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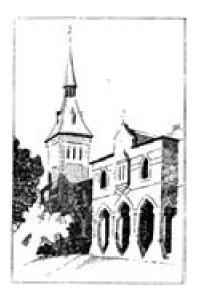
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#### **EDITORIAL.**

In a parable Christ once said that unto whom much has been given, much is expected. And what was said to the people of Israel could well be applied to us at Geelong College.

For we have been fortunate. We have been given opportunities which not many have had. Ours has been an education in the true meaning of the word. As Gill once said, it is not merely the passing of a sufficient number of examinations to get a sufficiently good job, it is the making of a better man. Everyone has a particular flair for something and whether he be an athlete or a musician, a debater or one who is good with his hands, the facilities are here for him to develop his talents tenfold. The going is not always easy, sometimes it is very difficult for a boy to keep at it. Perhaps this is what makes the prize so worthwhile. Part of our education is compulsory, but in a measure it is up to the boy himself to make the most of all that he is being offered. And, as it has been said before, he only gets out of the school what he puts into it.

When he leaves, people rightly expect a lot from him. Wherever a boy who leaves is criticized, it is not because of what he is, but because of what he should have been. One could say that his education is a kind of trust, and like a trust it should not be left to grow stagnant, but should be used properly and extensively both in the service of his fellow men and for further development in the boy himself. It is his duty almost to take an active part in the life of his community. He should apply this extensive education to do credit to himself and the school from which he came.

Let us who are leaving remember to make the most of what we have gained, and may those who are returning make the most of what is still being offered them.

R.G.R., VI.

#### SCHOOL NOTES.

On the first Saturday of Term II, members of the College spent an enjoyable evening dancing at Morongo. The following Saturday The Hermitage held their dance, which was also enjoyed by all present.

The Debating Society's meetings were again held on Sunday evenings. Although not as well attended by more senior members as in previous years, it was gratifying to note the large attendances of younger members of the school, whose influence should be beneficial in future years.

On Saturday evening, July 4th, the Warrinn House boys and prefects held their Annual Dance in the Morrison Hall, which was gaily bedecked with streamers. They entertained parties from Morongo and The Hermitage.

The Annual College Founder's day service was held in St. George's Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, July 12th. Prefects and the Headmaster assisted in reading the lessons and leading the prayers. The College choir, augmented by other sections of the school, sang anthems, including St. Patrick's Prayer. The speaker, Cr. K. G. McIntyre, Mayor of Box Hill and an old boy of the College, delivered an address on the text from Ecclesiastes, that a man should make his soul enjoy good in his labour.

On the week-end of 25th July several senior members of the school attended a "Week-end of Science" held by the Inter-School Christian Fellowship and Crusader Union at Tecoma. The week-end was not devoted to any particular syllabus, but merely showed a few interesting scientific facts. On the Saturday evening of August 8th Senior House boys and prefects held their Annual Dance, this year in the Morrison Hall, which was decorated in a manner appropriate to this Coronation year.

On August 8th the College rifle team fired on the Geelong Range to come second to Geelong Grammar in Geelong and district for both the Clowes Cup and Earl Roberts trophies.

Mackie boys were invited to a dance at Morongo on August 15th.

The Annual Alliance Francaise oral tests for French students were attended by College members on 15th August.

The end-of-term concert was held on August 22nd. Many pianists performed, as well as various other instrumental soloists. The choir, band and orchestra also performed.

Early in Third Term Mr. M. Leereveld joined the staff to take French and German classes.

Alister Fyfe was appointed a House Prefect early in Term II to replace John Waugh, who returned to his father's property in New South Wales.

John Bromell was also appointed a House Prefect early in Term III after Senior House Prefects Peter Hindhaugh and Robert Merriman left school.

The Annual Cadet Camp was held at the Mildura aerodrome. The site was shared by units from Melbourne and Brighton Grammar schools, and the sun shone throughout the week's training.

Calvert House won the school Athletics Sports held on October 10th. Greg. Crawford, a Calvert House member, was the Geelong College Cup winner.

Miss Victoria Anderson and Miss Viola Morris were invited to the College again this year and presented a concert which was quite as enjoyable as that of last year.

The Glee Club presented their performances of "Princess Ida" on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 13th, 14th, 15th October.

The Triangular Sports among Geelong College, Geelong Grammar School and Melbourne High School were held at Geelong Grammar School on October 17th. Members of the Geelong Guild also took part in the events. On Saturday, October 17th the Victorian Championship Guard and Drill Platoon competition finals were held at Melbourne High School. The Guard came third and the Drill Platoon won the Smart shield for the fifth consecutive year with a total of 83 points.

The Public Schools' Combined Sports were held at the St. Kilda Cricket Ground on Saturday, 24th October.

The Day Boys were invited to a College Service held in Morrison Hall, in which their Prefects took part in the conduct of the service.

The following are thanked by the School for assisting in the conduct of our Sunday evening services: Messrs. Tait, McLean, Webb, Nicholson, Rev. Stuckey and Dr. Buntine. Religious films have been successfully used again this year, particularly those that have been shown of the "Fact and Faith" series. Dr. Buntine held a successful evening of community hymn singing.

Point Lonsdale was again the site for the Senior P.F.A. camp for the year. The camp was also attended by members from Morongo. Lectures were conducted by Rev. James Stuckey.

Inter-house rifle shooting competitions were resumed this year after a long lapse. The shoot, held in bad weather on November 7th, was won by Morrison House. A Bren-shoot for senior members of the cadet unit was conducted immediately afterwards.

The Cadet Unit held their final parade on Thursday, November 12th. The 3 Cadet Brigade Commander, Lt.-Col. R. C. Jenkinson, inspected the unit, presented the Smart shield to 3 Platoon Commander, Cdt.-Lt. P. W. Sutherland, and then took the salute in the march past.

The following films were shown over the later portion of the year: "The Chiltern Hundreds", "Morning Departure", "The Lavender Hill Mob", "They Were Expendable", "Soldiers Three". The contract with M.G.M. has expired in which only boarders were permitted to see the films. Future films promise a welcome change in a few English productions.

A Vice-Regal Guard was supplied at the request of the City Council by the College for His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia, Field Marshal Sir William Slim, on the occasion of his first visit to Geelong on Monday, 2nd November. The Guard of sixty personnel was commanded by Cdt.-Lts. Dennis, Macmillan and Sutherland, and was acclaimed by His Excellency to be excellent. On Saturday, 14th November, members of the College spent an enjoyable day at The Hermitage, competing in a tennis tournament held in aid of their building fund.

Australian Cadets will form a Regal Guard for Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her opening Parliament in Canberra next February. Two College cadets, Cpls. C. R. Abery and A. Mel. Fyfe have been selected as members of the contingent from 3 Cadet Brigade.

The school took part in the Queen's Mothers' and Children's Fund in which subscribers add their signature to a book which will be presented to Her Majesty on her arrival in Australia next year. Each person contributed 1/- or more and a total of over £14 was raised in a fortnight.

#### Mr. J. P. MATTHEWS

We heartily congratulate Mr. J. P. Matthews on his winning a Resident Donship at the Toronto University College, and two other fellowships besides. Mr. Matthews is now the Leonard Rueben Wills Research Fellow in English in the University of Toronto and also the Humanities Research Council of Canada Travelling Fellow. He may be contacted through the Department of English, University College, Toronto, where he is lecturing on modern English poetry and carrying on research.

We are looking forward to his return to the College in 1955.

—J.F.H.N., VI.

#### Mr. D. B. THOMSON.

The friends of Mr. Bruce Thomson will be sorry to see him sail for England in the new year. However, as the venture is to further his musical studies we must let him go with all our good wishes for the future. Mr. Thomson, an old boy, has been connected with the school ft.r some years. He returned as a master in the beginning of 1949 and was Assistant House Master at Warrinn for a period. Amongst many of his activities Mr. Thomson will be remembered for his organ-playing for the Annual Founders' Day Services at St. George's, and for his invaluable services in producing the Pegasus since 1949.

#### Mr- V. CRITTENDEN.

Readers will be interested to know that Mr. Victor Crittenden who left the College early in August in order to sail for Canada, is now teaching in a school similar to the College Preparatory at the Crescent School, Dentonia Park, Toronto. Mr. Crittenden who hails from Sydney, where he graduated, reciprocated the warm feelings he found amongst new friends in Geelong.

#### DISPATCH FROM HEARD ISLAND (19th Nov., 1953)

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#### (By radio through Perth)

An interesting cable arrived recently from Mr. John Bechervaise who, with Fred Elliott and Mr. Peter Shaw, made a determined attempt to climb the great central peak of Heard Island.

We spent "eighteen days on the Mountain but were prevented from reaching our objective when it seemed completely attainable, by incessant blizzard, complete lack of visibility, and extremely short rations." Some time before the attempt was made, food supplies had been laid down at several points. Owing to the very severe weather conditions the fourth food dump was buried so deep in snow that it could not be found. The party "reached a point at 5,000 feet overlooking Gotley glacier immediately below the summit slopes, with all apparent difficulties behind. The weather then closed in and for five days we were buried in snow fifteen inches above the ridge pole of the tent. We kept the snow compacted, but built an igloo as a safety precaution. Eventually we dug out the tent, the excavation being seven feet deep, and repitched above the igloo in a severe blizzard. Finally lack of food forced a descent through cloud. Again we were held up by deep crevasses of Abbotsmith, at 4000 feet." Here a serious break through thin ice sent Bechervaise and Shaw hurtling down, "inspecting the depths together." Fortunately Fred Elliott was able to anchor the line connecting the party, and the others were able to scramble out. "We descended at first break in the weather, the second fair day of the whole journey, and were met at Abbotsmith Moraine by others of the Heard Island group. Consider a month's provisions and siege would ensure success. All well but somewhat reduced."

Perhaps another assault will be made when the weather improves. Our good wishes for success will go with them.

#### FOUNDERS' DAY SERVICE

#### 12th July, 1953

Senior boys with the Headmaster (Dr. M. A. Buntine) assisted in reading the lessons and leading the prayers. The College choir, augmented by other sections of the school, led by the Master of Music (Mr. G. Logie Smith) sang special anthems.

The speaker was the Mayor of Box Hill (Cr. K. G. McIntyre), an Old Boy of the school, and native of Geelong. He took as his text a portion of Ecclesiastes, Chapter 2, verse 24: "That a man should make his soul enjoy good in his labor. This also I saw, that it was from the hand of God."

Quoting extensively from Thomas Carlyle's "Past and Present," Cr. McIntyre said that no human institution existed merely because of its early founders. When he looked around the City of Geelong he realized that in four generations about 100,000 men and women had passed through and added their quota to its fabric. Every building and business had left something without which Geelong would not be what it was today.

In the same way everyone who had taught or attended Geelong College was a founder to whom honor was due as much as those who had founded it in the past.

Carlyle, said Cr. McIntyre, had elaborated thfs line of thought into his Doctrine of Work, that the world we knew was essentially manmade.

All praise should be given to those builders and founders who had the insight to begin the College, but also praise must be given to those who continued. All, in Carlyle's words, were founders, creators, and eternal proprietors.

If everything of value was a conglomerate of little men, then it followed that the purpose of the little man was to add his quota to the building of a city or institution.

Carlyle had contended that functions must be deduced from structures, and he deduced from the human make-up that man had been sent into the world to work, to do his bit in the gradual unfolding of the world plan.

Cr. McIntyre said that when Christopher Wren was asked what memorial he would like after his death, he replied: "If you want to see my memorial look about you." Each should work in his own particular sphere, and if there were no memorial service for most of us, the reward was in doing our small part to the best of our ability. The book, "Past and Present," had been based on an ancient historical document telling of a monastery where the monks had sufficient to live on, but did no work. They were unhappy and dissatisfied with life. A new Abbot arrived and organised work and the dissatisfaction passed away.

From this Carlyle had seen that unless a man found work that could hold his attention and enthusiasm, and lead his thoughts and energies in some useful direction, then he was not a man.

Cr. McIntyre went on to say that it might be said that in modern times it was more difficult to live up to that maxim. But Carlyle had in mind factory conditions and repetitive work, which existed in his day. He did not alter his conception, and claimed that even in these conditions a man could feel that what he was doing was of value.

Work, said Cr. McIntyre, was like a channel cut through an unorganised swamp. Immediately there was order and direction, arable land appeared and a clear stream passed through it.

When man found his life's work it was like the draining of an unorganised swamp. Labor, in fact, was life.

With Hue acknowledgement to the Geelong Advertiser of 13th July.

#### OVERHAULING THE BOAT

The members of the Boat Club would like to extend their thanks to Mr. Sargood and his helpers for the work they did overhauling the training boats during the winter. Mr. Sargood spent many hours between the end of first term and the beginning of third term at the sheds. All the training boats were sandpapered, varnished, repaired inside, and had their riggers straightened. Anybody who has worked with Mr. Sargood will realize the extent and the monotony of this work. Arrangements have been made for the "setting back" of the riggers on the "Breeze", so that, in future, the first eight can row with them right from the beginning of the training period. All the Boat Club, especially next year's junior eights and fours, will appreciate the repairs and improvements made to those boats when they row in them next year. Already there are two eights "on the river", and the chances for both of them seem better than usual.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, 1953.

The feature of this school year of which one is most vividly aware is the lessening of tension. Many of the anxieties and uncertainties of the last six or seven years have been removed and shortages of supplies and of personnel have become less acute. The reduced tension and greater stabilisation in economic matters have undoubtedly brought in their train a diminished feeling of insecurity and unsettlement, which has, in its turn, made it possible to give closer attention to more important matters. Nevertheless, it cannot be said that relief from financial worry has yet been achieved. Even here, however, there are signs that the temperature of the patient is at least rising more slowly, if it has not quite steadied.

One is fully conscious of the increased strain placed upon parents' purses with the inevitable rise in school fees, and it is the Council's wish to keep fees at the lowest figure possible compatible with making ends meet. Unfortunately, good education cannot be cheap, and cheap education is rarely good. After some years of struggle, the Headmas-ters' Conference and other similar bodies have successfully persuaded the Government to grant some tax relief to parents who are paying school fees. That relief is not sufficient, but we ought to be thankful that a step has been taken in this direction. It is a triumph, if a small one, that the Government has given some tangible recognition of the important function the independent schools are performing for the whole community.

Schools do not make profits. That is not their purpose. Their purpose is to provide a service to the community as good as it is possible to give at as little cost as may be. It is a constant problem in these days to provide the best possible education in surroundings which themselves have a valuable educative influence and at the same time to give this service with as small a difference between income and expenditure as is commensurate with safety. Sometimes that difference is so small that it becomes quite alarming. To cope adequately with the 600 boys at this school no less than 90 people are in full-time employment. Perhaps it could be noted also that the average cost of provisions alone for the boarding school is over £2,000 per month. Yet this College is conducted on lines as economical as can be devised while retaining full efficiency. Some time ago it became imperative to find some way of meeting the quarterly increases in cost of living, each one of which added enormously to the financial burden to be carried. While expenditure has increased in this way quarter by quarter, the number of boys in the school has not increased for we reached the capacity

figure of 600 three years ago. Since then an average of 100 boarders have had to be refused admission each year.

The numbers have not increased in the last few years because it is the carefully considered policy of the Council that no increase shall take place while both Senior and Preparatory schools occupy the present limited premises. It would be a retrograde step to overcrowd classes. Indeed, it is our aim to keep the size of classes to the lowest possible number. To do other would impair a teaching efficiency and a standard of work which I believe to be quite markedly high. The time therefore is rapidly approaching when we must begin the building of the new preparatory school. Already we are forced to deny to many country boys the opportunity to continue their education beyond the primary stage. Despite the fact that enrolments are being made as many as ten years in advance, difficulty is being experienced in fitting in all who wish to enter the College. The normal intake of new boarders each year, for instance, is between 55 and 60, and at this moment there are some 550 names of future boarders on the waiting lists, as well as those of about 120 day boys. This is surely evidence of the progressive nature of the College and of the confidence placed in it by the community. It is a living thing and as such it must grow. If it is possible to do so steps must be taken in the near future to prevent that growth being retarded.

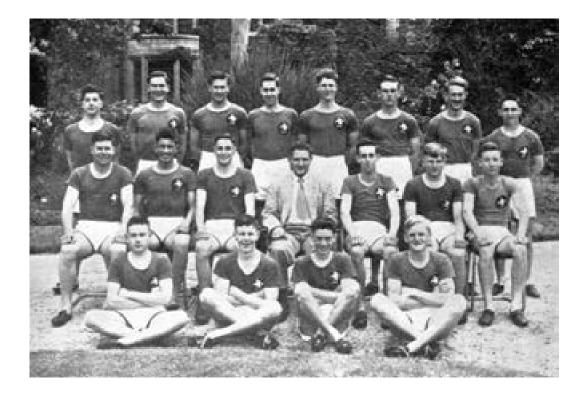
#### School Work

At Speech Day last year it was said that there was good reason to believe that the scholastic standards of past years had been maintained. That was not an unduly optimistic statement for examination results have justified it. If it were not so there would be cause for concern. This does not mean, however, that we can be satisfied with things as they are. There are, of course, weaknesses which must be strengthened. We are fortunate in having a fine staff of men and women who are devoted to their work and to the College. They strive, often with many heartbreaks, to make plainer matters that are obscure, to make rough places smooth, and to instil, if not a love of learning, at least an understand-ing that only self effort will overcome obstacles. Recent years have seen the introduction of plans of education which make small demands upon youthful effort, but no one has found a substitute for hard work. The "surge and thunder" of the voyage through life cannot profitably be forgotten. To do so is to court the disaster of falling behind in a race which is rapidly becoming more keenly contested.

At the Matriculation level, in a class rather smaller than usual, twenty-one boys qualified and twenty-eight honours were gained. J. B. Coombe, last year's Dux of the College, achieved honours in all five of his subjects and won an Ormond College Scholarship. The Howard Hitchcock Scholarship to Queen's College was won by A. Mel. Scott. Satisfactory results were obtained at the Leaving stage, forty-one boys being successful in gaining the Certificate. This year's results should be equally pleasing but that cannot be confirmed until January. There are some firstclass students in the senior classes who should win substantial honours. Our congratulations are extended to G. T. McKinnon, who is Dux of the College for 1953.

At this stage of my report I would again urge parents to give serious consideration to allowing boys a second year at the Matriculation level. It is a very great pity that more

boys do not return for that year of consolidation before proceeding to the higher work of the University, work which is undertaken in circumstances so essentially different from those prevailing at school. Such a year is so very worth while. It provides an opportunity for a boy to develop towards maturity of outlook and bearing, and to exercise powers of leadership which can be given him only as a senior member of his school. If he does not have that opportunity he goes out into the world so much the poorer for lack of the experience. A good average student can reach the standard of work required to pass the examination in one year, although it is a very big step from the Leaving Certificate stage; but he has little chance in general competition for exhibitions and other honours against boys and girls who are competing for the second and sometimes the third time. I do sincerely ask parents to consider this matter carefully.



#### **RELAY TEAM.**

STANDING—G. C. Ennis, R. F. Sutherland, R. Rochester, K. Langlands, R. Ackland, G. Allen, B. Kinder, D. G. Williams.
SEATER—J. S. Bromell, D. McCrow, A. S. Douglas, Mr. G. A. Frank, J. Lang, A. J.

SEATER—J. S. Bromell, D. McCrow, A. S. Douglas, Mr. G. A. Frank, J. Lang, A. J. Heard, R. Ingpen.

FRONT-C. Lumsden, D. Caithness, G. A. Redpath, G. Forrest.

In all my experience I have not yet found one parent who has regretted allowing his son to have that extra year at school.

#### Staff

During the year there have been some staff changes which have entailed re-arrangements and, for a time, some anxiety. First let me say that we were very glad to welcome back Mr. Lester after his trip abroad. Mr. Henderson has been away this year and we shall be glad to see him in his familiar place next February. The Rev. A. C. Eadie, whose ministry at St. George's brought him into close contact with the College, severed his connection when he accepted a call to Perth. We were glad to welcome in his place the Rev. A. D. Hallam, not only to St. George's Church, but to the College. Mr. Hallam has conducted the senior Scripture classes since he joined us in March, and we are grateful to him for his help. Mr. J. P. Matthews won a Scholarship at Toronto University, a resident Donship to University College, Toronto, and a Humanities Travelling Scholarship. His new work had to be taken up in September, so he was compelled to leave us in August. At Toronto he is teaching English literature and pursuing his studies for the Ph.D. degree. His departure left a gap which it was not easy to fill at once. Fortunately, we found Mr. M. Leereveld, who came to the rescue in October. He is a highly qualified teacher of French and German, and we extend to him a warm welcome to the College. Mr. D. B. Thomson will leave us at the end of this term to continue his musical studies overseas and his place will be taken by Mr. M. P>urke, of Tasmania.

An especially warm welcome is extended to Mr. E. C. McLean, who will undertake ordination as chaplain of the College early in the new year. Mr. McLean, who is an Old Collegian, has already given some years of valuable and devoted service to the College as chief assistant to Mr. Campbell in the Preparatory School. At the same time he has acted unofficially as Chaplain. He has organised and graded the teaching of scripture throughout the school, led the College branch of the P.F.A., and in so far as it has been possible, carried out pastoral work. When he joins us officially as chaplain he will devote his energies chiefly to the supervision of the religious life of the College as a whole and his sphere of influence will thereby be considerably broadened.

#### Religious

The spiritual life of the College has again "been vigorous, the work of the P.F.A. proceeding steadily and happily. Membership has remained constant and at the badge dedication service thirty-six boys joined the group. Some meetings were addressed by men of experience from outside the College on topics which must exercise the mind of thinking Christians. At other meetings the members themselves conducted discussion of public

questions on the open forum plan. Two splendid week-end conferences were held at Pt. Lonsdale when consideration was given to some of the problems facing Christian people today. Several members have undertaken Sun-day school work and when elderly people have needed help in getting wood cut or gardens cleared there has been no lack of volunteers. As a result of the appeal made by the Brotherhood of St. Laurence, eight senior boys have promised to give up part of their summer vacation to assist at camps for underprivileged boys. From the whole school have come generous contributions during the year to aid worthy appeals. Donations were made to the Save the Children Fund, Mentally Handicapped Children, The Ministering Child-ren's League, The Society for the Deaf, The Westminster Abbey Appeal and lately to the appeal in the name of the Queen for Mothers and Children. A total of £130 has been distributed during the year. The Sunday evening services held in the Norman Morrison Hall have been conducted through the year by members of the staff and by a number of visitors, to all of whom I am most grateful. The Annual College Service, which has come to be identified with Founders' Day, was held in St. George's Church, and was addressed by Mr. K. G. McIntyre, M.A., LL.B., a distinguished Old Collegian who was Dux of the College in 1926.

#### Sport

If judged by matches won our interschool sports competitions cannot be said to have been very successful. Nevertheless members of all teams worked hard at training and some really good games were enjoyed. There were some close contests. The crews again acquitted themselves very well indeed and were able to provide serious competition to crews from the larger schools. During the Easter vacation the Cricket match against The Scots' College, Sydney, showed that, when the tension of the Public Schools matches is absent, several members of the team display much promise. This less serious type of match has a great deal of value, for younger and less experienced cricketers have an opportunity to show what they can do. The senior Football team and the Athletics team did not do well but there are many promising juniors. Under age football and cricket teams and competitors in athletics more than held their own.

#### Music

The year has been one of steady progress in the school music. Beginning with the House Music Competition in first term and concluding with a concerto recital in third term, the work of the boys in their various groups and as individuals showed no lowering of standards and generally performances were on a high level.

The House Competition again succeeded in bringing a number of boys together in the making of music, many of them not actively

associated with the main musical activities of the school. It is for these boys that the House Competition is especially intended and it is to their credit that they were so successful. Mr. J. A. Steele, the well known Melbourne musician and composer who adjudicated, gave high praise for the standard reached and complimented those who took part not only in the ensemble work but also in the individual sections. The massed singing by all Houses of the set song, conducted by Malcolm John, captain of the winning House (Morrison) was a fine experience and it alone would have justified the existence of the competition. Musical activities such as the Male Choir and the Glee Club cannot fail to benefit from these competitions, and it is certain that the standard of Choral singing, particularly from the older boys, has never been higher than at the present time.

The Glee Club's production of "Princess Ida", one of the most difficult of the Savoy operas to stage and perform, was a real triumph for all who took part. In many ways this year's presentation was possibly the finest achievement of the Glee Club, an important contributing factor being the excellent costuming and the outstanding achievement of Mr. Webb and the House of Guilds in designing and making the spectacular armour and other stage properties.

The Orchestra, with more experienced players than usual among its members, did some splendid work. The Band, on the other hand, had lost many of its key players and was very weak at the beginning of the year. Both these groups offer the advantage of team work, greater enjoyment through the making of music together and, like the Glee Club, Choirs and House Competition, tend to diminish the individual outlook of the solo player. Parents are urged to give thought to the worth and benefit of such team work and to encourage their sons to undertake the study of string and wind instruments. Next year, if Orchestra and Band are to keep up their good standard we shall need many more players.

At the recent examinations conducted by the Australian Music Examinations Board the results obtained were quite outstanding. Eleven honours, fourteen credits and nine passes were gained, including three honours in Grade 7—the highest grade before the Diploma. These results reflect much credit on both boys and staff. The members of the music staff, each an accomplished teacher in his or her own field, have given loyal and devoted service to the College.

Class music has continued with unabated intensity, each boy gaining something of culture from both passive listening to and active participation in music. Whatever their own personal opinions, their lives will be enriched by the experience of hearing and making music to the best of their ability. No person

is incapable of appreciating beauty. The difficulty lies in assessing the degree of beauty. Similarly no person is incapable of appreciation of the beautiful in music. The difficulty is in distinguishing between good and bad music. School music is concerned with bringing boys into active or passive contact with the great masters and their music, and by so doing to give them some standard on which to base their judgment. Opinions are not of much value unless backed by knowledge. Some boys in later life will regret their indifference to the numerous activities of the College and will wish they had made greater use of the opportunities provided for them. Others will be glad and their lives will be the fuller because they have actively participated. They have acquired some knowledge, reaped some enjoyment and found some way of being of service to others.

#### Arts and Crafts

The House of Guilds has flourished and some of the guilds have been particularly busy. Among the smaller boys this has been a year of crystal sets and model aeroplanes. The recently acquired printing press has been in constant use and has earned enough by its own exertions to provide some new equipment. Some pieces of wood turning and leatherwork of a high standard have been completed and the philatelists, under the experienced guidance of Mr. Sargood, have made big strides forward. A lithographic press and its equipment, kindly presented by Mr. Troedel, is now in use. The new potter's wheel and electric kiln have improved the standard and increased the range of pottery made this year. Members of the House themselves enclosed the kiln from the weather and added louvre windows to the Model Engineers' shop. The help given to the Glee Club in its production of "Princess Ida" has already been mentioned. Indeed, it is difficult to see how the performance could have been given without it. Not only were many of the properties and costumes designed and made in the House of Guilds, but also the programmes were printed and published. Entries for the James Fraser Sutherland Memorial Prize were again highly commended and show once more that the boy who sets his mind to it can achieve a high standard of workmanship in the crafts. The winner this year is W. L. Spafford, whose model schooner was described by the judge as a magnificent piece of work. It was made of quite ordinary materials but well constructed and expertly finished throughout. The variety of materials used and the varied processes involved in the making called for skills of many kinds. The judge was also impressed by the leather handsewn shoulder bag made by K. R. Riches. The workman-ship, he said, was flawless in leather which was of a kind not readily manipulated and the sewing was of an extraordinarily high standard. A special award is being made for this

equally fine, if less ambitious example of craftsmanship. Very close to these were the diminutive model of an 18th century man-ofwar by D. M. Caithness, and the beautifully turned woodwork of D. L. Ebbels.

One sometimes wonders why more boys do not take advantage of the wonderful opportunity afforded by the House of Guilds to develop some latent talent which quite often they do not suspect they possess. In this country generally we do not seem to appreciate sufficiently the value of teaching young people to be expert with their hands. Those who are familiar with children know that from an early age they are only too anxious to use tools and to make things for themselves. These natural instincts receive quite inadequate encouragement.

Craft work is not merely a substitute for some branches of academic work which the less gifted intellectually find difficult, but it is an important aid to all-round development and one which is likely to prove most valuable in later life.

#### Cadets

The Cadet Corps has experienced one of its most successful years. After two terms of basic training at home the camp at Mildura was greatly enjoyed and helped to round off the routine training by giving opportunity to apply it in the field. For the fifth year in succession the Platoon Drill Competition was won, and the Guard gained third place in a contest where only three points separated first and third. When His Excellency the Governor-General visited Geelong we had the privilege of mounting the Guard of Honour-a guard which, in His Excellency's own words, did credit to both the College and the City of Geelong. The final parade was held on Thursday, 12th November, when the Platoon Drill Shield was presented by Lt.-Col. Jenkinson, the Staff Officer Senior Cadets. When Her Majesty the Queen visits Canberra in February next two cadets from the Corps will go to represent the College in Her Majesty's guard at the opening of Parliament. It will be a very great honour for the boys chosen and I congratulate them on their selection. The College will be worthily represented by C. R. Abery and A. Mel. Fvfe, both senior t>oys who have already given something to their College, and who will have an opportunity to give something more.

#### **Old Collegians**

The announcement that the Rev. F. W. Rolland had been admitted to the Order of the British Empire "for service in the field of Australian education" was received with great satisfaction by us all. No honour has been more richly deserved. Perhaps in strict truth Mr. Rolland's name should not be included among those of old collegians; yet he is so much Geelong College and the College is so much F. W. Rolland that his name must be joined with those of others who have spent the best years of their life within its precincts. We congratulate also Lindsay Hassett, who was awarded the M.B.E. in recognition of his fine leadership and example in the world of cricket; Professor Sir MacFarlane Burnet, who was awarded the Charles Mickk Fellowship for 1953. This is given annually by the University of Toronto "to that member of the medical profession who is considered to have done most during the preceding ten years to advance sound knowledge of a practical kind in medical art and science. Dr. R. K Doig, already in New York as a Commonwealth Fund Fellow, has been granted a Nuffield Travelling Fellowship, and Dr. E. L. French, recently returned from a visiting lectureship to America in Education, has been appointed to the Education Staff of the Melbourne University.

During the year we have, with great regret, received news of the death of several Old Collegians:

A. W. Cavanagh	F. A. McFarland
F. Chisholm	G. Melville
J. M. B. Connor	D. S. Nasmith
I. R. D'Helin	N. Padgett
J. O. D'Helin	F. C. Purnell
J. T. Dixon	W. H. Reid
H. D. McFarland	G. E. M. Scott

I should like to pay a special tribute to the memory of Col. F. C. Purnell and Mr. J. O. D'Helin. Colonel Purnell, a distinguished soldier of the first world war, was always a loyal Old Collegian. He was the designer of the College coat of arms and the architect for many of the College buildings, the latest of which was the assembly room at the Preparatory School erected only four years ago. Mr. D'Helin was closely associated with the College for more than fifty years. As a schoolboy he was an outstanding athlete and after leaving school became one of the leaders of the Old Collegians Association. He was an intimate friend of Norman Morrison and in the years immediately following the latter's untimely death, Jim D'Helin set to work with Dr. Norman McArthur and Mr. Neil Campbell to restore confidence in the future of the College. Largely by his leadership and determination the Jubilee celebrations in 1911 were carried through successfully and the money found for the erection of the Norman Morrison Hall. He was a devoted Old Collegian and a splendid citizen who was greatly loved by all who knew him.

#### Appreciation

The sincere thanks of the College are due to many who have this year provided generous gifts. The Old Collegians Association have had erected the fine wrought iron gates at the corner of the grounds in memory of Teddy Rankin and the brick score box in memory of J. H. MacRoberts, vice-Principal of the College until his retirement in 1938. These were dedicated and handed over to the College at a ceremony on Sports Day. Early in the year the Old Collegians also gave to the Boat Club a new racing eight of the latest type. It was named by Mrs. A. A. Gray and was used in the Head of the River race. The printers' guild equipment has been advanced a stage further by the generous gift of a lithographic press from Mr. A. T. Troedel, and the Library received a welcome addition in the gift of Mr. J. MacRae of two original volumes of Holinshed's Chronicles. I acknowledge with thanks also the gift of Mrs. H. R. Hooper of a sum of money, the interest from which will establish in perpetuity a prize in memory of her husband. The Harry Hooper Memorial prize will be awarded in Agricultural Science, a subject which will be added to the Leaving Certificate curriculum next year.

In conclusion I should like to express my sincere thanks to all those who have helped to make this year a successful and enjoyable one. So many contribute to the life and spirit of a good school that it is difficult to make more than a brief and therefore inadequate reference to them. I must again record my debt to the staff as a whole whether teaching staff, office staff, domestic, nursing or ground staff. Their loyalty is unfailing- and their willingness to undertake whatever task is neces-sary is habitual. To the prefects and senior boys who have, under the leadership of Malcolm John, played a real part in setting the standards of the school and carrying out many important duties I express my thanks for their good work. Many parents have given unstinted help from time to time, especially with the Glee Club production. To them all I extend the grateful thanks of the College. Finally, I want to convey to the Chairman, the Acting Chairman, and members of the Council, my sincere thanks for their sympathetic and helpful co-operation in the administration of the affairs of the College for another year. Most of the members of the Council are themselves Old Collegians and do not hesitate to give voluntarily much time and energy in the interests of their old school.

#### SCHOOL PRIZE LIST, 1953 First Division.

Form IC: Dux, M. J. Charles; 2, G. R. King; then folllow, P. C. Bowen, J. M. Butler, D. W. Sloane, D. C. Weidemann. Form IB: Dux, R. G. McKenzie; 2, A. A. Illingworth; 3, D. J. R. Hutchens; 4, D. A. Coutts; then follow, B. N. J. Wood, R. W. Bodey, N. L- Thorn, D. L. Cameron, C. B. Lindquist. Form IA: Dux, I. R. Wills; 2, R. A. Weaver; 3, A. Yule; 4, J. M. Adler; 5, M. S. Keating; 6, A. R. Webb; then follow, A. G. S. Kidd, A. G. Boyd, W. E. Lester, B. K. Hewish. Form IIB: Dux, N. J. Richmond; 2, J. B. Russell; 3, B. G. Cougle; 4, W. L. Spafford; then follow, B. L. Burch, D. L. Alexander, P. D. Ward, F. D. McClure. Form HA: Dux, F. N. McDonald; 2, W. D. Dearnaley; 3, J. L. Walter; 4, P. J. Bunyan; then follow, A. G. Sanderson.: B. S. Kinder, A. P. Metcalfe, M. G. Thorns, R. J. Neeley, D. N. Reggie. Form Remove: Dux, D. R. Seller; 2, G. J. S. Scott; 3, M. D. Read; 4, R. B. Howden; then follow, J. E. Kriegel, L. G. Bengtstrom, I. L. Burn, W. H. Cunningham. Form 111: Dux, D. Tarr; 2, j. McDonald; then follow, P. N. Hirst, P. H. Troy, D. McGowan.

#### Second Division.

Form IVB: Dux, J- R. Troeth; 2, S. A. Madden; then follow, R. F. Salter, B. W. Watson, W. O. Heath, R. A. G Colvin, K. Riches. Form IVA (The Douglas Higgins' Memorial Prize): Dux, D. N. Sutherland; 2, A. G. Buchter; 3, E. j. Payne; 4, D. L. Cameron; 5, L. G-Wright; 6, R. D. Leigh; then follow, I. D. Blair, R. J. Naughton, B. M. Rigg, R. D. Crawford. Form VE (The Mrs. T. S Hawkes Memorial Prize): Dux, F. W. Russell; 2, D. M. Gibb, 3, I. T. Harrison; 4, aeq- M. D. Colvin, R. D. Money, G L. Barber, J. S. Bromell. Form VM: (The Harry Purnell Memorial Prize): Dux, G. B. Deacon; 2, W- B. Robinson; 3, B. L. Head; 4, W. S. McGregor. Form VI: Form Prizes: P. W. Sutherland; N. D. Sherson; D. F. Lang; P. W. Brotchie. A. T. Andrews Memorial Prize for Mathematics and Science: G. T. Mc-Kinnon.

#### Third Division.

Alex. Coto Memorial Prizes: F. S. McArthur, J. O. Saxton. Scripture Prizes: The Robert Gillespie Prizes: Junior, G. C. McGregor; Sen-ior, P. W. Sutherland. James Fraser Suther-land Memorial Prize: W. L. Spafford. Special House of Guilds Award: K. Riches-Music Prize: F. U. Pam. Inter-House Music Competition: The G. Logie Smith Shield, Morrison House; Captain of Music, M. S. John. Debating Society: The Stanley B. Calvert Memorial Prize, F. U. Pam. Alliance Francaise Prizes: Matriculation Standard: B. H. Stott, Special Prize for best French student. Leaving Standard: M. D. Colvin, 2nd Prize (aeq-) Recitation; A. S. MacInnes, 2nd Prize (aeq.) Recitation. Intermediate Standard: L. G. Wright, 1st Prize Dictation; D. N- Sutherland, 1st Prize (aeq.) Recitation. Sub-Intermediate Standard: D. R. Seller, 1st Prize Recitation. Fen and Roy Pillow Bursary: R. D. Money. Dr. Gus Kear-ney Memorial Prize: B. J. Solomon. The Headmaster's Prize: M- S. John. Dux of the College (Presented by the President of the Old Collegians' Association, A. A. Gray, Esq.): G-T. McKinnon.

#### SPORTS PRIZE LIST, 1953. First Division,

D. A. Hinchcliffe: 2nd Under 14 Swimming Championship. L. M. Bell: 2nd Under 14 Athletic Championship. 1. M. McIntyre 1st Under 14 Swimming Championship. C. T. Dudley: 1st Under 14 Athletic Championship. G. L. Bent: 2nd Under 15 Swimming Championship. D. M. Caithness: 2nd Under 15 Athletic Championship. G. R. Forrest: 2nd Under 15 Tennis Championship. A. J. Roberts: 1st Under 15 Swimming Championship. W. J- Ballantyne: (Continued Page 12)

#### THE P.F.A.

During 1953 the P.F.A. has, through its activities, achieved to a large extent its object in the school. Our programmes have covered quite a wide range of subjects, and we think that they have been appreciated by all. We would like to repeat what has been mentioned in previous years, that one of the objects of our P.F.A. is to train boys to take an active part in the P.F A.'s in their home towns, and that it has failed in this object if the P.F.A. life of its members ceases with their school davs.

#### P.F.A. Activities for Terms II and III.

We would like to thank the speakers who came and addressed us at our meetings, and we hope to see them again on future occasions. Some of the items were: "A Policeman's Lot Is a Happy One", by Sergeant Bent; Hymns we sing; an address on the book of Jonah by Mr. McLean; a most interesting talk and film strip on "Dr. Edward Wilson of the Antarctic" by Mr. Williams; the Rev. Norman Kemp spoke to us on "The Methodist Mission to the Nation"; Rev. Mr. Blackwood answered a "Quesion Box"; a Bible Quiz; the Badge Dedication Service; and an excellent chat on his experiences in the Salvation Army in China by Major Schmidtke.

For the first time at our usual third term conference at Pt. Lonsdale we had associated with us as fellow students twenty girls from the Morongo P.F.A. We have been especially interested in our sister P.F.A. since its formation not long ago, and were very pleased

1st Under 15 Tennis Championship ("The Mrs. T. S. Hawkes Memorial"). G. R. Baker: Mrs. 1. S. Hawkes Memorial ). G. R. Baker: 1st Under 15 Athletic Championship ("The Athol J. Wilson Cup"). C. A. Rowe: Gymnas-tic Prize- B. G. Robinson: Boxing Prize. J. F. Flett: 2nd Under 16 Swimming Champion-ship. W. W. Iyawler: 2nd Under 16 Athletic Championship. I- A. Skelton: 1st Under 16 Swimming Championship. I. A. Watson: 1st Under 16 Athletic Championship ("The G. W. C. Ewan Cup").

#### Second! Division.

G. A. Stevens: 2nd Open Swimming Cham-G. A. Stevens: 2nd Open Swimming Cham-pionship. A. S. Douglas: Senior Boxing Prize. R. D. Money: 2nd Open Singles Tennis Cham-pionship. M. S. John: "The Nigel Boyes Tro-phy" B. J. Solomon: 2nd Open Doubles Ten-nis Championship; 1st Open Swimming Cham-pionship. D. G. Williams: 2nd Open Doubles Tennis Championship; 1st Open Singles Tennis Championship. T. J. Rooke: 1st Open Tennis when they were able to join us at our conference. As a week-end of discussion and also as a week-end of recreation, the success of the camp was greatly increased by their presence. We wish to thank Miss Shaw and Miss Ohlson very much for their co-operation. Our guest and speaker for the week-end was the Rev. James Stuckey, the Foreign Mission Secretary of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria. We found his addresses very interesting, and thank him for coming down.

The Treasurer made his report at the last meeting. The collections were very good. First term, £6/8/11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Second term, £5/14/3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Third term,  $\pounds 3/5/4$ . The total for the year, including contributions and money from odd jobs, amounted to  $\pounds 23/14/3$ . This was a record.

We thank Mr. Webb and Mr. McLean for the work they did for the P.F.A., and those leaving wish next year's committee and P.F.A. members all the best for an even more successful year during 1954.

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### **DEBATING NOTES.**

Mr. Henderson, the driving force behind the society for so many years, once said that at some time in a man's life he will have to get up in front of his fellow men and say something which he feels is important. То be able to speak well in public is no easy thing. It requires a great deal of self-confidence, and this is the main idea behind the Debating Society; to give a boy practice in public speaking and so give him confidence in himself.

Doubles Championship. P. H. Falconer: 1st Open Tennis Doubles Championship. R. F. Merriman: "The W. H. Hill Memorial Cricket Trophy." B. J. Solomon: Bowling Trophy (14 wickets in a match—School Record). A. W. McDonald: 2nd Open Athletic Championship ("The Norman Morrison Cup"). G. J. Crawford: 1st Open Athletic Championship ("The Geelong College Cup").

#### Third Division.

G. I., Keith: Old Collegian's Cup. I. A. Wat-son: Record Cup, Hurdles Under 16, 13.8 secs. Inter-House Athletics: "The Nigel Boyes Memorial Cup," won by Calvert House; House Captain, J. M. Buntine. Inter-House Rowing: "The Henry Young Memorial Cup," won by Shannon House; Stroke, P. W. Vibert. Aggre-gate Points: Inter-House Competition: "The S. B. Hamilton-Calvert Cup." won by Calvert S. B. Hamilton-Calvert Cup," won by Calvert House, Capt. J. M. Buntine; Morrison House, Gapt. T. S. Dennis.

This year, the Debating Society had a series of interesting and well attended meetings, owing a great deal to the interest shown by the Senior Prefect and the new senior boys in the school. Towards the end of the term Mr. Bickford came along and took the chair. Before, M. S. John, M. V. George and the secretary, R. G. Robinson, had acted as chairmen. A feature of all the meetings was the high standard of the floor speaking. Perhaps the most successful evening was an impromptu evening. At the end of the term a team representing the present boys defeated a team of old boys on the subject, "That Poetry is the Useless Product of Useless People." The affirmative consisted of the present boys, R. G. Robinson, F. U. Pam and J. F. New, while the old boys were represented by A. Mel. Scott, J. Howden and B. J. Henderson, who were three of the finest speakers in the society last year. R.C.R., VI.

#### MACKIE DEBATING SOCIETY

This Society held its weekly meetings before church on the Sunday evenings of second term. It was revived in Mackie House during the winter of 1952, and this year has kept on with its aim to improve the speaking and confidence of the younger boys. With two capable secretaries, I. Wills and J. Bickart, and with each of the four prefects acting as chairmen at consecutive meetings, I think that for most of the boys the original aim was achieved.

I hope that this Debating Society will grow and that those younger boys who are interested in voicing their own opinions on various matters will make the most of their opportunity.

#### 20 DONT'S FOR DEBATERS

These are the rules which I consider most necessary for a good debater. I have set them down in the hope that they might help some of our future debaters.

- Don't rely on the belief that you are a born debater. Hard work is the only medium for success.
- Don't fail to study with great care the other side of the proposition you propose to present.
- 3. Don't expect to say anything worth listening to if your only preparation is to scribble a few notes on the back of an envelope during the time the Chairman is introducing you.

- 4. Don't shout, don't wave your arms about like a windmill, and don't upset anything on the table.
- 5. Don't ever get a "cheap" laugh. Don't call an interrupter an ignoramus or a fool. Neither of these is precisely the soft answer that turneth away wrath.
- 6. Don't scratch your head or rub your nose more than you can help.
- 7. Don't quote poetry unless you know it by heart, and then quote very little of it.
- 8. Don't go on after you have finished. Sit right down. Many a first-class speech is spoiled because of the inability of the speaker to sit down.
- 9. Don't talk too fast. Your audience is probably where you were when you began to read the subject up.
- 10. Don't lean against the table with your legs crossed.
- 11. Don't attempt to outshout a noisy meeting. At the first lull in the storm get in a quick, quiet, arresting sentence, and follow it up quietly and rapidly every time you see an opening.
- 12. Don't get fidgety if the Secretary leans over and whispers to the Chairman. And don't show annoyance if any members of the audience get up and go out.
- 13. Don't, if a time-table has been arranged, allocating a certain amount of time to your speech, under any circumstances exceed your limit. It is most unfair to the others.
- 14. Don't, when your speech has already run into considerable length, mistake a gentle but well-sustained tapping on the floor as necessarily a mark of approval. It is more likely to denote impatience.
- 15. Don't assume that a silent, attentive audience is unsympathetic. It may be paying you the highest tribute when it refrains from breaking in upon your remarks with applause.
- 16. Don't let your enthusiasm for a cause lead you to believe that the advocates of the other side must necessarily be evil disposed persons.
- 17. Don't forget that a person may vehemently oppose your view and still remain a Christian.
- 18. Don't forget that you are not the Chairman. It is he, and not you, who is responsible for the conduct of the meeting. Defer to him in everything.
- 19. Don't be personal in any circumstances.
- Don't lose your temper. Whatever happens, keep smiling. F. Pam Form VI.



Malcolm Lyon and Peter Dennett near Mombasa.





Native fishing traps and dugouts.



At Stanleyville.



Trading with the Pygmies.

Sunset on the Congo.

#### ACROSS THE SAHARA ON THE WAY TO AUSTRALIA

When Malcolm Lyon decided to return to Australia after a trip to Britain he wanted, on his way home, to visit his father, a judge of the Supreme Court in the Seychelles Islands. Ships do not call frequently at the Islands. At any rate, it is an awkward spot to reach by way of the ordinary passenger route between Britain and Australia. So to overcome the delay which would be caused in waiting for ships, Malcolm decided to abandon the conventional means of travel and *go* overland to Mombasa on the East African coast.

His mother and a couple of friends accompanied him, travelling across the Sahara in a box shaped but capacious London taxi purchased for the occasion. Apart from a certain amount of shock absorber trouble and an exhaust pipe that would not "stay put," the car performed splendidly and covered the seven thousand eight hundred and fifteen miles in thirty-eight travelling days, which were marred by only three flat tyres.

A cold, foggy departure from December London, a blustery Channel crossing, three days on wet slippery French roads, a day and night across the sunny Mediterranean, and on Christmas day the taxi, well loaded with cooking and camping gear, petrol cans and spare parts, climbed the steep, crowded streets of Algiers, on the first leg of the most difficult part of the journey—the 2000 mile Sahara crossing to Kano in Northern Nigeria.

Actually the crossing was rather easier than was anticipated. In the past few years considerable work has been done on the two main trans-Sahara routes, with the result that the "Hoggar" route, which was chosen, is better than the average Australian bush track. "We had all imagined the Sahara as mile upon mile of rolling sand-dunes, but found to our delight that each day we were confronted by a complete change of scenery, ranging from the endless grey, desolation of the Tadmait Plateau to the narrow, tree-lined Arak gorges or the scattered towering peaks of the Hoggar mountain ranges."

"The oases, dotted along the track at 200 mile intervals also belied our Hollywood-influenced conceptions. Instead of the little pools of water surrounded by a few palm trees we found small walled towns, each characterised by its own particular style of Arabic architecture. "With three drivers we were not overworked, but at the end of two hours in the desert we were always ready to change. The 500 mile stretch south of the Tamanrasset, where the sand really begins, proved the most difficult section of the trip. The track, marked only at half mile intervals by white topped posts or petrol drums and made up of sandy river beds or flat, sandy plains, called for careful determined driving.

"Speed was essential to prevent breaking the hard crust of the sand, but extreme care was necessary to avoid other wheel marks and the patches of treacherous "fetch-fetch" (loose sand indistinguishable in colour or texture from the good, firm sand). Once the error had been made, unless lightning gear changing was used, bogging down in the "fetch-fetch" was almost unavoidable, and in two days we had to dig the car out 16 times.

"Petrol prices in the desert jumped to 11/a gallon, and the average price for the whole trip was 5/3. We shall not forget the courtesy and efficiency of the Genie Saharien, the French military company who supervise the desert tracks. On several occasions they towed us out of sand drifts with their big army lorries, and once across a river bed flooded by a sudden thunderstorm.

"Among our happier memories are the sporting blue eyed major who left the track at frequent intervals to shoot gazelle and then arrived at our evening camp fire with a glorious roast haunch, or the four radio boys stationed at Arak—two hundred miles from the nearest oasis—who suddenly appeared out of the darkness, asked timidly if they could share our New Year's Eve celebration (it was a billy full of rice and onion stew) and, on our ready acceptance produced bottles of armagnac, pastis, and grand cru champagne. The entente cordiale was never stronger than that moonlight night beside a lonely mid-Sahara camp fire.

"The trip, however, was not without its moments of excitement. One night in French West Africa we were stretched out under the stars in our sleeping bags. Mrs. Lyon suddenly awoke to hear the grunting cough of an animal near at hand. Having spent five years previously in Africa she recognised it immediately as a lion. We all beat a hasty and ignominious retreat to the car, where we spent a cramped, uncomfortable night waiting for the dawn to break.

#### THE EXPLORATION SOCIETY— MALLEE TRIP

The Exploration Society's journey for 1953 consisted of a ten-day geographical excursion through the Mallee in Lena and Bertha. The two trucks, arriving at Mildura cadet camp on



## Remains of Aboriginal Burial Ground near Wentworth.

"The most alarming experience was at Mzitna Springs in Tsava Royal Game Reserve, Kenya. We had gone out at dawn to photograph game, and I was trying to get a close up of a hippo. The springs were surrounded by heavily leaved palm trees and reeds, and it was difficult to get a clear view across the water; with my hearing aid in one hand and my camera in the other, I was just about to jump on to what looked like a firm piece of ground about a yard from the bank, when suddenly two yards from my right hand a crocodile slid into the water. The photo hunt was quickly abandoned for higher ground.

"During the rest of our trip, which took us through Nigeria, French Equatorial Africa, the Belgian Congo and the British East Africa, we had the good luck to see a great variety of game, including ostrich, wild boar, many kinds of buck, buffalo, lion, giraffe, baboon, zebra and elephant.

"For a student of people our trip was one of boundless interest. Although constantly on the move, we glimpsed the wide variety of Tuesday, September 1st, picked up the majority of the party who were now to be in the charge of Mr. Wardle, Mr. Heggie, senior, and Mr. Heggie, junior.

Mr. Douglas, Tony's father, acting as guide for the day, showed the party an ancient aboriginal burial ground before leading us to lock No. 9 on the Murray River. Time had removed all the flesh, and wind the grave covering, until today the burial ground consists of a mass of brittle skeletons and bones. The lock diverts water for the Lake Culluleraine domestic water supply system.

We camped beside the lake that night, and if the lake itself was not wet enough it rained solidly for several hours, initiating several of the party to the novelty of being washed out.

Wednesday's journey commenced with our driving south and then west through the Werrimul wheat area to the farm of George Curtis, an old Collegian. He told us many interesting facts concerning the Mallee, particularly on soil erosion and drift. From here we continued west through a section of one of the Kidman company stations into South Australia. This station runs sheep and emus.

After a day spent in travelling through and inspecting one of the more arid areas of the

tribes and races that compose Africa's millions. I was struck by the stocky Arab shepherds who wandered into the seemingly barren desert with their herds of sheep and goats. Further south we met the Touregs, who up to a few years ago were the ruling desert tribe.

"Perhaps the most interesting people, if we except pagans of Northern Nigeria, who bury their dead in earthenware pots reminiscent of Ali Baba and his forty thieves, were the pygmies of the Belgian Congo. A timid race, who live deep in the jungle, they are the possessors of two invaluable qualities: a splendid physique and an unquenchable joie de vivre. It is interesting to compare these primitive, contented people with the semi-educated nations of the European-settled areas."

All members of the party agree that the trip was one of exceptional interest from every point of view, and suggest to all those who become easily bored by the superficiality of shipboard life to make their journey to or from Europe via the Dark Continent. Mallee, the party camped just inside South Australia in the Pinnaroo-Ouyen wheat belt. This second belt of wheat country provided some very picturesque scenery. An unusual, almost fairy-tale effect was created at times by the wheat silos towering above the greentinged sandhills, and thus dominating the landscape.

On Saturday we explored the Pink Lakes, several salt lakes north of the Ouyen road. We found the lakes to be really pink in colour and salt in form. The I.C.I. Company mines the lakes in summer when they are dry. Some of the party were fortunate enough to be taken on an unforgettable drive in two of the company's trucks. These trucks, instead of driving around trees and scrub, went straight through them.

To add to this company's bulging collection of scientific records is one expounded and tested by Tony Douglas, who, in a dramatic race across the lake, discovered encrusted salt to be harder and sharper than bare feet enjoy.



Straight through Virgin Scrub.

Sunday morning a shower-bath restored us to civilised white men again before we drove on to Walpeup Research Farm. At the farm, the various experimental plots were explained, emphasis being stressed on "Insignia," the strain of wheat developed at the farm.

Tuesday was spent exploring the Hattah lakes. This chain of billabongs north of Ouyen merges into the Murray River. These lakes are in a wild life sanctuary, and the great variety and number of birds here en-



Salt Stack at Pink Lakes.

abled several members to add considerably to their collections of bird photographs.

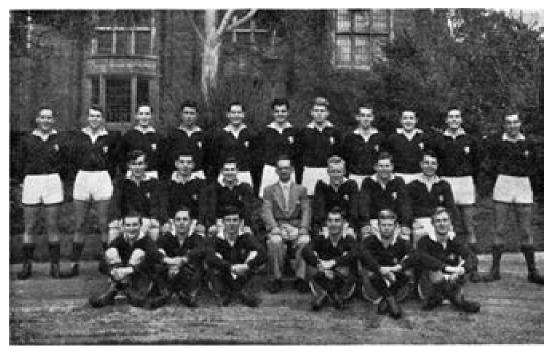
The two last days of the .trip passed in our journey down the Calder Highway to Bendigo, and then to Geelong via Daylesford.

To quote the words of our leader, Mr. Wardle, before the trip: "On this excursion we will not discover anything new, but we will learn much of the Mallee, of the joy of camping. In doing this we can take our time and in a leisurely manner enjoy ourselves as we learn." We did! B.I.



Bogged on a Sand-dune.

#### PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FOOTBALL



1st XVIII.

BACK ROW-J. O. Saxton, R. F. Salter, A. S. Douglas, D. A. McCrow, R. F. Sutherland, S. G. Warnock, R. A. G. Vines, J. F. Lang, W. T. Cook, L. M. Woodward, N. M. McDonald. MIDDLE ROW-D. F. Lang, B. J. Solomon, R. F. Merriman (Capt.), J. R. Hunter. Esq., P. J. Hindhaugh, (V. Capt.), J S. Bromell, I. W. Macmillan.

FRONT ROW-C. R. Abery, E. R. Logan, A. Mel. Fyfe, T. S. Dennis, J. H. Metcalfe. M. S. John.

#### THE FOOTBALL REPORT. 1953

As distinct from the last two seasons, we enjoyed suitable weather for training and matches throughout the whole season, and it was noticeable that more interest was taken in training, especially in the open section.

Congratulations to Scotch College 1st XVIII on being premiers for 1953. 1 am again very grateful and appreciative of the work done by coaches, whether masters or Old Boys. The old Boys who have assisted throughout the season are Mr. G. Neilson (coach of Senior 2nd XVIII); Rev. D. Hallam and Mr. G. Burch (assisted with coaching Under 16's); Mr. J. G. He«<sup>r</sup>gie (coach, Under 14 B).

The Under Age football, especially Under 16's and Under 15's, has kept up a consistently high standard. The four teams from these two divisions fill the first four places in the final results of the V. H. Profitt Cup, the results of which are entered later in this section. Congratulations to J. Vautier, who captained the Under 16 B's to the top of the ladder. It is a most encouraging sign that Under Age football is so successful. I hope that such teams continue in this vein throughout their

courses to the Open Section. In social matches against St. Joseph's Col-lege, Ballarat College and Ormond College, early in the season, the 1st XVIII, then in the making, played surprisingly well, and it was felt that an interesting season was ahead of us. There was a superabundance of good small players and back players. So we were able to spare some agile players, good marks, for the torward zone. The big players formed our orthe doubtful sociation to the torward zone. our only doubtful section; also there was a good cross-section of experience. However, our fortunes fluctuated, sometimes going very close to wins, sometimes being badly beaten. Changes and reshufflings Here made, and after the series of but eight matches we felt we were getting somewhere. But, of course, it was too late. It is to be understood that College makes an unavoidable belated entry into the P.S. series, owing to the overlapping of end-of-term interests and the break of the May vacation. It is not until the fourth match that we are able to field our team at full strength. Such a state of affairs is a great drawback.

The keenness and never-failing spirit among the players was due in no small part to their able captain, R. Merriman, and vice-captain, P. Hindhaugh. The players are to be commended on their correct attitude to training, and their full-blooded attempts to carry out on the field plans set out elsewhere.

Many thanks to members of the Football Committee. They gave valuable assistance to me throughout the year. Also I am greatly in debt to all officials. The Committee fully realises that matches cannot be played only with 36 players. Two boys have special men-tion. On behalf of the Football Committee I wish to thank P. Sutherland and R. Peel for their valuable service in the capacity of official goal umpire and boundary umpire respectively extending over two seasons, 1952-3.

#### NOTES ON THE PLAYERS

- HINDHAUGH, P.-Full back-outstanding service-gained Honours award-vice-capt.
- METCALFE, J. H.-An accomplished pocket back-gained Honours award.
- McCROW, D—Second ruck—rested pocket back-promising.
- SUTHERLAND, R.—Centre half-back consistent hard worker-no opponent was happy with him—gained Honours award—a mem-ber of P.S. Combined Team.
- SOLOMON, B- Played at centre early, but sounder at half-back flank later-quite at home on the field-gained Honours award 1952-member of Combined P.S. Team.
- DENNIS, T.-Much improved on last year in every department—fearless—half-back flank.
- FYFE, A. Mel. Wingster improved throughout the season-a neat mark and kick.
- DOUGLAS, A.—Wingster—a good trierlacked sufficient finesse to command his position.
- LANG, J.-Centre half-forward-an excellent mark-agile-perhaps a little light-but game.
- McDONALD, N. M. Half-forward flank beautiful kick-nice mover-played well at centre in last two matches.
- COOK, W.-Half-forward flank-a good mark -kicking is in doubt-tried at centre with some success-happier when working with
- the rucks—could be a good player. LANG, D.—Full forward—made sensible leads -a sound mark on chest-kicked 16 goals in 7 matches.
- JOHN, M.-Second rover-resting pocket forward-played better than last year-but too often did not make the most of opportunities -a lively player.
- VINES, R.—Second ruck—resting pocket forward—a great improvement this .season good mark and kick-kicked 15 goals.
- MACMILLAN, I.-First ruck-improved as season progressed-stood up to hard work.
- SAXTON, O.—First ruck—an inspiration be-cause of his never-say-die tactics—fearless.
- R.—Captain—first rover—an MERRIMAN, accomplished player—gained Honours award —captain of Combined P.S. Team.

LOGAN, E.—Played in forward zone—speedy -left foot used to advantage.

The remainder of the Training list all had opportunities to gain a place, and most of them have much ability. Good luck to those leaving this year, and I hope that you will have oppor-

## tunities to play the great game. GEELONG COLLEGE v. XAVIER COLLEGE

#### 1st **Ouarter:**

Winning the toss, Xavier elected to kick to the Prep. School end in ideal conditions for football. Play seesawed for a few minutes and then the Xavier team, which had settled down much more quickly than College, swung the ball forward time and time again, but goaled only after scoring 7 behinds. Sutherland, at centre half-back, was playing soundly, but obtained little support.

2nd Quarter:

The second term opened with two quick goals from Xavier, and soon after College opened-their account with a behind. Solomon, in the centre, was playing solid football, but crowding in the forward line proved to be College's downfall. Xavier attacked once again and goaled twice, but College retaliated, but could manage only two behinds.

3rd Quarter:

Xavier goaled early in the third quarter, but soon splendid teamwork enabled John to score a behind. Xavier retaliated, and would have scored more than 2.1 had Metcalfe and Hindhaugh not been dominating the back line. At this stage College got most of the play, but the Xavier defence was difficult to pierce. Cook scored our first goal for the match with a long punt, but this was the only result of repeated attacks.

4th Quarter:

College played with much more determination during this quarter, but Xavier scored 1.2 before College goaled through Merriman. Soon after Lang goaled twice, and two more behinds were added before the bell. Throughout this match Xavier rucks were knocking out much more cleanly than ours, but as far as actual knockouts were concerned the teams were practically even.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C	4	7	31
X.C		16	70
Best Pl			

Metcalfe, Hindhaugh, Merriman, Sutherland, Solomon.

#### Goal-kickers:

Lang (2), Merriman (1), Cook (1).

GEELONG COLLEGE v. SCOTCH 1st Ouarter

In excellent conditions College kicked with the wind in the first quarter against Scotch. Quickly into their stride, the Scotch team attacked strongly and goaled three times before John scored a behind for College. Once again Scotch swung the ball forward with systematic play and goaled. J. Lang goaled for College, but Scotch, who were getting a great deal of drive from the centre, retaliated with a goal.

#### 2nd Ouarter

Scotch goaled immediately the second quarter began, and then College took control of the game. Excellent co-operation and understanding enabled Don Lang to take a beautiful low, fingertip mark, and goal, but apart from this the forward work was disappointing, four behinds being scored. Towards the end of the quarter Scotch struck back and five goals were added in fairly quick time.

0	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	2	6	18
S.C.	12	4	76
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#### **3rd Quarter**

The third quarter was probably the most even term, Scotch only having two more scoring shots than College. Merriman scored two behinds, mainly through the aid of Fyfe, who was dominating his wing. Scotch drove forward at the end of the quarter but Metcalfe, Hindhaugh and half-back flanker Solomon were combining well in defence, and the home team scored only one goal for the quarter Scrambly forward work was, however, College's downfall, and they scored only two behinds.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	. 2	8	20
S.C.	.13	7	85

#### 4th Quarter

In the last quarter the College team showed greater determination than previously, and although Scotch began the quarter strongly with three goals, Geelong College then took charge. Jack Lang goaled with a long drop kick, and soon after goaled again. Fyfe, on the wing, was giving drive to the College attack, and Don Lang, Cook and McDonald all goaled to finish the match in a most pleasing manner, despite the fact that Scotch were the victors.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	7	9	51
S.C.	.16	10	106

#### **Best Players:**

Metcalfe, Sutherland, Solomon, Hindhaugh, Fyfe, Merriman, J. Lang.

Goal-kickers:

D. Lang (3), J. Lang (2), Cook (1), McDonald (1).

#### GEELONG COLLEGE v. MELBOURNE GRAMMAR

#### 1st Quarter

In muddy conditions College kicked to the Talbot St. end. Play seesawed for some time, then Grammar goaled three times. Systematic play enabled College to retaliate, Don Lang and Vines both scoring goals. Merriman, rov-ing, Fyfe, wing, and Cook in the centre were College's most outstanding players in this quarter.

•		Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C		2	1	13
M.G	• • • • •	3	• • 3	21
2nd Quarter			•••	

Both teams were fairly even for the first few minutes of the second quarter - Merriman scoring a point and Grammar hitting the post. The College defence was then very soundly tested by persistent Grammar attacks, which were repelled for some time by Hindhaugh, Metcalfe, Solomon and McCrow, but then Grammar broke through and put on three quick goals. Handball was used by the College team more often and more effectively than in the first quarter.

		Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	2	2	14
M.G	6	8	44

#### **3rd Quarter**

Grammar goaled soon after the start of this quarter, but excellent play by J. Lang, at centre half-forward, enabled Merriman to goal with a left foot snap shot. College then attacked strongly and once again used handball to good effect. Metcalfe and Hindhaugh dominated the back line, with able support coming from the hard-hitting Saxton.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C		6	24
M.G	6	10	46

#### 4th Quarter

College swung the ball forward from the bounce, but sound Grammar defence work repelled the attacks, and so enabled their forwards to score two quick goals. Cook, in the centre, was giving drive to the forwards, and Vines goaled twice. Grammer attacked again, but College pushed back the ball time and time again to the forward zone. Grammar, however, broke through the College defence and goaled four times, the fourth of which was registered just before the bell.

j	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	5	6	36
M.G	13	- 11	89

Best Players:

Merriman, Solomon, Saxton, McCrow, Cook, Sutherland.

#### Goal-kickers:

Vines (3), Lang (1), Merriman (1).

#### **GEELONG COLLEGE v. WESLEY** COLLEGE

#### 1st Quarter

In perfect conditions for football at Wesley, College kicked to the school end. Wesley attacked, and scored a point, but College, finding their feet quicker than the home team, retaliated strongly. Vines scored a lucky goal, and Don Lang goaled from a fairly difficult angle. With a left foot snap kick Merriman brought up College's third goal. A period of rather scrambly play followed, and Wesley scored two further behinds.

		Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C		3	0	18
W.C		0	• 4	4
2nd Ouarter	· · ·		• •	

Wesley attacked strongly for most of the second quarter, but shocking kicking for goal prevented them from setting up a more com-manding lead. The strong College back line did an excellent job in bustling the Wesley forwards, with the result that out of 10 shots for goals, only 4 goals were scored. Unfortunately, the College defence could not be converted into attack, with the result that we failed to add to our score.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	3	0	18
W.C	. 4	10	34

#### **3rd Quarter**

Wesley opened this quarter with persistent attacks, but the College defence was sufficient to prevent the home team scoring more than 2 goals for the quarter. Sutherland, Hindhaugh and Metcalfe were combining well in defence, but poor forward work from the College team prevented their adding to the first quarter score.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	3	0	18
W.C	6	16	52

#### 4th Quarter

The College team showed much greater determination than previously, and this, combined with accuracy in kicking for goal, brought them within 16 points of Wesley. J. Lang, D. Lang and Vines all scored goals, but Wesley retaliated and with scrambly play managed 1 goal 1 behind. Another snap shot for goal by Merriman brought up College's eighth goal, but Wesley, finishing the quarter more powerfully, held out further attacks until the bell.

Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
.8	0	48
.7	18	60
	.8	Gls. Bhds. .8 0 .7 18

**Best Players:** 

Metcalfe, Merriman, Hindhaugh, Solomon, Sutherland, Macmillan, Fyfe.

Goal-kickers :

Vines (3), D. Lang (2), Merriman (2), J. Lang (1).

#### GEELONG COLLEGE v. GEELONG GRAMMAR

1st Quarter

The Grammar oval was fairly firm and the wind slightly favoured the school end for the final P.S. game. College were first to score, Logan kicking a behind, but Grammar retaliated with repeated attacks and eventually goaled. Poor forward work let down the good display from the College back lines. Logan kicked another behind and Cook goaled. Grammar scored a behind, and College scored two more. The end of the quarter was marked by the battle of defences — neither side being able to penetrate and score.

e	•	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.		1	4	10
G.G			1	7
2nd Quarter				

Grammar opened this quarter with a quick goal, but College also goaled with a left foot snap shot by Merriman. The rest of the quarter was fairly even, the College defence combining excellently and restricting the Grammar team to one goal, similarly, their defence was superior to our attack, in that Cook was the only one to score — a behind.



#### **3rd Quarter**

Like the second half of the second quarter, this term was a seesaw between backlines, no team being able to gain a commanding lead.. College scored two behinds, and Grammar, goaled once and scored two behinds. Hindhaugh, Metcalfe and Sutherland were domina-, ting our defence lines — and so at three quarter time the victory was still in the balance.

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts.
G.C.	2	7	19
G.G	. 4	5	29

#### 4th Quarter

College attacked strongly at the opening, of the final term, but the Grammar defence was inpenetrable. Grammar then took charge of the game, and repeatedly swinging the ball goalwards they scored three goals, four behinds, thus placing themselves in a strong position. A tired, but determined, College team retaliated, but poor kicking resulted in their being able to score only four behinds.

8		Bhds.	Pts.				
G.C.	2	11	23				
G.G.		9	51				
Goal-kickers:							

Cook (1), Merriman (1). Best Players:

Merriman, Metcalfe, Sutherland, Solomon, Vines, Cook and Hindhaugh.

#### 2nd XVIII COACH'S REPORT

I was confident at the opening of the season that the team would acquit itself well in all matches, but, although the first three games were closely fought the remainder were disappointing. It is difficult to produce a reason for the lapse of form, as the boys trained enthusiastically and showed occasionally that they had natural football ability. It would be easy to say that they had an "inferiority complex," but there was no evidence of this in the early games. I rather think that lack of weight and speed were the most important deficiences, and that the determined "tear-through" tactics of some other teams threw the side off balance. Nevertheless, other teams were far more proficient in the essentials of the game in all but the first three matches.

My thanks are due to Mr. Wardle and Mr. Hunter for their care of the Seconds' training list for the first part of each training night.

Several members of the team showed great promise, and some were rewarded by promotion to the First XVIII. Of the regular Seconds players, Smith, Purton and Ingpen were perhaps the most useful; the first-named being considerably brilliant in a back pocket, and the other two giving great drive from the centre line. Lang and Buntine were able captains, and Sutherland gave enthusiastic support as vice-captain.

If the boys enjoyed the season's football as much as I did I am sure the efforts they made were well rewarded.

D. G. Neilson.

#### OPEN 2nd XVIII

Training commenced at the beginning of Term II under the able coaching of Mr. D. G. Neilson, to whom we offer our sincerest thanks for, his work. Early in the season D. F, Lang- was elected captain, with J. M. Buntine vice-captain. Later, Lang was promoted to the 1st XVIII training list and P. W. Sutherland became vice-captain. The team was unsuccessful throughout the season, except for a win against Geelonrr Grammar. We enjoyed our season very much.

#### The Team:

Runtine (a), P. Sutherland (v.c), Beach, B. Cook, R. Dennis, Ingpen, K. Langlands, Pigdon, Purton, Roland, D. J. Smith, D. Williams, Wright, W. Wood. Plus some members of First's training list.

Most Useful Players:

Ingpen, Purton, Smith and those from the 1st XVIII's training list.

Scores:

G.C., 4.8 (32), lost to M.G.S., 5.6 (36). G.C., 5.4 (34), lost to W.C., 6.8 (44). G.C., 3.0 (18), defeated G.G.S., 0.10 (10). G.C., 1.9 (15), lost to X.C., 5.14 (44). G.C., 2.4 (16), lost to S.C., 16.15 (111). G.C., 2.3 (15), lost to M.G.S., 14.13 (97).

G.C., 0.4 (4), lost to W.C., 10.17 (77).

G.C., 2.6 (18), lost to G.G.S., 9.7 (61).

OPEN 3rd XVIII JM B

Although the season has not been successful it has been a most enjoyable one. A few of our players earned promotion to the 2nd XVIII and we had the services of former 2nds players throughout the season. All the team played well, sometimes doing most extraordinary things, but our greatest setback was the poor kicking. During the season at least 40 boys attended training, a greater number than that of last year. This enabled us to have a match for the 4ths, which Vibert captained. Paterson and McGregor held a good defence together, while the forwards, although weak, played determined football. Bennallack and Quick probably being the most successful. We had a match against the V.H.P. trophy winners, the Under 16 B's, and defeated them. Also we defeated a team from St. Joseph's College. We thank Mr. Wardle for the interest he has shown in us during the whole season.

The Team:

Mabtn (c), McKinnon, W. Bell, R. Benallack, Brotchie, Crawford, G. Davidson, Deacon, Falkenberg, Grant, Heard, B. Lloyd, W. McGregor, Parry, Paterson, Quick, R. and W. Robinson, K. Rix, N. Stewart, Stott.

Most Useful Players:

Mabtn, Benallock, Quick, McGregor, Davidson, Paterson.

#### Results:

G.C., 0.2 (2), lost to W.C., 13.16 (94). G.C., 14 (10), lost to G.G.S., 16.7 (103). G.C., 3.4 (22), lost to X.C., 7.6 (48). G.C., 0.0 (0), lost to S.C., 13.18 (96). G.C., 1.3 (9), lost to W.C., 22.12 (144). G.C., 0.0 (0), lost to G.G.S., 8.21 (69).

B.F.M.

#### UNDER 16

As coach, I want to congratulate both "A's" and "B's" for their well earned successes. I mention them equally for though the "B's" won the V.H.P. Cup for having the best percentage of the school from their victories, yet, had the rather easy shot been a straight kick, which hit the goal post and forced a draw in the last minutes against Xavier, the "A's" could have won the trophy. This draw affected their average.

I want, in particular, to congratulate those boys who turned out, rain, hail or shine. This determination and spirit is what is wanted and it will help to earn those boys the coveted places in Senior football. Congratulations to Falconer, Cougle and Money, the lightest, smallest and often the best men for us. A hand, too, for Williams, for battling on with an injured heel against G.G.S. and giving us those forceful dashes which lifted our team throughout the season. A special mention for Israel for his splendid clearing from full-back. Lawler always gave all he had in the ruck and well deserved a good season as captain of the "A's".

Both "A's" and "B's" owe much to Mr. D. R. Burch and Rev. D. Hallam for valuable coaching assistance from time to time. Many thanks to them. I want to thank, too, M. J. Beach, for his impartial and sound umpiring throughout the season.

F.R.Q.

#### UNDER 16 "A"

At the beginning of the season, the team was undecided, due to lack of training and absence of rovers. But improvement came and we finished strongly, having had five wins, one draw and two losses. We wish to congratulate the Under 16 "B" team on winning the V.H.P. trophy for 1953. Also, we wish to thank Mr. Quick, the coach, for his untiring interest, which definitely had a direct effect on our successful season.

W.W.L.

#### The Team:

W. W. Lawler (c), D. G. Williams (v.c), Money, Falconer, Richardson, Hughes, Varcoe-Cocks, Norwood, G. Saxton, Rooke, Cougle, Kinder, Gibb, I. A. Watson, Mackay, W. Metcalfe, Israel, Bumpstead, F. S. McArthur, Allen.

#### Most Useful Players:

Williams, Israel, Cougle, McArthur, Lawler, Money, Falconer, Kinder, Hughes, Bumpstead, Richardson, Mackay.

#### The Results:

G.C., 3.3 (21), lost to M.G.S., 20.13 (133). G.C., 9.8 (62), defeated W.C., 8.9. (57). G.C., 5.7 (37), defeated G.G.S., 4.4 (28). G.C., 7.4 (46), drew with X.C., 7.4. (46). G.C., 0.1. (1), lost to S.C., 10.10 (70). G.C., 4.4 (28), defeated M.G.S, 4.2 (26). G.C., 9.9 (63), defeated W.C., 2.1 (13). G.C., 5.8 (38), defeated G.G.S., 2.4 (16). UNDER 16 "B"

We had a very successful season and managed to win the V.H.P. Cup by a narrow

margin from the Under 16 "A's". Our team was excellent and we enjoyed our football. We thank our coach, Mr. Quick, and also Mr. Burch and Rev. D. Hallam, who assisted him. We had five wins and two losses. F. S. McArthur, our best player early, was promoted to Under 16 "A's", where he acquitted himself well.

#### T.G.V.

Vautier (c), Maddern (v.c), Taylor, Heath, Skelton, F. S. McArthur, P. Metcalfe, Harvey, Mayfield, Fletcher, McDonald, Cameron, Wills, Fisher, Rigg, Pope, McGowan, Robson, Douglas, Riggall, Brebner, Firth.

#### Most Useful Players:

Fisher, Skelton, Heath, Vautier, Douglas, Maddern.

#### Results:

G.C., 0.3 (3), lost to M.G.S., 10.11 (71). G.C., 2.3 (15), lost to G.G.S., 5.4 (34). G.C., 10.12 (72), defeated X.C., 6.12 (48). G.C., 11.8 (74), defeated S.C., 4.4. (28). G.C., **18.19** (127), defeated M.G.S., 0.1. (1). G.C., 22.29 (161), defeated W.C., 0.2 (2). G.C., 13.11 (89), defeated G.G.S., 1.2 (8).

#### UNDER 15

The Under 15 boys may look back on the past two seasons with some satisfaction, for in that time they have improved a good deal more than was expected. At the beginning of their "Under 14" year they had few good players and not many who showed promise; and their coach looked forward to an unhappy future. But in a very short time they reached a standard which enabled their teams to compete on something like equal terms with those of other schools; so that they derived far more pleasure from their football than they had expected. Moreover, there are now in their ranks many who should play for the School within the next two years, provided that they continue to follow the principle of their past two seasons - to do at each new practice what they did at the last, just as accurately and "half a yard faster".

C.A.B.

#### UNDER 15 "A"

Firstly, we would like to thank our coach, Mr. Bickford, for the time and effort he has put into coaching us for the last two seasons. We had a comparatively successful season, winning three matches and coming fairly near the other schools in the other matches.

We enjoyed our season greatly and felt that we were definitely a better team than at the beginning of the season.

#### The Team:

W. Allen (c), Bent (v.c), Ackland, Balfour, B. Burch, Caithness, W. Cunningham, Ford, Forrest, Fulton, Hinchliffe, Howden, Lewis, E. N. McDonald, I. McGregor, Neale, Richmond, D. Sutherland, Tarr.

#### Most Useful Players:

Howden, Allen, Forrest, Crawford, Bent, Ackland, Cunningham, McGregor.

#### Results:

G.C., 5.2 (32), lost to M.G.S., 8.8 (56).

G.C, 8.9 (57), defeated W.C., 8.8. (56).

G.C., 4.5 (29\ lost to G.G.S., 8.4 (52). G.C, 2.7 (19), lost to X.C, 3.10 (28). G.C, 0.3 (3), lost to S.C, 8.9 (57). G.C, 3.6 (24), lost to M.G.S., 4.8 (32). G.C, 5.4 (34), defeated W.C, 1.6 (12). G.C, 4.8 (32), defeated G.G.S., 2.7 (19). W.A.

#### UNDER 15 "B"

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We had practically the same team as last year, and we hoped to do well. We had a very successful season, winning five out of eight matches. Our success is due to the interest and coaching of Mr. Bickford and we appreciate what he has done.

#### The Team:

Fraser (c), Leigh (v.c), Anderson, Baker; Blair, Dearnaly, W. Dennis, Hirst, Langslow, McIntyre. R. J. McDonald, Marquardt, Messenger, I. D. Morrison, Neelv, Redpath, T. K. Salter. B. W. Watson.

#### Most Useful Players:

Dennis, Hirst, Watson, Fraser, Messenger, Baker, Anderson, Neely.

#### **Results:**

G.C, 7.12 (54), lost to M.G.S., 8.9 (57). G.C, 5.7 (37), lost to W.C, 8.9 (57). G.C, 3.6 (24), defeated G.G.S., 1.6 (12). G.C, 6.3 (39), defeated X.C, 2.9 (21). G.C, 5.9 (39), defeated S.C, 2.6 (18). G.C, 4.4 (28), defeated M.G.S., 1.9 (15). G.C, 7.6 (48), lost to W.C, 13.16 (94). G.C, 4.3 (27), defeated G.G.S., 2.5 (17).

D.J.F.

#### UNDER 14

At the end of another season we look back and feel a little disappointed at our performance. But we can take heart from the fact that if we improve as much next year as this, we can look forward to quite a few wins. I would like to thank the boys for their keenness and their regular attendance at practice, particularly the captains and vice-captain, who were always ready and willing to help as much as possible. A special mention for Mr. Jim Heggie, who spent much of his time coaching the Under 14 "B" team. T am sure the boys join with me in thanking Mr. Heggie for his splendid assistance.

G.A.F.

#### UNDER 14 "A"

We had a very enjoyable season, although unsuccessful. At the beginning of the term Illingworth was elected captain and Ballantyne vice-captain. We played two matches at the beginning of the season against St. Joseph's College before the P.S. matches started. It was good to see so many new boys making an "A" team. Although we only had two practice nights a week we made the most of what we had. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Frank for the valuable time he spent coaching us.

#### The Team:

Illingworth (c), Ballantyne (v.c), W'right, Lester, Ramage, l^yfe, Alexander, Hirst, Kinley, Scott, Gellie, Parson, Stubbs, Thorn, Buchter, Browning, McDonald, McClure, Hewish, Kendell. Most Useful Players:

Ballantyne, Illingworth, Scott, Kinley, Alexander, Buehter.

#### **Results:**

G.C., 0.2 (2), lost to M.G.S., 33.11 (209). G.C., 1.3 (9), lost to W.C., 9.21 (75). G.C., 1.1 (7), lost to X.C., 8.13 (61). G.C., 1.1. (7), lost to S.C., 21.18 (144). G.C., 6.1 (1), lost to M.G.S., 10.12 (72). G.C., 3.3 (21), lost to W. C, 9.3 (57). A.A.I.

#### **UNDER 14 "B"**

Although the season was not a very successful one, we all enjoyed ourselves thoroughly. At the beginning of the season we were unsettled and could not work together as a team, but as time went on we settled down and played better football. We would like to thank Mr. Frank and Mr. Heggie for their coaching and keen interest in the team.

#### The Team:

Seller (c), Sutcliffe (v.c), Apted, Wood, Browning, Coutts, Burch, Campbell, John, McKenzie, Eagles, Cameron, Rumpf, Adler, Burn, Beard, McArthur, Bell, McInnes, Moreton, May.

#### Most Useful Players:

Wood, Campbell, McKenzie, Rumpf, Beard, Mclnnes, Seller.

#### **Results:**

G.C., 13 (9), lost to M.G.S., 4.4 (28). G.C., 3.6 (24), lost to W.C., 9.11 (65). G.C., 11.3 (69), lost to X.C., 13.16 (94). G.C., 11.9 (75), defeated S.C., 12 (8). G.C., 1.3 (9), lost to M.G.S., 6.12 (48).

#### D.R.S.

#### THE V. H. PROFITT FOOTBALL TROPHY

The trophy is in recognition of 25 years' service to College football by Mr. V. H. Profitt. Any College team may compete for the trophy and the team gaining the highest percentage of games won is judged the winner. This is the second year of the trophy's existence. For further details you are referred to the December issue of the "Pegasus", 1952.

#### Winners:

1952: Under 14 "B"—Captain, Fraser: Coach, Mr. C. A. Bickford.

1953: Under 16 "B"-Captain, J. Vautier; Coach, Mr. R. Quick.

#### PRINCESS IDA

The Glee Club was gratified to hear from the boys who had seen the opera from the point of view of the audience that Princess Ida was quite up to the standard of previous years' performances, and that it quite fulfilled their expectations.

As was the case last year, the Glee Club returned to school a week-end early in third term, and much work was done on the opera. The performances were held on 13th, 14th, 15th October, and were a fitting end to the innumerable practices which nearly everyone had attended. But there was much that the audience did not see. During the first interval the court of King Hildebrand's palace was miraculously transformed to King Gama's country house, Castle Adamant. During the second interval, this sacred shrine of unmolested femininity was harshly invaded by many worldly men who did not even bother to disguise themselves as women. This band of marauders, instead of being armed with "expressive glances", had hammers and nails, and promptly destroyed the "Gardens of Castle Adamant," but left in their place "The outer walls of the Courtyard,'.' and the misguided maidens did not notice the intrusion. The The Glee Club owes its opera proceeded. thanks to this band of workers who performed the very difficult scene-changes so well.

Another scene which was denied the audience (or most of it) was that of a soldier of Kin^; Hildebrand peeping round the curtain and trying furiously to relay the beats of what was (at that stage) a somewhat irate conductor to an "old warrior" backstage. This gentleman was pounding a large metal cylinder and pretending to be one of Princess Ida's "hundred lovely maidens" calling her fellow students to lunch en imaginary "cold roast lamb" and ir visible sandwiches.

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Games	Points	Points	Points	
	2				%	For	Against	%	Positions
1st XVIII	8	0	8	0		312	677	46.1	7
2nd XVIII	8	1	7	0	12.5	152	480	31.7	6
3rd XVIII	7	0	7	0		43	763	5.6	9
Under 16 "A"	8	5	Z	1	68.8	296	389	76.1	2
Under 16 "B"	7	5	2	0	71.4	541	192	281.8	1
Under 15 "A"	8	3	5	0	37.5	230	312	73.7	4
Under 15 "B"	8	5	3	0	62.5	296	291	101.7	3
Under 14 "A"	6	0	6	0		47	618	7.6	8
Under 14 "B"	5	1	4	0	20	132	233	56.7	5

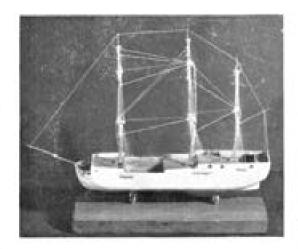
#### FINAL RESULTS V. H. PROFITT TROPHY, 1953.



THE PRINCESS IDA CAST.

(By courtesy of I\. J. Bonney).

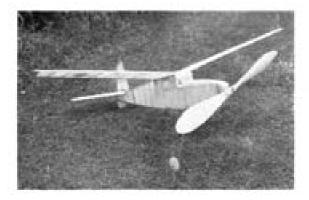
## THE HOUSE OF GUILDS, 1953:



Miniature Man-o-war in balsa wood made by Caithness.

The craftwork prize for leatherwork was won by Ken Riches who made this hand sew<sup>T</sup>n shoulder bag.





Model aeroplane made by Gregory Scott.

Quaint creations in pottery.



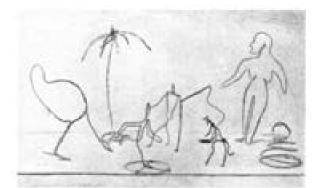
## Examples of the year's work.



Wire wangles by wizards.



Bill Spafford with the model schooner which he made to win the James Fraser Sutherland Memorial Prize for 1953.





Whittling in wood.









SCENES FROM PRINCESSS IDA. (All Glee Club Photos by courtesy of E. J. Bonney).



King Gana (R. G. Robinson) and King Hildebrand (I. W. Macmillan).

A tremendous amount of preparation was necessary for the successful production of "Princess Ida". For many weeks before the performances, the House of Guilds was concerned with the manufacture of helmets. swords, halberts, suits of armour, dirks, and sundry other properties. It has been a hive of activity, and we owe our thanks to the boys who helped, and especially to Mr. D. Webb for the tremendous job he did in producing such magnificently clad soldiers. The Glee Club also owes its thanks to the boys' parents, Mrs. Smith, and the matrons of the College for co-operating in the manufacture of costumes; to the friends who played in the orchestra, to those who transformed school boys into almost handsome courtiers and pretty girls, and to Mr. Carrington for his work as assistant stage manager.

The male principals were the best combination of excellence and uniformity which the Glee Club has ever had. The four main girl principals were all first year members, and did

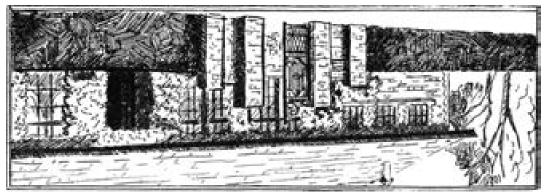


Cyril (J. F. Roberts), Hilarion (M. S. John) and Florian (C. R. Abery).

commendable performances. They were supported by a fine chorus. They were:—Princess Ida, D. J. R. Hutchens; Lady Blanche, G. G. Wood; Lady Psyche, M. Mel. Fyfe; Melissa, K. C. Hawken; Sacharissa, N. L. Thorn; Cloe, M. J. Marquardt; King Hildebrand, I. W. Macmillan; Hilarion, M. S. John; Cyril, J. F. Roberts; Florian, C. R. Abery; King Gama, R. G. Robinson; Arac, G. T. Mc-Kinnon; Guron, J. M. Buntine; and Scynthius, P. W. Vibert.

Finally we owe our gratitude to the three who were associated with the Glee Club as it proceeded from a bunch of clumsy boys to a polished cast of King's men, and Princess's women. Mrs. Carrington, who attended innumerable practices in which she played one or two pages one or two hundred times; Mr. Campbell, who, during the year, sang the altos' part under the delusion that they would eventually learn it, and Mr. Smith, who did so much that we cannot thank him enough.

#### PREPARATORY SCHOOL.



PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPEECH DAY.

The Preparatory School Speech Day took place in the Morrison Hall on Wednesday, 9th December. The Head Master, Mr. L. J. Campbell, extended a warm welcome to an Old Boy of the Prep., Dr. Donald Duffy, who was the speaker and presented the prizes.

The Head Master presented the following report:—

In preparing the School's Annual Report for 1953 I am moved to consider what is at the root of this now, well-established evil of annual reports and, on examination, find that it is "boys." In this case young, virile ones, full of the joy of living

Strangely enough, whenever my thoughts turn in this direction, those lines from Shakespeare, speaking of the Power of Music, float through my mind. He says, if 1 remember correctly,

"For do but note a wild and wanton herd, Or race of youthful and unhandled colts, Fetching mad bounds, bellowing and neighing loud,

ing loud, Which is the hot condition of their blood; If they but hear perchance a trumpet sound Or any air of music touch their ears,

You shall perceive them make a mutual stand

Their savage eyes turned to a modest gaze By the sweet power of music."

One would almost think that Shakespeare sat in a Junior School and wrote these lines, except that the black magic has to be found for each individual person.

There is, however, another side to the picture and in fairness to the boy we must consider a point or two concerning his attitude towards school life. One of the first things we notice is that we are never likely to achieve any measure of success with him until we have gained his confidence, and this cannot be done unless we are able to see, however dimly, with the eyes of the boy.

Generally speaking, he is somewhat suspicious of the adult who is for ever asking questions, as school masters are prone to do. He has a feeling that he is being exploited in some subtle way. This is perhaps only natural because, when a boy finds himself awkwardly situated he invariably makes use of the veil of utter stupidity. This is his only safe retreat for, under such circumstances, the adult often appears as a somewhat officious person who says menacingly—anything you say will be duly noted, misinterpreted and used against you. When you come to analyse it you find that there is much wisdom being shown behind this veil of utter stupidity.

Another point is that the boy is apt to regard the dice as being a little heavily loaded against him, as well it may be if we as teachers, are not quick to appreciate the fact. We are in a position to say more or less what we like and, in doing so, may give vent to our personal feelings without, of course, being aware of it, but with no less unfavourable result on the boy.

On the other hand he has no opportunity to retaliate because to criticise a personal attitude would be insolence and a failure to learn from our teaching certain proof of dullness or laziness or both. However, as long as we are mindful of these points, together with the fact that our charge is, as yet, a body in unstable equilibrium, a few of our high hopes may be realised and reasonable harmony preserved in community life.

#### School Work.

For the greater part, the work of the School has progressed satisfactorily but, through misfortune and unforeseen happenings during the latter part of the year, the staff has been hard pressed to keep the wheels turning. The true worth of one's colleagues is not fully appreciated, perhaps, until one strikes trouble such as this. That their first, and indeed, only interest is in those committed to their charge, was amply borne out by the way in which they endeavoured to avoid make-shift methods wherever humanly possible. Thus, with the help of our ever dependable friends, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Crocker, to whom we are greatly indebted, we have been able to continue that most important task of preserving a proper sense of values, without which all our efforts would be in vain.

Entrance examinations for boys wishing to enter the School in 1954 again provided much food for thought. These examinations are set on the work done in the first half of the year in the form which we regard as our equivalent of the candidates' grade in the year of sitting.

Generally speaking, in the lower grades there is not much difficulty in placing the boys, provided we have the room for them. However, boys in a Sixth Grade appear to havelittle or no chance of coping with the tests set. This means that in most instances it would take a boy in this grade two years to reach the standard required for promotion to the Senior School.

Whilst I am aw<sup>r</sup>are that the normal break in a State elementary school comes after the completion of the Grade VI course, it is quite obvious that it must come at least one year earlier if it is the intention of parents to send their boys to us, and we, in turn, are to do anything worthwhile for them. The only alternative is for us to lower our standard; but I have always maintained that a boy cannot be trained properly, unless he is kept working to full capacity, otherwise he is being trained as a loafer rather than a worker. As a result of this belief, our present standard has been reached and held, without any undue worry, on the Dart of the boy.

For some considerable time now, we have aimed at a much closer correlation between handwork and schoolwork generally. This year we have achieved a fair measure of success. In all classes some fine project work has been done and much interest has been displayed in the final results. It is to be hoped that we are now on the road to even greater achievement. Perhaps the most satisfaction has come from the fact, that boys who are quite good with their hands but who find the academic side a little exacting, have shown considerably more interest in the preparatory lessons, thus proving the value of treating their schoolwork as a whole, rather than as so many separate subjects.

Physical Education, the ultimate aim of which is fitness in all parts of the body, has received its share of attention and boys seem to be realizing that agility counts for more than brute strength. It has been evident from time to time in their sport that they are aware of the fact that quick reactions are much more useful and effective than big biceps.

Musical appreciation, instrumental and choirwork have been given their allotted time throughout the year, with quite pleasing results. All candidates in recent pianoforte examinations did remarkably well. There were no failures and many gained quite high marks. This reflects distinct credit on the Director of Music and his assistants, as a number of boys are working one and even two years in advance of normal standard. The ancient art of Puppetry, the outstanding value of which is that it is non-mechanical, has not been forgotten but, of recent years we have not given overmuch time to dramatic work, apart from form-room plays. However, with the advent of Mr. Condon, whose interests lie in this direction, a revival movement has already begun.

There may have been a tendency in my reports to stress the work in Social Studies, but I make no apology for this, on the grounds that I regard this work as of more importance than that of the Scientist, despite the fact that such amazing and fantastic progress has been made in the scientific world during the last decade.

Man lives today only through fear of total destruction, and yet, recent discoveries, coupled with the right attitude of mind, could lead to some semblance of Heaven on earth instead of hell on earth.

It is my belief, and I hope, not too idealistic a belief, that this proper attitude of mind is not beyond the reach of future generations, if there is a really genuine desire for it and sufficient zeal is displayed in an effort to bring it about. The machinery exists but the moral courage may be lacking.

The year has been a very interesting one in this branch of our work. It has been an experimental year with certain forms in State Educational Circles, in which we have cooperated as far as we have been able. We have doubtless gained much from this cooperation. Nevertheless I am more than ever convinced that the scheme which we have followed for years under Mr. Hearn's capable guidance, with its religious background and greater breadth of outlook, is the one that must eventually be accepted if the whole object of the work—a right attitude of mind—is to be achieved.

#### Kindergarten

The kindergarten, very ably managed by Mrs. Sweetman, has had another happy and successful year. The more I see of the life and work in this part of the school, the more I realize the necessity for skilled guidance in these early years of childhood. There is no doubt that the training received at this age has a marked bearing on the whole of their school career and we are singularly fortunate in having just the right people in the right place. Our sincere thanks are due to them and also to the Parents' Association for their splendid work in the interests of the country's greatest asset.

#### Things To Come

That there is considerably more to life than a place on a classified roll and the monetary benefits accruing from it, has been well exemplified in the fourteen years of valuable and loyal service that Mr. Ewen McLean, to my great sorrow is about to terminate with us in order that he may accept the Chaplaincy of Geelong College.

Much could be said concerning his work in the school, in the house, in outdoor activities and as our Chaplain, but it is perhaps all summed up in the fact that he has a genuine affection for and a real understanding of young boys, with whom he has always been more than ready to go the extra mile. This is no doubt just the difference between following a definite calling and doing an ordinary job of work. As man and boy he has given his best to Geelong College, thus proving himself to be a loyal and grateful son of what I have the termerity to call a great school.

Whilst grieved at the loss of my chief henchman I am, at the same time very pleased that he will now have the opportunity of carrying on his life-work in the much wider sphere of Geelong College as a whole.

In his Chaplaincy we all join in wishing him the same large measure of success as he has enjoyed with us.

After a Commonwealth-wide search, Mr. Donald McLeod, M.A., Dip.Ed., at present on the staff of Scotch College, Perth, has been chosen as Mr. McLean's successor. He has had considerable experience as a resident master, and as a sportsmaster.

Mr. Crittenden felt the need for a sojourn in Canada and left us towards the end of July. His place was eventually filled during third term by Mr. Herbert Condon, who came to us with high credentials, from Westminster School, England.

We trust that his stay with us will be a happy one and of advantage to all concerned.

Due to an unfortunate accident at Mt. Buller, during second term vacation, Miss Fry, who joined us at the beginning of the year, has been unable to continue her teaching. She has now decided to help in saving bodies rather than souls, and will take up a nursing post early next year. Our good wishes go with her in her new sphere of activity. Miss Fry's place will be taken by Miss. D. P. Goulding, at present on the staff of the Presby-terian Girls' College, Warwick, Queensland.

A valued assistant in the kindergarten, Mrs. Bramham, found the pressure of managing a home whilst teaching, a little much for her and. strangely enough, forsook us in favour of her home. Miss Madden who has trained in the kindergarten over the past three years will carry on her work in 1954.

Sport As Mr. McLean's new post will not leave him free to take charge of our sport in future, it seemed to me that a brief summary of his work and experiences over some fourteen years as a conscientious and successful sportsmaster would be more fitting than a lengthy dissertation from me. In order to avoid over-lapping on this subject, I shall say little on this subject beyond that, following a well established custom, the year has again been a very successful one. Mr. Watson's youngsters continue to be a great credit to him. All teams have acquitted themselves splendidly in matches played against other schools and the percent-age of victories still remains very high. We are indeed grateful to all men who, by their

interest and self-sacrificing effort, have made this possible, and extend to them our sincere thanks for an exacting task very well done.

As we draw to the close of this Coronation year, during which we have had amazing proof of the loyalty to Queen Elizabeth of all peoples, regardless of class, creed or colour, the thinking man might well ask himself, who are these people that have paid such homage to a reigning monarch and who is she, that man is so mindful of her? The answer is not hard to find if we have time to look for it.

These people constitute what we call a Democracy and our well-beloved Queen is, by the grace of God, the ruler over it.

We as members of the Commonwealth of Nations would have none other than this. We are aware that we are extremely fortunate to find ourselves so situated, but it is a moot point as to whether we may continue in such a happy state indefinitely.

Very true you may say, but what have Queen Elizabeth and a democracy got to do with a School Speech Day? To my mind it is a sion such as this. A school's one and only interest is in education. We are a church school, therefore our only interest is in the Christian idea of education and for the Christian, the idea of personality is the hard core of education because personality springs from man's relation to God.

In these enlightened days there is in existence a school of thought which holds that man is subservient to the State and it works towards this end. It is not without power and as I see it, cannot be regarded in any other light than a direct challenge to the democratic way of life, nor does it seem to be one that can be successfully overcome by political action.

As countries measure time we are as yet comparatively young. Perforce we have had to concentrate a little unduly on the material side, which has prevented us from building up any really sound philosophy of life. There are many that can be easily influenced by totali-tarian teachings. In a democracy they are privileged to measure the one system against the other.

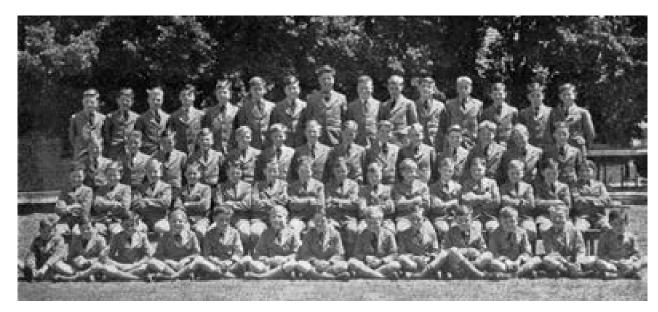
It has been said by many in recent times that Church Schools are on the way out. They cannot carry the heavy and ever-increasing financial burden placed upon them. Even if they could they have outlived their usefulness, but I verily believe they are on the way in, provided you as parents are prepared to carry a financial burden rather than a totalitarian voke.

Search as you may and where you will, the only answer to be found to totalitarian teaching is Christian education as the builder of true democracy. There is no known cure for a cancer save that of the Great Physician.

#### SPORTSMASTER'S REPORT.

As I am relinquishing this work after 14 years, I have been asked to make a report on what has been done during that period.

#### SONS AND GRANDSONS OF OLD BOYS.



Back Row: D. Taylor D. Roebuck, S. Gibson, D. Lang, D. Flanders, P. Gross, D. McCann, H. Bromell, A. Pettitt, A. Read, A. Calvert, C. Campbell, T. Sproat, J. Funston, I. Redpath,
Second Row: E. Smith, P. Read, I. MeCay, H. Campbell, J. Venters, R. Walter, W. Mack, G. McCann, A. Gross, M. Hamilton, J. Fidge, M. Duigan, R. Smith, T. Cooke.
Seated: A. McDonald, A. McArthur, A. Lang, R. Pearce, G. Maddern, D. Wood, G. Dixon, C. Fallaw,

D. Bourchier, R. Clarke, E. Gibson, M. Taylor, B. Smith, J. Hinchcliffe, N. Walter. In Front: D. Ekstedt, G. Cotton, I. Walter, P. Dobie, J. Anderson, R. McCann, D. Palmer, R. Sanderson,

#### T. McNair, R. Blackwood, J. Moreton, R. Stinton, D. Anderson,

#### Aims.

Before one can say what has been achieved it is necessary to know what have been the aims. The chief aim of those responsible for the conduct of Preparatory School Sport has been to have every boy an active participant in games. For this, sport is compulsory for all boys on two afternoons a week. Sometimes this policy has been questioned, but in its defence one must state that many boys who now thoroughly enjoy their sport, and who peform very creditably, needed persuasion in the early stages to overcome their shyness and sense of inferiority. A few have been very nervous about dressing with other boys, and this has been the cause of their reluctance to turn out to sport and they have been encouraged to overcome their selfconsciousness.

The second aim has been to develop proficiency at the various games. The early coaching of the small boys has been most skilfully and patiently handled by Mr. Watson for some years. It is merely recording a matter of fact, to state that the quality of our teams in the Under 10 and Under 11 age groups has been uniformly high. Above those age limits we have had teams which have met with considerable success and I do not recall any year when our teams could be dismissed as easy opponents to

defeat. The fact that a very fair proportion of first teams in the Senior School consist of boys who began their sport in the Preparatory School, would suggest that at least their early training has not been an overwhelming disadvantage.

The third aim is not really distinct from those already mentioned, but needs to be stated to be stressed. It is, that the boy who is not particularly good at sport will not be allowed to feel entirely frustrated. To avoid this danger an attempt is made to arrange as many matches as possible with other schools using all sorts of combinations other than merely first teams. The result is that as many as 60 small boys may be found indulging in football matches with Geelong Grammar School on the same afternoon. Another feature which has been outstandingly successful in arousing the interest of the less than brilliant athlete has been the introduction of standards contests in Athletics. In these contests every boy competes with the "average boy's" time or height for that particular event and on reaching it gives himself a good deal of quiet satisfaction and incidentally scores a point for his House. In swimming it is again the not so proficient who commands most attention as we make our aim to have every boy at least up to the Junior Certificate standard by the time he leaves the school.

#### Equipment

The high standard of sporting equipment and facilities available to our boys has not been gained without considerable struggle nor maintained without constant vigilance and effort. They have a splendid little oval (its only fault being that it is not nearly spacious enough to accommodate the large number who turn out to sport), good turf practice wickets for cricket and a well-kept asphalt tennis court. Very recently a long felt need has been met with a fine new dressing room replete with warm showers.

Finally, it is only right to report that the sport of the school would be indeed in a sorry state if it were not for the regular and willing coaching and supervision given by all members of the staff. The conduct of sport is a task which has been shared, undertaken loyally and carried out to the best of their ability by every master. But there has been no more interested supporter and regular attender at matches than Mr. Campbell, whose loyal support is noted and appreciated by players and coaches alike.

#### PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPORTS

220 Yards (Prep. Championship): T. Simpson, 1; D. Neely, 2; R. King, 3. Time, 28 sec. (record). Long Jump (Prep. Championship): T. Simpson, 1; R. Pennefather, 2; D. Neely, 3. Distance, 13 ft. 8½ in. Long Jump (U. 13 Championship): I. Redpath, 1; D. Neely, 2; J. Funston, 3. Distance, 12 ft. 11 in. Long Jump (U. 12 Championship): A. Scott, 1; T. Sproat, 2; H. Bromell, 3. Distance, 13 ft. 2½ in. 660 Yards (Prep. Championship): T. Simpson, 1; D. Neely, 2; P. Read, 3. Time, 1 min. 48.1 secs.

Secs. Sack Race (U. 9, 35 yards): R. Burger, 1; A. Henderson, 2; W. Gellie, 3. Sack Race (Open, 50 yards): 1st Heat: R. Pennefather, 1; R. King, 2; R. Clarke, 3. 2nd Heat: W. McKenzie, 1; J. Burrell, 2; D. Gellie, 3. Final: R. King, 1; D. Gellie, 2; R. Clarke, 3. Sack Race (U. 11, 35 yards): 1st Heat: R. A. Smith, 1; B. Morphy, 2: M. L. Duignn, 3. 2nd Heat: T. Beale, 1; D. Ekstedt, 2; N. G. Drew, 3. Final: D. Ekstedt, 1; R. L. Smith, 2; N. G. Drew, 3.

75 Yards (U. 13 Championship): J. Burrell, 1; D. Neely, 2; P. Leach, 3. Time, 9.6 secs. 75 Yards (U. 11 Championship): R. Smith, 1; W. Jennings, 2; K. Gaizutis, 3. Time, **10.9** secs. Egg and Spoon Race (Open, 50 yards): Final: D. Wood, 1; N. Walter, 2; J. Burrell, 3. Egg and Spoon Race (U. 9, 35 yards): 1st Heat: I. Falk, 1; G. Dixon, 2; G. Elson, 3. 2nd Heat: W. Gellie, 1; T. McNair, 2; L. Jarman, 3. Final: L. Jarman, 1; I. Falk, 2; G. Elson, 3. Egg and Spoon Race (U. 11, 35 yards): 1st Heat: D. Millikan, 1; I. Henderson, 2; C. Fallaw. 3. 2nd Heat: D. Ekstedt, 1: N. Peck, 2; B. Young, 3. 3rd Heat: R. Tyres, 1; T. Beale, 2; D. Hume, 3. Final: D. Millikan, 1: D. Ekstedt, 2; C. Fallaw, 3

75 Yards (U. 9 Scratch): W. Gellie, 1; R. Burger, 2; V. Watson, 3. Time, 11.3 secs. 75 Yards (U. 12 Championship): R. Gorrell, 1; A. Scott, 2; T. Sproat, 3. Time, 10.3 secs.

75 Yards (U. 10 Championship): C. Sewrrd. 1; M. Duigan, 2; J. McKenzie, 3. Time, 10.5 secs. High Jump (U. 13 Championship): J. Funstan, 1; D. Neely, 2; A. Lawler, 3. Height, 4 ft, 2 in. High Jump (U. 12 Championship): A. Scott, 1; H. Bromell, 2; T. Sproat, 3. 50 Yards Handicap (U. 9) Final: T. Falk, 1; G. Cotton, 2; J. Hinchcliffe, 3. 75 Yards Handicap (U. 10): 1st Heat: M. Vickers-Willis, 1; J. McKenzie, 2; D. Ekstedt, 3. 2nd Heat: C. Seward, 1; E. R. Smith, 2; R. Baker, 3. Final: C. Seward, 1; M. Vickers-Willis, 2; R. Baker, 3.

100 Yards (Prep. Championship): T. Simpson, 1; D. Neely, 2; R. King, 3. Time, 11.8 sees, (record). 100 Yards (U. 11 Championship): R. Jenning, 1; R. L. Smith, 2; K. Gaizutis, 3. Time, 14.5 secs. Potato Race (U. 9): 1st Heat: R. Burger, 1; A. McDonald, 2; G. Cotton, 3. 2nd Heat: W. Gellie, 1; J. Hinchcliffe, 2; T. McNair, 3. Final: R. Burger, 1; W. Gellie, 2; G. Cotton, 3. Flag Race (Open, 800 yards): Helicon, 1; Bellerophon, 2. Time, 1 min. 49.3 secs.

High Jump (Prep. Championship): T. Simpson, 1; D. Neely, 2; A. Lawler, 3. Height, 4 ft. 4 in. 100 Yards (U. 10 Championship): C. Seward (P.), 1; M. Duigan, 2; D. Millikan, 3. Time, 14.3 secs. Manx Race (75 yards): 1st Heat: I. Gunn-Collins, 1; McArthur-Pennefather, 2; Evans-Burrell, 3. 2nd Heat: M. Hamilton-Cawthorn, 1; McCann-Hinchcliffe, 2; P. Read-A. McDonald, 3. Final: Burrell-Evans, 1; Gunn-Collins, 2; Hamilton-Cawthorn, 3.

100 Yards Handicap (U. 11): 1st Heat: K Gaizutis, 1; G. Morrison, 2; R. Smith, 3. 2nd Heat: W. Jennings, 1; I. Henderson. 2; B. Morphy, 3. Final: K. Gaizutis, 1: J. Henderson, 2; R. L. Smith, 3. 100 Yards (U. 12 Champion-hip): R. Gorrell (H), 1: A. Scott (H), 2; D. Flanders (B.), 3. Time, 13.6 secs. Potato Race (Open): 1st Heat: W. Cawthorn, 1; R. Pennefather, 2; K. Coulson, 3. 2nd Heat: R. King, 1; P. Leach, 2; A. Price, 3. 3rd Heat: T. Sproat, 1; A. Scott, 2; S. Dudley, 3. Final: R. King, 1; T. Sproat, 2; S. Dudley, 3. Final: R. King, 1; B. Morphy, 3. 2nd Heat: W. Tennns. 1; K. Gaizutis, 2: P. Young. J. 3rd "Heat: T. Beale, 1. ^inal: Millikan, 1; Smith, 2; Gaizutis, 3.

100 Yards (U. 13 Championship): S. Burrell, 1; D. Neely, 2; P. Leach, 3. Time, 13.2 secs. 100 Yards Handicap (Open): A. Read, 1: R. King, 2; D. Lang, 3. 100 Yards Handicap (U. 12): 1st Heat: Nicholls, 1; Gunn, 2; Angus, 3. 2nd Heat: Ruffin, 1; Gorell, 2; Scott, 3. Final: Nicholls, 1: Angus, 2; Gorell, 3. 100 Yards Handicap (U. 13): 1st Heat: D. Mackenzie, 1; Bourchier, 2; Gross, 3. 2nd Heat: Burrell, 1; Hicks, 2; McArthur, 3. Final: P. Gross, 1; Bourchier, 2; McKenzie, 3. Slow Bicycle Race (Open): H. Bromell, 1; M. Hartwick, 2; P. Leach, 3. Slow Bicycle Race (U. 11): D. Wright, 1; J. Hon, 2: B. Morphy, 3. Flag Race (U. 10), 400 yards: Bellerophon, 1; Pegasus, 2. Time, 1 min. 6.4 sees. Obstacle Race (U. 11): B. Morphy, 1; D. Millikan, 2; W. Gellie, 3. Obstacle Race (Open): T.

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Sproat, 1; A. Cawthorn, P. Read, eq. 2. Flag Race (U. 12, 600 yards): Bellerophon, 1; Helicon, 2. Time, 1 min. 28.2 secs. Old Boys' Race (120 yards): Final: K. Langlands, 1; B. Wylie, 2; Dennis, 3.

**Prep.** Championship: T. Simpson, 1; D. Neely, 2. Under 13 Championship: D. Neely, 8; Burrell, 6; Funston, 4. Under 12 Championship: A. Scott, 10; R. Gorrell, 7. Under 11 Championship: Jennings, R. Smith, eq., 5; K. Gaizutis, 2. Under 10 Championship: C. Seward, 1; Duigan, 2; J. McKenzie, Millikan, eq., 3.

## PREPARATORY SCHOOL NOTES. Staff

At the beginning of the year, we welcomed Miss E. M. Fry, from England. Unfortunately, Miss Fry met with an accident during second term vacation and once again Mrs. Wright very kindly came to our assistance.

In August, we said farewell to Mr. Crittenden, who left us to undertake further study at the University of Toronto. His place has been taken by Mr. H. H. Condon, who has been teaching at Westminster Boys' School. We extend to Mr. Condon a very cordial welcome. **Visitors** 

On October 26th, we were deeply honoured by a passing visit from Their Excellencies, the Governor-General, Field-Marshall Sir William Slim, and Lady **Slim.** We were charmed by the informality of the Governor-General and the graciousness of Lady Slim.

During second term, we were visited by Mr. H. Stephenson, Secretary of the Gould League of Bird Lovers, who gave us a most instructive address on Australian birds and the reasons for protecting them. As a result of his visit, combined with the interest of Mr. Watson, about one hundred and fifty boys are now active members of the league.

Early in third term, we were privileged to hear an address by the Rev. John Garrett, Australian Secretary of the World Council of Churches. He painted vividly for us the **very** grim picture of acute mal-nutrition and starvation in eastern countries today, and the work of the World Council of Churches in fighting this scourge and threat to humanity. As a result of his talk, a time of self-denial was held and a donation sent to further the work of the World Council of Churches.

On November 27th, three members of the Victoria Police Force visited the School and impressed on us the vital lessons of National Safety Week.

Early in second term, a concert given by Miss Barbara Schofield and Mr. Morris Williams took place in the Morrison Hall. The excellent choice of programme held our interest throughout.

#### Excursions

The special train containing royal photographs and coronation souvenirs provided us with an enthralling hour.

During third term, as the culmination of a project on "Justice," the senior form of the Preparatory School visited the Police Court. We are indebted to the Clerk of Courts for his courtesy in making this visit oossible.

On Thursday, December 3rd, the senior forms of the Preparatory School went on a field excursion to Anglesea. A profitable and enjoyable day was spent. Activities

The aims and achievements of the United Nations' Organization were underlined during Social Studies periods during United Nations' Week—October 18th to October 25th. Special broadcasts, films, plays, lecturettes and flag displays made this a most interesting week.

The last week-end of term was a particularly busy one. On Friday, December 4th, a pageant, "The Birthday of Our Lord, was given in Morrison Hall by the boys of Forms Upper IVA, Upper IVB, Lower IVA and Dormitory 2. This original and colourful presentation was produced and written by Mr. Condon assisted by Mrs. Wright (decorations and costumes), Mr. Mainwood (poetry and stage management), and Mr. Thomson (thematic and background music).

On Saturday, December 5th, the Preparatory School choir assisted in a most successful end-of-year concert.

The Preparatory School annual carol service was held in Morrison Hall on Sunday, December 6th. The gospel story was unfolded in readings by boys of the School, interspersed with the singing of appropriate carols. The service was arranged and conducted by the School Chaplain.

#### Sport

Another active and successful year of sport has been spent. During second term when our attention was concentrated on football, we were fortunate to have less serious interruption with our programme than usual, by wet conditions making play impossible. All teams enjoyed many matches and performed well. The first football team was captained by D. M. Neely aided by D. W. McCann as his deputy. It was a young team which improved a great deal as the season advanced. While the under 11 team was not quite as successful as its champion predecessor, it also had a good season under its captain, G. H. Atkins.

The Athletics season was a very busy one and this year we were not handicapped very greatly by inclement weather conditions. In fact, our Sports' Day was easily the best day of any of the school Sports' Days. The detailed results of the meeting appear elsewhere in this issue but here we congratulate T. Simpson on capping a fine year's athletic record by winning the Preparatory School Championship. Owing to the prevalence of sickness at Geelong Grammar School our usual combined athletic meeting was not held this year.

Towards the end of the year we have again been playing cricket and tennis. The tennis championship was won by T. Simpson.

#### KINDERGARTEN NOTES.

Our Christmas Party on December 7th brought our school year to a happy conclusion. Two of the highlights of this Coronation year were the visits to the Coronation Film and the Coronation Train.

We are most appreciative of the work done by the Parents' Committee led by Mrs. Cameron and we would particularly like to mention the afternoon tea on Sports' Day. We extend cordial greetings to the incoming committee which is to be presided over by Mrs. Farrow.

We are indebted to the Association for their gift of a lovely radiogram which is to be used in our everyday activities.

On the occasion of her resignation, Mrs. Bramham was presented with a suitable gift by the parents. However, we have been fortunate and very happy to have had her help on occasions during this last term.

We congratulate Miss Madden on passing her final teaching examinations and hope that she will be very happy in charge of the Kindergarten room next year.

In future, the three rooms connected with our Kindergarten will be known as the Kindergarten Room, Form I and Form II.

We had a beautiful day for our sports and were delighted to see so many friends there to cheer the boys on. Our congratulations go to Tim Hinchliffe on winning the championship this year. We also congratulate Roger Beilby (Continued bottom next Column).

### EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1953

#### Leaving

. The following passed the Leaving Examination:

Abery, C. R.; Bell, W. J.; Benallack, S. R.; Cameron, A. W.; Chomley, I. R.; Dennis, T. S.; Edwards, G. P.; Fyfe, A. M.; Higgins, F. J.; Hindhaugh, P. J.; Lang, D. F.; Lloyd, B. E.; McCall, J. R.; McDonald, N. R.; Meakin, W. D.; Merriman, R. F.; Metcalfe, J. H.; Morrison, D. H.; Murray, W. E.; Myers, J. G.; Naylor, H. L.; New, J. F. H.; Peel, C. S.; Phillips, D. L. L.; Reilly. S. G.; Richmond, G. R.; Roberts, J. F.; Robinson, R. G.; Rowe, B. M.; Sherson, N. D.; Smith, D. J.; Smith, R. SV; Steele, A. D. G.; Stephens, G. A.; Stott, B. H.; Thorn, B. G.; Thomson, K. W. J.; Vibert, P. W.; Vines, R. A. G.; Weaver, D. G.; Thorns, G. W.

#### Matriculation

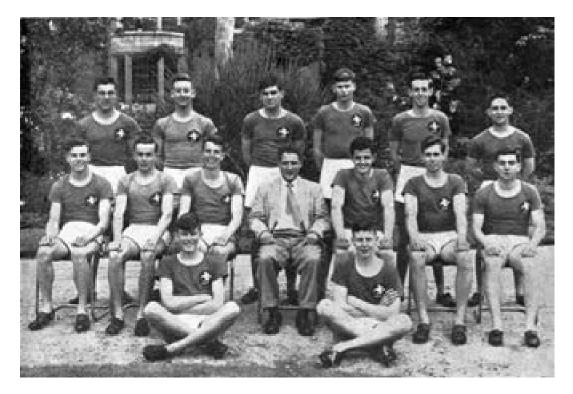
The following passed Matriculation. Honours are in a bracket beside the name of the candidate.

J. Anderson (2nd Physics), W. J. Anderson, M. J. Beach, P. W. Brotchie (2nd Modern History, 2nd British History), A. B. Burgess, J. B. Coombe (1st Physics, 2nd Chemistry, 2nd English Expression; 2nd Pure Mathematics, 2nd Applied and Calculus), F. A. J. Dearnaley, H. S. Green (2nd Modern History, 2nd British History), B. D. Harding (2nd Physics, 2nd Chemistry), C. D. Hassall, B. J. Henderson (2nd Geography, 2nd Modern History), J. G. Howden (2nd Modern History), I. D. Jacobs, A. W. Jones, G. T. Mc-Kinnon (2nd Physics), R. J. Rowe, A. M. Scott (2nd French), D. I. Spittle (2nd Physics), P. W. Sutherland (2nd Chemistry, 2nd Physics), D. H. Walpole (2nd Physics), I. Wolstenholme (2nd Physics).

and Murray Piper in sharing the title of "Dux of the Kindergarten."

Bad weather prevented us from having Speech Day out on the lawns, but we were fortunate in being able to use the assembly rooms at the Preparatory School.

We were very pleased to welcome Mrs. Austin Gray who came along to distribute the books and we do thank her most sincerely.



### ATHLETICS TEAM.

STANDING-N. M. McDonald, R. Ingpen, G. R. Baker, I. A. Watson, J. Lang, D. G. Williams SEATED-G. J. Crawford, A. W. McDonald, I. W. Macmillan, Mr. G. A. Frank, G. Warnock, W. W. Lawler, B. J. Solomon. FRONT-B. Watson. D. Caithness.

# ATHLETICS

#### SCHOOL SPORTS

The School Sports were held on October 10th. Throughout the early stages of the day rain fell, but during the afternoon the sports programme was very little hindered by the occasional drizzle that prevailed.

The rain during the day had made the track very heavy, and fast times were not to be expected, even though a fast time was recorded for the Under 16 Hurdles.

We take this opportunity to congratulate G. J. Crawford for his splendid performance in winning the Geelong College Cup, and also A. W. McDonald for winning the Norman Morrison Cup. Congratulations are also ex-tended to I. A. Watson, G. R. Baker, and C. Dudley for their championship wins in their respective age groups.

In an endeavour to create more interest in the School Sports than in previous years standard events, which were normally held throughout the week nights, were introduced to the programme enabling all boys to com-pete in their specified age groups. The stand-ards consisted of a set time or distance which had to be achieved before a boy could obtain

his standard. Every standard a boy obtained carried points for his House. The introduction of these standards was successful, as the pur-pose of their introduction was achieved.

The House Competition was won by Calvert House, the points being as follows:-

Calvert, 166.

Morrison, 136.

Shannon, 114.

McArthur, 93.

#### **RESULTS: INTER-HOUSE AND** CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

OPEN: 1, G. J. Crawford (The Geelong College Cup); 2, A. W. McDonald (The Nor-man Morrison Cup).

UNDER 16: 1, I. A. Watson (G. W. C. Ewan Cup); 2, W. W. Lawler. UNDER 15: 1 G. R. Baker (Athol Wilson

Cup); 2, D. Caithness. UNDER 14: 1, C. Dudley (E. R. Sparrow

Cup); 2, L. Bell.

**OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** 100 YARDS: 1, G. Crawford (C); 2, A. Mc-Donald (McA); 3, A. Douglas (McA); 4, D. McCrow (M); 5, M. John (M). 220 YARDS: 1, G. Crawford (C); 2, G. Warnock (S); 3, A. McDonald (McA)- 4, McCrow (M); 5, A. Douglas (McA).

440 YARDS: 1, G. Warnock (S); 2, A. Mc-Donald (McA); 3, D. McCrow (M); 4, M. John (M); 5, J. Lang (C).

880 YARDS: 1, R. Ingpen (McA); 2, J. Lang (C); 3, J. Bromell (McA); 4, I. Macmillan (M); 5, D. McCrow (M).

1 MILE: 1, R. Ingpen (McA); 2, I. Macmillan (M); 3, J. Lang (C); 4, A. Fyfe (C); 5, J. Bromell (McA).

HURDLES: 1, A. McDonald (McA); 2, G. Crawford (C); 3, M. John (M); 4, G. Saxton (S); 5, J. Saxton (S).

WEIGHT PUTT: 1, B. Solomon (S); 2, J. Saxton (S); 3, J. Macmillan (M); 4, M. George (McA); 5, R. Sutherland (C). HIGH JUMP: 1, W. Lawler (C): 2, M.

John (M); 3, I. Macmillan (M); 4, G. Quick (C); 5, G. Stephens (S)-A. McDonald (McA), (equal).

BROAD JUMP: 1, G. Crawford (Cf; 2, N. McDonald (S); 3, D. Purton (M); 4, A. Mc-Donald (McA); 5, A. Douglas (McA).

UNDER 16 CHAMPIONSHIP

100 YARDS: 1, B. Kinder (C); 2, D. Williams (C); 3, G. Ennis (McA); 4, I. Watson (M); 5, D. Fraser (McA).

220 YARDS: 1, D. Williams (C); 2, I. Watson (M); 3, B. Kinder (C); 4, D. Fraser (McA); 5, R. Ackland (S).

100 HURDLES: 1, W. Lawler (C); 2, I. Watson (M); 3, W. Dennis (M); 4, R. Howden (C); 5, D. Gibb (McA).

HIGH JUMP: 1, W. Lawler (C); 2, I. Watson (M); 3, D. Norwood (McA): 4, W. Dennis (M); 5, B. Kinder (C).

BROAD JUMP: 1, I. Watson (M); 2, B. Kinder (C); 3, G. Ennis (McA); 4, R. How-

den (C); 5, D. Richardson (S). WEIGHT PUTT: 1, W. Lawler (C); 2, J. Pennefather (S); 3, G. Fisher (McA); 4, I. Watson (M); 5, A. Roberts (S).

UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIP

100 YARDS: 1, G. Baker (C); 2, D. Caithness (M); 3, G. Forrest (M); 4, C. Lumsden (C); 5, A. Ennis (McA).

220 YARDS: 1, G. Baker (C); 2, D. Caithness (M); 3, G. Forrest (M); 4, A. Ennis (McA); 5, C. Lumsden (C).

HIGH JUMP: 1, B. Watson (M); 2, W. Ballantyne (S); 3, M. Marquardt (S); 4, R. Neely (McA); 5, I. Lewis (M).

BROAD JUMP: 1, G. Baker (C); 2, W. Ballantyne (S); 3, D. Caithness (M); 4, R. Redpath (S); 5, B. Watson (M).

#### **UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP**

100 YARDS: 1, C. Dudley (S); 2, G. Mc-Gregor (S); 3, L. Bell (McA); 4, G. Fyfe (C); 5, L. Cameron (M).

220 YARDS: 1, C. Dudley (S); 2. G. Mc-Gregor (S); 3, L. Bell (McA); 4, J. Kinley (C); 5, C. Campbell (M).

BROAD JUMP: 1, C. Dudley (S); C. Camp-bell (M) (equal); 3, N. Stubbs (M); L. Bell (McA) (equal); 5, G. Fyfe (C).

HIGH JUMP: 1, J. Scott (C); 2, L. Bell (McA): 3, C. Dudley (S): 4, T. Stuckey (C): 5, C. Campbell (M).

#### COMBINED SPORTS NOTES

The Combined Sports were held once more at the St. Kilda Cricket Ground under ideal weather conditions; but owing to the state of the track, very few fast times were recorded.

In order that boys of sixteen years of age could compete in the sports without having to compete against boys of seventeen and eighteen years, an Under 17 age group was introduced.

We congratulate Ian Watson on his really splendid performance in winning the Under 16 high jump and long jump, and for finishing second in the Under 16 hurdles. This is the first double win the College has had since 1947

We also congratulate Peter King of Geelong Grammar, Ken Maynson of Scotch College, and Ellis Hicks of Wesley College on their splendid efforts. Congratulations go also to Scotch College who won the Challenge Cup.

Although the College team finished sixth, every member of the team did his utmost on the day of the sports, and throughout training. The team would like to take this opportunity of thanking Messrs. Frank, Campbell, Profitt and Quick for the valuable service and time they gave to the team during training.

This year I. W. Macmillan was elected Captain of Athletics and S. G. Warnock elected Vice-Captain.

#### Results

1, Scotch College.

2, Melbourne Grammar.

3, Geelong Grammar.

4, Wesley College.

5, Xavier College.

6, Geelong College. OPEN.-100 Yards, G. Crawford, 6th; 220 Yards, G. Warnock, 4th; 440 Yards, G. Warnock 4th; 880 Yards, J. Lang, 5th; 1 Mile, I. Macmillan, 6th; High Jump, W. Lawler, 6th; Long Jump, G. Crawford, 5th; Hurdles, G. Crawford, 5th; Weight Putt, B. Solomon, 6th.

UNDER 17.—100 Yards, A. McDonald, 6th; 220 Yards, A. McDonald, 4th; 440 Yards, A. McDonald, 2nd; Hurdles, W. Lawler, 3rd; Long Jump, N. McDonald, 3rd.

UNDER 16.-100 Yards, D. Williams, 4th; 220 Yards, D. Williams, 4th; Long Jump, I. Watson, 1st; High Jump, I. Watson, 1st; Hurdles, I. Watson, 2nd.

UNDER 15.-100 Yards, D. Caithness, 6th; 220 Yards, D. Caithness, 6th; High Jump, P>. Watson, 5th.

#### RELAYS

OPEN.-Two Mile Relay (4 x 880 yards), Geelong College, 6th (Allen, Bromell, Lang, Langlands); 440 Yards Relay (4 x 110 yards), Geelong College 6th (Heard, Douglas, Sutherland, Rochester).

UNDER 17.-(4 x 220 yards), Geelong College, 3rd (Douglas, Heard, Sutherland, Rochester).

UNDER 16.-440 Yards Relay (4 x 110 yards), Geelong College, 6th (Ennis, Ackland, Kinder, Williams).

UNDER 15.-440 Yards Relay (4 x 110 yards), Geelong College disqualified (Caithness, Forrest, Redpath, Lumsden).

### **TENNIS NOTES-**

During the third term the boys entered into the tennis activities very enthusiastically. An increasing number of boys wished to play on the courts as the tournaments and house tennis drew near.

Throughout the summer months professional tennis coaches visited the school and passed on their knowledge to many eager tennis players. We cannot hope for immediate results, but in a few years' time the standard of tennis should be of a higher standard.

On Saturday, November 14th, a number of boys went down to the Hermitage and spent a most enjoyable day playing in a tournament. Social tennis such as this has proved to be very popular, and it is to be hoped that it will be continued in the future.

The School tennis tournament this year was marked by a large number of entries. In the open singles Williams and Money had a comparatively easy way to the finals. In the final both players displayed good strokes, but Williams with more control near the end won 6-8, 6-4, 6-3. Falconer and Rooke with steady base-line play beat Williams and Solomon in the doubles. The scores were: 2-6, 7-5, 6-3.

In the under 15 singles, Ballantyne defeated Forrest, after a long hard struggle. The scores were: 9-7, 7-9, 8-6.

This year the house tennis was extremely interesting up to the very end because the final results determined the positions of the houses for the vear. Money and Williams (Shannon), combined well to win five out of six matches.

-L.M.W.

#### HOUSE TENNIS

McArthur defeated Morrison (3-2)

Cook, B. D., and Falconer, P. I. (McA) lost to Rooke, J., and Smith, D. J. (M), 3-6, 6-4, 1-6; and defeated Douglas, I. B., and Vautier

(M), 7-5, 1-6, 6-4. Cook, W. T., and Maddern, B. T., lost to Douglas. J. B., and Vautier (M). 6-8, 2-6; and defeated Rooke, T., and Smith, D. J. (M), 3-6, 7-5. 6-4.

Sutcliffe and Neelv (McA), defeated Sutherland and Forrest, 10-4.

Shannon defeated Calvert (4-1)

Williams and Money (S) defeated Woodward and Metcalfe (C), 6-1, 6-3.; and defeated Pisrdon and Fyfe (C), 6-2, 6-3.

Vines and Stevens (S), defeated Pigdon and Fyfe (C), 6-1, 6-8, 6-2; and lost to Woodward and Metcalfe, 7-5, 2-6. 1-6. Ballantyne and McKenzie (S), defeated

Hirst and Ford (C), 10-8.

Calvert defeated McArthur (3-2)

Woodward and Metcalfe (C), defeated Cook, B. D., and Falconer, P. J. (McA), 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; and lost to Cook, W. T., and Madden (McA), 7-5, 1-6, 1-6.

Pigdon and Fletcher (C), lost to Cook, W. T., and Madden (McA), 6-3, 3-6, 9-11; and defeated Cook, B. D., and Falconer (McA), 7-5, 9-7

Ford and Illingsworth (C), defeated Sutcliffe and Neely (McA), 10-8.

#### Morrison defeated Shannon (3-2)

Rooke and Smith (M), lost to Williams and Money (S), 1-6, 0-6; and defeated Vines and Stevens (S), 7-5, 6-4.

Douglas and Vautier (M), defeated Vines and Stevens, 5-7, 7-5, 6-0; and lost to Williams and Money, 8-10, 6-3, 2-6.

Sutherland and Forrest (M), defeated Ballantyne and McKenzie, 10-9.

#### Morrison defeated Calvert (3-2)

Rooke and Smith (M), defeated Woodward and Metcalfe (C), 4-6, 6-4, 9-7; and defeated Pigdon and Fletcher (C), 6-4, 6-1.

Douglas and Vautier (M), defeated Pigdon and Fletcher, 6-3. 6-4; and lost to Woodward and Metcalfe, 3-6, 3-6.

Sutherland and Forrest (M), lost to Ford and Illingworth, 7-10.

#### Shannon defeated McArthur (3-2)

Williams and Money (S), defeated Cook. B. D., and Falconer, 6-0, 6-2; and defeated Cook, W<sup>;</sup>. T., and Madden, 6-4, 6-4.

Vines and Stevens (S) lost to Cook, W. T., and Madden. 2-6, 6-2. 5-7; and lost to Cook, B. D., and Falconer. 6-3, 3-6, 6-8.

Ballantvne and McKenzie (S) defeated Sutcliffe and" Neelv. 10-7.

#### **Final Results:**

1. Morrison, Shannon, 2 wins; 3, Calvert, Mc Arthur, 1 win. \* \* \*

#### LIBRARY REPORT

Summing up the library's work for the year I think I can confidently say we have had a very successful year. For the first two terms we had the leadership of Mr. Matthews, and after he left for Canada, Mr. Ipsen again took over. We procured during second term new linoleum, which was a great improvement on the old one; we also were donated a number of books on Australian aborigines and history. The committee were keen and energetic, as may be seen by the large number of books borrowed and the use made of the library by all; especially, we were glad to note, by the lower forms. In closing my report I will say that we lopk with the utmost confidence to next year. C.S.P.. VI.

### EXCHANGES.

The following school magazines are acknowledged with thanks:-The Carey Chronicle. The Armadalian, The Sydneian, The Georgian, Mainly About Girls, Virtus, The Southportonian, The Clansman, The Herioter, The Scotch Collegian, The Caulfield Grammarian. The Aberdeen Grammar School Magazine, The Campbellian, The Waitakian, The Corian, The Prince Alfred College Chronicle, The Minervan, The Mitre, The Brighton Grammarian, The Viking, The College Times, The Dauntseian, The Gordonian, The Caledonian.

### CADET NOTES.

Another successful year's training has been completed. This year there were twenty-nine parades and in this time detailed studies of the rifle, L.M.G., H.M.G., grenade, map reading, compass exercises, mortar and signals were carried out. In connection with this work we wish to offer our thanks to WO II Haines for all his help and guidance.

On the 23rd August, 203 members of the Geelong College unit left Geelong to attend the annual eight day camp at Mildura. While platoons performed there. all tactical manoeuvres, fired the Bren gun, and other general work. These manoeuvres were carried out under the adverse conditions of a dust storm. the worst experienced in this area since 1943: sometimes visibility was reduced to one hundred yards by swirling dust! However, despite these handicaps we had a very successful camp -both the Guard and Drill Platoon winning their respective semi-finals against Melbourne Grammar School and Brighton Grammar School. Our thanks go to all the A.R.A. instructors at the camp and especially to WO I Macelow for the training he gave the Guard.

This year the Drill Platoon again successfully contested all comers in the competition at the Melbourne High School on October 17th. They had a decisive win of nine points from their nearest rivals, Scotch College. Congratulations to Lieutenant P. Sutherland and 3 Platoon on their splendid work in winning the shield for the fifth successive year, and good luck to next year's Drill Platoon. Congratulations to the winners of the Guard Competition too, St. Patricks C.B.C., St. Kilda. The Geelong College Guard provided a fine performance, but were not sufficiently good to beat the winners.

The Governor-General of Australia, Sir William Slim paid Geelong an official visit on 2nd November and a Vice-Regal Guard was provided by the unit. His Excellency complimented the guard commanders; Lts. T. Dennis, I. W. Macmillan and P. Sutherland; and the guard on their steadiness and smart turnout, commenting that it was the best cadet guard he had seen. Our thanks to the band music and the atmosphere they lent to the occasion.

The final parade was held on the 12th November and Lt. Col. Jenkinson attended the parade to present the General Smart Shield to the Drill Platoon. After he had inspected the parade, Lt. Col. Jenkinson took the salute for the march past.

Sgts. Abery and Fyfe are the two members chosen to represent the unit in the review at Canberra when Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, will open Parliament on 15th February, 1954. Good luck to you and also those boys attending potential under officers and N.C.O.'s camps at Christmas time.

It is six years since a Geelong Collegian was top of a camp, see if you chaps, who are going, can bring home both prizes next year.

Finally, on behalf of the whole unit, I would like to thank Lt. Col. Dunkley and Captain Campbell for their whole-hearted co-operation throughout the year. Good luck to all those returning and all new members next year, especially for the parade when Her Majesty visits Geelong.

	Calvert		McArthur		Morrison		Shannon	
	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
Swimming	3	4	2	8	4	0	1	12
Cricket: 1st XI	1	15	2	10	4	0	3	5
Under 15	4	0	1	6	2	4	3	2
Rowing: 1st Crew	4	0	3	6	2	12	1	18
2nd Crew	4	0	3	1	1	3	2	2
Football: 1st XVIII	1	15	4	0	2	10	3	5
Under 15	1	6	3	2	2	4	4	0
Athletics: Meeting	1	12	4	0	2	8	3	4
Standards	2	6	3	3	1	9	4	0
Tennis	3 =	2	3 =	2	1 =	10	1 =	10
Totals Position	6	50	3	8	6	0	58	3
POSITION		1 =		4		1 =	3	3

#### HOUSE COMPETITIONS.



His Excellency, Sir William Slim inspects the Guard.

## MUSIC NOTES.

During second and third terms the musical side of Geelong College has flourished. The members of the Tenor-Bass Choir are to be particularly praised for having attended nearly every practice on time.

Mr. Logie-Smith was very busy at the beginning of second term preparing a Treble-Alto-Tenor-Bass Choir to sing at the Annual School Service at St. George's Church on 12th July. At that service the whole school sang the Twenty-Third Psalm, and St. Patrick's Prayer. The Tenor-Bass Choir sang "God Is My Strength".

From then until the second term concert, the choir, orchestra and brass band rehearsed solidly and finished the term well. The orchestra opened the concert with a polka by Tschaikowsky, and a lovely "Tarantella". These rather short, lively pieces were well played, the Tarantella having a particularly catchy melody. Throughout the evening were heard thirty piano solos. The playing as a whole was very pleasing to the ear and when the last pianist had played his final note the audience were thoroughly enjoying themselves. The Tenor-Bass Choir sang Sir Arthur Sullivan's "Beleaguered," Shubert's "The Wanderer," "Richard of Taunton Dean," and "The Sleigh," by a contemporary Russian composer. The leader of the orchestra, Frank Pam, gave a fine performance of the first two movements of a Tartini Sonata. The concert was concluded by the Brass Band which gave a lively performance of the ever-popular "White Horse Inn" selections.

Throughout the winter term we were fortunate in having three afternoon concerts from outside musicians. The world famous "English Duettists" Misses Morris and Anderson again visited the college and gave us a most enjoyable afternoon. They sang "Cherry Ripe," "The Wattle", and many other sparkling songs. Miss Margaret Schofield, who came with singer Mr. Morris Williams, played, among other works, the beautiful Chopin Waltz in A flat. Mr. Williams soon had everyone laughing heartily at his subtle interpretations of Mozart Opera. The third visit was from Violincellist Miss Horowitz, Mr. Smythe, who teaches the violin at the school, and Mr. Miers, introduced to the school one or two smaller piano works of Schostocovitch. We are also grateful to Mr. Miers for coming to the school and taking classes for two or three weeks in the absence of Mr. Smith..

In the final concert for the year, held on December 5th, there were played two Piano Concertos. The first, a Bach Concerto for two pianos, was played by Peter Sutherland, Bobert Washington-Gray, Robert Money and Graeme Falk. The former two boys played two movements each and the latter boys played one movement each. Members of the school orchestra, masters and friends of the college played the orchestral accompaniment. On the whole the performance was good and had a deftness about it that one would expect only from proficient musicians.

The Beethoven Concerto No.2 in B Flat was also performed. Malcolm John played the Allegro, Fred Russell the Adagio and Michael Beach the Rondo. This, too, was very musically treated. The choir sang the "Soldier's Chorus" from "Faust", by Gounod and "Together".

A combined Treble-Bass Choir sang the Cononation Anthem "Zadoh the Priest" and Haydn's "Achieved is the Glorious Work."

The Music Examination results were of a high standard this year, there being achieved three 7th Grade Honours and two 6th Grade Honours in piano, as well as other outstanding marks. Mr. Roy Shepherd, who was the Musical Director of the school before Mr. Logie-Smith, was the examiner.

—M.S.J.

### PIANOFORTE RESULTS

Preparatory School:

Beel, T. B., 84, Preliminary Grade (P); Clarke, M. R., 77, Preliminary Grade (P); Bourchier, D., 65, 3rd Grade (P); Bennett, I. W, 77, 1st Grade (C).

Senior School:

King, M. R., 68, 1st Grade (P); Keating, M., 76, 2nd Grade (C); Lester, W. E., 82, 2nd Grade (C); Males, P., 80, 2nd Grade (C); Pearce, G. L., 72, 2nd Grade (P); Read, M. D., 81, 2nd Grade (C); Wills, I. R., 80, 2nd Grade (C); Colvin, M. D., 75, 4th Grade (C); Lewis, B. A. G., 85, 4th Grade (H), also May examination, 85, 3rd Grade (H); Herman, M.

F., 85, 4th Grade (H); Scott, 71, 4th Grade (P); Ackland, R. K., 76, 5th Grade (C); Colvin, R. A. G., 72, 5th Grade (P), 80, 3rd Grade Perception (C), 1 Intermediate subject; Harrison, I. T., 85, 5th Grade (H), 82, 3rd Grade Perception (C), 1 Leaving subject; Money, R. D., 77, 5th Grade (C); Gray, R. W., 90, 6th Grade (H), 91, 3rd Grade Perception (H), 1 Intermediate subject; Sutherland, T., 81, 6th Grade (C), 65, 3rd Grade Perception (P), 1 Leaving subject; Beach, M. J., 85, 7th Grade, (H), 67, 4th Grade Perception (P); John, M. S., 87, 7th Grade '(H); Sutherland, P. 85, 7th Grade (H), 94, 4th Grade Perception (H); Russell, F. W., 90, 6th Grade, May Examination (H). Violin:

Wright, B. A., 71, 5th Grade (P), 1 Leaving subject.

Cello:

Dickinson, H. R.; 72, 3rd Grade (P); Crawford, G. J., 75, 2nd Grade (C).

Pam is sitting for Matriculation Violin.

H = Honours, C = Credit, P = Pass.

Colvin, R., and Gray, R., obtained music as an Intermediate subject. Harrison, L, Sutherland, T., and Wright, B., obtained music as a Leaving subject.

### BAND NOTES.

The Band has once again come to the end of another successful year during which it again provided the highlight of the Geelong College Cadet Corps. At several functions attended by the band during the year it was the centre of much admiration.

During Second Term several new members came into the band in order to have a large band for Cadet Camp. A very successful time was had by all at Mildura and while there the band combined with that of Melbourne Grammar School at the passing out parade of the W.R.A.A.C. Officers' Course. On the Sunday the Band led a parade through the streets of Mildura.

The band concentrated through the year on quality and not on quantity. A fine climax was provided by the band at the second term concert when they played White Horse Inn selections. Two well-known marches were well received at the concert in third term, and it is obvious that items by the band are enjoyed very much. The band owes a great deal to Mr. G. Logie Smith who has spent much of his valuable time in adding the finishing touches to the band's performance. The drill of the band was comparable this year with that of the other platoons due to the conscientious work of Drum Major 1). F. Lang. The music was very well prepared this year by Sergeant M. J. Reach.

This year recruiting was started towards the end of third term in an effort to have a full band for 1954. Little difficulty was experienced in filling most of the positions due to the number of volunteers and the band for next year should be up to the usual standard.

#### HOUSE SHOOTING

House shooting competitions were contested very keenly some years ago, but were discontinued in 1939 with the outbreak of war. The shooting competition results were recorded as part of the general house points and colours were awarded.

After many attempts, year by year, to resume Inter-House Rifle Shooting, it has at last crept back in. The trophy which has been on the shelf for the past fourteen years has been taken down and had its cobwebs removed. It was thereby discovered that Morrison House were the last to win it in 1939. Although colours are still not awarded for shooting, as it has not returned to inclusion in the general house competition, it is hoped that it will be fully restored within the next few years and colours will once again be awarded and the points earned will again be included in the final house totals.

The contest this year was held in third term on the Geelong range and on similar lines to the Earl Robert's trophy. An attack was fired from 500 yards to 100 yards, followed by grouping, application and snap practices. Morrison House won the trophy, followed by Shannon, MacArthur and Calvert in that order. Each house team consisted of five firing members, one emergency and one non-firing captain.

W.J.B.

#### LANGUAGE NOTES

The French Oral Exams, conducted by the Alliance Francaise de Victoria, were held at the High School in August. Boys from the college again did well, taking a fair number of the prizes and honourable mentions. D. Sutherland, L. Wright and D. Seller deserve praise, as each came top of his respective division. F. Pam also competed in the Goethe Prize Competition in Melbourne and received an honourable mention. ALLIANCE FRANCAISE RESULTS

Grade I Matriculation:

Recitation, Honourable Mention.—B. Stott, J. F. New, R. Robinson, F. Pam.

Dictation, Honourable Mention: F. Pam; Pass, A. Steele, J. F. New.

Reading and Conversation, Honourable Mention: F. Pam, B. Stott.

Grade II Leaving:

Recitation, 2nd aeq.: M- Colvin, S. Mac-Innes; Honourable Mention, F. Russell, G. Ennis, D. Gibb, I. Harrison, M. Herman.

Dictation, Honourable Mention: F. Russell, I. Harrison, D. Gibb, S. MacInnes, R. Money, G. Ennis, A. Gray; Pass, M. Herman.

Reading and Conversation, Honourable Mention: S. MacInnes, M. Herman, I. Harrison, R. Nash, F. Russell, B. Cook, R. Money. Grade III Intermediate:

lst, D. Sutherland; Honourable Mention, R. Gray, R. Pennicott, B. Rigg, A. Whiteside, I. Falk, D. Norwood.

Grade.II1 Intermediate:

Dictation, 1st: L. Wright; Honourable Mention, R. Naughton, D. Sutherland, A. Buchter, R. Gray, E. Payne, A. Whiteside, S. Pennicott, D. Quick; Pass, R. Falk, M. Marquardt, B. Rigg.

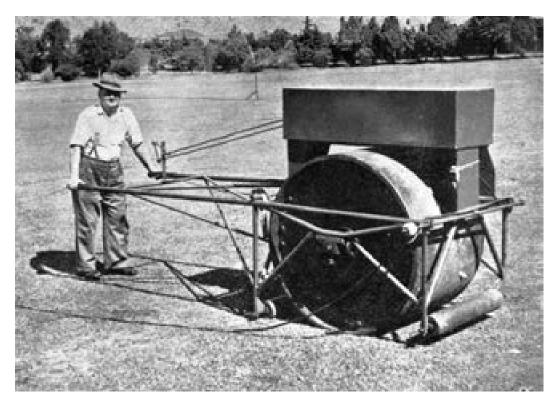
Grade IV Sub-Intermediate:

Recitation, 1st: D. Seller; Honourable Mention. J. Kriegel, T. McGregor, S. Langslow; J. Hill.

-R.G.R., VI.

#### GLIMPSES OF THE PAST (Knowle House 1861-1870)

On the 9th July, 1861, the doors of Knowle House swung open and the first pupils were enrolled. A great educational institution under the inspiration of Dr. George Morrison was in the making. Knowle House was an old stone residence situated on the north side of Skene Street not far from Flinders National School. It, together with a number of other buildings, comprised Dr. Morrison's little school. There were three cottages-a classroom, master's residence and coach-house, and an adjacent building where Dr. Morrison and his family lived. The teaching staff consisted of resident and visiting masters. Two of these should be particularly remembered -George F. Hutton (1861-8), the designer of the College Crest, and John Garbutt, the first Old Collegian to teach at his former school.



A Familiar Scene During the Cricket Season.

The athletic sports, which were first introduced in 1868, were held on the Corio Ground or on the Friendly Societies Reserve. Both of these grounds were situated in the Eastern Park. There were always a number of carriages and police in attendance-a vivid contrast to the sports of today. The Standing High Jump, Pole Vaulting and the one mile Handicap Walking Match (time 8 min. 47 sec.) were some of the events included in these early programmes. An amusing event occurred in 1869. Dickenson was dissatisfied with the result of the 440 vds. Geelong Football Club Cup. He protested that the winner, Anderson, had benefited by running inside a post. This incident provoked a great deal of unnecessary haggling. A committee member insisted that the evidence be heard at the College, but his demand was unheeded. Anderson admitted running over a post hole and contradicted the suggestion that he had run inside a post that was standing. He refused to submit, and stated that he had witnesses to prove his case.

The race was re-run and Anderson was defeated. The spectators, however, sympathised with the loser and subscribed a sum of money with which to purchase a cup equal in value to that won by Dickenson.

In 1868 an interesting yet amusing football match between the College and Scotch College was played on the Zoological Grounds near the Yarra. This game ended in a draw-one goal each. In those early days there were twenty players to a side, and the first team to score two goals was declared the winner. This particular game was marred by minor incidents and by general misunderstanding between the two sides. Scotch left behind the football that was to be used in the game. A new ball was produced after two hours' delay and the first goal was registered. Anderson, a College player, was about to score the equalising goal when suddenly the Scotch team called "time"' and refused to continue play, despite the pro-Several letters appeared in the Meltests. bourne "Argus," from Scotch supporters try-



#### Knowle House as it is today.

ing to justify their team's actions. The entire incident was forgotten after the Scotch captain, A. Wilson, had invited his irate opponents to lunch in Melbourne—an invitation that was never accepted. In 1870 a football match between a team selected from Melbourne Grammar and Scotch College and one from Geelong College and Geelong Grammar took place on the Aberdeen Street ground near the Argyle Hotel. The Scotch team had breakfast at Knowle House and were later entertained at dinner.

The annual College examinations and the distribution of prizes that followed played an important part in the school's curriculum. They were held in either the Mechanics' Institute or Town Hall, starting at eleven o'clock in the morning and continuing into the afternoon. A large display of chalk and coloured drawings, maps and ornamental writing were on view to the public. The classes were carefully examined by Mr. Morrison, his staff and interested spectators. This system changed after 1862, when the annual examinations were held prior to Speech Day. Prizes were awarded for various subjects, which included Instrumental Music and Drilling. It is noteworthy that a prize was awarded for General Progress and to the boy best liked by his companions. Dramatic entertainment, sword and Indian club exercises were included in the programmes.

In 1869 Dr. Morrison embarked on a new venture. He purchased a six-acre block of land on Newtown Hill, as a suitable site for a new school. The 1870 Speech Day ushered in a new school era—the doors of Knowle House were closed and its passages and classrooms no longer echoed with schoolboy shouts and laughter. A.G.

(With acknowledgement to the "Geelong Advertiser," from whose files the above information was obtained).

### A SHIP IN A STORM AT SEA

The captain was the first to see the dreaded column. He, John Baron, a man of steel, big of frame, with a keen mind and acid tongue ordered the hatches closed and sealed while, with his first mate, he prepared to man the helm.

The atmosphere was pierced by the cries of myriads of gulls and terns; they flew past in an effort to escape the typhoon that even now, when little less than a mile away, was deafening to the ears and through the captain's blue eyes presented an awful sight.

The waters round the tiny pearling launch heaved as the first winds were upon them.

Hunched up against the raging winds and salt spray the captain and mate fought to keep the launch head on into the waves that were growing in size every second.

The sturdy vessel rose out of a cavernous valley and hovered for a moment, as a falcon does before swooping on its hapless victim, then slid down the other side, safe for a time from the hurricane raging forty feet above.



The old score board and box before removal to their new site.

If one of those titanic waves, the protectors of Neptune's kingdom, had engulfed the tiny man-made launch it would have been crushed as easily as a baby learning to walk falls down in an ungainly heap.

The storm passed as swiftly as it came but, in its wake left a battered "Pride" and a downhearted crew preparing to clear away wreckage. —D.C.I., 2A.

#### MODERN ADVERTISING

What a business it is today. It is "art that consists in concealing art." The purpose of good advertisements is so concealed that the person in the street looks at the subject of the advertisement and is unaware that the poster, or what have you, is trying to sell him "something." It is propaganda.

The poster is one of the oldest methods of advertising.

This innocent looking "picture" has developed quickly over the last ninety odd years, and today is perhaps one of the most skilled methods of selling goods or services. Styles have changed over the years, and today the trend is slightly moving away from symbolism toward reality again. But first class posters are still a means of subtle suggestion, and are not only the work of an artist and business man, but also a printer.

This printer also prints the daily newspapers and its photographs and press advertisements, both good and bad. Some of the better works are really very cleverly and simply done, so that the maximum effect can be gained with the minimum of trouble and cost.

The wireless also plays a big part in our mind today. We are often listening to some programme, and generally we hear some advertisements. We say, "Oh, I've heard that dozens of times; why do they go on repeating it day after day, surely it's no use." But we are wrong. They have a psychological value that you and I do not realize, but is fully understood by those in the know.

Then with that really ultra-modern device, television, the advertising agent has a vast new potential field before him, and he can exploit the credulous mind of the public even further than before. Television has not yet come to Australia, but when it does—Beware! Advertising is a world wide business, for that lubricates the wheels of commerce; it is a coldblooded, ruthless, commercial instrument that takes no heed of morals, and will be less mindful of the individual, in the future of this our wonderful universe, that has no time to even stop and think. But let us just think for once with Kipling, who said:

"But the Devil whoops, as he whooped of old It's clever, but is it art?"

### WHO IS HE?

He has grown to be hard and selfish! Never consenting to carry out the wishes of the earthling beings who gaze at him. If he did our lives would be utter chaos, and not one day could be spent in his presence without it being like a tangled jig-saw puzzle.

He is no coward! His character, however, is three faced, and each of these he turns bravely into any weather, not as do his admirers, who sulkily bow their heads and turn their backs to any adversity that arises. He stands fast, and faces even the "roughest weather" stirred up by the stupid little humans, and then watches it subside.

He has stood in his glory and seen green clothed beings establish history, and has then watched them charge senselessly around as though a great victory had been won. When other useless humans dressed in light-blue are present the more feverish the charging around appears to him.

For many decades people have looked to him for advice, and for many decades his advice has often been wrong; but never has he lost his popularity as an adviser. The same number as yesterday look to him today for his ever changing advice. Silly earthlings! There is always someone who refuses to take heed of him; but they must always pay a penalty.

Yes! The hard body is growing old; but the Morrison Hall Clock Tower will always tell something which will never **die**. LW.M., VI.

# THE OLD BOYS

# OLD GEELONG COLLEGIANS' ASSOCIATION.

(Established 1901)

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## **ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES.**

#### OLD BOYS' DAY, 1953.

This year's annual reunion of Oid Collegians was held on Friday July 10, when a good number assembled, firstly to witness the College football team's match against Melbourne Grammar School.

At the annual general meeting of the Association, after the football, the annual report revealed good progress with the different appeals and memorials, which had previously been delayed by building difficulties. The balance sheet showed that, in spite of a healthy growth of membership, increases in all costs had caused a small deficit on the year's working. The committee is investigating ways of overcoming this problem. Office bearers were elected for the ensuing year as shown on the preceding page.

The outstanding event in the reunion was the holding of the annual dinner in the College dining hall. Guests included the Headmaster (Dr. M. .A. Buntine) and representatives of all the other Public Schools. The principal toast of the evening, "The College," proposed by Lieut-Gen. Sir Horace Robertson, K.B.E, D.S.O., in a fine speech, was responded to by Dr. Buntine.

The newly elected President (Mr. A. Austin Gray) welcomed Old Boys and visitors and expressed the hope that this dinner would be the forerunner of many similar functions in the dining hall. It was unanimously agreed that the College was the right place to hold the reunion and that the dinner was the best for many years.

#### MEMORIALS OPENED.

On sports day, October 10, the College took over from the Association the A. H. MacRoberts Scoring Box and the Edward Rankin Gates. The President, Mr. A. Austin Gray, formally presented them to the Principal, Dr. M. A. Buntine, who accepted on behalf of the College. The dedication was pronounced by the Rev. R. A. Blackwood, and the President then declared the memorials open for inspection.

FIXTURES, 1954.

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#### NEWS LETTER.

The President's letter dispatched to members in September conveyed useful information of approaching fixtures at the College. An associated appeal to non-members for support brought in over 30 life memberships and several new annual memberships.

#### GIPPSLAND DINNER.

Another pleasant reunion of Gippsland Old Boys was held in Maffra on August 21. The principal speaker was Mr. J. D. Rogers; other visitors were Mr. J. H. Campbell and Mr. B. R. Keith, from the College, and representatives of the other Public Schools.

#### FOUNDER'S DAY.

The Founder's Day Service at St. George's on July 12 was attended by many Old Boys. The speaker was Mr. Kenneth G. McIntyre. A fuller report appears on another page.

#### NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Since June the following Old Collegians have become life members of the Association:

Sir J. P. Dwyer (1890); D. S. Nasmith ('99); G. B. Hope (1900); H. T. Shaw ('06); R. K. Campbell, J. R. Cochrane ('11); W. J. Crawford (T3); A. Marshall ('15); Dr. J. K. Herd ('17); N. O. Callan ('18); P. Adzen ('20); W. R. Griffiths ('21); A. R. G. Colvin, Dr. E. E. Davies ('22); A. E. Rushbrooke ('23); W. G. Strong ('26).

M. Hirst D. D. Read ('28); W. T. Melville ('29); D. C. Bell, D. J. Geddes ('30); W. G. Malloch ('33); L. Wills ('34). W. G. Philip ('35); H. W. Birrell ('38); J. L. Geddes ('40); A. W. Davies, W. H. Kendall ('41); F. R. Henderson, A. G. Riddock ('43); R. S. Belcher, W F. Humphreys, H. S. Michael ('44); D. T. Broberg, D. J. Hanson ('46). R. H. George, M. L- Hinton ('49); R. L. Caithness, G. D. Wright ('51); J. N. R. Anderson, W. J. Anderson, W. U. Bates, B. D. Harding, W. R. Kerr, E. R. Metcalfe, D. S. W. Mockridge, E. L. Partridge ('52); H. M. Wettenhall, I. D. Jacobs, R. F. Merriman, P. J. Hindhaugh ('53).

#### VISITORS\* BOOK.

The following signatures have been added to the MacRoberts Memorial visitors' book in the Masters' Common Room:—

Robert G. Evans Robert M. Fraser, Allan J. McCrow, W. J. Calvert, W. M. Nash, R. R. Aitken, W. U. Bates, J. G. Carr, A. H. R. Mc-Lelland, C. W. G. Mackinnon, Graeme Gough, David S. Moreton, Ewen T Farquharson, John S. Troup, J. A. McKenzie, S. G. Reilly, A. Tatlock, Harry Silke, Robert Billinge, William C. Elliott, N. I. Morrison, John Champion, Alistair M. Scott, Ian R. Campbell, A. G. Smart.



"JIMMY" AS THE COLLEGE REMEMBERS HIM.

JAMES D'HELIN, who died at Geelong on November 4 after a long illness, was one of the most widely known of Old Collegians. The world at large respected him as a business man and a sportsman of outstanding energy, discernment and organizing ability. In his younger days he was in the public eye as a league footballer and umpire, swimmer and skating champion. He held at one time or another almost every office in the Geelong Football Club and was always interested in fostering junior sport.

Geelong College has its own reasons for remembering "Jimmy" with gratitude and affection, just as it held a very special place with him. He was a boy here from 1889 to 1892 and, living in Geelong, continued a close association after leaving, particularly with College sport. Most Old Boys of the years 1905-1948 remember him as starter for the athletic sports, a job

undertaken at the personal request of Air. Norman Morrison and carried out easily yet precisely and punctually. When, after Mr. Morrison's death in 1909, the College was hesitating at the crossroads, "Jimmy" was one of a small band who put it on the right track. In the crisis, according to the 1911 history, "he proved himself indefatigable, tactful and businesslike." He remained till his death a member of the committee of the O.G.C.A., his observations at committee meetings being characterized by wisdom and moderation. To quote again: "So long as the Association has men .... who are prepared to give time and thought and energy to its affairs and the affairs of the College, there will be no fear for the future." Both have suffered severely by the loss of James D'Helin and must earnestly hope that his example will move others to serve as faithfully as he did.

### ON HER MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Dr. P. J. C. STRETTON is serving in Korea with the British Commonwealth Communication Zone Medical Unit.

Capt. JOHN SALMON is in England to continue military studies.

F./O. BLAIR DENNISTON has been instructing in navigation at different R.A.A.F. stations.

JOHN FAIRNIE gained his commission in the City of Geelong A.A. Regiment. NOEL EUSTACE is a sergeant in the same unit.

Col. J. W. HARRISON is Colonel-in-charge at Fort Nepean.

### LINDSAY HASSETT.

As Australia's test captain retires from big cricket, experts on both sides of the world are vying in eulogistic comment, well meant and well merited. Nothing, however, is more eloquent than some of the simple statistics of Lindsay's own performance, including the highest aggregate of runs and highest average in this year's test side—at the age of 40—and the greatest total of runs ever put together for Victoria despite interruption by the war.

Of his captaincy one might be tempted to say that the winning of the toss five times in a test series is the hall-mark of perfection. A more profound critic wrote for an English paper: "His genial personality, ready wit and consideration for others gained him a popular in this country never equalled by any other Australian captain."

Lindsay's fellow Geelong Collegians congratulate him on a brilliant career of sport and sportsmanship.

#### OLD BOYS v. COLLEGE.

A pleasant feature of College sport in recent years has been the informal cricket match played against a team of Old Boys at the beginning of the first term. This season's match is fixed for Wednesday, February 3, when Old Boys invited by the College coach (Mr. K. W. Nicolson) will give his prospective first Eleven some realistic practice. A general invitation is extended to friends of the College to be present and barrack for either of the sides, or both.

ALLISTER McLEOD, S.A. vice-captain in this year's amateur football carnival, was an outstanding player and goal kicker for his State.

HAVEL ROWE was judged Richmond's best and fairest player for 1953.

### GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE.

• After the payment of minor legacies, the residual estate of the late Harold J. Thorogood is left to the Geelong College.

• The magnificent response of Old Boys to the Racing Eight appeal caused the fund to be over-subscribed. With part of the surplus some boat covers have been bought, and a small balance will be applied to the Boat Club's future needs.

• Jack G. Steele, a member of the 1918-19 crews has generously offered the College a set of oars for the new racer, "Pegasus III."

• Some months ago a group of Old Boys, acting through the committee, presented to the College a cup to be known as the F. W. Rolland Tennis Cup. It will be a perpetual award, to go "annually to the winner of the College singles championship.

• John Chambers has given a bat and a pair of batting gloves for the use of the first eleven.

### MARRIAGES.

Blair Denniston—Heather McNeil, Glenelg, S.A., December 13, 1952.

Andrew Hardie—Elizabeth Alped, Toorak, March 10.

Richard Fullagar—June Harris, Toorak, June 30.

Rae Hume-Judith Renfrey, Geelong, July 11.

Clive Kirkwood-Vera Rushbrooke, Singapore, July 11.

Neon Sykes—Joan Greenberg, Smithton, Tas., August 8.

John Coles—Audrey Halligan, Toorak, August 8.

Dr. Robert Waterhouse-Barbara Dahlenburg, Malvern, August 26.

Russell Mockridge—Irene Pritchard, London, September 26.

Ross Burnside—Betty Lamshed, Brighton, October 3.

Wesley Smith—Margaret Rollins, Geelong, October, 3.

Keith Murdoch—Robin Adele King, Brisbane, Q., October 9.

Bill Dix—Janet Bowman, Newtown, October 28.

Havel Rowe—Lynda Hyscock, South Yarra, November 11.

Malcolm Riddle-Margaret McPhail, Hawthorn, November 14.

### **OBITUARY.**

The Rev. FARQUHAR **CHISHOLM** died at Melbourne on July 7, in his 76th year. He emigrated from Scotland in his boyhood, completed the matriculation course at the College, and went on to Ormond to train for the Church. His ministry took him to several churches in Victoria and also included the organizing of funds for the building of "Morongo" in 1924.

GORDON ARTHUR MELVILLE, well remembered at the College for his remarkable cricket feats in the years 1901-04, died in 1952.

DAVID STRUAN NASMITH, who died at Caulfield on November 10, aged 71 years, attended the College in the closing years of the last century. He was in the first cricket and football teams. In the 1914-18 war he served with the first A.I.F.

WILLIAM HATRICK REID, a Collegian of the period 1875-80, died on August 22, 1952, in his ninety-second year. Like several of his seven brothers, who all attended the College, William was a keen sport. He excelled at football, which he also played with the Geelong club in 1879-80. Throughout his life he was interested in the land, particularly in grazing in New South Wales and Queensland. He was for some years a member of the College Council.

HAROLD JAMES THOROGOOD attended Geelong College from 1925 to 1933 and was an outstanding student in every class, with particular success in science subjects. His education continued at the Gordon Institute of Technology and the University of Melbourne, where he gained two degrees in Engineering. During the war he became an officer in a specialist unit and was afterwards engaged in research with the P.M.G.'s Department. Some years ago he was assailed by a form of paralysis which steadily worsened; he died at Geelong on August 17 at the age of 38.

### **BREVITIES.**

After many years in England, where he was the O.G.C.A. representative, JOHN D. HAR-PER has returned to Australia and settled in Toorak.

JOHN WORSSAM, of Old Greenwich, Connecticut, has been serving with the U.S. Army, on leave from the Esso Company.

BILL SLATER is at Cambridge, happily engaged on bio-chemistry for the Agricultural Research Council. Also working for this body is IAIN PATTISON, who has been granted a Fulbright Scholarship to permit of investigations in America.

GORDON SNELL, having completed his National Service, is reading modern languages at Oxford.

STEWART E. FRASER also is at Oxford, reading philosophy, politics and economics. He is on leave from the Commonwealth Public Service.

GEORGE EWAN is the proud father of a potential Collegian born on October 14.

J. H. ("Clem") HILL, manager of Kingswood Golf Club, is president of the Victorian Division of the Golf Club Secretaries' and Managers' Association.

JIM FAIRCHILD came safely through an exciting encounter with a locomotive at Tinamba in July. The engine was not badly hurt either.

RON FALLAW gained the Institute Prize for 1953 at the Licensed Surveyor's final examination. The award is not made every year, but only 'when particularly meritorious work justifies it.

HARRY B. SIMSON received the congratulations of Old Collegians for his 90th birthday on September 17.

IAN KNEEBONE is inquiring into the problems of fruit and vine culture at the Merbein research station.

BOB BELCHER is a chemist with the Department of Agriculture, Melbourne.