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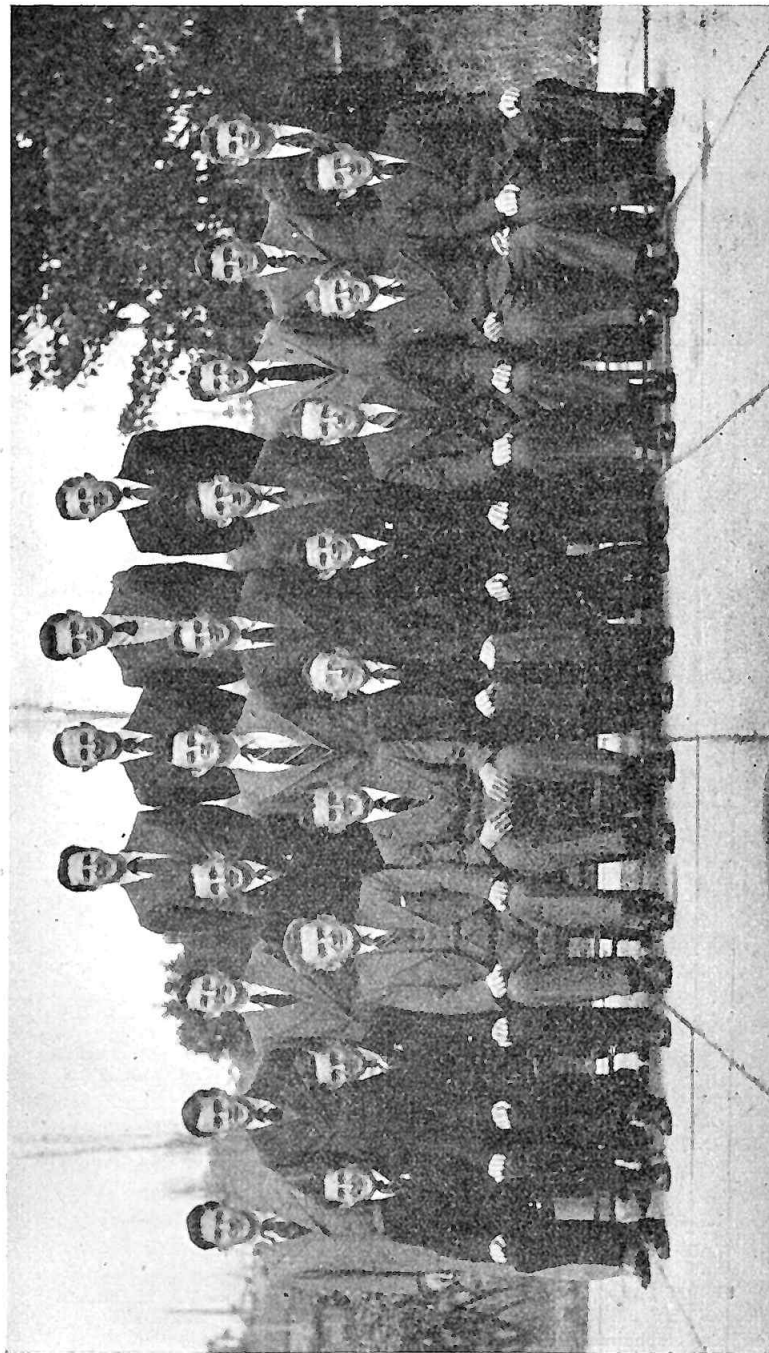
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THE HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

When I wrote my message to you for last year's "Novocastrian" I had not been back to the school for very long. I feel that I know you much better now than I did then. Generally speaking, I have been very pleased with the way you have co-operated with me and the staff. As you know, I have often been able to praise you for your good conduct at school and abroad. More and more of you are now wearing the school uniform and upholding its traditions. I hope, and believe, that you are taking an increasing pride in your school. This is helped by the improvements taking place to the grounds and the additions to the equipment and appointments of the school made by our splendid Parents and Citizens' Association. By the end of the year I believe we shall be well on the way to having a school of whose appearance this important city may be justly proud.

But I want you always to remember that it is not grounds or buildings or equipment that make a school. It is you, yourselves. If you are good, loyal members of the school, you will become good citizens of our community and nation. And you will be happy individuals. The dearest wish of your parents and teachers is that you should have the greatest happiness possible in your lives. To achieve this, your lives must be full of purposeful and successful activity—you must live, not just drift along; and they must be lived in close contact with your fellow-men. A selfish life is never a happy one. Set out to help others, think of the welfare of people throughout the world, so many of them less fortunate than yourselves, and you will have the best of all satisfactions—that of knowing that the world is a little better because you are in it.

THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

While this message is directed to the entire school, I wish that it may be particularly directed to our junior boys, those whose acquaintance with the school and its traditions has been but brief. I feel strongly that in our earlier years at the school we are inclined to be outspoken in its praise and perhaps a little conceited about a supposed superiority over other schools without being really aware of where its greatness lies or of the part we must play to ensure its continued success.

It is pleasing to note that, in compliance with the Headmaster's desire for a completely uniformed school, there is an ever-growing number of school uniforms appearing, especially in the lower years. I hope that the school uniform will come to mean more than a suit of clothes which those in authority wish us to wear. I hope it will become the symbol of our membership of a great school, the visible sign of our oneness with a social unit, the badge of our pride. The happiest and most successful society is that in which the rights and privileges of the individual are recognised and upheld, and in which the willingness to submerge individuality for the common good is predominant. The spirit of co-operation is strong within the school; indeed it is the basis of its strength.

I put this notion of the common good before you in all confidence that you will not regard the demands that such a concept makes as being beyond you or in any way unreasonable. Always bear in mind that the school is here as much to serve you as you are here to support its work for its own success and yours. Complete harmony of interest and aim is the ideal towards which all our energies must be directed. Mr. Beard has pointed out to you on several occasions that the idea of the pupils of a school on the one hand, acting in constant conflict with the staff on the other, is at least one hundred years behind the times. Any distrust and friction between master and pupil is a tendency to be regarded as distinctly unhealthy in a school whose motto is "Remis Velisque," whose ideal is citizenship and whose history is filled with evidences of this goal having been successfully attained.

The existence of a tradition behind the present school makes the charge laid upon new pupils all the more exacting, for it places them in the position, not of being the makers of a good name, but of being its upholders. If the tradition of team work which is prevalent in the school is maintained and added to, we may have every confidence that its good name will be enhanced. Regard the school as a building where we carry out certain onerous studies, where we are bidden to comply with certain tiresome rules, and we are missing its true and vital meaning. Regard it as a preparation for something greater, as a place where strong friendships are made, where a spirit of fellowship and the ideal of social unity prevail, and we are approaching the truth of what our school may mean to us. Keep this before you as being the basis of your school pride and I have no doubt that we can look forward to a vigour of spirit and action which will be reflected in your work and play and general attitude and which will finally bring further greatness to the already splendid name of the school.

G. GLEGHORN

YOUR SCHOOL MAGAZINE

With this issue, the third since 1947 when it reappeared after an absence of many years, we may say with confidence that the "Novocastrian" has firmly re-established itself in its rightful place in the life of the school. We hope that its publication has now become an event which you look forward to with at least as much pleasurable anticipation as you feel in regard to the many other incidents of the year—with, of course, the obvious exception of that which nothing could rival in your affections, the annual examinations.

A high school without a magazine would be like a community without a chronicler. The "Novocastrian" is your chronicler, the recorder of your achievements. Indeed, as so many articles are from the pens of students, you are to a large extent your own chroniclers; and this is a feature which we regard as highly commendable and which we are eager

to encourage. Much of the information will not be news to you. Each of you has played some part in the making of the story of our school year. What you have not participated in you have learnt about from your schoolfellows, from announcements at assemblies, from newspaper reports. But these are scattered impressions many of which are apt to become dim. The magazine provides you with a yearly report, a review of the activities of the school as a whole. Certain sections will have a special attraction, but we hope that you will study with interest all it contains. If, in spite of severe editing, you recognise one of your own contributions, then yours will be an enviable experience, the pleasure and pride of the young author who sees his work in print.

What will the "Novocastrian" mean to you after you leave school? We trust that you will still find it a source of interest, a link with your old school, certainly a vivid reminder of your school days and school mates. We picture you—how many years from now?—looking through perhaps this issue and saying modestly to your son: "Yes, my boy, that is your father. Not a good photo, I must say. I was much more brawny than I seem there. What's that? Yes, of course we won the competition. Why, I remember the last match as though it were yesterday. Your father scored three tries and kicked four goals. We won 17 to nil. Of course, the others did their bit. Now the first try I scored"—but we draw a veil over your reminiscences and over the rapt face of your admiring son.

In our library there are magazines from most of the high schools of the State. Those of you who have looked through them will realise that by means of them these schools become for us more than mere names. We learn what they have done and what they hope to do. Copies of our magazine are posted to all these schools. Last year copies were sent to Queensland. One went overseas to Heaton Grammar School, Newcastle-on-Tyne. As your headmaster told you in his last year's message, a copy goes to the Mitchell Library in Sydney to join the files of previous issues stored there. Thus through our journal we speak of our activities, our achievements, our aspirations, our ideals to the world beyond our own little sphere.

We wish you to realise that many will know only as much about us as we tell them in our magazine. Thus we desire it to be comprehensive, interesting, and worthy of our school. This is where you have a vital part to play. If information is missing, if some report disappoints you, if you think the original composition is not as good as it might be, remember that the opportunity is open to all to submit contributions. We certainly desire every class to be represented in the section for verse and prose. As regards reports, ensure that the activity you are interested in is satisfactorily reviewed either by writing a report yourself or by collaborating with others in the preparation of one. We warmly commend those who did submit contributions, we congratulate those whose contributions have been printed, and we urge you all to claim the "Novocastrian" as truly your magazine by making its contents to

the fullest extent possible your own work and by making that work represent the best you are capable of and thus an eloquent expression of the traditions and the spirit of your school.

THE EDITOR.

PROGRESS AT N.B.H.S.

At Newcastle Boys' High many changes have taken place this year. Beautification of the school is under way and the development of culture is being zealously fostered.

The beautification of the school, particularly the grounds, has been talked about for many years, but nothing spectacular has happened until 1949. Work in progress at present is being carried out by the students during special periods and also by employees of the City of Newcastle Council. The planning is done by the supervisor of parks and gardens and his staff. The Department of Education has given £350 to cover costs, but expenditure will probably exceed that amount. A new bicycle shed has been promised, since our bicycles have to be left out in all weathers and several thefts have taken place. To help the student gardeners new mattocks, spades and forks and a power mower have been bought. This equipment must be looked after, and in this matter the co-operation of students is sought. At the front of the school a large number of rose bushes bought by the P. and C. has been planted. There is a possibility of the erection of memorial gates with a plaque for those who fell in World War II and a plaque for Mr. C. E. Jacobs and Mr. V. H. Walker.

A broad culture is being fostered not only by this attempt to provide attractive surroundings but also by catering for a diversity of interests and by widening the field of our experiences. Hobby groups—the students' own choice—have been formed with the idea of giving us some interest and relaxation which will be a benefit to us now and in later years. Every useful modern hobby is catered for, and the groups are under the supervision of teachers who give us valuable assistance. Amenities have now been provided for the 5th year boys' recreation room. Debating and dramatic work are being encouraged. To foster an appreciation of art the P. and C. has bought several beautiful pictures for the assembly hall. Moreover, Mr. Holmes, an art teacher, has been appointed to the staff. To help us to appreciate good music special concerts have been arranged. Admission was either free or very cheap. Visiting artists this year were Mr. Smith's trio, Miss Joan Coxon and Miss Isabel Bedlington from England (by courtesy of the Newcastle Music Club) and Mr. C. Chapman, Miss M. Malcolm and Miss E. Dodsley who gave a lecture recital. Special concession prices have been granted for celebrity concerts. The school also has now a very fine radiogram. Current Affairs is a compulsory subject for all except 5th year during the second half of the year. Every student has a Current Affairs Book (C.A.B.) in which is stored important news under special headings. Lectures are given by Mr. Beard and by visiting speakers. This year we were privileged to hear Mr. Selby Alley, Student Adviser at Newcastle

Technical College, Rev. R. Sutton who gave an interesting talk on what he saw in Germany, the Secretary of the Maritime Services Board, Dr. Woodhouse formerly of the Indian Army, Senator Arnold, Dr. G. Mackness and Mr. L. Rees. We have had many quizzes the winners of which were given special prizes. The school was able to obtain Current Affairs posters which are now regarded as necessary items of classroom equipment. In the hall Mr. Beard has made available for our study files of newspapers and U.N.O. reports. Mr. Treuthardt brought to the school a poster display which has been described as the world's finest. We also receive special pamphlets which are stored in the library and help us greatly in our study of Current Affairs, Geography and Social Studies. Our consideration for others has been strongly appealed to by the formation of S.W.A.S.S.C., the committee which makes weekly collections and has already done much for deserving causes.

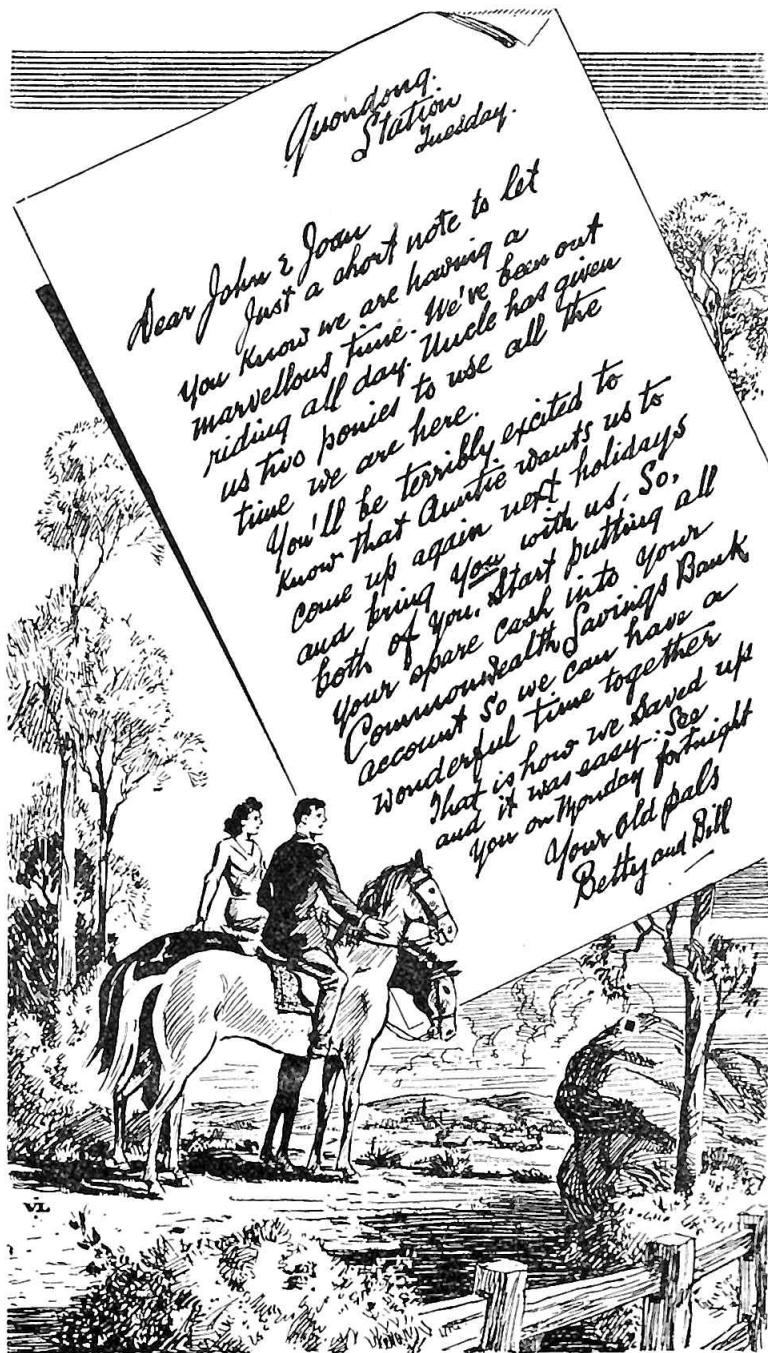
All these things we are being encouraged to do are aimed at making N.B.H.S. not merely an academy for scholars and sportsmen but a training ground for young men who will be worthy products of our school and citizens capable of making some contribution to the solving of their country's and the world's problems. Mr. Beard has striven very hard on our behalf, and his aim will surely be attained if we all continue to co-operate with him and the staff in the spirit of our school motto, "Remis Velisque."

A. PATTISON, 4th Year

Speech Night

Features of our Speech Night at the City Hall on June 1st were musical items rendered by the choir, the quartet, the violin ensemble, and violinist J. Murray, the presentation of prizes, the presentation made to Mr. Reg. Trew and the presentation of this gallant ex-student's portrait to the school by G. Gleghorn on behalf of the pupils, addresses by the chairman, Alderman G. W. McDonald, Deputy Mayor, Mr. H. Stiepe-wich, President of the P. and C., and Mr. I. S. McKenzie, the vote of thanks by Mr. D. Drake, Inspector of Schools, the sports report by Mr. L. McRae, and the Headmaster's report.

In his address Mr. Beard said that as the printed programme fulfilled the first function of a Speech Night report, namely reviewing the year's achievements, he would concentrate on the other two, explaining school policy and enlisting the co-operation of parents and citizens in serving the highest ends of education. "True education," he said, "is the hope of the world. The values most needed are those expressed in Christian ethics, and education is a matter not only for the school but for the home, the church and the community. Education so far has failed, and a new form of education is needed to build enduring peace. The old educator was an inculcator. The modern educator is a facilitator whose aim is not to force youth into the same mould as produced himself, not to solve its problems for it, but to help it to work out its own



salvation. He has the four-square task of watching all sides of growth—physical, mental, social, spiritual. The school must provide an environment in which a boy can gain knowledge, acquire skills and develop attitudes. All school activities must be integrated for this purpose.” Mr. Beard outlined how our school tries to provide ‘the soil for the growth of these three plants,’ and continued, “The attitude I feel we need to strive for most is one of enthusiasm for all things good. I have given you a picture of an integrated school, but we need a wider integration. The best education will come only when we have the home and the community with us.”

The Library

The school library under the capable management of Miss Morison is well patronised by all classes. Reading has been greatly stimulated by the establishment of a library near our school at Waratah and the children’s library in the city.

This year 260 books have been added to the library, and of these 98 are fiction. A sum of from £90 to £100 was expended. The most notable and helpful newcomers are the first two volumes of the Junior Oxford Encyclopaedia. Five large beautiful books of world renowned paintings and drawings have been acquired. The library has begun to subscribe to a physical culture magazine which Mr. Jear and his P.T. classes will read avidly. Another periodical, issued each half year, has been obtained. It is Art and Design, an Australian publication dealing with every sphere of art. With the introduction of the hobbies period there came an increasing demand for books. The library being insufficiently equipped to meet this demand, many books were bought so that now all the hobbies are catered for.

During Book Week posters representing “Books are friends” were received. As usual books were presented to the library by many boys, and we had quizzes which we found both enjoyable and instructive.

The library has undergone a few changes. Late last year the tables were polished and felt covers were placed on them to guard them from scratches. This year linoleum has been procured. The indexing of articles from Economics journals is being carried out by an enthusiastic team of 4th year boys, while another group has done a fine job of arranging a display of dust jackets of new books.

P. LARCOMBE, 4C

The Social Service and Welfare Fund Committee

The inaugural meeting was held on March 29th. Since then the committee has drawn up a constitution and functioned very smoothly. To provide funds the boys are asked to contribute threepence per week.

The first piece of work done was the presentation of a book to Reginald Trew, ex-prefect of the school, who showed outstanding bravery in a shark attack at Bar Beach earlier in the year. Arrangements were made to obtain a large portrait of Reg. for the school. This however,

was donated by the Evelyn Mellor studios, whose generosity saved us considerable expense. Next the committee purchased 330 Mothers' Day badges from the Benevolent Society of N.S.W. These were distributed on a class basis. During the Maitland Flood Relief Appeal we made a donation of £24 to help the flood victims. A large number of Stewart House buttons was purchased and distributed, one to each boy, as a result of which Stewart House received £18/16/10. The committee also assisted financially in the visit of our 1st XIII to Kempsey to play the University Shield match, as many of the boys' fathers were unemployed owing to the coal strike.

The committee is always anxious to help any deserving cause and would welcome any such cause being brought to its notice.

N. ELLIS, 4A

Music Notes

The school choir has been rehearsing regularly during the year. On Speech Night we had about 50 members. Items rendered were "O Peaceful England," "The Merry Minstrels" and "Ye Shepherds Tell Me." Although the violin ensemble has difficulty in finding suitable time to practise, the group gave a creditable performance of the "Barcarolle" from "The Tales of Hoffman." They are preparing for the concert in September, when they hope to play the overture to the "Gondoliers." The radio gramophone has proved a valuable asset to the class appreciation lessons and the hobbies group of listeners. The record library is small at present but recently we bought several recordings of French music. In addition to our own collection of recordings, we borrow from the Education Department Record Library. During the assembly period on various occasions we have organised lectures and practical demonstrations on musical topics, notably by Miss Jean Coxon, Mr. Smith, of Waratah Primary School, and Mr. Colin Chapman.

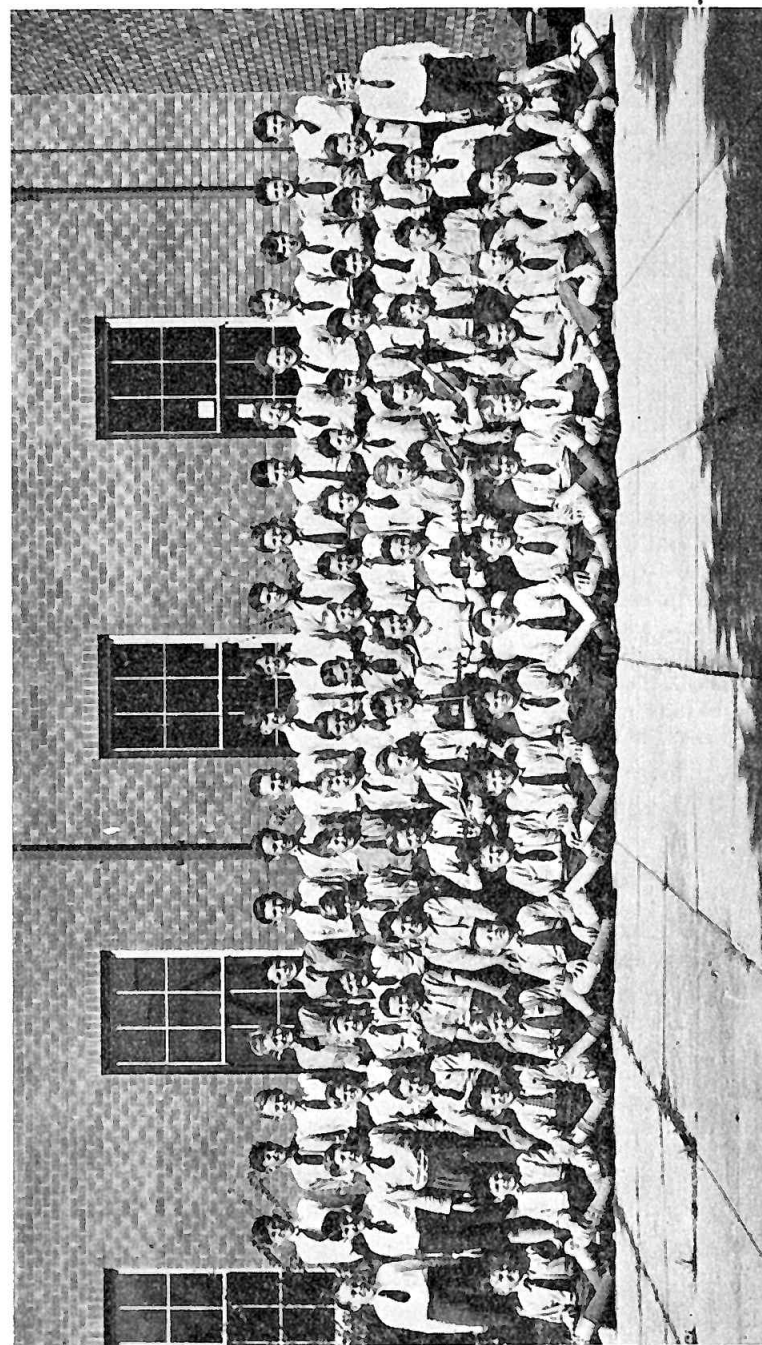
MRS. M. READ

Senior Cadet Detachment

This year, whilst it does not have its war-time strength, the Cadet Detachment has the largest number of recruits for several years. Indeed, over one-sixth of the school belongs to the unit, and this augurs well for its future existence. The increase in numbers has enabled several new platoons to be formed, including an efficient drum and bugle band, and an ambulance platoon.

Close co-operation with army officials has made available the 6 pdr. anti-tank gun, the Vickers machine gun and the 3 in. mortar. Specialist training has been given to other recruits by those N.C.O.'s who attended a specialist school in April. The annual camp was held at Ingleburn during April-May and a proposed bivouac is to be held at Gan-Gan, near Port Stephens, during October.

Keen rivalry has sprung up amongst the platoons, as each is anxious to win the Captain Jacobs trophy. This trophy—to perpetuate the memory



THE CHOIR AND THE VIOLIN ENSEMBLE.

of our late C.O., Captain Jacobs—is to be awarded to the platoon gaining the highest number of points for drill, efficiency and attendance during the year.

The detachment was congratulated by the Governor, General Northcott, when it formed a subsidiary guard of honour on the occasion of his visit. Another highlight was the visit to an armoured regiment, where armoured and supply vehicles were inspected and a trip out in them was thoroughly enjoyed.

Credit must be given to our C.O., Captain Fountain, and our Adjutant, Lt. Jear, for the work that they put into the unit. With the help of the five Cadet Lieutenants, G. Henry, R. Inglis, J. Stiepowich, B. Tinkler and I. Gore, they have made the past year a very successful one in numbers and efficiency.

I. GORE, 5A

The Cadet Band

The Cadet Band was formed two years ago. It then consisted of four drummers. It now consists of nine drummers, a bass drummer, five buglers and a drum-major. The band played for the brigade going to church and the march past at Ingleburn Camp this year. It also played for the Newcastle Girls' High School sports and a month later for our own school sports, doing very well on both occasions. The buglers have achieved a high standard of playing, under the care of Sergeant J. Campbell. The drummers have a large variety of sequences, including a solo beating, which is ably led by Cadet F. Wolfgram. The band, now very efficient in drill, forming circles and counter-marching, is trying hard to win the Jacobs trophy, to be presented to the best platoon in the unit.

DRUM-MAJOR ROY CAVANAGH, 3D

Parents and Citizens' Association

This association has been very active and its energies have proved of material value to the progress of the school in respect of amenities and necessities. Funds raised from various functions have provided a motor lawn-mower, coverage for the library floor, a carpet for the headmaster's office, a radiogram, amenities for 5th year boys' recreation room, curtains for the music room, and several books for the library. The biggest project is the improvement to the school grounds, involving £300 or more. Specific efforts were afoot to provide the funds. However, the matter has been taken up with the Department of Education with the assistance of the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, and the school may expect vast improvements which will provide not only more comfort for the lads but considerable beautification of the school frontage. The association is looking forward to the annual fair on October 7th, for which its members are working energetically. On its success will largely depend future activities of the association, as it is the main



SECTION OF CADET UNIT.

BACK: Cdts. Edwards, Peterson, Chapman, Crozier, Allwood, Roach, Jones, Hawkins, Brown, Gibson.
MIDDLE: Cdts. Blair, Booth; L/Cpls. Sheehan, Seddon; Cpls. Mason, Kent, Campbell; L/Cpls. McKenna, Miller; Cdts. Adamson, Taylor.
FRONT: Cpl. Dalton, Sgt. Norris, S.M. Ellis, Cd./Its. Inglis, Stiepowich, Cpl. Fountain, Cd./Its. Henry, Tinkler, Sgt. Henderson, D/M. Cavanagh, Cpl. Scott.



THE CADET BAND.

BACK: R. Taylor, F. Belk, Cpl. J. Campbell, H. Moore.
FRONT: K. Magin, F. Beck, B. Allcorn, Drum-Major R. Cavanagh, K. King, F. Wolfgram, P. Burns.

source of raising funds. May we look forward to the whole-hearted support of the boys on this occasion? Of course we may. The lads never let us down on any project.

Mr. B. L. GOSPER, Sec.

Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary has been very busy during the year running the fortnightly dances, which are still very popular. Once again supper was prepared on Speech Night for the staff and visitors. In conjunction with the Bar Beach Ladies' Auxiliary we prepared luncheon at the Combined Athletics Carnival and ran a tuck shop for the benefit of the boys. Afternoon tea was served in the hall for the reunion of old students. The ladies are always willing to help the school in its activities and in the raising of funds.

Mrs. F. FLANAGAN, Sec.

Because she had heard so many mothers regret that the distance from Newcastle to Waratah prevented their attendance at P. and C. meetings held at the school, Mrs. Fyfe, of Fenton Avenue, Bar Beach, had the bright idea of forming a branch in her own area. The first meeting was held just on 12 months ago at her home with 14 ladies present. Now we have 23 working members. We have held a card party at the Esplanade, a musicale at the home of Mrs. Ellis, our president, and a luncheon party followed by a card afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mitchell, our treasurer. From these functions we have raised as much as £57. Any ladies interested in helping us to maintain the high standard of the school set by the present principal and masters would be gladly welcomed at our meetings and should contact the secretary at Ham. 939.

Mrs. G. GOSPER, Sec.

Reunion of Old Students

The reunion arranged by Mr. Beard and the P. and C. to try to re-form the Old Novocastrian Association brought to our school on August 24th nearly 100 ex-students. Among them were the Headmaster of Newcastle Central Junior Technical High, Mr. R. Stove, the fourth student enrolled when our school opened in 1906, and three former school captains, Mr. A. Hilton, Mr. R. Cochrane and Mr. A. Roach. Also present was Miss Crawford, President of Girls' High Old Students' Association.

The proposal to revive our Old Students' Association was approved. Mr. G. Gerrard, of Balmain Teachers' College, proposed the formation of a branch in Sydney so that ex-students at the University or the Teachers' Colleges might maintain contact with the school, and committees were appointed to organise branches in both Sydney and Newcastle.

Matches played as part of the reunion activities were much enjoyed. Our A1 soccer team won 8-2 against a team of ex-students including C. Swan, A. Fisher, G. Powrie, A. Gibson, A. Kerr, V. Lloyd, K. McLennan. Our 1st XIII won 12-8 against such veterans as R. Tooth,

W. Sneddon, J. Hook, P. Mooney, J. Hawkes, J. Baker, R. Richardson, J. Jenkins, T. Tresidder, J. Field, A. Cuthbert, K. Ellis, J. Wright, W. Callender, J. Levido and referee S. Jones. Our 2nd XIII courteously allowed J. Taylor, B. Carlson, J. McCourtie, D. Pullen, R. Clements, J. Meletios, C. Yarham, J. Rochester, J. Davies, K. Poole, B. Morris, K. Campbell, L. Dwyer to score a victory 11-0. Our tennis stars, Messrs. Simpson, Clarke, Brown, Cochrane, Beveridge, Grierson, Ingram, Saunders, Bailey, Berriman, Hilton, McRae, followed this example of true hospitality, though somewhat niggardly, by letting ex-students C. McDonald, D. Finney, D. Hunt, S. Noble, K. Hattander, J. Adam, A. Smith, P. Markey, K. Beath, E. Erskine, R. Mason, —. Sparke win by 9 sets 82 games to 9 sets 81 games.

On this occasion, as on so many others, we were indebted to the Ladies' Auxiliary for providing afternoon tea.

Our Visitors From Brisbane

With vivid recollections of the wonderful time our boys and members of the staff had last year as guests of the Brisbane Industrial High School we did our best to make the return visit (Sept. 13th to Sept. 16th) as pleasant as possible. After a civic reception at the City Hall Messrs. R. Mackie, President of the Sports Committee, P. Andersen, Secretary, S. Borresen and the Brisbane boys were introduced to the school at an assembly in the hall and were very warmly welcomed. We trust that all concerned will have happy memories of the dance at Girls' High, the theatre party, the visit to the B.H.P., the trip to the lake, the soccer match (3-1 in our favour), the league match 8-3 and the hockey match 4-0 (both in Brisbane's favour), the tennis (firsts 5 rubbers 11 sets to 2 rubbers 7 sets; seconds 4½ rubbers 9 sets to 3½ rubbers 7 sets—both in our favour), the staff dinner, and other forms of entertainment not on the official programme. The visitors were farewelled by the school at an assembly on the Friday morning. We sincerely hope, boys and teachers from B.I.H.S., that you enjoyed your stay as thoroughly as we enjoyed having you here.

Anzac Day

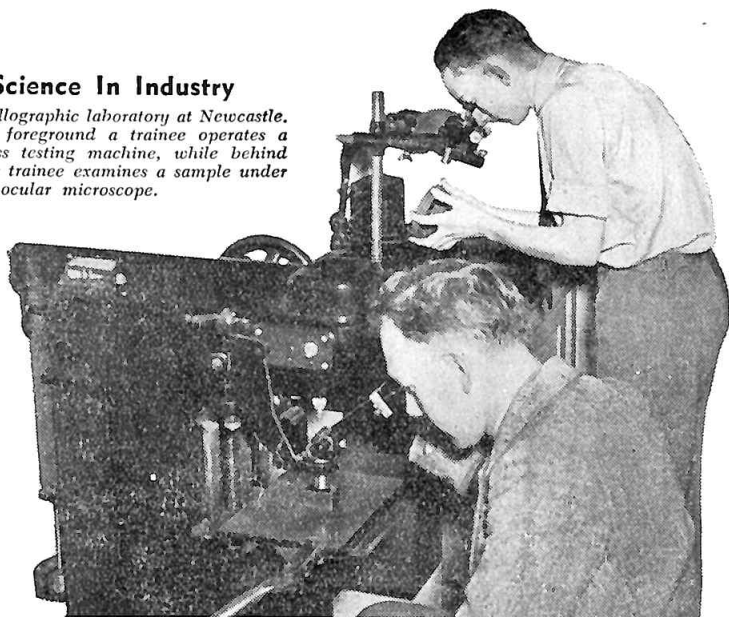
As we recall the singing of "Advance Australia Fair," Mr. Hodge's fine address on Gallipoli and the theme of remembrance, Mr. Beard's quoting of deeply moving verses, the laying of a wreath at the foot of the Honour Roll by Mr. Bates and Mr. Davies, the sounding of the Last Post and the Reveille by Mr. Perkins, and the singing of the National Anthem, we think of our Anzac Day Ceremony on April 22nd as the most impressive we have had for many years.

Empire Day

Our Empire Day celebration this year was marked by the singing of appropriate songs, speeches by members of the school debating club, and an address by our guest speaker, Professor A. H. McDonald, Pro-

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fessor of Ancient History at Sydney University.

Professor McDonald told the school of his 12 months abroad and of his views on the problem of reconstruction after the devastation of war. That the Dominions as a united power were willing to work together for the common good, he said, was largely the result of what the founders of the British Empire had done and was an important factor in world recovery. Australia had already achieved much, he concluded, but there was much more to do because there was the world to consider as well as ourselves.

Among the winners in the public school speaking contest was Alan Murphy, who won the under 15 section for boys. At the City Hall on Empire Day the winners repeated their speeches on "The British Empire Enters a New Era", and the prizes were presented. Alan received his prize, a gold medal and a cheque for £5, from Mr. A. E. Heath, former Agent-General for N.S.W. in London. Congratulations, Alan Murphy.

School Concert

Our concert presented on Sept. 20th at Legion House was an outstanding success, and we congratulate all those directly concerned with the function for the excellent results of their efforts. The items included the overture played by the violin ensemble, extracts from "The Gondoliers" by members of the school choir trained by Mrs. M. Read, "Oliver Twist" and "Toad of Toad Hall" by 1E boys supervised by Mr. J. Quinlan, "Campbell of Kilmhor" by the dramatic club under the direction of J. Tasker, and "The Curse of the Foxes" by 4th year boys supervised by Mr. K. Rice.

Success in R.A.A.F. College Sports

We were very pleased to receive from the Public Relations Dept., Dept. of Air, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, the following notice: "Air Cadet D. C. Tennent competed with conspicuous success in the R.A.A.F. College swimming sports in March, 1949. He was victorious in the sprint, long distance and diving championships and thereby is College swimming champion for the year. Air Cadet Tennent resides in Toronto." Congratulations, ex-student Don Tennent.

Mr. J. G. Arthur

We offer our congratulations to ex-student Mr. J. G. Arthur, M.L.A. for Hamilton, on his elevation to Ministerial rank.

Our Benefactors

We welcome the opportunity of expressing in the "Novocastrian" our deep gratitude to all individuals and organisations who have given their money or their time or their services for the welfare of our school.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE RESULTS — 1948

(1 English, 2 Latin, 3 French, 4 German, 5 Maths 1, 6 Maths 2, 7 General Maths, 9 History, 12 Physics and Chemistry, 13 Physics, 14 Chemistry, 18 Geography, 19 Economics, 21 Music, 25 Technical Drawing).

Abell, L., 1B 5B 6B 13B 14B 18B.
 Atkinson, F., 1B 5B 13B 14A.
 Bailey, C., 5B 6B 13B 25A.
 Baird, B., 1A 2A 3HI(o) 4A(o) 7B 9A.
 Beattie, R., 1A 3A(o) 5A 6B 13A 14A.
 Bell, G., 1B 5B 13B 14A.
 Beath, N., 1B 3B(o) 5B 6B 14A.
 Braye, K., 1B 7B 9A 14B 18B.
 Carlin, B., 1A 2A 3B(o) 9A.
 Clements, R., 1B 3B 7B 9B 13B 14A.
 Davey, R., 1A 5B 6B 13A 14A.
 Davis, R., 1B 5A 6A(x2) 13B 14A.
 Denham, R., 1B 3B 13B 14B.
 Dowey, A., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13B 14A.
 Edwards, A., 1A 3B 7B 9B 12B 19A.
 Fairbairn, L., 1B 3B 5A 6B 13A 14A.
 Fisher, A., 1B 3A(o) 5B 6B 13A 14A.
 Fitzgerald, D., 1B 5B 13B 14B 25A.
 Fleming, L., 1B 3B 5B 14B.
 Fuller, M., 1B 7B 9B 13B 14B 18B.
 Gibson, A., 1B 5B 6B 13B 14B.
 Gray, R., 1A 3A(o) 5B 6B 13A 14B.
 Griffiths, I., 1B 5B 6B 13B 14B 25B.
 Hammond, H., 1B 5B 6B 12B 19B.
 Harden, N., 9B 13B 14A 25B.
 Harris, T., 3B 5B 6B 13B 14A.
 Hill, J., 1B 3B(o) 5B 6B 12A 19B.
 Hollingshed, W., 1B 3B 7B 9B 12B 19B.
 Hook, J., 1B 5B 6B 18B.
 Howard, R., 1B 7B 9B 12B 18B 19B.
 Joyce, B., 1B 3B 7B 14B.
 Langford, D., 5B 6B 13A 14A.
 Long, F., 1B 3B 5A 6A 13A 14A.
 McPhee, R., 1B 5B 6B 13A 14B 18B.
 Manning, E., 1H2 3A 5B 14A 21HI.
 Meehan, R., 1A 2B 3B 9B 12B.
 Meletios, J., 1B 7B 9B 13B 14B 18B.
 Mills, A., 1A 3B(o) 5B 6B 13A 14A.
 Morris, D., 1B 5B 6B 13A 14B 25A.
 Morris, P., 1A 3B 7B 9A 12B 19A.
 Mould, J., 1A 5B 6B 13A 14B 18H2.
 Murray, R., 1A 5B 13B 14A 18B.
 Newbert, K., 1B 3A 5B 6B 12A 19B.
 Newey, R., 1B 3A 4B(o) 5B 6B 13A.
 Nichols, J., 1B 5B 6B 13B 14A 18B.
 Onions, J., 1B 2B 3B 9B.
 Paterson, H., 1B 3A(o) 5B 6B 13A 14H1.
 Pettigrew, A., 1B 5B 6B 13B 14B 25B.
 Powrie, G., 1A 5B 6B 13B 14H2.
 Pryde, N., 1B 2B 9H2 14B.
 Quill, R., 1A 2H2 3A(o) 4A(o) 5A 6B.
 Quinn, W., 1H2 3A(o) 7B 9A 14A 19A.
 Robbie, I., 1B 5B 13A 14H2.
 Sanderson, K., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13B 14A.
 Smith, A., 1B 5B 6B 12A 18B.
 Sparke, D., 1B 5B 6B 13A 14B 25B.
 Spitzkowsky, A., 1A 3B(o) 5B 6B 13B 14H2.
 Stone, F., 1A 3A(o) 5A 6B 13A 14H1.
 Tabner, R., 1B 13B 14B 25A.
 Tate, R., 1A 2B 3H2(o) 4B(o) 7B 9B.
 Taylor, J., 1H2 3A(o) 7A 9A 19A.
 Tresidder, J., 1B 7B 9B 13B 14B 25B.
 Tresidder, T., 1B 9B 12A 19B.
 Trewartha, D., 1A 3B(o) 5B 6B 12A 19B.
 Tyler, W., 1H2 3A(o) 7B 9A 12A 19A.
 Walkom, R., 1B 2H2 3A(o) 7B 9A 12B.
 Watkins, K., 1A 7B 9A 13B 14A 18B.
 Wilson, B., 1B 3B 5B 6B 13B 14B.
 Wrightson, R., 1B 5B 6B 13A.

University Exhibition: E. J. Manning (Arts).

N.S.W. Co-operative Society Bursaries: W. Quinn, J. Taylor.

Honours: E. Manning, W. Quinn, J. Taylor, W. Tyler (English); R. Quill, R. Walkom (Latin); B. Baird, R. Tate (French); R. Davis (Maths); N. Pryde (History); H. Paterson, F. Stone, G. Powrie, I. Robbie, A. Spitzkowsky (Chemistry); J. Mould (Geography); E. Manning (Music).

Teachers' College Scholarships: L. Abell, R. Denham, A. Dowey, D. Fitzgerald, L. Fleming, M. Fuller, A. Gibson, H. Hammond, J. Hill, J. Hook, F. Long, R. Newey, N. Pryde, A. Smith, D. Sparke, R. Tate, J. Tresidder, T. Tresidder.

INTERMEDIATE PASSES — 1948

Adam, T.; Allan, J.; Allan, R.; Allen, J.; Avis, K.; Baldwin, D.; Beal, R.; Beaufoy, H.; Bignall, K.; Bignill, K.; Bint, B.; Black, A.; Blythe, F.; Brown, A.; Brown, D.; Burwell, L.; Buxton, L. Campbell, R.; Chapman, J.; Chappell, J.; Charlton, W.; Clark, D.; Cleary, J.; Cobb, B.; Coco, J.; Cornwell, R.; Cross, D.; Cullen, J.; Cupitt, T.; Davies, J.; Davis, L.; Denton, A.; Denton, W.; Dews, A.; Dobinson, T.; Douglas, D.; Douglas, E.; Douglas, S.; Druery, F.; Dyer, D.; Edminson, W.; Ellis, N.; Fairleigh, E.; Feary, R.; Fisher, W.; Fraser, K.; Gaut, C.; Gilmore, L.; Goodridge, N.; Gosper, K.; Hanley, J.; Harris, K.; Harvey, C.; Henry, G.; Hetherington, J.; Hill, G.; Hincks, K.; Holgate, A.; Holt, J.; Howard, L.; Inglis, R.; Jackson, R.; James, J.; Johnson, A.; Johnstone, J.; Jones, G.; Jordan, R.; Kempster, J.; Kent, B.; Kirkham, P.; Larcombe, P.; Lauder, I.; Lawrence, T.; McDonald, K.; McGregor, D.; Maddison, B.; Mahon, R.; Mew, R.; Mills, J.; Morris, F.; Morris, J.; Morrison, R.; Mulholland, J.; Myles, W.; Newey, K.; Noyes, K.; O'Brien, R.; Palmer, N.; Pattison, A.; Peterson, L.; Pilgrim, B.; Poetschka, D.; Power, D.; Read, J.; Richmond, J.; Roberts, J.; Robin, M.; Ross, K.; Scott, H.; Sheedy, T.; Smith, A.; Smith, R.; Steel, W.; Stiepewich, J.; Swan, K.; Taylor, C.; Tickle, R.; Treloar, B.; Wallis, J.; Waudby, W.; White, N.; White, T.; Wickham, D.; Wilkinson, J.; Williams, J.; Wiltshire, M.; Winn, D.; Woodward, W.

Intermediate Bursaries: J. Cleary, D. Douglas, R. Inglis, J. Mills, A. Pattison, C. Taylor.

Lord Gowrie Scholarship: D. Douglas.

PRIZE LIST

James Meikle Memorial Prize for Dux of School: W. Quinn.

Ross Mearns Prize: L. Fairbairn.

Basil Helmore Prize: G. Henry.

Captain James Cleary Memorial Prizes: J. Taylor (English), N. Pryde (History).

W. V. Cochrane Memorial Prize: H. Paterson.

Allan J. Way Prizes: A. Fisher (Physics, L.C.), G. Brown (Physics, 4th yr.), C. Harrison (Chemistry, 4th yr.).

Current Affairs Prizes: G. Jenks, J. Woods.

Hemingway Robertson Scholarship: W. Myles (3rd yr.).

Blennerhasset Scholarship; P. Morris (5th yr.).

Commonwealth Institute of Accountants Scholarship: R. Mew (3rd yr.).

Best Passes at L.C.: W. Quinn, J. Taylor, F. Stone, H. Paterson, R. Quill, R. Beattie.

Subject Prizes at L.C.: English—J. Taylor; Latin—R. Quill; French, German—B. Baird; Maths 1 & 2—R. Davis; General Maths—J. Taylor; History—N. Pryde; Physics & Chemistry—T. Tresidder; Physics—A. Fisher; Chemistry—H. Paterson; Geography—J. Mould; Economics—W. Quinn; Music—E. Manning; Tech. Drawing—K. Cocking.

Fourth Year Prizes: G. Brown (dux), R. Williams, I. Mackie, R. White, D. Reid, C. Harrison.

Fourth Year Certificates: English, History—W. Derkenne; G. Gleghorn, aeq.; Geography—A. McKenzie; Latin—R. Milton; French — I. Mackie; German—R. Wyatt; Maths 1—C. Harrison, I. Mackie, R. Williams, aeq.; Maths 2—D. Reid; General Maths—J. Jacobs; Physics & Chemistry—F. Morrison; Physics—G. Brown; Chemistry—C. Harrison; Economics—G. Gleghorn; Tech. Drawing—R. King.

Third Year Prizes: W. Steel (dux), D. Douglas, J. Cleary, P. Larcombe, J. Hanley, G. Henry.

Third Year Certificates: English, Science—J. Cleary; History, Maths I—D. Douglas; Geography—D. Cross; Social Studies—T. Adam; Latin, French, German—J. Allen; Maths 2—G. Henry; Business Principles—W. Myles; Tech. Drawing—D. Poetschka; 1st 3B—J. Chappell, C. Taylor, aeq.; 1st 3C—A. Pattison; 1st 3D—T. Cupitt, J. Hetherington, aeq.

Second Year Prizes: D. Barnes (dux), C. Gittins, M. Smith, B. Whitehead, A. Murphy, J. Miles.

Second Year Certificates: English, German—J. Miles; History—A. Murphy; Social Studies, Business Principles—D. Pardey; Latin, Maths 1—D. Barnes; French—C. Gittins; Maths 2—J. Cole; Science—R. Boyd, M. Smith, aeq.; Tech. Drawing—D. Mason; 1st 2B—G. Jenks; 1st 2C—K. Gregory; 1st 2D—K. Mayo; 1st 2E—B. Lobb.

First Year Prizes: T. Morgan (dux), B. Kemple & P. Allen (aeq.); R. Managan, P. Healy, K. Scott.

First Year Certificates: English—K. Scott; History — B. Miller; Geography—J. Todd; Social Studies—J. Mingay, R. Park, aeq.; Latin—P. Healy; French—P. Healy, B. Kemple, aeq.; Maths 1—K. Imrie; Maths 2—K. Scott, B. Kemple, P. Allen, aeq.; Science—S. Greedy; Woodwork—D. McCune; Tech. Drawing—A. Cummings; 1st 1A—B. Kemple; 1st 1B—T. Morgan; 1st 1C—J. Mingay; 1st 1D—S. Greedy; 1st 1E—J. Todd.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT.

"He wears his heart on his sleeve" means that a man's heart is so tender and kind that the person is always crying, using the sleeve of his coat to dry the tears. (From a Pre-Leaving English paper).

CLUB REPORTS

Senior Dramatics: Although the society is not numerically strong, this fact has been greatly compensated for by the enthusiasm of the members and the invaluable organisation and tuition of our patron, Mr. K. Rice, who has been responsible for the selection and production of the plays so far performed by the society. Our first performance (a comedy) was given at the Combined Secondary Schools' Concert at Legion House on June 29th. Notwithstanding the difficulties of production arising from the power restrictions, the performance was reasonably well executed and was enthusiastically applauded by an appreciative audience. At present, the society is preparing Ferguson's one-act drama "Campbell of Kilmhor" for the school concert. It is hoped that this production will be as successful as its predecessor and that it will be particularly appreciated by the 5th year students who should find it an assistance to their study of the "One-act Plays of To-day." (J. Nelson, 5A).

Senior Debating: Holding the view that debating is an important aspect of our education, our club functioned throughout the year, holding debates both within and outside the school. A team was entered in the Hume Barbour debating competition. Our first contest was a trial debate against Technical High, which we won, but we lost in the actual competition debate with Tech. We then defeated Cessnock, and as Cessnock had defeated Tech. our team gained an advantage in the point score and thus became winners of the northern zone. We lost in an inter-zone debate to a very skilful team from North Sydney High. The team consisted of G. Gleghorn, F. Morrison, G. Hughes and W. Derkenne. We feel in reviewing our year's activities that much credit must be given to Mr. Ingram for his able and enthusiastic patronage. We also thank those kind people, teachers and others, who adjudicated our debates. (F. Morrison, 5A).

Junior Debating: In our first debate in the Hume Barbour series, we were beaten by Technical High by 33 to 31, when we opposed the motion that the Intermediate Certificate examination should be abolished. With a slightly stronger team we defeated Cessnock by 21 to 20. A fourth year audience heard the interesting and at times amusing debate. Having once been beaten we were eliminated from the competition. The society provided the speaker at the Empire Day celebrations at the school, and has a very promising speaker in John Morris, who put forward excellent criticism from the position of third speaker in each of the two Hume Barbour debates and also in other debates during the year. The team's thanks are due to the coach, Mr. Hyland, who gave us many valuable tips. (D. Douglas, 4A).

Model Aeroplanes: This club, supervised by Mr. Abrahams, has not had any great chances to advance. The greatest difficulty has been procuring suitable wood with which to make the models. However, this problem has now been overcome and sufficient quantities of the wood have been ordered. One competition has already been held with hand-

launched gliders, and many more events have been planned for the future. (R. O'Brien, 4A).

Radio: The chief interests of the members of this club are radio receiver construction and the problems associated with it. The number of students interested in radio as a hobby is small. However, the members of the club are enthusiastic. Our activities are hampered a great deal since radio set construction cannot easily be carried out during the hobbies period because of the lack of workshop facilities. Despite these difficulties, club members have built two crystal sets during recent meetings. Members also bring to the meetings sets which they have constructed at home and which they demonstrate to the other members. The most important achievement so far has been the establishing of a Radio Library. It is only very limited in its scope at present but shows signs of becoming a useful institution. It is well supported by the club members and also receives financial assistance from the school. On behalf of the members I thank our supervisor, Mr. Bowser, who has given us a great deal of encouragement. (J. Cleary, 4A).

First Aid: At first this group, under Mr. Whalen, consisted of 30 members, but many transferred to the Army Medical Corps, leaving 12. Although the hobbies group may not be as well equipped as the A.M.C., the members still learn enough to benefit them in the case of a motor accident, drowning, electric shock, snake bite and other common accidents in which lack of even elementary first-aid may be fatal. (R. Goldberg, G. Simpson, 1A).

Recorded Music: The recorded music club, which meets on Thursdays under the capable guidance of Mr. Brown, has 23 members. At first we used a portable gramophone, which served the purpose but did not give the tone or performance of the fine radiogram now in use. Members supply discs and programmes are drawn up, of classical music one week, swing and jazz the next. The club can boast that it has achieved something worthwhile, the art of listening attentively and appreciating good music. (D. Griffith, 5th Year).

Sketching: Firstly, as the name suggests, the idea behind the club is to include as much out-of-door activity as the weather will permit. As the time allowed for each week's meeting is short, these excursions have to be within easy reach of the school, and we have been concerned with old houses in the vicinity, visits to the Waratah brick works, and various "still life" works from close at hand. So far only one Saturday excursion has been arranged, when members were able to visit the State Dockyard and were taken on a tour of inspection. Afterwards they were allowed to choose from the many and varied aspects of shipbuilding for their sketch books. When the weather does not permit outside activities, the problems which arise from time to time on arrangement and picture composition are discussed. (Mr. A. Holmes).

Chess: Under the capable direction of Mr. Bailey, the chess club of about 25 members was formed at the beginning of the year. Mr. Bailey explained the fundamental principles of chess to those who had

not played before. Competition matches were conducted and much interest was taken in them. The final was keenly contested and was won by C. Allan, of Fifth Year. More competitions are to be conducted later on, and these promise to remain at a high standard. Many thanks are extended to Mr. Beard and to the P. and C. Association who very readily secured the sets for the boys to use. (W. Charlton, 4B).

Stamps: The stamp club was newly formed this year, under the guidance of Mr. Grierson. The membership is now close on 60, and all are keen collectors. Some specialise in British Colonials, while the majority concentrate on world-wide stamps. David Leishman was elected president and Donald Greenaway secretary and treasurer. Four committeemen were also elected to help in arranging proceedings of meetings. Stamp quizzes have proved very popular. Prizes in stamps are given from club funds, and this increases the interest in the finer points of stamp collecting. A fine opportunity is afforded to boys to exchange stamps through the stamp bank, and also to buy stamps procured from various dealers. This has helped many boys to build up their sets. Mr. Whalen exhibited portion of his excellent collection of British Colonials, and we thank him for the fine example he has set for our members to follow. This club is one of the most progressive in the school, and I feel the co-operative spirit shown will greatly benefit all concerned. (D. Greenaway, 5th Year).

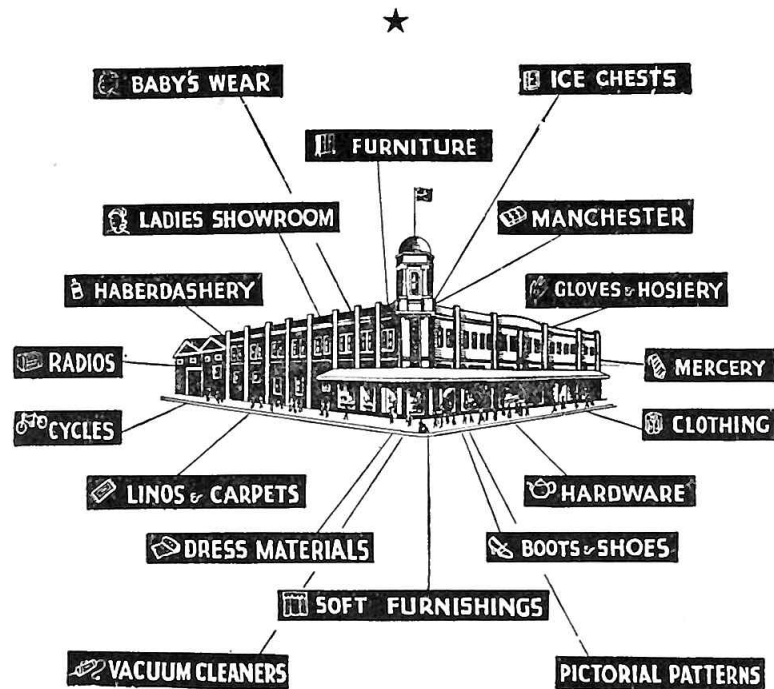
Photography: Our patron, Mr. H. F. Berriman, has succeeded in interesting us in many branches of photography. He has instructed us in such things as the use of chemicals in the developing and printing of films, enlarging, and also in how to tint photos. The results have been extremely gratifying. He has encouraged a competitive spirit with competitions dealing with various types of subject matter, including scenes, objects of interest, wild life and portraits. The most outstanding prints submitted were those of S. Barnes, E. Dunkley, D. Evans, R. Holcombe, B. Thompson, T. White and J. Jenkins. Several boys do all the necessary processing for themselves, and at least two enlargers are in the course of construction by club members. The types of cameras used vary from simple "box" types to the more intricate types with adjustable lenses and speeds. I wish to thank Mr. Berriman on behalf of my fellow club members for all that he has done for us. (B. Dennewald, 4B).

Glee Club: The glee club decided to present the first part of the delightful Gilbert and Sullivan opera "The Gondoliers" at the school concert on September 20th. Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Read, and with Graham Gibbons and Kevin Mayo in the leading roles, we have worked hard and enthusiastically. Twenty-four of us are to assume the roles of delicate maidens, and many of our parents find difficulty in imagining their "clumsy" sons as beautiful young women. We are disappointed that more senior boys have not joined our club. Their "manly" voices would have improved the choruses in our production.

Films: This club of about 300 members was formed this year as a

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hobby activity under the direction of Mr. Hodge. Its purposes include the study of the development of the motion picture industry through its background history, critical appreciation of films generally, viewing of selected documentary and educational films and discussion of technical problems related to production in the film industry. In addition, the training of assistant projectionists resulted in the qualification of C. Colgan, B. Maxwell and B. Hull to act in that capacity. Their efficient and willing services have proved invaluable. Films have been supplied by the Department of Education, but in addition, our thanks are due to Mr. Potter of Tech. High and to Mr. Kidd of Carrington for their valuable co-operation. The master in charge has given several lectures on the invention of the motion picture projector, film camera and sound systems. Various technical processes also have been explained and during the power restrictions a film quiz was held, resulting in a win for J. Kennaway of 2E, with E. Roach of 2A second. The promised visits of "Chips" Rafferty and film technicians later in the year are being awaited with interest. (B.M., C.C., B.H., 3D).

Inter School Christian Fellowship: This organisation has a branch at the school and brings fellowship to the students. So far our numbers are small, and we have been unable to arrange fixtures we desire—talks by visiting speakers, monthly Saturday night get-togethers and picnics. Bob Beal leads the meeting and we have a good time. If you wish to join I advise you to see Bob or Mr. Bowser (our supervisor) or me, John Barrett, 2B.

SPORTS REPORTS

First XIII: The Firsts had a fairly successful season, finishing third in the Evans Shield competition and being a semi-finalist in the University Shield competition. We extend our sincerest congratulations to Technical High for its success in the former competition and to Gosford in winning the University Shield. The team was handicapped at first by lack of experienced players, Cy Murray being the only regular member of 1948 Firsts to return this year. After much process of elimination a team was finally selected which moulded into a good combination and which at times rose to heights of brilliance comparable with the best school teams of the past. Lack of weight proved to be a great drawback, as the team must surely be the lightest in the school's history. In the Evans Shield the team won four matches, drew one and lost one. In the University Shield competition, after defeating Maitland, we received a forfeit from Wollongong and entered the semi-finals. The team made the trip to Kempsey in July and was entertained right royally. The match was a very hard one and disappointing for us. Playing with 11 men for most of the second half, we scored three tries to one, but Kempsey's goal kicker kicked four goals to our one. We wish to express our thanks to the school and those Newcastle football clubs which by their contributions lightened the team's financial burden. As

regards players, J. O'Brien proved a very capable captain and as inner centre played intelligent and at times brilliant football. J. Dimmock as outside centre proved the best tackler in the team and was always dependable and unselfish. "Pygmy" Murray was a grand player in every game and must rank as one of the best half-backs the school has produced. Hughie Banks, the baby of the team, proved the team's best scorer, with 11 tries and 12 goals, a splendid performance. D. Rees, in Pygmy's class for size, played a great game at full back. D. Asquith, A. Jones and D. Robertson played well at all times. Cy Murray, vice-captain, and G. Sanders were the team's best forwards. B. Lindsay, Al. Dowey, C. Henry, R. White and R. Bull all rucked well against packs much heavier than themselves. The best feature of this season was the number of young players who should form a veteran corps for the 1950 team. (Mr. F. McNeil).

Second Grade: Owing to the untiring efforts of our coach, Mr. Bates, we won all but two games (a defeat by Gosford 10-8 and a draw with Technical High 2-2), gained nine out of the possible 10 points and had only 27 scored against us to our 85. In the Gosford match almost all our team had an off day, but Gosford played a really fine game and deserved to win. Our match with Technical High was played on a very windy day and neither side found it possible to open up the game and throw the ball about. Jack Lynch was our outstanding forward, and R. Denniss, our half-back, displayed keen football sense on occasions when we were hard pressed and saved the situation. The team would have done better if players had not been promoted to the Firsts. (A. Braye).

Third Grade: The third grade, coached by Mr. Rice, finished the season as runners-up to the strong Maitland Marists' team. Hamilton Marists provided us with our greatest margin when we defeated them 21-4. In the next game we defeated Maitland 10-0. Then we travelled to Morpeth to be beaten 8 to 5. From then on we won all our games, playing the open type of football, until the last and vital game of the season, that against Maitland Marists, in which we were defeated 16-0. Prominent in the scoring for the season were Buckler, Allan and Richards. (C. Allan, 5D).

Fourth Grade: The season was an enjoyable one although the coal strike interfered with the schedule. We had one trip to Cessnock to play our best game of the season. Both backs and forwards played well, and we won comfortably. In the competition we finished third. We were sorry that the season ended so abruptly as the team was just beginning to function as a unit. Our best players were K. McDonald, L. Adam and K. King in the backs, and P. Campbell, D. Dyer and R. Woolley in the forwards. Our thanks are extended to Mr. Quinian, whose skilful coaching and enthusiasm helped us in many a hard match. (L. Adam, 4C).

Fifth Grade: This team, ably led and inspired by its captain, T. Wallace, put up a sterling performance by going through the season undefeated, scoring an aggregate 115 points to 10. The standard of play throughout the season was uniformly high, special honours going to A.



2nd XIII, Undefeated Premiers. Winners of Dodd Shield.
 BACK: J. Lynch, K. Harris, R. Bull, J. Smith, R. Prowse, T. Cupitt.
 CENTRE: W. Moase, F. Morrison, W. Derkenne, J. Holt, R. Donald.
 FRONT: R. Denniss, A. Braye (Capt.), A. W. Bates (coach), R. White, G. Crawford.



FIFTH GRADE XIII, Undefeated Premiers.
 FRONT: J. Brown, T. Wallace (Capt.), A. H. Hodge (coach), A. Davidson (Vice-Capt.), J. Barr.
 CENTRE: D. Davies, D. Chisholm, L. Ellis, R. Magin, J. Gill, H. Moore.
 BACK: B. Holmes, J. McKenzie, R. Munro, B. Thompson, J. Campbell.

Davidson who scored 43 of the total points. His forward play was intelligent and constructive always. R. Davis, the capable half-back, was second in the points table with 24, T. Wallace taking third place with 19 and D. Chisholm fourth with 17. Special mention should be made of the sterling play of R. Magin in the backs and D. Munro in the forwards with Holmes, Davies, Thompson and Gill ably supporting him. Promising junior players including Barr, Ellis, Kennaway and Brown developed their standard during the season and gave an indication of future prowess. Moore as full back proved a reliable and capable last line of defence, and Campbell's hooking and general forward play were of great value in the battle for possession which is the essence of Rugby League. The team's bearing both on and off the field reflected the greatest credit on its members. (Mr. A. H. Hodge).

Sixth Grade: After a somewhat patchy start we improved with each game, making the best play hard and playing a draw with the premiers, Hamilton Marists. Our most decisive win was 29-0 against Kurri Kurri. The best forward was Don Wilson, while the best of the backs were Gibson, Dobinson, Bates and Keane. The team, coached by Mr. Simpson, finished third in the competition. (C. Gibson, 5B).

Seventh Grade: We won only two matches and drew one this season, but we were very unlucky, for we were beaten by only two points by both Maitland High and Technical High. Our hardest game was against Cessnock, with whom we drew nil all. We congratulate the undefeated premiers, Hamilton Marists, who defeated us twice. During the season we made enjoyable 'bus trips to Cessnock and Maitland. We were ably coached by Mr. Cochrane. (M. Beck, 2A).

Eighth Grade: This team, coached by Mr. Bailey, lost two out of the six games played and came third in the competition. At the start of the season the team lacked combination, but later the team work was excellent. G. Lewis and R. Wilson were the best players in the forwards, while in the backs D. Coxell and B. Boddy were the stars. (N. Scotman, 3C).

Ninth Grade: This team played exceptionally well. It contained a large number of new-comers to grade ranks, and at first co-operation between forwards and backs was poor, but later the team played good, clean and fast football, mainly owing to the keen and enthusiastic coaching of Mr. Bowser. Our best players were Penman (five-eighth), who ably captained the team, and Ward, Craig and Croft were outstanding among the forwards. Bright (wing), Bannister and Jones (forwards) show great promise for the 1950 season. (D. Ward, 2A).

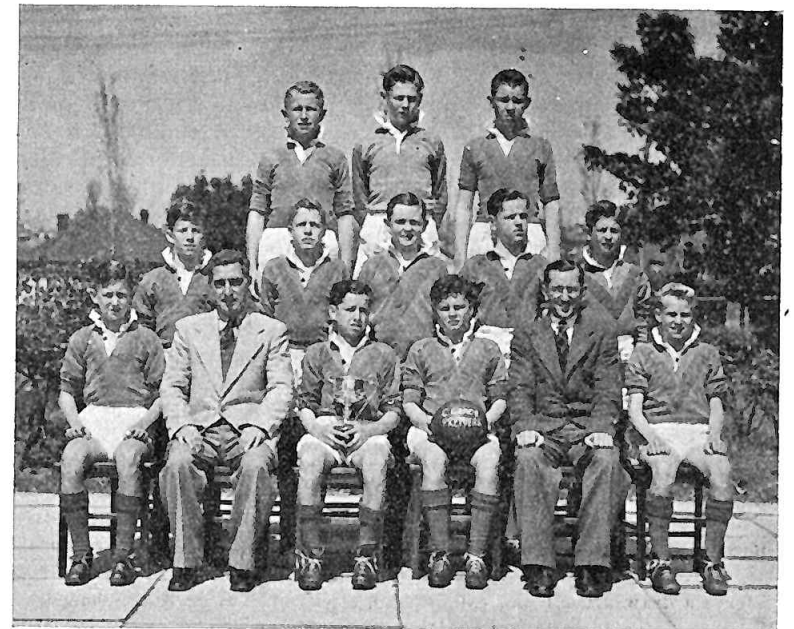
Soccer

P.S.A.A.—A1: This team, coached by Mr. Grierson, completed the season with the highest possible honours—undefeated premiers — and winners of the Bloomfield Cup. In the 11 games played the combination scored 67 times and conceded only three goals. Two of these were scored by the second school team and the other by Central. The match against



UNDER 14 SOCCER, Co-Premiers.

BACK: D. Renton, W. Brandrick.
MIDDLE: G. Maughn, G. Westbrook, H. Pilcher (goal), K. Scott, B. Evans.
FRONT: R. Booth, R. McKenzie (Capt.), T. P. O'Connor, F. B. Sievert (coaches), K. Davies, G. Dobson.



UNDER 13 SOCCER, Undefeated Premiers.

BACK: A. Owens, J. Bartley (goal), K. Streeter.
MIDDLE: C. Moore, W. Sheehan, M. Sneddon, J. Mingay, J. Weatherburn.
FRONT: J. Weston, T. P. O'Connor (coach), T. Icton (Capt.), R. Taylor (Vice-Capt.), F. B. Sievert (coach), K. Clarke.

Central was the only really hard game. The issue was in doubt till the last minute, when Talbot scored the winning goal, making the score 2-1. A series of three challenge games was played against the newly-formed Teachers' College team. Our older, heavier and more experienced opponents (captained by Cessnock State Leaguer, J. Porteus) narrowly overshadowed us each time, winning 3-0, 2-0 and 4-2. (J. Arthur, 5B).

P.S.A.A.A.—A2: The fact that the team finished half-way down the point-score table is not a true measure of its strength, as bad luck seemed to dog its path and on at least four occasions proved to be the deciding factor. In co-ordination lay the team's strength, for it fielded no player of outstanding soccer ability, but this attribute, together with an enthusiasm for the game, caused the standard of play to improve remarkably during the season, and the results achieved in all senses were not as barren as the points gained seem to indicate. (C. Harrison, 5A).

P.S.A.A.A.—C: The C grade team did not meet with much success in the early part of the season. As the competition progressed, our playing improved, and the highlight was our win at Federal Park against Plattsburg, who were at that time at the top of the points table. It would be unfair to individualise any players for special mention, as we all played our very best and had a grand time. We thank Mr. Berriman for the keen interest he has shown. (B. Kemple, 2A).

Under 15: Early in the season we seemed to have a chance of winning the competition, for we defeated the ultimate premiers, Marist Brothers. Owing to some players either leaving school or going to other grades the team did not fulfil its early promise. At all times the players displayed fine sportsmanship on the field. (J. Mills, 4C).

Under 14: Our soccer team showed good form this season, suffering only one defeat, that being at the hands of Cessnock. We have many outstanding players who are the main hopes for the senior team next year. We wish to thank Mr. O'Connor for his guidance throughout the season, and we were all very pleased to have Mr. Sievert back for our last few matches. (K. Scott, 2A).

Under 13: This team remained undefeated this year. We played several hard-fought games, of which the match against Cessnock proved the most interesting. It resulted in a nil-all draw, and a high standard of football was reached by both teams. The able coaching of Mr. Sievert and Mr. O'Connor was appreciated by the boys, who felt that without their capable assistance the team would not have achieved success. (R. Taylor, 1C).

Cricket

First Eleven: After suffering two defeats the First Eleven has re-established itself and is at present in second position, and has great hopes of winning the competition. Two-day matches were reintroduced this year. In the first match against Maitland we were unfortunate not to force a draw after being caught on a sticky wicket on the second day. We were defeated on the first innings on the third last ball. On this

occasion on a difficult wicket Ray Denniss batted splendidly. Our second match, against Technical High, was a replica of the first as we were again caught on a sticky wicket and beaten on the first innings. With the return of dry wickets time alone stopped us from gaining an outright victory against Cessnock. K. McDonald and H. Banks bowled very well in that match. Against Maitland in the second round we had an easy win. H. Banks again bowled well, while D. Asquith scored a bright 48 not out. In the combined northern team which defeated the Sydney eleven at Waratah Oval in March we had three representatives, K. McDonald, D. Robertson and J. O'Brien. (J. O'Brien, 5B).

Second Eleven: So far this season our team has played four matches. Three of these were competition matches and the fourth was a friendly match against Gosford High School. The first match against Morpeth was abandoned on the second day because of rain, while the others resulted in two outright wins and a win on the first innings for our team. The most successful batsmen were Willis, Gosper and O'Brien, while the bowlers were Druery, Beveridge and Ryan. The team as a whole played very well and hopes to maintain its position at the head of the competition table. (R. O'Brien, 4A).

A Grade: Our team, coached by Mr. Gray, is running second. Many of our players have done well. The top scorer is J. Wilkinson, who compiled 50 runs against Central, including four sixes. He also came to light with his bowling (4 for 10 against Technical High) and is second in the averages with 9 for 57. B. Reay, our captain, has led us ably and has bowled very well (4 for 14 against Technical, 5 for 18 against Central) and leads the averages with 10 for 40. Credit is also due to Don Wickham, who takes a few wickets and makes runs each game. N. Palmer, our vice-captain, is another consistent bat and the team's capable wicketkeeper. (B. Reay, N. Palmer, 4B).

B Grade: The B grade travelling team, under the excellent coaching of Mr. Bowser, has been beaten only once, losing against Technical on the first innings. Against Cessnock M. Allwood achieved the hat trick. Other successful bowlers were J. Roxby and B. Jones, while A. Davidson has batted splendidly. The team feels confident of becoming premiers. (A. Davidson, 3B).

C Grade: The C local team went through the first half of the competition undefeated, securing second place with 13 points to the leader's 14 points. All members attended practices regularly, were keen in the field and deported themselves excellently at all times. P. Sutcliffe was the outstanding batsman, making the highest score and securing the highest aggregate for the season. D. Martin and H. Moore also did well with the bat, while C. Levack did some big hitting at handy times. In the bowling, K. Streeter, our capable captain, performed well, as did B. Williams, P. Weston and G. Hughes. The wicketkeeping was shared by H. Moore and T. Hyland, both of whom performed capably. (Mr. F. Hyland).

C Grade: So far, the C travelling team has had a successful season,

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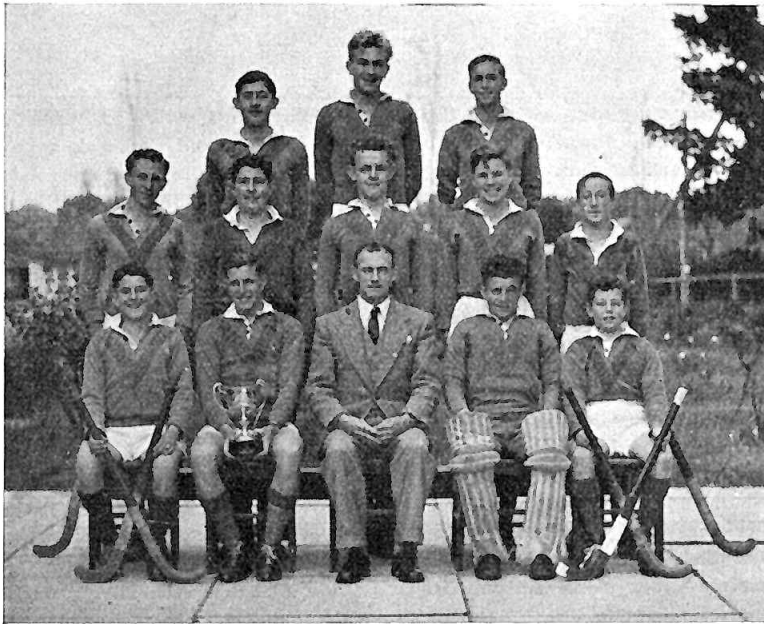
suffering only one defeat to Maitland High by one run. We had decisive wins against Morpeth by an innings and 87 runs and Cessnock by an innings and 58 runs. A. Owen gained the highest batting average (30.5) and C. Moore the best bowling average (2.5). J. McCosker, a first year boy, has batted consistently during the season. We thank Mr. Hilton, our coach, for his keen interest in the team, and look forward to the coming season. (A. Owen, 2D).

Swimming

Active and competitive swimming commenced this year with the school carnival, which was held in March. The events were keenly contested and every boy made an excellent effort for his house. Hunter House was the victor this year, capturing the Hocquard Shield, with Shortland House as the runners-up. Individual performances in some divisions were outstanding, and these boys are to be highly commended for their training and perseverance. Ralph Pullinger broke the 200 metres under 15 record, reducing it to 2.45, and also created a new 100 metres record of 1.12. Alan Charlton, a promising young swimmer, did remarkably well in all three carnivals. Charlton created a new record in the under 13 50 metres backstroke of 45.7 secs. He also lowered the records for the same event at the Northern Districts and Combined High Schools Carnivals. The swimming team travelled to Cessnock on March 9th to compete in the Northern Districts Carnival. Pullinger won his 220, 110 and 55 metres events, and Charlton won the 55 metre backstroke and the second division breaststroke. The junior cup was won by the junior team. The team was not very successful in Sydney a week later at the Combined High Schools Carnival, for competition was strong and keen. A large number of boys was trained and sat for examinations conducted by the Royal Life-saving Society at the end of last year. As in previous years, the school gained many awards, the total number being 182, the chief being one Award of Merit, 10 Instructors' Certificates and nine Bronze Crosses. We wish to thank the master-in-charge, Mr. H. Fountain, Mr. R. Jiear and other masters connected with swimming for the time and encouragement given to us during our training. Under their guidance we are sure that in the future we shall obtain better results. (G. Henry, 4A).

Hockey

This year hockey made its first appearance as a winter sport in our school, two teams being entered in the P.S.A.A.A. competition. It was a most encouraging start, the A Grade team putting up a number of very good performances to win the competition. In this game, where skill is so much more important than size, all but two players were from the junior school, and it was pleasing to observe the interest and enjoyment which the matches gave to all who took part. The A team's record was five wins, one draw and one defeat, R. Ambrose being the



A. GRADE HOCKEY TEAM, Premiers.

BACK: B. Davis, R. Roocke, R. Lane.
 MIDDLE: C. Boyd, J. Ferguson, N. Palmer, B. Wearne.
 FRONT: S. Jones, R. Frost (Capt.), M. W. Brown (Coach), J. Guion (Goal),
 N. Bailey.



TENNIS TEAMS, Premiers (1st and 4th Undeafated).

FRONT: S. Kelso (Capt.), J. Layte, E. Roach, W. Matthews (4th gr.).
 SECOND: A. McKenzie, A. Eggington (Capt.), A. M. Clarke (Coach), I. Mackie,
 D. Robertson (1st gr.).
 THIRD: J. Jacobs, D. Wickham, N. Kay (Capt.), K. Wilkinson (Reserve).
 Absent: J. Richmond (2nd gr.).
 BACK: R. Pullinger, D. Willis (Capt.), J. Cameron, P. Martin (3rd gr.).

chief scorer with eight goals. In a short series of matches which followed the competition, the A Grade team was not so successful. It defeated Central 1-0 and lost to Cook's Hill No. 1 (0-3) and Junior High No. 1 (0-3). The B team's results were three wins and five defeats. G. Jones was top scorer with seven goals. In the knock-out competition games, the B Grade team played and won two matches, defeating Cook's Hill No. 2 and No. 3. At present hockey players are looking forward to two interstate matches. Several members of our school teams have been picked to represent Newcastle in matches against Queensland school boys. Then, in September, the Brisbane Industrial High School match will be an important feature of the inter-school visit. (Mr. M. Brown).

Athletics

We have just concluded a very successful season in this sport, mainly because so many youngsters fulfilled the promise shown last season. The weather, though often unfavourable for training, was perfect for all the carnivals. The athletes who persevered with their training were richly rewarded with fine performances and are to be congratulated.

At our school carnival 12 records were broken and one equalled. The championship winners were G. Gleghorn (senior), K. Gosper (under 16), G. Crawford (under 15), A. Rymer (under 14), A. Charlton (under 13). We won the Lintott Cup for the champion school at the northern C.H.S. carnival, with successes in the junior and juvenile divisions. At the Sydney C.H.S. carnival we won the Kerr Cup (for the eighth year in succession), the Juvenile Shield, second place in the Junior Shield and second place in the schools' championship. At this meeting K. Gosper established three very fine records, and we won three relay championships, under 13, under 14 and under 16, setting new records in the first two.

It is a pity that the school has not yet produced a good miler. For some time, too, we have been very weak in the senior hurdles. The solution, of course, lies in the need for much more training for these events, and we hope to be much stronger next season. For all athletes interested in summer competition we now have the Harlequins' Athletics Club, for which all boys are eligible.

In conclusion we must thank Mr. Taylor and Mr. Eggington, who gave us so much assistance at Waratah oval during the season.

Grade Tennis

Two new grades were incorporated in the High Schools competition this year, the under 15 (3rd grade) and the under 14 (4th grade). The four teams performed splendidly, each winning its competition, the 1st and 4th grades maintaining an unbeaten record, the other two grades each suffering only one defeat. Mr. A. Clarke and Mr. E. Ingram were the coaches. During the September vacation last year the 1st and 2nd grade teams journeyed to Brisbane where matches were played against the Industrial High School. The 1st grade result was a win for Brisbane