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#### THE PEGASUS.

# School Officers, 1st Term, 1921,

Head Prefect; --- R. K. McArthur.

Prefects:— J. R. Macmillan, C. C. Bell, C. E. McArthur, D. M. Kennedy, I). W. Hope.

Cricket Captain: —C. E. McArthur. Vice-Captain; —R. K. McArthur.

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Captain of the Boats:-C. C. Bell.

Rowing Committee: — Mr. C. H Strover, C. C. Bell, J. R. Macmillan, D. W. Hope, W. L. Waugh.

Swimming Committee:—Mr. K. W.Nicholson, C. C. Bell, C. E. McArthur^R K. McArthur, D M. Kennedy.

Tennis Committee: - R. K. McArthur, C. E. McArthur, G. J. Baird.

Hon. Sec. Athletic Games: -R. K. McArthur

Librarians: — Mr. A. H. Harry, R. K. McArthur, J R. Macmillan, W. H. Sloane (i).

"The Pegasus" .--Mr. A. H. MacRoberts, R. K. McArthur, H. G. Anderson.

### Cadet Corps:

Lieutenants:-A. T. Tait, C. H. Strover.

Corporals:—A. E. McDonald, H. A. Anderson, N. Richardson, A. J. Roffey.

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# School Items.

THE Second Term begins on Wednesday, June 8th.

The increase in numbers which was so marked a feature of the school last year, still continues, and the roll of pupils is at present larger than ever before. The number of boarders is well over 100, and even with all the recent improvements and additions, the accommodation is severely taxed. This increase has necessitated the formation of a new class, which ranks next to the Upper V. and is called "The Remove." It lives and moves and has its being in room "H"—one of the old wooden rooms which of recent years has been very little used.

Two new members of the staff have joined this year—Mr. A. W. Hatfield and Capt. G. W. Dundas. Mr. Hatfield attends to the Senior Mathematical work, while Capt. Dundas guides the destinies of the new "Remove" class. We extend a hearty welcome to these gentlemen; also to our colleagues in the Preparatory School, Miss Trumble and Mr. K. W. Nicholson.

On May 12th, immediately before the Diamond Jubilee celebration, an entertainment was given in the Norman Morrison Hall by the combined forces of the Preparatory School and the College Dramatic Club. The small boys presented a pantomime—Cinderella—and scored a great success. The leading parts were taken by A. Bailey, J. Taylor, A. Goller, The Dramatic Club gave an excellent H. Kaufmann, and L. Hagen. rendering of the well-known dramatic cantata "Trial by Jury." The individual parts were well taken by D. Morrison (defendant), S. Buckland (judge), A. D. Longden (plaintiff), H. Macmillan (counsel), and E. Pearl (usher), while the concerted work of the jury and the bevy of charming bridesmaids ensured the success of the piece. Selections were also given by the College Orchestra, and the evening concluded with a plantation melody, "Good Night." The entertainment was under the direction of Capt. G. W. Dundas, and he is to be congratulated upon the high standard reached by the performers.

We are very pleased to see that the new Preparatory School is imitating its elder brother—the Big School—in producing a magazine of its own, containing all its own news, written solely by its own members. Though this first edition of "The Prep. News" has not attained the THE: PEGASUS\*

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dignity of print, yet no doubt sooner or later it will follow in the steps of "The Pegasus." We congratulate Miss Trumble on the amount of energy she has put into the paper; also those boys who contributed to it; and wish "The Prep. News" every success in the future.

Thursday, 24th February, will be remembered by some boys as a day when fire and water reigned supreme. About 11 o'clock a very heavy thunderstorm broke over the city. The water came down in great sheets, and the College grounds received their fair share of it. The oval was a lake—this is no exaggeration, for the water lay all over it to a depth of a few inches,—and remained so for some time. Incidentally, a cricket match, which had been arranged against a Western District team, organised by Major Street, of Lismore, had to be cancelled. However our visitors, although there was no cricket, had something to occupy them, for a fire broke out in Mr. Alec. Gray's house ("Claremont") near the school, and the two teams assisted in extinguishing it, and in carrying all valuables out of the house. The fire started at 11.30, and burnt fiercely for half-an-hour, when another storm came, and with its help, the firemen were successful in gaining control of the flames.

The tour of the English cricketers has had a pleasing effect in reawakening, in the country districts, an interest towards our national sport. As a result of the war, the popularity of cricket outside the metropolis had been on the wane, and it just needed the excitement of the Test Matches, and the influence of the English team as they travelled round, to revive the fortunes of this grand old game. Now cricket is being played keenly in almost every country town in Victoria. petitions and friendly matches are held between the different towns. Some of our old boys have been figuring in these matches. Bob Porter and Billie Bell play for Camperdown; Angus Urquhart for Noorat; Rev. E. M. Baird for Terang. In a match at Lismore at Easter between the M.C.C. and Lismore, Jack Baker played for M.C.C., and made some runs, while another old boy kept wickets for Lismore. Boys still attending the Public Schools also play in these competitions; we are represented at Camperdown by R. and C. McArthur.

Teddy Rankin has at last taken a holiday of respectable length, and a well-earned holiday too. Just before Easter he went away for a



fortnight to relations and friends in the Western District, and when he came back he looked much the better for the rest.

We wish to thank the following Old Boys for most generously providing cars to convey the coach of our crew (Mr. Young) along the bank of the river while the crew were training:—Messrs. C. Cameron, Stewart Gray, T. B. Hawkes, C. Myers, F. E. Richardson, E. J. Hurst; also the following for their kindness in rubbing down the crew after their rows:-J. I. Birnie, V. Gross, R. N. Campbell, C. and W. Myers, T. B. Hawkes, C. Carr, K. Baird. Especially are our thanks due to E. Hurst for organising the force of cars and trainers.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a handsome enlargement, of a photograph of the late Dr. G. E. Morrison. The photograph is the gift of Senator J. F. Guthrie, and hangs in the main hall of the College near the memorial tablet.

The House system is now in full working order, and the various competitions have produced great keenness on the part of both contestants and onlookers. This year it was decided that, besides the various forms of sport previously agreed upon, school work should also count for the "Grand Premiership" at the end of the year. The conditions are that each term's work should coumt for three points, i.e., equal to one game, so that the whole year's work should have as much influence on the contest as any three games. The result of the first term's work is not yet officially announced, but it is known that in almost every form the struggle was exceedingly close, and that all four Houses finished well together.

#### Salvete.

# VI.—

C. D. Campbell

A. M. Cooch

R. Fairley

V. E. Vibert

J. P. Wilson

#### Upper V.—

T. G. Hogg

D. M. Mackenzie

H. L. Taylor

#### Valete.

VI.—

A. J. M. Wilson-Prefect, 1920 Running, 1919-20. Football 1919-20. College Cup, 1920. College, 1920. F. W. Gilmour-Prefect, 1920.

VIII., 1920.

A. M. Brushfield—XI, 1920. XVIII, 1920.

A. G. Burnet

J. P. J. Colvin



Ü	THE TEGASOS.
Salvete.  Middle V.—  A. M. D. Barber R. J. Coto S. Davies J. M. Devereux G. W. Lang L. K. Lang G. M. Robertson W. H. Sloane (ii) H. M. Troup  Lower V.— P. N. Men H. E. Beach D. M. Dickson I. T. Hamilton H. Hatfield G. L. Hosford M. G. Humble K. L. King I. A. Lang C. D. Madden A. J. McDonald F. H. Parsons J. E. Powell A. Sanderson G. Scott I. A. Stewart H. H. South H. D. Wray  Upper IV. E. C. Barber G. S. Gray F. L. H. Hogen J. W. Humble W. J. Lang M. C. McCalman J. O. Tait A. W. Tisdall  Preparatory School— A. L. Bailey J. L. Baird H. J. Brownbill J. W. Champ E. H. Chapman G. M. Cochrane N. C. Cochrane N. C. Cochrane L. J. P. Gill A. R. Goller J. O. Goller R. G. Greeves P. S. Grimwade	Valete.  A. R. Cousen—XVIII., 1920. J. B. King J. V. J. L. Palmer—XVIIL, 1919- 20. C. E. Rich  Upper V.—  A. J. Barnes L. P. W. Brooke—Capt., XVIIL, 1920. Vice-Capt., XVIIL, 1919. XVIIL, 1918. Capt. Running, 1919- 20. T. D. Freeman H. D. Harvey H. G. Hirst, XVIIL, 1920. Running, 1919-20. T. S. Ising, Running, 1919-20. J. A. Knowles K. S. Lancaster I. Richardson A. C. Smith R. J. Wilson  Middle V.—  E. L. Bourchier J. H. B. Callan E. E. Chapman T. C. Dann E. Hartwick L. R. Hodgson G. A. Knight R. W. Lawrence R. Morton, XL, 1919-20. R. S. L. Young  Lower V.—  R. B. Ball, XL, 1920. XVIIL, 1920. B. H. Ford  Upper IV.— R. W. Hinkley  Middle and Lower IV.— W. T. H. Coop J. O. Lyons A. M. Robertson
A. Hendy	

#### Salvete.

M. L. Hirst R. J. Ingpen A. S. Lanft B. M. Lang E. B. Lister J. C. Mathews P. M. McCann T. C. McKira N. I. Morrison G. J. F. Mulholland G. T. Newton J. K. Newton N. E. Pizer Jack Pomeroy
Jim Pomeroy
V. E. Rathausky
M. H. Richardson J. A. Reid H. A. Robertson R. W. A. Rolland S. G. Roebuck N. Shannon P. C. South I. A. Sutheiland A. L. Taylor R. L. Taylor Cyril Walker W. Wishart

# Swimming.

OUR Swimming Sports were held in the Western Baths, on March 10th, in comfortably warm weather. Entries this year were not so large as last year's record, but there were good fields in most of the races. Two things rather impeded the smooth running-through of the programme. First, although it was high tide, the water in the baths was very shallow, owing to the fact that there had been a long span of very calm weather before the Sports; second, at the start of the first race a portion of the starting-plank broke away, thus making it necessary for us to run some of the races in heats. There were a few alterations in this year's programme. Two House Races were instituted—a Relay Race for Seniors, and a 50 Yards Race for Juniors. Shannon House won the Swimming Premiership fairly easily, gaining 7 points to Morrison's 4, Barwon House were third with



1 point. These House Competitions produced great excitement, and one could certainly hear "the merry din" while they were being contested. The 300 Yards Race, tried for the first time last year, was deemed a non-success, and so was eliminated. The Junior Cadet Race of previous years, and the Lower School Race, which used to be open to boys from the Upper IV. downwards, were incorporated in one race—a Lower School Race for boys from the Lower V. downwards. A 30 Yards Race for the Preparatory School was included in the programme.

Last year's positions in the Senior Championship were reversed, for this time W. R. Griffiths defeated N. K. Russell by 1½ lengths in the fast time of 70 2-5 seconds. The Old Boys' Race resulted in a runaway victory for H. I. Crawcour, on the limit handicap, 12 secs.

Again we have to thank Mr. McCoy for lending us the Baths, and Mr. Young for acting as starter. The Committee of Management and the Masters acted as Officials and Judges.

#### Results:—

- 1. Under 16 Handicap (50 yards)—I, W. Aikman (4 secs.); 2, A. D. Sproat (6 sees.); 3, E. W. Heyward (6 secs.) Time—35 sees.
- 2. Senior Championship (100 yards)—1, W. R. Griffiths; 2, N. K. Russell; 3, W. L. Waugh. Time—70 3-5 secs.
- 3. Dayboys' Handicap (50 yards)—I, F. D. Waller (5 secs). Time 36 secs.
- Preparatory School Race (30 yards)—1, N. Morrison (3 secs.); 2, W. Strong (3 sees.); 3, P. Nicol. Time 33 2-5 secs.
- Relay Race (30 yards each)—1, W. Waugh and N. Russell (scr.); 2, D. Hope and J. R. T. Macmillan (4 sees.); 3, J. T. Robertson and I. Murphy (5 sees.) Time—75 secs.
- 6. Breast Stroke (50 yards)—1, R. Lockwood (2 secs.); 2, M. Cameron ( secs.); 3, H. S. Kennedy (6 sees.) Time—51 2-5 secs.
- 7. Novelty Race.—1, H. Macmillan; 2 T. G. Stewart; 3, C. Bell
- 8. House Relay Race (teams of four)—1, Morrison House; 2, Shannon House; 3, Barwon House; 4, Warrinn House. Time—6 min. 5 secs.
- 9. Old Boys' Race (50 yards)—1, H. I. Crawcour (12 secs.); 2, C. G. Carr (scr.); 3, T. B. Hawkes (1 sec.)
- 10. Junior House Race (under 15, 50 yards)—1, Shannon House; 2, Shannon House; 3, Morrison House.
- Life Saving—1, A. E. McDonald; 2, C. Bell; 3, D. M. Kennedy. Time
   —29 2-5 secs.
- 12. Boarders' Handicap (50 yards)—1, R. Fairley (7 secs.); 2, H. Macmillan (5 secs.); 3, I. Murphy (8 sees.) Time—37 sees.
- 13. Long Dive-1, T. Young; 2, R. P. Boyd; 3, E. G. Greeves. Distance-
- Lower School Race (Lower V. and Upper IV., 30 yards)—1, M. Cameron (1 sec); 2, H. Wray (7 secs). Time—28 3-5 secs.
   Over 16 Handicap (75 yards)—1 W. R. Griffiths (1 sec); 2, W. L.
- Over 16 Handicap (75 yards)—1 W. R. Griffiths (1 sec); 2, W. L. Waugh (1 sec). Time—52 secs.

### Cricket.

WITH most of last year's team back this season, we hoped that possibly a better result than usual might be obtained, but our expectations were not realised, and we have to chronicle the usual tale of three defeats. Our batsmen shaped well in practice, but showed no confidence in school matches. Our bowlers on the other hand, though never deadly, managed on all occasions to get the other side out fairly cheaply, only one score of over 200 being scored against us. Our fielding was patchy, being often very good along the ground, while in every match easy chances were missed at critical moments.

E. Greeves has stood out as our best batsman, and has played two or three good vigorous innings. He has some nice strokes on both sides of the wicket, and should do very well in the future. C. McArthur has, as usual, batted attractively, but seems unable to get set for a long score. The other batsmen have shown little, if any, improvement on last year's form.

No bowler has stood out prominently, the bulk of the wickets being secured by R. McArthur and Rentoul. The two novices, Rusden and J. R. T. Macmillan, though not particularly successful so far, show promise of better things in the future.

The services of H. Kenny have been secured as coach, and we hope that this move may be productive of some improvement at the end of the year.

The House matches have aroused considerable interest, and have in several cases provided most exciting finishes. In the second eleven competition, played in the "cow-paddock," some wonderful bowling averages were secured, but no startling batting talent has as yet been unearthed.

#### GEELONG COLLEGE v. SCOTCH COLLEGE.

Our first game was a most interesting one, as the result was in doubt up to the last half-hour's play. Scotch batted first, and opened badly, losing five wickets for 42, but owing to the efforts of Baxter, McCleery, and Carter, a good recovery was made, and the total was brought to 179 before the last wicket fell. R. McArthur at first bowled very well, and at one stage had four wickets for 12, but after that several chances were



missed, and his last wicket cost over 60 runs. Had even the easy catches all been taken, the side might have been out for under a hundred.

We made 147 in our first innings. It was a two-man score, Greeves contributing 50, and Rentoul 32. Both batted well, but Greeves' display was much the more attractive, as it included some excellent drives and cuts. Rentoul's defence is good, but he lacks punishing power on the off side.

In their second innings, Scotch lost nine wickets for 126, but a determined stand by McCleery and Schultz resulted in the addition of 50 runs to the score, thus pulling the side out of a rather dangerous position. We were left with 209 runs to get to win in abo<sub>(</sub>ut two hours, and at one stage, while Macmillan and Greeves were batting, it seemed possible that we might succeed, but the innings tailed off as usual, and when time was called we were still 32 runs short of the required number with only one wicket to fall. Greeves again batted very well, and Macmillan hit cleanly for his runs. Over-anxiety to get the runs resulted in no less than four of our side being run out.

#### Scores:-

#### SCOTCH COLLEGE.

First Innings.	Second Innings.
Green, std. C. McArthur, b R.  McArthur 8 Smith, c Rentoul, b R. McArthur 9 Phillips, b R McArthur o Hutchison, b R. McArthur 14 McCleery, c Read, b Rentoul 21 Williams, b Kennedy. o Baxter, b Rentoul 85 Carter, c Waugh, b J. R. T. Macmillan 26 Campbell, c Kennedy, b R. McArthur 9 Roberts, l.b.w., b Rentoul o Schultz, not out 3 Extras. 4	b R. McArthur 27 run out 1 c and b Rentoul 22 c and b Waugh 9 c Rentoul, b Kennedy 78 b McArthur 2 b Rentoul 16 c Read, b Waugh 3 c Greeves, b R. McArthur 6 c and b R. McArthur 4 Extras 10
Total	Total



#### GEELONG COLLEGE.

Second Innings.
run out
b Roberts1;
run out
b Schultz 42
- Dhilling h Conton 50
c Phillips, b Carter 52
b Carter 14
run out 6
not out 9
run out
l.b.w., b Baxter 1
Extras 3
Total "for 9 wickets) 177
Bowling:—Baxter, 1 for 42
Carter, 2 for 37.
Roberts, 1 for 26.
Schultz, 1 for 23.
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#### GEELONG COLLEGE v. XAVIER COLLEGE.

Xavier won the toss and batted first on a good wicket. An indifferent start was made, but the later batsmen played up well and brought the total to 192, the two Keanes, Porter, and Cussen making the bulk of the runs. Of our bowlers, Rusden made a promising first appearance, securing four wickets for 36.

Our opening batsmen shaped confidently, C. McArthur batting very well indeed for 46 before he was unfortunately run out. When the second wicket fell for 82 it looked as though we might have a chance of winning, but the rest of the team went in mournful procession before the bowling of Schneider, and the innings closed for the disappointing total of 118.

In the second innings Xavier collared our bowling, and ran up 313 for 7 wickets; McLean and F. Keane playing good cricket for 93 each. All interest had ceased when we went in to bat again, but McArthur and Greeves gave an entertaining display, rattling up 58 in 25 minutes for the first wicket.



# Scores:-

XAVIEK	COLLEGE.
First Innings.	Second Innings.
Costigan, l.b.w., b Rusden 6 O'Leary, b Rusden 12	c and b C. McArthur
Schneider, c R. McArthur, b Rusden 3 J. McLean, b Rentoul 15	not out
F. Keane, c Macmillan, b R. Mc- Arthur	c Baird, b Greeves
R. Keane, not out	b J. R. T. Macmillan 40 run out 5
N. O'Keefe, c Read, b R. Mc- Arthur	b Rentoul 3 Extras 25
Total	Total (for 7 wickets) 313 Bowling:— Rusden, 0 for 21. R. McArthur, o for 70. J. R. T. Macmillan, 1 for 61. Rentoul, 1 for 35. Kennedy, o for 11. C. McArthur, 1 for 33. Read, o for 38. Greeves, 2 for 23.
GEELONG	COLLEGE.
First Innings.	Second Innings,
C. McArthur, run out 45 D. Kennedy, b Schneider 11	retired, 14
R. McArthur, c McLean, b Schneider	c Glynn, b Schneider
E. Greeves, c Porter, b Schneider o J. R. Macmillan, c Costigan b	b O'Leary
Schneider	st. Keane, b Schneider
A. Baird, st. Keane, b Schneider 4 J. R. T. Macmillan, run out 2 C. Rusden, not out	b O'Leary
Total	Total for 7 wickets



### GEELONG COLLEGE v. GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

On this occasion we won the toss for the first time this year, but did not take much advantage of it, being dismissed on a good wicket for 139. Kennedy and R. McArthur made a fair stand for the second wicket, but no one else did much, and the tail end batsmen were no more effective than usual. White and De Little bowled well for the Grammar School, and had most of our batsmen in trouble.

The Grammar School started with a good stand for the first wicket by Mann and McKewan, both of whom played our bowling with complete confidence. After this partnership, however, wickets fell cheaply, and the innings closed for 174. Kennedy was our best bowler with four wickets for 28.

In our second innings we put up our worst performance for the season, and were all dismissed for 84 on a good wicket. To this Greeves contributed 30 by good free cricket, but the others were all at sea to the bowling of De Little, who secured 6 wickets for 43. The Grammar School had no difficulty in making the 50 runs required, and thus a match, which at one stage promised to be interesting, resulted in a rather hollow victory by 9 wickets.

#### Scores:—

#### GEELONG COLLEGE.

First Innings.	Second Innings.
C. McArthur, b White	b Dc Little
J. R. T. Macmillan, l.b.w., b De Little	b De Little
Total. 139  Bowling:—White, 4 for 33.  Nicolson, 2 for 41.  De Little, 3 for 31.  Martin, 1 for 18.	Total

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#### GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings.		Second Innings,	
Mann, c Baird, b Kennedy McKewan, c C. McArthur, b	38	not out	7
Kenned}* De Little, c Rentoul, b Kennedy		not out	32
White, l.b.w., b Rentoul Ritchie, b Rusden	.14	b R. McArthur	13
Webster, c and b Rentoul	15		
Macneil, run out Nicolson, c Kennedy, b R. Mc-			
Aithur Vincent, run out	9		
Sargood, not out Extras			
Total	174	Total (for 1 wicket)	5 2

#### PRACTICE MATCHES.

#### v. WESLEY COLLEGE.

This match was played on a bad wicket, at the end of the season. Wesley won by nine wickets, scoring 99 and 1 for 30, against our totals of 42 and 68. Of our batsmen, J. R. Macmillan made 14 and R. Mack 12, while R. McArthur and Rentoul bowled best with 3 for 24 and 2 for 8 respectively.

#### v. DR. BAIRD'S TEAM.

In this match we scored a narrow victory with 125 to 124. Kennedy made 40, and C. McArthur 27, while Rentoul secured the bowling average with 3 for 8.

#### SECOND ELEVEN.

#### v. GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

In the only match our Second Eleven played we were defeated by 152 runs. The Grammar School made 191, to which Hornibrook contributed 113, while we could only muster 39, and 31 for 6 wickets.

#### JUNIORS.

The Juniors also had only one match-against Geelong Grammar School. We were beaten by 5 wickets; the scores being:—College, 81; Grammar School, 5 for 96.



#### HOUSE MATCHES.

(First Elevens.)

#### First Round.

Morrison beat Barwon by 12 runs. Morrison 66 and 6 for 128. (C. McArthur 39, Mack 26). Barwon 54. Bowling—C. McArthur 5 for 5.

Shannon beat Warrinn by 42 runs. Shannon 94 and 162. (E. Greeves 29 and 49, Richardson 30). Warrinn 52. Bowling—Rentoul 6 for 11, R. McArthur 9 for 77.

#### Second Round.

Warrinn beat Barwon by 88 runs. Warrinn 180. (J. R. Macmillan 68, J. R. T. Macmillan 49). Barwon 92 and 2 for 136. (Brooke 59, Kennedy 24 and 42). Bowling—R. McArthur 5 for 42.

Shannon beat Morrison by 85 runs. Shannon 7 for 216. (E. Greeves 99). Morrison 131. (Mack 40.) Bowling—Russell 5 for 17. **Third Round.** 

Shannon beat Barwon by 8 runs. Shannon 162. (Rentoul 37). Barwon 154. (Kennedy 61, S. McCosh 30). Bowling—Robertson 5 for 28.

Warrinn beat Morrison by 26 runs. Warrinn 135. Morrison 109. (Rusden 26). Bowling—Rusden 5 for 39.

(Second Elevens.)

#### First Round.

Morrison 105, beat Barwon 30.

Warrinn 60, beat Shannon 37.

#### Second Round.

Morrison 123, beat Shannon 42.

Warrinn 35 and 1 for 12, beat Barwon 24 and 17.

#### Third Round.

Wairinn 66 and 6 for 41, beat Morrison 61 and 7 for 42 (innings closed).

Barwon 77, beat Shannon 57.

# Premiership Points.

WARRINN.		•	•	•	.10
SHANNON					.6
MORRISON.					.6
BARWON					2



# Rowing.

THIS term has indeed been an important one in the history of the College Boat Club. It was found necessary, owing to inconvenience and unsuitable surroundings to move our boat sheds to a better and more central site in the Barwon Rowing Reserve. Several prominent old boys expressed their approval, and the Council sanctioned the re-erection of the sheds with suitable additions for dressing-rooms and boats, which were completed about May 1st. The results have undoubtedly justified the step taken by the Council. Old Boys are now able to take a greater interest in the rowing, and have shown it by assisting us whenever the opportunity offers.

Fortunately only two vacancies occured in last year's crew, Gilmour and Adzen leaving; Kennedy and Campbell were chosen to take their places. As usual, Mr. Young has displayed great perseverance and has not spared his time or energy in the preparation of the crew. It is to be hoped that every future aspirant to the crew will show his appreciation with all possible keenness.

This term marked the advent of the first genuine College Third Eight. For this success we have to thank Mr. Harold Hirst who has very generously found time to coach the Second Eight as well. He has also been an unfailing help with the boats, and it is due to him and his staff, Messrs. Archie Shannon, Sutherland, and Coleman, that they are now in such good order.

On behalf of the crew we would like to thank Mr. Cole for his generous gift of training oil, and also those old boys who have helped to train us during the past fortnight, and who have so kindly lent their cars to convey our Coach along the bank.

The Second and Third Eights rowed Geelong Grammar on May, 6th, over half a mile under rather unfavourable weather conditions. Showery weather with a south wind militated against a large attendance.

Though they were defeated in both races, our boys rowed most satisfactorily, but the extra weight of their opponents proved too much for them



The Thirds were first to row, with College on the south and Grammar on the north station. Grammar had the advantage of the start, but the College held them for the first 200 yards when the Blues drew away, eventually winning by two lengths.

The Seconds started on similar stations, and Grammar were again successful. They drew away at the start and though the College gained on them at the bridge, they were given the verdict by two lengths.

Below are the names and weights of the two crews:—

SECOND EIGHT.	THIRD EIGHT.
st. lbs.	st. lbs.
A. D. Sproat (bow) 9 10	A. J. Gray (bow). 9 8 D. I. Morrison (2) 9 2
R. R. Ronaldson (2) 10 4	D. I. Morrison (2) 9 2
F. Gummow (3) 10 10	H. Bradshaw (3) 96
J. G. Stewart (4) 10 4	A. L. Rentoul (4) 10 o
R. K. McArthur (5) 10 o	R. McKay (5) 10 10
A. M. Cooch (6) 10 10	H. A. Anderson (6) n 5
G. F. Waugh (7) 9 4	J. R. T. Macmillan (7) 9 6
K. H. Phillips (str.) 9 13	C. E. McArthur (str.) 9 6

#### SCHOOL REGATTA.

The Regatta was held under ideal weather conditions on April 28th, and 29th, and some close finishes were witnessed by a large number of spectators. Though the form was in some cases rather crude, a marked improvement was evident, which was due to the successful coaching of Messrs. Shannon, Sutherland, and Coleman.

#### SENIOR FOURS.

A splendid race, only decided in the last few yards when Waugh's crew made a great effort, gaining the verdict by 3 feet.

#### Second Heat:-

E. Greeves (str.)	beat	A. McDonald (str.)
. A. McPherson (3)		J. Henry (3)
N. Richardson (2)		S. McCosh (2)
C. Greeves (bow)		C. McGuffie (bow)

McDonald's crew were outclassed, and were beaten by about 4 lengths.

#### Final:-

Greeves' crew beat Waugh's crew by 2 feet after a great struggle.



#### THE PEGASUS.

#### MIDDLE FOURS.

First Heat:—

J. Boyd (str.) beat H. Kennedy (str.)
T. Hogg (3) J. Colvin (3)
C. Dunoon (2) J. Rose (2)
C. Campbell (bow) J. Cochrane (bow)

Won by  $y_2$  a length after a hard race.

Second Heat:-

J. McCosh (str.)
D. McKenzie (3)
T. Young (2)
A. Longden (bow)
Won by a canvas

A. McLeod (str.)
V. Vibert (3)
W. Sloane (2)
W. Hope (bow)

Final:

J. Boyd's crew beat J. McCosh's crew by a length and a half.

#### JUNIOR FOURS.

First Heat:—		
R. Fairlie (str.)	beat	M. Troup (str.)
H. Taylor (3)		J. Wilson (3)
W. H. Sloane (ii) (2)		T. Perston (2)
E. Hope (bow)		T. Macmillan (bov

Won easily by 4 lengths.

Second Heat:—

P. Alen (str.) beat H. Cameron (str.)
C. Pagels (3) J. Devereux (3)
M. Troup (2) I. Stewart (2)
W. Riggall (bow) F. Hagen (bow)

Won comfortably by 2 lengths.

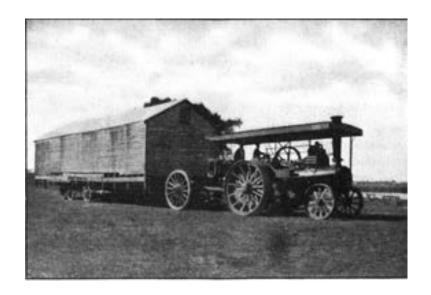
Final:-

Alen's crew beat Fairlie's crew by 3 feet after a hard fought contest.

# The Christening of the "Una."

THE formal christening of the new eight-oared practice boat, presented to the school by N. K. Russell, was held at our Boat Sheds in the Barwon Reserve on April 20th, in the presence of the boys and many friends and supporters of the College. The Principal (Mr. Rolland) in welcoming the visitors, said that this gift to the school was evidence of the increased keenness which was being shown towards rowing; and thanked the donor for his kind gift. He then asked Miss Una Russell to perform the christening ceremony, which she did in the customary manner by breaking a







- 1. MOVING THE OLD BOAT SHEDS.
- 2. THE CHRISTENING OF THE "UNA,"



bottle of champagne over the bow of the boat, (the College flag which covered it being removed) saying, "I hereby christen this boat the "Una." In remembrance of the occasion Miss Russell was presented by the Captain of the Boats, C. C. Bell, with a small silver hammer surmounted by the Pegasus, and bearing the inscription—"Presented to Miss Una Russell on the occasion of the christening of the "Una." 20/4/21."

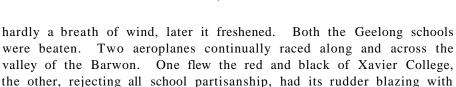
R. K. McArthur, the Head Prefect, in accepting the gift on behalf of the school, said that the possession of a third practice eight had enabled the College to place three crews on the river at once, and that if someone else presented another eight we cooild have four crews rowing at once! He then eulogised the Russell family for the generosity they had always displayed towards the school, mentioning the gift of a tennis court by Messrs. Eric and Jim Russell last year; and also mentioning the kindness of Mrs. Russell in donating sports trophies; and gramophone records for the Prefects, He said that although the boat would never be used in the actual Head of the River Races, it was in it that all the practice was done which made possible whatever success was attained in the Race itself. McArthur wished the crew the best of luck this year, and called for three cheers for them. He concluded by heartily thanking the donor for his fine gift, and Miss Russell for christening it; and called for three cheers for them both.

Mr. Rolland then spoke highly of the untiring devotion of the two coaches, Mr. Henry Young (coach of the 1st eight), and Mr. Harold Hirst (coach of the 2nd and 3rd eights), expressing his gratitude for their services to the College, and leading three cheers on their behalf.

# The Public Schools' Boat Race.

From "The Argus."

ONCE in every five years Geelong has the public schools Head of the River boat race On the Barwon River. Long before 3 o'clock it was hard to obtain a spot on the river banks from which to watch the race in comfort, and it was harder still to find room on the southern bank for a motor-car to follow the racing. As 3 o'clock drew on, the banks were crowded, and there must have been 20,000 people present. There was



these aviators, it would be well to warn one of them that it is neither clever nor amusing to swoop low down over the heads of a crowd, as happened more than once this afternoon.

It was a most representative crowd, including the Lieutenant-Governor (Sir William Irvine), the head masters, staffs, boys, and old boys of the competing schools. Among those present were the Rev. J. C. Johnstone, one of the two schoolmasters who founded the Head of the River race in 1868, and Mr. Charles Shannon, the father of rowing in Geelong. The outstanding feature of the day's sport was the punctuality

the Empire colours of red, white, and blue. If one may be critical of

of the competing schools. Among those present were the Rev. J. C. Johnstone, one of the two schoolmasters who founded the Head of the River race in 1868, and Mr. Charles Shannon, the father of rowing in Geelong. The outstanding feature of the day's sport was the punctuality of the crews. In the past there have been irritating delays, but to-day each race was started on the tick of time. The racing was, perhaps, disappointing, for, save in the second heat, when for a moment it looked as though Xavier, with a late sp/urt, might snatch the victory from Wesley, the issues were not long in doubt. The standard of rowing was not, perhaps, up to that of previous years, but it was keen, and aroused the same enthusiasm as of yore.

If sympathy could have given a crew victory, the success of Geelong College would have been assured, for a triumph in their year of diamond jubilee would have been hailed with pleasure on all sides. The boys rowed pluckily, and for three-quarters of the course they made a race of it. Then they died away, and the Melbourne Grammar School, rowing well within themselves, found the end easy. Wesley and Xavier, who were housed in the Barwon Rowing Club shed, provided the race of the day, and when the Xavierians came at the leaders just as they passed under the bridge, there was keen excitement. Wesley had enough in reserve to stave off the challenge, and they won comfortably. As Geelong Grammar School and Scotch College got afloat there was a hum of excitement, for although Scotch College were the favourites, the holders of the title were expected to make them row every inch of the course. Those who had not seen Scotch College since they left the Yarra had heard of their improvement, but did not realise it until they



were seen racing. They rowed a strong course, in better style than most Scotch crews, and not less power. They average 6ft. 0½. in height, and in weight list. 4½lb. They made the most use of their height and weight. The long, stern chase told on Geelong, who, though they never faltered, were ragged at the finish. A feature was that each beaten crew rowed it out to the last stroke, and the supporters of a beaten crew cheered its boys as though they had won.

#### THE RACING.

#### FIRST HEAT:-

Melbourne Grammar School.	Geelong College.	
Centre Station.	South Station.	
st. lbs.	st. lbs.	
S. Carnegie (bow) 10 7	W. L. Waugh (bow) 10 4	
W. J. Begg (2) 11 6	D. W. Hope (2) 10 10	
T. R. Lyle (3) 11 1	T. W. Campbell (3) 11 1	
C. G. Higgins (4) 11 10	D. M. Kennedy (4) 10 10	
R. Grey-Smith (5) 11 6	J. R. Macmillan (=;) 10 12	
N. W. Lockyer (6) 11 8	G. G. Pern (6) 11 6	
T. A. Alston (7) 11 6	N. K. Russell (7) 11 13	
B. Bryans (stroke) 11 o	C. C. Bell (stroke) 11 6	
S. Harris (cox.) 8 0	I. S. Murphy (cox.) 8 0	

The crews got away together, with the Melburnians slowly taking the lead. They were well out in the stream, and, with the boats far apart, it was difficult to judge their advantage. Soon they had a canvas to the good, and were rowing a long, steady stroke, with Geelong splashing badly. At Pakington street, Melbourne were two-thirds of a length in front, but here Mr. Henry Young, on the bank, picked Geelong up, and cheering them, they drew on their rivals until at the Albion Mills the Melbourne boys were only 3ft. ahead. Geelong had shot their bolt, however, and gradually died away, while the Melburnians went on, and had a clear length to the good. As they shot the bridge, they were rowing well within themselves, and, pulling a long, easy stroke, won comfortably by a length and a quarter. Time, 5min. 49 2-5sec.

#### SECOND HEAT:—

Wesley College.	Xavier College.
South Station.	Centre Station.
st. lbs.	st. lbs.
H. C. Forster (bow) 10 9	C. J. Parkin (bow) 10 o
A. W. Finlay (2) 11 2	C. B. Lennon (2) 10 2
C. P. L. Lilburne (3) 11 2	J. M. P. Mulcahy (3) 10 7
T. Standing (4) 11 5	K. E. Whitehead (4) 10 8
R. H. Lee (5) 11 2	L. J. Robertson (5) 10 7
F. B. Glover (6) 11 12	C. M. Quinn (6) 11 11
A. D. Mcintosh (7) 12 10	L. V. Lachal (7) 11 3
N. J. Abernethy (stroke) 11 6	E. J. Rorke (stroke) 11 2
F. N, <b>Lee</b> (cox.) 8 0	P. T. Lynch (cox.) 8 0

Another good start was effected, the 16 oars striking the water together, but Wesley, rowing the quicker stroke, drew away. They were keeping well out from the southern bank, and rounded the point nearly half a length ahead. Xavier, steering a very straight course, were plugging along solidly, but could make no impression on the leaders, who had steered back close in to the southern bank. Passing the Albion Mills, Wesley led by three-quarters of a length, and increased this to nearly a length at the bridge. As they passed the end of the reserve there was daylight between the boats. Amidst great excitement Xavier spurted, and as they regained their lost distance they were loudly cheered. It was a brilliant effort, but too late. Though they got to within a third of a length of their rivals. Wesley, quickening up, went away again and passed the judge half a length to the good. Time, 5min. 49sec.

THIRD HEAT:—			
Scotch College	Geelong Grammar Sch	iool.	
South Station.		Centre Station.	
	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
B. T. Kcon-Cohen (bow)	10 3	S. L. S. Jackson (bow)	9 11
D. A. Carter (2)	10 o	G. H. Ronaldson (2)	11 1
G. B. McKenzie (3)	12 O	R. G. Ritchie (3)	12 o
N. D. Miller (4)	11 O	R. Jamieson (4)	11 11
J. H. Henderson (5)	12 7	R. L. Wilkins (5)	11 12
H. C. Dick (6)	12 12	F. S. Cole (6)	12 4
C. T. Chapman (7)	11 9	H. Kinnear (7)	II I
D. J. W. Stone (stroke)	10 7	G. C. Northcote (stroke)	II I
W. M. Shaw (cox.)	8 o	J. E. J. Mann (cox.)	8 7

The starter got the boats away on even terms, but from the first stroke Scotch College took the lead, rowing a long,, sweeping stroke. They never gave their supporters any anxiety, and at Pakington street were nearly half a length ahead. They made no apparent effort, and yet their boat ran on. Geelong Grammar School, steering a beautiful course, were rowing desperately, but were splashing badly, and though they spurted, Scotch College were always their master. At the bridge the light blues were a length behind, while Scotch College, with fine swing and power, were watching and waiting for the final spurt, which never came. Scotch College won easily by a length and three quarters. Time, 5min. 37 2-5sec.

#### THE FINAL.

The final heat of the Head of the River Boat Race, on the Barwon River on Saturday, attracted even more people than had attended on Friday, the crowds which lined the river numbering fully 25,000. direct supporters of the three crews—Scotch, Grammar, and Wesley were even more numerous than on the day before, and to these had to be added supporters of the defeated schools, who, exercising a second preference attached to their own favours those of the crew they liked next



It was a wonderful sight. From the bridge, looking down on the best. crowds lining either bank, toward and beyond the winning post, the scene was most animated. From the sheds flew the house flags of the six schools, and in the crowded reserve there was a throng all wearing colours, and most of them carrying flags. In their midst stood the broken column of grey granite, the tribute of Geelong to its oarsmen who fell in the war; and there were many who spared time to stand for a moment in reverence beside this monument to those who in days gone by had delighted Barwon crowds by their prowess, but now rest for ever in heroes' sleep in graves in a foreign land. On the southern bank there was a maze of motors; there were over 2,000 in all—representing in value more than a million sterling—and behind them rows of char-a-bancs and drags, all crowded. Between the cars were hundreds of people on foot, and round the winning post the crowd was particularly thick. fore noon the advance guard of Scotch College had made for that point, and in that throng there was a red patch of Scotch College caps. The wearers knew the powers of their crew, and were determined to be the first to greet their heroes when the pistol announced the end of the contest.

From the other side of the bridge, looking up the river, with the Barrabool Hills and Ceres in the background, there was a crowd stretching away to the start. The south bank was crowded with every description of vehicle, from the expensive Rolls Royce to the runabout Ford, from the four-in-hand drag to the floating rail cart; from the lumbering char-a-banc to the trotting sulky. There were many on horseback, including several women, some schoolgirls and boys on their ponies, and mounted policemen, who, in strict pursuance of their duty, kept with the moving throng, if not to maintain order, at any rate to see -for themselves that the race was truly rowed. There is no road along the northern bank, but the level ground at the Albion mills, high above the water, was black with people, and every point had its little knot of spectators. The bridge itself was packed with those who, content to see the earlier stages of the race, were on the western side, and those, only concerned in the finish, who chose the eastern pathway. Everywhere it was the same, a cheering crowd deeply interested; all sightseers, 99% of them partisans, but all, or nearly all, believing that Scotch were sure to win. It spoke much for the loyalty and devotion of old Wesley Collegians and MAY, 1921 2.5

old Melburnians that, though nothing but an accident could have robbed Scotch College of its headship, they were there to cheer on their own boys, and when the race was over to congratulate Scotch College on a meritorious victory, by a splendid crew of athletic lads averaging 6ft. O½in. in height.

#### THE RACE.

There was a lull in the crowd as the crews swung into their stations—Melbourne Grammar School on the south, Wesley College in the centre, and Scotch College on the north. As they paddled into position the umpire, Mr. A. J. Shepherd, warned the coxswains that they must keep to their respective stations, and told them he would be very strict on this point. As they straightened there was a little delay. Wesley were out of position, and too far to the north, but eventually all three were in line, but just as the pistol went the Grammar School boat had swung in to the southern bank, and the first two or three strokes had to be made against the rudder. The 24 oars struck the water as one, and the roar from the crowd at the start told the waiting thousands along the course that the 54th final heat had begun. Scotch at once went ahead, but they and Wesley were coming in towards one another, and Scotch had to pull out to the north, and the danger of a foul was over. The leaders were rowing a beautiful long sweeping stroke, and before a furlong was passed had established a lead of half a length. With this in hand the Scotch stroke dropped his rate of striking to 32. Melbourne Grammar School had passed Wesley by a canvas, but both were splashing a little, while the Scotch oars, dipping true, raised only the swirl which a perfect catch and solid drive makes in the stream. Before the half-mile had been reached Scotch led by three-quarters of a length, while the Melburnians were almost clear of Wesley. As they neared the Mills, Scotch, wide out on the north, heard the voice of their coach on the bank, and they turned into the centre, and, quickening, had a clear length as they shot the bridge. The yells of Scotch! Scotch! were deafening, and the race seemed over, but right under the bridge the Melburnians made their effort, and crept up inch by inch. All along the reserve they raced, and there was keen excitement as the Melburnians slowly reduced the gap, with Scotch, rowing perfectly, watching them. As the leaders passed the Geelong Grammar School sheds their stroke quickened. It was not safe or prudent to wait any longer, and they shot ahead again. The Grammar advance stopped for a moment, but their stroke, with a final spurt, came again, and rowing it out to the very last stroke, the dark blues were beaten by a third of a length, with Wesley two and a half lengths away third. It was a fine race, in which the Melburnians did their very best, but were vanquished by a stronger and a better crew. Wesley disappointed their supporters, and were well beaten. The time was given as 5min. 47 1-5sec, which, in view of the fact that the water was absolutely dead—there 26

was no stream—and whatever wind there was was against the crews, must be regarded as good. The result was:—

SCOTCH	COLLEGE (North Station)	i.
MELBOUI	RNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL (South Station)	2.
WESLEY	COLLEGE (Centre Station)	3.

The winners were cheered from every part of the river as they rowed back to the sheds, and the Melburnians aroused but little less enthusiasm for their plucky effort, while Wesley, too, came in for rounds of applause. As soon as the crews were ready the Fairbairn Challenge Cup was presented to the winners by Miss Betty Fairbairn. Mr. Robert Hay, the hon. secretary of the Public Schools' Association, in announcing the official result from the balcony of the Geelong Grammar School shed, thanked the officials for their assistance, and specially mentioned Mr. A. J. Shepherd the umpire; Mr. W. Parer, who lent and drove the motor-boat which carried the umpire; and Mr. W. H. Pincott, who had acted as the schools' representative at Geelong. Cheers, war cries, and more cheering closed the ceremony, and the crews returned to their sheds to pack up their belongings and their boats, and to wait for the Head of the River contest next year.

The record of wins stands:—Scotch College, 17 wins; Geelong Grammar School, 16 wins; Wesley College, 14 wins; Melbourne Grammar School, 7 wins. Xavier College and Geelong College have yet to win.

#### OLD, BOYS' RACE.

Before the excitement of the final heat had subsided there was more entertainment in the old boys' races, in which the six schools were represented. There were two heats and a final, and additional interest was lent to the event by the presence of the three most successful strokes in Victoria in the various boats, while nearly all the crews had, at one time or another, represented their school in Head of the River races. The strokes referred to were—A Spowers (Geelong Grammar School), who stroked the Victorian eight in Tasmania recently, and the Albert Park eight in the Victorian championship; J. M. Buchanan (Scotch College), stroke of the Mercantile in the championship, and of the University crew, to represent Melbourne in Brisbane this month; and J. C. D'Arcy (Xavier College), who stroked the Civil Service to victory in the cham-



pionship, and was stroke of the Victorian eight in Brisbane last year.
In the heats Geelong beat Melbourne Grammar School and Wesley
College, and Scotch College won from Xavier and Geelong Colleges.
The final w <sup>r</sup> as a close contest, with Scotch joist a shade the better, winning
from Geelong Grammar School by a quarter of a length. The officials
were Mr. F. S. Mann, the old Geelong Grammar School stroke, starter,
and Mr. W. Horsburgh, judge. The crews in the final were:—

SCOTCH COLLEGE.—H.	Cowling (bow);	R. H.	Keon-Coh	en, 2; T.
McKay, 3; C. McKay,	4; A. W. Slater,	5; J.	Harding,	6; G. W.
Dallimore, 7; J. M. Bucl	hanan, (stroke); D	). D. E	Best (cox.)	1.

GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—A. R. McLeod (bow); R. E. Web	b
Ware, 2; S. Plowman, 3; J. S. Bloomfield, 4; G. J. Pardey, 5; D. A	١.
White, 6; G. C. B. Parker, 7; A. Spowers, (stroke); R. H. I	Ι.
Perry, (cox.)	2.

# Cadet Notes.

THE Defence Department has been revising the training and organisation of Senior Cadets, and for the present we seem to be on the debatable ground between the old and the new systems. One result of this is that there has been no examination for N.C.O's. held, and, consequently, no opportunity for members of the School Corps to gain promotion.

The changes that have already been introduced so far as they affect the school are these:—The Corps instead of being Nos. 11 and 12 Platoons, D Coy., is now No. 11 Platoon, C. Coy., 3/23rd Batt.; and parades, instead of being 2 hours are now 1½ hours.

Two Saturday morning parades have been held this term. them was given to a route march to the Look Out, and the other to a miniature sham fight in Queen's Park, when, as usual, both sides claimed a decisive victory.

An attempt has been made to resuscitate the band, and it has accompanied us on our two Saturday morning parades. The drums are fairly efficient, but the bugles leave much to be desired in both the quantity and quality of their noise. We are badly handicapped in having no one to act as instructor, and will be very grateful to anyone who will offer his services in this capacity.



# The Press.

"Where it is free, the people are free, and where it is fettered, they are slaves."

# Some Sidelights on Journalism.

#### BY TOM PARRINGTON

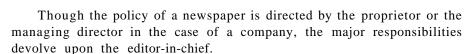
I have little doubt that there are at least a few students at the College who have a penchant for journalism. In the hope that I may be of some slight assistance to those who are ambitious of one day adorning the ranks of the Fourth Estate, I propose, with the kind permission of the editor, writing a series of articles on the very comprehensive subject of journal production. I shall start with the literary departments, then pass on to the machine rooms, and last, bfut not least, give a brief outline of the commercial side of a modern daily newspaper.

I have no hesitation in declaring that "The man in the street" has a very misty conception of how a newspaper is conducted, and in some respects, perhaps, it is as well that this should be so. The innuendo behind my remark I shall discuss in a subsequent article. Repeatedly the newspaper man, utterly exhausted after a strenuous day's toil, sets out for home at 3 a.m. Cable-editors and sub-editors on morning papers never reach home before that hour, year in and year out. And the great majority of senior journalists are married men.

The demand for news of the right sort is insatiable. A subscriber will pick up his paper and concentrate on a thrilling account of a cold-blooded murder, a political sensation, a bomb outrage or a shipwreck, but few readers picture in their minds the movements of the man who has written the story. Why should they? It is the public that pays for the "goods," and how they are obtained is strictly no concern of theirs.

There are compensations, of course. I am mentioning this matter merely to illustrate that a pressman is not always attending banquets, weddings, theatres and funerals. In a day's march, no professional man encounters more "mare's nests," or is subjected to more insults than a journalist.

But before proceeding further, I think I ought to summarise the administration of the literary department of a metropolitan daily.



An editor is usually looked upon by the public as a hard-hearted choleric sort of chap, ready to burst into flame at the slightest provocation. He certainly has to be abrupt sometimes and firm, otherwise he would soon lose his berth. But I am sure the average editor is not half as bad as he is painted.

Under the editor-in-chief are two or three leader-writers who are supposed to be, but frequently aren't, specialists on all subjects. A leader-writer is expected to write in a vigorous and convincing style on any topic which may crop up—controversial or otherwise—at a moment's notice. His personal sympathies and doctrines cut no ice at all. Often he will be instructed to tear into shreds his most cherished ideals and beliefs. If he didn't he would soon starve, and starvation is a horrible death.

Some of you will say that to write against one's convictions is degrading, and ought not to be tolerated by an honourable journalist. I once clung to that view myself, but like many others, I have been disillusioned. The knack—necessity is perhaps the better word—of blowing to atoms with the pen anything that is put before one, has been reduced to a very fine art.

I think you will agree that the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde role is scarcely confined to journalists. I have only to mention lawyers and doctors. As Oscar Turner once remarked, if there is one thing the Lord does not know, it is the outcome of a law suit. In the case of a law suit, the judge or the jury is the deciding factor, just the same as the public is in analysing the pros and cons of a newspaper article. I'll admit, of course, that the public is not always furnished with a court of appeal in the case of the newspaper article, unless the matter is libelous. Barristers are constantly mis-representing theories which they have not the slightest faith in, and often they are able to influence the judge. The effect is the same in a newspaper article.

Though such cases are fortunately very rare, a journalist is sometimes required to "write down" his own religion. Personally I draw the line here. I once knew of a case where a journalist was asked to



hand in his resignation because he refused, point blank, to hold Christian Science up to ridicule.

It is easy to understand then, that to be a really successful journalist one must not be unduly swayed by one's emotions. You will probably challenge me here again and affirm that the best literary matter must be the product of emotion, inspiration! Believe me, "inspiration" does not always spring from whispering words and trickling streams. In the first place, most journalists would find three or four trips per day to the country rather a financial strain, even if they had the time to look for inspirational subjects. A fly on the ceiling, a bombardment from the machine room, a tornado of abuse from the sub-editorial department,—these prove excellent vehicles of "inspiration,"—on occasions. The fact is, a journalist has to have inspiration "on tap" whenever required, and when his supply of inspiration runs dry, he gets the "sack."

I shall now give you a peep into the sub-editorial room. Here the "copy" is "butchered," according to the amount of space that is available and the news value of the matter submitted. "Novels" from country correspondents are consigned to the waste paper basket or reduced to "a few sticks." The copy of a senior reporter should require no "snibbing" at all, unless of course meagre space is available, which is frequently the case. The cub reporters (first year cadets) have their "copy" mutilated to such an alarming extent that they are in constant fear and trembling lest they should receive "marching orders." But the tyro has to learn his job, and if he be industrious and accurate, and has aptitude for the work, his weaknesses will gradually disappear. His more experienced contemporaries will readily come to his assistance whenever he is in difficulties.

A metropolitan evening newspaper usually has about six or seven sub-editors on the staff. These men are also frequently required to cover" outside engagements.

In charge of the sub-editors is the city news-editor. He gets proofs of everything before they are published, and he has to keep a watchful eye for possible libel actions, inaccuracies, and faulty grammar which sometimes is passed by the over-worked subs. However thrilling or interesting a news item may be, it is not always desirable, either in the interests of the public or the paper itself, to publish certain articles.

Particularly is this the case when an industrial war is being waged, and relations between employers and employees are strained. However, much dangerous matter is published, especially in Australia. Far more restraint is shown by the London press.

Next in command to the city news-editor is the chief-of-staff. lie allots the various duties to be performed during the day by each reporter. After consultation with the editor-in-chief and the city news-editor, he maps out a provisional programme for the day. The assignments are entered in a duty book which each member of the staff is required to initial.

There are four grades of reporters, namely, seniors, generals, juniors and cadets. In a subsequent article I shall have something to say in reference to the remuneration and prospects of a pressman. For the present let me assure you that one might do a lot worse than take up journalism as a profession. A great deal depends on temperament and ability.

A cadet has usually, though not always, had some experience in the proof-reading and telephone departments. After three years—sometimes before—he is placed on the permanent staff as a junior, and his progress then depends entirely upon his own initiative and skill. Reporters with special application for press work have carried their lamps to the highest pinnacles of success after a few years training. Such instances, however, are extremely rare.

A brilliant scholar is not in every instance a good reporter. I knew a Rhodes scholar who made a frightful hash of things when he first started writing for the press. He got the "sack," but he persevered on a smaller paper, and now is one of the smartest journalists in Australia. A college education, though a big pull, is not indispensable. I have in mind now another journalist, well known to you, who is, perhaps, the best known journalist in Australia, and his education began and ended with the State school. However, the man is a genius. It cannot be gainsaid that the surest route to success in newspaper work is the University.

As briefly as possible I shall explain the functions of the various reporters and minor "specialists,"



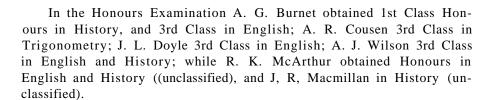
The "cub" is detailed to cover the smaller meetings, police courts, cricket matches, and so forth. But the ambitious cadet is perpetually on the look-out for a "scoop." To the unitiated, a "scoop" is an exclusive news item of peculiar public interest. A big "scoop" such as the assassination of a Prime Minister, (ye gods!), a railway accident, or a street vendetta might cost an unfortunate contemporary scribe his job. A lot of luck and a lot of pluck and the fish is landed! But every dog has his day, and probably the following week the contemporary will reverse the situation. That is exactly where the fascination lies—the glorious uncertainty of getting news.

On the political rounds, especially, competition is exceptionally keen. A political reporter has always to be on his guard against unconfirmed reports, and often he has to leave an item alone to be on the safe side. Very exasperating it is, to see the particular "tit-bit" published in another journal the following morning. A political scribe is on his own initiative all the time. Up to a certain point, he is the confidant of cabinet ministers, providing of course, he is attached to a reputable newspaper. Politicians are constantly trying to prevent leakage of information, especially where such "revelations" happen to be a bad advertisement to themselves or their party. In the long run, I think, the reporter has the whip handle. Strange whispers are heard behind the scenes in the political arena. From beginning to end it is a game of chess. I have never yet known of a reporter breaking faith with a minister after he is asked not to publish "so and so," but unless he gives an assurance to suppress certain facts, he is at perfect liberty to use his own discretion.

# University Examinations.

THE following boys have completed the Intermediate Examination:— R. P. Boyd, H. H. Bradshaw, A. R. G. Colvin, T. D. Freeman, A. J. H. Gray, H. D. Harvey, H. S. Kennedy, A. D. Longden, O. L. Read.

Leaving Certificates were gained by:—R. K. McArthur, F. W. Gilmour, J. R. Macmillan, J. P. J. Colvin, J. L. Doyle, W. R. Griffiths, J. R. T, Macmillan, A. T. Roffey.



# The Preparatory School.

THE new "Prep" opened favorably after the Xmas holidays, and is now in a flourishing condition. It prides itself on being (like a Chinese egg) a school within a school. It has its own captain and committee, its own sports, library and magazine, its own crest and motto, and in fact, everything which can counterfeit its big brother.

Its captain and committee are exalted personages who hold supreme sway. Every member of the "Prep" is subject to them, and all questions appertaining to the good government of the school are left in their hands. Their duties sometimes are of a somewhat novel nature. They allot, for instance, all punishments and rewards. Here an illustration may be given of the power they hold. Only lately one of the teachers was awarded a "det" for disturbing the peace during school hours. Modern democracy can go no further. The school committee correct and mark the home work, keep an eye on the state of the class room and the personal appearance and conduct of each boy. These are only a few of their arduous duties.

The great topic of interest at present is, of course, the "Prep" Play. Nearly every boy is in it, and all have taken it up with characteristic enthusiasm.

The "Prep" also realises that if the school is to become proficient at sport, her boys must commence their training as soon as possible. Consequently our budding champions attacked cricket with ardour and enthusiasm. Practice was held regularly, and four matches were played on the oval. C. Robertson, our best player batted and bowled consistently, while Baird, J., Morrison, South, Reilly, and Lister did good work though they need to pay more attention to style. Goller, J., gained

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a good reputation in the field, and a few others would do well to show his keenness while "hunting- the leather" The scores of the matches were:—

1st Match.

Lister's team (9 for 130), beat Reilly's team (96).

2nd Match.

Lister's team (34), beat Reilly's team (16).

3rd Match.

Morrison's team (77), beat Reilly's team (55).

House Match.

Pegasus (77), beat Bellerophon (37).

Six boys swam in the Prep. School Race at the School Swimming Sports, and the first three finished:—1, N. Morrison; 2, Strong; 3, Macpherson.

Football has met with a very good reception, and when real work commences next term the Prep, will be all there.

Our sporting column would not be complete without a word about the very small boys, who have special material to suit them. It would be impossible for the oldest of our boys to reach a higher state of enthusiasm than that shown by these "young 'uns." They simply lived for compulsory cricket days. At present, Bailey, Taylor, A., and Roebuck are the most promising, but many others showed great improvement. They also have their own football, and are equally keen on the great winter sport.

# Tennis.

TENNIS has been as popular as ever this term, and the demand for balls has rather exceeded the supply. A new net has been put up on the old tennis court.

Two of the members of our four, A. G. Baird and E. G. Greeves, played in the Championship for Schoolboys on the Geelong courts at Easter. Baird was defeated in the semi-finals, while Greeves was runner-up, being beaten by Newman from the Grammar School, in a close three-set contest.

The chief event of importance in our tennis world this term has been the playing of the House Matches. Each House had teams of six; a First and Second team, and a Junior (under 15) team. Some of the matches were remarkably close, and roused tremendous enthusiasm and excitement. Appended are the full results:—

#### First Round.

#### WARRINN v. SHANNON HOUSE.

Shannon A (A. G. Baird and E. G. Greeves), beat Warrinn A (R. K. McArthur and H. Macmillan), 10—2.

Warrinn B (J. R. Macmillan and J. McCosh), beat Shannon B (A. Lang and J. T. Robertson), 10-5.

Warrinn Juniors (King and W. L. Ingpen), beat Shannon Juniors (H. Wettenhall and H. Cameron), 10-4.

Result:—Warrinn—2 sets.

Shannon House—1 set.

HOUSE v. BARWON HOUSE. MORRISON

Morrison A (C. E. McArthur and W. H. Sloane i), beat Barwon A (D. Morrison and O. L. Read), 10-4.

Barwon B (D. Kennedy and S. McCosh), beat Morrison B (D. Hope and C. Greeves), 10—5.

Morrison Juniors (Hogg and Dickson), beat Barwon Juniors (L. K. Lang and G. M. Robertson), 10—2.

> Result:—Morrison House—2 sets. Barwon House—1 set.

#### Second Round.

MORRISON HOUSE v. WARRINN.

Morrison A beat Warrinn A, 10-5. Morrison B beat Warrinn B, 10-6.

Warrinn Juniors beat Morrison Juniors, 10-8.

Result:—Morrison House—2 sets. Warrinn—1 set.

SHANNON HOUSE v. BARWON HOUSE.

Shannon A beat Barwon A, 10—6. Barwon B beat Shannon B (A Lang and W. Hope), 10—4.

Shannon Juniors (H. Wettenhall and Ingpen), beat Barwon Juniors, 11—9.

Result:—Shannon House—2 sets. Barwon House-1 set.

#### Third Round.

BARWON HOUSE v. WARRINN.

Barwon A beat Warrinn A, 13—11. Barwon B beat Warrinn B, 10—5.

Warrinn Juniors beat Barwon Juniors, 11—9.

Result:—Barwon House—2 sets. Warrinn—1 set.



#### SHANNON HOUSE v. MORRISON HOUSE.

Shannon A beat Morrison A, 10—4. Shannon B beat Morrison B, 10—8. Morrison Juniors beat Shannon Juniors, 10—4.

> 'Result:—Shannon House—2 sets. Morrison House—1 set.

> > Final Totals

### The Diamond Jubilee.

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#### PREPARATORY SCHOOL OPENING.

INTERESTING functions were, on Saturday morning, May 14th, carried out at the Geelong College in connection with the Jubilee of that institution. They were participated in by Old Collegians, who came from all parts of the State, present-day Collegians, parents and representatives of other Public Schools, who were in Geelong in connection with the Head of the River races. The Old Collegians included a Judge of the Supreme Court bench, a Crown Prosecutor, members of the Victorian State Parliament, clergymen, medical doctors, lawyers and squatters.

The first function was the formal opening of the new preparatory school, a handsome brick structure containing several large well lighted and ventilated class rooms. The ceremony took place from the steps in front of the school, and proceedings opened with prayer, offered by the Rev. E. M. Baird. Mr. Charles Shannon, who presided, in asking Sir John McFarland to formally open the school, mentioned that it was five months that day since the foundation stone of the building was laid, and the contractors had done their work so well that the institution was now ready for use.

Sir John McFarland, who was cordially received, remarked that it was indeed a pleasure to him to be present to formally open the school, which constituted an important branch of the Geelong College. It might not be out of place in one sense, although it certainly was in another,

that he should say a few words about the attitude of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria to which the College belonged, with regard to education in the State of Victoria. Of course he had no right to speak for the church, but he was entitled to express his own views in the belief that they were shared by many of those who took an interest in the educational In the first place they believed that an obligation work of the church. rested on the State to provide every boy and every girl with the very best training in its power to fit them as future citizens of the Commonwealth. In the second place, they believed that no first-class system of education could be self-supporting; in other words, whether they took the primary school, the secondary school, the High School, the Technical School, or the University, it was quite impossible to maintain such institutions and conduct them in the way in which they should be managed if the only source of revenue was the fees received from the students. the call on the taxpayer to provide funds for the State; hence the further call on the supporters of such a school as the Geelong College, who not only paid their taxes, but from their means voluntarily provided funds to carry out the ideals for which the Geelong College and other similar institutions stood. In stating these ideals he did not trust to his own words but read from the rules of the College, which said:-"It is the duty of the Council of this College in the first place to take all measures for the welfare of the College, and, in particular, to promote the study of Holy Scripture, to develop the ideals of Christian citizens and of personal Christian character; and finally to foster a spirit of reverence in the entire life and work of the College." It was not possible for the councillors, as individuals, to actually carry out in detail that work, but they must do it through the Principal of the College. One of the most important duties of the Council was to choose a suitable Principal, a man who through his management, and by his example, would carry into effect the ideals which were in the rules set forth. He thought that the Council of the Geelong College, with which the name of Morrison must ever be associated, could be commended by all in the choice which it made when it appointed the Rev. F. W. Rolland as Principal. They did not desire, in seeing the work of the Geelong College carried out, to weaken the efforts of the State. They desired to supplement those efforts, for they believed that a variety of schools was good, provided there was good variety. He felt they would agree with him when he said that a stereotyped systern of education was not the best, and he believed that in the Geelong College they could produce a type off school which it was impossible for the State to produce. This was their justification for supporting the Geelong College. They could readily understand the importance of the school, in the interests of which they were assembled that morning. He did not hesitate for a moment to say that the most important work done in connection with the Geelong College would be done in the preparatory school. Mr. Rolland fully appreciated the work done by the staff of this branch of the College. He knew there was a call on the teachers for sympathetic interest, for originality, vivacity and strength, which did not exist in any other part of the school. It undoubtedly took brains to act as an efficient teacher in the preparatory school. They were delighted that the school had such prospects, and, in conclusion, he had great pleasure in formally declaring the school open, and in wishing it success in its work.



OPENING THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL,

vice of danger, and was a pillar of strength when matters were going badly. He was severely wounded with the same volley that killed Captain Strouts, and his valuable service was lost to the/defence for the rest of the siege/' As Captain Strouts lay dying at his feet, Dr. Morrison stooped and did what he could to render medical aid, although he was himself severely wounded. It was fitting that he (Mr. Justice McArthur) should be addressing them with the Morrison Hall opposite him. It was fitting that they should have two memorials, one facing the other, to two such remarkable brothers. They were unconventional, they were modest, and they had a personality which won the affection and commanded the respect of all their fellow men with whom they came in contact. He (the speaker) regarded it as a great privilege that he should have been asked to unveil the memorial to his old friend and schoolmate, Dr. Morrison, for they went through class by class together, and fought side by side in athletics in the course of their whole school career.

Mr. Justice McArthur then removed the flag from the tablet, the inscription on which read:—"In memoriam George Ernest Morrison, M.D., F.R.G.S., born 1862, died 1920. Times' correspondent at Peking, 1896-1912. Political Adviser to Republic of China, 1912-1920. Erected by Old Collegians."

#### ANNUAL MEETING AND SMOKE NIGHT.

A record meeting of Old Boys was present at the Norman Morrison Memorial Hall on Saturday evening, May 14th, for the Jubilee smoke social and annual meeting of the Association. The hall had been tastefully decorated with palms and supper tables, arranged by the kind help of Mrs. Rolland and the household staff of the school. Songs and recitations were interspersed throughout the programme, and greatly assisted in passing a very pleasant evening. The newly elected president, Mr. Walter A. McPherson, presided, and was supported by Mr. John A. Gillespie, the retiring president, and two vice-presidents. An interesting and rather unique presentation was made, and greatly appreciated by the old parents of the school. This consisted of a large framed group of sons of Old Boys now attending the College. The photos were all taken by the camera of Captain Dundas, a member of the College staff, who presented the group to the Association. A vote of thanks will be sent to





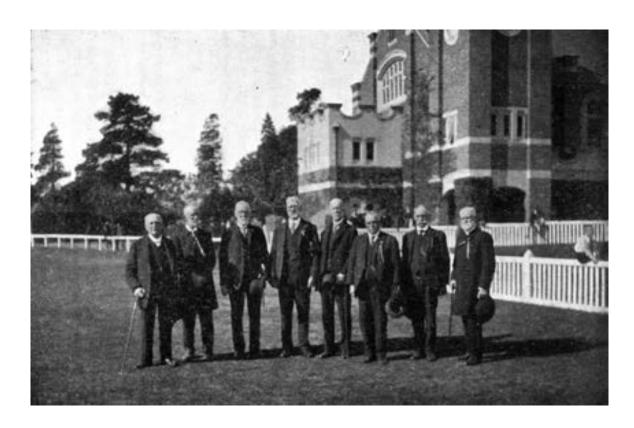
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Captain Dundas for his very thoughtful and interesting presentation. A long list of telegrams and letters sending greetings for the Jubilee was presented. The committee presented the following report:—

"During the year your Association held the Annual Re-union of Old Boys at Geelong, on Friday, 11th June, and this was well attended. that occasion a football match was played against the Present Boys, and after a strenuous game the Old Boys secured a win by 30 points. the game the Old Boys were entertained at afternoon tea by the Principal of the College, Rev. F. W. Rolland. In the evening a dinner was held at the New Masonic Hall, which was well attended by Old Boys, College Masters, Prefects and members of kindred associations amongst the gathering was a large number of returned soldiers, who were visiting Geelong for the first time since the Armistice. On 23rd July, a unique ceremony took place at the College, when the captured German guns, kindly secured by Lieut.-Colonel Purnell from the French Government War Department, were formally handed over to the College, in the presence of Monsieur Rene Turck, of the Consulat de France. gratefully indebted to Lieut.-Colonel Purnell for his interest in this matter, and his work in arranging a procession through the city of Geelong after the guns had been landed. Thanks are also due to Messrs. Eric and Jim Russell, who through this Association, donated a handsome tennis court to the College. The treasurer's balance-sheet shows a deficiency for the year of £46/10/10, largely accounted for by the increased cost of printing and postage, and the fact that your subscription has not been raised. Twenty-one new life members have been enrolled for the year, and this account shows a credit balance of £619/10/-, which has been invested in War Bonds, and the State Savings Bank. Memorial Endowment Fund shows a credit balance of £3116/7/5, invested in War Bonds and Savings Bank Account, and further sums have been promised in the form of extended payments. Donations to this fund continue to arrive, and many promises extend up to eight and nine years. During the year, Messrs. J. F. Shannon, A. W. Gray, and S. B. Calvert were appointed trustees to control this Endowment Fund, and together with your committee they have allotted for the current year one Boarder's Scholarship and three Bursaries to the sons of Old Boys who were killed in the war, and sons of Old Collegians. The sub-committee is at present dealing with the erection of a metal Honor Board to contain the names of those who were accepted and served in the war, and also the killed. is hoped that this board may be ready for erection before the end of the The Gus Kearney Memorial Trust, founded on similar lines to the Rhodes Scholarship, was awarded to J. R. Macmillan. Dux prize of the Association was presented by Mr. John A. Gillespie, on behalf of the Association, to the Dux' of the College, and awarded to A. J. M. Wilson. The Old Collegians' Exit Scholarship, value at £12/12/which has been presented to the school by the Association, was awarded to A. J. M. Wilson. The Association Plate, established by members, was presented on behalf of your Association by Mr. J. L. Currie, and was competed for at the last sports programme, and won by J. R. Macmillan. The members of the College Council, comprising ten of your Old Boys, have devoted much time in the interests of the College, and have confidence in its future. We again extend our heartiest wishes to the Principal, Rev. F. W. Rolland, M.C., M.A., and congratulate him upon his whole-hearted co-operation, with Mrs. Rolland, which has more than fulfilled the best anticipations of the members of your Association, in the work he has done at the school during the past year. We offer him our whole-hearted support and assistance at all times. The committee, on behalf of the members, congratulate their old school upon having reached its Diamond Jubilee, and the largely increased attendance, which constitutes a record, and necessitates increased buildings, including a Preparatory College and a Convalescent Hospital, and also the number of students attending the University, and upon examination results. committee offers thanks to the members and friends who have so liberally contributed to the various funds, and especially thanking the members of the Association for their loyal support during the year." The report was adopted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. W. A. McPherson; vice-presidents, M essrs. R. E. McArthur and A: Longden; committee, Dr. A. L. Baird, Messrs. J. I. Birnie, J. A. Cochrane, A. S. Chirnside, P. C. Dowling, Dr. C. E. Dennis, Mr. Jas. D'Helin, Dr. I. G. Glassford, Messrs. H. E. Hurst, R. W. Hope, T. Kerr, J. O. Kininmonth, R. Lamble, W. H. Philip, J. A. Reid, J. D. Rogers, J. F. S. Shannon, Dr. R. R. Wettenhall, Messrs. W. A. Waugh, R. J. Young; hon.secretary, Mr. S. B. Calvert; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. W. Gray; hon. auditors, Messrs. T. G. Cole and J. MacMullen.





GROUP OF VETERAN OLD COLLEGIANS.



### Conducted entirely by Old Boys.

In celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of the Geelong College, a service was held at St. George's church on the afternoon of Sunday; May 15th, when the sacred edifice was crowded to the doors, and many were unable to gain admission. The service was unique in the fact that it was conducted entirely by Old Collegians. Mr. Cyril Carr played "Evensong" on the organ to open the service, and the National Anthem followed. The Rev. J. C. Johnstone, M.A., offered prayer, and after the hymn, "All People That On Earth Do Dwell," a Scripture reading was given by Mr. J. A. Gillespie, past president, Old Collegians' Association.; Mr. T. A. David effectively sang, "Watchman," and the Rev. C. E. Keays led the congregation in prayer. The offertory was for the Soldiers' Memorial Window Fund, and Mr. Cyril Carr, on the organ, played "Andantino" (Lemare). This was followed by the number, "Lord of the Nations," by the Old Collegians' Choir, under the leadership of Mr. Hugh Gibson.

The occasional address was given by the Rev. A. I. Davidson, M.A., another old boy of the College. Speaking on the subject:—"The upward calling of God," he remarked that on such an occasion as the Jubilee of the Geelong College, it was fitting first of all to recall some of the interesting features of the history of the College. It was interesting to recall that the College was founded as a public school under the Presbyterian Church, and ran as such for three years. As they thought back, they cherished and honored the memory of George Morrison, a name that would always live in the history of the scholastic world of Australia. By reason of circumstances the whole management and ownership of the College was handed over to him, and he proceeded to build up one of the soundest and most influential of the educational establishments of Australia. years after the foundation of the College, Dr. Morrison brought in as Vice-Principal his own son, Norman Morrison, who worthily followed in his steps, and when, in 1898, the Dr. passed away in the midst of his active work, the son had fully proved his ability to carry on. Morrison fostered the school, Norman Morrison developed it still more, and the Old Collegians' Association was the result. In 1908, after being a private school forever 34 years, the Geelong College was again "taken over by the Presbyterian Church, and became a Public School.



years later the sudden death of Norman Morrison came as an almost Then, when the need was greatest of all, the Old staggering blow. Collegians' Association came out with grand energy and enthusiasm to secure that the school, with all its grand Morrison traditions, should go on and carry on with a new determination to rise upward. the school had become University Professors, Judges on the Bench, eminent lawyers, statesmen, legislators, and directors and controllers of great enterprises, and some of them had inscribed their names on the world's scroll of fame. Was it possible that the very crest and motto of the College had somehow had an influence on the students? It was well, especially, that the present boys of the College should remember its After telling the mythical story of Pegasus, the winged horse, the speaker said the College was Pegasus, the means by which many a youth and man had soared to the heights, won his fight, gained victory, and received reward. The College was Pegasus that soared up to the highest ideals, up to the heavens. The students of the College had the gifts of God-powers of life, brain, soul, and physical vitality. means of these they made use of what Pegasus could do for them, and through these means they reached the great achievements that meant The College had never been a mere learning academy. were more faculties in man merely than brain. There were religious faculties of morals and of soul. Without the religious element education was lacking. The Presbyterian church had always stood in the very forefront in education, and in the education that remembered the religious And they looked up to the College to produce men who were true men of the highest morals and the deepest soul. Another thing to be remembered in education was the scholastic factor. In these days when science and learning played such an important part, they looked for the scholastic factor in judging school life. It was part of the upward calling that the school to-day and in the days to come should carry on and amplify the successes of the past, and produce scholars. They wanted men to mould the life of their land, men to save them from the blunders of ignorance. The community which failed to produce brainy, intelligent men to take a grasp of things and guide modern movements, was bound to go under. The modern race of life was keen, and they needed men with vision and foresight to inspire others, men with a prophetical power to keep before them higher and ever higher ideals. That had always



been one aim of the Geelong College, and it would go on to carry out In sound education there was also the school-spirit factor. that aim. In that he included all that took place in the cricket and football arena, or on the river, or the playground, or in the general social life of the school; all that was measured by the perfect system, boys learning to manage themselves, to guide and control each other; all that was implied when the whole school crowded down to the match to cheer on their team; the spirit that refused to hear a disparaging word of the school. These were the things which made life nobler, these were the things taught them by the Great Master—the Christ Himself. The public school spirit was a hard thing to define, but its influence was ennobling. rightly guided it made men of the spirit of the words of St. Paul, who were imbued with the upward calling of God. It was because they gloried in what their school had done, and gloried in the ideals it had before it, and had confidence that there was a career of usefulness and renown before it, such as it had never yet attained, that they were gathered there that afternoon to give thanks for the past, to pray God's blessing upon it. He could give them no better illustration of what he felt was the right course for them all to follow than by reminding them of the kind of thing which they saw on the river on the previous two days. A man living his life was like a rower in the race. It was strenuous, keen, and each one wanted to excel. the great crowd looking on, there was glory and honor to be won. Seated in the boats at the starting post every man was determined to do But there was someone else besides that crew in the boat. He had been with them every day. He had had many things to say. Sometimes he got down in the boat and showed them the way himself. He had been their chief concern all through the weeks of training—their And then the great testing day had come, and at last they were off in the great race. And the crowd roared, and the boys cheered, and the noise grew as on they sped. But there was one voice only that the crew listened for and heard, and they could often hear it through the din. And on they went till the race was won. And whether they won that day or had to wait till some other day, there was one man's word which they noticed more than any other. The word of their coach and his "Well done boys," meant more to them than any other. The race was not always to the swift or to the strong. The glories of life went not

only to the man or team that came first. There were inspirations to live up to, there was the calling upward to urge on, and the Geelong College and every life of it and every man and woman would win through as they heard the coach.

#### LADIES ENTERTAIN AT TEA.

A well attended tea was held in the school hall before the evening service, the tables being waited on by the ladies of the church.

Speaking of the friendship that existed between the St. George's church and the College, the Rev. J. B. Rentoul stated that both establishments had succeeded in moulding the character of many fine Christian men. The six public schools of Victoria were under the government of the different churches. It would be a pity if ever a divorce took place between church and college. He hoped that the Old Boys would always cherish pleasant recollections of St. George's.

Rev. F. W. Rolland, M.A., M.C., Principal, stated that it was disappointing that the crew had never won the boat race. He was proud, however, to see the way the boys took their defeat. The ideal school-boy was the one who could win modestly and lose with the fighting spirit for the school. He stated that the ideal of ed/ucational authorities was to raise the standard of the schoolboy in learning and morals. Some boys came to school with low morals. These would have to be raised.

At the finish of the tea, Mr. S. B. Calvert, secretary of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the ladies, who had provided an excellent tea. Robert McArthur, head prefect, in seconding the vote of thanks, created some amusement, when drawing a comparison between ladies and gentlemen. "Ladies are always thinking of their exterior aspect, but men think of their interiors," said McArthur. The vote of thanks was carried by acclamation.



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#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

We take this opportunity of pointing out to our Old Collegian friends, that by a unanimous resolution passed at the Old Collegians Association Meeting on Saturday evening, 14th May, the subscription Will, in future, be 7/6 per annum. This increase in subscription has unfortunately been forced upon your jlssociation by the high cost of printing, and production of "The 'Pegasus," and the increased cost of postage.

# Old Boys' Column.

EXTRACTS from Association Rules:-

- No. II. The chief objects of the Association shall be:—
  - (a) "To hold an annual Social Reunion of Past Collegians.
  - (b) To unite and foster good fellowship among the Old Boys.
  - (c) To promote the welfare of the Geelong College."

No. III. "All Old Boys of the College may become Members on the payment of five shillings annual subscription, or Life Members on payment of five guineas. The financial year ends 30th April in each year. Each Member shall be entitled to receive a copy of each issue of "The Pegasus/' the journal of the Geelong College."

The following Annual Reports and Sports Programmes are required:—

Annual Reports, 1861, 1862, 1867, 1870.

Sports Programmes from 1862 to 1867, 1870, 1872, 1891.

ONE of our Old Boys, who had been out of Australia for a long time, turned up at the school the other day. Arthur Morrison, brother of the late Ernest Morrison, and of the late Norman Morrison, came over from South Africa to attend the Diamond Jubilee of the College. Such is the loyalty of this family to the school!

Mr. Morrison seems to have aged but little since we saw him last; and one would hardly realise that he has been through two wars. As his career is, perhaps, not very well known by Collegians of the younger generation, we give below a few of the most interesting features in it.

In 1886 he was one of four Geelong College boys (the others being W. L. Reid, the late Dr. A. M. Reid, and Alex. Boyd) who played for Geelong when they were champions at football. In 1887 he went to the Melbourne University, and the same year rowed 7 in the Ormond College eight which beat Trinity for the first time. His brother, Norman, was stroke. In 1888 and 1889 he rowed 2 and 7 for Ormond, winning both years. In '90 he rowed 6 in the Melbourne University eight which was defeated by Sydney. He stroked his University eight in '91 and '92, winning on each occasion. In '92 he also stroked the Melbourne University

In the Boer War he joined the Lydenburg Mounted Police, under the late Brigadier General J. E. Gough, V.C. In 1915 he enlisted as a private in the 7th South African Infantry, and went through the campaign in German East Africa, being transferred to the Military Labour Corps, and promoted Staff-Sergt.-Major in 1917.

Regatta four, and won Maiden and Junior four the same year. He graduated B.C.E. in 1892, and four years later left for South Africa.

We were pleased to see the smiling faces of Archie and Duncan Sinclair in Melbourne this term, when we were playing a cricket match against Scotch. They are two very loyal supporters of the school, always ready to hear any news of her. They had both been to Tasmania for a short holiday, and are now back at work on their New South Wales property.

Jock Waugh came down to Geelong the other day to see the crews training. This is the first time he has been away from Clare Station, N.S.W. since he left school. He is spending a holiday in Melbourne, and will be at Geelong for the Boat Race.

Dick Webb, who has been jackerooing on "Paika," N.S.W., for Mr. W. A. Macpherson, has also been down this way for a holiday, He has frequently been along the banks of the Barwon when the crews have been training. He also stays for the Boat Race.

Alec and Jim Philip are often visitors at the school when any event of sporting significance is occurring. We appreciate their interest.

We regret to record the death of Arthur Warby, on the 5th April last. He left the school about 1889.

We congratulate A. Rankin, E. Webber, J. Baker, A. David, G. Rylah and W. Sharland, upon their selection to play against the English cricket eleven in January. It will be remembered that on that occasion Sharland distinguished himself by scoring a century at his first attempt against bowling of that class. This performance augurs well for his success in the future, and it was suggested in some quarters that he shold be selected to play for Victoria in the return match against the Englishmen. Though the suggestion was not acted upon, we hope it will not be long before Sharland reaches interstate, or even international honours in the game.

We extend congratulations to Rowland Hope on his recent engagement.

Country cricket about Geelong finds Reg. Campbell a tower of strength. He is the mainstay of his team (Inverleigh), and has made several centuries. One of his opponents is Ian Campbell, who plays for Winchelsea. We understand that Reg. is starting business in Geelong, and wish him success in his venture.

Bob Bell has gone to England and the continent for a trip with his wife.

It is a good many years since we have seen Mr. Archie Shannon, son of our chairman. He has been managing stations in New South Wales for a number of years, and has at last come down for a holiday. He is staying in Geelong with his father and sister. Every night he is at our boat sheds, watching our boys row, and teaching some of them the elements of rowing.

Les. Brumley, who left school in 1917, has been hard at work on his father's farm, near Mortlake.

We were all very pleased to see Tom Kerr at the school this term. He motored over from the Riverina with his wife—his first visit since the war.

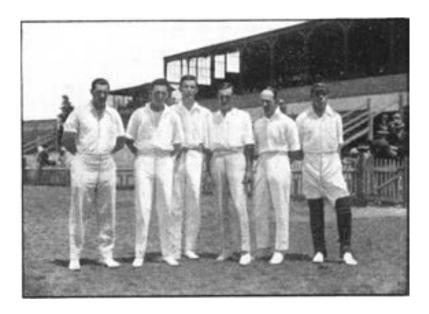
After seven years suspension owing to the War, Polo has started again in the Western District of Victoria, and is now being played with as much zeal,—if not yet with as much skill—as ever. At Camperdown, a few weeks ago, three teams (Tallangatta, Camperdown and Caramut) met to struggle for supremacy. In the Camperdown team, which was



only just defeated by Tallangatta for the honours, were two of our Old Boys, Angus Urquhart, and Keith Calvert—both returned soldiers.

Jaek Hawkes has again been distinguishing himself in the tennis world. He represented Victoria in the interstate match against New South Wales in Sydney, and was the only member in either team who went through the match undefeated, either in singles or in doubles. In the Sydney Championships he reached the highest form he has yet showed on the tennis court. He got into the final round of the singles and mixed doubles, but unfortunately had to withdraw on account of a sprained ankle. He has been chosen as one of the three to represent Australia in the Davis Cup to be held in America shortly, and has thus attained international rank. We offer our hearty congratulations to him, and best wishes for every success.

Our Head Prefect of the latter half of 1919, Cecil Peter, has sailed for England in the "Orvieto," to enter Cambridge University for the purpose of studying science.



OLD COLLEGIANS WHO PLAYED AGAINST THE ENGLISH ELEVEN.

# An Appeal to Old Geelong Collegians to visit the School during its Diamond Jubilee Year, 1921.

Nigh sixty years have passed away Since rose this tower's ivied height; And still it watches o'er the Bay, And still resists the tempest's might...

O ye who in the days gone by Enjoyed the shelter of these walls, Forget not now the sacred tie Which claims you when your old School calls.

O cease awhile your office toil, O lay aside for once your pen, O quit the tilling of the soil— And leave it all to other men.

Throughout the land the trumpet sounds— Old Boys, if ye have faith or truth, Come see the halls, the rooms, the grounds Wherein you spent your days of youth.

Remember that 'twas here you learned The truth and wisdom you possess, That from these portals straight you turned To climb the ladder of success.

Come meet your sons, and sons of those Who fought the same stern fights as ye; Behold each body, how it grows In health and strength and purity.

Though changed perhaps may seem the place, The tone and customs are the same— Descendents of the Scottish race Still carry on its honoured name.

R. K. McA.

### The Ormond Letter.

THIS year has opened very successfully for Ormond.

In the cricket we managed to beat Newman by 3 runs after a keenly contested match, and in the final we defeated Trinity by 8 wickets and



2 runs. The College was represented by Dick Lee who came third in the batting averages; his highest score being 89 against Trinity.

On the river we rowed Newman in the heat, and came in about two lengths ahead. The final resulted in a dead heat with Queens after a magnificent race. Willie Macmillan represented the old school in seat No. 7. This is the second time that a dead heat has been rowed in the Inter-Collegiate contests.

Two Old Collegians are on the Ormond College Students' Club Committee, John Rogers being Chairman, and Jumbo Sharland Hon. Secretary.

In the examinations last December old College boys were well to the fore. Flo Pearson and Bill Leggatt passed their Finals in Law, Bongey Longden topped the Final honours list in Medicine, Alan Waterhouse passed 3rd year Medicine, and John Rogers obtained 1st class Honours. Tod Sloane completed 2nd year Civil Engineering, and Dick Lee and Gus Baird passed in 1st year. This year we have lost Bongey Longden, Flo Pearson, and Bill Leggatt, and we wish them every success in their future careers. Gilmour and Cousen are the only new representatives from the old school.

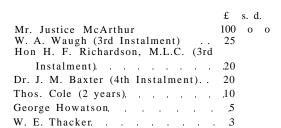
Our colony here is dwindling and is now only 13 strong; we hope to have it considerably strengthened again next year, and that all Old Collegians who come up to the shop will enter Ormond.

Owing to the stone masons' strike the new wing is not yet completed, and conditions are rather crowded, but we hope that it will be ready for occupation by the end of next year.

All join in wishing the old school every success in the Diamond Jubilee year, and especially the crew in the approaching Head of the River race.

### War Memorial Enowment Fund.

THE following donations have been received or promised since our last issue. Several promised instalments are due, and may be sent to the Hon. Secretary's Office.



# "Praesens Olympus."

Nothing gives me deeper pleasure In m)' hours of lonely leisure. Than dreaming of those starry lights Which glorify the sombre nights With their twinkling, sparkling lustre, Shining down from every cluster. But though the stars are thousands strong, The Virgin Huntress comes along, Engulfing in her silver beams The radiance of their myriad gleams. United now, their ghostly pale Cheers the shepherd's homeward trail; Or, perhaps, guides safe to port Some sinking ship which refuge sought From unknown terrors of the deep, Where poor, unshriven souls do sleep; Or interrupts the silent bliss Of lovers in their secret kiss.

Even now my soul's on high Soaring upward to the sky. -Through the starry firmament The subject of so much dissent! Now comes great Zeus into my ken, The father of all gods and men, Who, as a child on Ida's height, W'arred against the Titan's might, And conquering them he gained his meed, For Lord of Heaven he was decreed! Seated on his golden throne, With his sceptre cypress-sewn, And his brow with myrtle bound, He holds his sway the whole world round: -O'er snowy wastes and ice-bound lands, Amid the heat of arid sands, And over every pasture green Where lowing herds and flocks are seen, And o'er the crowded city's life Where men contend in business strife.



Imbued with royal ancestral strain Poseidon rules the boundless main, Driving daily far and near, Bearing high his three-pronged spear; Till at night he sinks to sleep In his Ægean palace deep.

The lordship of the Underworld At brother Pluto's feet is hurled. Into his great realm of gloom Men march to their endless doom; Ent'ring through the poplar groves They reach the Styx where Charon roves, And ferry to the distant shore,—Cerberus guarding as of yore—At last in vales and woods they dwell To dream on beds of asphodel.

Our neighbour Ares, God of War, (Whom Zeus's jealous consort bore), Who fought for Troy against the Greek On fields whose soil with blood did reek, Turns at will the battle's tide, Grants victory to the favoured side; Carving on land and stormy sea Each nation's path of destiny!

Hail, fairest Aphrodite, hail!
Before thy beauty mortals pale,
As when the course of night is run
Stars pale before the rising Sun.
Springing from the white sea-foam
Cyprus was her early home.
Wandering o'er its vales and hills,
Or bathing in its shady rills,
This pearly-skinned Idalian maid
The germs of peerless beauty laid.
To Roman souls she is divine
As foundress of the Latin line.

Wedded to the God of Fire, She was yet all men's desire; But gave her heart to one alone, Slain e'er the seeds of love were sown. A purple flower, grew from his blood To steer her barque o'er sorrow's flood: For tenderly she pluck'd the bloom, The symbol of her lover's doom, Infolding it within her breast Until her soul was laid to rest.

Paris gave her the golden prize As fairest woman in his eyes, (And thus incurred the spite and hate Of lone Œnone, his first mate, Who heeded not his dying call When he came home from Ilion's fall). Beauty is not always good, For e'en as Aphrodite stood Listening to the judge's praise And proud of his enraptured gaze, The flame of jealousy was fanned: Then Hera and Athene planned The ruin of the Trojan race When Grecian arms it had to face.

Lone Saturn in staid livery Has never failed to frighten me, For did he not his sons devour Because he feared their future power?

But let us leave the sombre night And turn into the pure daylight, Which floods the earth from pole to pole Brightening every creature's role. It seems to us but nature's law That the snow and ice should thaw, That trees and flowers should grow Nurtured by the sun's warm glow. We little think that some near day He may forget to go his way, Then pity on this world of ours With its faded trees and flowers, O pity on its sunless meads Where scarce a single creature feeds!

O Helios! within thy hand Thou holdst the beauty of our land, For every living thing will die If once thou cease thy course on high.

R. K. McA.

# An Agricultural Review.

"And I must work thro' months of toil,
And years of cultivation,
Upon my proper patch of soil
To grow my own plantation.
I take the showers as they fall,
I will not vex my bosom:
Enough if at the end of all
A little garden blossom."

The spirit of the open air and the exhilarating breath of nature has found an answering call in the hitherto sluggish souls of a score of our boys.



Our new Agricultural Class has made a fine start under our instructor, Mr. Crichton. Mr. Crichton has opened up an interesting series of lectures on the soil, manures—natural and artificial,—the value of leguminous crops, tillage of the soil, and wheat culture. These lectures are backed up by the invaluable asset of many years' practical experience,— I may here add that qur instructor shows more consistency than any other member of our class in the use of spade and hoe on our single-acre On this plot we are putting the theory of our lectures into practice; we have already "broadcasted" Cape Barley, at the rate of 100 pounds per acre upon one land; this land is divided into five divisions—A, B, C, D, and E, On A we sowed the barley with superphosphate at the rate of ½ cwt. per acre, on B with superphosphate at the rate of 1 cwt. per acre, on C with superphosphate at the rate of ½ cwt. per acre, and on D with superphosphate at the rate of 2 cwt. per acre, while on E there is no manure.' We are now looking anxiously in the true farmer style for rain to give our barley a start. We have 40 beds, 6 feet by 21 feet, prepared for the practical study of wheat growing with artificial manures. A special land has been prepared for a crop of lucerne.

We all know that nothing appeals more strongly to the schoolboy than "something to eat," and so it is not surprising to find that the chief interest of the Agricultural Class is centred on vegetable growing. Crichton has procured for us a liberal supply of the winter root-crop seeds, most popular amongst which are radishes, onions, turnips, carrots, parsnips, beetroot—and, by the way, I heard someone discussing the possibility of a pea-nut farm; but, at present, radishes, lettuces and spring onions will no doubt be most popular, as they can be devoured "straight from the soil" without having to go to the kitchen which is a waste of time. There is great rivalry between the vegetable growers, but we have not yet had time to see any results which would determine the The only inconvenience we are experiencing is the profitable farmer. lack of water, and this is greatly increased by the dry Autumn At present we have to carry water more than 200 yards we are having. to our plot, but we have hopes of a pipe being laid on.

On Saturday, April 30th, we were fortunate in having an exceptionally interesting trip to the Sparrovale Irrigation Farm. We were kindly welcomed by Mr, and Mrs, W, Baird, who insisted upon our sitting down

to a fine spread of morning tea before we set out to inspect the farm. Mr. Crichton showed us round, and we saw the great possibilities that irrigation affords to the energetic man with initiative on the land. hundred acres of the Barwon river flats have been protected from flood waters by a formidable barrier or levee. There are two pumping plants situated on Sparrovale. The first is a 200 horse power plant which pumps water from the river at the rate of 6000 gallons per minute into a central irrigation channel, traversing the flats. Sluice gates enable the channel water to be spread out over various "bays" or flats separated by slight rises built up over the underground drainage pipes. Any particular bay may be filled separately if required, and one sluice gate is able to fill, in most cases, four bays. Sluice gates open on either side of the channel, and the slope df the flats or bays falls slightly from the main channel. A large area of river flats is under a most thorough drainage Underground drain-pipes, at a depth of about 4 feet and running parallel at ½ chains apart, carry the irrigation water into canals leading down to the second pumping plant. This plant pumps the drainage water to a waste swamp farther down the river.

We passed through magnificent fields of newly-cut l\ucerne, and over flats luxuriantly rich in strawberry clover. Several fine herds of Ayrshire cows are maintained at Sparrovale, and every beast w<sup>r</sup>as in great condition. The majority of the pure-bred Ayrshire herd is under the Government test.

We had time only for a hurried inspection of the farm buildings. Two huge cement silos were filled with chaffed green lucerne, with a certain amount of oat-chaff added. Three hundred tons of silage are stored in each silo. Silage is fed to the cattle at milking time; all stock taking to it very readily and doing extremely well on it. The milking sheds, pigsties, and calf-sheds are planned out conveniently, and we were greatly impressed by the perfect cleanliness of the buildings. The processes of cooling the milk over cold pipes before canning, and of testing the milk of every cow for the percentage of butter fat, were very interesting. A glance through the poultry yards disclosed to us the secret of extracting enough eggs from the fowls to win all the egg-laying competitions of the district.



Mrs. Baird kindly gave us tea before our departure, and we were invited to come again at our earliest opportunity to make a more thorough inspection of Sparrovale, and we all heartily thank Mr. and Mrs. Baird for their warm hospitality.

Mr. Crichton has promised us a trip to the Werribee Agricultural Farm later on in the year, when we will see the fine Werribee wheat crops in good growth. With such a splendid start this term there is a bright future before the Geelong College Agricultural Class.

Leguminosa.

### When the Bell Rings.

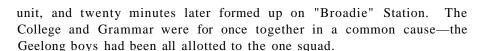
There came to me a tinkling as from a distant fold; My brain was like a riddle with answer left untold. And then there came the music of water falling fast; It might have been a fountain, or a river rushing past.

I tried to recollect, what last my limbs were doing; When to me came the feeling, that Sleep I had been wooing, All seemed then a tumult, and strife of thoughts for life, For lo, my brain was tangled with mazy fancies rife.

At length my mind unravelled, and to my senses came
The sound of someone coming, and calling me by name.
Then nearer, and yet nearer, till in my ears he sung,
"Wake up you fool! Wake up! The breakfast bell has rung."
W. H. S.

### The M.U.R. Camp.

IT was a happy-go-lucky band of Collegians which assembled at the Geelong station on Good Friday morning. We knew where we were going but not how, for we had no tickets and no intention of supplying our own. Finally one of us had the courage to ask a digger if he was looking for us—he was; so we introduced ourselves to Warrant Officer Bryceson who issued us tickets, and told us to meet him at Spencer St. On arrival there our friend advised us to have a good meal before entering the camp. As a result of his advice we felt like wool-bales when we continued our journey to Broadmeadows. At Essendon we joined the



It was a hot, dusty march into camp, and with a cheer of relief we swung up past Head Quarters, and down through the lines of long, low huts which were to be our quarters for the next eight days.

The first stunt in camp was the issue of mess utensils, each recruit being given a tin plate, pannikin, knife, fork and spoon. Mess orderlies were told off, and we were soon sitting beside steaming dixies and buckets of tea. We were all hungry and did ample justice to our first camp meal. That afternoon was a busy one. The Geelong squad were marched off for a clothes issue, while the remainder busied themselves with various fatigue jobs. After rilling our palliasses and preparing our huts, we were only too glad to march towards the tea table.

On our first night we spent a pleasant time in the Y.M.C.A. Hall under the charge of the popular Wesleyan Chaplain,—Colonel Nye. The Hall soon echoed to the sounds of the school songs and war-cries of our six public schools. The signal for lights out was given at 10 o'clock, and wrapping ourselves in our blankets, we were soon fast asleep. Ere long our more or less peaceful slumbers were rudely disturbed by a Sergeant, who possessed a none too smooth voice, stamping noisily through the hut, and yelling lustily,—"Rise and shine !"Rise and shine !" Had that sergeant gone where he was invited to go, or done the things he was asked to do, his health would certainly have been impaired.

At 9 o'clock, after breakfasting and tidying our huts we had our first full parade. Much to our joy our squad was allotted to our friend of the day before, W.O. Bryceson. No. 8 squad, comprising College and Grammar boys, were soon enjoying the drill, but we were doomed to lose two of our number, who having more faith in their cooking than in their drilling capacity, were transferred to the Officers Mess, reappearing in the evenings to tell us of the good time they were having.

Our Squad Commander gave us many hints about the way in which the Australian soldier makes camp-life a pleasure. Consequently on leave-night "Tattoo Roll-call" did not take long.

rapidity.

The remaining days, which we spent in drilling, and when we were not drilling in the Y.M.C.A. Hall and Canteen, passed with amazing

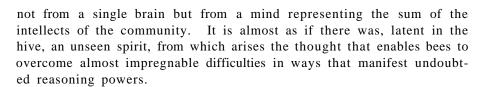
At 6.30 on Thursday night we fell in for the most popular parade in a soldier's life—the pay parade. We were marched in single file through the office where we received new pound notes and a few shillings as a reward for our labours. There was "a sound of revelry" in camp that night. The Canteen was busy, and some smokers even sported cigars. Friday morning was a busy one. Having cleaned the camp ready for the incoming troops by 9 o'clock, we paraded before the Commandant. At 9.20 we marched out of camp without a band; but plenty of music was supplied, for the troops were happy, and sang and whistled with energy. By 11 o'clock we were safely entrained, and landed in the city at noon on Friday, finding ourselves free again with a whole week of military experience behind us. We enjoyed the hard work and inconveniences of camp life, and are proud to be members of one of the crack corps of the Australian Army—the M.U.R.

T.O.C.

### An Insect Republic.

AMONG the ranks of the lower orders of life with which this planet is peopled there is no greater wisdom exhibited than that of the republican insects. It is a well known fact that the insects that live in communities display far greater intelligence than their brothers that live solitary lives.

Perhaps the most sagacious insect community is the female republic of the bees. It is an old belief that a swarm of bees is governed by its queen, but investigation has proved that this is not the case. A swarm of bees is a true republic, governed by the mass of its workers, the queen being a mere servant of the community. She is however treated with great respect, and prized as a gem of untold value, as without her the swarm must cease to exist. If she be removed from the hive the bees become despondent and cease work, due to their realising that their energy must be conserved until a new queen has been reared from a young larva or exp. The impulses that govern a colony of bees appear to arise



The bees' city is one of the wonders of nature. It consists of parallel combs suspended from the roof of the hive, the centres of the combs being perpendicular and about two and a half inches apart. They are constructed of wax, which the bees secrete by gorging themselves with honey and clustering closely together to produce a high temperature. It is said that at least fifteen pounds of honey must be consumed to produce one pound of wax. The cells, of which the combs consist, are built out from a central foundation in a slightly upward direction. are in the form of regular hexagonal prisms terminated by three rhombs. The cells are not back to back, but so arranged that each of the three rhombs of one cell forms a third of the bottom of three neighbouring cells opening on the opposite side of the comb. It has been proved mathematically that these hexagonal cells take up the least space, require the least material, and offer the greatest resistance to any destroying force. The angles of the rhombs are always similar, and have been proved to be those giving the greatest economy of wax.

Now for a few words on the insects that construct these geometrical marvels. The worker bees are nature's masterpieces. They are produced from eggs placed by the queen at the bottom of the cells. From these eggs hatch larvae, which are fed by the bees until they spin cocoons and transform into perfect insects. For a fortnight after their birth the worker bees spend an indoor life acting as nurses to the larvae. Then on a warm day they try their wings for the first time. The occasion is one of joy, and the young bees advance and retreat from the door of their home in a singing cloud. They then return to their home initiated workers.

In their first weeks of labour the workers restrict themselves to the gathering of pollen, with which the larvae are fed. This they collect upon the fine hairs of their bodies from which it is brushed into the baskets of stiff hairs upon their hind legs. After a few days of toil the



bees become unfitted for this duty by the loss of many of their hairs, and are promoted to the heavier task of honey gathering.

It is impossible to speak too highly of the bravery of these industrious insects. With the first warmth of day the sentries are posted at the gate of the bees' city, and although it may mean death to the defenders these guardians never hesitate to fling themselves at the most terrifying enemy that may approach their home.

W.H.S.

## Exchanges.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following since our last issue:—Scotch Collegian, Wesley College Chronicle, The Melburnian, The Corian, Coo-ee, St. Peter's School Magazine, The Mitre, The Armidalian, Prince Alfred College Chronicle, The Sydneian, All Saints' Grammarian, Journal of the Royal Military College, Hawkesbury Agricultural College Journal, The Southportonian, The King's School Magazine.