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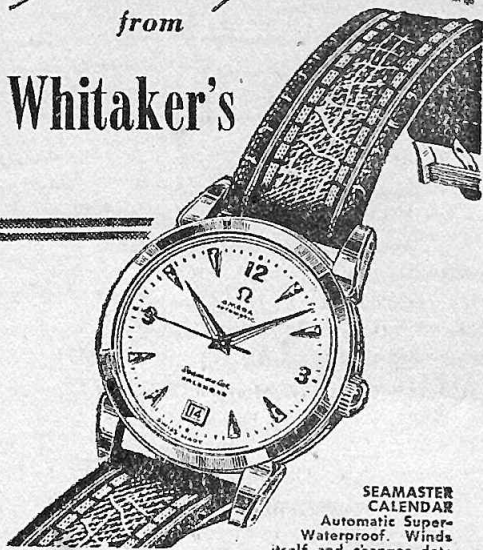
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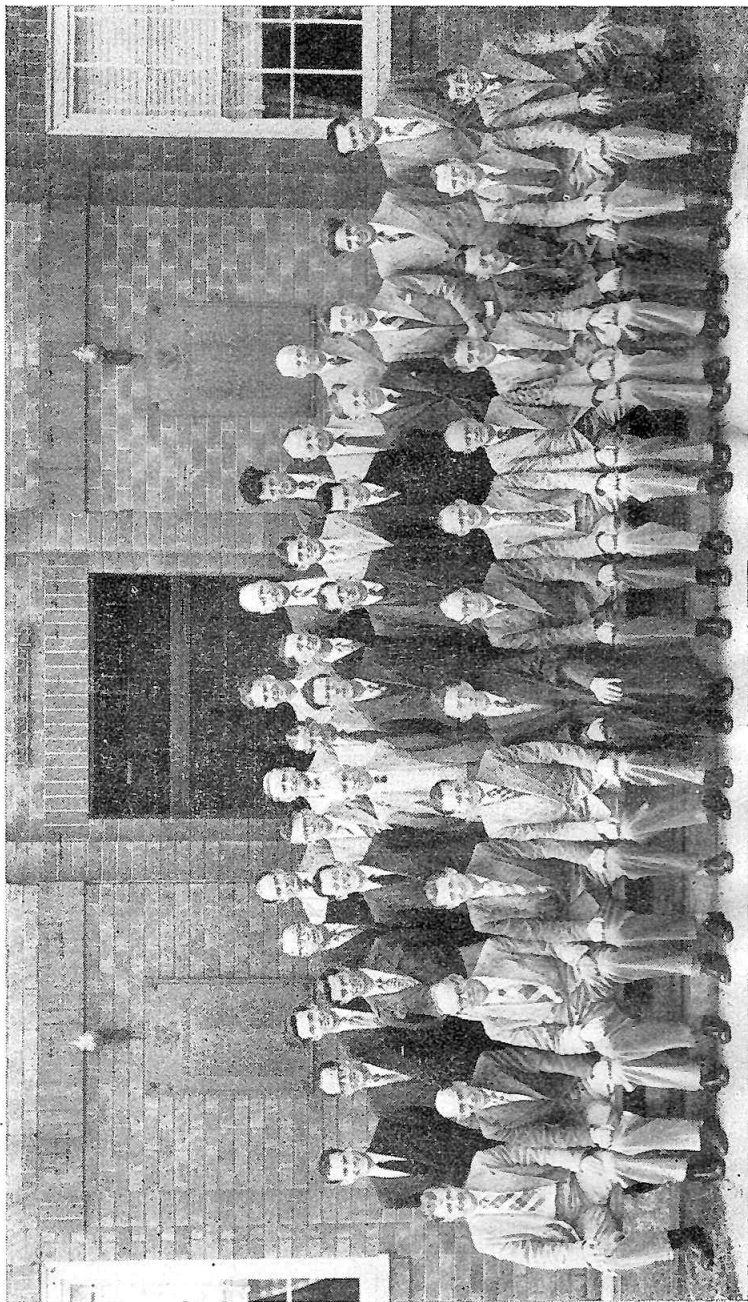
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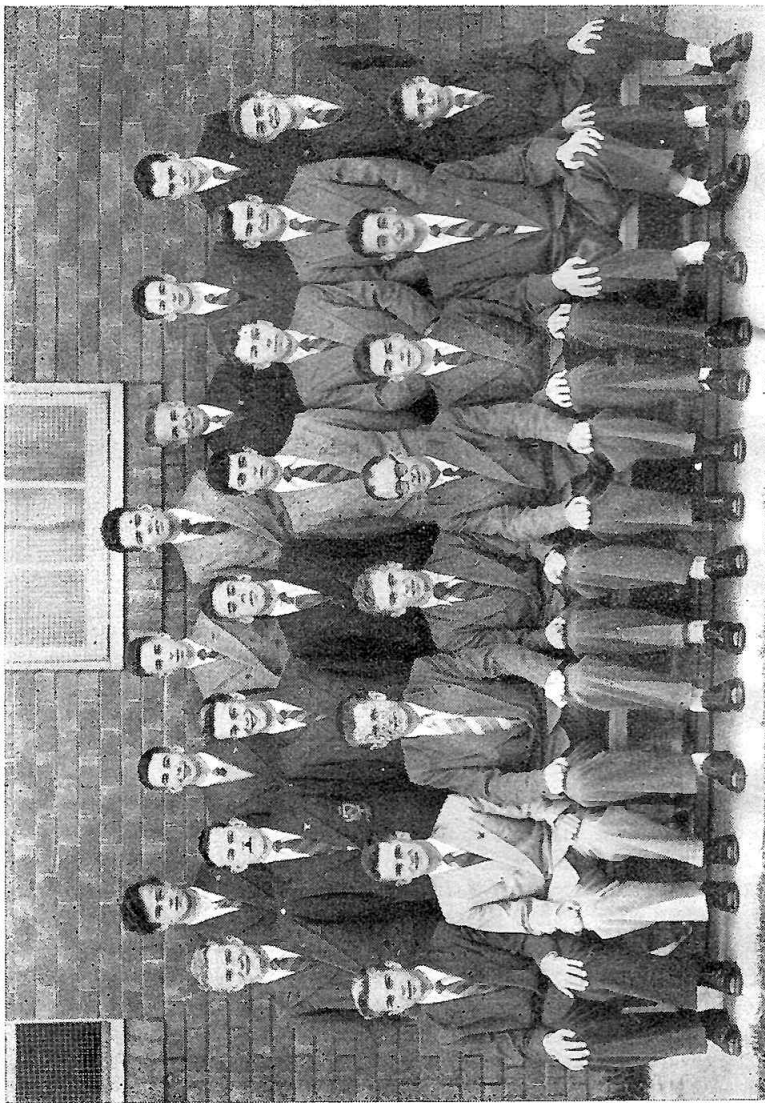
THE SCHOOL PLEDGE

"I promise to be loyal to my Queen, my country, and the wider commonwealth of mankind; to do all in my power to uphold the good name of my school; and to strive to be just and honourable in all that I do."

THE HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

It is a good idea, when you come to the end of another school year, to do what every shop-keeper does regularly—that is to take stock. He wants to know what he has on the shelves, as well as what his income and expenses have been, or he can't know if his business is profitable or not.

The business you are engaged in is the most important one in the world—building a character and personality and gaining an education. How far have you progressed in this business in the year that is just ending? What have you on the shelves in the way of knowledge gained, skills developed, habits formed? By the time you come to High School, you should have set yourself some definite goals of achievement. Are you nearer to these than you were this time last year?



PREFECTS, 1954

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I am asking you a lot of questions, but you don't have to give me the answers. The thoughtful boy will do both the questioning and the answering himself. It isn't till you form the habit of doing this that you begin to grow up mentally. There are too many people who drift through life without ever stopping to think or to do a little stock-taking.

Among the memories that the year has added to your stock-in-trade will be, I hope, a very vivid one of the Passing-Out Parade of the Cadets and the Air Training Corps. This deserves to be regarded as one of the highlights of the school's history. The splendid bearing of the lads themselves and the record of their achievements were rewarded by the presence of such a distinguished soldier as Major-General Ivan Dougherty. I believe that every lad was inspired, not only by the General's decorations, including the D.S.O. and the O.B.E. as well as the aiguillette worn as a member of the Military Board, but by his simple and friendly words. True greatness is revealed when you find a leader of such distinction telling boys that the important man in the services is not the General but just the ordinary good, decent fellow, who won't let his mates down.

To me, the highlight of the year has been the courage of one of our Prefects who carried on with such great spirit after his serious accident at Easter, and who still served the A.T.C. and the school itself with such devotion and cheerfulness throughout the year. And very much on the credit side of the ledger is the appreciation that you boys have shown of him, and your wonderfully helpful attitude as revealed through S.W.A.S.S.C.

As we look forward to next year, I hope that all of you who are continuing in the school will determine to show a bigger profit in the important business you are engaged in. Those who leave us will still be in the same business in a wider field. They will need to take their "business principles" with them if they are to find true success.

THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

The boys who were in the school in 1952 will remember Ken Scott, who was then our School Captain. In his final message to the school he made a statement which all of us would do well to remember. He said, "It is, after all, the attitude of the pupil to his school which determines its greatness." I ask you to remember this when you are tempted to do some act, however small, which you know to be wrong, but about which you feel, "It wouldn't hurt just once." This act may lower the name of the

school in the public's eye and it is some member of the public who reads your reference when you are applying for a job. If the school had a bad name, which I am sure Newcastle Boys' High will never have, your report, bearing the school crest, would be nearly useless. Thus it is your own personal future you are protecting when you co-operate at school. Support the school, your school, in all that it does, in small things as in great ones, and the school will stand by you. I especially ask senior boys to regain the loyalty they had for the school as juniors and also to strive to make the school mean more to them than it appears to at the moment.

The statement I quoted is not limited only to pupils and schools. I believe something similar could be said of any club, trade union or even nation. So, in a small way, your attitude to your school affects your country, your Empire and your lovely Queen. You may say I exaggerate, but it is you, who are reading this message now, who will take your place as a leader, or a follower and, I hope, a supporter of the leaders in Australia.

With membership of the Union representing your trade compulsory in this State, every one of you can have his share in the making or breaking of the State. It is the outlook you develop at school that you will have when you are a Unionist, and it is up to you to train yourself now for your future. Develop your better characteristics as an individual, work as an individual where necessary, but work with and for your "team" where possible. As a follower learn to obey an order smartly and use as short and easy a method as possible to carry out that order. As a leader, remember "Discretion is the better part of valour." This advice I give especially to next year's prefects, to whom I extend my heartiest congratulations and best wishes, along with an oft-quoted statement, "Remember you were once in first year yourselves"

I would like to express appreciation of the way in which Colyn, Dick and all the other prefects helped me with my duties and of the manner in which the boys did their bit to help when required. I would also like to thank Mr. Plummer, the Prefect Master, who gave us every assistance and encouragement in the carrying out of our duties, and to whom we are all deeply indebted.

DAVID BEACH.

THE LATE MR. F. R. SAUNDERS

This year's Novocastrian has the sad task of recording the death of a member of our staff, Mr. F. R. Saunders. We express our keen sense of loss at the passing of one who did so much for and meant so much to our School, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

SPEECH NIGHT

On Speech Night at the City Hall, 31st May, a varied programme of music, addresses and the presentation of prizes was enthusiastically received by a large audience.

The musical items were the School Song, the Junior Choir's presentation of "Now is the Month of Maying" (Morley), "A Morning Salutation" (Head) and "The Blacksmith" (Brahms), and the Senior Choir's rendering of "Horo, My Nut Brown Maiden" (Gaelic) and "Glorious Devon" (Edward German).

Speeches included the Headmaster's welcome to the visitors and his invitation to the Deputy Lord Mayor to take the chair, the Chairman's Address by Alderman D. G. McDougall, the Headmaster's Annual Report, the Adoption of the Report moved by Mr. G. Owens (President of the P. and C. Association), and seconded by Mr. B. A. Helmore, the Address by Mr. P. G. Price, Director of Secondary Education, the introduction of Mr. W. Gelfius, Area Director of Education, and the Vote of Thanks by Mr. F. Astle, Inspector of Schools, and David Beach, School Captain.

The Kenneth Sanderson Memorial Prize was presented by Mrs. W. Sanderson, the Meikle Memorial Prizes by Mrs. A. Chichester, the Ross Mearns and Basil Helmore Prizes by Mrs. B. Helmore, the Finlay Donald McLeod Memorial Prize for Captain by the Headmaster, the W. V. Cochrane Memorial Prize by Mrs. Cochrane, the Captain John Cleary Memorial Prizes by Mrs. Cleary, the Allan J. Way Prizes by Dr. Enid Way, B.Sc., Ph.D., the Waratah Auxiliary Proficiency Prize and the Second Year Improvement Prize by Mrs. W. A. Hannaford, the Jean Mackie Prize by the Headmaster.

School prizes were presented by Mrs. D. G. McDougall, and sport prizes by Mrs. G. Owens.

THE PARENTS AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Your Parents and Citizens' Association is continuing to do good work for the school and is being well supported by parents generally. At the moment there are approximately 1200 members of the Association, 360 of whom are life members.

The finances of the Association are in a healthy state, and at the time of preparation of this report our bank balance stands at £413/17/7. Our financial position was considerably strengthened by the excellent results achieved from this year's school fete, from which a profit of £385 was made. This showed an improvement over last year's results, where the surplus amounted

to £275. This is particularly gratifying, and it does reflect the increase in support which the boys of the school and the parents are giving to the Association.

At this stage it is fitting to pay tribute to the work done by our two Ladies' Auxiliaries, Bar Beach and Waratah. It is probably true to say that these Auxiliaries form the backbone of the Association, and the help which they have rendered in the past is very much appreciated.

During the year, the amenities at the school have been improved by the purchase of a tape recorder and substantial sums have been set aside for improvement of educational facilities, including the purchase of additional P.E. and Science equipment, a daylight film screen and text books. In this connection it is interesting to record that the Association at the beginning of the year budgeted for the expenditure of approximately £750 on items of this description, and I feel confident that our budget estimates will be achieved.

The Association is still working hard to improve the accommodation at the school. Our major project is to provide for alterations and additions to the existing assembly hall, which at present accommodates approximately only half of the school's 800 pupils. We are also concerned with the fact that we have no gymnasium or shelter shed and the school tuckshop is entirely inadequate for the size of the school. These matters have been raised very strongly through the local Members with the Minister for Education, so far without success. However, we do not intend to relax our efforts and feel sure that we shall achieve our aims in the not too distant future.

The P. and C. meetings are held monthly in the school assembly hall, at 7.30 p.m. on the third Tuesday, and we would like as many parents as possible to come along and join in our proceedings.

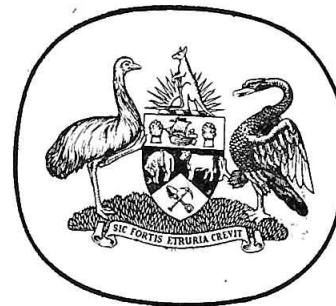
On behalf of the president, I take the opportunity of thanking the headmaster, the teaching staff, the boys and the parents for their loyal support during the past year, and I assure them that the Association will do everything possible to further the interests of the school in the forthcoming year.

L. C. BOYD (Secretary).

BAR BEACH LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Bar Beach Ladies' Auxiliary, with a membership of fifty, reports a most successful year.

The aim was to hold one function each month for funds. Our thanks to Mrs. Miller for providing the use of her home for a



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card party which proved very profitable. Jumble sales and other card parties were also held. A dance held in November was a huge success. A garden fete at the home of Mrs. Griffiths proved very helpful to our funds. Members assisted with stalls at the annual school fete.

It was with deep regret that the resignation of Mrs. E. Whitehead, Auxiliary Secretary, was received at our annual meeting. Our sincere thanks to her for all that she has done for this worthy cause of P. and C. work.

The monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday at 10.30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Griffiths, 158 Parkway Avenue, Hamilton. New members will be made very welcome at these meetings, where a friendly spirit prevails.

We hope, with the assistance and co-operation of all members, that the coming year will be a happy and a profitable one.

A. ELDER, Hon. Secretary.

WARATAH LADIES' AUXILIARY

This Auxiliary, under the very able guidance of Mrs. A. W. Hannaford as President, has completed another satisfying year of school service, school financial assistance and enjoyable social activity. Each year sees new faces mingling with the "old" faithful members and the good work goes on.

The Text Book Repair Group has continued to operate. The ladies have been highly commended for this service to the school. Mr. Beard believes this work to be unique in public schools and of inestimable value and saving.

Functions held to raise money have been well supported. We wish to thank all those who have helped us to provide extra equipment so necessary for modern educational methods.

School hospitality has been extended on many occasions during the year. This is mainly due to the ladies of both auxiliaries who never fail to send along delicious cooking which is much appreciated by official guests, visitors, staff members and the boys themselves.

Our membership continues to grow and a warm welcome always awaits any mother who wishes to join the ranks. We look forward to your company and assistance in our future activities for the benefit of the school and your boys.

As this will be the last report I shall be writing as Secretary of the Auxiliary, I wish to personally thank all those people who have given me friendship and assisted me so willingly during my years of office.

JEAN MARQUET, Hon. Sec.

ANZAC DAY AND MR. PERKINS

Much of the impressiveness of our annual commemoration of Anzac Day has been due, over a period of several years, to Mr. Ray Perkins. We thank him again this year for attending our ceremony in the school hall and sounding The Last Post and The Reveille.

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

We congratulate John Marquet, winner of the boys over 15 section of the Royal Empire Society's Public Speaking Competition in Newcastle, and John Cox, winner of the boys under 15 section. The subject for the over 15 section was "The Royal Visit Could Be a Vital Influence Towards Empire Unity"; for the under 15 section, "The Meaning of the Royal Visit to the Youth of Australia". John Cox scored 90% with what Mr. I. S. McKenzie, a member of the Society, said was an outstanding speech. John Marquet scored 75%. The winners received a Royal Empire Society Gold Medal and £5. John Marquet repeated his speech for the Rotary Clubs of Mayfield, Belmont and Newcastle. John Cox repeated his at Newcastle Town Hall on the occasion of the Governor-General's visit, for Newcastle Business Men's Club and for the Rotary Clubs of Wallsend, Hamilton, Raymond Terrace and Cessnock.

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HEALTH WEEK ESSAY COMPETITION

We congratulate Peter Harwin on being the winner of the senior division of the Health Week Essay Competition and David Harland on being second in the Pre-Intermediate division. Special certificates were awarded to these two students. Certificates of Merit were gained by the other competitors from our school.

EMPIRE DAY SPEAKERS

Student speakers at our Empire Day ceremony in the school hall this year were John Hinde, who spoke about the development of the Empire, John McLuckie, who dealt with the development of the concept of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and Bruce Wilson, who explained the significance for Australia of the Queen's visit. We congratulate these students on their very fine addresses.

OUR BENEFACTORS

We welcome the opportunity of expressing in the Novocastrian our deep gratitude to all individuals and organisations who have contributed to the welfare of our school.

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KEVAN GOSPER

The school was delighted to hear of ex-student Kevan Gosper's splendid achievement, the winning of a gold medal for first place in the 440 yards at the Empire Games this year. Kevan was Vice-Captain of the school in 1950 and since then has spent two years in America. On Thursday, September 16th, he visited us to thank the staff and the pupils for the cables sent to him before and during the Games. The assembled students showed their appreciation of his visit and his short address by very enthusiastic cheering. On Monday, September 27th, Kevan was guest speaker at both the Junior and Senior Assemblies in the school hall and entertained each group with a most interesting talk about the Games and about his impressions of America.

SCHOOL WELFARE AND SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

The year 1954 has been an outstanding year for S.W.A.S.S.C. It shows that we have the support of the majority of the school. It is very pleasing to report that at some weekly collections S.W.A.S.S.C. realised approximately £10.

I wish to thank the school for the support given to S.W.A.S.S.C. during the year, and hope that next year will be even more successful financially. Our thanks go to Mr. Goffett for his very kind donation and also to Mr. Beard and Mr. Cochrane for the active interest they have shown and the advice they have given throughout the year.

A credit balance of £40 was brought forward from 1953. This enabled the committee to start at once in making donations. These were made to such worthy causes as the Lord Mayor's Flood Relief Appeal (£20), Benevolent Society (£20), Stewart House (£40), Spastic Centre Bus Appeal (£10), and the Kevan Gosper Empire Games Appeal (£20).

At the meeting held in June S.W.A.S.S.C. had a balance of approximately £50. This was put aside to help any other appeals which might arise during the rest of the year. The collections for the remainder of the year have been donated to a very worthy cause.

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D. GEDDES, Secretary.

PRIZE LIST

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BEST PASSES AT LEAVING.

1st, Peter Cole; 2nd, Donald Laycock; 3rd, Raymond Cooper; 4th, Kenneth Barratt; 5th, Geoffrey Firkin; 6th, Rodney Cottrell.

SUBJECT PRIZES.

English, Donald Laycock; Latin, Donald Laycock; French, Donald Laycock; German, Donald Laycock; Maths. I: Peter Cole; Maths. II: Raymond Cooper; Gen. Maths.: Donald Laycock; Modern History, Rodney Cottrell; Comb. Physics and Chemistry, Robert Taylor; Physics, Peter Cole; Chemistry, Colin Bay; Geography, Terence Hyland; Economics, Donald Martyn; Desc. Geom. and Drawing, Edward Smith; Theory and Practice of Music, Edward Kearns.

YEAR PRIZES

FOURTH YEAR: Dux, Lloyd Williams; 2nd, Allan Findlay; 3rd, Michael Nichols; 4th, John Marquet; 5th, Colyn Whitehead; 6th, Lloyd Gledhill.

P. & C. PRIZES for First in English, John Marquet; Latin, Michael Nichols; French, Colyn Whitehead; German, Lloyd Gledhill; Maths. I, Allan Findlay; Maths. II, Bernard Adcock; Gen. Maths., Michael Nichols; Modern History, Michael Nichols; Comb. Physics & Chemistry, Michael Nichols; Physics, Allan Findlay, Bruce Hobbs, John Horne; Chemistry, Allan Findlay, Barry Myers;



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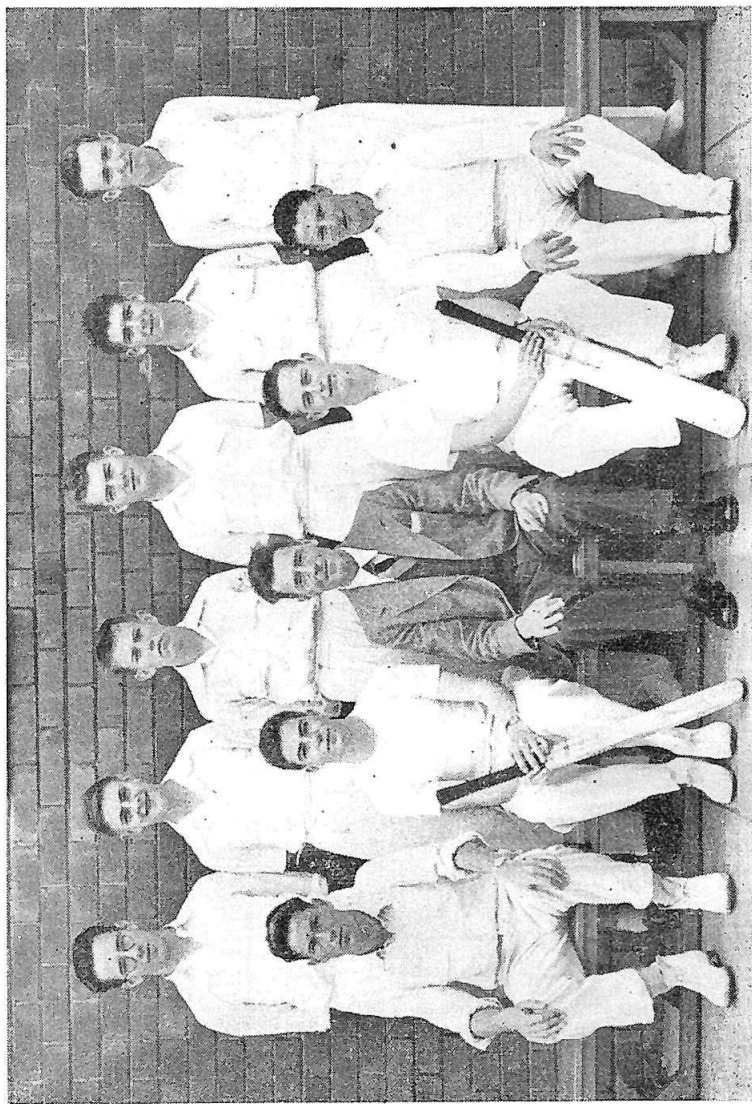
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Geography, John Marquet, Michael Nichols; Economics, Kevin Osborne; Desc. Geom. & Drawing, Barry Fellows.

THIRD YEAR: Dux, Grahame Jones; 2nd, Terence Wood; 3rd, Phillip Schofield; 4th, Robert Chadban; 5th, James Stephens; 6th, Ronald Parsons.

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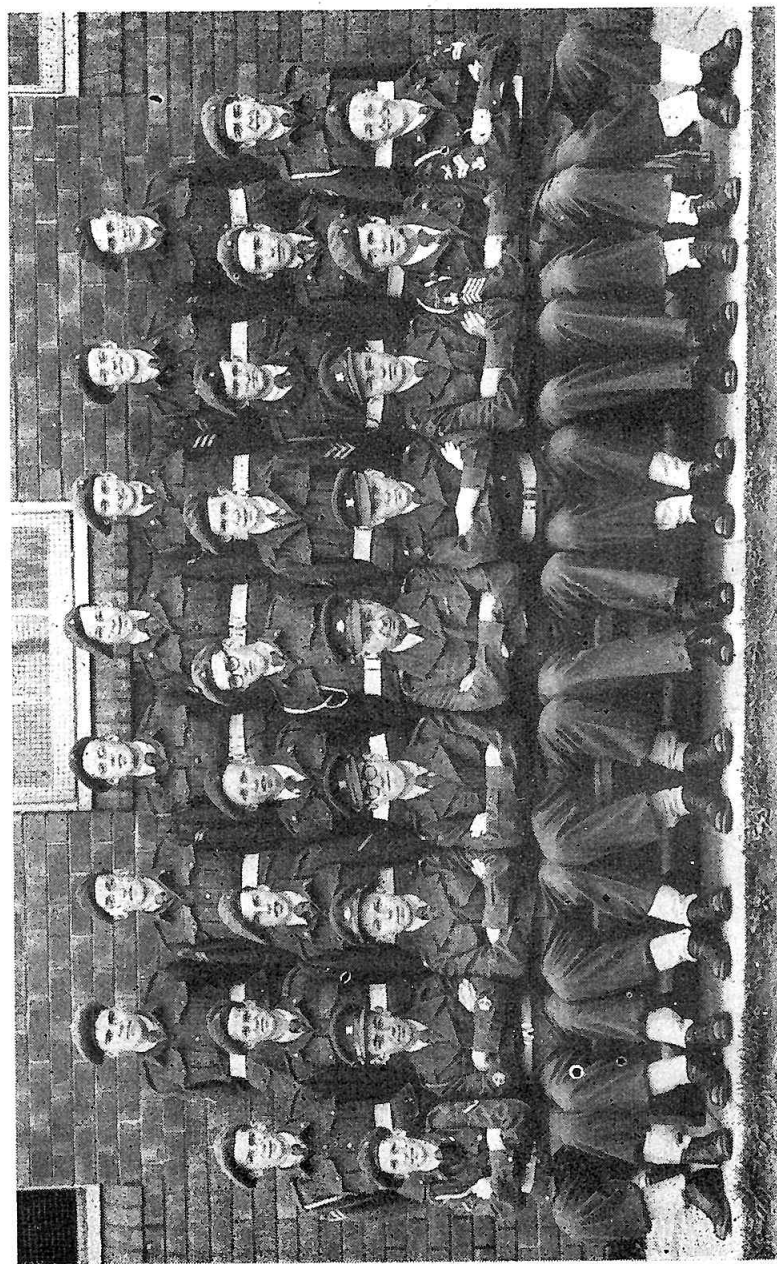
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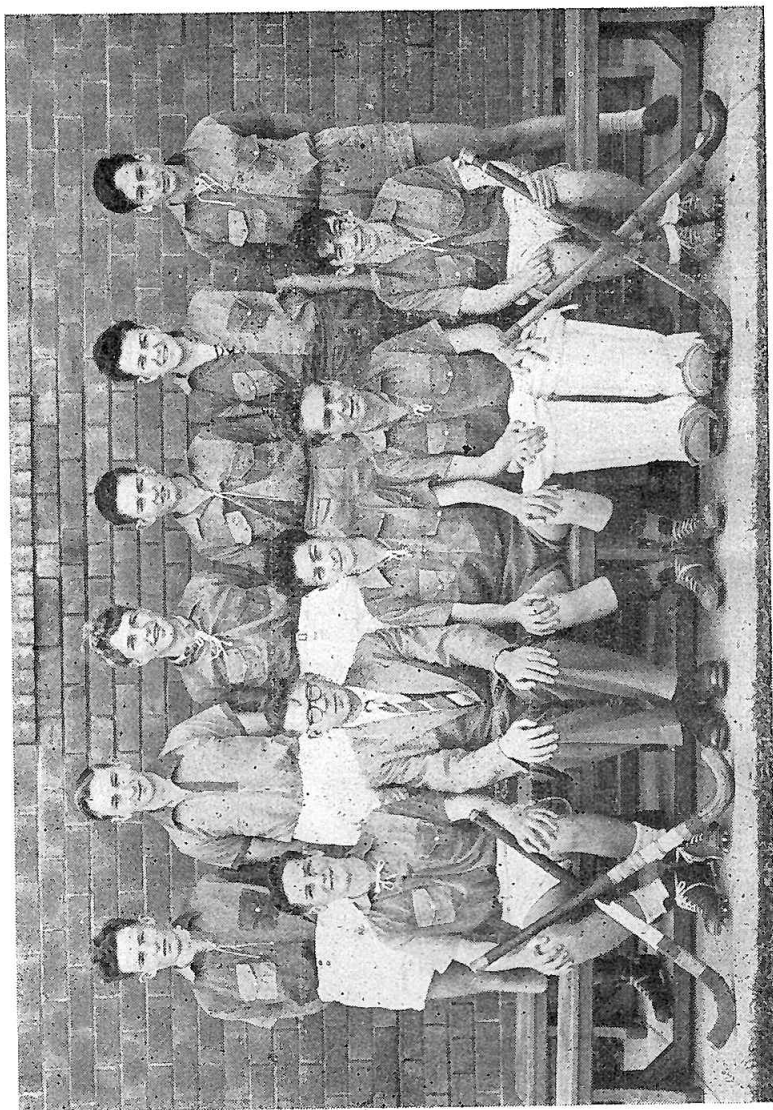
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Rugby League

1st Grade: This year's 1st XIII had quite a successful season. It won the University Shield and was fourth in the Evans Shield. It won eight out of thirteen matches, scored 84 points and had 64 scored against it.

The team played consistent football in the first round. In very close games it lost to Gosford (3-8) and to Technical High (0-5). In the second round, however, the team was affected by injuries with the result that the good form shown in the first round deteriorated somewhat. In spite of this the whole team rose to the occasion in the last match of the season when it defeated Muswellbrook in the final of the University Shield. It must be congratulated for its magnificent performance. Every member played above himself and, although it is hardly fair to differentiate, I must mention Dick Owens for his brilliant backing up and also Gordon Doyle (who was promoted from 2nd Grade for this match) for his goalkicking and general play.

Our pack was very solid and, although not fast, excelled in the tight work. Barry Fellows played well both in attack and defence. Peter Hardie (second row) Greg Lindus and "Woop" Wilson (front row) were tireless workers. Philip Snelson gave us a good share of the ball from the scrum. Ian Collins, who replaced injured players for most of the season, defended very well as lock and in second row, breaking up many of the opposition's backline movements. Of the backs, Ambler at half-back gave good service from the scrums and, although rather light, tackled very well. Both the wingers played good football, making the most of their few opportunities. Bernard Adcock, playing his first season in League, scored five tries and, with Trevor Dunn, saved many by solid tackling. Michael Apitz at outside centre and Bernie Larkin five-eighth were good in attack and defence. Owens



A GRADE HOCKEY, CO-PREMIERS, 1954

BACK: J. Hawkins, C. Catterall, D. McIntyre, B. Cooper, G. Richardson, A. Pugh.

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at full-back saved numerous tries by good tackling and gained a lot of ground with his evasive runs. Brian Chapman had a busy season playing lock, five-eighth and outside centre. He filled these positions capably and kicked eight valuable goals. Mention must also be made of Gorton, Doyle, Nevin and Norris, who replaced injured players.

Mr. Brown cannot be thanked enough for his excellent coaching and enthusiastic support. The whole team thanks you, Mr. Brown, and wishes you the best with next year's team.

—(J. THOMPSON, Capt.)

2nd Grade: Second Grade coached by Mr. Judge had an unlucky season. The team had six wins, two draws and two defeats in an evenly fought competition. The Premiers, Maitland, defeated us the first time 3-2 by scoring in the last few seconds of the game.

The competition went through to the last match of the season with Maitland leading us by one point in the point score. In this game we started full of fire and confidence and soon went to a 2-nil lead. Maitland fought back and scored an unconverted try. In the second half we battled hard to make up the point but Maitland kept us out through sheer weight and hard play. Thus we lost the competition by 3-2.

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 FRONT: R. Watson, M. C. McKenzie, I.

The team was very unfortunate in having its captain out with injuries in a few of the fatal games. The team did not combine as well as it could have, but it had many solid players. In the forwards D. Beach, D. Geddes, R. Holcombe headed a good pack. In the backs, Hicks, Bisson and Gorton played well. The main scorers for the team were D. Beach, 18, and G. Doyle, 26.

On behalf of the whole team I wish to thank our coach, Mr. Judge, for his keen assistance and coaching throughout the season.

—(G. DOYLE, Capt.)

3rd Grade: This year the 3rd Grade had rather an unlucky season, as it was unable to reach the standard of co-ordination necessary for a winning combination owing to the number of injuries, both to its members and to those of the higher grades, which necessitated constant team changes. The resulting lack of balance in the team caused our two defeats, one at the hands of the ultimate competition winners, Hamilton Marist, and also one by Maitland. Apart from these defeats the team was extremely unlucky in two drawn games, one against Tech and the second against Hamilton, each of which should have been wins for our team.



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Our record for the 14 games played, including one against Wyong, is rather impressive with a total points score of 215 for to 14 against, but the real merit lies in the development of younger players who will provide a nucleus for next year's top grades. The most promising of these players were Roberts, Jones, Nevin, Woods and Edmonds. Of the remainder MacDevitt, Arnold and Proudfoot played well in the forwards while Felton and Carrol performed creditably in the backs.

Our thanks are especially due to the coaching of Mr. Storer who devoted a great deal of time and patience to the moulding of the team and whose knowledge and never-failing enthusiasm bolstered its morale. We are sorry that we could not contribute to his long list of successes with 3rd Grade teams.—(I. SYMES, Captain.)

4th Grade: The 4th Grade team had a very successful season this year. It was second in the competition to Hamilton Marist Brothers. Although the team suffered three defeats during the season, it succeeded in defeating every opposing team in the competition at some time or another.

The match played against Hamilton Marist in the second round was the team's sternest trial. Eager to avenge a defeat in the first round, every member of the team made a titanic effort and we snatched an 11-10 victory from an unyielding foe. Another hard fought success was won in the first round when the team defeated Maitland High by 3-0. The team scored most heavily when it defeated Maitland Marist by 42-3. An enjoyable trip to Gosford during the season resulted in our defeating Gosford High by 14-2.

The best of a sound pack of forwards were J. Helman, W. Jackson and R. Wood. The best of an efficient backline were J. Wilkinson, N. Lewis and J. Whitaker.

The team sincerely appreciates the inspiration of Mr. J. Bloomfield's coaching and feels that none of his time and energy, spent so liberally, has been wasted. The team is also grateful to Mr. Kerr and to Mr. Smith for their help during Mr. Bloomfield's absence.—(R. WARREN, 4C, Capt.)

5th Grade: The 5th Grade came fourth in the competition. The team was unsettled in the opening matches but formed a fine combination and showed great improvement in the second round, only to be narrowly beaten by the leading teams. The forwards played well throughout the season, and gave the backs a large share of the ball from the scrums and rucks. The backline functioned smoothly, being sound in attack and defence. E. Snelson, playing at half-back, kicked many fine goals and proved an asset to the team. Our thanks go to our coach, Mr. Davis, for his help and encouragement.—(R. HUBBUCK, 3D, Capt.)

6th Grade: The 6th Grade finished the competition four points ahead of the nearest teams, Maitland and Hamilton Marist Brothers. Our narrow defeat of Marist Brothers by 3-0 was perhaps our hardest game, and this win was due mainly to the good play of the forwards.

The combination of the team, although lax at the beginning of the season, improved immensely owing to the efforts of our coach, Mr. C. McFarlane, who took a great deal of interest in us.

The captain, Neil Hincks, was the backbone of the team and under his capable leadership we scored 104 points to 7 against, and our line was crossed only once. The outside-centre, Allan Coates, was the main scorer and Neil Hincks the main goal-kicker.

The team as a whole played good football. Two forwards worthy of special mention are Kevin Duncan, an excellent hooker who held the forwards together, and Bruce Middleby, who, although only in 1st Year, played extremely well in his position as lock.—(N. HINCKS, Capt.)

7th Grade: This team improved greatly as the season progressed and finished third in the competition. The opposing teams were all good and we did well to come even third. The best performance of the season was against Cessnock, who at that time were the leaders. In a very close and hard-fought match we defeated them 3-0. Although our team scored many tries during the season we lacked a reliable goal-kicker.

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FIRST GRADE RUGBY LEAGUE, WINNERS OF UNIVERSITY SHIELD, 1954

BACK: P. Shelson, I. Collins, B. Larkin, R. Owens.

CENTRE: B. Chapman, G. Doyle, M. Apitz, B. Adcock, P. Hardie, I. Gorton.

FRONT: A. Ambler, T. Dunn, Mr. T. Brown, J. Thompson (Capt.), G. Lindus, B. Fellows, R. Wilson.

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Orton, Miller and Roach in the forwards played consistent, attacking football with able support from Major, Attwater and Deamer. In the back line Burns playing on the wing showed plenty of promise in attack and especially in defence and in future seasons he should develop into a really good footballer. Fellows, whenever available, played well at five-eighth, while the other backs, Williams, Woods and Beard, improved greatly in their attack and handling. Barnes at full-back played safely throughout the season.

The team thanks Mr. Rigby for his coaching and support.—(A. ANDREWS, 3C.)

8th Grade: In the first round of the competition we won only two games, but in the second round we had two wins and three draws—a marked improvement. All the team played very well owing to the coaching of Mr. Barbour who spent a lot of his time training us. We finished third in the competition.—B. CASEY, 2E, Capt.

9th Grade: We finished third in the competition. We had very bad luck when our full-back, D. Barnett, was not available for the vital match to decide second place, against Maitland Marist Brothers at District Park. We were beaten 5 to nil.

Throughout the season the team played well, but occasionally we all had our faults. Our best game was the second game against Technical High. We played under wet and muddy conditions at Connolly Park, Carrington. The game ended in a victory for us, 8 to 2, with Technical High forwards on the attack all the time. Our points came from two tries by our very fast outside-centre, H. Davidson (for one try he ran the whole length of the field), and a goal kicked by B. Parrott.

The best players during the season were the half-back D. Kibble, the five-eighth R. Parrott and outside-centre H. Davidson, who in another game scored eight tries. All the forwards played well.—O. KILPATRICK, 1E.)

Cricket

First Eleven: This year the First Eleven has not met with the success of last year's team. This is perhaps due to the lack of confidence of some of our developing 4th Year cricketers.

Our first match was against a strong Gosford team and it was evident throughout the match that our boys would be defeated, as our batsmen "knocked their knees" when facing the Gosford "terror," Benson. Gosford batted first and was able to score only 103 runs against the bowling of Sutcliffe (4-18), Whitehead (2-13) and Gledhill (2-15). However, our team was routed for 81 in a poor display of batting against a medium attack of bowling from Gosford.

Our second match against our rival school, "Tech," proved unsuccessful for our batting strength, as we managed to score only 69 runs. However, Technical High fared much worse, scoring 7-46 at the end of the first day's play. We were deprived of a win, as rain did not allow play to commence on the second day.

The next match of the season, the most successful, was one of which budding cricketers should take heed, as the platitude, "The game is never lost until it's won," was proved on this occasion. Maitland batted first to score 4-180 (declared). The match, however, was won, after a bad start of 3-27 at the end of the first day, as the score was taken to 8-229 owing to some fine batting by Thomas 59 (retired), Whitehead 40, Bailey 38 n.o. and Wellham 35.

In the last match, before the football season commenced, we were defeated by Hamilton Mari:it. The scores in this match were: Boys' High, 1st innings 76, Hamilton 1st Innings 7-134 (declared). Our second innings brought our total to 168. This meant that Hamilton had to score 34 runs to win outright within ten minutes before play finished. They scored sixteen of these for the loss of six wickets.

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Congratulations go to Whitehead and Wellham, who were selected in the Combined Northern High Schools' team to play the strong Metropolitan side, and also to A. Thomas, who was presented with the Gill Trophy for the most improved player.—(B. S. WELLHAM, Capt.)

2nd XI.—Our team this year is in the happy position of being undefeated after playing every team in the competition except Cessnock. The ease of the wins and the increasingly impressive performances of both batsmen and bowlers point to a successful season and perhaps even the capturing of the 2nd Grade premiership.

The best performances with the bat so far are those of Gorton, Connors and Andrews against Maitland and Park and Evans against Hamilton. The best bowling figures to date are those of the spinners, Hinde, who secured 5 for 13 against Tech, and Symes who secured 5 for 13 against Tech, and Symes with 6 for 24 against Maitland. Others who bowled well were Braggett, Buie and Connors.

The performance of our team is of secondary importance to the development of team-work and the ability of the players who will provide the senior team next year. Of these younger players Jones, Hinde, Andrews, Evans, Park and Harvey excelled while John Harvey was also chosen as captain of the State Under-14 side for a trip to Adelaide.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Ingram and Mr. Clarke both for their coaching and for their umpiring and we hope with their help to achieve success in this competition.—(I. SYMES, Capt.)

A Grade: So far our team has played two matches, both being first innings wins. The first match was won convincingly, P. Schofield and J. Lonie bowling well to dismiss Junior High for 21. Our total was 6 for 37. We would have won this match outright but for bad weather on the second day. The next match against Plattsburg was a much closer one. Plattsburg scored 116 in reply to our total of 8 for 118.

The most successful bowlers were P. Schofield and J. Lonie, and the best batsmen were B. Evans, P. Schofield and B. Cooper. The wicket-keeping of J. Wilkinson reached a high standard. The fielding of the team in general was patchy, but showed promise.

Much of the credit for our success is due to the strict attention paid to the team by our coach, Mr. Simpson.—(L. DAVIES, Capt.)

Under 14 Travelling Team: In the first match against Tech High we batted first and scored 99. Goffet (42) and Winsor (14) were the top scorers. Tech. were 4-35, but as it was only a one-day match it was drawn. In the second match against Maitland, Maitland could score only 58 owing to good spin bowling by W. Jackson (5-16). We scored 110, Roach top-scoring with 23. In the second innings Maitland scored 5-145 declared. We batted out



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time and won on the first innings. In the third match, Marist Brothers scored 142. We could score only 122 and were beaten on the first innings.

The team had J. Turner, K. Morton and G. Goffet in the Newcastle team and G. Goffet in the State team.—(G. GOFFET, Capt.)

B Grade Local: This team so far has played three games. The first match against Junior High was drawn. Boys' High scored 80, Horne scoring 22. In reply Junior High scored 2-9. The match against Central brought us a win. Boys' High batting first scored 115 (McIntyre 29, Mink 23). Central scored 81, Larkin taking 5 for 18, Allen 2 for 9. The next match, we lost, Cook's Hill scoring 79. Simpson took 4 for 27, McIntyre 3 for 25. In reply Boys' High scored 45 and 3-39, Yarrington scoring 10 and Johnson 10 in the first innings and Allen 18 not out in the second innings. I must mention Larkin. In the field he is brilliant and his returns are magnificent. The team is very grateful to Mr. Judge for his keen interest. We are second in the competition and we could win.—(K. YARRINGTON, Capt.)

Under 13 Local: Although we have started badly, I am confident that we shall improve as the season progresses. The best batsman to date is John Moore who has an average of 50 runs after two innings. Grahame Symes has batted well and the others have

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