



NEWCASTLE BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL
MEMORIAL ENTRANCE

World War II. 1939 - 1945.

UNVEILING
of
Commemorative Plaques

by
Major-General IVAN DOUGHERTY,
C.B.E., D.S.O. and Bar, E.D.

Saturday, 20th September, 1952

at 2.30 p.m.

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

In Assembly Hall

at 3.15 p.m.



1. Unveiling of Stage Furniture in memory of the Late
V. H. Walker and C. E. Jacobs.

A. DENHAM, Esq., B.A.

2. Financial Report of £2,000 Appeal.

J. J. FYFE, Esq.

3. Presentation to D. Drake, Esq., B.Sc., Area Director of
Education, of Improvements resulting from Appeal.

J. H. STICPEWICH, Esq., Chairman of Appeal.

4. Presentation to Library of Honour Book of Contributors
to Rubber Flooring Fund.

K. DAVIES, Class 4B, 1950.

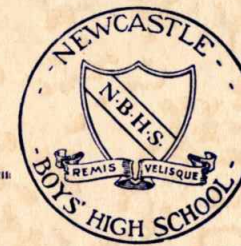
5. Presentation to School of Murals.

T. NINNESS, Esq., President Newcastle Art Society.

6. Vote of Thanks.

W. A. HANNAFORD, Esq.
President, Parents and Citizens' Assn.

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IN REMEMBRANCE

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4. Address The Headmaster, F. H. Beard, Esq., M.A.
5. Address Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Ald. Armstrong
6. Planting of Commemorative Trees.
Mrs. B. JEFFRIES, for the Fallen in World War I.
Mr. G. T. CROSSMAN, for the Fallen in World War II.
7. Address and Unveiling of Plaques:
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C.B.E., D.S.O. and Bar, E.D.
8. Bugle Call—The Last Post R. Perkins, Esq.
9. Dedicatory Prayer Very Rev. W. A. Hardie,
M.A., B.D. Dean of Newcastle.
10. Placing of Wreaths on Memorial:
Capt. R. BERRY-SMITH, M.V.O., representing R.A.N.
Brig. J. W. MAIN, C.B.E., E.D., representing Australian Army.
Squadron Leader D. R. BEATTIE, representing R.A.A.F.
KENNETH SCOTT, School Captain, representing N.B.H.S.
11. Trumpet Call—Reveille R. Perkins, Esq.
12. Benediction.
13. National Anthem.

Aird, F. S.	Edmunds, R. W.	Murchison, D.
Ansoul, K. J.	Erwin, J.	Needs, K. L.
Armstrong, J. W.	Evans, W.	Nolan, C. J.
Baker, A. R.	Forden, H. H.	Ollis, J. N.
Banfield, K.	Frith, E. F.	Percy, F. M.
Barklay, H. E.	Frith, R. H.	Prince, F. G.
Barnes, N. E.	Frost, R. R.	Randall, J. M.
Barrett, R. W.	Geddes, A.	Rees, S. L.
Bath, R. W.	Gilbert, R. D.	Ringland, A. H.
Bernard, C. S.	Gomm, N.	Robinson, F. K.
Brown, A. J.	Gray, J. W.	Roxby, A. C.
Brown, L. J.	Grimwood, J. R.	Saunders, C. W.
Burgess, C.	Harivel, J. A.	Scott, R. V. R.
Camps, E. G.	Harrison, F.	Sharp, G. C.
Carrall, N. B.	Hawke, A.	Shepherd, G. A.
Casey, J. N.	Hingst, H.	Sidney, K.
Caston, S.	Howard, R.	Smith, B. H.
Chandler, B. K.	Jackson, F. P.	Smith, F.
Charters, A.	Kibble, C. J.	Taylor, T. C.
Clarke, A. A.	King, L.	Thomas, A. B.
Clayton, C. H.	Mackie, J. S.	Thomas, R. G.
Colman, S. F.	McLellan, D.	Toomey, L.
Connors, L. J.	McLeod, F. D.	Turner, J.
Coughlin, C. J.	MacRae, D. G.	Uhrig, R. J.
Crossman, J.	Mathieson, M. A.	Verdon, R.
Dalton, R.	Menzies, A. R.	Vidal, R.
Daniel, W. N.	Menzies, W. E.	Watson, D. J.
Dann, W.	Miller, B. E.	Whyte, C. H.
Declerck, A. G.	Mitchell, J.	Wilkinson, H.
Deed, L.	Montgomery, L. J.	Young, H. N.
Dyer, B. D.	Morshead, L. E.	
Edmunds, I. G.	Moss, F.	



Guard of Honour supplied by N.B.H.S. Cadet Unit.
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On Parade: N.B.H.S. 21 Flight, A.T.C., R.A.A.F. Officer: Ft./Lt. A. H. Hodge.

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This is a most solemn moment in the life of the school. . . an occasion fraught with very many emotions. We are met to honour our glorious dead. To many the feeling uppermost in the heart is one of sad but cherished memory. To those of us more closely associated with the school today, there is the feeling of gratitude to these young men who have written their names on Fame's Roll of Honour and so brought lustre to the name of the school itself. To all of us, I believe, comes the thought that so much that we enjoy today was bought for us by the sacrifice of these brave men who gave their all. To some of us, too, there comes a deep satisfaction that we have been able to raise a permanent memorial in their honour. It will do more, I believe, to enhance the spirit and deepen the tradition of the school than anything else we could have added. The names on these plaques will bear silent witness to this and succeeding generations of pupils that, whatever changes and challenges life may bring, there are abiding values - that courage and loyalty and obedience to duty, with the readiness to give to the uttermost, are the finest flower of human expression, and that in them the old boys of the school have not been found wanting.

For it is indeed a proud record that the plaques reveal. The marble Honour Roll in our Assembly Hall records the names of 90 ex-pupils who fought in World War I. Fifteen of them made the supreme sacrifice. For such a young school, this, too, was a proud record. It would be impossible to number accurately all of our men who fought in the second great struggle. But here are the names of those who, in the morning of life, with happiness beckoning them and in many cases brilliant success awaiting them, were destined to pass beyond the veil. They gave of their best in all the services - the Navy, the Army, the Air Force, the Merchant Marine. All that was mortal of them was received by many lands and the seven seas, so that innumerable distant places were hallowed and became - to borrow an idea from the English poet - forever Australia. And here, in their old school, it is fitting that their names should live on in enduring bronze. When we who knew and loved them have too passed on, the names of the beloved dead will never pass away.

Today, as a link with the first World War, Mrs Jeffries is to plant a tree in memory of the 15 Old Students who fell in that struggle. Most illustrious of them was her only son, Capt. C. S. Jeffries, V.C. Shortly before he was killed in winning that proud decoration, he wrote in a letter to his father some words which, coming to us across the years, have, I believe, a special message for us today. And I believe that they reveal the spirit in which very many of these brave men fought and died.

It is appropriate that today, at the end of a year's Com. Work, a tree which will symbolically keep their memories green will be planted by the father

will remain, and the names of the beloved dead will never be forgotten.

Today, as a link with the first World War, Mrs Jeffries is to plant a tree in memory of the 15 men who fell in that struggle. Most illustrious of them was her only son, Capt. C. S. Jeffries, V.C. Shortly before he was killed at Passchendale he expressed in a letter to his father some sentiments which, coming to us across the years, have, I believe, a special message for us today. The events of the years in between, give them an added pignancy. that I am sure I need not stress.

Reading those words, our thought go inevitably to those other great sentiments expressed by Abraham Lincoln when he was dedicating the War Cemetery at Gettysburg. After saying that it was fit and proper that they should dedicate a memorial to the men who fought and died, ~~he said~~ ^{but} in the larger sense, ~~they could not~~ we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men who struggled have consecrated it beyond our power to add or to detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did. It is for ~~us~~ us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us - that from these honoured dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

This war, if we win, will be looked on not so much as a ~~struggle~~ sacrifice but as a triumph, and the races yet unborn will in years to come be inspired by the feeling that they are descendants of a race of people who, in the darkest hour of this world's history, saw fit to go forth and die in order that the great principles of equity might remain unchanged. We can hope, if success attends our arms, we will be able to live in the future untrammelled and unfettered by the menace of militarism - that the nations will be allowed to work out their own destiny - that the supreme result will be, "Men will be drawn nearer to one another, nearer to God, and better understood."

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