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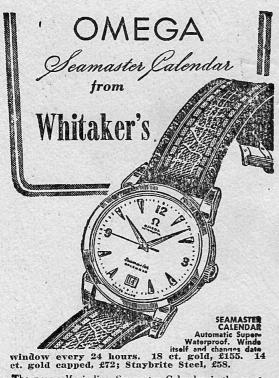


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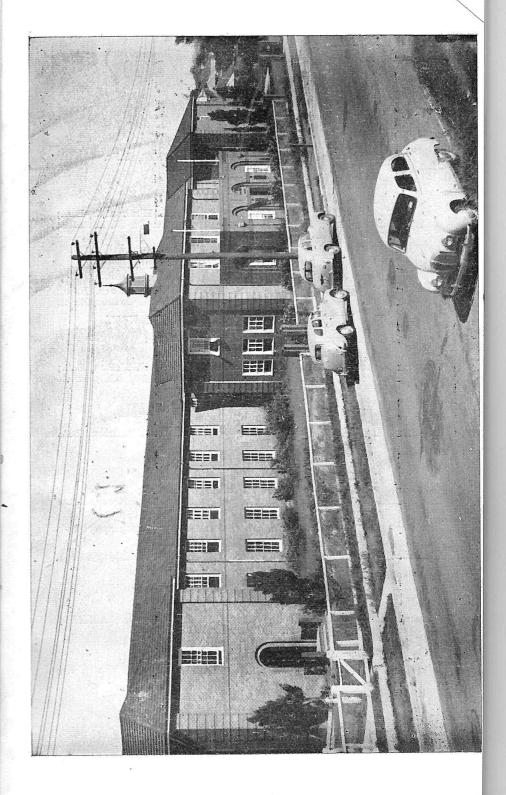
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Mr. R. Judge to Mayfield West.

Mr. G. Southern to Gateshead High.

Mr. C. Green to Armidale Teachers' College.

Mr. K. Graham to Blacktown High.

Mr. D. Moore to Newcastle Junior Technical High.

Mr. G. Kalmykoff resigned.

Mr. P. Irwin to Newcastle Teachers' College.



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HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

Many of you boys know all about training. Without solid training our Firsts would not have won the University Shield nor our Athletes the Lintott Cup. I wonder do you ever really think of school as a period of training for the life that lies ahead?

These are days when the whole world needs trained men. It is your duty to fit yourselves physically and mentally for doing a man's work and trying to solve some of the greatest problems that have ever confronted mankind. You need most of all to develop the right kind of character and attitudes so that you may have ideas which will benefit the community you enter when your school days are over. But ideas are not enough. You must be able to express them in such a way that they will influence other people. It is chiefly for this reason that we have introduced the course in Putlic Speaking into the school this year. Most of you, I am pleased to say, have already shown improvement in your ability to express yourselves. I hope that this improvement will continue and that by the time you leave school you will be capable speakers. Ours is a great language, but it is badly misused by very many people. You should set an example in good, correct English, spoken in such a way as will appeal to educated people.

There are many spheres in which this ability will be a great asset to you. The greatest satisfaction will come to you if you can persuade others to accept and follow your ideas and ideals. So continue to do your very best in this new section of your work, realising that you are in training for worthwhile leadership later on.

THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

Very soon the Fifth Year 1959 will be leaving the sheltering precincts of Newcastle Boys' High School. Each boy, however, will leave far richer than when he entered the school five years ago. In addition to scholastic knowledge, he will take with him some degree of true sportsmanship, high integrity and a clear sense of values; lessons learnt under the guidance of his teachers and the influence of his school.

Perhaps we might consider the school as a miniature world, in which we learn tolerance, understanding and respect for the point of view of others. The School has provided us with a wonderful experience. To gain it, each boy must participate in all school activities. The more activities in which he can join the richer the experience he will gain. It does not matter whether they be scholastic, sporting or social pursuits, they will all contribute to his development if they are tackled in sensible proportions. The main aim of every boy is a Leaving Certificate. It is unusual for any boy to excel in all of these activities but every boy can try, and keep on trying. Not only will he enjoy himself, but he will also



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develop qualities of perseverance and strength of mind which will make him a credit to the School and a worthy citizen of the future.

We must also thank the School for the wonderful companionship of our school days which is something we shall never forget, because of its warmth and unity. Never again will we have a close association with so many boys of our own age. Reminiscences of our successes and failures will flit through our minds, but, far above these will be the lasting memory of ourselves as pupils of Newcastle Boys' High School, united by the bond of equality in upholding the honour and fine traditions of our school.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the Prefects for the grand work that they have done this year, particularly Ron Welsh and Allan Cavanagh who have made my task so much easier. May I also thank Mr. McFarlane and other members of the staff who have given us great assistance during the year.

This time of universal insecurity and unrest will present each one of you a challenge to your principles and ideals. However, if you meet the challenge of each task as it comes before you, be it great or small, then the community will be the richer for your contribution.

With this in mind make the utmost of the few short years of school and participate to the fullest in all walks of school life. Never be idle, but strive with the motto in mind to attain greater heights for your school—"Remis Velisque."

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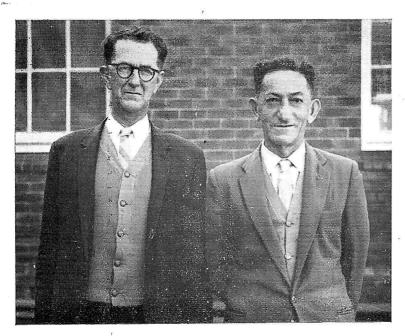
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TWO VETERANS RETIRING

When former students held a re-union dinner on 14th August this year to commemorate the official opening of this building twenty-five years ago, they honoured two of our teachers who had been members of the staff for the whole period. They were Mr. A. E. Denham and Mr. D. Davies. Both are retiring at the end of this year.

Their many friends in the school now and among former students will unite in wishing these two fine teachers the greatest happiness in their retirement. They have served the school and their pupils with a great devotion and have endeared themselves to large numbers of boys who are now in many places and varied walks of life. Many were the affectionate reminiscences heard at the Jubilee Dinner of "Danny" Davies and "Albie" Denham.

Mr. Denham was educated at Parramatta High School, to which he went from a small country school. He graduated from Sydney University in 1921 and gained the Diploma of Modern Languages the same year. After terms at Adelong, Tumut and Temora, he came to Newcastle in 1934, spent one year at the old school on the Hill and then came out to Waratah. When, in 1940, the Education

Department decided to appoint Careers Advisors to High Schools, this work was entrusted to Mr. Denham, and ever since then he has rendered wonderful service to school "leavers". But not only has he advised them on their choice of career. His warm sympathy and understanding have made him a wise counsellor to those who had personal problems. Many seniors will probably remember him best for his witty speeches at Fifth Year Farewells and particularly of late years, his presentation of the Trowel to the one who made the most flowery speech on that occasion.

Mr. Davies is a graduate of Bangor University, Wales. He served in the British Army in World War I. He came to Australia in 1923 and taught for a time at Unley High School in Adelaide. He then taught in Kempsey and Taree High Schools in this State and came to the old Newcastle High School in 1933. The following year he came out to this school when it was opened.

Mr. Davies will always be remembered by his former colleagues for his friendilness, sense of humour and general good fellowship in the staff room, and by his former pupils for his passionate devotion to mathematics, his earnestness in teaching it, his exasperation with boys whose love for the subject was not as great as his, but withal his kindness and genuine goodwill towards them all.

The whole school very sincerely thanks these two teachers for their service and wishes them a long and very happy retirement.

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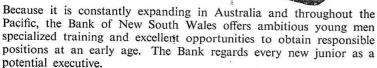
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PREFECTS' ELECT FOR 1960

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PREFECTS' PLEDGE

I sclemnly and sincercly premise to discharge faithfully the dulies of Prefect of Newcastle Beys' High School, to strive to set the highest example to the beys of the school, and to lead them in all that will enhance the school's efficiency, reputation and service to the community.

THE SCHOOL PLEDGE

I promise to be loyal to my Queen, my country, and the wider commonweal h of mankind; to do all in my power to up hold the good name of my school; and to strive to be just and honourable in all that I do.

SPEECH NIGHT, 1959

The most important occasion in the yearly life of any school is its Speech Night. That is the one time in the year when school and public join together to do honour to those from among the former who have attained the highest pinnacle to which they may aspire in the fields of either sport or learning.

It is easy to see, merely by looking at a Speech Night programme, the tremendous interest which is taken in the affairs of the School by the public. The long list of endowed prizes is the test testimony of public interest to be found — that, and of course, the large number of people who, every year, pack the gallery of the Newcastle City Hall to watch the prizes being distributed.

Speech Night 1959 followed the same pattern as all other Speech

Nights in that it was a success. The public was there, as always, and behind the School there was another year of achievement to be looked back upon with satisfaction. The record of the School had been maintained and enhanced by the wonderful Leaving Certificate passes which always seem to come our way. Records had been broken in the field of sport and there was a widespread feeling of pride in the School — pride in those of its number who had once more brought honour upon it.

The Lord Mayor of Newcastle, Alderman Dunkley, was the Chairman and, after giving the Chairman's address, called upon the Headmaster Mr. Beard to give his report. The Headmaster's Report was adopted, the motion of adoption being moved by Mr. F. Cooksey, the President of the P. and C., seconded by Mr. P. Larcombe. Mr. McQualter, the Staff Inspector, then brought greetings from the Education Department.

The evening was interspersed with brackets of songs from the School Choir and Madrigal Group, conducted by Mrs. Hindmarsh.

Following Mr. McQualter's address the prizes were presented. It is impossible in a report of this nature to mention all the prize-winners by name, but mention should be made of some of the more cutstanding — people like Richard Temple, Robert Allan, Robert Wilson ,Michael O'Neill, Barrington Howarth and Murray Marks —who distinguished themselves and brought credit upon the School by their performances at the Leaving Certificate Examination.

Following the presentation of prizes the vote of thanks was given by John Beveriage, the School Captain, and the evening was closed by the singing of the National Anthem.

GRAHAM BATES (4th Year)

INDUCTION OF PREFECTS, 1959

On Monday, 23rd February this year, the school went to the Century Theatre, Breadmeadow, for the ceremony of the Induction of Frefects, one of the highlights of school life.

After the School Song and School Pledge, the chairman, Mr. O'Connor, welcomed the guests. Following the chairman's remarks and the reading of apologies, the Headmaster, Mr. Beard, gave his address.

We were then introduced to the Captain-elect, Vice-Captain-elect and Prefects-elect who, after their pledge of loyalty, were invested by the Headmaster.

During the investiture, musical items were rendered by C. Worner and A. Lankshear (flautists), G. Laycock (violoncellist) and

D. Gee (pianist). They played a "Trio" by San Martini, and a "Vivace" by Loeillet.

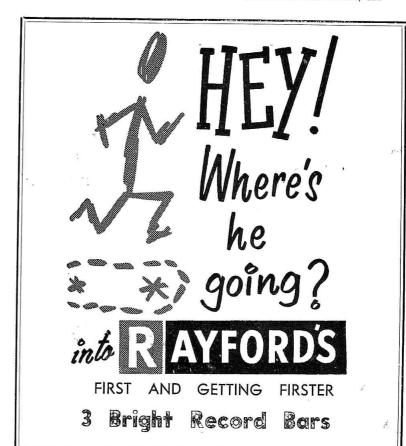
Congratulations were offered to the prefects by Ald. E. Dunkley, Lord Mayor; F. R. McQualter, Esq., Staff Inspector; F. Cooksey Esq., President of the P. & C.; and behalf of the other pupils, R. W. Hunter Esq., of 3A.

The reply was given by the new captain, John Beveridge, and an occasional address by F. J. Purdue, Esq., M.L.A., followed. The vote of thanks was moved by Ronald Welsh, the new vice-captain.

Ending the ceremony, the National Anthem was played by the school accompanist, Geoff Laycock.

The thanks of the school go to all who attended, to the musicians who entertained and especially to Hoyts Ltd., for the kind use of the Century Theatre.

RONALD HUNTER, 3A





1959 was a milestone in the School's history.

1934 marked the last year of "climbing up the Hill in the morning". During that year the school transferred to the new building at Waratah.

To commemorate this event, the School, in conjunction with the P. & C., held a dinner in order that Old Boys should have the opportunity of celebrating the growth and success of their school and of reliving those unforgettable moments in a student's life.

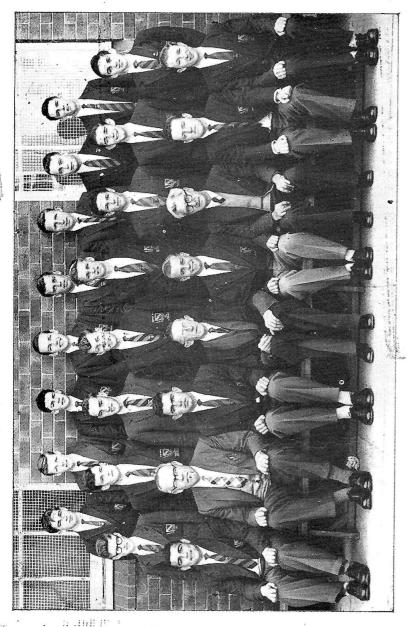
For this purpose, every endeavour was made to assemble all Old Boys of the past 25 years in the school hall where they had assembled years before. As a result, the hall on the night of 18th August was filled with representatives of all sessions including more than 20 pioneers,

Three members of the original Waratah Staff graciously attended; Mr. Charles (Daddy) Christmas, the Headmaster; Mr. Dan Davies and Mr. Albert Denham, both of whom have stayed with us to retire this year. The mere presence of these gentlemen did much to establish the atmosphere that permeated the hall that evening. Their reminiscences of bygone days, of former students and members of staff, brought back vivid memories to all present. To them must go cur sincere thanks and best wishes for the future.

The school has produced many personalities, most of whom returned to register their appreciation and respects to the institution which had fostered them. Mr. Peter Cole, Dux in 1953, gave the occasional address, a resume of "Scientific Research Today". Other Old Boys who either proposed toasts or spoke in response were: Mr. J. Anderson, Captain in 1935; Mr. Jack Davis, Captain in 1940; Mr. Robert Wines, Captain in 1958; Mr. Geoffrey Solomon, Dux in 1937, the latter's humorous responses argued well for the retention of Latin in the curriculum.

The School was honoured by many prominent visitors, namely: our Lord Mayor, Ald. Dunkley; our M.L.A., Ald. Purdue; our P. & C. President, Mr. Cooksey, and his fellow officers; Mr. C. Hardy, representing the Education Department. A popular "visitor" was the present Headmaster, Mr. Beard.

The formality of the evening was pleasantly broken by informal "Tales cut of School" and community singing. The walls of our Assembly Hall were shaken once more as we sang "Loud and True" -Remis Velisque.



Mr. F'. H. Cavanagh

PARENTS AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

With a record enrolment of over 1000 pupils the interest taken by parents in the affairs of the Association is most disappointing. It does not seem to be realised sufficiently that it is through its activities very practical and necessary assistance can be extended to all boys at the School.

In spite of the apathy of parents much has been achieved during the year under review.

Financially we have committed ourselves to an expenditure of £1244 all directed towards improving facilities at the School not provided by the Education Department. We have organised a number of activities to raise these funds. In addition we have made an appeal for direct donations to all parents and local business houses.

Greatest item of expenditure is £400 for provision of part time clerical assistance for the Headmaster. This has proved a wise move for it has enabled Mr. Beard to spend less time on administrative details and more amongst the boys.

The annual fete was seriously affected by rain and estimated income from this source was not realised.

During the year the two branches of the Ladies' Auxiliary decided to amalgamate. These ladies work very hard in the interests of the School. Their efforts are sincerely appreciated by the Association — without them we would find it difficult to function.

Strong efforts have been continued to have an adequate Assembly Hall built at the School — so far without success.

On the 18th August we had a Jubilee Dinner to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the opening of the present School buildings. Mr. Christmas, the Headmaster at the time, was one of the guests of honour at the function. It is worth mentioning that the School was erected during the depression of the 1930's and very little has been spent on it since.

The Association has affiliated with the N.S.W. Selective High Schools Parents and Ex-Students' Association. On present indications the Education Dept., intends to abolish the present Selective status of the School and the position is being watched carefully with a view to taking any remedial action considered necessary. This matter warrants far greater interest by parents.

The Association appreciates the continued interest and support of the Headmaster and his Staff. We thank them for their efforts to teach and train our boys in the fields of education and good citizenship.

This report would not be complete without thanking our Parliamentary and Civic Representatives for their help and encouragement throughout the year.

R. E. DRAPER, Secretary

In February of this year the two auxiliaries, Waratah and Bar Beach, combined to form the Ladies' Auxiliary of Newcastle Boys' High School. This amalgamation has proved an unqualified success.

Many enjoyable functions have been held, including a musicale, cabaret, card parties, play night and a teenage dance, each of which was also financially successful. A jumble sale and salvage drive helped to increase our funds as well. The Fete was, as always, the outstanding financial success of the year. Our annual Luncheon, held again in Winns' Shortland Room with Miss Beryl Boardman as guest speaker, was onjoyed by the many who attended, and was highly profitable also. In addition, we have catered for the P. & C. Social, speech night supper, "dad and lad" nights and the annual sports' day canteen.

The Book Repairs Group, which meets each alternate Tuesday at the school continues its excellent work in prolonging the life of school textbooks.

The Executive, under the leadership of our President, Mrs. Ambler, wish to thank all the ladies of our auxiliary for their enthusiasm and willing help throughout the year. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation to the methers who are unable to attend the meetings, but who support our functions and respond so generously to our various appeals.

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 10.30 a.m. in No. 2 Committee Room of the City Hall. We would urge any mother, who is able, to come to our meetings; new members are always welcome. Not only do we gain much personal pleasure socially, but we are doing worthwhile work in providing additional amenities which benefit each of our sons.

MARION GOODENOUGH, Hon. Secretary

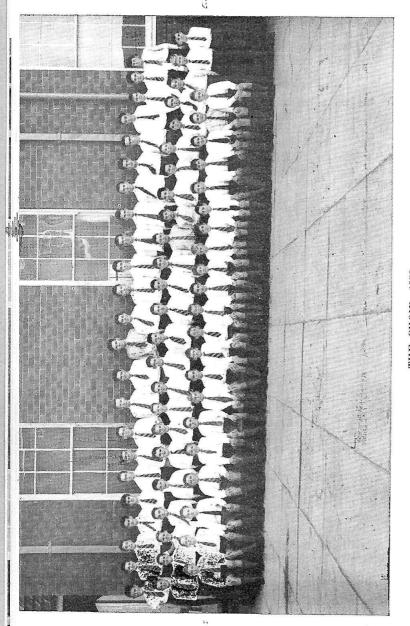
NEWCASTLE BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR REPORT

Despite a few setbacks, this year the choir has been ,once more, a great success.

We began the year under the able guidance of Mr. Rushton, who, although no longer music teacher, accepted Mr. Beard's invitation to continue with the choral work. Mr. Rushton left the school in July after having conducted us at Speech Night. Mrs Hindmarsh then took over and our repetoire soon increased.

A French concert was our next appearance. We sang a number dating back to the 15th century. We thank Mr. Goffet for his help in the pronunciation of the words.

As usual Education Week came around; much appreciated by the senior boys who combined with girls and boys from various Newcastle High Schools to form an Education Week Choir.



Arnott, J. T. Boleyn, MIDDL

Our Choir of 64 boys went down to Sydney to compete in the City of Sydney Eisteddfod. Hopes of coming first were high as a prize of fifty guineas was being offered by the Daily Mirror. We came third, being beaten by Punchbowl and Fort Street with one point separating the first three places. We had an enjoyable day visiting the War Memorial, Hyde Park, the Australian Museum, the Art Gallery and the Botanical Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Hindmarsh, along with Mr. Milne, accompanied us on this trip. Down in Sydney we once again met Mr. Rushton who had come to hear us sing.

An invitation to sing at the United Nations concert has been extended to us by Mr. Beard.

In closing, we would like to thank all concerned for their help, especially G. Laycock, 4th Year, our accompanist.

DOUGLAS BOLEYN, 4th Year GRAHAME STEEL, 4th Year

REPORT OF SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

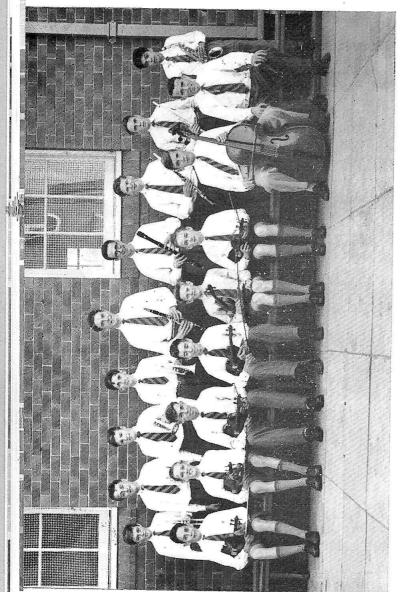
Towards the beginning of this year our new music teacher, Mr. G. Kalmykoff, a prominent flautist, formed a school orchestra comprising 10 violins, 1 'cello, 3 clarinets, 2 flutes, 1 alto saxophone, 2 trumpets, 2 cornets, and a piano. Together with North Sydney Technical High School and Liverpool High School we thus became one of the three schools in New South Wales to possess such an orchestra. Our practice steadily progressed and on April 17th, school fete day, we gave our first recital which proved to be a great success. Ironically, on this day of our first performance Mr. Kalmykoff left to become second flautist in the Hobart Symphony Orchestra.

Our misfortune was soon overcome. Mrs. V. M. Hindmarsh was appointed music teacher and she continued to lead us in an equally capable manner. Under this excellent supervision we prepared for our second public appearance when we played an introduction to the annual Speech Night on June 1st.

At the end of second term the orchestra and recorder band were forced to amalgamate cwing to the lack of time needed to control the numerous musical groups in the school. Though at first this union may appear unsatisfactory, it must be realised that the recorders helped the strings to balance the heavier instruments. At present we are rehearsing additions to our repetoire for a proposed musical evening in mid-third term and we hope to achieve an even higher standard of efficiency than we gained at the Fete and Speech Night.

Finally I would sincerely thank on behalf of the full orchestra both Mrs. Hindmarsh and Mr. Kalmykoff for their splendid leadership and for the generous devotion of their spare time for our benefit.

R. J. WORSLEY, Clarinet, 4th Year



G. Russell, R. Worsley, K. M. Johnson, E. Sullivan, by McRae Studios.

THE MADRIGAL GROUP

The Madrigal Group was formed by Mr. Rushton to sing Madrigals, which are songs requiring a small number of voices. There are about sixteen boys in the Group, ranging from 1st to 5th year.

On speech night, we sang a bracket of songs, and we are slowly increasing our repetoire. We hope to be able to sing at forthcoming school functions.

The Group is now conducted by Mrs. Hindmarsh.

G. MAINPRIZE, 4th Year

JAZZ BAND

This year a jazz band was formed under the name of "The Saints". It comprised John Beveridge, piano; Ken Muir, saxophone and clarinet; Bob Peters, trumpet; and Mick Hawkins on the drums.

Together we played at the school fete dance and since then at various other socials and parties. We have also been interviewed on 2NX's Saturday morning programme, "Young Ideas".

KEN MUIR 4th Year

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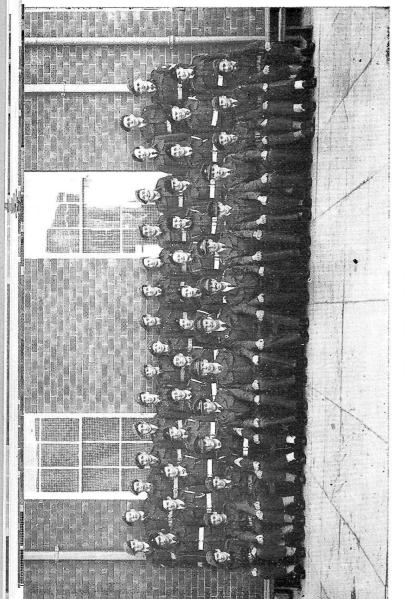
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Efficiency within the unit is stimulated by the trophy awarded each year for the most efficient cadet, markmanship being stimulated in a similar manner.

Cadets, who have completed their first year training, are introduced to specialist work — the M.M.G., the mortar, or advanced military training such as intelligence or medical work.

This year a bivouac was held at Seaham, near Raymond Terrace, where the unit was divided into sections, each section in charge of an N.C.O. A section had to cook its own meals, camping separately; the same routine being carried out by the Australian Army in Malaya. The weekend was enjoyed by all and we look forward to many more such bivouccs.

Capt. James and Lt. Smith receive the unit's sincere appreciation for a job well done. Capt. Marquet, who still takes keen interest in us, has our thanks.

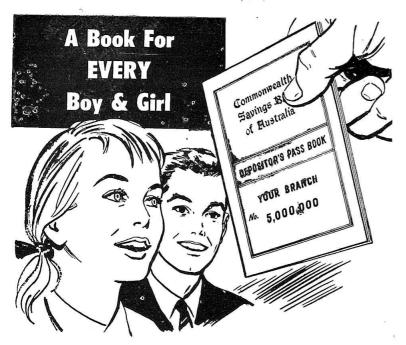
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During 1959, No. 21 Flight, Air Training Corps, has done much to provide this invaluable experience in leadership, confidence and self-discipline; qualities which are now much demanded in modern society.

What the unit lacked in numbers during the year, it certainly made up for with enthusiasm. Unfortunately, the full complement of the Flight was not reached at the beginning of the year, and even



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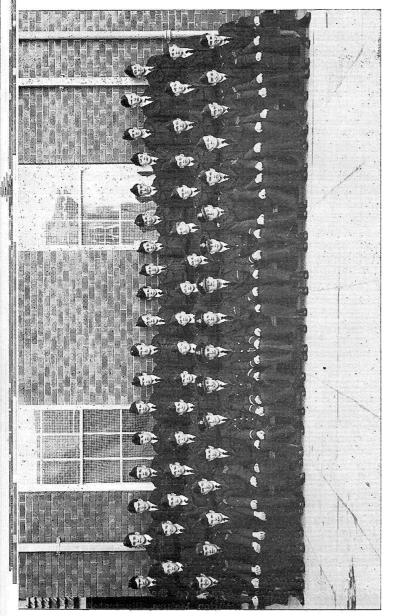
after a fresh intake in June, the unit remained below strength. Over the Christmas holiday period, No. 21 Flight cadets showed remarkable success in topping three out of six separate N.C.O. and Officer courses. The course toppers were: L.A.C. Brent, Junior N.C.O.; L.A.C. Cornish, Junior N.C.O.; F/Sgt. Finkelstein, Officer Course. These cadets were subsequently promoted.

Owing to the introduction of Public Speaking to the School in place of the Hobbies Period, there was a re-shuffling of training times, so as to accommodate our programme. Ultimately, lectures were held during the new extended lunch period, with training resuming at 3.30 p.m. For cadets of senior years, specialist training in Navigation, Wireless/Air Gunnery, Air Traffic Control and Ground Defence was introduced during the 8th period. In addition, an enlarged and revived syllabus of training for Basic Proficiency and Advanced Stages was inaugurated.

In the course of the year No. 21 Flight averaged one important function a month, outside the normal training times. As space will not permit mentioning all of them, it will have to suffice to mention only the more important. The unit participated in and won the Military Division of the March Past at the Newcastle Show. At the School's Annual Fete a specially trained drill squad performed in pouring rain the traditional and colourful "Changing of the Guard." During the May term holidays, L.A.C. Legge distinguished himself by topping his Junior N.C.O. Course at Rathmines. Twelve other cadets attended a General Service Camp at R.A.A.F. Canberra. As usual No. 21 Flight cadets participated in the Anzac Day Services on the Sunday at Sandgate, and the Saturday in the city at the Dawn Service and the City March later in the day. As customary, the whole Flight took part in the Empire Day March.

Early in June, the Commanding Officer of the New South Wales Squadron, Sqn./Ldr. E. G. White, visited the School for the first time in four years. He was greeted at the entrance to the school by a Guard of Honour in full ceremonial dress. Later in July, all precedents were broken when a group of cadets, representing a cross section of the Flight, took part in a series of two broadcasts over a city radio station. An outline of the organisation and activities of the A.T.C. was given. At the invitation of No. 16 Flight, A.T.C., with whom a close liaison had been made this year, 13 cadets attended a weekend bivouac at R.A.A.F. Williamtown on the 24th July. The Flight also broke new ground by holding a manoeuvre at Glenrock Lagoon on the 15th August which was solely organized by the N.C.O's. In the August-September holidays, a record number of 30 cadets attended General Service Camps and Junior and Senior N.C.O. Courses at Rathmines and Richmond.

The drill squad selected to compete in the Annual Inter-Flight Drill Competition in Sydney gave a display on the School's Open Day. A demonstration aircraft recognition lecture, illustrated by slides, was also given. Unfortunately, this year the drill squad did



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not take any prizes in Sydney, although many weeks of hard training had been spent.

Other innovations and points of interest in the course of the year were a model aircraft competition, with three control-line aircraft kits for section winners; a "Cadet of the Month" competition was run with the winner receiving a free flight from the Royal Newcastle Aero Club; general interest films were screened once every two months; a special pennant was donated to be presented to the top cadet of the basic training course at the Passing Out Parade; a number of Saturday morning parades was also held to carry out special training and enable cadets to use the rifle range.

The heartfelt thanks of the unit go to: the C.O. Flight Lieutenant Rigby and Warrant Officer Sheriff for their guidance; Pilot Officer Blunden for his assistance as Range Officer (we hope he will continue to assist this flight next year); the N.B.H.S. Senior Cadet Unit for their kind loan of lecturers and equipment; the Royal Newcastle Aero Club, school projectionists and the Cleaning Staff headed by Mr. Dan.

Footnote:

Long after I have left this school, I will have vivid recollections of Thursdays and Mrs. Murray, floor polisher in one hand, stop watch in the other, exclaiming "It's 4.30 — time to get out!"

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ANZAC DAY SERVICE

As there was no visiting speaker at this year's Anzac Day service, the school attended a simple ceremony in the assembly hall. The usual ceremonies were observed and Mr. Ray Perkins obliged with the Last Post and the Reveille.

B. COGAN, 5th Year

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.

S. W. A. S. S. C.

Although the year started off badly contributions have improved and there is now every possibility of fulfilling the budget drawn up earlier in the year.

During the year we have made contributions of £10 to the "Pensioners' Relief Fund", £20 to the "Barnardo Homes" and £20 to the "Children's Research Foundation". It is hoped that many more donations will be made throughout the remainder of the year.

I would like to mention the good work done by the Committee, especially our chairman, J. Beveridge, our treasurer, G. Edman, and D. Paul and K. Lye.

On behalf of the S.W.A.S.S.C. representatives, I would like to thank Mr. Beard for his interest and enthusiasm throughout the year and I hope that S.W.A.S.S.C. will do even better in the future than it has done this year.

T. MILLS, 4E, Secretary

THE INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

It is with much pleasure that we present this report to you from the I.S.C.F. group which has been active all through this past year.

This group is just one of many which meet in most of the Secondary schools in N.S.W. This year has been one of the best that we can remember and we can thank the recent Billy Graham Crusades for that; it was due to these Crusades that our numbers increased from the usual 15 or 20 to the now regular 30-35.

The group tried a new system of weekly meetings. One week we had a guest speaker and the next we had a specially prepared

study. The group was broken up into smaller groups, each under a Study Leader, and the study was discussed and thought over in this manner. It was found that this method was much more interesting and beneficial.

The Committee this year consisted of Leader; Assistant Leader, Jim Elder; Secretary, Geoff Kirkwood; Scripture Union Secretary, Paul Hughes.

Our grateful thanks are extended to Mr. Fuller, of the Manual Arts staff, for being our counsellor during the year and for the much-needed advice given by him.

I would like to take this opportunity of personally thanking Mr. Fuller for his help and also thanking Jim Elder and Ken Shaw for their co-operation as study leaders.

We have tried to present to the boys who have attended, the Gospel story in all its glory and power. May God bless the work of I.S.C.F. in the years to come.

MICHAEL ROBINSON, Leader (5th Year)

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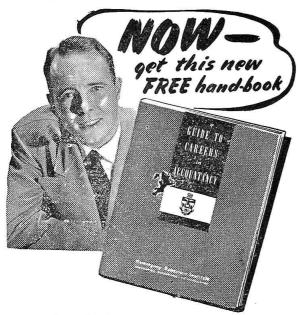
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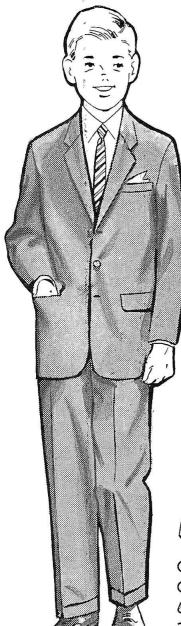
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- 12 Physics.
- 13. Chemistry.
- 14. Botany.
- 15. Biology.
- 16. Geography.
- II. Economics.
- 18 Music (New Syllabus).
- 19. Music (Theory and Practice).
- 21 Needlecraft and Garment Construction.
- 22. Home Economics.
- 3 Accountancy.
- 24 Agriculture.
- Geology.
- 25. Woolclassing.
- 27. Physiology and Hygiene.
- 28. Zoology.
- 29. Greek.
- 30 Italian.
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- Hebrew.
- Japanese.
- Russian.
- Dutch.
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- Woodwork,
- Metalwork.
- Farm Mechanics.
- Theory of Music.
- 11 Sheep Husbandry and Wool

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