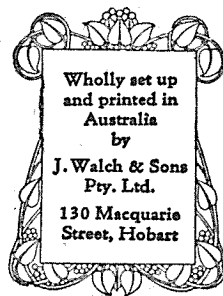


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The Hutchins School Song

Hutchins! Hutchins! grand and fair!
The only School we serve;
For thee till death we'll do and dare,
And nought can make us swerve.

Refrain:

Let your voices ring, lads!
'Tis the old School's due;
Sing her praises, sing, lads—
Hutchins! Hutchins! tried and true

Thy name adown the ages past
Thy sons salute and cheer;
And so shall we while life doth last,
With lips and lives revere.

We learn thine ivied tower beneath
To play the game of life,
And know they only win the wreath
Who strive in honour's strife.

May all thy sons prove ever true,
Whate'er their gifts and powers,
That man may yield to thee thy due,
Beloved School of ours.

Words by J. W. Bethune
Music by J. Scott-Power

The Headmaster's Report

Speech Night, 1949

Mr. Chairman, My Lord Bishop, Brigadier Dollery, Ladies and Gentlemen,

At the Speech Night last year, I tried to give you some account of what the School was aiming at and I outlined the course of work which we offered, our system of prizes and some of the things we hoped to do. Two points I hinted at without full development, and it is mainly on these two aspects of school life that I wish to concentrate tonight, service and religious education—both of them really part of the one thing which our Schools have always stressed, namely, training of character. To explain exactly what these are, a little historical outline is necessary. We are a Public School—a term hard to explain, though in our minds we believe that we know what it means. The Public Schools have a history and a tradition, and it is well for us to know and appreciate exactly what they are, and to do that we must know something of their history. The Public Schools of England and Australia too, are something which have developed along with the British Nation—something peculiar to the British Nation and they have always had ideals, and high ideals too, though often they have failed to live up to them. They have changed to meet changing conditions. Grow they must or perish, retain their ideals and traditions or be false to themselves.

In 1382, William of Wykeham founded Winchester College, and in the Charter of that School are the seeds from which Public Schools as we know them, have grown.

1. It was a College, that is a self-governing, independent body, controlling its own policy and administration and free to experiment.

2. It was designed to give higher education, that is one which would normally lead to University work.

3. It was permeated with religious atmosphere—to quote the words from its Foundation Charter, it was founded "to the praise of God, the increase of Divine Service and good learning."

4. Eighteen senior boys of character and leadership were chosen by the Headmaster to act as prefects.

5. The School contained both those who held scholarships and those who did not.

6. The boys were divided into Houses. And finally the motto of the School was "Manners Makyth Man."

There we have the essence of the Public Schools, their organization and their ideals, religion, discipline, character and service.

For 500 years the English Public Schools had their ups and downs, often I am afraid, losing sight of their ideals. It was Thomas Arnold, of Rugby, who took the general scheme I have outlined and fired it with a new purpose, giving to education a new meaning which could be understood by the boys, and for that he had to find a new type of master and a new type of prefect—for masters had become merely time-servers, and the prefects thought only of the privileges and nothing of their responsibilities. As an instance of his new concept of education, I must quote his remarks to his prefects, "What we must look for here is first, religious and moral principles, second, gentlemanly conduct and thirdly, intellectual ability."

With him, we as a School, are closely connected. He was Sir John Franklin's friend and adviser. The two men who helped to mould early education in Tasmania were pupils at Rugby under him—the Rev. Philip Gell who came out to Tasmania to found such a school, and the Rev. J. R. Buckland, the first Headmaster of the Hutchins School, who guided its destinies for a third of a

century. Through the impetus that Dr. Arnold gave to the Public Schools in England, sprang the King's School, Parramatta, the two sister Schools in Tasmania, Launceston Grammar and Hutchins, St. Peter's College, Adelaide, and Scotch College, Melbourne. Since that time the Schools have met changing circumstances by altering and broadening their curriculum and by stressing one aspect rather than others—sometimes to the detriment of the whole, as for example when athletics and bodily prowess assumed an undue preponderance. The Public Schools are then living, growing entities, each with its own individuality built up within the freedom of its traditions. From England then, we have drawn our inspiration as well as our form, and it is important at the moment that we should be fully conscious of our debt and proud of our heritage. We need to build up in Australia a really strong Australian sentiment, rooted in sound British tradition.

One of the things we have inherited from the English Public Schools is the House System. In England the House is a real unit and has a real purpose, for the House in most English Public Schools means a Boarding House where the House Master is a man in charge of a family of boys, usually about 60 in number, and his work is a task of lifelong service to his House and the School community. In a day school—and nearly all the Public Schools of Australia have a preponderance of day boys—the problem is different and very much more difficult. Boys have to be allotted to Houses in a highly arbitrary manner on a residential or alphabetical basis or on some rather haphazard allocation. All too early a tradition has been built up that the House System is just a convenient method of subdividing the School for purposes of inter-school matches. It can however, I am sure, be made even in a day school to a far greater extent than at present, to serve its original purpose, namely under the guidance of one man to train a group of boys

in harmonious social living, to train them to assume responsibility and not look for privileges, to offer their services whenever need arises and by developing a good House spirit to produce something which will leaven the whole School. That can only be done by breaking away completely from the tradition that the House is only an excuse for mere sport. In the Junior School we have, to a certain extent, done this. Two years ago, new Houses called after Bishops of the Diocese, were formed for boys in the Junior School and the House Masters have much of the responsibility for work, hobbies and behaviour, as well as for games. Yet, how strong an incentive the House can be was seen when the Polio restrictions forced us to cancel anything of an inter-group basis.

It was some time before the School settled down to the idea that it was possible to have sport and enjoy it, yet not have it on a strongly competitive basis. It was a lesson we learnt slowly but it has been one worth learning and I trust we shall not forget it. I would like here to say how extremely proud I am of the boys of this School. Inter-School Tennis and Athletics had to be cancelled. Many boys were vitally affected. It was their last year at School, or their last year under age, or the last opportunity of representing the School but I can honestly say that I did not hear one moan from a boy, that it was unfair. The whole thing was accepted in the spirit in which we had to make it, namely that it was in the interests of the community as a whole.

That brings me to the second main point. Throughout the history of the Public Schools there has been a strong tradition of service and now more than ever before there is the need of that spirit of service in the community which has always been the ideal and often a reality. From the Public Schools must come this lead, for our tradition has been service in our own School community and service to society as a whole by training in leadership and by the

willing co-operation of each individual in voluntary service. At times this has taken a practical form, as for example when an upsurge of this kind led to the establishment of School Missions in poorer areas, where the School accepted the responsibility—financial and otherwise for the maintenance of a Church or Club. We have in the past few years steadily increased our Lenten offerings to support teachers and pupils at the Martyrs School in New Guinea. But all too frequently, such form of social service leads to the attitude "Pay cash and responsibility ended."

Where the ideal has been realised, the success has been due to a spirit of service in the School where boys are willing to do what they can, however small, for their School and that attitude is strong only where masters render selfless service, where there is no belief in a 40-hour week or that work begins at 9 and ends at 4, but where masters are always at the service of boys, to help, guide, encourage, sympathise and inspire. Something of that we did achieve in a small way this year. At the end of the 2nd Term boys of the Cadets were in camp. There was then the opportunity—rare these days—of finding additional time for something of real educational worth. The Cadets were doing their share of service for the community and it seemed only right that those left at School—mainly scouts and boys under 14—should do theirs at the same time. Several meetings of staff and prefects discussed the scheme in general and the details were then left to the prefects and probationers. Work was divided into two parts, for our aim was to offer some form of voluntary social service to the School and the outside community. A request was made to several Churches and Church organizations for work to be done. The response was immediate and considerable, so much so that we were unable to meet all demands. What did we achieve in those two days?

1. A considerable amount of really useful work was done at School and in

four Parishes and one Institution—work that could otherwise not have been done through lack of funds or shortage of labour.

2. The whole Senior School—and at times some of the Junior School—was employed in doing something for somebody else and without thought of pay.

3. It was a completely co-operative effort—staff, prefects and boys sharing in the work and as this was co-operatively planned—willingly accepted by all, there was a truly amazing release of energy.

4. The School learnt to know itself more fully. Staff and boys worked together in a new way and found it was enjoyable.

Here, but not in this connection only, I would like to thank the prefects for what they have done this year. It is not easy to be a prefect, for a prefect must in some way be what each of us would have his own sons be. He has too, responsibilities and duties and his only real privilege is the fact that he has been picked out to undertake those duties. He is not a policeman, acting for the staff, but one who, as the prefects' oath states, "Must do his best at all times to uphold the good name of the School, both by his own example and by his influence with others." This year I have been singularly fortunate in my prefects. They have not always been perfect, but they have been willing to learn and have always responded well to responsibility.

The third point tonight is the most essential in the education of each child for complete living, namely, religious education. In this, the Public Schools have a strong tradition. They have always held and stated, both through individual Headmasters and also as a body, that there is no real education unless it is based on the Christian Faith. Now it is one thing to state that belief and quite another thing to carry it out. For it is essentially something for which parents cannot pass the responsibility on to the School. In fact, it is one of the places in the education of the child where the main responsibility and privi-

lege rest with the parents, for it is from them that must come the help, training and sympathy, especially in the early years. Family acts of worship are more-over essential for the steady spiritual growth of the boy. That is why I am so happy to see so many friends and parents coming to the School Confirmation Service and First Communion, and continuing this by coming with their boys to the other Cathedral Services. There are, however, certain things which the School can do. We have, as yet, no Chapel, but in our new buildings a Chapel will form an integral part. In the meantime, for special occasions we use the Cathedral, which is our Parish Church. In that Church 16 of our boys and 5 Old Boys are in the Choir and of the Cathedral Servers 10 are present boys and 10 Old Boys. Each morning we begin School with Assembly. That is a corporate meeting of the School community for our own domestic purposes, but it is also a religious Service where, at the beginning of each day we remember our duty to God and take part in a corporate act of worship. Throughout the School instruction is given in the beliefs of our Faith, and for this teaching we are grateful to the Cathedral Clergy and members of the Staff who have carried out this instruction. The Rev. T. Gibson too has throughout the year, taken Assembly on Friday mornings and given a short sermon, so that I am free to take part in the Assembly at Sandy Bay. We thank him most sincerely for the wonderful work he has done. All this will be of no avail unless the parents give to the boys their whole-hearted sympathy, understanding and co-operation.

Next year, with the re-arrangement of staff, it has been possible to make provision for a School Chaplain—the Rev. Gregory Needham who was formerly on the staff at the Armidale School, N.S.W., will be joining us. For the last few years, he has been studying in England and America in the terms of the Lucas Tooth Scholarship. He will be

joining the staff as Chaplain, and House-master of the Boarding-House. We can assure him and Mrs. Needham of a very warm welcome with us. I am very grateful to the Board of Management for making such an appointment possible. I am convinced that it is a step in the right direction.

We have this year been very well blessed with gifts of different kinds. The Parents' Association has spent money on Library books. That has enabled us to make a start in building up a Reference Library, but books, though now in good supply, are more expensive than ever. The Old Boys, during the year, launched an Equipment Appeal through which it has been possible to make many improvements in the Boarding House and class room equipment and also purchase a new Racing Four. They have also presented to the School a Banner. This was consecrated in the Cathedral and will, I trust, always be regarded as a very sacred symbol. Mrs. Donnelly has presented us with two flags (a Union Jack, and an Australian Flag). Mr. Guy Rex has offered to provide us with a new School Flag. The Payne Family has again been generous in its gifts and in its work. Mr. Charles Payne has had the Prefects' Book rebound and Mrs. E. N. Payne has carved cedar covers for it. She has also carved covers for a Visitors' Book, which she has presented herself. We thank her for her labour of love in the interests of the School; her carving is so perfect and her generosity so overwhelming. The Old Boys' Lodge has given us a very fine Notice Board and the Executors of the Will of the Late Rupert Bunny (an Old Boy of the School), have sent us one of his paintings. To all who have remembered the School, we give our thanks.

It is with great regret that I announce the death during the year, of two boys of the School, Keith Lord and David Fisher—both after long, tragic illnesses. Keith had just entered the Senior School, and David had already won for himself the respect and affection of both masters

and boys. He was a member of the School Swimming and Football Teams and had represented the State in Life-saving.

This year there are several changes in staff. Mr. Dayan, Mr. and Mrs. Nichol are leaving us to join the Education Department; Mr. James is returning to Melbourne; Mr. Layton, whose health has not been good for some time, has found his numerous duties in the civic world too strenuous and has asked to be relieved at the end of the year. He will, however, carry on until such time as we can find a successor. After 27 years of faithful service to the School, Mr. R. L. Collings is leaving the position of Bursar of the School. Throughout these years he has served the School in various capacities—we hope he will still retain his interest in the School and we can assure him of a very ready welcome at all School functions. There are many boys, both past and present, who will always hold him in grateful remembrance for his many kindly acts. In his place, we welcome Major Mein and hope that his stay with us will be a long and happy one. I would like to offer my thanks to the teaching and office staff, to the Matron and Housekeeper and to all who have given their services to the School.

I would like also—on your behalf—to thank the Visitor and the members of the Board of Management who give so freely of their time in the interests of the School, and in particular the newly appointed Chairman of the Board—Mr. Foster—who has worked unceasingly for

the School this year. Since Speech Night of last year, Mr. Brammall has been elected by the Old Boys as their representative to replace Mr. H. D. Erwin who retired on account of ill-health. I would like to thank him for his help—both as a member of the staff and of the Board—and wish him better health and still more time for useful service to the community.

And lastly, it is my pleasure to welcome here tonight Brigadier Dollery. Neither to the boys of this School nor to the parents, does he need an introduction. He is well-known to them all and, if I may say so, held in the highest esteem by them all. He was asked to present the prizes tonight as State Commandant. He is also President of the Old Boys' Association, and since the invitation was sent to him, he has accepted appointment as one of the Bishop's nominees on the Board of Management on the retirement of Mr. G. F. Sorell. We congratulate him on that appointment and already he has put his limitless energy at the service of his old School in this new capacity. All connected with the School should be grateful for his absolute devotion, a devotion that makes us humble and only too conscious of our responsibilities. He is an example that all present boys might well copy when they in turn leave School and join the ranks of the Old Boys. With such Old Boys the future of the School is assured, for on its Old Boys the progress, development and integrity of the School rests—and so we offer you a very hearty welcome here tonight.

A Link with the Past

IN 1946 Brigadier Dollery called on one of our oldest Old Boys, Mr. W. P. Dobson (No. 845—1876), who lives in Melbourne and is now aged 85. Mr. Dobson then donated to the School a very interesting circular, dated 1859, and signed by his father. This circular was an invitation to participate in the first Re-

union of Old Boys, and may be considered to be the birth of the Old Boys' Association. It is being framed and will be placed in the Memorial Library.

At the same time he showed the Brigadier a small silver trowel, presented to his father in 1877, when he laid the foundation stone of the Fives Court. Mr.

Dobson has now presented this trowel to the School, and it was handed over to the Headmaster by the Brigadier on Speech Night.

The trowel has been reconditioned and mounted in a cedar case by the Old Boys' Association, and will form a most interesting relic of the past history of the School. Our thanks are due to Mr. Dobson for his thoughtful act.

On the trowel appears the following inscription—

*Presented to His Honour W. L. Dobson, Esqr., P.J., on the occasion of his laying the foundation stone of the Hutchins School Fives Court.
Sept. 22nd, 1877.*

Sir William Lambert Dobson, K.C.M.G., was one of the most distinguished Old Boys. His number on the roll is 59, and he entered the School in 1848. He became Chief Justice of Tasmania and was twice Administrator of the State.

New Site for Hutchins

AT Speech Night on December 13th the Chairman of the Board of Management (Mr. F. H. Foster) announced that the Board had purchased a property of 364 acres between Berriedale and Claremont, to be the future site of the Senior School. The property has frontages on the main road and railway line, and is $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles from the General Post Office. The main road frontage is only 50 yards from Lowestoft Bay, where boating and swimming facilities can be provided. The area at Sandy Bay, at present used by the Sub-Primary department, will be developed also, and will eventually accommodate the Sub-Primary and Primary pupils as well as a boarding-house. It is hoped that full details of these two large projects will be published in our June issue.

Distinguished Old Boys

ROBERT LESLIE DUNBABIN, M.A.

WHEN I made my first appearance at the Hutchins School—now, alas, over sixty years ago—among the senior boys there were two who filled us with awe, not merely by reason of their superior size and strength, but because of their outstanding ability, for we felt instinctively that they were destined for distinction in the years to come. One of

them was Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin, and the other his life-long friend Robert Leslie Dunbabin, whose recent death is recorded in another column.

Dunbabin came of farming stock—his father, John Dunbabin, being a member of the family so long associated with the district of Bream Creek.

He was born on 16th July, 1869, and spent several years at the Grammar School conducted by the late Mr. H. M. Pike, where he took the A.A. degree. At the age of 17 he entered the Hutchins School, then a proprietary school under the control of the Rev. J. V. Buckland and staffed mainly by members of his family. He passed rapidly through the School, finally obtaining the Degree of Associate of Arts. In 1888 he secured one of the Tasmanian Scholarships, which were then regarded as the Blue Ribbon of the Tasmanian system of education, and which had been established to enable the holder to proceed to an English University.

In due course he entered Corpus Christi College at Oxford. There he had a distinguished career, obtaining in 1890 a First Class in Classical Mods—the only Tasmanian, incidentally, who has secured that distinction—and being made an Exhibitor of his College. Two years later he secured a First Class in Lit. Hum.

Upon leaving Oxford he took up the scholastic profession and for a short time was on the staff of Erasmus Smith Grammar School at Tipperary. He then returned to Tasmania, and from 1897 to 1900 held a post as Assistant Master at the Hutchins School.

But his talents were destined for a higher sphere than that of a Junior Schoolmaster, and in 1902 he was appointed to the staff of the University of Tasmania, as Lecturer in Mental and Moral Science. Thus began an association which was to last for the rest of his life, with the exception of a short period in 1905, when he acted as Professor of Classics at the Adelaide University.

In 1906 he was appointed Lecturer in Classics under the late Professor Williams, and eight years later was promoted Assistant Professor. On the retirement in 1917 of Professor Williams he was appointed Professor of Classics, and held that post for twelve years, when he retired with the title of Emeritus Professor—a distinction conferred only upon members

of the staff who have given long and meritorious service to the University.

During those twenty-seven years he applied himself with single-hearted devotion to the welfare of the University, as a teacher, Member of the Council and of the Professorial Board, and on many committees concerned with its administration. In 1933 he was elected Vice-Chancellor, but was compelled on medical advice to relinquish that onerous office.

His interest in education was not confined to the University—he was for many years a Member of the Board of Management of his old School, and of the Selection Committee for Tasmania for the Rhodes Scholarships.

In all these capacities he displayed the same qualities—sound judgment, clear-sightedness and sturdy commonsense.

His love of the Classics amounted to a passion. He was the founder and leader of the Classical Society, and the papers contributed by him to that body are among the treasured recollections of its members. His contributions to overseas publications, such as *The Classical Review*, *The Classical Quarterly*, and *The Modern Languages Review*, earned for him a reputation for scholarship far beyond the limits of Australia. On more than one occasion he was invited to address Classical Associations on the Mainland.

In 1896, when the Hutchins School celebrated its Jubilee he composed the Latin oration delivered by the senior boy, in which he recalled in felicitous style the names of some of its Old Boys and the glories which had been achieved by the School.

A copy of this interesting document is reproduced in this issue.

All his work was characterised by accuracy, clarity and intellectual honesty. He disdained all forms of loose thinking, and for him conventional graces had little appeal. Reason, rather than sentiment, was his invariable guide in controversial matters.

He was a great lover of Nature, and outside his literary pursuits his chief hobby was gardening.

Scholars throughout the world will regret his passing, but it is some consolation to know that his memory will be kept

green by his generous gift to the University of his beloved and valuable library, and by his endowment of a scholarship for the promotion of Classical Learning.

FINIS CORONAT OPUS.

W. H. Hudspeth

Hutchins School Jubilee Oration (1896)

Composed by the late Professor R. L. Dunbabin, M.A. (Oxon.)

Jam schola Hutchinsiensis quinquaginta annis conditur. Intra quod tempus mille quingenti pueri studiis se hic dedere. Velim nobis ignoscatis si tali tempore, albo alumnorum perlecto, viros omnibus ordinibus disciplinisque praeclaros qui ibi inscribuntur gloriose enumeramus. Academici honores quos adepti sunt alumni minus verum laborem probant. Qui ibi educati sunt factis suis ejus veram gloriam demonstrant. Hodie igitur de iis quibus superbimus gloriamur, et albo recitato, putamus neminem esse quin nobiscum consentiat nos recte gloriare. —

Ut in schola ecclesiae decet, inter prima nomina sunt eorum qui vitam ecclesiae consecraverunt. Canonicus Hudspeth, pater praeclarus praeclarorum liberorum, hoc quinquagesimo anno post scholam conditam libellum de primis annis scholae scripsit. Archidiaconus Mason a nobis haud dudum ereptus est, et in longinqua Armenia William Henry Brown pro indoctoribus Christianis laborat.

Inter eos qui pro patria pugnaverunt et sanguinem effuderunt, navarchum Moriarty litteris saepissime nominatum pro insigni virtute, et Arthur Dobson, expeditus eques, praecique electum praecipuo labori, qui pugnans sub Sir Edward Buller in ultima Libya concidit, et Major Fleming, qui sibi famam apud illum antiquum flumen Nilum adeptus est, et Paton Jones et Henry Knight, fabrum praefectum alios et haud paucos ponimus.

Ex alumnis scholae patriae prosunt in rebus publicis minus fortasse periculosis

haud minus arduis versantur Hon. N. J. Brown primum praefectus terrarum deinde orator senatus, Hon. Henry Dobson, vir summae eloquentiae et olim princeps reipublicae, J. G. Davies, nunc magister delectorum, John Hamilton, H. H. Gill, E. L. Crowther, J. J. Conway, magna pars quidem senatorum in Tasmania natorum, atque trans mare Dr. Dobson, M.A., LL.D., cujus mortem recentem etiam lugemus, erat advocatus publicus in colonia Victoriensi et multos annos magister delectorum curiae majoris.

Negotiatores multos et praeclaros enumeramus, fratres Barclay, reges fiscales hujus insulae cum C. J. Maxwell, insigni legato eorum, multisque cum aliis qui eis serviunt, C. Poynter, T. H. Ivey, John McNaull, aliosque negotiatores in multis diversisque regionibus. Nec nobis omitendus est Louis Dobson, negotiator ante viginti unum annis natus, qui talia ingenia promittebat qualia fratres ostenderunt, quoad e vita praemature succisus est.

Aesculapius multos discipulos ex ordinibus nostris habet, e senioribus G. Fortescue, cujus nomen Sydneiae notissimum est, et W. G. Bedford et H. Perkins, alios et e junioribus haud paucos qui nunc locum in famae albo petunt.

Schola reipublicae multos regni ministros suppeditavit; qui jam magistratibus excesserunt ut senes bene meritato otio cum dignitate fruuntur sunt John O'Boyle et Arthur Cunningham, antea tabellariorum praefectum quem secutus

est post quoddam tempus H. V. Bayly, alius ex iis qui in hac domo studia exercere. Nobis item commemorandi sunt H. V. Smith, H. L. Crowther, aedilum judex, John Murphy, quondam praefectus Launcestonae, G. S. Crouch, qui praefecturam Hobartii obtinuit, vir inter suos praeclarus probitate integritateque.

In negotiis nobis sunt viri magni ingenii et magnae dignitatis, E. M. Fisher, quem fiduciarium novum salutamus et quem laete videmus veteri scholae curantem, Richard Crosby, consanguineos Salier, W. J. Campbell. Tempore dato, longissima esset tabula. Inter eos jure peritos qui e nobis sunt, praeclarent Alfred Dobson, procurator publicus, quartus ex illa gente quem nominamus, Curzon Allport, W. W. Perkins, fratres Butler, et ceteri quos quin recordemur spatium obstat.

Quartus ordo civitatis principes e nobis sumit J. G. Davies et C. E. Davies, actorum Diurnorum Mercuriorum editores cum procuratore fortissimo G. W. Rex atque H. H. Gill quondam

Diurnorum Tasmaniorum editor, quem supra demonstravimus. Gloriae est etiam J. G. Davies esse praeclarissimum latonum et societatis suae magistrum supremum. Inter eos quibus sunt magni greges et qui vitam beatam ruri agunt nostros nominamus C. P. Davies, George Nicholas et fratres, Albert Flexmore, Roderick O'Connor, Bisdee, gentem claram, et alios. Ars a George Secombe insigni gryllorum pictore colitur.

Non de honoribus academicis hodie gloriamur sed nos recordari A.W. Garrett oportet, qui ad litora nostra post multos annos in parte fervidis inclusa caloribus peractos redit. Ad extremum Sir Lambert Dobson eques praeclarissimus olim nominamus qui summus judex et bis administrator maxime civitati profuit. Illum praestantem probitate dignitateque in maximo honore habemus et gaudemus quia in hac schola discipulus nobis exemplum recte vivendi proposuit.

Tales viros alma mater nostra jam peperit; tales in sempiternas saeculorum aetates civitati pariat.

Translation of the Jubilee Oration (1896)

THE HUTCHINS SCHOOL has now been founded for fifty years. Within that time, 1500 boys have pursued their studies here. We pray you pardon us, if on such an occasion, as we scan the Record of our Old Boys, we proudly enumerate men famous in all ranks and professions whose names are inscribed thereon. The academic honours which our Old Boys have won are not our real task. Those who have been educated here show by their own deeds its true glory. Today therefore, we boast of those of whom we are proud and when the record is complete, we believe that these is no-one who will fail to agree with us that we are justified in our pride.

As befits a Church School, among the first are the names of those who have consecrated their lives to the service of the

Church. Canon Hudspeth, distinguished father of distinguished children, in this 50th year since the foundation of the School, has written a pamphlet on its early years. Archdeacon Mason has recently gone from us, and Dr. Henry Brown labours for the ignorant Christians in distant Armenia.

Among those who have fought for their country and laid down their lives, we include Moriarty — of the Royal Navy — often mentioned in dispatches for his outstanding valour; and Arthur Dobson of the Light Cavalry, particularly selected for a special task, who fell fighting under Sir Edward Buller in far distant Libya; Major Fleming who won for himself glory by the banks of the ancient Nile; Paton Jones and Henry Knight, officer of the Engineers, and many others.

Of Old Boys of the School who served in affairs of State, perhaps less dangerous, but no less arduous, are the Hon. N. J. Brown, former Minister of Lands and later Speaker of the House; the Hon. Henry Dobson, a man of the highest eloquence and a former Premier, J. G. Davies, now Chairman of Committees; John Hamilton; H. H. Gill; E. L. Crowther; J. J. Conway—a great part of the members of Parliament born in Tasmania; and across the sea, Dr. Dobson, M.A., LL.D., whose recent death we still mourn, was Solicitor-General in the colony of Victoria, and for many years Chairman of Committees of the Upper House.

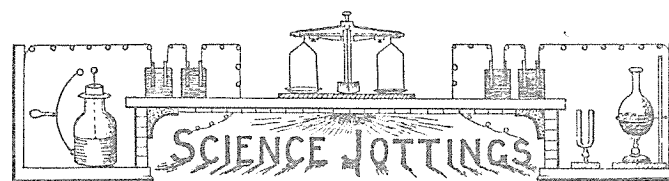
We remember, too, many famous bankers—the brothers Barclay, princes of finance in this Island, along with C. J. Maxwell, their very distinguished assistant, and many others who served them, C. Poynter, C. H. Ivey and John McNaull, and other business men in many different parts of the Island. Nor must we fail to mention Louis Dobson, a business man of 21 years of age, who gave promise of as much skill as his brothers displayed until he was prematurely cut off from this life.

Medicine claims many disciples from our ranks. Of the older men G. Fortescue—a name well-known in Sydney; W. G. Bedford; H. Perkins and many others of the younger men who are now seeking a place on our Roll of Fame. The School has supplied to the State many civil servants. Those who have already retired from office to enjoy with dignity in their old age, a well deserved leisure, are John O'Boyle, and Arthur Cunningham, formerly Post Master General who was followed some time later by H. V. Bayly, another of those who have studied here. So too we must mention H. V. Smith, H. L. Crowther, Police Magistrate; John Murphy, formerly Mayor of Launceston; G. S. Crouch, Mayor of Hobart—a man famous among his peers for uprightness and integrity. In business we have men

of great ability and standing in the community—E. M. Fisher, whom we welcome as our new Trustee and are glad to see looking after the interests of his old School; Richard Crosby; the two Salier brothers, and W. J. Campbell. Had I time, the list would be a very long one. Among those of our number skilled in law, pre-eminent are Alfred Dobson, Solicitor-General, the fourth of that family whom we mention; Curzon Allport; W.W. Perkins, the brothers Butler, and all those others whom space will not let us mention. In the fourth order of the State, the Press, pride of place is held by J. G. Davies and C. E. Davies, publishers of "The Mercury," along with the redoubtable manager, G.W. Rex, and H. H. Gill, formerly one-time publisher of the "Tasmanian News," whom we have mentioned above. Illustrious too, is J. G. Davies, a famous Mason and former Grand Master of his craft. Among those who own large flocks and live a life of rural blessedness, we name C. P. Davies; George Nicholas and his brothers; Albert Flexmore; Roderick O'Connor; Bisdee, a famous family, and others. Art is kept alive by George Secombe—a famous cartoonist. We are not today boasting of our academic honours but it is only fitting to mention A.W. Garrett, who returns to our shores after many years spent in a part of the world scorched by tropic heat. Finally we name Sir Lambert Dobson—a famous knight—who served this State as Chief Justice and twice as Administrator. He is outstanding in uprightness and dignity and we hold him in the highest esteem and rejoice that as a boy in this School he has set before us an example of an upright life.

Such men has our Alma Mater already produced, and such may she produce in all the years to come, for service in the State.

Tr. P. R.



GREEK SCIENCE

TWO notable books have recently been given to the world. One, by Professor Benjamin Farrington, is in two volumes entitled "Greek Science 1" and "Greek Science 2." It is a history of science as known to classical Greece, and is published in the Pelican series. The other, a monumental work by the celebrated mathematician and philosopher Bertrand Russell, bears the title of "A History of Western Philosophy."

Both are continuous records of discovery and are valuable contributions to the literature of science. The first, written by the professor of classics in Swansea University College, Wales, is sold in Australia at the cheap rate of 4/- and is somewhat restricted in volume. But it is an authoritative and lucid account of the rapid development of scientific enquiry in the ancient world from about 600 B.C. The second is an exhaustive treatise of 1,000 pages (demy 8vo) on the evolution of scientific and philosophic thought from the dawn of civilization to the present day. Unfortunately, its price is 33/3, but nobody interested in the exciting and romantic story of man's investigations of the secrets of nature should be without a copy.

In both books the early speculations and experiments of the Greeks are given in detail. But there is space here for a very brief reference to two only of the most outstanding of their original thinkers:

Every schoolboy is acquainted with the proposition in geometry known as Pythagoras' Theorem. Pythagoras lived in the sixth century B.C., and tradition attributes this discovery to him or to his immediate disciples. The theorem states that

in a right-angled triangle the sum of the squares on the sides containing the right angle is equal to the square on the remaining side. Now, Pythagoras said that "all things were numbers." He thought of numbers as shapes as they appear on dice or playing cards. He spoke of squares and cubes as numbers, of triangular numbers, pyramidal numbers, and so on. Bertrand Russell presumes that he also thought of the world as atomic and that all bodies were built up of molecules composed of numbers of atoms arranged in various shapes. In this way, Pythagoras hoped to make arithmetic the fundamental study in all branches of science. But the theorem to which we have referred appeared to disprove his whole philosophy. In a right-angled isosceles triangle the square on the hypotenuse is double the square on either side. Let us suppose each side an inch long, then the length of the hypotenuse is the square root of 2. This is not an exact number, therefore, whatever the unit of length we adopt, there are lengths that bear no precise numerical relation to the unit. Thus incommensurable numbers were discovered, and the square root of 2 the Pythagoreans called an "irrational number." They saw that the exact numbers upon which they built their universe did not exist. Great was their confusion when the full significance of the discovery dawned on them.

In those days as well as the present time they had their crises in science. However, the experience of the Pythagoreans convinced the succeeding Greek mathematicians that geometry must be established independently of arithmetic; and ever since that time the influence of geometry on both philosophy and scientific method has been profound.

A word now on Empedocles, the first great experimentalist. Empedocles flourished about 440 B.C. He was a mixture of philosopher, poet, scientist and charlatan. His most important contribution to science was the discovery of air as a separate substance. In his researches he used a hollow cylinder, closed at one end and terminated at the other in a cone with a small aperture at the tip. He proved by observation that, if the cone end of the vessel was thrust under water with a finger held over the hole in the tip and then removed, the contained air prevented the water from entering the cylinder. He concluded that it was the pressure of the air that kept the water from entering. Thus he demonstrated that invisible air was something that could occupy space and exert power. This may seem a very simple investigation but it was a momentous discovery at that time.

He also discovered one example of centrifugal force: that if a cup of water was whirled round at the end of a string the water did not come out. He knew that there is sex in plants, and he had a theory of evolution and the survival of the fittest. He knew that the moon shines by reflected light. He said that light takes time to travel, but he had no means of determining its speed; and he knew that solar eclipses are caused by the interposition of the moon.

Empedocles was the founder of a school of medicine, and had an idea, somewhat crude, of the circulation of the blood. He thus anticipated Harvey by more than two thousand years. But he had a fantastic opinion of his own powers. It is said, for instance, that he died by jumping into the crater of Etna to prove that he was a god.

A MEDICAL TRIUMPH

Many men who, in their younger days, have led a vigorous life both mentally and physically experience a serious loss of vitality in middle life. They become listless, sluggish and feeble, and the slightest mishap upsets their equilibrium. They fall

asleep quickly, but soon awake to spend the rest of the night worrying over trifles. They cannot make decisions, and a nervous breakdown seems imminent.

Such men have always been a problem to the medical profession until the discovery that these symptoms were the result of what is known as "male hormone hunger." When this discovery was made it was soon followed by the isolation on a commercial scale of the male hormone and the consequent preparation of the drug testosterone.

It was a Dutchman, Ernst Laqueur, in 1933, who first separated the male hormone from the sex glands of bulls. A year later the Swiss chemist Ruzicka prepared it synthetically in the laboratory. Today testosterone is made in ample supplies from the raw material found in the spinal cords and brains of cattle. So it is now possible for men in responsible positions who become exhausted at, or before, the age of 50 to have their youthful energy considerably prolonged.

Before the new drug was tried on human beings, hundreds of experiments were made on animals, and it was found to have the most regenerative and vitalizing effects. Old capons became endowed with fine red combs and the fighting spirit of roosters; female guinea-pigs acquired the strong muscles of the males; worn-out horses took to the track and won unexpected victories.

In 1941, Dr. W. M. Kearns, of Milwaukee, U.S.A., gave a shock to the doctors who were sceptical of the new drug. He chose a 19-year-old gelding named Holloway for the test. The horse had been a crack racer but he was now old and tired and obviously of no further use. Under the skin of the animal Kearns injected one-sixtieth of an ounce of testosterone, and a marvellous rejuvenation took place. Holloway's hair began to thicken, his coat became fine and glossy, his muscles hardened and he pranced like a young stallion. He was now trained again as a trotter, and in competition that summer this old horse ran first in five

heats, second in five and third in three.

Most astonishing, however, was the effect of the drug on men whose health had been seriously impaired by war or disease. Dr. G. L. Foss of Bristol, England, prescribed testosterone for many whose muscles became tired when the day's work was just beginning, their skin wrinkled, thin and ashen, and mental concentration was impossible. These men were overwhelmed by doubt and despondency but were immediately transformed from prematurely physical and mental wrecks into energetic, cheerful and social beings.

In 1938, Dr. Heinz Arndt of Koenigsberg treated seventeen men who were suffering from fierce pains over the heart and from nervous breakdown. On these invalids the medicine exerted a healing power that was simply amazing. The war, however, eclipsed German science, but in subsequent years the power of testosterone to alleviate the pains of angina pectoris has been proved again and again. Similar reports of its invigorating power come from America. The Journal of the American Medical Association is continually giving cases which demonstrate the power of the male hormone to raise the vitality of middle-aged men.

PROGRESS IN TELEPHONY

Substantial improvements are frequently being made in our telephone services. One of the greatest conveniences now being developed is the self-answering instrument. This telephone will have a recording device by which messages can be received when no one is at home. From the outside it will appear only as a small cabinet fastened to the wall. The device will be switched on when the family is about to leave the house; then when a 'phone call comes in, the instrument will automatically record any messages received during the absence of the household.

Recording will be done magnetically on a thin, hair-like steel wire wound from one spool to another by a small electric

motor. This wire will hold about ten minutes of talk.

On switching on the telephone when they return home, the family will hear played, by means of a loud speaker, all messages left while they were out. Later, the steel wire can be "wiped" clean of its messages by an electric contrivance and can be used over and over again.

The mere conception of such an instrument may seem wildly imaginative, but nearly all successful scientific experiments have been the result of the creative faculty of the mind. The feasibility of an invention of the kind is beyond question, and when perfected, its usefulness should make it generally popular.

Further advances also will soon be made in the international telephone services. Hitherto, transoceanic cables were laid so that telephone messages between countries separated by wide expanses of water had to rely on the vagaries of short-wave radio links for the long water-jumps. This was owing to the fact that a telephone line needs a "repeater station" every few miles, and of course it was impossible to erect these stations in deep water. But radio waves are often affected by sun-spots and other electric phenomena and are consequently unreliable for telephone transmission. It now seems to be possible to build small repeater stations which can be sunk deep in the ocean mud. These will contain small electronic tubes similar to those in a wireless set and will operate without attention for many years.

THE DINOSAUR

It was reported some weeks ago that several skeletons of dinosaurs were discovered in the Roma district of Queensland, one of which is believed to be 100 million years old.

The dinosaurs are an order of fossil reptiles which became extinct before the earliest type of man appeared on the earth. The crocodiles of the present age are the nearest to them in general characteristics. Some of the dinosaurs had very small fore-limbs, the hind-limbs being

much longer. Many of them were provided with a long tail, and pursued the same method of locomotion as the kangaroo.

Animals of this order lived mostly on land and included both carnivorous and herbivorous species. They varied very much in size, some being the largest animals that ever existed. These attained enormous proportions — their length reaching 70 ft. or 80 ft., height 10 ft. and weight 50 tons, while others were quite small—no larger than a kangaroo.

R. L. Collings

MEMBER OF HUTCHINS STAFF, 1921-1949

By H. D. Erwin

PRESENT boys, parents, a whole generation of Old Boys and friends of Hutchins generally have learned with regret that Mr. Collings is leaving the School.

At the end of 1921 he was appointed to a position on the Staff by the then Headmaster (the late Mr. C. C. Thorold), and at the beginning of 1926 he became Bursar—a position he has held ever since. During all these twenty-eight years he rendered to the School most conscientious and devoted service. His whole energies were given to his work. Few outside interests claimed his attention, and he never allowed any distractions to cause him to deviate from the rigid path of duty. In fact, his work was his life and his world was the School. His genial manner and his accessibility to every boy gained him much popularity; so much so, that when Old Boys visited the School, invariably one of the first men they wished to see was Mr. Collings.

Of the efficiency of his work as Bursar I cannot speak with much authority, but during the two years I was a member of the Board of Management I had a peep behind the scenes. I was always impressed by his obvious desire to give satisfaction to the Board and his readiness to comply

Scientists calculate that these creatures existed in Mesozoic times or what is known as the second geological period, that is, between 20 million and one hundred million years ago. It is conjectured that they browsed in swamps, and as the earth cooled and the mud became sticky the unwieldy beasts got bogged. Unable to extricate their great weight they died there. Their fossils, preserved in the earth's strata, remain to this day and are found in every continent in the world.

H. D. E.

with the slightest request or suggestion made by any of its members. As a confidential servant, Mr. Collings could be absolutely relied on not to divulge anything of the Board's proceedings, whether private or otherwise. Of course, The Hutchins School is a public school—not a private school conducted by an individual for personal gain. The main general determinations of its governing body should, therefore, be known to its supporters, that is, to the Parents and to the Old Boys, especially as the Old Boys' Association elect half of the members of the Board of Management. Indeed, they should be known to the public generally. Only in this way can its well-wishers be assured that the School is striving to maintain the high prestige and traditions which it has hitherto established. But notwithstanding this, Mr. Collings held it to be his duty to treat as inviolate what he considered to be the privacy of the whole of the Board's proceedings. As far as he was concerned not a hint of its deliberations ever passed beyond the precincts of the Board room.

With regard to his private character he needs no testimonial from me, but he and I have been personal friends ever since he came to the School. May I say, there-

fore, that he has always set a salutary example by his strict adherence to his religious principles, by his high moral integrity and by his honourable and straightforward dealings in the affairs of life.

Assembly Notes

DURING the latter half of this year we have been honoured by a large number of visiting speakers to Assembly. We are thankful to them for giving us views and information on many topics of world interest at the present time.

In July we received a visit from the Organiser of the U.N.A. in Tasmania, Mr. Blackwell, who gave us first-hand knowledge on the conditions in Singapore and Malaya today.

We were honoured by a visit from the Olympic sculler Mervyn Wood, who spoke on the Olympic Games. When the usual questions were asked, one young hopeful caused some amusement by asking Mr. Wood what sport he played!

Also in July, Charles Payne, a former Head Prefect, presented to the School the Prefect's Book, the wooden cover of which had been carved by his grandmother, Mrs. Payne.

In August, Mr. Collier, the State Librarian, spoke to us on the history of the State Library. We were interested to hear that the Library was originally built from a grant by the Carnegie Institute.

Canon Martin, of St. Stephen's College, Hong Kong, spoke on the life of a schoolboy at his school, and Father Oddie, of the Society of the Sacred Mission, Adelaide, gave a talk on the discipline of life.

During September, Archdeacon Robinson, Chairman of the Australian Board of Missions, gave a talk on its work.

Also in September we received a visit from the Wakefield Quartet, who presented a very interesting programme of national dances by famous composers; a Hungarian Dance of Brahms, a Nor-

Mr. Collings leaves Hutchins with the best wishes of all the friends of the School for his future happiness and prosperity.

wegian Dance by Grieg, a Slavonic Dance of Dvorak, and a group of dances under the title of "Landler" by Schubert. Altogether it was a very enjoyable programme.

In October we heard another Chamber Music concert. This time it was by the Cantabile Trio with Maurice Barr from the Albert Street Conservatorium, Melbourne. Unfortunately, as the concert was beginning the 'cello was damaged and necessitated a re-arrangement of the programme, only solo items being presented. However, they gave a varied programme, ranging from songs of John Masfield to waltzes of Brahms.

Also in October Mr. John Minter visited the School for aid to the United Nations Appeal to children.

This year, during the Headmaster's visit to Sandy Bay each Friday morning, the Rev. T. J. Gibson, of All Saints' Church, has taken morning Assembly. We are very grateful to him for these visits and for his deeply spiritual addresses.

J. P. M.

COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE

At the final Assembly on December 13th, a Commemorative Plaque was presented to the School by Mr. L. G. Chambers. The plaque is made of blackwood and the inscription, in gilt lettering, reads as follows:

The Racing Craft "Stuart C. Walch" was donated by Mr. Len. Nettlefold and named after the late Flight/Lieut. Stuart Crosby Walch, R.A.F., killed in action in the Battle for Britain on 10 August, 1940. He was a prominent

oarsman during his career at the Hutchins School (1927-1934), and his name symbolises the sacrifice made by all former oarsmen of the School who gave their lives for their country in the 1939-1945 War.

The plaque will be placed amongst other treasured possessions of the School as a further reminder of its gallant Old Boys. [Mr. Chambers was cox. of the crew in which Stuart Walch rowed for the School.—Ed.].

David Evans Fisher

THE School mourns the loss of David Fisher, who died on November 12th, after a long illness. He joined the School in February, 1945, and soon became prominent in sporting activities, especially swimming and football. He represented the School in swimming from 1946 to 1949 in the breaststroke and backstroke, and this year also played in the First football team. At the time of his death he was a member of VIb Form.

Outside the School he had the distinction of being the youngest swimmer to represent Tasmania in interstate contests, and in fact was the youngest competitor in the Australian Championships held in Melbourne early this year. In spite of his youth, he had represented this State three



The late
D. E. Fisher

[Block by courtesy of "The Mercury"]

Staff Notes

ALL members of the Staff join with others associated with the School in expressing sincere regret at the departure of our Bursar, Mr. R. L. Collings, who has served the School with whole-hearted devotion for 28 years. It is given to few men to gain the unbounded affection in which Mr. Collings is regarded by all his associates, both Staff and boys, and the members of the Staff in particular wish to thank him for his co-operation and good-fellowship. We trust that he will enjoy many years of retirement and look forward to seeing him on any occasions he comes to Hobart from his home in the

country. We extend a cordial welcome to his successor, Major L. C. Mein, Indian Army, retired, and wish him every happiness and success in his work at the School.

During the second term we bade farewell to Mr. E. J. Chapman and welcomed Mr. G. V. Round, who took his place till the end of the year. Next year Mr. J. M. Boyes will replace Mr. Round in the Junior School. Also leaving at the end of the term are Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Nichol and Messrs. R. L. James and F. E. Dayan, to whom we extend best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity.

We are glad to welcome as Chaplain Rev. Gregory Needham, formerly of the Armidale School, N.S.W., and a holder of the Lucas Tooth Scholarship, under which he gained experience in England, Canada and U.S.A. We also welcome

Mr. M. L. Robinson as Assistant Science Master. Mr. Robinson served in the R.A.F. during the last war and was a student of St. Luke's Training College, England.

Beneath the Ivied Tower

Random Ramblings by a Staff Reporter

AT the Anniversary Service in August at the Cathedral the Bishop of Tasmania dedicated the new School Banner, which is to the School what Regimental Colours are to a Regiment. It is a beautifully executed piece of work and a splendid example of needle-craft on the part of some ladies who prefer to remain anonymous. The School will treasure this emblem and is deeply grateful to those who originated the idea and carried out the work.

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The new plan for altering the Chemistry Laboratory is now finalised. A fine example of practical simplicity, the conversion is expected to be completed by the beginning of next year. The whole eastern wall and half of the northern wall will be lined by a new type of bench with a drainage system. The great difficulty of obtaining plumbing supplies has given rise to an ingenious system using only two large sinks and open bench-drains. The improvements, which incorporate many modern features, were designed by Mr. Biggs.

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In the last issue of the Magazine reference was made to the difficulty experienced in obtaining suitable gravel for the front of the School. The problem was solved after a very short time and a new type was introduced. It proved very satisfactory in the wet weather and in dusty conditions.

The whole School is very sorry to see Mr. Collings go after so many years of friendly service to the School. So it was that we all fell whole-heartedly into a scheme to provide something for our friend to remind him of the esteem in which he is held by the boys of all forms. Through the medium of the Prefects a voluntary contribution was arranged. The prompt and willing response speaks for itself. A handsome mantle clock with a plate was chosen as our memento, and with it goes our wish of happiness and contentment for our "Mr. Colley."

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During our programme of social services we carried through a little work for ourselves at Christ College sports ground. The northern fence was moved back some twenty-five feet, providing much more ground. The extra space will be levelled, grassed and taken into the oval. Under the supervision of the Prefects the boys worked well digging post holes and moving the fence back bodily. It reminded us of coolies laying a stretch of railway line.

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Once more the Prefects tackled the problem of the "paper menace" around the School. We suddenly found ourselves doing a little work for a change as we grovelled around like Sherlock Holmes imitating a vacuum cleaner. A different form was on duty each day, and at last this method has proved successful. Our

feelings of its continuation next year are mixed.



We have not yet quite become used to the curious way the doors open now after the fire escape precautions were carried out. For a change there have been legitimate "door-black eyes." It is quite entertaining watching the stealthy, wary approach which is made towards the door

which is in direct contract to the old habit of barging head down and foot out.



Well, the wheel turns around once more and we find the old bloods spending their last days under the Ivied Tower. I don't think we'll voice an opinion on the leaving boys' feelings. However, we wish them luck and hope they keep their association with the Old School.

R. S. V.

The Parents' Association

VERY keen interest has been displayed by members in the activities of the Association during the year, and attendances at meetings have been a record. It is particularly pleasing to note the numbers present at the regular monthly meetings of the Executive and to witness the enthusiasm that is evident in dealing with the numerous matters associated with the welfare of the School.

One of the many objectives which the Association has in view is the provision of a complete and up-to-date reference library, and from the amount raised at the 1949 Fair a sum of £130 has so far been allocated for the purchase of books. This sum is in addition to various amounts donated for the purpose in past years.

In accordance with the practice previously adopted, £20 has been contributed towards additional School prizes and £10 for the purchase of plaques for sporting events.

At the General Meeting held in October a presentation was made to Mrs. C. F. Johnson on her retirement from the office of Honorary Secretary. The Chairman, Mr. H. J. Solomon, and the Vice-President, Mr. E. J. C. Stopp, paid tribute to the fine service she had given to the Association and the School. Mrs. Johnson had been a member of the Executive for the past 11 years, and held office as a Vice-President for two years and Hon-

orary Secretary for 7 years. As a member of the Executive, she is still giving valuable assistance in many directions.

Mrs. Q. McDougall, who has been a very active member of the Association and the Executive for some years, has very kindly accepted appointment to the position of Honorary Secretary, and the services of Miss Helen Reid have been engaged to assist in typing and associated work.

We learn with regret that Mr. R. L. Collings will be leaving the Hutchins School at the end of the year. Mr. Collings has been Bursar for the past 28 years, and during this long period of faithful service he endeared himself to the numerous scholars who looked upon him always as a good friend, and as a teacher by example of those Christian principles so necessary in a public school. His willing assistance to our Association at all times when called upon is much appreciated, and we hope in some small measure to acknowledge his service to the boys, the parents and the School at a farewell function arranged for the evening of December 8th.

We extend our very best wishes to the boys who are leaving the old School this year, to those who will have the privilege of returning, to all the Staff, and to the Board of Management of the Hutchins School.

J. C. T.

Library Notes

Librarian: D. E. Kirby

Committee: E. G. Butler, J. R. Clark, J. W. Cooper, R. d'A. Cuthbert, J. W. Heckscher, B. F. Johnson, J. P. Morris, G. Page-Hanify, G. A. W. Renney, D. U. Shepherd, R. S. J. Valentine

Form Representatives: C. Turnbull (VIb), D. Hume (Inter.), W. Grant (V), B. Kemp (Remove A)

SINCE our last issue the Library has been greatly increased in both fictional and educational sections. The committee spent an afternoon in the Library last term changing the position of the books to make more room for new ones, some of which came last term, while a further hundred, donated by the Parents' Association, arrived in September. While the new books were being catalogued and classified, the Library was temporarily closed.

In the fictional section, the old-fashioned novels which form the majority of this section are now interspersed with books by such famous authors as Kipling, Stevenson, Verne, Dumas and Conrad.

An additional roster of the committee has been made to replace books and to dust the Library after use before morning school and in the dinner hour.

The magazine section is still very popular, and science and hobby magazines are frequently being added, but unfortunately we are not receiving the *Illustrated London News* any more. A noteworthy addition to the Library is an expensive and comparatively up-to-date atlas.

Though the Library has not been continually available this term, the knowledge stored on its shelves is being built up by a wise choice of new books, and it will afford to future boys of the School many enjoyable hours of reference and recreation.

D. E. K.

Music Club

President: Mr. O. H. Biggs
Secretary: J. P. Morris

THE Music Club has just completed a very successful year. Although still small in numbers the Club has functioned very well and has been conducted less formally than would have been possible had it been larger. Two new members, McIntosh and Turnbull, have proved to be valuable assets to the Club.

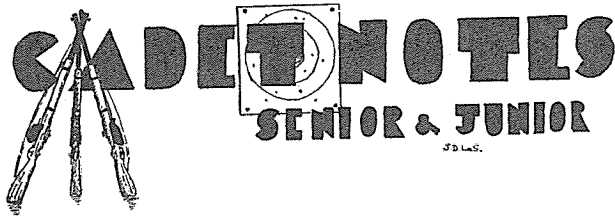
It is pleasing to see that most of the members are taking part in presenting the programmes, whereas previously this had been in the hands of a few.

The programmes presented were well selected, and during the latter half of the year many large and small works were played. Among the smaller works presented were compositions by Brahms,

Mozart, Vaughan Williams, Weinberger, Caesar Franck, and Bach. Included in the major works were the Beethoven 4th and "Emperor" Concertos, Tchaikowsky's 6th Symphony, Mozart's "Jupiter" Symphony, Brahms' Variations on a Theme of Haydn, and Handel's Concerto Grosso No. 9.

Among the most appreciated works were the Variations on a Roman Theme (Tchaikowsky), the 4th Bach Brandenburg Concerto, and Erna Berger singing several Mozart arias. The Tchaikowsky Variations were magnificently played by the cellist (Paul Tortelier), and the singing of Erna Berger was superb. It is to be hoped that she makes more recordings soon.

J. P. M.



O.C. Detachment: Cdt.-Lieut. E. G. Butler
 C.S.M.: W.O. ii G. A. W. Renney
 C.Q.M.S.: S/Sgt. S. Q. Davis
 Platoon Sgts.: Sgt. D. R. King, Act-Sgt. H. D. Calvert

DURING the year 1949 the Hutchins School Senior Cadet Detachment has been very successful in the standard that it has been able to reach. At the beginning of the year the Detachment received a severe setback as it lost both its officers, all its warrant and non-commissioned officers, and many of its highly efficient second-year cadets. This meant that the Detachment had to start from the very beginning with inexperienced, even if enthusiastic, instructors and without the help given by Anglesea Barracks the Detachment would have been at a great disadvantage. But as the difficulty of training the large number of raw recruits was gradually overcome the proficiency of the two platoons was raised and before long lessons on specified weapons were given.

The task of promoting the most deserving cadets was perhaps one of the hardest problems to solve, as there were many fitting to fill the vacant positions. But with these positions complete the Detachment was no longer impeded and training, administered by these N.C.O.'s, was begun in earnest. The cadets were instructed, not only in infantry training syllabus, but in 3in. mortar and the Vickers machine-gun.

Cadet Camp, Brighton

This eight-day camp, 22nd to 29th August, was held at Brighton, at which all members of the Detachment were present with the exception of six who were granted leave of absence.

The training was of a varied nature, including field exercises, compass marches and occasionally films at night. On the Sunday morning the Hoad Trophy competition was held, and our congratulations are extended to Launceston Church Grammar School for winning it.

The concert given by the immigrants of Brighton Camp was enjoyed by all the cadets.

A week-end bivouac, originally to have been held during the third term, unfortunately had to be postponed because of the presence of poliomyelitis in Tasmania. However, the officers and N.C.O.'s course of instruction is to be held in January, 1950, to enable fitting cadets to qualify for a promoted rank to instruct in the home training of the same and following year.

Practice for the King George V Rifle Shooting Trophy was a feature during training in the third term. Several pictures were shown at the Anglesea Barracks Theatre on the Tuesday following this competition.

The Detachment was also present at the impressive ceremony of the laying-up of regimental colours in St. David's Cathedral.

To finish parades for the year the Detachment was shown over some of the equipment used by the Anti-Tank Unit. Among other things, the mechanism of the Piat anti-tank gun and the 25-pounder artillery gun was explained.

The Detachment, although it will not be losing nearly so many of its members this year, will still need strengthening, and it is to be hoped that a permanent O.C. will be found so that if such a position occurs as there was at the beginning

of the year, it will be easily overcome. However, considering all the setbacks it received, the Detachment was not held back for very long.

All those cadets who are leaving at the end of 1949 look back with pleasant

memories of the good times they had together as members of the Hutchins School Senior Cadet Detachment, and in saying *au revoir*, wish it every success in the future.

E. G. B.

Scout Notes

THIS last half of the year has been quite a good one for the Group, and holds promise of an even better year in 1950. All sections are at full strength, there being five Seniors, twenty-eight Boy Scouts, and twenty-four Cubs. For the first time since 1946 the Troop can boast a first-class Scout, and of the twelve second-class Scouts several are well on the way to their first-class.

Together with the rest of the School, we regretfully farewell Mr. Collings. Ever a friend to the Group, he was at one time a Cubmaster in it, and our beautiful Troop flag was but one of his many gifts. Before the end of the term we hope to see him along at a Troop meeting at which a presentation will be made.

The annual Scout Dance was held on Saturday, 22nd July, and much of the organising work was in the hands of the Senior Scouts. About one hundred couples were present, and a successful and enjoyable evening resulted. Our thanks are extended to all parents and friends who helped with the supper arrangements.

ORDE C. WINGATE PATROL

S.M.: Mr. E. C. Brown

P.L.: G. Page-Hanify

Senior Scouts all over Tasmania have, for the last five months, been competing for the Meredith Trophy. This competition covers all aspects of Scouting, including the particularly senior aspect of interest in cultural and social activities.

The November long week-end found the Patrol at Chauncy Vale, equipped with steel chains, dumpy level, prismatic

compasses, field books and other surveying instruments, employed in a two-mile road and stream traverse, Part 3 of the Meredith competition. The rugged nature of the Chauncy Vale area made our task none too easy, but the week-end was enjoyed by all, and we await with interest the result of this project.

Christmas activities will take the form of a twenty-mile hike, probably near National Park. This hike, with a history of our Patrol Patron and an investigation of Hobart's cultural societies, should complete our part in the Meredith Trophy.

As can be seen, Senior Scouting is not just a variation of Boy Scouting, but rather aims at a degree of specialisation unheard of in the Boy Scout Troop. With a strong and efficient Senior Patrol the general standard of the Group is improved.

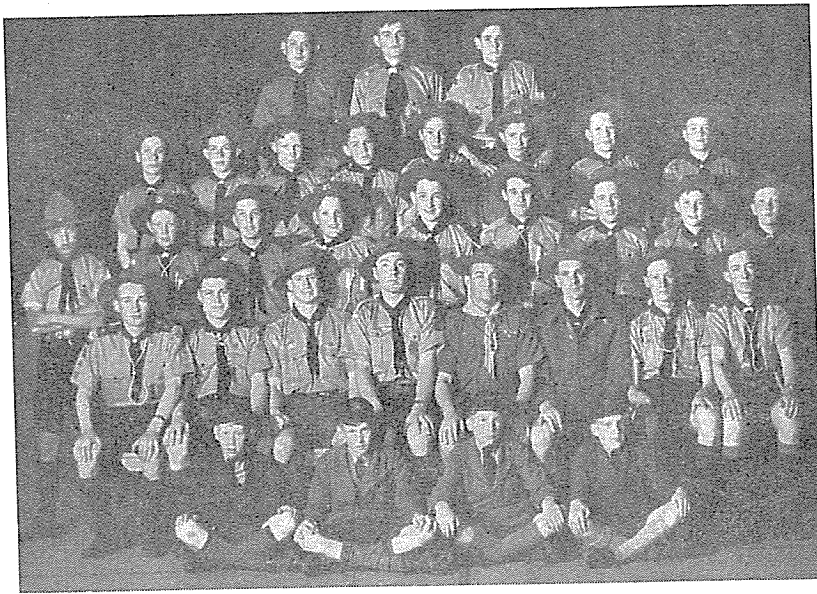
BOY SCOUT TROOP

During this term S.M. Read has been forced to absent himself from many parades due to forthcoming exams., so that most of the work has fallen to A.S.M.'s Atkinson and Shelton, supported by P.L.'s Cooper, Hanslow, Heckscher and Jackson.

Bottle collections have become almost as regular a feature as the wartime paper drives, and on our last outing over 150 dozen bottles were collected.

The Bob-a-Job Campaign came just as we were to break up for the holidays, but nevertheless the creditable sum of over £5 was raised.

Fine weather after weeks of rain made the long week-end camp at Tas. Atkin-



THE SCOUTS

son's shack very enjoyable for the fifteen Scouts who attended. Unfortunately, the outlook for a Christmas camp does not appear bright.

Last period each Tuesday afternoon a parade has been held in the Scout Room, where A.S.M. Shelton and the Senior Patrol have conducted training and in-

structional lectures on second and first-class work.

A new shield for the Patrol Competition has been presented by the S.M., and all Patrols are keenly contesting the honour of being the first to have their name inscribed on it. This will replace the old trophy which was stolen two years ago.

G. P. H.

Dramatic Society

Master-in-Charge: Mr. K. Jarvis
 President: G. Page-Hanify
 Secretary: E. G. Butler
 Treasurer: R. S. Valentine
 Librarian and Script Manager: B. Purvis
 Wardrobe Manager: H. Thompson
 Settings: G. Salmon
 Stage: S. Davis
 Publicity Manager: J. Clark

"WHAT HAPPENED TO GEORGE"
 THE Society presented its major production, "What Happened to George" by Eva Beringer, on 18th, 19th and 20th of August. This was the first time we have attempted a three-night season, and

our confidence was amply justified by excellent houses. This was also the first time we were able to use the new lighting system, and several striking effects were obtained, as, for instance, the train pulling out of the station, which would not have been possible otherwise. The new switchboard is situated out of harm's way on a platform above the prompter's desk.

Several difficulties were associated with the production of this "comedy-thriller," for not only was it totally different from anything we had attempted before, but was done in fourteen completed changes

"WHAT HAPPENED TO GEORGE"



THE FULL CAST

of scene. The stage staff are to be congratulated for the smooth manner in which these changes were made.

The play's complicated plot centres around a fabulously valuable ruby brought from India by Colonel Maitland and his native servant Mahmoud. After collecting son George at the railway station, they travel to the colonel's country home, Ferncombe, foiling an attempt to steal the ruby by a gang of crooks on the way.

Arriving at Ferncombe, we soon learn that the butler and his wife are in league with the crooks, and the action mounts rapidly as Mahmoud is knocked unconscious, George is kidnapped and the ruby stolen. Scotland Yard is called in, and the combined efforts of the jovial tramp, Fatty Bill, School-pal, Plumduff, Zara (a gipsy girl), Annie (the maid) and the colonel, culminate in the rescue of George and the capture of the crooks. The ruby is finally eaten in a piece of cake by two lost penguins, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, but necessarily severe measures are taken, the ruby recovered, and the play ends happily, as befits its light vein.

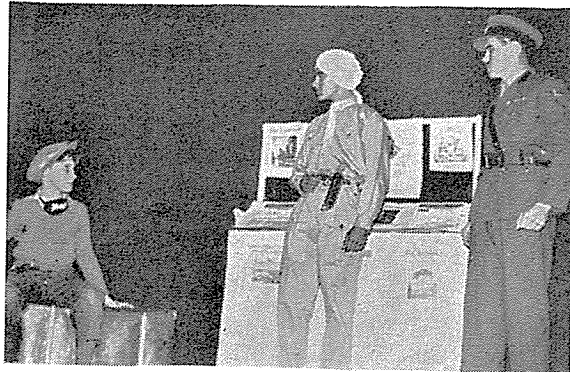
Credit must be paid to the high standard of acting set by all concerned, the principals playing hard characters with the ease and confidence of old-stagers. The cast, including backstage staff, was: D. Gibb, W. Cooper, D. Walch, M. Gibson, D. Hall, G. Salmon, D. King, M. Russell, P. Lawrence, D. Skinner, B. Purvis, T. Rankin, G. Page-Hanify, D. Shepherd, M. Chen, H. Foster, H. Thompson, J. Clark, R. Valentine, I. McIntosh, E. Butler, A. Gibson, J. Sorell, B. Kemp, J. Heckscher, G. Renny, J. Fergusson, D. Uhr-Henry, M. Clerk, R. Wright, R. Dick, E. McDougall, P. Heckscher, H. Calvert, S. Davis, R. Cuthbert, J. Cooper, G. Woodward, B. Johnson, J. Morris, R. Nettlefold and D. Hume.

The producer, Mr. K. Jarvis, is to be congratulated on the high standard attained by the production. He devoted all his time and energy to it, and to his efforts the success of the play was due.

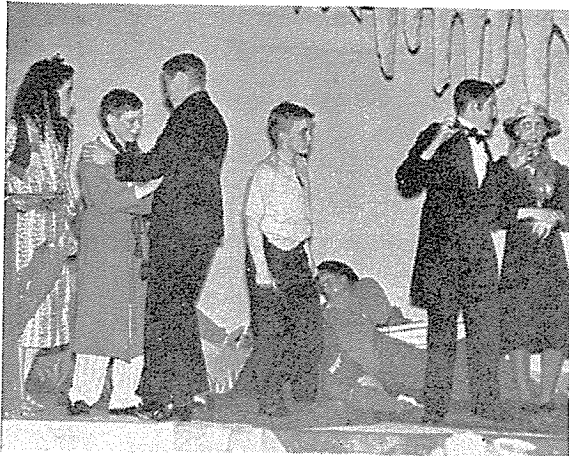
To every play, however, there are two sides. One is the side seen by the audience; the other consists of that known only to the cast, and that half includes



SOME OF THE PRINCIPALS



AT THE RAILWAY STATION



ON THE ISLAND

all the various experiences of rehearsals, leading up to and ending in the final show itself. For instance, there was the time when Fatty Bill and Zara had to *ad lib* for dear life, the colonel having missed his entrance by twenty lines or so. Or that dramatic moment in the thrilling coal cellar scene when the knots securing George jammed, with Pennyquick almost on stage. Blackouts that never came; gallons of water from an overturned vase flooding the stage—all stage secrets showing the other side of the picture and never to be revealed to the audience. And, to cap it all, there was a fish which, after three nights of solid service, on the final occasion made its presence felt almost to the back row of the hall.

Sufficient to end with the age-old slogan, that we only hope that you enjoyed seeing the play as much as we enjoyed presenting it.

Literary and Debating Society

Patron: Mr. W. H. Hudspeth

President: Mr. H. D. Erwin

Hon. Secretary: J. P. Morris

Committee: E. G. Butler, D. Thomas, G. Page-Hanify, R. S. Valentine, K. Webster.

SINCE the last issue of the Magazine there have been quite a large number of debates, though unfortunately, audiences have been much too small.

There has been keen competition among the junior members of the Society in their House Debates. In the Junior House competition Buckland narrowly defeated Stephens. School House was rather unfortunate in having on the sick list its best speaker, Woodward, who won Junior Impromptu Orator. The adjudicator for the three Junior Debates (Mr. Williams) told the team that the standard of debating was much higher than that last year. He especially congratulated Gibson, who is quickly becoming a very good speaker.

At the beginning of July the Hutchins debating team participated in a debate against Fahan. The Hutchins team, Page-

"CLAUDIUS THE BEE"

Third term activities have been confined to the production (by Mr. Jarvis) of the Junior School play. This year it was "Claudius the Bee," a delightful story of life in a beehive, the inhabitants of which invite a human boy, after shrinking him to a more convenient size, to visit their hive. He returns their favours by saving them from the attacking wasps—all adding up to a charming fantasy, production date of which was December 12th, on the Junior School Festival Night.

Scenery in both these productions has been by Graeme Salmon, and in the Junior School play members of the Senior Society assisted with make-up and stage management as in the 1948 presentation.

G. P.-H.

Hanify, Morris and Heckscher, put up a good fight, but were beaten by one point. The Fahan team, Misses K. Waugh, E. Holmes and G. Cox, showed that they were well prepared for the occasion.

There was to be a return debate against Fahan at the School, but this was cancelled owing to the health authorities' recommendation regarding poliomyelitis.

Towards the end of July the annual debate between the Old Boys and the School was held, but the attendance was very disappointing for such an occasion. The Old Boys were represented by Messrs. R. B. Chen, C. Brettingham-Moore and J. R. M. Driscoll. The School team was G. Page-Hanify, J. Morris and E. Butler. The debate resulted in a win for the School by one point. The adjudicator was Mr. H. S. Baker, M.L.C.

The Literary and Debating Society has completed its programme for this year except for the Hudspeth Essay, the winner of which will be announced on Speech Night

The Society has greatly appreciated the help and advice given by the adjudicators, and is particularly grateful to the President (Mr. H. D. Erwin), who has so generously given up his time to adjudicate the Senior debates.

J. P. M.

Stamp Club

President: Mr. O. H. Biggs

Secretary: C. K. Oliver

MEETINGS have been held fairly regularly since our last report in the June issue. Displays of first-day covers, U.P.U. issues, and general collections of the British Empire have been given by D. Gibb, C. Oliver, M. Clerk, B. Coombe and the President, and have been much appreciated by the members. Auction sales have been conducted as usual, with a careful eye on the "catalogue" values, in an endeavour to protect both buyer and seller.

As there are several enthusiasts in the Junior School who are to be promoted to the Senior School next year, we look forward to future activities with confidence, and hope to have an interesting and varied series of displays and talks in 1950.

C. K. O.

Social Services

WHILE half the Senior School was attending Cadet Camp in August, the remainder of the boys were not without work. During the last two days of the second term each non-cadet was busy carrying out his part of the School's Social Services scheme.

Instead of attending school on these two days, the boys were divided up into small groups which started clearing land and doing odd jobs for various charitable institutions. This was not forced work, but was completely voluntary.

After preliminary discussions by the Headmaster, the Staff, Prefects and probationers, a scheme was formulated which would aid the community in a direct way. Details were arranged and it was decided that the Church should be considered before any other institution. The idea was outlined to the whole School and was met with the entire approval of the boys.

On August 23rd and 24th an observer could have seen in various parts of Hobart groups of boys, armed with an assortment of gardening tools, working energetically at different types of unskilled jobs. Each group was in the charge of a master and one prefect, and the jobs included asphaltting, painting, hedge-clipping, ground levelling, carpentry and fence-moving. Some library work was also done, but this was undertaken without the use of gardening tools. Another group did an excellent job in rearranging apparatus in the Physics Laboratory. At the end of the two days set aside, all the jobs attempted were finished and the scheme generally turned out to be a complete success.

Next year it is hoped that the idea can be enlarged so that each member of the School will be able to participate in this work which has already been of direct service to the community.

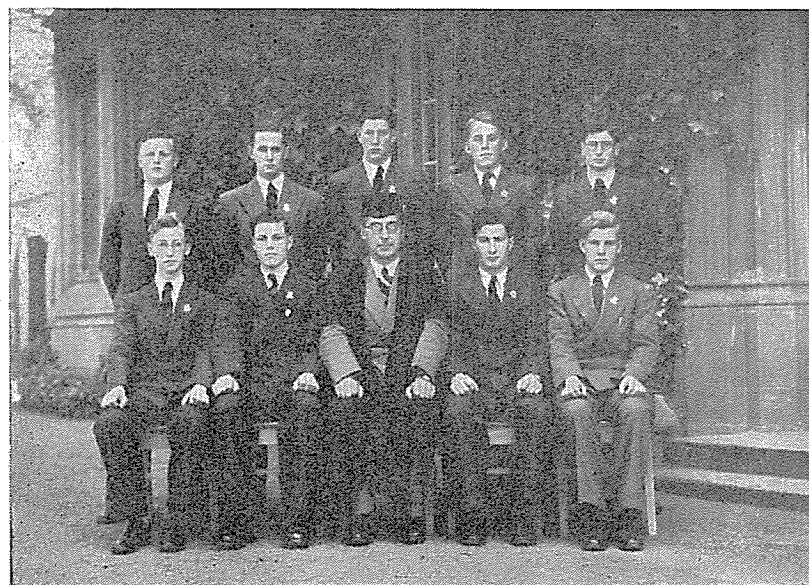
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Hail!

Junior and Preparatory School: Barbour, R. H.; Bryant, T. J.; Cooper, M. D.; Dayan, M.; Dobson, P. J.; Hood, R.; Lamond, D. A.; Page, J. M.; Richardson, L. J.

and Farewell!

Gill, J. S. (1947); Golding, J. W. (1940); Jackson, B. L. (1948); McIntyre, J. S. (1943); Reid, J. (1942); Roberts, M. (1949); Roberts, J. (1949).



THE PREFECTS

Standing: G. A. W. Renney, J. P. Morris, J. P. Mitchell, R. d'A. Cuthbert, J. T. Shelton.
Seated: R. S. Valentine, G. Page-Hanify, The Headmaster, J. W. Heckscher, E. G. Butler.

Exchanges

WE have to acknowledge receipt of the following magazines since June, 1949, and apologise if any have been inadvertently omitted:

Tasmania: Church Grammar School, Launceston; State High School, Hobart.

Victoria: Caulfield Grammar School; Scotch College, Hawthorn; Melbourne Church of England Grammar School; Trinity Grammar School, Kew; Geelong College; Carey Baptist Grammar School; Geelong Grammar School (2); Ballarat College.

West Australia: Guildford Grammar School; The Hale School, Perth.

New South Wales: Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga; Newington College, Stanmore.

South Australia: Prince Alfred College, Adelaide.

Queensland: Southport School; Church of England Grammar School, Brisbane.

Overseas: St. Thomas' College, Colombo, Ceylon.

A.B.C. Listening Groups

AT the request of the Australian Broadcasting Commission we publish a list of talks to be presented for the benefit of Listening Groups. As the fifth series will have been broadcast by the time this Magazine appears, we publish only those in the sixth series. All the talks are on Mondays at 8.40 p.m.

"The History of the English Drama"

Dec. 19th: "The Theatre of the Elizabethans."

Dec. 26th: "The Restoration Theatre."

Jan. 2nd: "Eighteenth Century Theatre."

Jan. 9th: "Nineteenth Century Melodrama."

Jan. 16th: "The Music Hall."

Jan. 23rd: "Ibsen and the New Theatre."

House Notes

BUCKLAND HOUSE

Colours: Maroon and White
 House Master: Mr. F. J. Williams
 House Captain: J. P. Mitchell
 Vice-Captain: D. Tinning
 Captain of Cricket: J. R. Clark
 Captain of Swimming, Football and Cross-Country: J. Golding
 Captain of Tennis: P. Jones
 Captain of Athletics: J. P. Mitchell
 Captain of Standard Athletics: D. Tinning
 Captain of Rifle Shooting: D. Large
 Captain of Debating: J. Morris

AFTER a very good start this year, in which we won the swimming and football, you can imagine our disappointment when all further sporting activities had to be cancelled at the beginning of the last term on account of the poliomyelitis epidemic. At that stage we had a very good chance of winning the "Cock House" competition, which has since been abandoned.

Since the last Magazine we have had two great setbacks in losing both our House Captain and House Vice-Captain.

Our former Captain, Golding, who had done an excellent job, both in organising and playing sports, left this term, and we all wish him the best of luck in his future career.

The death of our Vice-Captain, David Fisher, was a great blow to us all. He will be greatly missed, not only because of his sporting ability, but also because of his readiness to help others and for his cheery disposition, and we extend to his family our deepest sympathy.

As stated previously, we won the Football Shield this year by defeating both School and Stephens quite comfortably. We also had a very good Junior Debating team, consisting of Gibb, Grant and P. Jones, who won both their debates. In the remaining activities (namely, cross-country and rifle shooting) we were not so successful. Although we had the individual winner, Golding, and J. Thompson, who filled fifth place in the cross-country, School House were the ultimate

winners on points. Again in the rifle shooting we had to lower our colours to School, but we have adopted a new way of picking our team, which we think will bring better results next year.

In conclusion, we would like to thank Mr. Williams for giving up so much of his own time, and for the way he has managed to maintain the true house spirit among the boys.



SCHOOL HOUSE

Colours: Light Blue and Dark Blue
 House Master: Mr. E. Nichol
 House Captain: M. S. Gibson
 Vice-Captain: J. T. Shelton
 Captain of Cricket and Football: J. W. Heckscher
 Captain of Swimming: K. A. Webster
 Captain of Debating: E. G. Butler
 Captain of Rifle-Shooting: D. C. Hume
 Captain of Cross-Country: A. G. Bowden

AS all competitive sport has been banned because of "polio," School House has been robbed of the Cock-House Shield for 1949. When the ban was started we were slightly ahead on points, with tennis, athletics and standard athletics to be completed. With a strong tennis team and a fair chance with the aths., our hopes were high.

But we must hand it to Bucks for their very decisive win in the football. Stephens, by very systematic play, managed to place us last in this sport.

School House's win in the cross-country was very welcome. R. Pitt and R. Bowden ran very well indeed, and are also to be congratulated for their performance in the inter-school 5-mile.

The rifle shooting also went our way, J. Lord distinguishing himself with top score for School (36).

Although we were a little optimistic regarding the Shield, we have to admit that it would have been close, and we thank Bucks and Stephens for the fixtures that were completed.

STEPHENS HOUSE

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold
 House Master: Mr. R. L. James
 House Captain: D. M. Pitt
 Vice-Captain: R. S. Valentine
 Captain of Cricket: G. Page-Hanify
 Captain of Swimming, Tennis and Football: G. A. W. Renney
 Captain of Athletics: R. S. Valentine
 Captain of Cross-Country: D. M. Pitt
 Debating Representatives: G. Page-Hanify and R. S. Valentine

ALONG with the other Houses, Stephens laments the cancellation of our last term sport. However, we realise the wisdom of the move, even though it left us rather flat, there being virtually no House activities.

Cyclonic conditions prevailed in the first football match, played against Bucks, who handled the gusty wind and the football better than we did, to defeat us by a fair margin. The next match, however, was played in more favourable weather and resulted in a win for us. The team combined well against School, especially on the forward line, where Brain dominated at full forward, receiving staunch support from Trethewey and Halley. Renney and Page-Hanify also excelled.

Cross-country this year proved exciting and closely contested. Best places for Stephens were gained by Pitt, Halley, Valentine, Cooper and Brain. Stephens came second with very little margin from the winners, School. We extend our hearty congratulations to School on their win.

FOOTBALL

Captain: J. P. Mitchell
 Vice-Captain: J. W. Heckscher

ALTHOUGH not winning the premiership the team by no means disgraced itself. After being defeated narrowly in the first two matches, the team displayed a hitherto unseen form and went through the rest of the season with only one defeat. This was at the hands of the Old Boys in the annual Past v. Present match which was held at Queenborough.

In the "B" House, Stephs runners filled both the first and second positions, Ellis winning and Gibson finishing second. Pitt and Halley represented the School at the combined event.

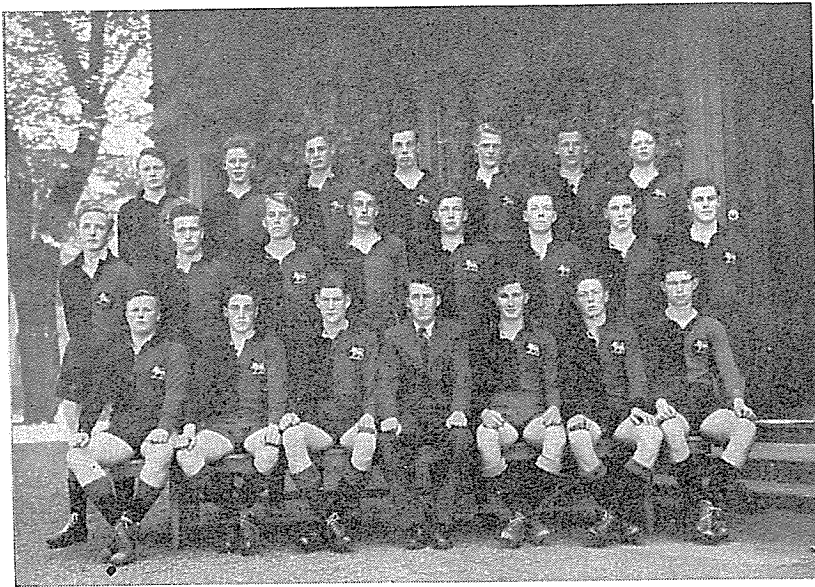
Especially were Stephens hit by the sports ban, as we had high hopes of winning the athletics and bright prospects for the standards, having a comfortable lead when they stopped only two weeks after the commencement. The under 13 age group proved to have the highest average. Full six points were won by M. Clerk (under 13) and the Captain, while many others followed closely behind. Just about everyone in the House gained some points. Our under-age groups being so strong leaves us with renewed hopes for next year.

As usual, the rifle shooting again proved interesting, and although Stephens only came second we secured first place in the "A" House. Cuthbert is to be congratulated on gaining top score for Stephens, and Brain for his captainship. We also congratulate J. Golding, who was top scorer, and School on winning the competition.

The House extends its grateful thanks to Mr. James for his enthusiastic mastership of the House; to Pitt and his captains, and with the knowledge that four of the nine prefects came from Stephens we sign off for the year, once again wishing the House the very best of success for 1950.

Between the two rounds in the roster we played State High and succeeded in defeating them. As that was their only defeat of the season we were justifiably pleased with this success, although our chance of winning the premiership vanished that morning by St. Virgil's defeating Friends.

In the next two matches of the roster St. Virgil's and Friends both went under



THE FOOTBALL TEAM

to our team, which had been greatly strengthened by improved teamwork, a factor lacking early in the season.

To St. Virgil's we extend our hearty congratulations on winning both the Southern and State premierships.

Our thanks are due to our coach (Mr. McKay) for his untiring work in getting the best out of us. We regret that the results of his efforts were not apparent earlier in the season.

Tennis

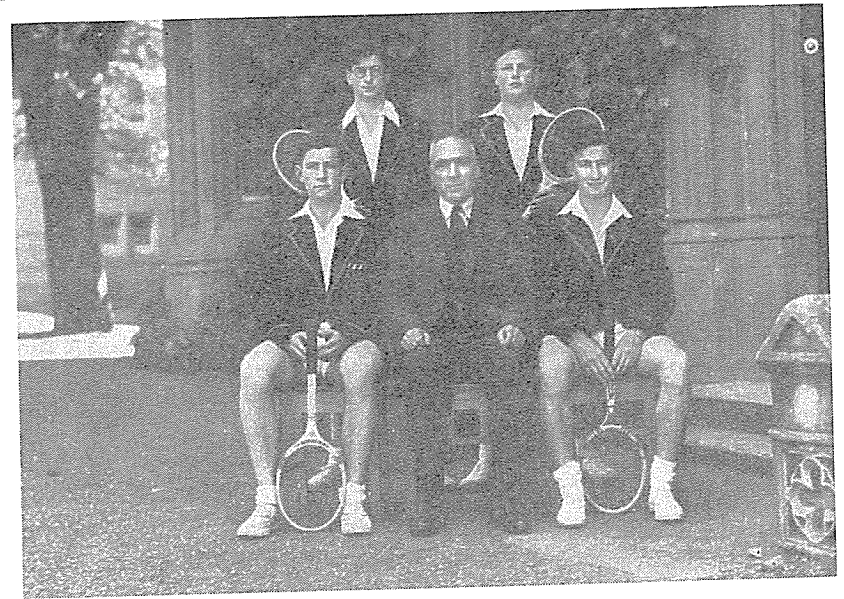
AS the claims of Gibson, Heckscher and Shelton for the first three places of the School team were undisputed, an elimination tournament for only the fourth place was necessary. Renney proved the steadiest and was successful whilst the runner-up, Stopp, became first emergency.

Although the team suffered defeat twice at the hands of the Old Boys and once by the Staff in the preparation for the roster matches, it displayed sufficient form to make success in the roster a possibility. A serious setback in training was caused by the illness of Gibson, who was not fully recovered at the time of the

Roster Match Results

July 23rd, v. St. Virgil's—Hutchins, 7 goals 8 behinds (50 pts.); St. Virgil's, 5 goals 8 behinds (38 pts.). Best players: Heckscher, Mitchell, Renney, Golding, Brain, Trethewey. Goalkickers: Brain (3), Thomas (2), Mitchell, Renney.

July 30th, v. Friends—Hutchins, 7 goals 5 behinds (47 pts.); Friends, 5 goals 5 behinds (35 pts.). Best players: Mitchell, Heckscher, Golding, Brain, Trethewey. Goalkickers: Brain (3), Trethewey, Mitchell, Salter, Renney.



THE TENNIS TEAM

first roster match. However, by careful play he won his singles match in straight sets. Heckscher, who played No. 1, was very erratic in the first set. He played better in the early part of the second set to lead 5—3, then lapsed again. In the first pair double the so frequent failure of our lads to return the service ball into play proved too costly and the rubber was lost. The pair showed a reversal of form to that when it extended the Old Boys in some sparkling tennis. Although the second pair contested hard-fought matches it failed at

the critical stages to press home its advantage. Details (St. Virgil's names first):

Murray d. Heckscher, 6—1, 6—5.

McShane lost to Gibson, 5—6, 4—6.

James d. Shelton, 5—6, 6—2, 6—3.

Feircloagh d. Renney, 6—2, 6—5.

Totals: St. Virgil's, 5 rubbers, 10 sets, 83 games. Hutchins, 1 rubber, 5 sets, 62 games.

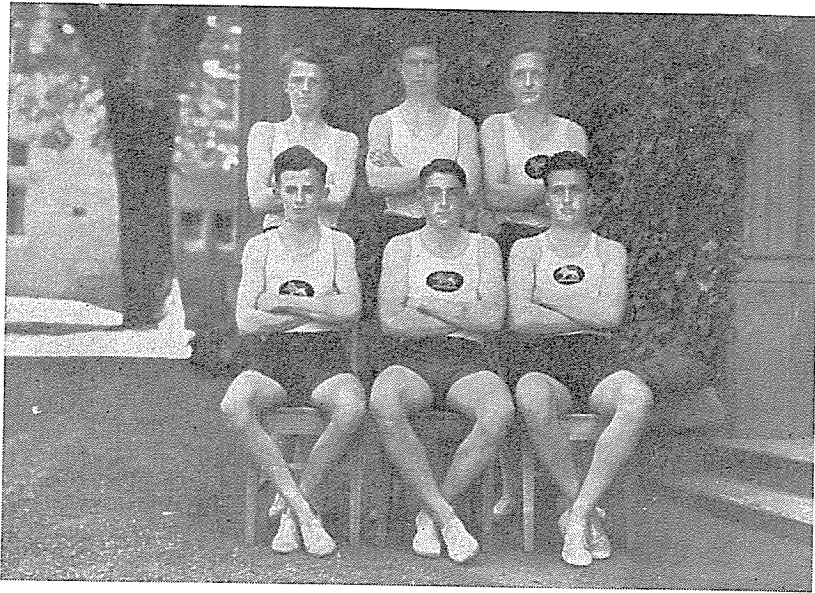
On the recommendation of the State health authorities no other roster matches and no championship matches have been played.

Cross-Country

THE House Cross-Country was held over the Domain course, and both the senior and junior events resulted in a win for School House. In the senior event J. Golding recorded the excellent

time of 17 min. 59 secs. W. Elliss won the junior event.

House Results.—Senior: School, 1; Stephens, 2; Buckland, 3. Junior: Schoo, 1; Buckland, 2; Stephens, 3.



THE CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM

In the all-schools event at Elwick the School finished second to St. Virgil's College, whom we heartily congratulate upon their sterling performance. R. Pitt is to be congratulated upon his excellent run, and we are looking forward to his

showing in the event next year. The other two members of the team—R. Bowden and J. Thompson—whom we also hope will be with us next year, also did very good work.

Third Term Sport

SPORT this term was greatly curtailed by the poliomyelitis epidemic. Schools were advised by Dr. Park to abandon all competitive sport. Heeding this advice, the Southern Tasmanian Associated Public Schools Amateur Athletic Association cancelled the Southern and combined athletic sports and the inter-school tennis.

Our own Sports Committee decided to cancel the House athletic sports, standard athletics and House tennis. As these sports were not contested it was decided not to award the Cock-House Shield this year. There remained one "B" House match to play to finalise the cricket, but as the result of this match would have no

bearing on the result of the first position it was decided to award the House Cricket Shield.

Other activities were organised to augment our diminished sporting fixture. "Fives" was revived, and is still very popular. Table tennis and badminton were played in the gymnasium, and two groups enjoyed rifle shooting at the Barracks.

At the time of writing cricket practices are under way, and it is hoped that by the time we return to school next year we will once more be able to enjoy friendly competition with the other public schools.

Colour Awards for 1949

FIRST COLOURS

Swimming—

P. Mitchell, G. Renney, J. Golding, D. Thompson, D. Fisher, G. Salmon, J. Shelton, J. Stopp.

Cricket—

P. Mitchell, J. Stopp, P. Trethewey, D. Hume, T. Brain, M. Gibson, J. Heckscher, B. Johnson, G. Page-Hanify, R. Bowden, J. Clark.

Rowing—

R. Valentine, R. Cuthbert, D. Kirby, J. Cooper, M. Darcey.

Football—

P. Mitchell, G. Renney, J. Golding, D. Fisher, P. Trethewey, D. Salter, J. Thompson, D. Hume, W. Halley, T. Brain, M. Gibson, J. Heckscher, B. Johnson, G. Page-Hanify, R. Bowden, J. Clark, D. Thomas, D. Pitt, M. Douglas, D. Tinning.

Cross-Country—

J. Golding, J. Thompson, R. Pitt, R. Bowden.

Tennis—

J. Heckscher, J. Shelton, M. Gibson, G. Renney.

Honour Badges—

P. Mitchell, G. Renney, J. Golding, M. Gibson, R. Bowden, J. Heckscher.

SECOND COLOURS

Swimming—

B. Brook, P. Trethewey, C. von Bibra, D. Salter, R. Brewster, H. Thompson, J. Thompson, D. Hume, W. Halley, B. Aherne, G. Banks-Smith, T. Brain.

Cricket—

J. Golding, D. Fisher, D. Salter, J. Thompson, W. Halley, M. Russell, P. Lawrence, A. Graves, D. Thomas, P. Jones, D. Pitt, K. Smith, J. Lord.

Rowing—

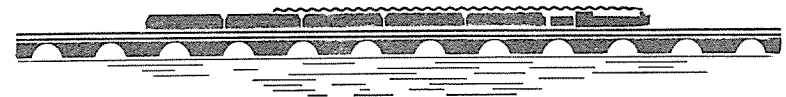
E. Butler, J. Morris, I. Darcey, D. Shepherd, J. Biggs.

Football—

J. Stopp, B. Aherne, P. Lawrence, A. Graves, J. Lord, R. Cuthbert, D. Kirby, J. Cooper, E. Butler, I. Madden, H. Calvert, C. Oliver, R. Pitt, D. Skinner, I. Joyce.

Cross-Country—

W. Halley, D. Pitt.



SIXTH FORM SPASMS

SINCE the last edition of the Magazine VI a has been kept 'rolling in the aisles' by Boney's screamingly funny (?) jokes with which he is always entertaining us. Cooper seems to appreciate them more than anyone as his low chuckle is usually heard above the other roars.

Being right in the city, we see (and hear) many curious objects passing the School portals. Anyway, what did McCabe see in Macquarie Street the other day from the RATBO (Room Above The Bursar's Office) that brought such an exclamation of horror? This may have had something to do with Butler mistaking (?) "Ode to the West Wind" for a lyric! But we don't think so.

We are also informed by a member of the literary class that "The Lost Week-End" is a comedy. From the same source comes the statement that sunspots cause depressions!!

Some time ago a campaign was launched in an effort to assess the amount of pad paper used per boy, per week. (Perhaps). An inspection was carried out and it was found that one member had been practising his signature on pad paper, using one sheet for each signature! This, of course, had to be stopped, and from then on (for the next few days, at least) there was very little paper wasted.

During the past term we have been receiving various letters from various people on various subjects:

"Interested" writes asking if any of our readers could supply him with a copy of the rules for "he-man" basket-ball, and further asks if there is any maximum height above which the waste-paper tin cannot be projected.

Another correspondent who signs himself "J.W.H." asks what preventive measures can be taken to stop a certain fun-

gicidal growth (reputed to belong to J.T.S.) from encroaching on to his and Boney's desk. We suggest weed-killer.

"Genius" offers to do caricatures in exchange for Trig. or Alg. solutions, whilst—

"Fithook" writes to remind all members that subscriptions for the "Sixth Form Lunch-Hour Society" are now due. He also wishes to announce the disaffiliation of the above Society from the "Open-Air Club."

"Pro Bono Publico," writing from a VIb address, is most disturbed at the noise emanating from the Prefect's study. In a most irate letter, which we dare not publish, and in which G.P.H. and E.G.B. are frequently mentioned, he suggests that the dividing wall be sound-proofed. Investigation has shown this to be impossible, so we can only suggest cotton-wool ear-plugs, used samples of which can be obtained from any VIa Modern History scholar.

ECHOES FROM VIb

Third term has found most of VIb swotting for the Schools Board, but there are a few who have not bothered at all about the exams, which are a lot of nonsense, anyhow, and it would appear that one of these is the distinguished Sir Garry, who, in his optimism, has already started studying the Schools' Board play set for next year!

The Social Studies periods in which that budding economist, Turnbull, takes a leading role, would put to shame any Parliamentary session held at Canberra. Other periods not quite so interesting are brightened exceedingly by street-cars backfiring on one side of the room, by various cackles from the Prefects on the other, and, to top the lot, by the din which continually comes from downstairs.

Yes, we find school a little less unbearable now, especially as "Bocker" has been successfully suppressed by that tough individual "Mitta," who sits behind him. The only rash words that escape the "Dormouse's" lips are the occasional "One of my mob," now that a prefect has taken him in hand. And talking of prefects reminds us that Mitchell and Renney have joined that august company.

Good shooting! But even they do not seem to be able to prevent an appalling collection of rubbish in and on Wright's desk.

Well, the end of the year will bring a scattering, and next year—who knows? Some will be back for matric., some will aspire to "big business," others to cocky-farming. But, wherever we are, we shall not forget the 1949 VIb in a hurry!

Inter. Form Notes

THIS term we were all sorry to lose our "studious" Form Captain, John Golding. In his place Bill Halley was elected to Form Captain, and Davis to Vice-Captain.

In sport the class can easily boast of being the best Inter. has had for many years. In football we had ten players playing in the first XVIII. They were: Golding, Brain, Hume, Halley, Tretthewey, Thompson, Bowden, Douglas, Salter and Tinning. The House cross-country was also a success for us, Golding being first, Pitt second and Bowden third; and the junior race was won by Elliss. In the inter-school race we were represented by five out of the six runners—Golding (capt.), Pitt (vice-captain), Bowden, Halley and J. Thompson. Because of the threatened "polio" outbreak athletics were abandoned, and in its place various clubs were formed, such as table tennis, badminton and rifle shooting.

We were all grieved to hear of the tragic death of David Fisher, and we sent

out our most sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Fisher and their son Vance.

With exams. not far off we are all working very hard trying to obtain a good "scholastic" position, though W.J.G. says some of us will not pass if we do not work harder.

Many people are asking why Brain attends the R.Y.C.T. so much. We feel sure it's not his boat that's the attraction.

Durgess is still offering a large reward ($\frac{1}{2}$ d.) to anyone who can answer these questions:

- (1) Why does Lord go outside so much in a French lesson?
- (2) Could anyone tell us how many miles W.J.G.'s books have travelled in his 26 years at Hutchins?
- (3) Why is Texas called "Lovely"?
- (4) Who picks the winners?
- (5) What is a twenty-timer?
- (6) Who likes a crayfish?

Fifth Form Frolics

AFTER the final exams. we are excitedly (?) awaiting the results. Oh bliss! The Christmas holidays are now only a few days off. (Even "Minnie" has woken up). The form picnic is also only a few days away. Perhaps the person who said that your schooldays are the best days in your life isn't so insane after all.

During the year the Fifth has done so well (?) in sport that we will not dwell on the subject but pass on to the usual questions that are put to our Brains Trust at the end of each term.

- (1) Who is Liz., and where has she gone?

(2) Who says, "You come this afternoon for one hour"?

(3) What did "Matches" sit on?

(4) Who *didn't* pass in Commence, and who did pass in Latin?

(5) What are those little white pills which appear each Monday?

(6) Why is the metre system (half-metre) used more than the English lineal measure (the foot rule)?

Here is a story made up of the whole Form:

SMITH was snoring loudly as he slept on his bed of SACs filled with FLUFFY DUCK and CHOOK feathers. He was awakened by the crowing of a ROOSTER, and the start with which he woke sent a RAT and MOUSE which had been feeding on his ready-laid breakfast of GIBSON'S toast-wheat, scurrying to their BURROWS. Some time later we see the SMITH clad in his BURBURY

Voice of the Remove

THOSE exalted beings who breathe the rarer atmosphere of the Upper School may at times be inclined to think of us as small fry, as "lesser breeds without the law," but modestly (as always) we would point out that we are by no means to be so lightly dismissed.

We are a complete feudal system in ourselves. Among our BOYES we have a REX and a LORD, the church is represented by two PARSONS, the trades by two FO(re)STERS, a COOPER, a TAYLOR, a SMITH, a PLUMMER and a CLERK, while as for villains—well, our "reports" speak for themselves.

Naturally, such a gathering is not without its talents (we still speak modestly). Our masters have on occasion been surprised at our new approach to old truths. Did you know before, for

raincoat striding through the BLOOMING FIELDS of clover. He climbed over a stile and in a few moments was knocking on the front door of LORD Hawthorns country mansion. He was answered by the BUTLER, who said, "Is you the man wot 'as come about the RADISHes?" "No," replied the SMITH. "I have come to shoe his LORDship's hack." The BUTLER GRANTED his request by showing the SMITH to the stables, which were on a rise overlooking a small LAKE. Having wasted several MATCHES, he eventually lit his pipe and then NEILLED to shoe the hack.

At the end of the year we will lose our Form-master, Mr. James; the Bursar, Mr. Collings; Mr. Dayan, and Mr. and Mrs. Nichol. We are very sorry to lose them, and wish them the best for the future.

instance, that "*pax in bello*" means "freedom from indigestion"?—or that a polygon is a dead parrot?—or that an example of a collective noun is garbage can?

We would (again modestly) congratulate Gibb on having won an open scholarship to Geelong Grammar School. Even though sport has been interfered with this year, we can point to McDougall, who equalled a School swimming record, and Joyce, who played for the School Second XVIII, while Cooper took what was perhaps the biggest part in the School play and did an excellent job.

And so we come to the end of our first year, hoping (even more modestly) that we shall all be promoted at the end of term.

Junior School Journal

AGAIN the Hutchins Junior School is pleased to offer some information about themselves for 1949. Perhaps the first impression one has of our boys is their happiness—we are really a very happy family. Mr. Viney, who is in charge of us, has often complimented us on this aspect, and we feel we must thank him and the other teachers in the Junior School for their contribution to this happiness.

However, we are fully aware that we have to work hard at our school lessons, and we have learned that even with very hard work happiness can go hand in hand.

Speaking of work, we must mention the Social Studies. In this subject we have done many projects as well as our routine lessons. We have thoroughly enjoyed them and were extremely sorry when "Mr. Polio" put a stop to many of the "visits" that we had anticipated in connection with our work.

This year we have striven very, very hard for neat, methodical work. We had hoped that parents would see some of it on Open Day, but this was abandoned owing to the infantile paralysis "scare." However, we would welcome parents who care to call in and see us at work. We are sure you would enjoy meeting us *in situ*.

In the realm of sport we have had quite a good year. Although we fared rather badly against other schools, we have had interesting games in our House competitions—especially football, in which we developed some splendid team work. There is excellent material in the Junior School and we should give a good account of ourselves in 1950. This year's teams were very young, and this augurs well for our prospects next year.

In cricket the inter-school fixtures were very exciting, most matches providing good cricket and close finishes.

Our biggest disappointment was in not being able to hold the athletics. We had a first-rate team and our early practices

gave promise of many records being broken. Then came the disappointment—"Mr. Polio" again.

This year our House musical competitions are extremely well done. Miss Batt and Miss Dobbie have given us valuable help, and we are grateful to them and to the Sisters of the Collegiate School for their assistance in adjudicating. As this goes to press we are practising hard. It will be a grand tussle between the three Houses—Nixon, Hay and Montgomery. May the best House win.

Our play this year is entitled "Claudius the Bee," and is being produced by Mr. Keith Jarvis. The boys and the producer are satisfied with its progress and feel it will surpass our last years effort, "The Desire of All Nations."

We could not close these notes without thanking the Old Boys for their gift of a radio. Thank you, Old Boys. We appreciate your gift very much, and we are already listening to several of the A.B.C.'s extremely valuable school broadcasts.

And now, before going on with our original items, may we wish our readers "A very happy Christmas and good holidays."

A. C. Goodfellow, Captain of Junior School

THE TREASURE OF FU CHOW

IT was a steaming hot day on Pearl Island as Jack and his brother Bill lay in the shade of a huge palm tree. Their father was in his bungalow poring over an ancient chart. While this peaceful scene took place a pirate schooner was approaching the island from the north.

On board Black Michael paced the deck anxiously. Suddenly the island came into view and he ordered the men to arm themselves. As was his custom, Jack rowed to greet the pirates, not knowing who they were. When he arrived on board, he was forced down to the captain's cabin, where he was greeted by Black Michael. The pirate captain told

him he was to get the map from his father, because he knew how to translate the map and wanted the treasure badly.

Next day his parents and brother were captured also, after putting up a gallant fight. During the night, whilst the pirates were making merry, Samba—a native boy—rescued them.

In the morning the pirates were very angry at the escape of their prisoners. When they found the treasure they were alarmed by a rifle shot. The boys and natives attacked and soon captured them. Days later, when they handed them over to the authorities, they received a handsome reward.

R. Webster, Remove B

THE LIGHTHOUSE

THE sea swirled slowly by the lonely lighthouse. Fog. Fog was everywhere, and everything was of a leaden grey. Clang, clang, clang, went the fog-bell, booming its note over the sea—a sound of direction for lonely ships, which blessed the light when it was fine and the bell when it was foggy.

T. Bowden, Remove B

THE CHESS CLUB

THIS year we have quite a good Chess Club under way. The chairman of the club is Christopher Chen, and secretary is Chris. Kimber.

Recently we had a concert. It was very successful, and we succeeded in getting twenty-seven shillings, which was enough to buy a very nice chess set. We are thankful to Mr. Viney, who gave us great help. There are some excellent players in the Chess Club, including Richard Webster, Bill Murphy and David Martin. In the club there are three IIIb boys—Michael Gibson, R. Verrell and Robert Gray.

Our meeting day is Thursday afternoon after school. There are twenty members in the club and nine chess sets are in use. We are now preparing for the Chess Championship which is held every year.

Chris. Kimber, Remove B

GREAT GOD GUMPREY

I HAD been sent out to the wild parts of the tropics, where the only other white men were missionaries. My job was to make some films on the natives.

I had a small aeroplane and, of course, cameras and other photographing things. At the time of this story we were staying in a hut loaned to us by Chief Gooly-Wamba.

Dick Webster, my companion, and two native boys (who knew pidgin English) were sitting by or round a large fire with me.

For some time we had been telling each other riddles—

"Why did the penny stamp?" asked Dick.

"Because the threepenny bit," I replied. "But that's enough of that," I continued, "Have you got any ideas about the films we'll make tomorrow?"

"I hab idea," said Willie, a black boy. "Our gods—we beliebed in udder gods before we learned about your God—one of our gods was 'Great God Gumprey,' god of the flat-topped hill. It looked like a volcano."

"Yes," continued Billy, who could talk better English, "Once when a man was killed in the village it spat fire. And . . ." There was a distant rumble.

"An earthquake!" snapped Dick.

"The plane!" I shouted, grabbing the camera.

"De plane! Quick!" said Willie.

We took off just as the earth began to shake. Dick took over the controls while I took a picture of the flat hill with my movie camera. I could see it clearly shaking as it was silhouetted against the sky.

Suddenly a spurt of flame shot up from the top and lava and ashes spurted over the side. The earthquake had opened the crater.

I took a good long colour film of it and flew back to civilisation.

I was paid quite a lot for the film and was told it was one of the best of a volcano this film company had seen.

J. C. Teniswood, Remove B

Sub-Primary Notes

THIS year has been a busy one and we have done many interesting things. During first term Mrs. Robbie kindly arranged for some of us to see over a ship that was in port at the time—H.M.S. "Perthshire." We saw everything from the holds to the captain's bridge, and thoroughly enjoyed our visit.

One day in second term we left school earlier than usual and walked down to Queenborough Oval to watch a football match played between the Senior boys and the Old Boys. The match was won by the Old Boys.

During the year the Old Boys presented us with two footballs, for which we say a big "Thank you."

We are very pleased with our new Library. The Parents' Association presented us with many beautiful books, and each class has its own shelf in the cupboard. Some of the mothers came up and painted the tables and chairs, and the

Library corner is now a very popular spot on wet days or during spare moments.

At the end of last term Mr. Dayan, from the big School, brought down some senior boys during Social Service Week and cleaned up the garden for us, making it possible for the mothers to plant it. The Association provided the loam and many plants.

Now we are busily preparing for our Break-Up Party. Miss Burrows' boys are going to recite a Christmas Alphabet in rhyme and show pictures which they have painted to illustrate it. Mrs. Nichol's people will present three nursery rhymes acted with puppets they have made themselves, and Miss Lane's children will play some games for the mothers and fathers to watch. If the day is fine we hope to show what Mr. Nichol has taught us.

This, we hope, will be a happy ending to "A Year at School."

Prefects' Pars

AGAIN the cry has gone up that we should be called Perfects and not Pre.'s; but, undaunted by such comments (and even ruder ones) we have come to the end of yet another year of gallant endeavour. The crystal-gazing of last issue turned up trumps (perhaps we had inside information) as since then our number has increased to nine. Shelton, Renney, Morris and Mitchell all have joined the exalted and elite band. In addition, Johnson and Shepherd were made Pro.'s, and all of them have justified their selection by doing a rattling fine job.

For a few of us—Renney, Mitchell and perhaps Valentine—another year in the study looks likely. The rest of us, however, will be thrown out to fend for ourselves in a mercenary world, leaving behind for our successors only unhappy memories and a doubtful radiator.

"Potted Pars" might have been a better title for this article, packed as we are like the proverbial sardines. Yes, nine of us, all in one little study. Only one member of the band is unperturbed, but then he, on his own admission, lives in an out-house. The School is indeed lucky that the Health Department has not heard of our condition; and, while on the subject, does the Fire Brigade know we have no fire escape? Fortunately, our door opens (when it does open) outwards.

Fresh air may be healthy, but it seems that the majority of us prefer to be separated from the wintry winds whistling round outside by a pane of glass. The window remains shut; the "healthy" ones suffer, and their sickly compatriots rejoice.

We are eternally grateful, however, to Mrs. Keon-Cohen, who alone has taken pity on our plight and presented the

study with an oil painting. Its usefulness is twofold, for not only does it brighten the monotony of an otherwise bare wall, but also covers the hole in the window into Vb room.

Strangely enough, we are not so grateful to those careless people who will insist on cluttering up the study with lost property in the Pound, the funds of which have remained stationary at sevenpence half-penny ever since Butler took it over.

Our activities this year have been many and varied. Heckscher was for two terms the self-appointed boarders' representative among the day boys, while Page-Hanify held a similar (also self-appointed) position in the Boarding House. Cuthbert took up ocean sailing, but became rather discouraged when in a flat calm he couldn't even keep down the seasick pills. Butler's army has kept him busy, while

the major bee in Shelton's bonnet has been the Scout Troop. Valentine's "Random Ravings" have become a regular feature—and not only in the Mag., either; but, on the other hand, Morris moves quietly in another world of Music and Debating Societies. Lower Sixth Pre.'s, Mitchell and Renney, live a strange life consisting, apparently, of continual Commerce periods, and apart from that, little information about them can be obtained.

But exams. are nearing, and no further time can be allotted for more Pars, except perhaps for us Pre.'s who are about to leave, to give a few words of hope and good cheer to those who will follow. While feeling quite sure that no batch of Prefects can ever be as good as the 1949 bunch, we wish our successors the best of luck and, that done, retire modestly from the scene.

G. P.-H.

THE BOARDERS' BUDGET

*"Creep into thy narrow bed,
Creep and let no more be said."*

THE above is the inevitable fate of all boarders, but we all agree that it's a great life!

So once again we open the Boarders' Budget in the hope that we will inspire the day boys to follow our example in doing great deeds.

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We would be very glad if anyone could supply information on the following:—

Who crept quietly into the Common-room, clouted Clodpole—and crept quietly out again?

What or who is "Willy" and "Long Tom"?

Who are the latest members of the "Dog House," and why?

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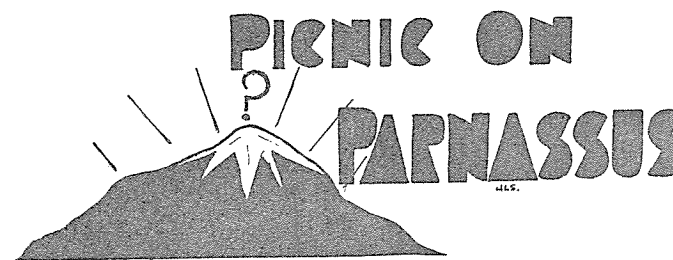
This term our activities beneath the showers has been greatly curtailed. In

fact, some great brain has stated that a shower uses up more water than a bath. A proof based on mathematics would be greatly appreciated in some quarters.

The latest craze among certain members of the house is gardening. This hobby has brought with it some startling results, and, in fact, since Pitt and Rankin started this form of amusement it is doubtful if so much has ever been said about so little for so long.

This year we have leaving us one who has been dear to us, and, indeed, to boarders for the past twenty-four years. Mr. Collings' cheery presence has always been most welcome, and when he is gone it is certain that the boarders of next year will be missing something.

The Boarders take this opportunity of saying good-bye to Mr. Collings and to wish him the very best of luck. We also wish Mr. and Mrs. Nichol and Mr. James the best of luck for the future, hoping that they have enjoyed their short stay with us.



Original Contributions

"WIND MOODS"

Sing to me of the wind—

The soundless wind that sways the tops
of trees
With gentle oh so gentle rhythm
Quiet beneath the blazing summer sky
In mid-December
When summer at her cynosural peak
Spreads lazy contentment across the
slumbering land

Sing to me of the wind—

The senile wind that moves in fright-
ened whispers
Stealing through gloomy tree-tops at
night
Rustling obscure leaves
Licking their trunks with phthisic
tongues
In continual motion caressing the bark
And soothing its rugged countenance

Sing to me of the wind—

The chill sea-breeze that pushes white
cloud-banks
Defiantly in Wellington's rough-hewn
face
As gusty March
Madly whips the water to white-tipped
waves
Flecking the river with continual roll
And fall subsiding once again

Sing to me of the wind—

The hard chill wind that whines its
moaning dirge

On deserted mountain-tops where no-
thing hears or sees

But gnarled ghoulish stumps
Stubborn against this forcing enemy
that
Pushes its biting cold to inconceivable
places
Stealing their warmth and fleeing

Sing to me of the wind—

The spiteful wind that shrieks and
screams across the town
Tearing at houses with malicious long-
nailed fingers
That reach into inner warmth
And breed uncertainty in comfortable
minds
Warm to be inside and by the fire to
watch it
Subside and leap in mad ecstasies to
the wind's cruel tune

Sing to me tenderly of the wind—

Hurt her not in your song
For she is a fragile creature a moody
being
Able to lose fragility in an hour to
turn vicious
Spiteful as an insane snake and then
subside
To gentle subdued whispers
Lulling the world to sleep with its
soothing song.

J. R. Clark, VIa

"TO SLEEP: PERCHANCE TO
DREAM . . ."

I SAT nonchalantly drawing at a cigarette in my dressing room, surrounded by telegrams wishing me luck for the opening performance. Luck, indeed! I sincerely hoped that I wouldn't have to rely on luck for its success.

It seemed only a matter of seconds between the call-boy's shrill-voiced "Five minutes" and his "Beginners on stage!"

I stood up, nervously butted my cigarette, and hastily straightened my tie. Frankly, I was as scared as a rabbit; I had known I would feel like this weeks ago, but could do nothing about it.

Tomorrow night it would be merely routine. But first nights to any actor-author are the most anxious moments in his career.

I can remember feeling blissfully unconcerned at precisely the same time many years ago on the occasion of the opening of a school play. I considered myself one of the few who were supposedly "word perfect." Only when I had been cued twice did I come down to earth from my pedestal of self-satisfaction with a sickening jolt.

Now, as my first published play was opening for its premiere I felt very lonely and frightened. I shivered as a cold sweat shook the whole of my body, and pouring myself out a neat whisky, gulped it down and groped my way upstairs.

Unconscious of anyone about, I clambered hastily over scenery and stood waiting tensely in the wings as the curtain went up, disclosing Lady Mary Featherstone in the morning room of her country mansion. Taking a deep breath and offering up a silent prayer, I made my entrance.

A little polite applause followed, so I swallowed hard and gulped out my opening lines. It was as well for me that I was supposed to be overcome with emotion, thus the audience didn't sense my extreme nervousness.

As the first act progressed I began to calm down and get more comfortable in my part, and by the time the curtain went down for the first time to the accompaniment of loud applause and a few cheers from the gallery, I knew it was going to be a success.

The second act, which is predominantly humorous, was well received by the audience, who expressed their appreciation in no uncertain manner. Except for the fact that the butler forgot the whisky and had to go back to get it, no serious blunders occurred. He seemed a little flustered at first when required to deal with the unexpected situation, but regained his composure, made a hurried exit and returned immediately with the bottle.

Fortunately, this did not affect the play, as the dialogue between Sir William and myself continued long enough for him to have the drinks ready on cue.

The audience received the rather slow and drawn-out third act remarkably well, but I made a mental note that I should have to re-write it and speed up the tempo if I decided to take the play to New York, where the American public would be less likely to be so patient. The drama over there at the present is very brisk and spicy. In the fourth act the whole cast gave a splendid performance.

The tense anti-climaxes were well handled and the whole act went off with clockwork precision—a perfect combination of actors, stage-staff and electricians. In no place is there more need for co-operation than in the theatre.

In the last scene of act four, Diana Newman, as Lady Mary, surpassed herself and gave a magnificent performance. As she realises that her maniacal husband, Sir William, is at last dead, she falls hysterically into my arms for the final curtain.

The applause was deafening, and cheering broke out as we stepped forward to take our first curtain-call. We took six in all, and at the end, the producer made a nice little speech complimenting

ELYSIA

Here's where the old hulks lie,
Here in a rubbled graveyard,
Forsaken offspring of a river's promise—
cuity.

Ultimate Nirvana of pelagian beauties,
Once proud beauties now left to rot
In inauspicious graves—

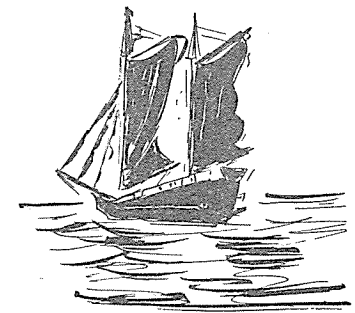
Rot with tiny borers,
Eat, and eat their way through decks and
sides,
Honey-combing each corpse with mazed
tunnels.

Here is a dead land long last shore,
So grey, so still, at peace in a worn-out
cove,
Pebbled dull—and bleached white drift-
wood littered.

Sea-wrack contorted—ecstatic mad shapes
Worked smooth and soft by continual
caressing,
A sea debased to lap the graves of pau-
pers.

The far-away lick of dead water
Moves pebbles with crisp, quiet whispers,
Oily monotony beneath sunless skies.

J. R. Clark, VIa

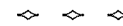


the cast and thanking the audience for the generous way in which we had been received.

As the curtain was rung down for the last time I sank heavily on to the couch in the middle of the stage, closed my eyes and listened to the thunderous applause.

When I opened my eyes, I nearly fainted with surprise—I was lying in bed at home, but I could still hear the clapping. Reaching out of bed, I pulled up the blind to discover the pouring rain beating down on an adjacent iron roof. Then the horrible truth dawned on me. The first night was still to be—it was only eighteen hours away!

B. D. Purvis, VIb



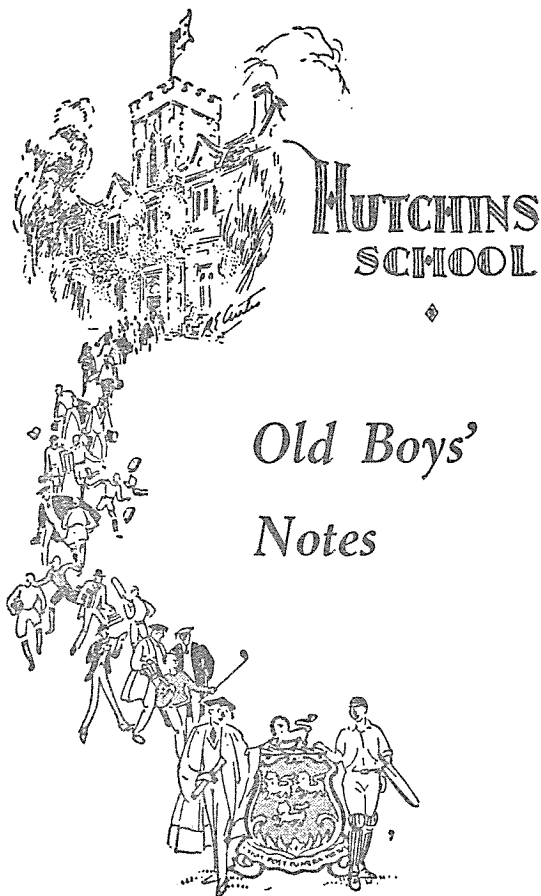
THE SCIENTIFIC ATTITUDE —
A JINGLE

Trigonometrically uninspiring,
Algebraically a fright,
Taking from the North or South,
From no view looking right;
The flying man its build deploras—
It has no means of flight
Unless in sleek jet-engined plane
Approaching speed of light.

A man of medicine grows pale
To see such rank confusion,
And we, whose vehicle it is,
Do fear a germ intrusion,
When specialist must operate
For medical perusion.

The body beautiful 'tis called,
By arts of all condition,
But to the scientific mind—
A dreadful apparition!

G. Page-Hanify, VIa



OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the passing of the following Old Boys:—Dunbabin, R. L. (1886-1215); James, Eric (1913-2020); Perkins, W. J. Alan (1891-1589); Rayner, C. S. W. (1902-1613); Reid, J. A. (Queen's).

ENGAGEMENTS

CORVAN, A. H., to Miss G. D. Johnston.
 FREEMAN, R. P., to Miss Lesley Giblin.
 HARRIS, R. J., to Miss Mavis J. Harris.
 HODGSON, M. M., to Miss Rosemary Grueber.
 HADLOW, D., to Miss J. Wright.

JOHNSON, F. J. E., to Miss Lilly M. Owens.
 McCREARY, N. H., to Miss Doreen R. M. Smithe.
 ORBELL, A., to Miss E. M. Cruickshank.
 PLUMMER, R. to Miss Margot Murphy.
 READ, Peter S., to Miss Rosanne Dakin.
 ST. HILL, C. K., to Miss E. McCambridge.
 RAMSEY, W. M., to Miss Wilma Tuckey.
 RUSH, M. J., to Miss Barbara R. Plummer.
 WALKER, P. B., to Miss Muriel Gay.

Old Boys' Notes

MARRIAGES

CHAMBERS, D. M., to Miss Mary Sweetingham.
 CHEVERTON, G. W., to Miss Gwen. Williams.
 DOUGLAS, F. G. to Miss M. J. Coady.
 FYSH, W. L., to Miss Elizabeth Freeman.
 INGRAM, D. B., to Miss P. Hay.
 JONES, "Digger," to Miss E. W. Yanner.
 LORD, W. D. B., to Miss Margaret Brown.
 LOVE, Donald C., to Miss Dorothy Weatherhead.
 ST. HILL, F. A., to Miss Lysbeth Boyd.
 WALKER, G. B., to Miss Patricia Stevens.

BIRTHS

ABBOTT.—To Dr. and Mrs. N. D. C. Abbott: a son.
 BASTICK.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Bastick: a son.
 BASTICK.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bastick: a son.
 BRETtingham-MOORE.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Brettingham-Moore, a son.
 BENNETT.—To Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett: a daughter.
 D'ANTOINE.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. D'Antoine: a son.
 DOUGLAS.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Douglas: a daughter.
 EDWARDS.—To Mr. and Mrs. Barry Edwards: a son.
 FAY.—To Dr. and Mrs. F. Fay, Jnr.: a son.
 GIBLIN.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Giblin: a daughter.
 GRAY.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gray: a daughter.
 HALE.—To Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hale: a son.
 HARRISON.—To Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Harrison: a daughter.
 HEADLAM.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Headlam: a son.
 HOPKINS.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hopkins: a son.
 IRELAND.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. Ireland: a son.

McKAY.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McKay: a daughter.
 MAY.—To Rev. and Mrs. J. L. May: a daughter.
 MORRISBY.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Morrisby: a daughter.
 NICHOLAS.—To Mr. and Mrs. C. Nicholas: a daughter.
 NICHOLAS.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. Nicholas: a son.
 ROBERTS.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Roberts: a daughter.
 ROBERTS.—To Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Roberts: a daughter.
 ROBERTS-THOMSON. — To Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Roberts-Thomson: a son.
 SAUNDERS.—To Mr. and Mrs. P. W. D. Saunders: a daughter.
 SCARR.—To Mr. and Mrs. O. Scarr: a daughter.
 SHOOBRIDGE.—To Mr. and Mrs. Fergus Shoobridge: a daughter.
 SHOOBRIDGE.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Shoobridge: a daughter.
 ST. HILL.— To Mr. and Mrs. A. St. Hill: a son.
 SWAN.—To Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Swan: twin sons.
 TEMPLEMAN.—To Capt. and Mrs. J. Templeman: a son.
 THOMAS.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Thomas: a daughter.
 THOROLD.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. J. N. Thorold: a son.
 TYSON.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tyson: a daughter.
 VALENTINE.—To Mr. and Mrs. Eric Valentine: a son.
 WITHERS-GREEN.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. Withers-Green: a son.
 WOOLSTON.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Woolston: a daughter.
 YOUNG.—To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Young: a son.

GENERAL

H. Ward was voted best "A" grade all-rounder of the Sandy Bay Cricket Club last season.

T. I. Chambers has been admitted to the Bar.

Christopher Butler won two Southern Tasmanian Ski Championships on

Mt. Mawson during title races held in August.

J. R. O. Harris spent the August School holidays in the South. Called on many Old Boys.

D. M. Chambers has been appointed a member of the Southern Executive of the Red Cross, in place of G. W. Rex, another Old Boy, who resigned.

A visitor to Hobart during October was J. M. Smith, of the Foreign Dept., of the National Bank of Australasia, Collins Street, Melbourne who has taken over the Secretaryship of the Victorian Branch.

C. C. D. Brammall, Sydney, spent several months in Hobart around the middle of the year.

Dr. G. W. S. Aitken has been awarded a travelling Scholarship in Obstetrics from the Adelaide University and takes up residence at the Rotunda, Dublin, till 1st March. After leaving Dublin he goes to London to take his Memberships in Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

As we go to press we are advised that the following Old Boys have completed University degrees: Ian Wood, M.B.; Max Jack, C. Johnson, and J. de Bavay, B.Sc.

Should Emerson Rodwell hold his form in the T.C.A. cricket matches for the remainder of the season, the 1,000 run mark should be left behind. Emerson has followed up his century in the first match by another. This time 181 not out.

Ron Morrisby, Emerson Rodwell, and Harry Ward are in the Southern XI

A. M. D. ("Ging") Hewer has been appointed a Justice of the Peace.

S. W. Ross has been appointed a member of the Council of the Hobart Technical College.

It is noticed that two prominent school footballers of the "twenties" are Presidents of their country district football clubs. We refer to J. A. ("Jock") Cooke Deloraine and R. V. (Major) Bowden (Bothwell).

R. C. (Bob) Sharp has been appointed Director of Public Works.

T. I. Chambers has been appointed secretary of the Southern Law Society.

J. R. Rex has been appointed to the Board of Christ College.

Brigadier E. M. Dollery has accepted a position on the Board of Management of the School, as one of the Bishop's nominees.

N. S. Allison appointed Council Clerk at Deloraine in succession to M. R. D'Emden, who has accepted the position of accountant for the Longreach Council in Queensland.

The "Daily Mirror" on the first of August referred to the fact that there are still 150 old scholars living who were at school between 1872 and 1880. The oldest being Mr. Westbrook who entered the school in 1872 and passed his 90th birthday last week. (Secretary's note—I am afraid the figure appears to be grossly overstated, 15 would be nearer).

Since the publication of the June issue of the Magazine, we have to record with regret the resignations of two of the members of the staff, who had long periods of service to the School. We refer to Messrs. H. D. Erwin (Pooley), who, on account of ill health found it necessary to tender his resignation as a member of the Board of Management and R. L. Collings (Roysie), who was originally a member of the staff of the Junior School and for a number of years has been Bursar. Pooley's service to the School is reflected in the positions held by a large number of old boys in different parts of the world whilst Roysie will be remembered by boys who joined the school at an early age, particularly junior boarders. He probably had a larger number of past pupil correspondents than any other three masters combined. His name will rank as one whose life's interest was the Hutchins School and those who passed through it.

Congratulations to E. E. Rodwell on his 170 in the opening match of the T.C.A. 1949-50 season roster. Also on his winning the trophy for the best and fairest player in the Southern Division of the Tasmanian Amateur Football League.

During November the Lady Franklin Museum was re-opened by His Excellency the Governor and handed over to the Art Society of Tasmania, of which, Mr. A. Pedder, is president.

As we go to press a letter has come to hand from C. L. Steele, Australian

Government Commissioner in Egypt enclosing a subscription from Andrew Holden, who is a resident of Cairo.

At the annual sheep sales in Melbourne in August a 3 year-old Merino ram from the Winton stud of J. M. Taylor brought 1,350 gns.

B. L. Saunders was a member of the State Basketball team.

During August a very enjoyable re-union was held in Launceston. Messrs. Eustace Butler and John Lord organised a dinner, at which some twenty five Old Boys were present, from Northern districts. It is proposed to hold this function annually and it will become one of the Anniversary functions which are held around August 3rd. Any Old Boys will be very welcome to the re-union, but it is hoped next year that all Old Boys from Deloraine Municipality to the east and Campbell Town to the north will be present.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

Once again the Old Boys of Queen's College have foregathered and the fact that some sixty Old Boys were present at the 13th re-union, held thirty-seven years after the incorporation of the School in the Hutchins School speaks for the affection they hold for Queen's and the late Arthur Stephens their Headmaster.

Officials for the ensuing twelve months are:

President: R. (Rus.) Woolley; Vice-President: S. B. Harper; Secretary: H. A. Kerr; Treasurer: K. Lester; Auditors: E. Midwood and T. Bumford; Committee: C. A. Sargison, J. Clennett, A. Sansom, D. Urguhart, A. Hewer, F. Elliott, H. C. Smith.

BRANCHES

H.S.O.B.A.

New South Wales Branch

The Annual Dinner and General Meeting of the New South Wales Branch of the Association was held at Petty's Hotel, York Street, on Friday, 25th November.

As you know, the Dinner was deferred from last August owing to strike conditions. November was not really a good month to hold such a function in Sydney, too many counter-

attractions, however some 31 Old Boys turned up and it was a very enjoyable evening.

At the Annual General Meeting the following officers were elected:

President: Sir Claude Plowman; Vice-Presidents: Dr. Keith Armstrong, N. J. Kellaway, Esq., F. F. Innes, Esq.; Hon. Secretary: Dr. A. Stafford Crane; Hon. Treasurer: Cyril Westbrook, Esq., Committee: Keith Harris, Esq., Les. Vaughan, Esq., Ron. Robertson, Esq., Peter MacDougall, Esq. With power to add.

Our address book has been brought pretty well up to date so our next function to be held about the middle of 1950 should be a very great numerical success.

The President and members of this branch send Xmas and New Year greetings to the President and members of the Parent's Association in Hobart.

The Victorian Branch were more fortunate, but the attendance suffered slightly for the same reason. Office bearers for the year were elected and are as follows:

President: R. C. Best, Esq. Vice-Presidents: J. R. O. Harris, Esq.; F. E. Moloney, Esq. Committee: Messrs. A. F. S. Anderson, E. Y. Chapman, M. W. Jennings, N. M. Thomas. Hon. Treasurer: W. A. Harrison. Hon. Secretary: J. M. Smith. Auditor: E. Y. Chapman.

As the Annual General Meeting of the Association was being held on the same evening in Hobart, the Victorian president phoned Hobart and wished the Association success.

The new roll for the Victorian Branch is in course of preparation and to enable a complete roll to be kept up to date, it is hoped that Old Boys migrating to Victoria will let either the Secretary in Hobart or Melbourne know of the change of abode.

EQUIPMENT APPEAL

The Committee would like to thank those Old Boys who so generously supported this appeal. The sum raised was just short of £1,000. In the next issue of the magazine the manner in which the money has been expended will be recorded. Further acknowledgements are:

J. Walch & Sons, £25; D. A. McCreary, £2/2/-; H. G. Baldwin, £2/2/-; E. M. Hale, £2/2/-; G. Ashton-Jones, £1/10/-; J. R. Lucas, £1/10/-; K. W. H. Wood, £1/5/-; W. E. Terry, £1/1/-; Ron. Stopp, £1/1/-; J. C. McPhee, £1/1/-; J. E. Marriott, £1/1/-; F. A. Howell, £1/1/-; B. D. Lane, £1/1/-; B. A. Clark, £1/1/-; D. A. Clark, £1/1/-; A. McAfee, 10/6; R. Chancellor, 10/-; D. Stranger, 10/-; T. J. Madden, 10/-; N. R. Thompson, 10/-.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The functions opened with the Annual Golf competitions at Royal Hobart and concluded with the Annual General Meeting. Details:

GOLF.—With a round of 77, J. J. Cowburn, of New Norfolk won the championship from Len. Nettlefold and Des. Arnold, by a stroke. The handicap competition was won by W. A. Robb, a Queen's Old Boy with a nett score of 67. Runner-up was Joe Cowburn with 70, followed by A. B. Smith and B. Coleman, 71.

TABLE TENNIS.—Old Boys defeated the School 14 matches to 5. P. Read defeated Gibson, 21—11, 21—9 also Shelton, 21—12, 21—12, also Stopp, 21—1, 21—16, also Salter, 21—19, 21—8.

J. McPhee defeated Gibson, 21—18, 21—9, also Shelton, 21—18, 21—20, also Stopp, 20—21, 21—16, 21—81.

J. Brain defeated Gibson, 20—21, 21—18, 21—20, lost to Shelton, 20—21, 14—21, defeated Stopp, 21—19, 21—13, lost to Salter, 17—21, 21—17, 19—21.

G. Salter defeated Gibson, 18—21, 21—12, 21—15, lost to Shelton, 12—21, 12—21, lost to Stopp, 14—21, 14—21, lost to Salter, 12—21, 18—21.

Read and McPhee defeated Gibson and Shelton, 21—12, 18—21, 21—17, also Stopp and Salter, 21—19, 21—19.

Brain and Salter defeated Stopp and Salter, 21—15, 21—20.

SHOOTING.—Old Boys defeated the School 287 to 249. Spoon very kindly donated by Sgt. Lees for the highest score off the rifle was won by

A. M. Henry (one of these Navy type). Scores:

Old Boys: A. M. Henry 32, T. D. Simpson, 31, D. M. Urquhart 30, R. F. Johnson 29, T. B. Murdoch 29, N. R. Thompson 29, T. J. Madden 27, R. V. Bowden 28, G. M. Burbury 26, E. M. Dollery 26. Total 287. Counted out: W. J. Gerlach, D. F. Taylor, A. B. Richardson. School: Ellis 31, Thompson 29, Lord 27, Renney 26, Bowden 26, Hechscher 25, Pitt 24, Calvert 21, Groves 21, Golding 19. Total 249. Counted out: Brain and Douglas.

DEBATE.—Hon. H. S. Baker, M.L.C. adjudicated, whilst the Chairman was Mr. Alfred Pedder. The School team proved successful, according to the score sheet by one point. The Old Boys side affirmed that "The accumulation of wealth denotes success in life."

Teams: Old Boys: V. Chen, C. G. Brettingham-Moore, J. R. M. Driscoll. Points scored 45.

School: Page-Hanify, Morris, Butler. Points 46.

TENNIS.—Old Boys defeated School, 3 matches to 1. Details: I. Gilchrist and D. Coupe defeated Shelton and Renney, 9—2, also Hecksher and Gibson, 14—12.

J.R. Rex and A. B. Richardson defeated Shelton and Renney, 9—3, lost to Hecksher and Gibson, 7—9.

Masters defeated Old Boys 3 rubbers to 1. Details: R. J. Harris and E. A. Creese defeated James and Viney, 4—6, 3—6, lost to Gerlach and Nichol, 2—6, 6—3, 1—6.

G. W. Colman and D. Coupe lost to Gerlach and Nichol, 3—6, 3—6, also to James and Viney, 4—6, 4—6.

RE-UNION.—This year an experiment was made in having the Annual Re-union at the "Continental." Tickets being an inclusive charge for dinner, etc. The function was attended by 100 Old Boys and was voted a most enjoyable function. Many stayed yarning until a late hour. We are deeply appreciative to Mr. Harold Turner for singing and Mr. Marcus Trappes for being our accompanist. The oldest Old Boys present were Messrs. M. Susman, of Sydney, and Mr. H. B. White.

CHURCH SERVICES.—The attendance at the Corporate Communion was average and Old Boys were the guests of the School to breakfast. The Cathedral was crowded for the evening service at which Rev. John May preached. Lessons were read by the Headmaster and the President (Brig. E. M. Dollery). During the service a banner with the School crest worked on it by Mrs. R. W. Vincent and presented to the School by the Old Boys' Association, was consecrated by His Lordship the Bishop. We are indebted to Miss Kathleen Hay for designing the banner. The whole service was most impressive and will be remembered by those who were present for many years.

TABLE TENNIS.—The Masters easily accounted for an Old Boys team. In fact we were thrashed.

FOOTBALL.—The Old Boys uncanny sense of direction made the work of the School side difficult. The School kicked four goals before a behind was recorded, but the Old Boys goal sense enabled them to kick 8 goals straight (we will call it goal sense and give credit to the players who in their hey day played apparently in the wrong position-back). Scores: Old Boys, 13—8 (86 points), School, 5—3 (33 points). Goal kickers: A. B. Richardson 3, G. R. Gilbert 3, H. Ward 2, R. James 2, G. W. Colman. School: Rennie 2, Salter, Brain and Mitchell.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.—was held on the evening of 3rd August. The usual business was transacted. Report referring to the Equipment Appeal, Activities, Branches, Fair, Racing Four, Banner, resignation of Mr. H. D. Erwin from Board of Management. The report of the Old Boys representatives on the Board of Management stated that there were 305 boys at the School, of whom 58 were boarders, and referred to the financial position, sport, scholarship successes, etc.

The constitution of the Association was amended as regards subscriptions, which will be 10/- per annum from 1st July next, or £10/- for Life-members.

Election of officers resulted in the president being re-elected. Officer

bearers, 1949-59: President: Brig. E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C. Vice-presidents: Messrs C. E. Walch, A. B. White. Hon. Secretary: R. W. Vincent. Hon. Treasurer: F. J. E. Johnson. Asst. Hon. Secretary: A. B. Richardson. Committee: Messrs. L. G. Chambers, A. E. Gibson, W. M. Hood, R. J. Hornsby, A. E. Parkes, N. M. Jack, G. E. Hodgson, J. R. Rex.

Sub-committees appointed for the year are the same as for 1948-49, with the exception that Mr. J. Z. Bidencope has resigned owing to pressure of business.

HONOUR ROLL.—The question was fully discussed and the Committee was instructed to go into the question of having a board in conformity with the 1914-19 Board. The Committee have gone into the matter and Mrs. Payne has been approached in regard to the carving.

Annual Re-union which this year was held at the "Continental" was discussed. Members supported the inclusive charge idea as was done this year.

BOARD ELECTION

Owing to the resignation of Mr. H. D. Erwin from the Board of Management on account of ill health, an election was held on 16th August. Messrs. A. P. Brammall, H. J. Solomon, and R. S. Waring offered themselves for election. Mr. A. P. Brammall was elected to the vacancy and will be an Old Boys representative until 2nd August, 1955. 386 ballot papers were counted.

Under normal circumstances Mr. L. G. Murdoch retires in 1951 and Mr. W. R. Robertson in 1952. Both dates being August 2nd.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Will Old Boys please note and amend their copies of the constitution, as follows:

Rule 3. Strike existing rule and substitute—"All Old Boys and Past and Present members of the teaching staff on payment of an Annual Subscription of TEN SHILLINGS are entitled to be members of the Association, provided that members who have just left School, shall pay a subscription of FIVE SHILLINGS to

the end of the first full financial year following the date of his leaving School."

Rule 4. Delete Five pounds, insert "TEN POUNDS."

These amendments to become operative from 1st July, 1950.

(Secretary's Note: Those Old Boys intending to become Life Members are recommended to do so immediately, as Five pounds will cover this subscription until 30th June next).

CRICKET

Following on the formation of the Football team into a Club, a like step has been taken with Cricket. Officers elected for 1949-50 season are: Patrons: Brig. E. M. Dollery, O.B.E., M.C.; T. A. Chandler, Esq. President: R. W. Vincent, Esq. Vice-Presidents: S. J. Bisdee, Esq.; G. A. Calvert, Esq.; L. Keats, Esq.; R. O. Morrisby, Esq.; H. C. Smith, Esq.; Headmaster of Hutchins School. Committee: Captain, Vice-Captain, D. M. Chambers, A. E. Gibson, G. W. Colman, Hon. Secretary. Treasurer: T. Turner. At the election of team officials, G. E. Hodgson was elected Captain and T. Turner Vice-Captain. Selection Committee: Captain, Vice-Captain and G. W. Colman.

The team have commenced the season with three very nice wins and at the time of going to press were leading in the competition with 12 points. St. Virgils 9. and Friends 6. To date outstanding performances with the ball have been registered by M. S. Bull, whilst the fielding of the team has been very clean, of the 53 wickets which have fallen twenty-eight have been caught out. Details:

Hutchins, 171 and 99. Verrell, 28 and 14; Creese, 30 and 2; McKay, 32 and 8; Terry, 21 and 6; Bastick, 17 and 21 n.o.; Bowden, 1—24 and 3—33; Watchorn, 7—72.

Friends, 99 and 3—89; Thomas, 10 and 46 n.o.; Watchorn, 17 and 36 n.o.; Bull, 7—26 and 2—17; Gibson, 2—39 and 1—39.

Hutchins, 99 and 137; Verrell, 21 and 15; Turner, 44 and 0; Creese, 7 and 29; McKay, 9 and 22; Hodgson, 0 and 21 n.o.; Nalty, 4—26 and 4—41; Kelly, 3—8 and 2—41; Fahey, 1—31 and 3—26; Pelham, 2—30 and 0—12.

St. Virgil's, 67 and 78; Nalty, 7 and 29; Bull, 7—27 and 4—35; Gibson, 1—14 and 3—32; Turner, 2—23 and 1—7.

This match was won with 4 minutes play remaining, Colman's slow over-tossed leg balls proving too much for Saints, who had a go at the last ball to enable Bull's height to enable him to take an excellent catch down fine leg.

Old Hobartians, 109 and 89; Everett, 43 and 12; Brown, 25 and 0; Gibson, 3—53 and 3—11; Bull, 4—23 and 3—37; Tunbridge, 3—18 and 2—18; Milles, 2—9.

Hutchins, 255; Boddam, 21; McKay, 52; Milles, 25; Turner, 28; Hodgson, 33; Tunbridge, 25; Brown, 3—51; Southorn, 6—93.

Past v. Present Match

The Annual Past v. Present Match was played on the Parliament Street ground on Tuesday, 13th December, as an all day fixture. It was a splendid day for cricket, the weather being ideal and the atmosphere that of what is generally known as the most enjoyable type of cricket—village green.

Although the Old Boys won by 56 runs, it can't be said that we won easily, as the following facts will indicate. The scores for the loss of five wickets for each side were 56 to the Old Boys, and 55 to the School. At nine wickets, the School held an advantage of 2 runs, 174 to 172.

Interesting features of the play were: The Old Boys' ability to miss balls placed in their hands and inability to intercept shots along the carpet. Heckscher's and Hume's fifth wicket partnership. Hume's and Salter's ninth wicket partnership, which realized 62 runs. The School's score of 174 before lunch and Old Boys 174 at the afternoon tea adjournment. Mr. Stephen Bisdee again demonstrated that he can lift the bails at the proper time by his dismissal of Page-Hanify. The fact that Morrisby, Boddam, G. Calvert, McKay and R. Bowden were back in the pavilion with only 56 runs on the board. Century partnership of 103 by Turner and Lazenby for the sixth wicket. Turner's 65 n.o. Doug. Calvert's return to form. The clean bowling of father (Major Bowden) by his son. Presentation to Salter of the

ball used for his very fine fighting innings by the capt. of the Old Boys' team (Brig. Max Dollery). The wonderful lunch and afternoon tea provided when forty three and sixty two persons were satisfied by Mrs. Vincent and her helpers.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Vincent for organizing the refreshment part of the day's proceedings. The morning tea provided prior to play commencing, for the Old Boys from the country was greatly appreciated together with the other usual adjournments of an all day match. We should also like to express our thanks to Mesdames. Turner (T), Atkins, Gerlach, McKay and Burrows for giving up their day and helping to make the social side of the game such an outstanding success.

Details of play:

School, 174; Page-Hanify, 8; Stopp, 2; Gibson, 7; Heckscher, 25; Brain, 5; Hume, 39; Halley, 1; Mitchell, 2; Trethewey, 0; Bowden, 57; Johnson, 16; Sundries, 13. All bowled in Old Boys' team. Morrisby, 2—39; Boddam, 1—16; G. Calvert, 2—9; D. Calvert, 1—4; McKay, 2—6; Turner, 1—4; Rus. Bowden, 1—13.

Old Boys, 230; Ron. Morrisby, 6; Laurie Boddam, 14; Geoff Calvert, 12; George McKay, 7; Russell Bowden, 15; Tom Turner, 65 (ret.); J. L. Lazenby, 25; Stephen Bisdee, 7; Max Dollery, 5; Doug. Calvert, 45 n.o. "Major" Bowden, 1; Alf. Tonks, 8; Sundries 11 (score book totals). Mitchell, 3—53; Bowden, 3—35; Brain, 1—20; Hume, 1—18; Halley, 1—1. Mitchell's bowling of Ron. Morrisby was a highlight of the day's play. The ball was on the leg side, Ron. attempted to connect, failed to judge the ball which ran along his arm, dropped onto the top of his pads, rolled along the top and finished up by dislodging the bails. Needless to say the School side were pleased to see the back of the State captain and opener, but regretted the way in which he was dismissed.

FOOTBALL

A sense of humour and the ability to "take it" is a grand tribute to any team and these factors made it possible for the team to take the bitterest pill of all, defeat in the only match that mattered, in the whole season. You would not read about it in other circumstances.

The team played well together throughout the season, winning fourteen home games and the semi-final. University, who had not previously won a football premiership in any competition defeated St. Virgil's and Claremont and then turned on grand football to account for Hutchins.

For the grand final, on account of injuries it was necessary to replace the team to a certain extent and overconfidence cannot be laid at the feet of the team. On the day University were undoubtedly the better side and what makes the pill bitter is the fact that Colman and Terry, two outstanding players in the University side are Hutchins Old Boys. It was very pleasing to see both sides fraternising at parties held after the game, and the most cheerful were members of the defeated side. It was bad luck or perhaps we should say bad football, but there is always next season and indications are that players intend to show the coach that they can finish in first position.

From a football point of view the season was most successful, our supporters increased in numbers and strength of voice, seven members were in the Southern team which played North, we played the annual match against Old Launcestonians in Launceston and again the trophy for the best and fairest player in the Division came our way—Emerson Rodwell being an easy and well deserved winner.

For the coming season remember that boys who have just left school can earn their place in the side in the first season and that team spirit is only built up by the co-operation of young and old players and non-players.

Our notes on the season would be incomplete without reference to coach Norm. Venables. Norm. put a tremendous amount of work into the training of the team and we regret that we were not able to bring to fulfilment plans for winning the premiership. The team greatly appreciated the advice of our non-playing coach and as a token of appreciation will make a presentation to him on the night of the Smoko in December. We also wish to thank Dick Gibson (goal umpire), John Brain (boundary umpire), Wally Geeves (trainer), Arthur Turner (manager), George Hodgson (timekeeper) for their attention to detail throughout the season.

Besides the donors of trophies acknowledged in the June issue of the magazine, we wish to thank Phil Corney for the David Corney Memorial trophy, which is awarded to the player who throughout the season has tried hard and is also a clubman. Very appropriately the trophy has on this occasion been awarded to a player who occupies the same position on the field as that which used to be held down with ease by the late David Corney. Our thanks are also due to Messrs. Alf. Kay and Len. Rodwell for trophies offered for competition in the grand final and to Messrs. J. R. Rex, G. E. Hodgson, N. Venables and the two "Old Originals," who are the only remaining members of the first team fielded in 1932.

Trophy winners were: Arthur Walch Memorial and Best and Fairest, E. E. Rodwell; David Corney Memorial, T. D. Simpson; Most Determined, R. M. Swan (capt.); Most Deserving, G. R. Gilbert; Most Improved, L. L. Shea; Best First Year Player, A. J. Hay; Grand final trophies: A. Kay—K. E. Cossum; L. Rodwell—R. Smith and M. Rush. All trophies will be presented at the Association Smoko to be held at the School on Friday 16th December.

Results:

Round 1

Published June issue. Won 7, Lost 0.

Round 2

Defeated Claremont (10.13 to 9.12) by 7 points. Defeated University (13.14 to 7.13) by 37 points. Defeat-

ed Old Hobartians (17.8 to 14. 15) by 11 points. Defeated St. Virgil's (14.11 to 8.16) by 31 points. Defeated Lindsarne (31.25 to 5.5) by 176 points. Defeated Friends (41.17 to 0.6) by 257 points. Defeated Ogilvenians (21.19 to 4.6) by 115 points.

Semi-final

Defeated Claremont (7.15 to 6.12) by 9 points.

Grand Final

Lost to University (11.19 to 14.8) by 7 points. A grand last quarter effort being countered by a super University defence, who let 2 goals only from 10 scoring shots, whilst no score was registered by University.

Leading goal kickers for the season were: C. G. (Chonker) Hill 106, E. Rodwell 29, A. Hay 27, G. R. Gilbert 19, D. J. Harvey 15, R. P. Ikin 14, R. M. Swan and H. S. Bennett 11.

Before closing the notes on football we should like to thank the Headmaster and School for the use of the ground for practice, record our appreciation of our captain's (R. M. Swan) work for the betterment of the team, wish Laurie Shea a return to good health, as he was injured in the semi-final and at the time of going to press still finds it necessary to strengthen his knee with the aid of a stick and congratulate Chonker on his record feat of 24 goals. Yes, you footballers it is still the same C. G. Hill, who commenced playing in 1934 and kicked 105 goals in 1936. A special trophy has been awarded Chonker to remind him of feats in years to come.

HUTCHINS OLD BOYS' LODGE

Another successful year's work has passed since our report in the Magazine last December. Our membership has steadily grown and attendances at Lodge meetings have improved. We have been privileged to entertain visitors from many parts of the Empire and frequently find Brethren from School Lodges similar to our own.

The usual Official Visits have been exchanged with our Mother Lodge, Tasmanian Union, and our two daughter Lodges, Old Grammarians and Old Hobartians, as well as Glenora Lodge. These visits have done much to cement old friendships and gain new ones. Old Grammarians acted as hosts for the Combined School Lodges which met at Campbell Town in November,—two Lodges from the North and two from the South. This combined meeting was inaugurated last year by our Lodge and we look forward very keenly to future meetings, each Lodge taking its turn to act as host.

The annual picnic for the children of the Clarendon Home was held in February at Snug Beach when both hosts and guests had the time of their lives. Another enjoyable fixture was the usual Cricket Match with Rechab. Lodge, when our doughty opponents scored again. The self-imposed rule that "no man is out until he has scored" seems generally popular.

In July, Wor. Bro. L. T. Barwick was installed as Master by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro G. E. Wall, assisted by Grand Lodge Officers, and the Officers for the ensuing year were invested. At the conclusion of the ceremony a Past Master's jewel was presented to Wor. Bro. O. H. Biggs by the Grand Master on behalf of the Brethren of the Lodge.

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At the luncheon held on the third Friday in March, Mr. Alfred Pedder suggested that the next gathering take the form of a Smoke Social. The committee of the Association after considering the pros and cons came to the conclusion that June was not

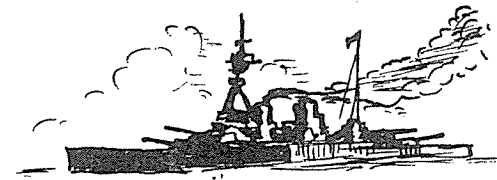
the best time of year to hold such a function particularly as it was intended to hold the function in the gynasium (we all recollect the temperature of the Gym in winter).

Arrangements were therefore made to hold the function in lieu of the December luncheon. On Friday, 16th December, 147 Old Boys, representing all ages from 1879 to 1948, returned to the School and had what has been approved without dissent, as the best show held for some time.

Proceedings commenced officially at 8.30, when Max Dollery, President of the Association welcomed Old Boys and expressed a desire that informality should be the keynote of the evening, after which the School song was sung with gusto. During the evening members were entertained by Mr. Marcus Trappes (who for many years has always been pleased to assist us with our functions) and a sextet, which included three old boys, also by Mr. Harold Turner, another Old Boy.

As patron of the Old Boys Football Club, the President distributed the trophies won during the season. Speaking of patrons of football clubs we are informed that John L. Shoo-bridge has been appointed a patron of the Richmond Football Club (Victorian League).

We wish to apologise for the delay in the distribution of the magazine, but owing to staff difficulties, our printers have been hard pressed to have same printed before the Christmas break. Most of us can understand their difficulty—Secretary.



*The President and General Committee
of the Association
extends to all Old Boys
Best Wishes for a Successful and Happy
1949*

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*We should like to receive from Old Boys suggestions
for increasing the activities of the Association*