

A certain teacher is trying to reform one habit of the class. This is to teach the boys the proper form of address to a lady teacher. We might say she is likely to succeed.

The class might have been seen in mourning lately for a certain member lamented the loss of a dearly beloved and faithful hound, "Her-maniski."

3A

We are the class called 3A, otherwise the best class in the school. Some say that the long and the short of 3A is—Allbut and Morgan.

Here some questions that are being asked by 3A boys:—

1. Is it a fact that Mr. Lynch is to be the teacher in charge of Soccer, and Mr. Ireland of Tennis, this Winter?
2. We wish to know who is our Frew-thful Romeo's Juliet?
3. Is it true that the 3A girls are going back to the Stone Age? They are always playing with the remains of defunct animals.
4. Is it true that Mr. Lynch is starting a duck farm?
5. Teachers are allowed 10% reduction on books. Does this apply to hair-cutting?
6. Is Charles Allbut seven feet?
7. Who is the armorous gentleman in our class who carries a mouth organ? Does he wish to serenade?
8. We wonder if Julia's tram is mythical, she misses it so often?
9. Who had roast mutton for Sunday's dinner? Ask Ella.

"Ashes to ashes, dust to dust,  
If Ovid doesn't kill us,  
French Tests must."

—Class Poet.

According to the frequent ejaculations of our classics master of "Get up," we are left to the conjecture that his favorite hobby is not duck hunting, but bullock driving.

Ella is always worrying about her various Jacks. It sounds suspicious.

The latest fashion in Oxford Bag shorts? A.W.B. will tell you.

Aker daily enjoys his finger nail meal.

The cheapest barber shop in town? Ask G.M.

One of our teachers is trying to be good tempered. He's not progressing very favorably.

There is always some excitement during a Latin lesson. Wonder if I.W. will again stand up for unprepared home-work?

Some bright member of our class thinks that James II. was decomposed. Who witnessed this experiment?

A good text for tests is "Blessed is he that expecteth nothing, for verily he shall not be disappointed."

W. Mc never misses the tram; it goes without him!

It is nearly time C.B.L. started on some one else, isn't it Jess— I mean Janet.

One of our parents wishes to know are we boys and girls, or home-work machines?

Here are two phases of our class work:—

Mac D. "Can't do it, sir!"

Classics Master: "Stop in!!!" (Hauls out Ledger).

Ella: "Can't do it, sir!"

C.M.: "Splendid Ella, get on with it!"

Yours as ever,

3A.

(3B.)

We are proud to have a century maker in our class.

If Lola Wright was always right, peace would reign in 3B, according to Mr. Gibbes.

3B boys should have their lives insured for Latin lesson.

The right wing of the infantry of the Gibbsiae is expected to descend with great force upon the 3B legion of the Pupilli.

Red is supposed to stand for danger, but one master evidently doesn't think so as Collins' hair seems to have a distinct attraction for him.

Maisie is Mr. Scott's pet aversion since she started tapping the desk with her pencil during French lesson.

Mr. E..... said that our room was the best he had been in so far, but he should come into it on a rainy day. It rains inside.

Whispering tongues rumour that the Duke and Duchess are to be taken to a high spot to view Newcastle. A suggestion; let them be taken to the top of Brown street and then they will know the weary scholars' feelings.

A fellow who gets along swimmingly is Seale. Seale by name, Seale by nature.

In an essay by L. W., the following passage occurred: "A dark looking man sat in the corner of the carriage. In his mouth he had a pipe, scowling at everybody."

Tales for not doing homework do not work with Mr. Walker, evidently he must have told some himself.

Look out boys, Mr. H—— is hitting well lately.

3AC. (GIRLS).

Oh! what visions, the illustrious name of 3AC, must conjure up in the minds of our careworn teachers. We are naturally a bright class, scintillating with sparkling intelligence. It seems the intelligence isn't reflected in our eyes, for we are candidly told that they gleam like dead fish's.

Mr. S——'s favorite relation is his fat aunty, in other words, his "Anti Cedent."

Our worthy bursar "Beetle" by name, has become interested in her "future" and spent the large sum of one penny at the Show in consulting a competent clairvoyant machine. The result wasn't pleasing to one of "Beetle's" vanity.

The "Logarithm Man" does not believe in short haired, brainless girls in the front seats. He prefers the "long flowing tresses" by which he can

greet each mistake with a tug. We cannot vouch for the boys preferring the "Miss Demure."

"Rouge Tete's" watermelon is a long time arriving, but we don't wonder these hot days.

We are proud to have in our class, Nora Einsaar, who recently went to Sydney with five other members of the school to represent N.H.S. in the Swimming Carnival. She was successful in gaining third place in the Country High Schools Championship. Atta girl!

Tinnie Wennant a famous ex-pupil of 3AC class, now attends the Newcastle Business College. She will be remembered by many in the School especially those of her old school friends, who still chuckle at her exploits.

Mr. S———has been re-christening us girls, owing to the fact that our names are not written on our foreheads.

"Rosebud" one of the heavyweights of the class, is often mistaken for Gillard. It puzzles us how the mistake is made.

Mr. I——— has introduced us to the Misses Judi and Cature Act, he thinks they are two very fine girls. What we think is another matter.

We hope to convey to the reader's mind, that we are clever and of exemplary conduct, if we fail to do so, it is not our fault.

### 3AC (BOYS).

#### A short Story Based on Boy's Names.

The Rushing Waters of the (Mc) Lachlin river flowed through the Reeds and over the Weather-ed stones.

Suddenly a little Hussy arrives on the bank of the river in front of Dixon's farm, where they grow Yates' seeds, riding an Abel horse. She is met by Mr. Allan's-son whose name is Ling.

An argument ensues and suddenly Ling Knox the little Hussy. The little Hussy began to Chase Ling but she failed to overtake him before he reached his friend Gilmore's house.

On March the tenth, an interesting event took place in the "Incubator" (3AC Class room). It was a grammar cricket match under the supervision of Umpire Mr. Scott. The girls batted first on an indifferent wicket, and after a hard tussle, were finally dismissed for a score of 23 runs.

The boys then batted on a fast breaking wicket and after a victorious innings, won by two wickets and one run. That's one to the boys."

3AC have turned over a new leaf. We have decided to laugh at Mr. W's. jokes.

The class room of 3A.C. is well named when it is named the 'Incubator.' During the Summer months, the inhabitants are trying to listen to and take in what the teacher is saying in a sweltering oppressive heat. Then when Winter comes along with its stormy, blowy days, the students are terrified lest the left-hand wall, which moves in and out about one foot, blows in on top of them and sends them all to instant destruction.

The examiners should consider these facts when they are marking these students' papers and be very lenient or should otherwise build them another room in which they could work with ease.

### 2AC (GIRLS).

2AC will always be,

The happiest class, so full of glee.

There would be perfect harmony in our room if a certain teacher fell through the piano lid one day.

A certain teacher finds our old fashioned windows very useful for the disposing of our school cases.

Our room is noted for the showers given in wet weather.

In 2AC there is a certain girl who is always smiling and a certain teacher whom it appears to annoy, has appropriately called her "Smiler."

There is a certain teacher who is always ready to "extabulate" us.

### 2A

T Stands for Trigonometry (we're not up to that yet).

W Stands for Work, which we all love (?) you bet!

O for its origin, which we all try to get.

A Stands for Algebra, graphs we like best.

C Stands for Chemistry which oft leads to a test.

L Stands for Latin, it haunts us at night.

A Stands for Arithmetic which oft puts us in a plight.

S Stands for Science, some think the tools are toys.

S Stands for Shakespeare whose characters are all boys.

Oh well 2a we are and 2a we will be (till June at least for some of us) but we heartily wish we were 2z. It's either "Really an A class should give better results" or "As an A class I expect you to do your work properly" or "An A class is supposed to be the best—but"—from nine fifteen till three thirty every day.

Lately our life has been pure misery, Tests pour on us every period and Home Work is showered on us from all directions. When we go home it's Home Work. Ten o'clock still Homework and up we get at six o'clock to finish that Homework.

But in spite of woes we do have some fun; according to a certain teacher one of our girls is a loaded test tube. We treat her accordingly in school and she goes off.

Every time we talk in French now we have to stand up for ten minutes. We are on our feet in French now—sore feet too! but we have been promised a holiday from homework. We are at least honoured by a royal personage in our class, namely King Billy, so called because of his assumed superiority. During a test he once asked the meaning of a word. "I don't know," replied the teacher. "Neither do I," replied his highness, for which he was made stand on the floor. It takes brains to be funny.

Although we are supposed to be past the baby stage a boy was found

to be amusing himself with an empty ink bottle on a string a few days ago. But after all, now we have all settled down we think 2a the best class in the school and if any of us have to leave it after June it will be with tear and lamentations.

2B

A certain history teacher was telling 2B about Simon de Montfort, "and here comes the most extraordinary part of the story," she had just announced, when in walked Mr. Fraser.

What little boy is called Annie Laurie in 2B?

A certain boy was reading and translating Latin; he came to the word "apud." A boy behind him whispered "among," and he translated it as "a dog."

The boys of 2B have taken "Quick Jack" as their national game. The mothers are having considerable trouble sewing up torn clothes.

Our room is very noisy, because it is between two other rooms. But for all that we do our work well.

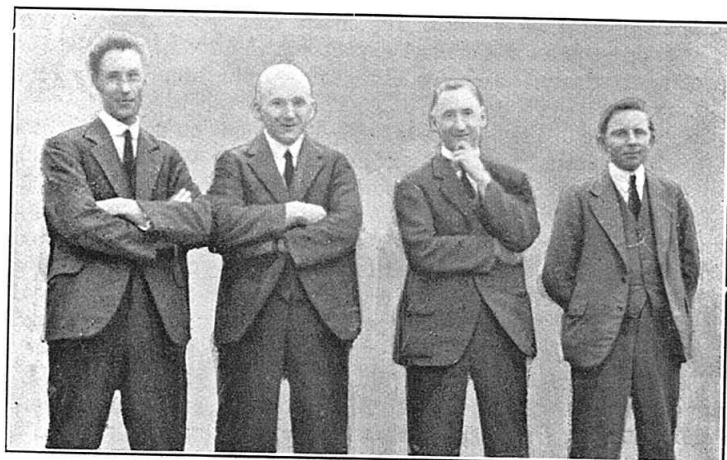
A certain member of our class thought that he would like some gold on his his teeth, so he fell on the cement and broke them.

According to a certain French teacher of 2B, there is a flea, a grub and a worm in the class.

We will never run out of money while there is a Penny in our class.

Who is the boy-carpenter of 2B?

A teacher has lately collected two dictionaries and refused an encyclopedia. We are all wondering whether she is endeavouring to enlarge her English vocabulary.



SOME MEMBERS OF OUR STAFF

Mr. C. Lynch, Mr. J. B. Ireland, Mr. R. Scott, Mr. G. Scott.

2C

LOST: The class 2C, somewhere between the front gate and the lower playground at Newcastle High School.

FOUND: The class 2C, after a lot of trouble, in the shed, sitting on bags. Swish! Splash! Bang! Here's 2C, the angels of second year.

It is said that we have some great artists, of which a boy is chief.

Further information can be obtained from our English teacher.

"If teachers counted lines," a 2C lad did say.

"Then Miss N—will be counting for ever and a day."

A certain boy in 2C was informed by a teacher that he was denser than mercury. No offence meant.

A certain teacher of 2C would make a good Minister—I really think he should apply for a position.

What do teachers sometimes lose?

2C. "The Wanderers."

A certain boy of 2C, who patronises the baths every Wednesday, is said once upon a time to have swum three yards.

A boy in 2C, dislikes to be called "Blue." Mr. Harvey is beginning to know 2C, well now, by their frequent visits.

A fairheaded lad of 2C., holds that he is a descendant of the Stuarts.

A girl in 2C, blushes when you speak of her sunburn, on a Thursday morning.

A boy in 2C, is always late because his ferry runs off the track.

2AC (BOYS).

Fat was at the baths the other day and some of his mates were showing him how to dive.

"Now Fat," said Philip, "try a swallow dive."

Fat made a hopeless attempt and created an alarming splash.

"That's not a swallow dive!" said Philip.

"Isn't it?" gurgled Fat, as he came to the surface. "I thought I had swallowed half the baths."

Our dear little tame duck seems to have thought it a great wrong being cut out of half his art period.

"I wonder why?" We had better ask the girls.

Professor is sending his parents bankrupt, buying leather for his boots. There is necessity to order a few yards more leather; his boots being of huge proportions.

"What is an angle?" asked the teacher.

Boy in the back, "A triangle with two sides."

'Shunk' had started the brush back. I wonder what he puts on—axle-grease or castor oil?

I wonder why they nicknamed him "Bunny," perhaps because he has pink eyes and eats so much lettuce.

Certain members of our class were glad to get a removal at Christmas as the nearness to the office often struck terror to their hearts.

But the new room is little better because the ladies' staff room is next door and, as some witty person exclaimed, "Oh woman, thy word is law!"

Why did Matthewson leave New Zealand?

I suppose he just lately heard of Australia (Wellington College you know).

Why does "Pup" not grow a tail?

Because he has not enough strength to wag it.

Where did the goose get his wabbles?

He must have picked them up.

Why does the goose go under the arches?

He must have engagements there.

Why doesn't 'Sticky' swim from Stockton?

He might get wet.

It is rumored that our prefect Daniel is leaving; if it is true we hope (Duke) Hannel gets the position.

Don't go to Sydney to see the Duke, you can see one here "Duke of Venice." He is a bit ancient though.

I wonder why Bunny Rabbit came from England.

The grounds are too hard to dig burrows I suppose.

Vote for "Maths." we'll be crying out in a few days for alas our beloved prefect is leaving.

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#### 1A.C.

There's no need to go to the zoo when in 1A.C. class, because "Pat" laughs like a hyena, France walks like an elephant doing the Charleston, and Taper growls like a grizzly bear.

I should advise a boy in 1A.C. not to chew in class, otherwise he might get some more lines.

On Wednesday, during science period a certain naughty member of the class was made to stand and gaze at some chemicals, which afterwards turned green with the force of his stare. The same member has a cricket bat which is only three inches across.

A boy in 1A.C., alias "Les Dawson" son of Billy Grime, will be fighting on Tuesday night. I hope he doesn't get killed, because he owes me threepence. This boy has also what our French teacher calls noir eyes.

What did Cerpy have in the bottle last week?

Three girls in 1A.C. should be called the "gossiping three," for every opportunity they get they're sure to be talking. One of these three seems to like Geography. She did quite a lot of it last week, for reading a Geography text-book.

A girl in 1A.C. seems very popular(?) with teachers, as, at least one has given her half a dozen nicknames.

The girls in 1A.C. are backward in coming forward with their history lectures.

The Junction girls are distinguishing themselves lately.

If the girls of 1A.C. don't stop eating peanuts, they will be getting shell shock.

A certain teacher of 1A.C. would be a good boxer if he had a little training.

Mr. Brown soon finds names for his students. (ask Vebina.)

Our science teacher has been teaching us about a vernier, and whenever he passes through the room he asks a golden haired little boy ("Comic Cuts") and another girl how to measure by the vernier scale, causing great laughter.

There is a girl who is always fussing about something, so, the Commercial teacher calls her Boronia (a Wild flower). This seems to suit her, but the other day the teacher called her a fuss-pot, and hurt Boronia's feelings very much.

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#### A MOVER

A young lady went into a well-known establishment a few days ago, and said to the shop-walker,

"Do you keep stationery?"

"No miss," replied the shop-walker, "If I did, I should lose my job."

Prisoner (arrested on windy day): "Constable, there goes my hat, may I run and get it?"

Policeman (newly enrolled): "No, my lad, you can't catch me that way, you'd be running away. You stop here and I'll run after it."

Prospective Employer (interviewing applicant for office boy's post): "And have you been carefully brought up?"

"Yes thanks, I came up in the lift."

Teacher (talking to class about cloth): "Now Tommy, what is cloth?"

Tommy: "I don't know miss?"

Teacher: "Well, Tommy, what are your trousers made of?"

Tommy: "Farver's old ones, miss."

A milkman had been arrested for selling watery milk.

"Have you any explanation to give?" asked the Magistrate.

"I don't know sir, the only explanation I can give is that the cow was left out in the meadow all night, and when it rained, she got wet through."

Pat had been asked to tea, and, owing to the heavy downfall of rain, he was asked to stay all night. His friends missed him for a while, but soon he came in, dripping wet, and a parcel under his arm.

"Where have you been?" he was asked.

"Shure," said Pat, "I've been home to get my pajamas."

SPORTS



"HARVEY HITS OUT."—News Item.

Sport at Newcastle High School is controlled by the Sports Union. Each branch of sport is governed by a Committee comprising the teacher, or teachers associated with that form of sport and a Committee elected by the supporters of the game in question. The Sports Union at its monthly meetings, authorises the expenditure of such sums as are, in its opinion, necessary for the proper conduct of the various branches.

For general organisation purposes, the whole of the sport of the boys, is controlled by the Sportsmaster, whose function it is to arrange competition and other matches; he also exercises a close supervision over all material so as to ensure the utmost economy commensurate with efficient service. The Sportsmistress acts in a similar capacity for the Girls.

In the annual report, read by Mr. F. McMullen (Headmaster at that time) in June, 1925, a portion of the Sportsmaster's review of the School's activities was read. It ran as follows:—"This review must place on record, difficulties under which Newcastle High School suffers, owing to its distance from adequate training grounds. A School of this standing should be in its own grounds. Just now, all the playing spaces available are over-taxed. It is something for the community to think upon." Fortunately things are not so bad to-day. An agreement has been entered into with the City Council, by which we have the use of the Sports Grounds, No. 1 and No. 2, and certain other areas. Moreover, turf wickets are available throughout the Cricket season, for the Competition teams, at least. These improved facilities are, we hope, an indication of a healthy interest in the corporate life of the school. We are not yet in our own grounds, but a further quickening of civic pride on the part of the people of Newcastle will ensure that happy consummation at no distant date. They are assured that the school expects that of them.

There are several features of the school's sporting activities which should be brought under the notice of all:—

1. The keen interest taken in all games, is most apparent in the Lower School, where the inauguration of Colour Competitions has stimulated a healthy rivalry.
2. The very successful Athletic Meeting which was held last year.
3. The interest in Swimming shown by the revival of the Annual Swimming Carnival.
4. The Cricket Competition with Maitland Schools, which provides three rounds and gives an added incentive to play in the lower schools, so as qualify for these teams.
5. An adequate supply of material due to the slightly increased rates of the Sports Union.

6. The success of the Junior Athletic team in bringing home the shield from the Inter-High School Meeting at Sydney, last year.

### TROPHIES

In order to ensure a keen interest in sport and to promote a healthy rivalry, some incentive is usually demanded. Newcastle High School has received some support from the Old Boys in the past, but something more is awaited. It is felt that the school should not have to go round on the eve of the annual sport meetings and ask for contributions to provide cups and other trophies, but that those interested in the school's welfare should provide trophies, more especially do we value trophies for team work, trophies which remain the property of the school, and which yet will be the pride of the individuals who struggled to ensure the supremacy of the team. To date the school possesses the following trophies:—

1. The Marguerite King Cups. These were presented by Mr. Bernard King, who was, until retirement, on the staff (Modern Languages) of this school. The Cups are to be competed for in perpetuity by Boys and Girls. A Committee of the Sports Union will shortly draw up rules governing the award of these trophies.

The Cups were presented as a memorial of Mr. King's daughter, who distinguished herself among her girl friends for her innate courtesy and refinement of manner, as well as for her bright and cheerful spirit during her illness. Mr. King felt that Marguerite would have liked to promote a true spirit of sportsmanship, hence the presentation of the cups. We here, place on record, our tribute of thanks to Mr. King and his daughter, who moved him to think so graciously of the needs of our students.

2. The Frank Gardner Cup, reference to which is made in School News. Reports of the various activities follow.

### CRICKET (1927).

Since the vacation, the School has been able to organize seven Cricket teams: The 1st XI, 2nd XI (A), 2nd XI (B), Four Colour Teams.

The representative teams have started their Competitions with Maitland, and Marist Brothers, which conclude next Christmas. So far, the teams have not been as successful as they might, especially in the case of the 1st XI, who have not yet won a competition game.

#### N.H.S. 1st XI.

The 1st XI met Marist Brothers in the first match of the competition at National Park, with the following result:—N.H.S., 1st XI, 1st Innings.

57 runs (McRae, 10, Williams 10).

2nd Innings—2 Wickets for 39 runs (Hamilton 20 n.o.).

Marist Brothers, 1st Innings—111 runs (McRae, 3 for 20).

Marist Brothers won by 54 runs on the first innings.

The following week the 1st XI had the bye, and played the Police at National Park.

N.H.S., 1st Innings—85 runs (Ewing 27, Mr. Harvey 23).

Police, 1st Innings—75 runs (Davies 5 for 23).

The School won by 10 runs.

The 1st XI, played Maitland at Maitland on the 9th March.

Maitland, 1st Innings—7 for 195 (W. Williams 5 for 30).

N.H.S., 1st Innings:—

73 runs (Williams 27, McRae 12).

2nd Innings:—

3 wickets for 24 runs (McRae, 17 n.o).

The following have the best batting and bowling averages:— Hamilton, 27 runs for 1 innings. Davies, 5 wickets for 27 runs.

The following shows the number of points at the end of the first round. Maitland, 5 points, Marist Brothers, 5 points, Newcastle, 2 points.

The 2nd XI (A) team have played three games, two of which were lost, and one won, making them 5 points out of a possible 12 points.

The best bowlers in this team are Asprey and Letcher, while Berriman and Patfield have the best batting averages.

The 2nd XI (B) team have played three matches, losing two, and winning one, making them 4 points out of a possible 12. Collins, Evans and Thomas are probably the best batsmen, and Collins and Prouse are the best bowlers. Evans shows distinct promise behind the stumps and should develop into a good keeper.

The following table shows the position of the Colour Teams:—

WHITES	18 Points.
REDS	12 Points.
BLUES	11 Points.
GREENS	4 Points.

The best players in the Colour Competition are:—

Algie, Campbell, Embleton, Yates, Griffiths, Jeffries, Watson and Galton.

K. WILLIAMS

### TENNIS REPORT

For some time now, tennis has been played at the Methodist Mission and Reid Park courts.

Four courts are available and have been recently top-dressed. This interfered considerably with our play, as on two occasions both courts were out of use—and the school was not notified.

We have lost the excellent services of Miss Whiteoak, who has been with us for a number of years, but her place was filled by Miss Cowell, an ardent tennis enthusiast, and an A grade member of the Reid Park Club.

We feel confident of making great progress under Miss Cowell's coaching, and are fortunate in having a number of tennis "fiends" on the staff.

Our present A team consists of Colleen Murphy, Nita Patterson, Thelma Morris and Thelma Spence, with Morvyth Jones an emergency.

On Wednesday, 16th March, we played the Dominican Convent A team. Newcastle lost by three sets to five, thirty-one games to forty.

It is difficult for us to obtain much match practice, and at present our form is not strong. But keenness should overcome our disabilities, and we hope to hold our own in further contests.

#### SWIMMING

Swimming this season has been marked by an increased attendance, and a keener interest. Messrs. Brown, Ireland, Scott and Walker have been in charge of the swimming activities. An innovation this year, has been the introduction of life saving.

The life saving class has been conducted by Mr. Ireland. The number attending the class is not by any means as great as it should be, but it is hoped that success of the present class will mean an increased interest next season. The school is sending twenty-four boys for the Bronze Medallion. The examination is to be held on Wednesday, 30th March. The school sincerely hopes that all candidates will be successful. Let us remember that success of our students in every avenue rebounds to the credit of the School.

This year we have revived the Annual Carnival. It was held on March 24th. The entries ensured a successful day. Our thanks are due to all the members of the staff who have assisted in swimming activities.

#### BOYS' TENNIS

The Commercial Club courts, have been the home of the boys who partake of this phase of sport, and many enjoyable afternoons have been spent there.

As usual, during swimming season, tennis has suffered considerably, as boys prefer swimming to tennis, and so the numbers there have been small. During the Winter season, more than 40 boys take tennis and the number is hard to cope with. This year, however, we have the use of three courts, and since last year we had but two, the boys look forward to more sets in an afternoon.

With so many boys at tennis, our standard of play has been slow in improving. Still, we have two or three promising players, but deeply regret the loss of O'Donnell, who was the winner of the Newcastle District Singles Championship (Schcols) this year, also for the previous year. Needless to say, he was the mainstay of our team.

We were unfortunate as to the Sydney Tennis, as Newcastle District was missed out. However, O'Donnell was allowed to play in the singles, but was defeated in the finals. In the Newcastle District Doubles, O'Donnell and Snape were defeated 9-7 in the finals after a strenuous game.

Matches have been few to date, mainly because of the scarcity of courts. Both Maitland and Cook's Hill visited us during last season and we were successful on each occasion, defeating Maitland 4 sets to 2, and Cook's Hill 6 sets to nil. This season we hope to meet many more opponents. The A team now consists of Snape, Donaldson, Bowers and Smith.

In conclusion, we wish to bid au revoir to Mr. Fraser, who took an extremely great interest in our sport, and also to welcome into our midst, Mr. Evans, our new Tennis Master.

LES. SNAPE.

#### GIRLS

#### SWIMMING REPORT

Among the various sports indulged in by the girls, swimming is the one in which their success has been outstanding.

Naturally an ideal Summer sport, its popularity may be judged by the fact that there are one hundred and eighty six girls on the swimming roll. The average attendance being one hundred and fifty. Between October, 1926, and March 1927, over fifty non-swimmers have become proficient, while a large percentage of medium swimmers have been promoted to the Life Saving Division.

Newcastle girls have competed in two Swimming Carnivals during the season.

The first was the P.S.A.A.A. Annual Carnival held in December. Though the girls obtained a large majority of points over all other schools, we did not retain the "Green Cup," as this was awarded for combined results of boys' and girls' events.



WINNERS OF THE COUNTRY HIGH SCHOOL POINT SCORE SWIMMING SHIELD

Jean Brent, Nora Einsaar, Le. Sullivan, Joyce Bryce, Lily Robertson  
Betty Giles.

(P.S.A.A.A.)

This Association, in spite of protests, persists with its payment of money prizes. These were not accepted by any competitors, but were handed to Mr. Harvey for School funds.

Successful competitors were:—

100 Yards Open Super-Primary Championship:— L. Robinson 1; L. Sullivan 3.

16 Years Championship:—L. Robinson, 1; E. Jones 2.

13 Years Championship: M. Young 2.

200 Yards Super-Primary Relay: N.H.S. (A) 1. N.H.S. (B) 2.

Senior Breast Stroke Championship: J. Bryce 1; J. Brent 2.

Diving: J. Brent 2.

Diving for Objects: D. Drake 2.

Cork Scramble: K. Mitchell 2.

The second carnival in which Newcastle girls competed was held on Monday, 14th March, being the Annual Carnival of the Girls Secondary Schools' Sports Association. A team of six girls accompanied by Miss Dalgleish, travelled to Sydney for this, the carnival being held at the Mens' Domain baths. It was a delightful trip—even though our train remained for seventy minutes outside Strathfield, during a heavy thunderstorm. Our clothes (if not our enthusiasum) were considerably dampened by the rain, which poured into the carriage, but what might have been a tedious delay was considerably enlivened by the remarkable descriptions and examples of a strange genus known as "dags" rendered by one of the party.

This being the first occasion on which our girls have competed in Sydney, they were naturally pleased at returning with the Country High Schools Shield (first competed for this year). There were three other country schools competing:—Wollongong, West Maitland and Cock's Hill, but in the Country Championship Newcastle secured 1st 2nd and 3rd places. Le Sullivan was the winner—we congratulate her, doubly, for in her heat of the 16 years Championship, she clipped 2 seconds off her time in the 1st. race, recording 36 seconds.

Other members of the team deserve "honorable mention—though not gaining places in the finals, they were placed in their heats—a most gratifying result, when one considers the high standard of swimming in Sydney Schools.

Results were as follows:—

50 yards Country Championship: Le Sullivan 1, L. Robinson 2, E. Einsaar 3rd. Time, 38 seconds.

Senior Breast Stroke Championship: J. Bryce 3rd in heat.

13 years Championship: B. Giles 3rd in heat.

16 years Championship: N. Einsaar 3rd. in heat.

Six Oar Race: L. Sullivan, J. Bryce, J. Brent 3rd in heat.

Let it be whispered that the last mentioned result was the most astounding of all! After practising hard at a breast stroke Six Oar, our team

found their opponents all using an overarm stroke, and with one accord consoled the onlookers by hastily changing their own method of propulsion!

The attention of our swimmers has not been confined to racing only, but Life Saving has formed a material part of their instruction.

In December, the girls secured the Blue Pennant for third place in the Ellund Cup Competition. This is open for all girls' schools in the state, and is presented by the Royal Life Saving Society. At present, 10 girls are preparing for their Resuscitation Badge test, while about twenty-four will undergo the water examination towards the end of this season.

The Sports Union recently granted us the necessary money for a stop watch, which will even stimulate further interest in swimming.

It may be mentioned also, that before the recent Sydney Carnival, the registration of our colors with the G.S.S.S. Association was changed from Navy and Red to Royal Blue and Red, in accordance with our Union's decision.

In closing this review of swimming, we regret our inability to supply the answer to a question worrying us all at present viz.: "Who will win the Senior Championship of the School on Thursday?"

Our Annual Carnival falls on the 24th March, possibly too late for results to be included in this issue.

#### SWIMMING CARNIVAL.

The Carnival was held under very good weather conditions. The high tide and water breaking over the baths prevented some of the events being run off in decent times. There was an excellent attendance on the part of the school and splendid enthusiasm was displayed. This was especially noticed in the inter-school and inter-year events.

The attendance of parents was not as good by any means as we would wish. We sincerely hope that the next carnival will be distinguished by a decidedly increased attendance on the part of parents and others interested in the school.

We here place on record our thanks to the officials of the Northern District Amateur Swimming Association for the valued assistance which they gave us and appreciate their remarks upon the attitude of our students.

The following are the events and results:—

#### Boys' Events

Under 14 years, 25 yards, breast-stroke championship: C. Leedham 1, C. Seale 2, J. Bedford 3. Time 22 3-5sec.

Novice Handicap, 25 yards. Final: Algie, 4sec 1; N. Prouse, 2sec 2; G. Hobbs, 5secs. 3. Time 19sec.

Senior 50 yards championship. Final: G. Thomas 1, Munro 2, Buttsworth 3. Time 32 2-5sec.

Junior 50 yards championship. Final: M'Leod and Moyes, dead-heat for 1. J. Seale 3. Time 34 2-5sec.

Under 14 years, 50 yards championship. Final: Bedford 1, Leedham 2, Worley 3. Time 38 3-5sec.

Senior 50 yards Handicap. Final: S. Bowers, 4sec 1; H. Mitchell 4sec 2; J. Munro scr. 3.





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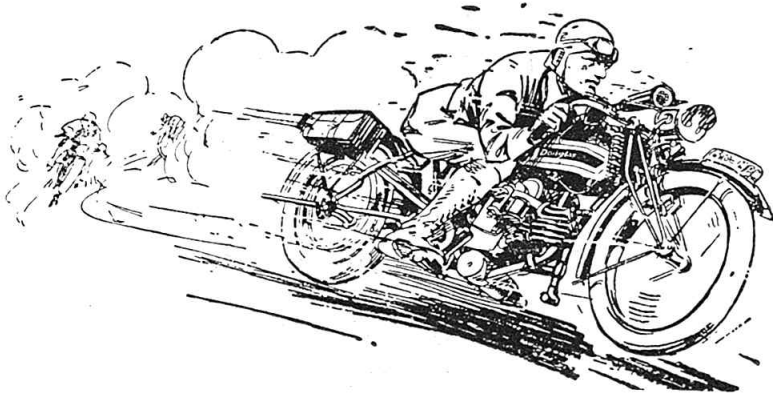
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