I had lodgings down there and cycled back and forth each day.

I taught mathematics to the senior boys and sometimes coached them on the playing fields, but on the whole I knew little about them. They were a rather colourless lot, much like the masters. In the whole time I was there I only made one friend, and that was Snuffy, christened Snitchfield, the Physics master. I cultivated his acquaintance because I had to use his laboratory on odd occasions, but we eventually became quite friendly. It was from him that I later gathered many of the details of this story, of which I saw only a small part myself.

The cause of all the trouble was the fact that the Headmaster had been an engineering student, specialising in electrical circuits. A perfectly sane man in all other ways, when approached on the subject of electricity, leaving sanity behind, he would rapidly ascend to a pitch of total ecstacy, and, as the boys so graphically put it, he would continue to "do a rave" until brutally dragged back to the commonplace.

The Head's favourite scheme, for some years before my arrival, had apparently been to obtain sufficient funds to modernise the whole school with electricity. Shortly after my arrival he found a suitable benefactor, and the ensuing months were filled with the noise and mess of builders, electricians, painters, carpenters, and destructively-minded boys.

When eventually the whole system was established and set to work, everybody began to get used to it. However, that does not mean to say that it did not have its disadvantages. As I have already said, organisation was Porchester's strong point. Previously everything had been controlled by bells. Now everything was controlled by bells and bells, but of the insistent electrical rather than of the clanging type. Whenever it had seemed at all useful to ring a bell, the Head had

arranged for one to be rung. Whenever a bell was deemed unnecessary a buzzer was sounded instead. The whole system was controlled by one large, complex electric clock. The times for ringing the bells were established and incorporated in the action of the clock. Consequently that clock became the centre of Porchester's existence. It rang bells for getting up, washing, breakfast, surgery, church, school periods, lunch, sport, afternoon tea, baths, evening prayer, supper and bed. It even rang bells in the kitchen at certain intervals to remind the staff that the masters' morning or afternoon tea was due to be taken to them. In fact there were numerous other bells which it rang for reasons which I am now unable to recall, presuming that I ever understood them in the first place. As an afterthought, it also chimed the hours.

The system had no greater effect upon me than to give me a perpetual headache. As a daily master I was able to gain a little relief by escaping to the comparative peace and quiet of the village. I found out from Snuffy, however, that it was very different for the rest of them. Their whole lives were controlled by that clock, and there was nothing that they could do about it.

A few weeks of this regimentation had passed when I arrived at the school on the fateful day about which this story centres. Everything was as usual. Bell followed bell, classes trooped back and forth to the clock's commands. It was at the end of the third period that the unbelievable happened. Crawley, a lanky sixth-former, looked at his watch as the bell rang and seemed puzzled. I heard him say to one of the others: "My watch must be slipping. I checked it by the radio this morning, but it's a minute slow now."

Out of idle curiosity, I glanced at the clock as I passed it and compared it with my own watch. Then I stopped. The clock was a minute fast!

Of course, I should have seen what was coming, and thrown a brick into the works then, but I failed to realise its importance, and so began our story. By the end of the second period the clock was seven minutes fast. By lunch time it was forty minutes ahead and gaining fast.

Then I began to have a glimmer of what was to come. Although it meant having lunch forty minutes early, nobody thought of disobeying the clock. The past few weeks had so weakened resistance that they were completely under the clock's control. Boys, masters, domestic staff all adapted themselves to the speed of the clock. Nobody could stop or repair it, as the Head was away and had taken the only key to the system with him. Anyway, nobody seemed to want the clock mended. They just obeyed it unquestioningly.

School-work finished that day at about three o'clock in the afternoon. By five o'clock everyone was in bed and fast asleep. I was completely baffled. I was unable to inform the police or some responsible body without causing unwanted publicity and thereby incurring the Headmaster's wrath. Nor could I get in touch with the Head, as he had left no definite forwarding address. Consequently, I decided to sleep on the problem and see if it had resolved itself by the morning.

When I arrived the following day I found pandemonium supreme. Periods were roughly five minutes long. Masters and boys scurried back and forth at incredible speeds, books and papers were flying everywhere in the general frenzy. Helpless, I stood back and watched. At least five times between nine o'clock and five o'clock I watched the whole school go to bed for half-an-hour, and reawaken to partake of a breakfast of raw eggs and bacon or sausages. Five times lunch was served and eaten in five minutes. Unnoticed, ignored, I felt as isolated as a piece of furniture. What is more, I noticed that the clock was still gaining speed! To complicate matters, the heat of the friction within the clock was affecting the nerve centre of the fire alarm and automatic sprinkler system. At irregular intervals alarms rang and the ceiling of every room and passage showered down inches of water until the tanks ran dry.

Eventually I gave up the whole place for lost and retired to my lodgings to indulge in a nice quiet nervous breakdown. It was six days before I summoned up sufficient courage to return to the school.

The date, I remember, was June 22nd. It was a fine morning, very pleasant and normal, and it made me feel sane enough to approach the front door of the building. I let myself in quietly and listened. All was silent. I walked to the master's common room and opened the door. The sight that met my already glazed gaze was unforgettable.

All the masters were sitting round a roaring fire, burning in the big open fire-place. In one corner was a fir-tree covered with odds and ends of tinsel and such-like. On the table were string, paper, scissors and parcels. Streamers hung from the walls and traced their way across the ceiling. The whole scene was somehow familiar.

Snuffy looked up as I came in and cast a bleary eye over me. The rest took no notice of my arrival. I muttered something about being very pleased that everything was back to normal again and the trouble all over. My words had a startling effect upon Snuffly. He bounded into the air and yelled: "Over! Over! Do you realise what has happened? Four days ago we came to Christmas Day. Just after lunch, a short circuit destroyed the clock. We've been stuck on two o'clock on Christmas afternoon ever since!"

KOW TEH TIAN, THE MONKEY GOD

Awarded 2nd Prize for Prose

Now, as in past times, old grandmothers would call their grand-children, and tell them the myths and beliefs of their day. Now these stories are only legends to us, since the belief in one God is accepted. The old stories, however, are still interesting, in spite of the ages through which they have passed.

These folk tales, handed by word of mouth from generation to generation, never lost their charm. One day, my grandmother, having decided to drop her knitting for a while, told my brothers and sister (and myself) the story of Kow Teh Tian, the monkey god.

On a wind blown, rain eroded mountain, bare to the hot sun, a monkey hatched from a circular stone. Born in such an extraordinary way, he was very intelligent, and was able to live among men and become civilized. Having learnt the ways of man, this monkey became the king of all monkeys. He possessed great leaping powers, and in one leap, could jump to the end of the earth. He also stole the stick which controlled the tides. This stick could be made into a large staff and also a small needle. In the form of a needle, the monkey kept the stick in his ear, and took it with him wherever he went.

"The tides, uncontrolled, wreaked havoc. People appealed to the second highest god in heaven. At the same time, Kow (as we shall call the monkey) had eaten of the tree of life.

Before the tribunal gods, Kow was sentenced to be burnt in a great furnace. The gods, knowing Kow's intelligence, forced him into the furnace, and left him in it, thinking they had disposed of him.

After a time, Kow emerged unscathed. Having eaten of the tree of life, he was immortal. In fact, he was now invulnerable, because the fire had turned his hair into a protective coat. Very angry, he attacked the gods. They, at their wits end, called on Buddha.

The greatest of gods said, "If you, Kow, are so sure of yourself, jump out of my palm. If you do so, you are free. If not, promise to reform!"

Kow agreed. With a mighty leap, he reached the five pillars which mark the end of the world. On one of these, he carved his name.

On returning to Buddha, the great one said to him, "You have not jumped out of my hand." On his third finger was inscribed Kow's name.

True to his word Kow reformed. He was taught seventy-two different charms. Being impure, he wasn't taught the seventy-third.

Buddha sent Kow on a mission to prove himself. Kow was assigned to accompany a priest on his journey to the West. On the way, they had many mishaps, one of which is this:—

On the way to the West, Kow, the priest and Chu Pak Koi, the pig god, came upon a mountain settlement in terrible plight. The ground was baked by the hot sun. The way to remedy it was to fan it three times with the dragon's fan.

Having decided to rescue these people, Kow went to the dragon's cave. He found him about to eat the flesh of the priest, whom Kow was assigned to guard. The dragon said, "Go, and tell our dear grandmother to come and feast with us." Kow, in the disguise of a messenger, went to the dragon's grandmother's cave, stole the magic rope, and killed the old dragoness.

Boasting about his victory, Kow met whom he thought was Chu Pak Kai. Actually it was the dragon in disguise. The dragon offered to carry the rope for Kow. In possession of it, he tied Kow up. Kow made himself shrink, and loosed himself. Taking out his magic stick, he killed the dragon, took his fan and went to the mountain. He fanned once. All became cool. Twice, a refreshing breeze sprang up. Thrice! rain fell.

'Kow rescued the priest, and accomplished his mission. He then went to heaven where has was made a god. Thus the monkey god came into being."

Grandma finished. I suppose my sister will tell her grandchildren about it, and my mother her's. Thus Kow Teh Tian will live in our hearts forever, ever becoming more wonderful as time flies by.

-EUGENE PHOA

THE SUMMER

Awarded 2nd Prize for Poetry.

The atmosphere is silent as a tomb
Though broken by a honey sucker's call
As by a leaking tap he drinks, as all,
Yet even he is quieter by noon.
The sun beats down, the sky is iron grey.
The grass is scorched and dry and lank and long.
And heat has beat the ground and killed the song
And man is rendered weaker, day by day.
The shimmering sand so powdered, hot and brown
Forms choking dust when billow'd by the wind,
The hot east wind, that dries the earth's green crown,
That kills the plants about the countryside,
To bring this summer, someone must have sinned
And brought Apollo's wrath down on our hide.

-B. W. ARMSTRONG.

THE MAN IN THE KITCHEN

This article was graciously prepared and written for the magazine by P. E. de CHAZAL (Senior Lecturer in Domestic Warfare at the University of Christ Church).

Awarded 3rd Prize for Prose.

It was only last Tuesday night, the night of an old squadron reunion dinner, when, while I was hastily donning my dinner suit, my wife rushed in yelling:

"Peter! quick! How many tablespoons of flour have I got to put in the soup? Was it five or six? Really, how you can ever expect me to get to my own dinner like this, I don't know—it's just pure selfishness arriving home from work too late to get it yourself. Honestly, I don't know what this place is coming to—why, you'll soon be asking me to make the beds in the morning!"

Such is the position of the lowly domestic male in domestic life. It is to try and improve this situation that I write this article: I wish to show other men such as myself how to make their tasks easier in the kitchen. Much has been written upon the subject, but upon close inspection it will be found that almost everything has been written by Americans, and the Americans seem to have the queer idea that it is the woman's task in the kitchen that must be made more easy,—how different the American way of life must be!

There are three principles which should be followed: (i) Assert your rights—pester your wife for money for labour-saving devices; demand occasional help with the washing up, etc. (ii) Do things your own way—don't let your wife run things while you do the work; if you are going to do it you don't want a "back slat" chef.

(iii) Don't moan-while you moan the soup may be boiling over.

To get principles one and two to work you need to use psychology. For example, a little conversation I had with my wife:—

ME: "I'm so tired of washing up with this nasty soap and hot water."

WIFE: "Why?"

ME: "Well, when you have to put your hands into the hot water they get so red and sore that I can't work properly in the office the next day."

WIFE: "Well, what do you expect to do about it?"

 $ME\colon$ "George was telling me at work today how good his dish washing machine is . . . "

And before wife can say a word:

" . . . have you ever thought dear, what you would have to do if I died?" .

WIFE (stunned): "Er... No, dear."

ME: "Why, you would have to wash up yourself."

Needless to say, I got my dish-washing machine.

A properly designed kitchen is essential if you wish to make your work easier:

Pulping machines, cake mixers, toasters, and drink mixers should be provided in a place easily accessible from your centre of operations, the comfortable armchair by the stove where you can relax and read the paper.

Steel grid floors have been found practical—they eliminate any need for sweeping or washing the floor—everything falls through—but don't make the grid holes too large or you'll go too. Those articles which are so essential to the male sense of neatness—such as a fixture for hanging one's coat and tie, a concealed bin for throwing out burnt meals, etc., and an ash tray, pipe rack, and tobacco box—should be provided.

A little slave boy to do such unpleasant tasks as peeling potatoes is very useful.

But above all, there is no better thing to do than to "accidentally" set fire to the kitchen—your wife, having to pay for the damages, will be so annoyed that she will inadvertently let slip those fatal words:

"I'll do the thing myself next time!"

"You're welcome to it!"

OUR VISIT TO POLOU BUKOM

Awarded a Special Prize for Prose

On a Sunday morning, during the Christmas Holidays, we made our way to Collyer Quay, where launches and little ships have their berth. On arriving, we quickly made our way to the "Chantex," one of the Shell Company's launches. We boarded it, and soon were on our way to Polou Bukom, three miles distant.

Polou Bukom, belongs to the Shell Company of Singapore and is used mainly for the purpose of storing refined oil. This island is between five to ten square miles in area and has a club, a swimming pool, about two-hundred tanks containing oil and seventy odd houses and huts for accommodating the staff and the natives.

When we arrived at the island, we were transported to the club to have lunch. After lunch, we were driven to the south of the island where we watched the tankers refuel some other ships. This is called "bunkering," and later in the afternoon we were taken aboard one of these tankers, and shown around. After a very interesting tour, we went for a swim in the pool which was only a small one owing to the limited area used for recreation. At five o'clock we made our way to the water-front and caught the launch. It was much to my regret to see the island slipping below the horizon as we made our way to Singapore.

—W. CREED (Prep. Six).

THE SOUTH SEA ISLANDS (By B.J.)

Many Europeans believe that the Pacific Islands are a Paradise in which natural man has attained his perfection in the form of a Noble Savage. Closer acquaintance with this reality however, has revealed the darker sides of this Pacific idyll:—warfare, killing of prisoners as human sacrifice, cannibalism in some places such as the Island of Niue, infanticide, disease and sorcery. The picture of Paradise has not been forgotten. Cook reported favourably of free love which charmed the European imagination and created a romantic South Seas' literature.

The first obvious fact about the Pacific Islands is that they are small land masses crumbled and scattered over a vast area of ocean. From this we may expect that the ocean itself has been an important factor in differentiating cultures into local types. The Polynesians are far flung over a triangle bounded by New Zealand, Hawaii and Easter Island, but this sailing skill has kept contact over great distances, keeping a high degree of similarity of language and culture. In fact, before the spread of English, Polynesian was the most widespread language on earth. Melanesia is totally different from Polynesia in as much as two communities may be living near to one another and differ radically in speech and custom.

The islands vary greatly, which influences the type of human culture developed on them. There are coral islands; some waterless, treeless and unsuited to settlement. Some may be dry, but supporting palms and breadfruit trees, which, in conjunction with sea-foods and some gardening, form a means of livelihood. Other islands are wet with heavy forests providing land suitable for root-crops and bananas. Some islands are raised coral platforms, dry, and may, in some cases contain rich phosphate deposits. Islands such as Samoa and the Society Islands are of volcanic origin and are therefore more fertile and provide a less restricting environment for human economics. The large islands of Melanesia, New Guinea, New Britain, New Caledonia, are described by Geographers, as continental and are made up of a large variety of climate, soil and vegetation. The only minerals in the South Sea Islands are found in New Caledonia (iron, nickel, chrome), New Guinea (gold) and Fiji (gold).

The island world consists of three great regions: Micronesia, Polynesia and Melanesia. The Polynesians are homogeneous, and so are the Micronesians, but to a lesser extent. The political and social life shows a well developed aristocracy and a high degree of centralization under chiefs. The Polynesians have the better religious system. The Melanesians are the poorer of the three races. They are darkskinned and frizzly-haired and have many different dialects grouped as "Papuan languages," and, are the most primitive of the three races.

The cultures of the three races follow the ways of their forefathers. There is little currency in the Islands. Work is done on the understanding that a "citizen" of a village will work for others free of charge, providing they work for him. Everywhere in the Islands, great importance is given to non-economic values of a social and religious character, leisure is greatly prized, rites and ceremonies absorb a great deal of energy.

From the eighteenth century European influence began to penetrate the island world in the form of whalers, traders and black-birders. It was a lawless time and much damage was done by kidnapping and supplying firearms and alcohol. The Missionaries earned themselves the hatred of the other parties in their attempts to prevent and reduce the severity of disorder and destruction. European Civil administration carried out chiefly by Britain, France and the United States and later New Zealand, Japan and Australia, remedies most of these atrocious deeds. The result was a political patchwork but the islands did advance more rapidly and plantation agriculture: sugar, coconuts, coffee, cocoa, bananas, became important. In the Kingdom of Tonga, white settlement was deliberately excluded.

Labour was a problem—the natives were either too lazy or inefficient so coolies from China, Japan and India were imported, but this trade has now ceased. At present there is no prospect of the racial problem being eased as in Hawaii. The Chinese are disliked by the natives in many parts of the Islands.

The first effect of white contact in the Pacific was to bring about a sharp decline in population—due mainly to diseases—but this has been reversed and it is believed that Samoans have more than tripled their population since nineteen hundred. We still, however, have some areas of decline.

Politically the South Sea Islands are in an uproar. China and Japan are both involved. After the second World War, the Micronesian islands were under the trusteeship of the United States. The A.N.Z.A.C. pact of 1944 introduced a motion of an international regional organisation to promote the well-being of the islands with Australian and New Zealand initiative. Owing to New Zealand, the island of Samoa now has a majority in the legislature.

Politically the island world is in a state of permanent disadvantage in the modern world today. The islanders have a long way to go before they can carry on their own commerce and industry—white influence is generally bad influence as regards industry.

Before the advent of whites the islanders were able to live comfortably within themselves but now they seem to be deprived of the chance of ever again feeling the same cultural pride and confidence. Human situations are so complex and unpredictable that the future cannot be foreseen.

CALLING THE SPIRITS

"Tick! Tock! Tick! Tock! the alarm clock on the black, teak table monotonously broke the silence as it counted off the hours. "Spirit of the bowl, are you here?"

The chanting sound of three companions trying to summon the spirits echoed eerily in the dark, cold, hall of the ruined house. In one of the dark corners, one could see the web of a spider. A fly was caught in it. The spider looked at it with green, luminous eyes. The web shook as the fly feebly tried to struggle free—unsuccessfully.

The seance continued. It had been going on for hours. "Patience is a virtue." If they succeeded in summoning the spirits, the secrets of the world were their's.

Slowly the hours dragged by. The tension mounted. In the feeble light of the spluttering candle, the faces of the companions looked green. The face of their leader was dripping with beads of sweat. One could see the strain on his face. His breathing was laboured. His eyelids, drooping.

Under the table on which lay the upturned bowl, there was a faint red splotch. Why shouldn't there be, for wasn't it only last night that a man was murdered on that very spot? The spell needed fresh blood. Was it not the ideal place.

Suddenly a cold wind came into the room and blew the candle out. The first sign had come. The candle was relit. The spell required the candle to be snuffed out thrice, by natural means.

The seance was continued. Each with two fingers on the bowl, the companions concentrated as well as they possibly could. "Spirit of the bowl, are you there?" Again and again the chant echoed hollowly through the empty, lonely, room. The candle burnt red now. The beads of sweat on the leader looked like blood. His face looked sallow now, supernatural. His weary drooping eyelids, kept open only by sheer determination now showed red streaks where the nerves were. His fingers tense, quivering.

Suddenly, a strange warm wind accompanied by a low moan snuffed out the candle. The second sign. The candle was relit and all prepared for the spell.

One of the companions, unable to stand it any longer, screamed and ran through the open door out into the cool, clean, darkness of the night. The others, determined not to give in, continued.

At last the candle died out. The bowl moved. Questions were asked. Then, before the spirit left, it asked the companions a question. "Who was the person killed last night, and why? Answer me, and you shall have your life. Fail, and die."

The first companion tried. He failed. The second companion tried. He was the leader, but he also failed. Suddenly, the bowl leapt and creaked. The spirit emerged. "I was the person killed, and because I had killed my murderer's brother. And now, wretches"

He didn't complete his sentence. The companions screamed—an unfinished scream. A hot wind and a low, moaning sound rushed through the room. A gurgling sound, then silence. "Silence is golden." Is it?

Next morning, the second companion came. He found no trace of his friends. A broken bowl told the story. And the web in the corner? Now there were three flies struggling feebly. The spider looked on, with green eyes.

How did I come to know this story? Well, the second companion, who escaped—Who was he? He was a young person, short-sighted, a little touchy, and with black eyes and hair. His initials? "E.P." Coincidence, isn't it? Or is it?

-EUGENE PHOA.

A TRIP TO SWAN GORGE

A. G. Bracegirdle (IVP)

It was Saturday. We were going to Swan Gorge. Mr Richardson had promised to take us. Though the weather looked uncertain, we were not daunted.

We were a motley crowd, with our jeans tucked up under our raincoats and our shirts also hidden. That was the way we set off. The food was carried in a four-gallon kerosene tin and two Weetie bags.

Arriving in Perth, we walked to the bus stop and found the day boys waiting. The bus soon arrived and we set off. After a fairly uneventful trip we arrived on time.

Then we had to walk from the bus stop to the Gorge. This was rather unagreeable and took us a fair while. We had to walk on a road and through bush, but at last we reached our destination.

Firstly we had lunch. Some of the boys had chops of their own, but others had sandwiches. We roasted our sandwiches on a fire. They tasted better that way. Mr Richardson then made us some tea, which was quite welcome.

We set off for the Gorge. The river, which was flowing rapidly, was hard to cross. But at last we crossed and had a swim. It was then suggested that we climb the falls. We all agreed and headed for the summit.

Half-way up I had an adventure that nearly made my hair turn grey. As I was climbing I started slipping on some clay. I looked down and grabbed at a rock. I clung on for life, and then slowly dragged myself up.

To look down at a river a hundred feet down and to start slipping is no fun.

On arriving at the top we set back for the place where we had been swimming. There we started for the base and I forgot my raincoat. It was now drizzling slightly, so I remembered my coat and went back for it. On the way I nearly fell in again. I found the rest swimming, but after all my frights and narrow escapes I did not feel like swimming, so I just watched.

When we went back I dried my shirt, which was rather wet. One boy had a camera and took a couple of photos of us on the rocks. We then had some tea and returned to the bus stop

As nearly always, some of the boys were not there. We went without them. Mr Richardson found them coming later and took them on his bike.

We got on the bus, tired and wet, but happy.

GHOSTS

At the mere mention of ghosts, one trembles and looks around with fear. But what are ghosts? To those that do not believe in them, they are but mere shadows, created by the imagination. But to others, the fear of ghosts has an even greater hold than their awe of God. They would dare, at least, to find excuses for not going to church on Sunday mornings, but as to the feasts of ghosts, none of them would be passed unobserved.

In China, where superstition has existed for thousands of years, the fear of ghosts took deep root in the minds of people. They believed that their fate and fortune were controlled by the ghosts. So in order to better their conditions, they tried their best to please them, usually by burning joss-sticks and paper money at the beginning and middle of every month. Another belief of the Chinese was that after a person's death, he became a ghost, and they could be able to see it by hiding themselves behind the door three days after the death. And of this belief, I had an experience myself.

It so happened that my grand-mother died recently in Chung-king. As she was so dear to me in her lifetime, I yearned to see even her ghost, if possible by this method. As time expired, I thought of the strange things that people talked about associated with the coming of ghosts; how monstrous figures with heads of horses and oxen would appear. I looked waveringly around, everything was silent—unnaturally silent. Fear gradually took the place of my resolution and in a moment, I found myself fleeing away from my post.

As I think of this incident, another occurrence comes back to my mind. About three years ago, I was boarding in a school, belonging to the "Small Boys" Dormitory. I was then known as a great story-teller and my comrades often asked me to tell them a story when they were unable to sleep in the evening. It was a cold winter night when some of the boys asked me to tell a story. The reason was that some of them were unable to sleep owing to their breaking of school rules and the consequent caning made them uneasy even in thin soft beds. After many entreaties and threats, praises and curses, I was compelled to do so.

"This is a Ghost story," I began, noticing that some of my audience had already buried their heads under their blankets, "experienced by a student in a Christian school. That school was built on a hill which was formerly a graveyard. It was the same cold, rainy night as tonight when one of the students in preparing for the examination, studied late in the night. The rain pattered on the casement, on the footpaths, and on the leaves of banana trees, making a noise like that of someone treading outside. As he continued studying, he fancied he heard approaching footsteps. He started, and as he cast his eyes into the dark, he saw at his window, a face of a man, pale and drawn, gazing at him with stiff eyes . . ." As I reached this point, I noticed that there was something peculiar about the attitude of my neighbour. His face was pallid, and with wide opened eyes he gazed motionlessly at the door. I looked in the same direction, and there in the dimness I saw the face of a man, cold as iron. Could it be the ghost that I was talking about coming at my call? I was frightened, my pupils were dilated, my face and skin were cold and clammy. After a few seconds I was brought back to senses again. I found it was not a ghost, but something more dreadful than that-a watchdog with a prefect's badge! Afterwards I had been sent down to see the House Master under the name of "Rioter!" Five minutes later I came back with a sore tail.

Do you believe in ghosts? Please whisper your opinion to me.

CATTLE DRIVE

It was 5 a.m. when we went to the stock-yards to round up the cattle. The night mist still hung like a damp grey blanket over the trees, which were in sallow shades of green and brown. The sun had not yet risen and the cattle were walking around, quietly lowing. Altogether there were three hundred and fifty head of cattle, consisting of young steers and a few old dry cows, which were to be moved eighty miles—eighty miles of sand, gravel and dust—before the sale-yards were reached.

There were five of us, each with a blue-heeler kelpie at our horse's heels, driving the cattle. When we first herded the cattle out on to the stock-track they were very fresh and were not lazy to drive, for they kept wandering off the track towards the bush, only to be confronted by a dog, which soon returned them to the track. The track was extremely sandy with small outcrops of rock, and prickly bracken-bush on either side. This was the real bull-dust of the Kimberleys; it was a fine powder which clotted in your nostrils if you followed too close behind the herd so as to breathe in the dust.

The first day's trek was uneventful until the cattle were yarded at the rough stock-camp. We had made a fire and were telling yarns whilst having our meal of cold meat and hot billy tea, when we noticed several cattle wandering away in the distance. They had forced the fence of the yard. Two of us saddled our horses and rode after them, rounding them up into the yard again. After counting, it was noticed that there were four missing. On searching, they were found near a small water-hole. A quick mending of the fence and we returned to the camp, where we soon "turned in"—that is, we rolled ourselves up in blankets on a bed of leaves and black-boy rushes.

That night had been extremely cold and the mist was still hanging heavily from the sky when we arose and had our breakfast. After saddling our horses we moved the cattle back on to the track. We had not been travelling more than an hour when suddenly the cattle spread off the track. It was a snake—a large grey rock-snake, with its treacherous jaws wide open and two fangs protruding dangerously. From eight yards away I shot it with my rifle in the jaws. Now came the job of rounding up the cattle again. Twenty minutes of searching found all the cattle and we set off along the track once more. We stopped by a water-hole for a brief snack at midday and again pressed forward towards the next camp.

The third day was uneventful, for it was only a short journey to the next camp. On the fourth day, however, our luck had gone; for towards midday we encountered another herd of cattle coming round the bend in front of us. It was too late to turn our mob away before both mobs had rushed at each other and intermingled.

Drafting was the next job. This took us about an hour to separate some five hundred cattle. Later on during the day, we were drenched by a violent downpour of rain, with thunder rolling, and lightning flashing across the darkened heavens. Fortunately, the rain cleared as quickly as it came, before the cattle had time to scatter too far away in their panic. We rounded the cattle back on to the road and moved on steadily to the stock-yards of an outback town. Many hours of that night were spent in the local hotel and we set off sleepily the next morning along a gravel road.

Turning in was early that night at the stock-camp, for we were very tired after the day of events. The next day we had to move the cattle over a gravel road to the sale-yards, where our journey was to end. It is pleasant to lie rolled up in a blanket under the starry sky, next to a fire of glowing embers, with cattle nearby gently crooning, and thinking of tomorrow night when you will be lying in a soft eider bed at the local hotel after having drained several schooners with other drovers who have brought their cattle to the sale.

F. Stewart.

FORM POLYHYMNIA

Before the hills in order stood Or Earth received her frame, Who would have thought that we would have A Hill in size and name?

Oh??? Papa He always looks so spruce; They call him many terrible things; but to His face he's Daddy [Bruce].

The Moors all (and the Arabs, too) Are Moslem, I've heard say, But we with all our freakishness Have Arab Moore today.

From Belgium came a people, I'm told that they were fleeing; Now, though many years later, We, too, have a Fleming.

When people go to Africa (Finding Minor Monkeys there), They do not realise that we Have a Mauger Monkey here.

When cats are ill incurably Most people use the bullet, But scientists of Form 6B Have made the new Kat Bellet.

On Tuesdays, as you doubtless know (I feel it in my bones), It is the form collection day For Isaac (Barry Tonga) Jones.

Priests mostly have their specialties From Deanery to Drinker; This warlike one picks "childish" faults— Of course it's our Dean Bowker.

From the sound it seems quite French, The spelling looks just piggish, But when you meet Master Lohoar You know it isn't priggish.

Most can go long without their tea, This one at art is strong; His breed is not as usual spelt, He is Kamel (Armstrong).

The boarders do get amply fed, This one is just a hog, He eats the day boys' sandwiches (He's known as Dolligog).

Thank goodness we have only one—With horror, still, I view it.
Could you make any word rhyme with The long Ferguson-Stewart.

Although I know I really should, I still can't find a fitting Method to work in the three—Retchford, Turner, Utting.

Although you may think that is all, There still remains just the one, Our master is physics-ly fit, David Eric (Hutchy) Hutchison.

All things wise and wonderful, All creatures great and small, All things bright and dutiful, This Great Form has them all.

G. H. Turner.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION NOTES OFFICE BEARERS, 1954

At the Annual General Meeting held on 5th March, 1954, 22 members were present. In the absence of the President, Mr Ken Sudlow, Mr E. A. (Dick) Lovegrove acted as Chairman. The following Office Bearers were elected:—

Patron: Mr. P. M. MOYES, B.A., Headmaster

Vice Patrons:

The Archbishop of Perth, The Most Reverend R. W. MOLINE, D.D. Rev. L. R. JUPP, B.A., Dip Ed., Th.L., W. L. McLEMENS, M.A. S. C. NOAKE, B.A., J. E. D. BATTYE, Esq., G. D. CLARKSON Esq. and H. N. GILES Esq.

President: E. A. LOVEGROVE

Immediate Past President: K. H. SUDLOW

Vice Presidents: Messrs. T. C. BEDELLS, J. G. MARTIN, J. J. SEARS.

Secretary: C. H ARMSTRONG

Assistant Secretary: S. SIMMONS

Treasurer: W. R. CROOKS

Auditor: L. L. HARRISON

Committee:

Messrs W. SUDLOW, T. McKENZIE, T. CROMMELIN, J. BROWNE-COOPER, S. WHITE, B. READSHAW, and D. HUTCHISON.

A vote of thanks to Mr. K. H. Sudlow for his untiring efforts as President for the past three years, and for his work for the War Memorial Building Fund, was carried unanimously.

The following resolution was made:—

"It is hoped that all Old Boys will continue to give their support to all activities connected with the War Memorial Building Fund."

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of our Vice-Patron, Archdeacon Parry, well remembered by many Old Boys as Headmaster for nine years from 1923, and of Dick Simonsen, who was elected an Honorary Member last year in recognition of the invaluable services rendered by him to the Association in connection with the Old Boys' War Memorial Building Projects.

MEMBERSHIP.—At the time of writing there are 176 financial members, and it appears that the membership this year will slightly exceed that of last year. This is an encouraging sign of the increasing interest of Old Boys in the School and it is hoped that a further increase will occur next year. The subscription is now 10/- per annum.



Mr E. A. (Dick) Lovegrove, President of the Old Boys' Association, 1954



MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE SCHOOL

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CALENDAR, 1954-55

CRICKET MATCH v. SCHOOL was held on 6th March, 1954. A strong team of Old Boys took the field but the glorious uncertainty of the game was well illustrated by their defeat at the hands of the boys. (Scores? Shall we say there is no space here for details).

THE ANNUAL BALL was held at the Cottesloe Civic Centre on 26th May, 1954. The attendance of Old Boys and their friends was 161. Through this function the amount of £64/9/5 was paid to the War Memorial Building Fund.

THE FOOTBALL MATCH v. THE SCHOOL was played on 3rd July, 1954, and resulted in a narrow win for the School.

On 24th August, 1954, a team of Old Boys "did battle" with representatives of the Parents' Association at the Cottesloe Golf Club. The result is still in doubt as the basis of arriving at it has not yet been worked out. Mr G. Edwards, however, won the prize for the best round of the day. The "booby prize" was closely contested, and was narrowly won by Bill Sudlow from his brother Ken.

THE ANNUAL DINNER is, at the time of going to press, near at hand. It is hoped that, by the time you read this, the function will already be on record as "better than the last."

THE ANNUAL FETE will be held at the School on December 4. This is being organized by the Parents, Old Boys and the School jointly, as in previous years, to raise funds for the War Memorial Hall. A sketch of the building, which is now under construction, is printed on another page.

Special mention must be made of the CIRCLE C SQUARE DANCE CLUB which has operated continuously throughout the year and has contributed magnificently to the War Memorial Fund. To Ray Crooks and Bill Sudlow of our Association, and to Bill Rucks and Athole Ferguson-Stewart, representing the School and the Parents' Association, we extend our thanks and congratulations.

HITHER AND THITHER

We are sorry that Mr S. C. NOAKE has suffered recurrent illness during the year. He would like to hear from Old Boys.

BILL VINDEN has gone to Djakarta for Qantas.

Two Old Boys are with Sydney offices of the shipping companies: DICK SUDLOW with Orient, and FINLAY SANDERSON with P. & O.

CLAYTON BICKFORD is now Accountant at the Head Office of Goldsborough Mort in Melbourne.

Members in Adelaide include: SKINNY GILES (General Manager of Elder's), TED LING, Dr. GEORGE GIBSON, HEDLEY PORTER (Stockbroker), JOHN MOORE (Master at Pulteney Grammar), HARRY HUTCHISON (Chemist with Taubman's), and PARIS DRAKE-BROCKMAN (Engineer with Civil Aviation).

GERARD CRAMER and HARRY HESELTINE are overseas: the former in Europe, but shortly to return; the latter studying at Louisiana State University.

Aviators include GUS SWINBOURN in the R.A.A.F., and ROD TREADGOLD. The latter figured in a skilful landing of an Anson at Guildford when the undercart was stuck.

Perhaps it is the good oil that has made a number of Old Boys go North. Certainly that is the reason ROBIN ELLIOT is there; to look for likely geological formations for Ampol. DAVID BENT-LEY and OWEN JOHANSON have their own businesses up there. David runs a fish cannery, and Owen a wool-appraising business. DICK WALTER was up Carnarvon way crayfishing. JOHN LAPTHORN and DAVID WORNE are also up that way.

JOHN MILNER and STEWART WHITE have started their own agency businesses in town. If hard work wins merit they will succeed.

BEN JEFFREYS (Bunbury) and FRANK BELL (Beaconsfield) are both with the Education Department. BRIAN HUTCHISON and JOHN RUCKS are at the Teachers' Training College.

"POPPY" BOWERS, a back-room boy with the Liberal Party organization has been coaching the high jumpers at the School (considerable improvement in results is evident).

GRAHAM TUCKER is back in Perth with the "West Australian." His brothers Ernest and John are still in Victoria. Ernest is due to be married shortly. John is helping build Eildon Dam.

It is a pity that the Hockey Club has folded up. Remembering the strength of CHRIST CHURCH in the past, we hope that there will be a vigorous revival soon. The School fields two teams now, and we don't want to lose the lads to other clubs when they leave school. TOM BEDELLS is a Vice-President of the Hockey Association now.

JOHN HOWLETT has left to become a Patrol Officer Cadet with the New Guinea Administration.

TREVOR TUCKFIELD and his wife returned during the year in WARROO, after an epic voyage around Australia. They are the first to circumnavigate our country since Matthew Flinders.

The Bridgetown-Boyup Brook districts are infested with Old Boys: BARRY (1910-14) and SCOTT (40-42) WARDELL-JOHNSON, ROY and GODFREY HESTER, TOM DRUMMOND, ALICK COX, and JACK BROADHURST.

Younger Old Boys who have visited the School during the year include MONTY WALKER (48-51) from Borden; DON METTAM, PETER DAVIES and RON FRANKLIN (44-48).

ARTHUR PATE and ELMO JUMEAUX are at the University.

"DIP" DAVIES is now the popular and respected minister for the huge parish of Southern Cross.

JOHN LOVEGROVE is in Kalgoorlie, and RAY NICE and RAY BIDDISCOMBE are in Wagin. CLIVE WHARTON has been reported from Wagin and Mt. Barker, but has yet to be pin-pointed.

DICK GILES owns this year's champion Guernsey bull. Judging from press photos at the time of the Royal Show, we suspect that it is also a champion beer-drinker.

PETER BRIDGE (43-44) is a stock and station agent at Condoblin, N.S.W.

JACK NEIL is advising farmers on their problems in the Moora area.

PETER WALL has opened a pharmacy in Geraldton.

ROLEY EGGLESTON is now the ace crime-reporter for "The Age" (Melbourne). Early training as "Mitre" editor must have been useful. Roley has for a few years provided prizes for the magazine.

A year cannot pass without more of our members passing through the various stages of matrimony. We offer our congratulations to those we mention below. We are sure that our lists are not complete, and apologise to any we may have overlooked.

ENGAGEMENTS

KEITH DUKES to MARY SADLIER. ERNEST TUCKER to ELIZABETH GALT. RAY NICE to DOT RIDGE.

MARRIAGES, 1954

LEN BROAD to NAN BUTCHER.

TERRY CROMMELIN to AUDREY STUART.

PETER LYNN to HAZEL MOUNIER.

PARIS DRAKE-BROCKMAN to ANN FORMAN.

BIRTHS

To Mr and Mrs HARRY HUTCHISON, a son.