

## AROUND THE SCHOOLS

# Newcastle High Old Boys Form Group

Former pupils of Newcastle Boys' High School set up an Old Boys' Union at a meeting at the school on Tuesday night.

Executive officers and a committee were elected pending the drawing up of a constitution.

About 120 people were present. Most of them had left the High School within the past five years.

Among the older men were the Deputy Headmaster (Mr. R. J. Cochrane), the science master (Mr. F. Gray), and the President of the P. and C. Association (Mr. G. Owens). All are former students of the school.

Officers elected were—President, Mr. A. Hannaford, a former school captain; Secretary, Mr. D. Bowden; Treasurer, Mr. J. McKenzie, another former captain. A committee of seven was formed. Two representatives at the University of Sydney and one at the New England University College were elected.

The annual subscription was fixed at 10/. The committee is planning a dinner for next month.

**THE** Lord Mayor (Ald. Purdue) will present last year's Leaving Certificates at a ceremony at Newcastle Girls' High School to-morrow at 2 p.m. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Purdue, the Area Director (Mr. Gellius) and Mrs. Gellius. Girls' High P. and C. will meet at the school at 8 p.m. to-night. Newcastle Home Science and Newcastle Girls' High Schools attended a special 9 a.m. screening of "The Queen in Australia" yesterday. Within the next fortnight, many schools will attend special screenings of this film at city and suburban theatres.

**COOK'S HILL** Intermediate High School is again without a physical training teacher in the girls' department. For

out a physical training teacher in the girls' department. For six months last year the girls had no mistress to take their games and physical training. The present mistress, Miss Gloria Kaufmann, who started at the school in February, has been transferred to Bankstown Home Science School.

**THE** Primate of Australia (Most Rev. Dr. H. W. K. Mowll) visited Newcastle Church of England Grammar School this week and addressed the girls. The school also received unofficial visits from the Bishop of Canberra-Goulburn (Right Rev. E. H. Burgmann) and the Bishop of Grafton (Right Rev. C. E. Storrs).

The Grammar School began its second term on Monday.

**WARATAH** Women's Auxiliary of Newcastle Boys' High School will meet at the school on Tuesday afternoon. The auxiliary will hold a students' supper dance at the school on June 18. Last year's fifth-year boys are invited.

**STOCKTON** Infants' School Mothers' Club held an Empire Day celebration at the school last Friday morning. The kindergarten class presented a nursery rhyme, "Soldier Games," and first class recited an Empire Day poem. A version of "Snow White" was given and the children danced the Maypole. Other classes presented a Britannia pageant. The club raised £17/17/ from entrance fees and the morning tea. Members of the club have decided to hold a beetle club every second Wednesday at the James Linich Hall. The donation will be 2/.

**JOHN RUNDLE**, fourth year, won the senior prize for oration at the Empire Day competition at Newcastle Technical High School on Friday morning. Junior prize winner was Robert Pearson of second

morning. Junior prize winner was Robert Pearson of second year. The adjudicator was Mr. W. C. Hockings. John spoke on "The Colombo Plan" and Robert chose "The Royal Tour" as his subject.

**A FANCY** dress children's frolic will be held in the Parish Hall, Maitland-road, Islington, at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday. Prizes will be given for the best paper costume, most original, most comical, best poster, cheapest, best national dress and many others. The frolic is being organised by the Islington Parents and Citizens' Association.

**HAMILTON** SOUTH P. and C. will hold a working bee in the infants' playground at the week-end to provide more seating accommodation. Members of the Women's Auxiliary and the Mothers' Club will prepare morning tea for the workers.

**THE AREA** Director (Mr. Gellius) will be guest speaker at the meeting of Mayfield East P. and C. on Wednesday. The Women's Auxiliary of Mayfield East P. and C. will hold a card party in the school assembly hall at 1.30 p.m. on June 16.

**THE** next meeting of Newcastle branch of the Teachers' Federation will be at the Presbyterian Hall, Hamilton, on June 16. The branch is conducting a postal ballot to determine its councillors for 1954-55. The annual conference of the Teachers' Federation which takes place in Sydney in the Assembly Hall, Margaret-street, will be held in the August-September vacation instead of the Christmas vacation.

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has told Mr. Simpson, M.L.A., that tenders are being called for the erection of a standard four-roomed timber building and a two-roomed building, with toilet blocks, on the new site at Pelican Flat Public School. Mr. Simpson was also advised that tenders have been called for a standard four-

roomed timber building and a standard two-roomed building for use as primary and infants' schools at Booragul.

**TWO CONTRACTS** have been signed in the Newcastle Area Education office. One is for a four-roomed block at Coal Point. The other is for a large building to be erected at New Lambton School. This building will take six months to complete.

**NEWCASTLE** Home Science P. and C. raised £30 for school equipment from a special envelope appeal throughout the school. The sum of £6 was raised by the Empire Day stall at the school. The

P. and C. will meet at 2 p.m. at the school on Wednesday.

#### **IN BRIEF**

**BAR BEACH** Women's Auxiliary of Newcastle Boys' High School will meet at the home of Mrs. Griffiths, 158 Parkway-avenue, at 10.30 this morning.

Newcastle East P. and C. will meet at the school at 8 p.m. on Monday.

Tighe's Hill Mothers' Club will hold a social evening at the home of Mrs. A. Drew, 28 McIsaac-street, Tighe's Hill tonight.

Newcastle Teachers' Training College begins its second term on Monday.