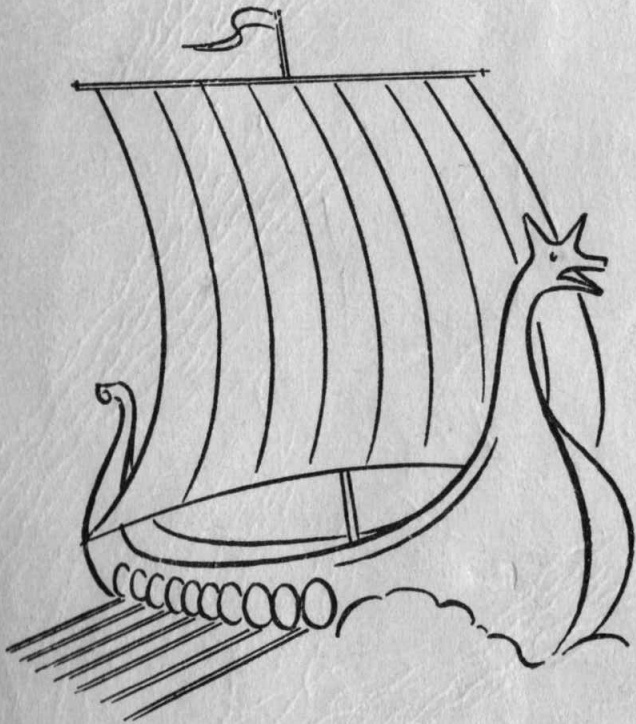
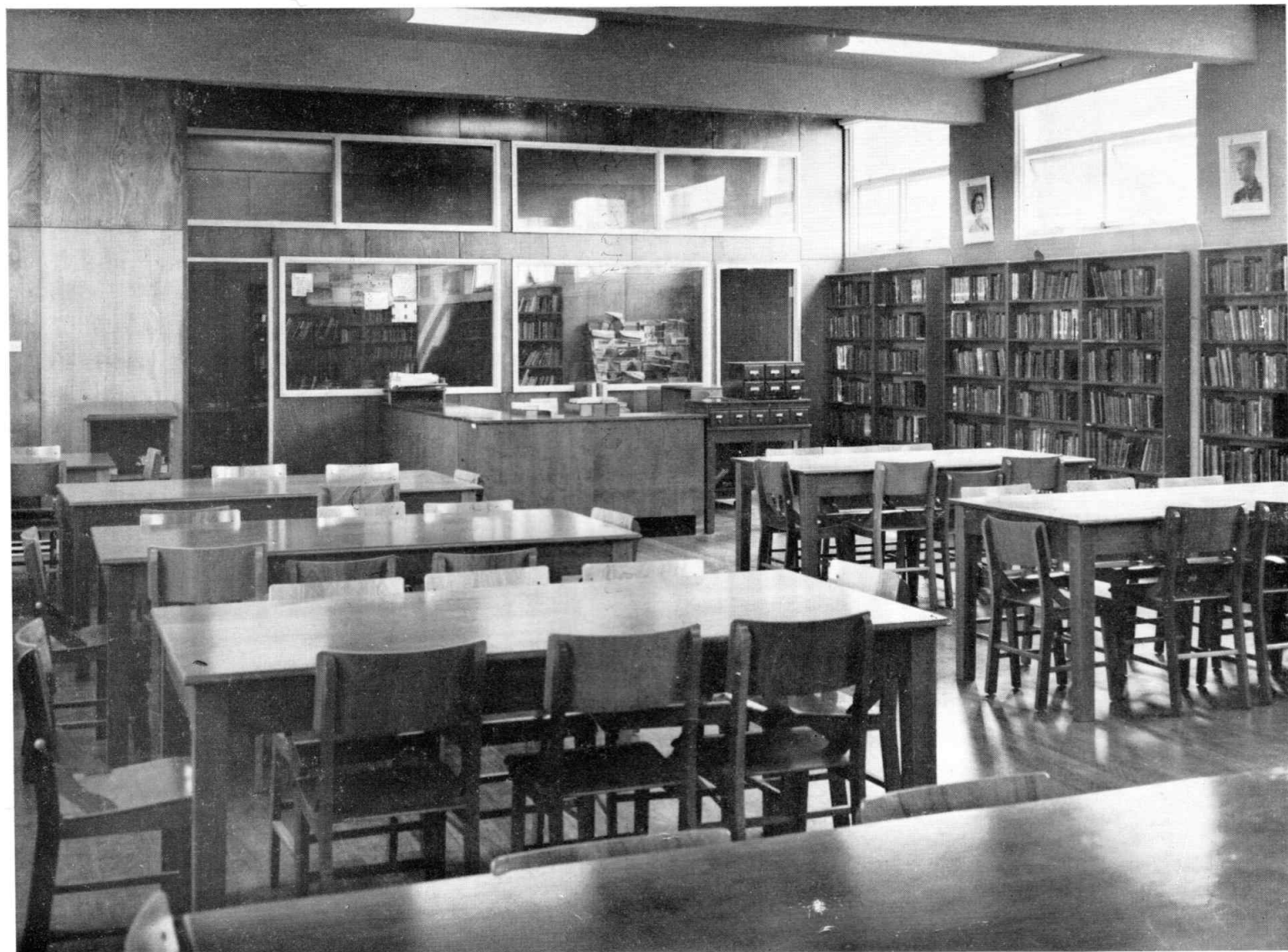


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THE F. H. BEARD LIBRARY

Farewell Issue

Best Wishes and Thanks

to

Mr. F. H. Beard

Staff at Newcastle Boys' High School Waratah

Headmaster: Mr. F. H. BEARD, M.A.

Deputy Headmaster: Mr. T. P. O'CONNOR, B.Sc.

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Asst. Masters: Messrs. J. E. Burrows, B.A.; J. E. Carter, B.A.; N. Fardell, B.A.; G. A. Kerr, B.A.; S. Rigby, B.A.; T. W. Blunden, B.A.; V. P. Rooney.

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School Counsellor: Mr. R. I. Birrell, B.A.

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J. HEARN, Morisset School

B. ANDREWS, North Sydney High
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Headmaster's Message

1963

My Dear Boys,

This is my sixteenth — and last — Message to the School in "The Novocastrian".

It is a wonderful experience to be in charge of a school like Newcastle Boys' High for sixteen years and to be able at least to try to have a lasting influence on the thousands of boys who pass through it. I said, "to try". Only you and your many fellow-students down the years can say if I have succeeded.

These have been sixteen very happy years in many ways. It is good to feel part of the next generation, to be associated with bright-eyed First Years entering a new world, to see them gradually change to the young men of Fifth Year, and then to rejoice with them at the great successes that come to them and the happy and useful lives that follow. I believe that this is the story of the great majority of our boys and so I leave the school full of optimism and confidence in the men of tomorrow.

There have been many disappointments, of course. The school is not Utopia, and we are often told that "boys will be boys". A minority take this to mean that boys must be foolish and irresponsible. Some are, but they need not be and should not be. Every boy who comes into the school has been selected because his natural ability and his primary school record show that he is capable of leadership. He is one of those whose task it is to make a better world, a world saved from the threat of nuclear destruction and devoted to bringing greater well-being and happiness to all mankind. It is a tragedy when he wastes his powers and does not become the best man he is capable of being. I cannot but be sad when I look back on a number of really brilliant boys who went astray and ended in great disaster and unhappiness. It was all so unnecessary. I would say to every one of our present students: Have a worthwhile goal in life and examine all the things you do to see if they will help you achieve it. Whatever anyone else may do, do not waste YOUR life.

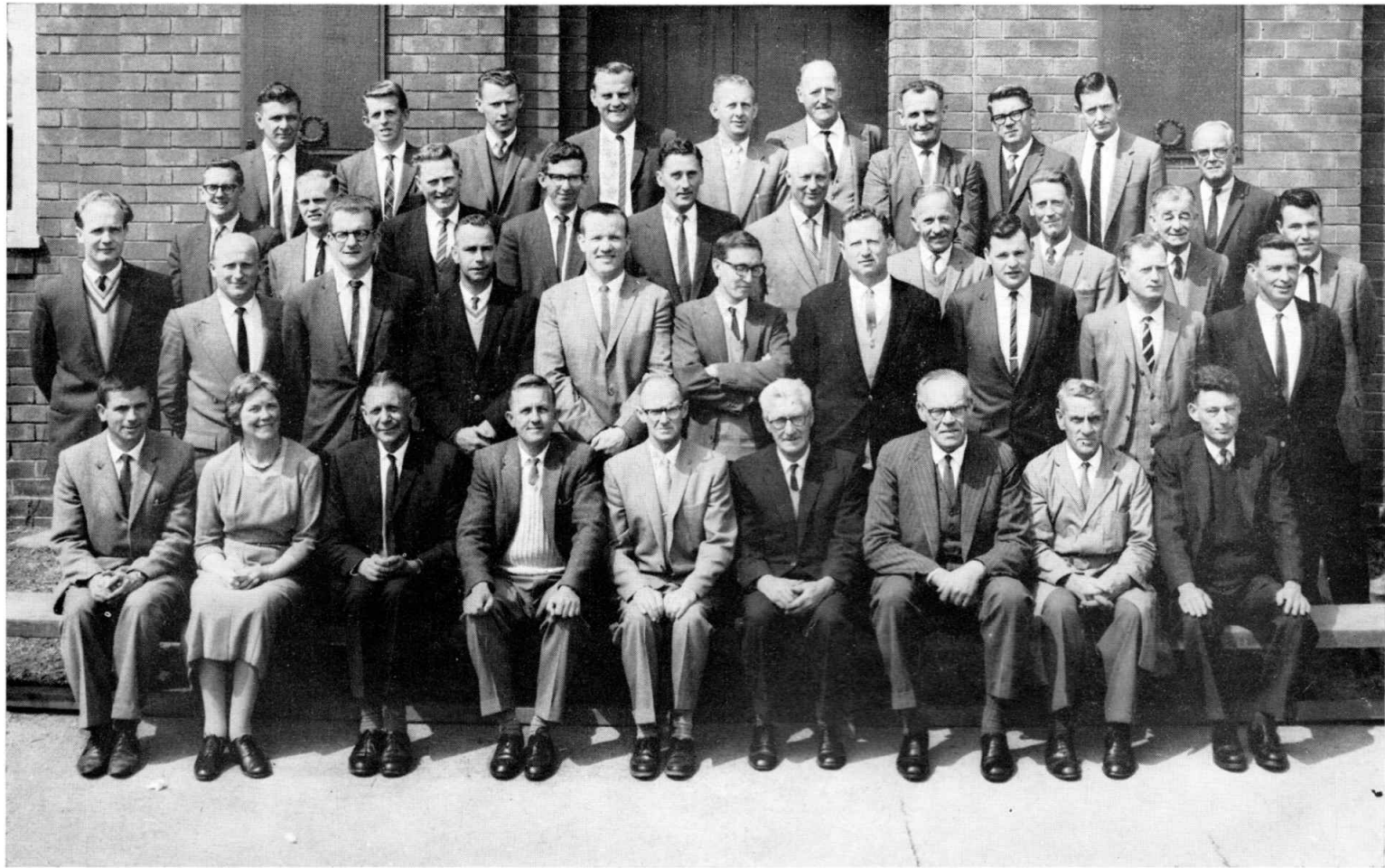
I am writing to you during a brief sojourn in hospital, and I have just come across something in one of the novels of John Steinbeck that I will pass on to you. Steinbeck is famous for his realism, which springs from a very deep understanding of life. Here is his summing-up.

"Virtue and vice were warp and woof of our first consciousness, and they will be the fabric of our last, despite any changes we may impose on river and mountain, on economy and manners. There is no other story. A man, after he has brushed off the dust and chips of his life, will have left only the hard, clean questions: Was it good or was it evil? Have I done well—or ill? We have only one story. All novels, all poetry are built on this never-ending contest in ourselves of good and evil." I leave that for you to think about.

My last word in this Message is one of gratitude to the whole school, past and present, for all the happy sides of our associations together: to the Deputy Head and the staff for loyalty, co-operation and good fellowship; to the clerical staff for fine, efficient service; to our friends in the tuck-shop for their care and consideration throughout my whole term here; to the Prefects for fine leadership every year; to the wonderful workers in the P. and C. and, finally, to you boys, for your brightness and friendliness, your ready acceptance of discipline and your real affection (whether you will always admit it or not) for your school.

And so I say farewell to you all. May you all fare well, indeed, throughout your lives.

F. H. BEARD



THE STAFF, 1963

Back: G. Southern, D. A. Abraham, J. Neilson, J. Shield, A. Smith, L. McRae, N. Fardell, C. Osborne, J. Quill, K. Hadfield.
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3rd Row: H. E. White, T. Blunden, H. Galvin, J. Carter, V. Rooney, M. Caillot, J. O'Donoghue, D. Carr, S. Rigby, R. Judge.
Front Row: K. W. Wilkinson, Mrs. V. Hindmarsh, R. J. Page, P. Mae hl, A. Judd, T. O'Connor, Deputy Head, C. McFarlane, C. McKenzie,
Absent: E. Willmot, C. Goffet, J. Buckland. S. Mudford.

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MESSAGE
FROM
INCOMING
HEADMASTER



Mr. L. T. Richardson

I must thank your Principal, Mr. F. H. Beard, for extending me the privilege of participating in the 1963 Novocastrian.

At the same time I extend my best wishes to Mr. Beard on his retirement this year from a field of work he understood so well.

I will only add that I am looking forward to sharing many years of hard and earnest endeavour in the field of education with the staff and students of Newcastle Boys' High School.

EDITORIAL

Every school, especially those of the importance and prestige of N.B.H.S., should have a school magazine, and every school magazine should present an interesting and factual account of every phase of that school's life. My colleagues and Mr. J. Carter have done their level best to produce a magazine comparable to any school magazine!

The response to a request for contributions to the production was large and of an extremely high standard; indeed we had a hard task to select the best in each group of poetry and prose, cartoons and illustrations, because of the quality of each contribution. We feel that this is the backbone of a school magazine and through it, boys are given a chance to express their varied talents. Without these contributions the magazine would be very dull.

This year is significant because our headmaster Mr. F. H. Beard is retiring after long and devoted service. It is only fitting that our magazine should be better than previous years, to give him something material to remember the pupils and staff of his school when he leaves. We hope we have filled this need.

The Editors—

R. CADDIES, T. CHADBAN, R. DAVIES,
R. MORGAN, P. NICHOLSON, C. SLATER.



EDITORS AT WORK

R. Caddies, P. Nicholson, T. Chadban, C. Slater, R. Davies (R. Morgan, absent).

PREFECTS, 1963

Captain: Paul Seale.
 Vice-Captain: John Hadfield.
 William Ainsworth, Robert Brown, Clive Cooper, Peter Drinkwater, Alan Gray, Geoffrey Gregory, Marvin Heaston, Anthony Lee, David Marchoni, John Marsden, Jeffrey Marshall, William Merrilees, Owen Morgan, William Oakes, Keith Reeves, Norman Ryder, Peter Sladen, Paul Tandy.

PREFECTS-ELECT FOR 1964

BRIGGS, Allan; BROUGHTON, Michael; BROWNE, Peter; COCKING, Glen; DUNNICLIFF, Trevor; EAST, Colin; HARVEY, Dennis (Senior Prefect); HOUGH, Richard (Vice-Capt.); JARVIE, Robert; JONES, Brent; KNOX, Phillip; LEACH, Geoffrey; MATHIESON, Bruce; MACNEILL, Alexander; PRIDEAUX, Barry; SLATER, Colin; TRAILL, Charles; TRAISE, Eric; WILLIAMSON, Darrell (Captain); WILSON, Bruce.

PREFECTS' PLEDGE

I solemnly and sincerely promise to discharge faithfully the duties of Prefect of Newcastle Boys' High School, to strive to set the highest example to the boys of the school, and to lead them in all that will enhance the school's efficiency, reputation and service to the community.

PASSING OUT PARADE

On Thursday afternoon, the 24th October at 1.30 p.m. the school attended the parade at Waratah Oval. An excellent display was provided by the A.T.C. and the Army Cadets. The official guests present were:

Alderman and Mrs. Bates (representing the Lord Mayor); Major and Mrs. I. D. Walis; Wing/Comm. D. C. Hurst, D.F.C. and Mrs. Hurst; Captain I. Marsh; Captain and Mrs. Marquet; Padre Heuston; Lt. R. Lyall, R.A.E.M.E.; Flt. Lt. C. Wepler; Mr. D. Geddes; Mrs. Sheriff; Mr. Sinclair; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dawe.



PREFECTS, 1963

Back Row: P. Sladen, K. Reeves, P. Tandy, N. Ryder, A. Gray, J. Marshall, M. Turnbull, I. Savage.
 Second Row: W. Oakes, P. Drinkwater, D. Marchoni, J. Marsden, W. Merrilees, G. Gregory, W. Ainsworth, C. Cooper.

Front Row: A. Lee, M. Heaston, Sen. Prefect, Mr. P. Maehl, Prefects' Master, P. Seale, Captain, T. O'Connor, J. Hadfield, Vice-Captain, R. Brown. Inset: O. Morgan.

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CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

Ours is a truly great school. With over half a century of tradition and outstanding achievements in sport and scholarship, it provides the perfect vehicle for all of us to develop our potentialities to the full.

The precious heritage of sportsmanship, good citizenship and high scholastic attainment handed down to us by former students, presents a perpetual challenge, which should be irresistible to every student who enters our school. If we take up this challenge and weave the motto "Remis Velisque" into the fabric of our school life, we will not have failed our predecessors or ourselves, for, in striving "with oars and sails" at all times, not only do we enhance the high reputation of our school, but we also do ourselves a great service, since at Boys' High we lay the foundations upon which our future careers are built.

Those of you who are newcomers will find that if you throw yourselves wholeheartedly into the life of our school, it will be a great and rewarding experience. Each year the bonds of loyalty will grow stronger until when the time to leave draws near, you will find, as has the present Fifth Year, that the school has become so much a part of you that whatever you do and wherever you go, you will never cease to take a pride in its achievements.

There is a saying that schooldays are the happiest days of one's life, but I would like to think that we can take this happiness with us when we leave our school and accept the wider challenges of life outside its sheltering walls if we conscientiously strive to retain the ideals and enthusiasms we have acquired during our years at Boys' High.

We would do well, too, to heed the words of fatherly wisdom which Shakespeare put into the mouth of Polonius when farewelling his son, Laertes.

"... to thine own self be true;
 And it must follow, as the night the day,
 Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Before concluding, on behalf of the school I would like to pay tribute to our Headmaster, Mr. F. H. Beard, who retires at the end of the year. During his term of office Mr. Beard has maintained the great traditions of leadership set by his predecessors. Each Headmaster bequeaths something of his own character to the school and Mr. Beard's legacy, I feel, is the ideal of responsibility to the wider commonwealth of mankind which has become an integral part of the character of our school.

Also I would like to thank my fellow prefects for their co-operation during the year, particularly Vice-Captain, John Hadfield and Senior Prefect, Marvin Heaston. We are all grateful for the help and advice we have received from Prefects' Master, Mr. Maehl, and other members of the staff.

PAUL SEALE

A REPORT ON THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE F. H. BEARD LIBRARY

Our new library was officially opened on the twenty-second of March this year, having been completed during the previous February. The official ceremony was the culmination of the efforts of our Parents and Citizens' Organisation to provide a library adapted to the increasing needs of our school.

Members of the staff and prefects received our guests at the school entrance, and conducted them to the seating which had been provided on the assembly area, while official guests were entertained in the assembly hall before the ceremony began.

The programme commenced with the National Anthem, after which Mr. Beard welcomed visitors and invited Mr. Cooksey to preside. Mr. Cooksey officially welcomed our guests, and the Lord Mayor, Alderman F. J. Purdue, extended a welcome to the city. Mr. E. Greaves, M.L.A., the member for Waratah, told us something of the steps which had been taken to have the library built, and also introduced those Members present.

We were next addressed by the Honorable H. Hawkins, Minister for Child Welfare and Social Service who spoke movingly of his associations with the school.

Mr. Wetherell, the Minister for Education, officially opened the library, and paid fine tributes, as did all speakers, to the service of our headmaster to the cause of education.

Mr. Beard spoke with gratitude of all those who had shown so much interest in the school during its comparatively recent history. He spoke for all of us when he praised the consistent efforts of the members of our P. and C., and of many others, in providing encouragement and assistance to all those who have ever belonged to Boys' High.

An expression of gratitude for the day was proposed by Mr. J. A. Archer, B.A., the District Inspector of Schools, who was supported by our School Captain, Paul Seale.

Unfortunately, the assembled school could only sing one verse of the school song before a fall of rain made it necessary to close proceedings. Guests were afterwards invited to inspect both the main library rooms and the Modern Languages and Science libraries.

J. HADFIELD

PRESENTATION NIGHT

On the 1st November, the Parents and Citizens' Association will hold a social evening to mark the retirement of Mr. F. H. Beard. The function is to be held in St. Philip's Church of England Hall, Edith Street, Waratah, and will be attended by official guests, friends, teachers, parents and members of the P. & C. Association. This gesture is part of the activities to support a testimonial to the Headmaster, who retires after many years of patient and unselfish devotion to the welfare of Newcastle Boys' High School.

RECENT RETIREMENTS

Throughout the years, Mr. Simpson and Mr. McFarlane have always done their utmost for the school and boys. This has not passed unnoticed and the school, staff and boys would like to congratulate them on a job well done and, with all sincerity, offer them our greatest appreciation.

C. McFarlane

1924-26—Botany.
1927—Balmain.
1928—Deniliquin Inter. High.
1929-31—Murwillumbah High.
1932-33—Casino High.
1934-47—Armidale High.
1948-53—Maitland Boys' High.
1953-64—Newcastle Boys' High.

J. Simpson

Intermediate and High Schools at:
Wellington
Sutherland
Chatswood
Kempsey
Newcastle

SCHOOL GUIDANCE

The purpose of this note is to express the gratitude of the boys of the school to both Mr. Birrel and Mr. Kerr for their great assistance to us in selecting courses best suited to our needs in the future and in helping many others study more effectively.

FATHER AND SON DINNER, 1963

The Annual Father and Son Dinner to farewell the fifth year students of Newcastle Boys' High for 1963 was held in the Winns Shortland Room on Thursday night the 24th October. The occasion was marked by the mixture of friendliness and regret which has become traditional for the most important event of student life in the school.

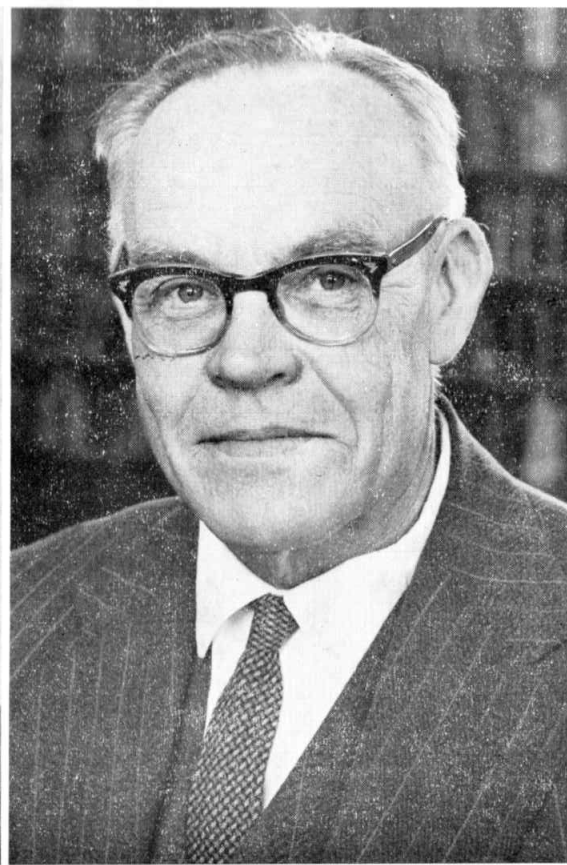
THANKS TO BEN

Many thanks to Mr. Timmins and his staff in the tuck shop for their service to the school.



Mr. J. Simpson

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Mr. C. McFarlane

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P. & C. LADIES' AUXILIARY

ANNUAL REPORT, 1962-63

I have much pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1962-63 of the Newcastle Boys' High School P. & C. Ladies' Auxiliary. The present membership is 78 and the average attendance is 30.

The Auxiliary has had a very busy year and we have endeavoured to keep in touch with every parent and to give them the opportunity of assisting the school in some way.

During the year the following activities have been held:

A Card Party in the Lady Mayoress's Reception Room and this was very successful.

Once again we had two Repertory Plays, one in October and one in April and both proved very enjoyable.

Dad and Lad Nights and Sports Day were catered for by the ladies and this work on Sports Day was lightened with the use of Oldham's Mobile Kitchen. The ladies also served supper to guests on Speech Night and afternoon tea to visitors on Open Day in Education Week.

Three very enjoyable Crazy Whist Parties were held during the year and the Auxiliary is very grateful to Mrs. McGarry, Mrs. Derwin and Mrs. Haynes for the use of their homes for these functions. A Tupperware Demonstration was held in conjunction with the Whist Party at Mrs. McGarry's.

A Teenage Dance was held in December and the Auxiliary were very disappointed with the response. A happy time was had by those who attended but the Auxiliary did not cover expenses.

The Auxiliary Christmas Party this year was held in the Hall and a very happy time was had by all who attended.

This year the Annual Luncheon was held in June and Dr. Staines was guest speaker. It was well attended and everyone voted it a great success.

During the year we had a Hat Parade in the School Assembly Hall and some of our members were mannequins. Although there was a very small crowd it was a very happy party.

We were invited by Lights to an Interior Decorating Display in June and this was very interesting.

The P. & C. Social was held in December and a cheque for £225 was handed over as the Auxiliary's donation towards P. & C. Funds.

This year the Welcome to New Mothers was held in February and after serving afternoon tea the mothers were taken on a tour of the School by the teachers. This proved very informative to the new mothers as well as to many of our members.

A Jumble Sale was conducted in July but we were very disappointed with the response from the School.

In March the F. H. Beard Library was opened and the ladies served morning tea to over 100 guests and a special Luncheon to the Minister for Education and his party. These two efforts were very ably carried out by the ladies.

In July we organised a Band Concert by the Transport Band. Aged people of the District were Special Guests and the night was a wonderful success.

As usual the ladies were very busy on Fete Day and they are to be congratulated for their well stocked stalls and hard work.

Twice a month throughout the year that wonderful band of women — the Book Binding Group — has been busy at school repairing and recovering text books and the beginning of the year they organised and sold new exercise books to the students.

To my fellow Executive Officers under the leadership of our President, Mrs. McGarry, I say thank you. It has been a pleasure to be associated with you and I wish the incoming committee success and continued support in the work they will be doing for your son's school.

M. HAWKES, Secretary

SPEECH NIGHT, 1963

Speech Night, recognized as the most important event in the school's calendar, was held in the City Hall on Wednesday evening, May 29th. It was well attended by parents and visitors.

Guests were entertained by some very pleasant introductory music provided by the School Orchestra, following which the Headmaster officially welcomed the visitors and invited the Lord Mayor, Ald. F. J. Purdue, to take the chair.

Students then sang the School Song and were led in the School Pledge by their Captain, Paul Seale.

After the Chairman's remarks, the Headmaster presented his Annual Report in which he made special mention of outstanding academic and sporting achievements during the year. Mr. Beard referred to the fact that this was his last Report as Principal of Newcastle Boys' High School, since he was to retire at the end of the year. Adoption of the report was moved by Mr. P. P. Sinclair, President of Parents and Citizens' Association, and seconded by Vice-President Mr. S. Norris, representing the Old Boys' Union.

Greetings from the Department of Education were delivered by Mr. W. A. Gelfius, Area Director, following which came the highlight of the evening, the presentation of scholastic prizes and sporting trophies to the successful students.

The number of prizes and trophies presented is practical evidence of the great interest taken in the School by its many friends in the community.

A vote of thanks was then moved by the School Captain, who, on behalf of the School, thanked all those who had contributed to the success of the function. He paid special tribute to the School Choir and individual performers for the part they had played in making the evening such an enjoyable one.

At this stage, a pleasantly informal note was introduced when Mrs. Hindmarsh rose and called for three cheers for the Headmaster.

The evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

PAUL SEALE

FAREWELL AND THANKS TO Mr. F. H. BEARD

Frank Harold Beard was born at Crookwell on 2nd November, 1898 and was educated at Young District School. In 1915 he entered the Sydney Teachers' College and from there he attended the University of Sydney studying for a degree in Arts. In 1917 he left to begin his teaching career at Young.

Five years later he returned to Sydney, where as an evening student he completed the university course to graduate B.A. in 1923. Some six years later he was awarded his M.A.

During his long teaching career many schools were to benefit from his ability, some being Petersham, Canterbury, Parramatta Intermediate, Lismore, Broken Hill, Bathurst and Newcastle.

His first promotion position was English Master at Broken Hill. Later he held a similar position at Sydney Technical High.

He served as Deputy Headmaster at Broken Hill, Bathurst and Newcastle, finally returning as Headmaster to Bathurst High, which he had served so well as Deputy Head. In 1948 he was made Headmaster of Newcastle Boys' High which he has now served so well for the last sixteen years.

Harold loved to teach. He had the well-being of the pupils at heart. Nothing was too much trouble if it was for the good of the boys. He was always a firm believer in education for world living. Therefore he continually encouraged pupils' interest in world affairs. He has great faith in the fundamental good of mankind and UNO and UNESCO have no greater advocate.

At one time, Harold was almost lost to the teaching profession, when that interest in the well-being of children, which is so characteristic of the man, caused him to take charge of the Far West Children Scheme for a year, but the call of teaching was too strong.

Harold was not only interested in children, for during the last thirty years he has been a tutor for the W.E.A. and the University Tutorial Classes, endeavouring to bring knowledge and understanding to those who unfortunately had missed earlier opportunities. His courses in Literature and Public Speaking have been appreciated by the hundreds of people helped in the many centres at which he has taught.

As a fellow teacher Harold was most helpful and friendly. Many teachers owe a great deal to his good advice and help both as Master and Headmaster.

Above all F. H. Beard is a gentleman and scholar who has given nearly fifty years of his life to the service of children in his schools and for the good of the community.

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.

SCHOOL SPORTS UNION

The Union is comprised of the Chairman, Mr. Beard, the Deputy Chairman, Mr. O'Connor, the Secretary and a teacher and boy representing every sport.

The purpose of the Union is to allocate a fixed sum — derived from school fees — among the various sports. Whenever a particular sporting group such as swimming or tennis — is in need of new equipment, it puts its demand before the Union. The Union then decides whether the group's request is justified, and if it is, the Union proceeds to purchase the equipment.

The Union also debates many sporting disputes, and as well as settling internal problems, offers suggestions to external bodies such as the Area Zone B Sports Committee. Improvements are continually being carried out as a result of the activities of the Union.

Unfortunately, this year was the least organized and worst attended in the history of the Union. Meetings were infrequent and achieved little. As a result of there being few meetings, there were naturally few allocations made — to the disadvantage of the boys who thus received fewer benefits.

On the credit side however, there has been some progress in available facilities. The recently opened swimming baths at Lamington has provided the school with a nearby modern pool. The tennis courts behind the school are continually being improved and have now been made available for our use.

It is with regret that our chairman, Mr. Beard is retiring. Mr. Beard has been chairman since the inauguration of the Union and I would, on behalf of the Union thank him for the keen interest he has shown throughout the years.

The year has ended with a favourable financial balance and with this to be carried forward to 1964, the boys can look forward to a very successful year.

W. MERRILEES, Secretary

TO Mr. PARKER AND THE CLEANERS

Even though their job is difficult and most necessary, Mr. Parker and his cleaners have done a wonderful job keeping our school clean and free of litter that we later bugs leave behind us.

As well as cleaning it is their responsibility to arrange for examination rooms, the school functions and general caretaking duties. It is very much appreciated. Thank you!

SCHOLARSHIPS

This year two fourth year boys, Allan Fenwick and Peter Browne each gained a Gowrie Scholarship worth £40 p.a. and a Shell Bursary worth £30 p.a. Only 12 Gowrie Scholarships are awarded at the intermediate level throughout Australia and 8 Shell Bursaries in N.S.W. Although the School has gained both Shell and Gowrie Scholarships before, this is the first time that two Gowrie Scholarships and two Shell Bursaries have been gained in the same year.

YEAR PRIZES, 1962

4th YEAR PRIZE LIST

1. Algis Seskus.
2. Paul Tandy.
3. Paul Seale.
4. Colin Bowers.
5. Richard Heath.
6. Peter Sladen.

First in—

English: Aldis Svirskis.
Latin: James Coleman.
French: Alan Gray.
German: Leo Hillman.
Maths I: Algis Seskus.
Maths II: Paul Tandy.
Gen. Maths: William Oakes.
History: Bryan Cowling.
Physics/Chem.: Geoffrey Gibbs.
Physics: Rohan Hall.
Chemistry: Richard Heath, Paul Tandy.
Geography: David Whiteside.
Economics: Leo Hillman, Roger Zimmerman.
Des. Geometry: Graham Askey.
Accountancy: Graeme Harrison.

3rd YEAR PRIZE LIST

- Dux: Peter Browne.
2nd: Allen Fenwick.
3rd: Robert Jarvie.
4th: Peter Johnston.
5th: Glen Cocking.
6th: Gary Leslie.

P. & C. Prizes for First in—

English: Peter Browne.
Latin: Bruce Lightfoot.
French: Peter Browne, Allen Fenwick, Peter Johnston.
German: Peter Browne.
Maths I: Peter Browne, Glen Cocking.
Maths II: Peter Browne, Robert Jarvie.
History: Glen Cocking.
Elem. Science: Glen Cocking, Noel White.
Geography: Eric Traise.
Social Studies: John Minehan.
Business Principles: Darrell Williamson.
Desc. Geometry: Paul Simpson.
Ladies' Auxiliary Prizes for First in—
3A: Peter Browne.
3B: Robert Jarvie.
3C: Peter James.
3D: Darrell Williamson.

2nd YEAR PRIZE LIST

- Dux: Ian Wood.
2nd: Eric Gibbons.
3rd: Tony Mears.
4th: John Percy.
5th: Ian Henderson.
6th: Philip McLeod.

P. & C. Prizes for First in—

English: Alan Lawson.
Latin: Eric Gibbons, Ian Wood.
French: Ian Wood.
German: Ian Wood.
Maths I: Eric Gibbons, Robert Green.
Maths II: Eric Gibbons, Tony Mears.
History: Tom Tyler.
Elem. Science: Tony Mears.
Geography: Robert Humby.
Social Studies: Graeme Ormerod.
Business Principles: Gregory Bell.

Desc. Geometry: John Debnam.
Ladies' Auxiliary Prizes for First in—
2A: Ian Wood.
2B: Ross Boyd.
2C: Jeffery Allison.
2D: Phillip Coulter.

1st YEAR PRIZE LIST

Dux: Bruce Jenkins.
2nd: David Whitford.
3rd): Robert Crossman.
) : Peter Herrald.
5th: David Bewley.
6th: Grahame Edgar, David Wells.
P. & C. Prizes for First in—
English: Richard Johnstone.
French: Peter Herrald.
Maths I: Peter Herrald.
Maths II: Grahame Edgar.
Elem. Science: Laimonis Kavalieris, Geoffrey Woodman.
Social Studies: Bruce Jenkins.
Art: Robert Krempin.
Woodwork: Thomas Bennetts.
Ladies' Auxiliary Prizes for First in—
1A: Bruce Jenkins.
1B: Peter Inglis.
1C: Geoffrey Woodman.
1D: David Whitford.

CAREERS ENTERED BY 1962 LEAVING CERTIFICATE STUDENTS

University Engineering 20. Science 10, Arts 8, Medicine 5, Pharmacy 1, Metallurgy 1, Architecture 3, Commerce 10, Law 2, Teachers' College/Uni. 12. Other University courses 6, Accountancy 15, Clerical 14, Engineering 3, Journalism 2, Teachers' College 20. Others 20.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1962

142 Passes, Honours gained 40.

COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS, 1962

Bear, J. W.; Bell, C. A.; Boleyn, T. A.; Brady, J. R.; Clulow, E. B.; Maclaine-Cross, A. D.; De Jaeger, G.; Duncan, R. L.; Dunipace, M. R.; Ferguson, R. L.; Gross, C.; Harris, G. B.; Jones, R. G.; Karpel, R. A.; Kisi, J.; Martin, G. S.; Mathieson, J. G.; Melidonis, E.; Miller, J. H. B.; Moss, K. J.; Nelson, J. W.; Newman, S. P.; Rees, G. D.; Robinson, M. W.; Scott, O. J.; Smith, G. B.; Solomons, D. K.; Stevens, P. C.; Tarsis, N.; Wawrzyniak, S.; Williams, M. J.; Wines, H. C.; Wynter, S. M.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1962

148 Passes.

WILLIAM HARRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Colin East.

GOWRIE SCHOLARSHIPS

P. Browne, A. Fenwick.

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

J. Ramsden.

MAYFIELD ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

J. Hoskins, G. Gibson, M. Duckworth.

WARATAH-MAYFIELD R.S.L. SCHOLARSHIP

G. Cotterill.

SHELL BURSARIES

P. Browne, A. Fenwick.

SCHOOL PRIZES, 1962

SPECIALS

James Meikle Memorial Prize: Garry De Jaeger.
 Elizabeth Meikle Memorial Prize: Gwyn Gibbons.
 Kenneth Sanderson Memorial Prize: Graham Smith.
 Finlay Donald McLeod Memorial Prize: Malcolm Williams.
 Ross Mearns Prize: Malcolm Williams.
 Basil Helmore Prize: Darrell Williams.
 Capt. John Cleary Memorial Prizes:
 L.C. English: Malcolm Dunipace.
 L.C. History: Malcolm Dunipace, Paul Stevens.
 W. V. Cochrane Memorial Prize:
 L.C. Chemistry: John Mathieson.
 Allan J. Way Prizes:
 L.C. Physics: Graham Smith.
 4th Year Physics: Rohan Hall.
 4th Year Chemistry: Richard Heath, Paul Tandy.
 Murree Allen Memorial Prize:
 L.C. Combined Physics-Chemistry: Graeme Harris.
 Jean Mackie Prize, L.C. French: John Nelson.
 Jane Warnes' Memorial Prizes:
 L.C. Geography: Paul Cave.
 L.C. Economics: Geoffrey Leonard.
 Ladies' Auxiliary Prizes:
 L.C. Maths I: Giles Martin.
 L.C. Maths II: Malcolm Williams.
 L.C. Gen. Maths: Terence Curran.
 Soroptomist Club Prize for L.C. German: Michael Robinson.
 German Consulate Prizes:
 5th Year: Michael Robinson.
 4th Year: Leo Hillman.
 3rd Year: Peter Browne.
 2nd Year: Ian Wood.
 Business Men's Club Prizes:
 L.C. Accountancy: David Gubbay.
 4th Year Accountancy: Graeme Harrison.
 Hunter the Stationer's Prize for L.C. Desc. Geometry & Drawing: Robert Ferguson.
 Alliance Francaise Prizes:
 1st in 2nd and 4th Years French: Ian Wood (2A), Alan Gray (4A).
 Yearly Examination Certificates:
 Junior: Peter Browne (3A); Senior: Aldis Svirskis (4A), Peter James (3C), Robert Booth (3C), David McGeachie (4D).
 Fred. Smith Memorial Drama Prize Gregory Saxon, David Morris.
 Current Affairs Prizes:
 4th Year: Paul Seale.
 3rd Year: Peter Browne.
 2nd Year: Ian Wood.
 1st Year: David Wells.
 Contributions to School Magazine:
 Best Article: James Reynolds.
 Best Drawing: Robert Allen.
 Best Poetry—Senior: Peter Sladen.
 Junior: Christopher North.
 Best Original Prose—Senior: John Sampson.
 Junior: Ian Wood.

Public Speaking—Senior: John McIntosh.
 Junior: Paul Seale.

Public Speaking Cup for Class Competition—
 Senior: 3C.
 Junior: 1A.

School Service: David Marriott, Alan McKim (Library), Brian Cowling (Textbooks), Ian Savage (Cadets), Richard Gaut, Colin Gross (A.T.C.), Stanley Warren, Egon Michalcuks, Paul Harding, Stephen Archer (Music).

Special School Service Robert Allen.

Shortland Shield: N.B.H.S. Cadet Unit.

Aust. Air League Trophy: N.B.H.S., 21 Flight.

Annual Rifle Drill Challenge Cup: Air Training Corps.

Best Passes at Leaving:

1. Garry De Jaeger.
2. Graham Smith.
3. Giles Martin.
4. John Nelson.
5. Stuart Wynter.
6. Graeme Harris.

First in L.C. Latin: John Nelson.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE, 1963

ABERY, M., 5B.
 ALLEN, D. M., 1A, 5B.
 ALLEN, S. J., 1A, 5B.
 ANDREW, B. H., 3A, 3B.
 ANTHONY, S., 1A, 5B.
 ATTWOOD, W. D., 2A, 4B.
 BARRETT, W. G. H., 1H2, 1A, 3B.
 BEAR, J. W., 5A, 1B.
 BELL, G. A., 4A, 2B.
 BENTLEY, P. G., 5B.
 BENTLEY, P. R., 1H2, 3A, 2B.
 BEVERIDGE, S. J., 3A, 3B.
 BOLEYN, T. A., 6A.
 BRADY, J. R., 3A, 3B.
 BRAGG, P. J., 2A, 4B.
 BRIGGS, D. S., 2A, 3B.
 BURNS, J. S., 3A, 3B.
 BURT, W. E., 1A, 3B.
 CADELL, K., 1A, 5B.
 CARRICK, J. D., 2A, 4B.
 CAVE, P. B., H1, 1A, 3B.
 CHARLTON, P. R., 2A, 4B.
 CHENERY, E. P., 2A, 4B.
 CLAPHAM, J. G., 1A, 5B.
 CLARKE, G. T., 1A, 5B.
 CLULOW, E. B., 3A, 3B.
 COLLINS, D. J., 3A, 1B.
 COLLINS, L. T., 4A, 2B.
 COMPTON, J. P., 2A, 4B.
 COOPER, J. A., 4A, 2B.
 COULTON, R. H., 3A, 3B.
 CROOK, R. W., 1A, 4B.
 CUMMINGS, D. G., 2A, 3B.
 CURRAN, T. J., 3A, 3B.
 DAVIS, S. W., 5B.
 De JAEGER, G., H1, H2, 4A.
 DICK, A. R., 2A, 4B.
 DUNCAN, R. L., H2, 4A, 1B.
 DUNIPACE, M. R., H1, H2, 2A, 2B.
 DYJAK, J. W., 6B.

EDDY, P. W., 5B.
 FAUCHON, M. J., 2A, 2B.
 FELTON, R. H., 1A, 3B.
 FERGUSON, K. M., 5B.
 FERGUSON, R. L., H2, 3A, 2B.
 GAUT, R. E., 1A, 5B.
 GIBBS, B. M., 3A, 3B.
 GILSON, D. K., 2A, 4B.
 GORDON, J. S. K., 2A, 4B.
 GRAY, L. D., 1A, 4B.
 GREAVES, P. L., 2A, 3B.
 GRIFFITHS, J. W., H2, 1A, 4B.
 GROSS, C., H2, 5A.
 GUBBAY, D. R., 2A, 4B.
 HARLE, G. J., 5B.
 HARRIS, G. B., H1, H2, 4A.

HATCH, R. J., 1A, 5B.
 HEPPER, R. W., 4B.
 HETHERINGTON, J., 5B.
 HILLS, K., 1A, 5B.
 HOWLAND, R. J., 5B.
 HUGHES, P. S., 2A, 4B.
 JACKSON, J. W., 3A, 3B.
 JONES, G. P., 2A, 4B.
 JONES, H. L., 1A, 4B.
 JONES, R. P., 5B.
 JONES, R. G., 4A, 2B.
 KANE, G. M., 1A, 4B.
 KARPIEL, R. A., H2, H2, 1A, 3B.
 KARPIN, P. A., 2A, 4B.
 KISI, J., 6A.



DUX AND RUNNER-UP — 1st to 4th YEAR

Back Row: A. Seskus, P. Tandy, P. Brown, A. Fenwick.
 Front Row: P. Jenkins, W. Whitford, Mr. O'Connor, I. Wood, E. Gibbons.

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 LAYMAN, P. F., 1A, 3B.
 LEACH, J. R., 4B.
 LEONARD, G. J., H1, 5B.
 LION, D. A., 2A, 4B.
 LONG, K. C., 3A, 3B.
 LOVELL, I. H., 1A, 4B.
 LOWE, A. W., 4B.
 LOWE, D. E., 1A, 4B.
 McINTYRE, T. J., 3A, 3B.
 McPHERSON, D. J., 1A, 5B.
 MacLAINE-CROSS, A. D., H2, 5A.
 MAROSSZEKY, M., 1A, 5B.
 MARTIN, G. S., H1, 5A.
 MATHIESON, J. G., H1, H2, 3A, 1B.
 MELIDONIS, E., H2, H2, 3A, 1B.
 MICHALCUKS, E., 6B.
 MILLER, J. H., 4A, 2B.
 MILLER, P. J., 2A, 4B.
 MINTER, G. D., 5B.
 MOSS, K. J., 5A, 1B.
 NAKKAN, A. E., 1A, 5B.
 NELMES, J. H., 4B.
 NELSON, J. W., H1, H2, 4A.
 NEWMAN, S. P., H2, 4A, 1B.
 NICOLLE, F. W., 1A, 4B.
 OLDHAM, N. W., 2A, 3B.
 O'TOOLE, I. W., 1A, 5B.
 PARSONS, K. E., 1A, 5B.
 PERCY, I. F., 3A, 3B.
 PERRETT, P. L., 4B.
 RANDALL, D. A., 1A, 5B.
 REES, G. D., 4A, 2B.
 RILEY, J. W., 2A, 4B.
 ROBERTS, R. D., 5B.
 ROBINSON, B. C., 4B.
 ROBINSON, M. W., H1, H1, 3A, 1B.
 ROGERS, R. A., 4A, 2B.
 ROWE, B. E., 1A, 5B.
 SAXON, D. C., 2A, 4B.
 SCOTT, O. J., 6A.
 SHARP, J. M., 1A, 5B.
 SHEEDY, P. F., 4A, 2B.
 SMITH, G. B., H1, H1, 2A, 2B.
 SMITH, M. J., 1A, 4B.
 SMITH, P. M., 5B.
 SOKOLOWSKI, A. P., 4B.
 SOLOMONS, D. K., H2, 1A, 4B.
 STEVENS, P. C., H1, H2, 2A, 1B.
 STOKOE, M. L., 5B.
 TARSIS, N., H1, H2, 2A, 2B.
 THURLOW, J. C., 4B.
 TICKLE, F., 2A, 4B.
 TOWNSEND, J. L., 1A, 4B.
 TREGLOAN, K. A., 1A, 5B.
 TRIMMER, P. E., 1A, 5B.
 TROUGHEAR, A. J., 1A, 5B.
 TURNBULL, M. J., 5B.
 VIRTUE, K. R., 4A, 2B.
 WARREN, S. R., 5B.
 WAWRZYNIAK, S. J., H2, 3A, 1B.
 WHEATLEY, P. G., 4B.
 WILLIAMS, G. F., 3A, 3B.
 WILLIAMS, M. J., H2, H2, 1A, 3B.
 WILSON, F. R., 3A, 3B.
 WINES, H. C., H2, 4A, 1B.
 WINGETT, B. E., 3A, 3B.
 WOOD, R. W., 3A, 3B.
 WYNTER, S. M., H1, H2, 3A, 1B.
 YARROW, D. W., 6B.
 15 H1; 25 H2.

INTERMEDIATE PASSES, 1962

Ainsworth, P. J.; Alderton, R.; Alexander, B. T.; Alexander, R.G.; Andrew, J. J.; Archer, S. J.; Armstrong, G.

Barlow, G. E.; Bates, W. J.; Beautement, R. P.; Booth, R. J.; Bowman, D. B.; Box, E. T.; Briggs, A. J.; Britton, P. W.; Broadfoot, I.; Broughton, M.A.; Browne, P. G.; Buckton, R. A.; Bunting, R. G.; Burn, E. J.

Caddies, R. N.; Caddy, R.; Cairns, B. J.; Campbell-Jones, C.; Chadban, T. D.; Chapman, D. J.; Chegwidan, K.; Chenery, P. H.; Clapham, S. J.; Clark, D.; Cocking, G. D.; Coles, T. J.; Conn, R. J.; Considine, P. J.; Coppock, P. G.; Cotterill, G. I.; Cousins, J.; Cousins, P. G.; Cowan, N. R.; Cow, P. I.; Creswick-Jackson, A.

Davidson, I. S.; Davies, R.; Davies, W. T.; Dearing, G. J.; Delves, P. W.; Drummond, I. B.; Duckworth, M. J.; Dunncliff, T. R.

East, C. P.

Fenwick, A. J.

Gibson, G. A.; Gittins, R. R.; Gray, D. A.; Groves, J. C.

Harcombe, D. J.; Harding, P. G.; Hartcher, R.; Harvey, D. J.; Henderson, C. R.; Henderson, G. B.; Hearne, L. R.; Heslop, J. T.; Huluer, J.; Hofman, P. A.; Homard, R. R.; Hoskins, J. A.; Hough, R.

James, P. A.; Jarvie, R. J.; Jenkins, P. E.; Johnston, P.; Jones, B. S.; Jones, G. W.

Kaminski, E.; Kelty, D. C.; Knott, M.; Knox, P. D.

Laffan, T. G.; Leach, G. M.; Leslie, G.; Lightfoot, R.; Llewellyn, J. G.; Linter, T.; Loveday, G. J.

MacNeill, A. R.; McGarry, J.; McKimm, W. G.; McLennan, J. W.; Mack, J. J.; Markus, A.; Marriott, J. R.; Marshall, G. R.; Marshall, W.; Martin, A. P. G.; Mathieson, R. B.; Mills, D. R.; Minehan, J. R.; Moore, S. W.; Muliane, G. R.; Musson, D. H.

Newman, G. K.; Nicholson, P. J.; Neilsen, G. C.; Norris, R. C.; North, C. M.

O'Sheades, G. R.

Palmer, K. D.; Parsons, I. R. G.; Pascoe, L. J.; Paterson, M. G.; Peebles, C. D.; Pegg, J. E.; Perkins, N. J.; Perry, I. H.; Pratt, I. D.

Reid, C. R.; Rendle, J. A.; Reynolds, E.; Ritchie, G. S.; Robertson, R. T.; Robson, G. J.; Rolfe, S.; Rushton, G.

Sampson, M.; Screen, G.; Sheehy, A. M.; Simpson, P. M.; Sims, B.; Sinclair, B. K.; Sinclair, D. P.; Shortland, K. F.; Stone, R. M.; Sullivan, I. L.

Taylor, J. S.; Traill, C. S.; Tripet, K. A.; Traise, E. K.; Tyler, G. J.

Voysey, P.

White, N. C.; Wicks, D.; Williamson, D.; Wilson, B. N.; Wilson, R. A.; Wingett, R. B.

Zimmerman, G.

SPORT

HOUSE COMPETITION, 1962

Aggregate Point Score: "Fifth Year Shield": Hannell House.

Athletics: "Arthur Shield": Hannell House.

Swimming: "C. Hocquard Shield": Hannell House.

Basketball: "Rundle Trophy": Hunter House.

Soccer: "McGarry Cup": Hunter House.

Rugby: "George Forden Shield": Smith House, Tennis: Summer Competition, "The Cooksey Trophy": Smith House.

Tennis: Winter Competition, "The Caldwell Shield": Hunter House.

Cricket: "F. S. Scorer Shield": Smith House.

Softball: Shortland House.

Blues—

Athletics: M. Smith, N. Ryder, A. Dick, M. Williams, G. De Jaeger, K. Tregloan.

Swimming: O. Morgan.

Cricket: R. Felton, M. Turnbull, G. Clapham, J. Hetherington.

Rugby: S. Anthony, J. Bear, S. Davis, M. Turnbull, B. Robinson.

Soccer: D. Collins.

W. Lamb Trophy (Senior Mile): M. Smith.

The Gill Cricket Trophy D. Williamson.

Athletics Carnival, 1962:

Senior Champion: M. Williams.

16 Years Champion: A. Dick.

15 Years Champion: P. Drinkwater.

14 Years Champion: N. Willis.

13 Years Champion: N. Norman.

12 Years Champion: V. Topic, G. Vero.

Swimming Carnival, 1963:

Senior Champion: O. Morgan.

16 Years Champion: M. Bright.

15 Years Champion: J. Groves.

14 Years Champion: J. Johnson.

13 Years Champion: S. Derwin.

12 Years Champion: G. Dawson.

HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITIONS, 1962

Cricket:

1st Grade: Runners-up.

2nd Grade: Premiers.

3rd Grade: Premiers.

4th Grade: Premiers.

Rugby:

1st Grade: Runners-up Zone "B" Comp.

1st Grade: Winners of University Challenge Shield.

Tennis:

1st Grade: Runners-up.

2nd Grade: Premiers.

3rd Grade: Premiers.

4th Grade: Premiers.

Soccer:

A Grade: Premiers Zone "B" Comp.

Hockey:

A Grade: Premiers Zone "B" Comp.

B Grade: Premiers Zone "B" Comp.

Life Saving:

"W. Marx Cup Competition" (State Comp.):

Newcastle Boys' High, 1677 points, second.

PRIZES FOR LITERATURE AND ART

Junior Poetry: D. Dart 2D—"Such a Land as This."

Senior Poetry: N. Perkins 4A—"Sonnet in a Sick-room."

Junior Prose: G. Simmons 2B—"Lonely Island."

Senior Prose: G. Harrison 5A—"The Black and the White".

Article: W. Brown 5D—"Mea Philosophia".

Art: J. Bowers 5A—"Up North".

THE BLACK AND THE WHITE.

"Here's one of 'em now, with his girl."

"Come on, Lee, you're not serious about this, are you?"

"I'm serious. I'm going to bash that black head in."

Kensington was quiet, and the lane, mounted on both sides by cold grey factory walls, was forbidding in its misty darkness. The factories were empty, but the walls echoed the footsteps of the young negro and the girl, walking slowly between the buildings towards the rows of soot-covered houses, dead but for the thin wisps of smoke perishing as soon as they reached the cold night air.

"Blasted niggers! Wait till he gets here. He's not goin' home as pretty as that tonight."

The fog lessened, and although it almost hid the approaching figures, it could not muffle the metallic sound from the pavement, and the sound was coming closer.

"Get him!"

The last words shattered the silence and the jagged chain cut through the mist and caught the negro on one shoulder. He jolted sideways, regained his footing, and lunged wildly at his assailants, but the broken bottles and the chains forced him to the ground, mercilessly tearing at his clothing and body. The girl screamed and beat at the chains as she tried to fend them off herself and the man lying at her feet. Suddenly one of the attackers turned and unable to see her face clearly through the fog, struck at it. A gaping cut appeared, and blood spurted onto her dress, discolouring it with its dark crimson. The screaming stopped . . . but then seemed to be taken up by the walls, intermingling it with shouts and finally the shrill sound of a police whistle. There was a momentary silence, then the noise of feet ringing on the worn stones as three shadows fled from the lane.

And Kensington was quiet again . . .

"Where's Shirle, mum."

"I don't know. Went out with some fellow from the University, I think. She should be home, soon though, Lee. Why?"

"Oh, nothing."

Lee Cowen and his parents lived in a Kensington house, much like one of those at the end of the lane; grey stone, old, and seeming to manifest outwardly, the coldness and tension that was the life within. But tonight was not to be the same. The violence and conflict of the usual television programmes was about to be brought harshly into the life of the Cowens.

The house resounded the heavy knocking on the door and Mrs. Cowen went to open it.

Confronting her was a policeman in uniform, and another man who introduced himself immediately.

"I'm Detective Inspector Long, ma'am. I'm afraid there's been an accident."

"Shirley!"

"Yes, ma'am," and then hastily reassuringly, "she's not badly hurt. Some cuts and a bit shaken up, that's all. The doctor says she ought to be put to bed straight away, though."

He strode quickly to the car and returned, leading a young girl; the front of her dress stained with blood, and her face partly covered with thick bandages.

Some time later, the inspector was finishing his explanation to the stunned parents.

"Well, the doctor will be around in the morning, but I'm sure she'll be all right. She was a bit more fortunate than the fellow she was with though. He was dead when we got there, but the girl doesn't know yet, so don't tell her."

"You'll find who did it, won't you?" Lee asked, cautiously.

"It'll be difficult. There are so many gangs around here, who'd think nothing of beating up a white man, much less a black one. But we'll get them."

The inspector had been gone fully an hour before the silence was broken in the sitting room.

"Blasted nigger, why did he have to get her into this?"

"It wasn't his fault Lee," his mother rebuked. "anyway he's dead, poor beggar."

"They ought to hang those ruffians." It was almost the first time Lee's father had spoken that night. "Going around terrifying decent people, acting like kings and killing. Give 'em a bit of their own back, they should."

"What for?" Lee flared suddenly. "For killin' a nigger!"

"For killing a nigger?" his father repeated. "You're better than someone with dark skin, are you? He's something you can muck around with and crush like a dog is he?"

"Dark skin? They're niggers. They started all this. We didn't want 'em. Bustin' into our town, our clubs!"

"They've got as much right as you have. You've got to learn to live with them, same as they have got to learn to live with us."

"What do you know about it anyway. You sound like a preacher. I thought the only things you knew about were the telly and the pub."

"Perhaps so, but the kids today have got to learn, not me. If I was the police, they'd pay."

"That's the only way you'd ever teach anybody, sittin' there like a judge handin' out punishment to blokes like me, like your own son."

Suddenly the tirade stopped. The overwhelming truth of what he had done crushed Lee Cowen, and forced him sobbing, into a chair. For minutes the room was silent, then his lips moved almost imperceptibly. "I didn't know. Do you think I would have done it if I'd known?" And at these words, Lee's world was destroyed around him.

Outside the door, a figure clad in pyjamas, walked slowly but determinedly towards the telephone. In full view of the sitting-room, she began to dial, her finger moving right round to the nine.

Her father, seeing her and knowing her intentions moved quietly to the door and pushed it shut.

GRAEME HARRISON, 5A

SONNET IN A SICK-ROOM

Oh God! to feel a racing south-west wind,
Exultant fury of a storm-swept sky,
And see the cliffs — grim battlements of stone,
The waves wild fury stoically defy;
To see the heavens rent with lightning's flash,
And taste Jove's nectar, flying salt sea spray;
To hear his anger as the thunders crash,
Then impotent go rumbering on their way.

This bed of mine, with pillows soft and white,
Grows irksome with its kind monopoly.
The four walls of this room reflect the light
Of tender care and dull monotony.
All this ill suits the nature that is mine,
With indolence no part of my design.

N. PERKINS, 4A

SUCH A LAND IS THIS

A land
In which men's hopes were lost
And found
In which the sea of clouds,
Advancing and retreating
Shrouds grimness
And beauty,
Leaving only,
A superficial likeness
To a wisp of cotton
In the breeze.

A land,
Whose beauty
Cruel but placid
Masked in its own feline grace
Red with blood
And sweat,
White in its innocence.
Such a land is this.

D. DART, 2D

LONELY ISLAND

In the light of the approaching dawn, I could see that our position was invariably hopeless. The island upon which we were stranded was very small; I would approximate its area to be about 1 square mile, and its vegetation very limited.

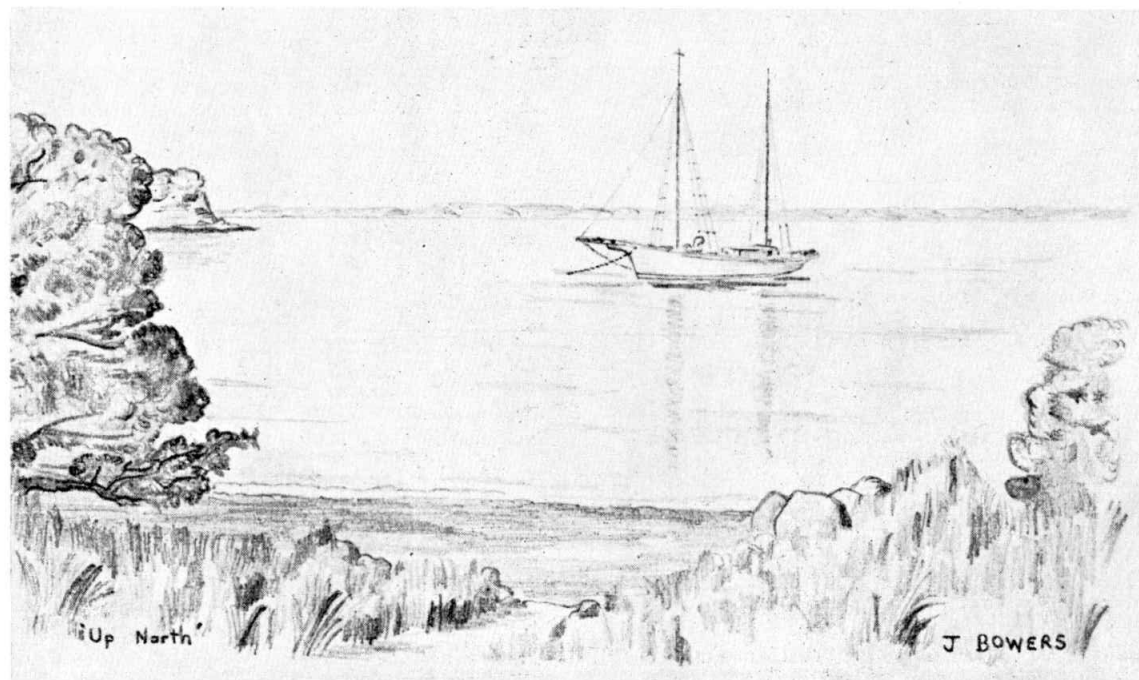
It was the last light of the day before I was able to locate a small, fresh water spring, which would supplement our supply taken from the ketch. However, small coconuts, and two species of a wild fruit were the only edible things on the island.

We had known some years earlier that we would be on a South Sea island but we hardly expected it to be like the one we were on.

Dr. Carlton and myself, an author, had previously planned to make a trip to an island in the Pacific, where we could complete a book on botanical study of the South Sea Islands.

We had set out, during February, from New Zealand, and were bound for the Gilbert Islands in a small ketch. During a bad storm our ketch was wrecked, and here we were, on a desolate island, with only enough food and water to keep us alive for perhaps a month.

I left Dr. Carlton asleep, and retraced my steps of the night before to the spring.



Fortunately my pith hat held water, and I returned to the doctor with my hat full. After waking the doctor, and drinking my fill of water, I went out again, and returned with three coconuts, and some fruit.

"I'm afraid, doctor," I said, "that we'll have to eat very little, if we hope to survive for any length of time, as there is no great abundance of food on our island."

To this the doctor made no reply, apart from an approving nod, and I am certain that he was contemplating escape from the island. Very few ships ever passed this way and even if one happened to, we still had the problem of attracting its attention. We also gave up the idea of building a raft as we had no tools, and very little suitable timber was available.

So our primitive existence upon the island went on, until about two weeks after our arrival, the spring on the island ran dry, and we had to depend wholly on that water taken from the ketch.

During the first week of our stay we thoroughly explored our island.

Centrally situated on the island was a large hill on top of which was a cave. Early in the piece this cave was made into our living quarters.

To the west of the island were the palm trees, from which came our main diet, coconuts. Also at this spot was a salt water creek, in which we had our morning swim.

To the east of the island was a flat, sandy plain with extremely scattered bushes and shrubs. The north and south expanses were much the same, in that they both contained a quite reasonable amount of semi-tropical vegetation. Our own home was quite well furnished with necessities, and included a built-in fireplace.

The days that followed were very unpleasant days for us. Firstly Doctor Carlton was stricken with a tropical disease, which greatly handicapped our schedule, and secondly our little remaining water had turned stagnant.

After the fourth week on the island we had resigned ourselves to death from either thirst or malnutrition, and didn't bother any more to look for passing ships from on top of our cave.

On one particular day, Friday I think, while I was sitting in the doorway of our cave, staring nonchalantly out to sea, I spotted a whisp of smoke on the horizon. My hopes immediately rose, and I informed the doctor of my discovery.

The doctor and myself stood atop the hill, and watched as the ship came into view. It was an old steamer, of about a 1000 tons, and she was headed for our island.

We raced onto the beach, just in time to meet a life-boat sent from the trawler. We were never so glad to see anyone in our lives!

Apparently the steamer had received a radio message from the Gilbert Islands, reporting that we were long overdue there. The steamer being in the area where we were last reported, sent a boat to this island, it being the only one around for miles.

From that day forth, the doctor and myself would limit ourselves to books which would in no way involve us with the South Sea Islands.

GRAHAME SIMMONS, 2B

MEA PHILISOPHIA

What kind of a world is this?

It is a world in which a single rash decision, a stupid, ambitious finger can build an umbrella of death which can block off the sun's warm rays and bring a cold annihilation which has the potential deadliness of all the accumulated plagues since the beginning of time — some class it as progress.

Perhaps it is progress if modern hatred and conflict can be decided by a mere, yet coldly significant utterance. No bloody, hand-to-hand terrors; no half-dead, mercilessly hacked bodies; no pleading, praying, dying souls — only an order, a button and dust.

We spend most of our lives learning, worrying, applying ourselves — to what aim, for what purpose—when one nation's insatiable ambitions are met firstly with censure, then appeasement, then conflict. When the bravado of the lustful maniac has been post-marked "eternity" at the cost of millions of lives, where is the sense? Where is the answer?

While one brilliant mind is discovering the secret to eternal life, another, equally dutiful brain is finding an easier way to destroy it.

In ignorance there is contentment — a peurile complacency.

When the first person found that lightning was not the god's spear and thunder should be explained in terms of natural phenomena, he started a continuous shouting of "whys" and "hows" which have puzzled brains and sent confused minds to insanity.

Many societies have been formed to return to the "simple life" — a creditable but futile attempt at delaying the inevitable. This rushing, screaming, trembling world is doomed. As ridiculous as it may seem, the "progressive world" is building better machines, more efficient methods of production, faster processes for solving mathematical problems — the very weight of which is accelerating the world on a one-way course to self-destruction.

Perhaps the fiery end will cleanse this evil earth of its undermining vices and its corruption — what is gained by saving millions from cancer and other cripples, only to have them quickly destroyed by a crop of unwanted inedible mushrooms?

The magnanimous claim that war is the equalising tool which delays the present threat of overpopulation is the ludicrous idea of the idiot. With the gigantic waste of resources directed to war in the last sixty years, equipment of peaceful intent could have been built to mountain-moving proportions. Enough explosives have been wasted on attritious conflict (and it still has not ended) — to almost reduce the mighty Himalayas to rubble. International co-operation may have enabled harvesting of the seas, colonisation of other planets, reclamation, from the seas, of massive continents, harnessing of new energies, but for one terror-filled pre-occupation — war, the Achilles' Heel of mankind.

Before man can control the elements he must learn to control his bellicose instinct.

This world needs more Ghandis, more Pasteurs — more humanitarianism. This world needs fewer Hitlers, Mussolinis and Stalins — fewer evils.

After looking at mankind we may see the ironical position where a man shields his life with one hand while he seeks to destroy it with the weapon he holds in his other. "Progressivism" is a reversing movement. For every step forward, there are three taken back.

W. M. BROWN, 5D

N.B.H.S. SCHOOL UNION ACCOUNT

Summary of Receipts and Payments as at 26th September, 1963

	£	£	£
Total Receipts to date			5935
School Fees		3463	
Contra Items		1022	
S.W.A.S.S.C.		131	
Library		1086	
Received from P. & C.	700		
Subsidy and all other	183		
Library Donations collected for P. & C.	203		
Interest on Investments:			
Biology		4	
Science Funds		229	
Sale of Folders	129		
P. & C. Advance	100		
Total Payments to Date			5479
Contra Items		955	
Text Books		681	
Sport		375	
Library		1643	
New Books	1440		
Donations to P. & C.	203		
General		1067	
School Activities		641	
S.W.A.S.S.C.		45	
Science		72	
Debit Balance as per Union Cash Book			456
ADD Unpresented Cheques			417
Credit Bal. Commonwealth Bank, Waratah			£873

ALLERGY TO A WHITE SHIRT

By Ming the Merciless

(Let us get down on bended knee,
And aim at the 'GOOSE' our woeful plea) —
Let us, dear sir, wear shirts of white,
Shirts washed in 'Sudso', making them so bright
Let us dear sir, wear boots of suede,
(The jazziest things ever made).
Please sir, relent from your adamant way
And let us wear them from today.
The old blue shirt is quite alright,
But we want shirts that are 'Sudso' white.
You, dear sir, can have your jewels and rings
And all those other childish things:
But please, O Mighty Boss,
Do not lightly toss
This plea aside as if it were
Too much to ask, O Mighty sir—
You like your patent shoes and tailored suits
So get hip, and let us wear desert boots.

E. T. BOX, 4B

Club Reports

INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The year 1949 was a very important year because it saw the commencement of many great organisations throughout the world. In that year the People's Republic of China was proclaimed; in that year the Republic of Indonesia was established and the N.A.T.O. founded. But the year 1949 also saw the establishment in this school of an I.S.C.F. group. Today, fifteen years later, the group has grown from a small meeting which was held in the Prefects' Room, to a group which is active not only in its weekly meetings, but in the activities of the I.S.C.F. Movement in the Newcastle district.

The Inter-School Christian Fellowship is a world-wide, interdenominational Movement which has groups functioning within the high schools of England, America, Asia, and many of the African countries. Its motto is "To know Christ and to make Him known." To fulfill this aim, our group holds a weekly meeting and arranges social activities in the vacations.

The weekly meeting held each Tuesday lunch-time is attended by about 30 boys. The programme is varied each week, the main features having been discussions, quizzes, question times, films, Bible studies, and talks by local clergymen. During February about 200 boys heard Mr. Godfrey Theobald speak in the Assembly Hall. The majority of the meetings have been conducted by senior students.

To supplement the weekly meetings, social activities such as hikes, socials and a tennis tournament have been held. On 13th December last year, more than 80 young people attended the Annual District Social which, for the last four years has been arranged by our group. And then for the energetic — a bike ride to a place called Stockrington (get out your pre-1920 atlas!) upon one of the hottest days in December. A Bike Trial was arranged for the May holidays, but unfortunately, rain washed it out. Some students participated in the recent district hike and barbecue, at which they had a wonderful time.

Two of our junior members spent a portion of their summer vacation at one of the superb camps arranged on a state-wide basis by the State Headquarters of the I.S.C.F. Movement. During each school vacation, some 30 different types of camps are held — snow camps on the Alps, art camps, agricultural camps, snowfish cruises, sailing camps and sports camps. At the sports camp, the campers are coached in about six different sports by some of the best coaches in that sport in the state; men such as Brian Booth, Maurice Mall, Barry Primrose, Yuile Beggs.

More recently, we challenged the girls of the Hunter Girls' High I.S.C.F. in a Tennis Tournament held at the National Park Street

Courts. Of course you can guess which team won (we dread to publish the scores!)

The group has actively participated in every activity which the Regional Committee has planned. A delegation of four boys attended the Newcastle Regional Conference in June; an item was rendered at the Annual I.S.C.F. Rally in Newcastle (much to the delight of the audience, we did not sing!); and a team was entered in the Scripture Union Quiz, but it was not successful in defending the state title which our 1962 team had won. More than fifteen boys attended the Rallies at which David Sheppard and Brian Booth spoke. The desire of some of our senior students to attend the State Scripture Union Rally in the Sydney Town Hall, at which more than 3,000 people attend each year, materialized in the chartering of a bus which took 40 people to Sydney, where they not only attended the Rally, but enjoyed a sight-seeing tour of the Eastern Suburbs.

To ensure that all these activities run smoothly, a committee of boys is elected during September each year. The committee for this year has consisted of Leader: Bryan Cowling; Assistant Leader, Ian Henderson; General Secretary, Alan Lawson; Publicity Officer, Peter Crowhurst; as well as Ron Wright, Graeme Ormerod, Max Simpson, Russel Spinks, Ross Gittins, Richard Troughear and Greg Frost.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Mr. Beard for the encouragement, assistance and co-operation which he has rendered to the group over the past fifteen years; to the Science and Language Staffs for the use of the Physics Dem. and the gramophone respectively.

In concluding, I should like to say on behalf of the fifth years who have attended the meetings of the group for five years, that we hope and pray that the I.S.C.F. group might grow in wisdom and in strength, and in so doing might be effective in providing some service to the members of Newcastle Boys' High School. 'Dei gratia'.

BRYAN COWLING, 5th Year

SWASSC REPORT

SWASSC had another good year, collecting £75/5/5 of which £46 has been used.

Among the charities helped were the Benevolent Society, The City Mission and the Lord Mayor's Pensioners Fuel Appeal.

As this is Mr. Beard's last year, I would like to thank him for all the hard work that he has put into SWASSC. I would also like to thank the Executive Committee, the Class Collectors, and all the boys for their contributions.

P. MADDERN, Secretary



ARMY CADETS

Back Row: M. Brown (l.c.), S. Lambert, G. Morrow, B. Jenkins, L/Cpl. J. McAlpine, G. Frost, G. Morley, G. Johns, D. Knight.
 Second Row: R. Krempin, T. Bussell, N. Norman, G. Wicks, Cpl. J. Allison, Cpl. R. Green, M. Alcock, L. Groom, Cpl. M. Green, G. Roberts, J. Sampson.
 Third Row: A. Quadrelli, R. Graham, E. Wykman, J. Moore, I. Dwyer, G. Andrews, R. Craig, P. Hillyard, G. Melick, G. Warner, S. Wade, D. Doyle.
 Front Row: S. Dawe (cpl.), Sgt. J. Rice, W.O. J. McLeod, cuo. P. Sladen, Cpt. A. Smtih, Lt. R. Judge, cuo. W. Beach, Sgt. E. Kolatchew, Sgt. E. Box, Cpl. G. White.

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CADET REPORT

Our annual camp once more held at Singleton, proved highly successful and was enjoyed by all in spite of the appalling weather. To the disappointment of many cadets "Operation Contact" and other field craft exercises had to be cancelled. Although the cadets were wet on the outside their spirits were not dampened. At the beginning of the year our good friend and capable instructor Captain Marquet returned from an overseas trip. Our thanks go to him for his efforts to brighten a wet camp.

This year two Sunday Parades were held, organized by Sergeant Major Baxter they were held at the Lindsay Street Drill Hall and the Adamstown Depot. Here the cadets received instruction on the 106 mm. Recoilless Rifle and also had a practical lesson on the use of two-way radios. Our thanks go to Sergeant Cook "C" Company, C.M.F. who gave this instruction.

This year the unit gained another officer, Lieutenant Rooney who was received as an instructor and friend.

Under command of Cadet Under Officer Peter Sladen we attended an Anzac ceremony at Sandgate at which we won the Shortland Shield.

The cadets were given a chance to use their knowledge in the safe handling of weapons when we had our annual practice shoot at Stockton Rifle Range.

Unlike last year we only had one bivouac which was held in the Karuah District. Organised by Sergeant Major Baxter and Captain Smith, the cadets were under the command of Sergeant Box, Sergeant Bates and myself. The cadets received instruction in field craft and were able to use this newly acquired knowledge during a patrolling exercise.

The Combined Cadet Dance was organised by the Senior Cadet Unit. Members of the Senior Cadets and Air Training Corps formed an efficient Guard of Honour. This year saw the introduction of a Combined Football Match between the Senior Cadets and the Air Training Corps. This will become an annual event and a cup known as the "Sladen Trophy" is to be presented to the winning team, which is at present the Senior Cadets.

On behalf of the unit and myself I would like to express our sincere appreciation to Captain Smith, Captain Marquet, Lieutenant Judge, Lieutenant Rooney and Sergeant Major Baxter for their leadership and understanding throughout the year.

W.O. II JOHN McLEOD

LIBRARY CLUB REPORT

On the 22nd of March this year, the Hon. E. Wetherall, M.L.A., Minister for Education, officially opened the new F. H. Beard Library. This building, 90 feet long and 40 feet wide, houses an office for the Librarian, a workroom for Library Club members, a stackroom, two study rooms (one for Language students and the other for Science students), an annex and the Library itself.

With these new facilities, the Club Members have been able to work at their various tasks with no worry about 'working space', a problem encountered in the old library.

Our membership has been increased to 24 members this year and two new groups have been formed. These groups, the Current Affairs Group and the Pictorial Education Group, combined with the four other groups (Displays, Magazines, Book Preparation and Borrowing), make the Library Club a very efficient unit.

I would like to thank the members for their support throughout the year, and would particularly like to thank the Fifth Year members of the Club for their part in the administration of the Club during this and past years. These boys are Alan McKim (the Deputy Leader), Ronald Wright (Magazines Group Leader), and Bryan Cowling (Pictorial Education Group Leader).

The Club at present has the following members:

5th Year: Alan McKim, Ronald Wright, Bryan Cowling and myself.

4th Year: Les Pascoe, Ross Caddy, Jeff Marriott and Ross Gittins.

3rd Year: Grahame Cowan and Stewart Roach.

2nd Year: Ray Coulin, Nev Norman, Phil Hartner, Barry Grainger, Phil Henshaw, Bruce Jenkins and Richard Johnstone.

1st Year: Ross Beasley, Arthur Burford, John Ebbott, Paul Meredith, Mark Pepper, Russell Rigby and Kevin Williams.

Next year, one of the abovementioned 4th Year boys will take over the leadership of the club.

This being my last year as Leader and my last at this school, I would like to thank Mr. Rigby for the continual interest he has shown in the Club. During the past three years I have spent as Leader, Mr. Rigby has helped me to "iron out" any difficulties that happened to arise in the administration of the Library Club.

Reports from the Group Leaders follow this report.

DAVID J. MARRIOTT
Library Club Leader

Book Prep. Report:

The Book Preparation Group has been working really hard in our new headquarters. So far upwards of 500 new books have been prepared and issued and another few hundred are in the process of preparation.

ALAN J. MCKIM
(Deputy Leader and Book Prep. Leader)



SCHOOL CHOIR

Back Row: R. Wallace, R. Aus, L. Mackintosh, R. Ryan, G. Dyer, D. Menzies, C. Knott, P. Lindsay, J. Ross.
 Second Row: P. Smith, R. O'Hearne, G. Ritchie, J. Coleman, R. Johnston, G. Platt, A. Allen, P. Gower, G. Smith, C. Rawlings, A. Davidson.
 Third Row: B. Jack, S. Hearne, G. Hocking, J. Randall, B. Caldwell, K. Power, G. Brien, P. Sketchley, G. Flynn, R. Johnson, R. Jones,
 P. Kerridge, D. Morris.
 Fourth Row: P. Inglis, G. Warner, P. Faulkner, A. Stevens, N. Waldie, B. Wilks, S. Fry, J. Llewellyn, P. Cunningham, M. Croudace,
 A. Clark, B. White, B. Baker, R. Gray.
 Fifth Row: T. Taylor, K. Bohatko, N. Cracium, S. Pearce, A. Callow, G. Wellham, P. Layzell, D. Seales, D. Bailey, S. Pead, C. Ohma,
 P. Spencer, G. Pinfold.
 First Row: S. Wade, P. Heath, P. Harman, L. Sandy, T. Bennetts, P. Maltby, G. Sattler, H. Cribb, Mrs. Hindmarsh, D. Arnott, R. Shand,
 B. Dalby, G. Percival, P. Bensley, P. Ross.

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Magazines Group Report:

During the past financial year the magazine department of the Library Club has been extremely busy. Its membership is comprised of Phillip Henshaw, Phillip Hatcher and Ronald Wright.

The normal duties consist of the receipt of all magazines and their stamping and filing. Following this, the majority repose in their special cabinet where they remain for many a year. Those relevant to foreign languages are displayed in the main library where they soon become very deciduous.

National Geographics are also dealt with very fully, being both indexed and catalogued.

Apart from these conventional undertakings, the influx of new books has caused an increased burden on our shoulders. Because of this, the total turnover of the Club has increased. This includes book stamping, plastic covering, painting and card formation.

I would like to thank those of my group for their continuous hard work.

RON WRIGHT
(Magazines Group Leader)

Pictorial Education Group Report:

In March, the Library Club moved to its new prison, and it was not long before many treasure chests, clothed in $\frac{1}{2}$ " of Waratah dust, found their way into the workroom. Following the discovery, in April 1963 A.D., by Mr. Rigby of some precious Pictorial Education Magazines, the P.E. Group came into existence. However the delay in receiving the filing cabinets and the supplies of cardboard meant that the Group could not do anything for some months. Continual interruptions have meant that the accomplishments of the Group have been few. Under the supervision of the Club Leader over the past few months, the Group has been able to complete the preparation of one Historical Photograph series.

BRYAN COWLING
(Pictorial Education Group Leader)

Borrowing Group Report:

By moving into the new Library, much better facilities were made available to members of the school.

In July the release of the new fiction books was commenced and at the beginning of the third term, some of the non-fiction books were released. The number of new books appearing on the shelves is rapidly increasing and there are now almost five hundred new books available for borrowing.

In addition to our already wide range of encyclopaedias, we have added two new sets this year. They are the Chamber's Encyclopaedia and the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Although only for use by senior students, the Worner Science Library and the Modern Languages Library have both proved to be very popular with these students.

My thanks go to Mr. Judd and Mr. Burrows who supervise in the Library at lunchtime.

LES PASCOE
(Borrowing Group Leader)

Displays Report:

During the year we have received much new material for Library displays.

Although, this year there was no Education Week Display this group has been kept very busy.

My thanks go to Russell Rigby and John Ebbott of 1B for their excellent assistance in this group.

JEFF R. MARRIOTT (Display Group Leader)

Current Affairs Report:

In the few months many improvements have been made on the Current Affairs Group.

Lists of all the Current Affairs Bulletins (which number approx. 300) have been typed alphabetically and are now on display in the library. They have already proved their efficiency.

I would like to thank Neville Norman for his co-operation with the filing of the Current Affairs Bulletins for without his help they would probably still not be typed.

The C.A.B's. are now ready for borrowing.
RAY COULIN (Current Affairs Leader).

1963 CHOIR REPORT

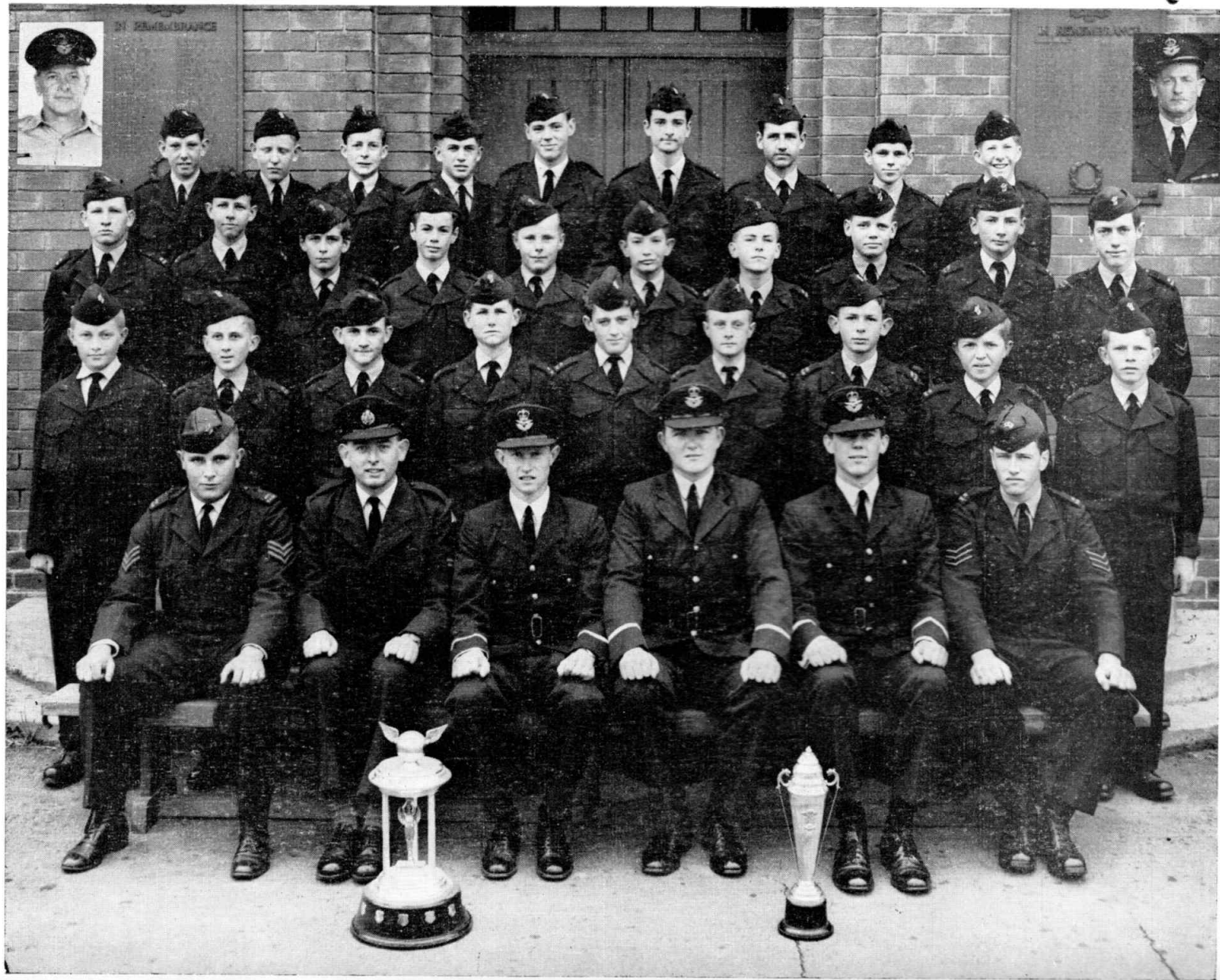
This year the choir started with a very low membership. But at our premiere, Speech Night, 5 well known songs were presented. These were "Old Winter's Voice", "The Old Violin", "The Fisherman's Night Song", "The Lost Chord", and "The Dam Busters". "The Lost Chord" was such a success because it was the first time we had a full orchestral accompaniment. Later we sang in the Newcastle District Secondary Schools' Choral Festival, in which, even though it was not a competition, judging from the applause we were the most popular choir performing. We sang one of our songs twice, owing to popular demand for an encore. The songs we sang at this Festival were, "Old Winter's Voice", "Dam Busters", and "The Lost Chord" which although difficult to perform, were successfully accomplished.

We did not enter the Mayfield Lions' Club Eisteddfod, because we were already fully occupied with practice for the City of Sydney Eisteddfod, and Education Week. Owing to our success in the Choral Festival we were asked to sing in Education Week before Dr. H. S. Wyndham, M.A., and all the Education officials, repeating the items of our last performances. All of the songs were well rendered although 13 Choir and 6 Orchestral members were absent. It was unfair to all that these boys came to practise and led us to believe that they would attend, and then, let us down in time of need.

No report on the choir would be complete without our sincerest thanks, one and all to Mrs. V. Hindmarsh, whose own dedication and perseverance and fine leadership throughout the year was responsible for our many successes. We would also like to thank Phillip Sketchley for his prompt acceptance and fine aptitude in his position of accompanist.

With all this in our favour, we should make an outstanding impression in the City of Sydney Eisteddfod, singing, "I Heard a Forest Praying" (an extremely difficult 4 part piece) and the set test piece "Old Winter's Voice".

DAVID MORRIS, 2B



21 FLIGHT A.T.C.

This year has been one of the most outstanding in the history of the flight, not only by way of achievements but by flight strength and therefore activities. This year we have a full complement; fifty cadets, each one keen and active.

Towards the end of last year it was announced that C.U.O. R. Gaut had been awarded the Smith's Aircraft Instrument Trophy and a gold watch for being the most outstanding cadet in N.S.W. This was indeed a great honour for C.U.O. Gaut and this flight.

Also last year the announcement of the award of coveted Flying Scholarships to C.U.O.'s Cooper and McGee, both of whom have since gained Pilot's Licences, was made. Yet another distinction was the selection of C.U.O. (then Cpl.) A. Seivl to fly to Western Australia to parade with a contingent of A.T.C. cadets with graduating pilots who were to receive their "wings" from H.R.H. Prince Philip, Marshal of the R.A.A.F.

At the 1962 "Passing Out" parade reviewed by Group Captain Townsend, C.O. R.A.A.F. Williamtown and commanded by C.U.O. Gaut the following presentations were made:

Flt. Lt. F. Smith, D.F.C. Trophy for outstanding Cadet C.U.O. McGee; Pit. Off. J. Crossman Trophy for outstanding Jnr. Cadet L.A.C. Troughear; W.Off. F. Sheriff, M.B.E. Trophy for Leadership, C.U.O. Seivl.

The usual promotion courses were held in January with Cpls. Cooper, McGee and Seivl attending a C.U.O. course. All three were successful with Cpls. McGee and Seivl receiving Passes with Credit. Others successful on courses were L.A.C.'s Stark, Groth, Hall and Cooper M. (the last two passing with Credit).

In April the flight attended a weekend bivouac at the R.A.A.F. Dropping Zone at Saltash. This consisted of several exercises, for example, a six miles pre-breakfast route march, in pairs, over unknown ground, through waist-deep water in teeming rain (and they say the Army's rough). This was climaxed by a night raid on a building on the D.Z. accompanied by all types of explosions, some too close for comfort, but harmless.

More recently the flight, together with the Army unit, provided guards of honour for the opening of the F. H. Beard Library and the Cadet Dance.

It has become almost traditional for this Flight to carry off at least one trophy from the

AIR FORCE CADETS—(Pictured at left):

Back Row: R. Sommerville, G. Gowan, R. Hillard, P. Chegwidden, G. Priest, J. Hayes, N. Chumak, R. Troughear, G. Virtue.

Second Row: Cpl. J. Groth, J. Ford, M. Cruickshank, B. Benson, K. Marsh, B. Lenzer, G. Simmons, B. Bastian, S. Busteed, Cpt. P. Stark.

Third Row: R. Smith, G. Noakes, P. Lindus, S. Roach, D. Brown, J. Taylor, A. Weston, M. Geggie, G. Hunter.

Front Row: Sgt. W. Oakes, Cpl. W. Burges, cuo. A. Seivl, cuo. D. McGee, cuo. C. Cooper, Sgt. R. Hall.

Inset: Flt. J. Waters. Flt. Lt. S. Rigby.

State Rifle and Foot Drill competition. This indeed was done when Sgt. Hall and his drill team came "runners-up" receiving the trophy for the flight for the third year in succession, being defeated by one point.

Finally, I feel sure the flight joins with me in thanking the reservists without whom the traditions of 21 Flight could not have been upheld; our thanks to Flt. Lt. Rigby, our O.C., and the Training Officer Flt. Lt. Waters for their constant help and guidance, and to their assistants Sgt. Schofield, Cpl. Burges, and L.A.C. Cornish for their unending support.

Footnote.—Very recently we were glad to hear that an "old boy" of the school and an ex-C.U.O. in this flight was awarded his "wings" and received his commission in the R.A.A.F. He is Pilot Officer D. Lovett, who is now stationed at R.A.A.F. Richmond.

Cadet Under Officer D. McGEE

1963 ATHLETICS' REPORT

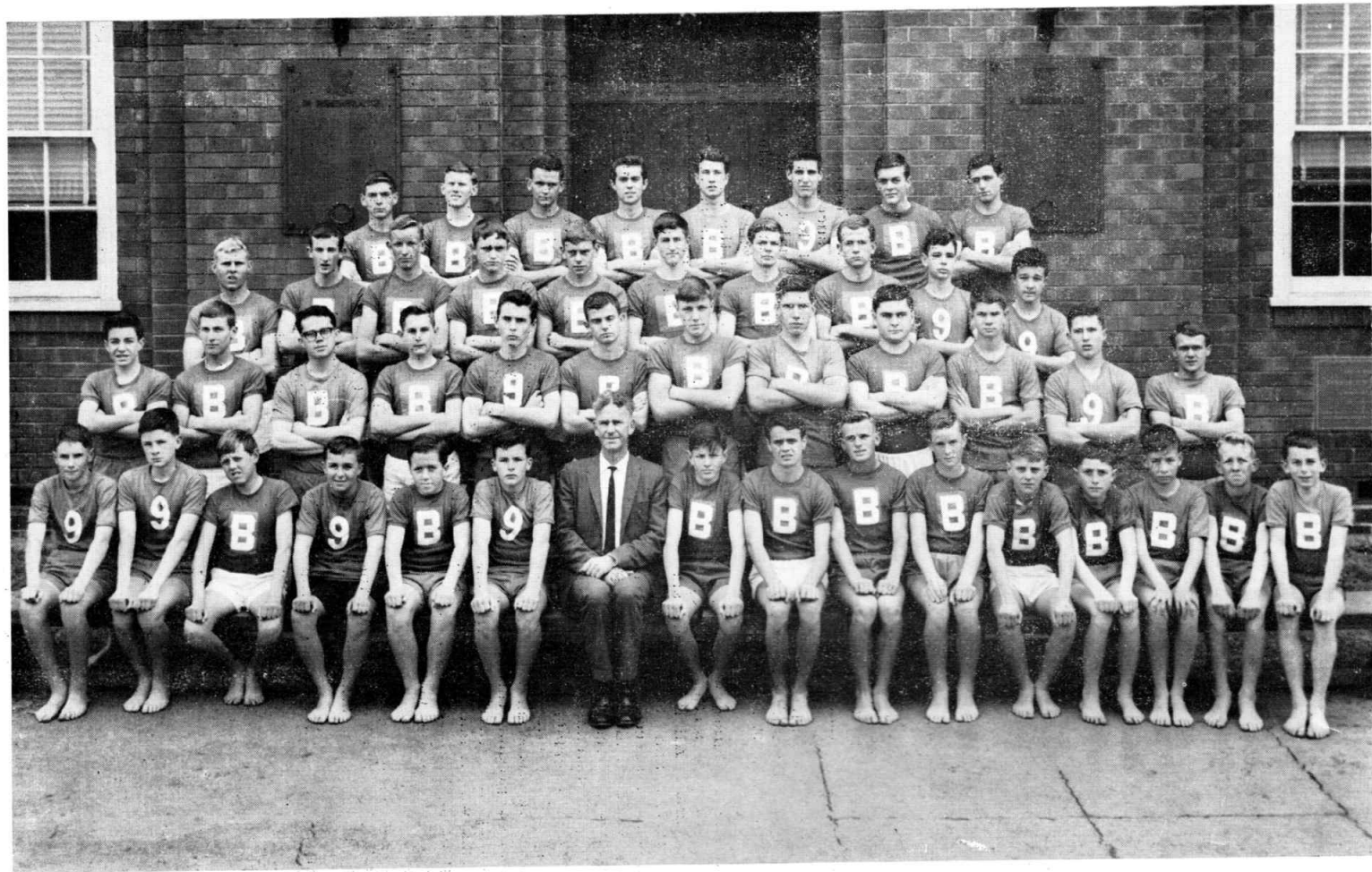
This year our athletes have again recorded a fairly successful season. However, it is disappointing — particularly in the Senior School — to see fellow students' interest in athletics decline and our athletic successes being left to only a small minority of keen athletes.

N.B.H.S.'s 57th Annual Sports Meeting was held in perfect, but humid weather. Hannel House for the second year in succession, with 1037 points, clearly won the Arthur Shield, with Shortland House 877 points second. Our Individual Age Champions were:

Semor, W. Reichert; 16 years, P. Tandy; 15 years, P. March; 14 years, G. Edgar; 13 years, G. Vero; 12 years, A. Alcock. This year one new event was introduced, the 12 years Shot Put, in which L. Craddock put the shot 27' 5½". Records were established by K. Reeves: Senior Mile 4 min. 49.2 secs.; N. Ryder: Senior Discus 104' 5½"; D. Fryer: 15 years High Jump 5' 4½"; G. Edgar: 14 years 90 yard Hurdles 15.5 secs., and records were equalled by V. Topic, 13 years High Jump 4' 10"; A. Alcock; 12 years High Jump 4'0" and 12 years 60 yard Hurdles 11.2 secs.

At the Zone B High Schools' Athletics Carnival, N.B.H.S. won the Senior Division and tied with Newcastle Technical High for 2nd place in the aggregate score behind Hamilton Marist Brothers. One of N.B.H.S.'s highlights was in the Senior Mile, when M. Turnbull, after an arduous 180 yard sprint to the finish, beat K. Reeves by inches, both of these runners being a long way in front of the trailing field. On their performances at this carnival, 31 members of our school team and our under 12, 13, 15 and Senior relay teams were chosen to represent Zone B for the Area carnivals.

Marist Brothers, for the first time, helped represent Zone B at this Area Carnival, which Zone B won with 649 points. During the day, our school had some brilliant successes. T. Lee in the Senior 100 yards rocketed from his blocks and ran the distance in the record time of 10.4 secs. B. Prideaux, in the 16 years 220 yards, won in the record time of 23.6 secs. from P. Drinkwater. A surprising but very much deserved victory occurred when A. Jackson threw the Senior Javelin 146' 10". N. Ryder finished third. In other events N. Ryder won



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row: J. Bowers, W. Reichert, G. Cocking, N. Ryder, A. Jackson, R. Ryan, G. Hallinan, M. Turnbull.
 Second Row: I. Parsons, D. Brownsmith, I. Forrester, J. McGarry, K. Reeves, P. Tandy, D. Whiteside, B. Prideaux, G. Frost, P. Henshaw,
 Third Row: A. Lawson, A. Lee, P. Drinkwater, P. March, D. Brownbridge, W. Merrilees, M. Bright, E. Reynolds, R. Newham, D. Flynn,
 G. Edgar, R. Brown.
 Front Row: D. Wells, J. Hawkins, J. Skelly, S. Robinson, W. Gill, G. Vero, Mr. Goffet, D. Lindsay, R. Iles, P. England, D. Bewley, C.
 Morrow, A. Alcock, P. Hain, K. Williams, C. Gregory.

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