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SCHOOL NOTES.

During this term Mr. Walmsley was the recipient of general congratulation, to which "The Torch-Bearer" adds its voice, upon his seventieth birthday.

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The following were appointed Prefects during the term:—M. L. Foster, K. J. Kirby, D. H. Playfair.

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In the last week of Term I., the following were appointed Sub-Prefects:—D. J. Bennett, G. R. Coghlan, R. E. Holliday, M. M. Irving, P. A. Limbers.

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The Lawrence Campbell Prize for Oratory, competed for among Associated and Great Public Schools, was won this year by A. E. Melville.

CHAPEL NOTES.

The preacher at the Open Sunday Service at Mattins on Sunday, 19th August, was the Reverend C. A. Goodwin, Chaplain of the Missions to Seamen.

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On Sunday, 15th July, a Choral Evensong was held. An address on "Music in Worship" was read by the Reverend T. H. D. Kitley. The address, which had been broadcast by the A.B.C., was written by the Reverend Canon Horace P. Finnis, Precentor of Adelaide Cathedral. Our thanks are due to Canon Finnis and to the A.B.C. for permission to use the address.

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Addresses were given in Chapel by the Reverend Canon — Bell, State Secretary of the Australian Board of Missions, and by Mr. J. A. Garrett, Travelling Secretary of the Australasian Student Christian Movement.

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The Right Reverend C. Venn Pilcher, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Sydney, confirmed the following seventy-four boys in the School Chapel on Friday, 3rd August: Alldis, John Barry; Allport, Robert Anthony; Allsop, James Cottam; Andrew, John Warren; Arlom, John Wilfred; Barnett, Brian Phillip; Barry, Grahame Maxwell; Benjamin, Peter John; Berriman, David William; Blackburn, Bruce Ernest; Blackett, Donald Barry; Boydell, Ian Charles Broughton; Brunskill, John Laird; Burns, Richard; Bysantson, William Neill; Cameron, Alpin David; Cameron, Ian Chisholm; Campbell, Michael William; Carr, Robert Francis; Chippindall, John Kenneth; Cooper, Ian Allan; Cowdery, Edward Charles Francis; Davies, Walter John; Dalrymple, Frederick Rawdon; Dobbin, Geoffrey Vernon; Dods, Robert Western Lorimer; Edwards, Kenneth David Gilmore; Elliott, Laurence William; Elvy, Neil Martin; Fleming, Maxwell Winston; Goddard, Peter Grant; Goldrick, Robert Brian; Goodchild, David John; Halstead, Richard John; Harrison, Frank George; Hasemer, Owen Leonard; Hawker, George Geoffrey; Heath, John Halwyn; Hixson, Francis William; Hodgson, Gregory Robert Palmer; Hutchinson, Edwin Chase; Jordan, Beverley Thomas; Krippner, John Yeoman; Lander, John Lionel Mortimer; Lander, Neil Anthony

Mortimer; Lloyd, John Sanderson; Leeder, John Goodwin; Lemon, Brian Sommers Dillon; Loder, John West; Long, James Mudie; McAuley, Anthony William; McCredie, Richard Michael; Milne, James Geoffrey; Morgan, John; Osborne, Peter Charles; Palmer, Kenneth John; Parker, John Anthony; Pulver, Robert Cooper; Riley, Thomas Charles; Rutter, David William; Sendall, Peter William; Shepherd, Cecil Robert; Snowball, James Barry; Strange, Malcolm Macdona; Steel, Robert John; Stroud, John Gregory Knighton; Tidswell, Roley Earnshaw T.; Wallace, John Gordon; Webster, James Daniel; Williams, John Spencer; Williams, Murray Warman; Wilson, William Howard; Wood, Graham Charles Bedford; Woodburn, Ian James.

THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

All in the Preparatory School extend sympathy to Mrs. Gourlay in her illness. She has been greatly missed, especially by Remove A, and all sincerely hope for her speedy recovery. We also extend a welcome to Mr. Phillip Wood, an Old Boy, who has until recently been in the R.A.A.F., and who has joined the staff to take over some of Mrs. Gourlay's work.

The usual activities outside the classroom are still flourishing. In the musical world we have several fine singers in the "50" Choir. Allen, Cuffe, Noble, Mellor and Shand deserve mention for quality of tone. Bragg is also developing well. Mrs. Allman's violin pupils are rapidly improving, with Simos making most progress. Noble (violin) and Allen (tympani) sometimes play in the Orchestra. Many are showing good promise with the piano. We look forward to a musical show in the Preparatory School before long.

In the Art classes there is evidence of plenty of talent. Lyall, Southwick, Walker-Smith and Murrell show most interest at present. Far more could be done at home, and colour should be more widely employed.

Many are taking an interest in carpentry and modelling. Remove A have had some very interesting displays of models and hobbies, and, if the other classes can do as well, there should be more than enough for a good exhibition later, in conjunction with the Art Show.

Our football this year has been a little disappointing. We had the usual number of teams and players, but while the Seconds and Thirds were quite fair teams, our First XV. was considerably below the standard of previous years. We had no members of last year's team to build on, and this lack of experience and leadership was very noticeable. The members of the team were also unusually small, the backs particularly being at a great disadvantage in matches on this account. However, they all practised and played keenly, and the succession of defeats did not dampen their enthusiasm. Padman, Anderson, Hyde, Steele, Cornish, Leggett and Dalrymple all played well at times.

The Seconds were stronger relatively, and generally proved too good for their opponents. In this team, and in the Thirds and Fourths, there are some very promising players. The latter teams had some close and interesting matches; their scrumming and handling were generally a weakness, but their tackling was good, Noble excelling at this.

1st WAVERTON SCOUT TROOP.

Since we last appeared in "The Torch-Bearer," the Troop has been very active.

Douglas Park Camp.—Once again the Troop of twenty Scouts camped on Dr. Hamilton's property on the Nepean River, near Douglas Park. The Troop arrived on Monday, 14th May. The T.L. and four others went up on Friday, 11th May, to prepare the sites. On Tuesday a hike was held to Douglas Park station, and then to Menangle. That night a storm came up and everything got wet, so camp was broken the next morning. Mr. Brown provided transport to and from the station.

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During the term a tower was built, but owing to an acute shortage of rope was not completed. It was to be used for signalling.

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Roseville Hike.—On the King's Birthday, eighteen Scouts and the G.S.M. met at the Spit Bridge for a hike to Roseville station by way of French's Forest. The party left at 10 o'clock, hiked to Dalwood Homes, and from there hiked to French's Forest Road, a few stalking games being played en route. Then there was a break for lunch, and second class fire-lighting, cooking and tracking tests were passed. At 2.30 p.m. a start was made on the remaining five and a half miles to Roseville, which was reached at 5.45 p.m., by which time everyone was very tired, but had enjoyed themselves a great deal.

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Annual General Meeting.—On Friday, 6th July, the annual general meeting was held. Several amusing items were presented by the Scouts, and some games demonstrated. When this was over the Troop served supper in the Dining Hall, and then the office-bearers for 1945-46 were elected. Mr. D. J. Shearman was elected President of the Group.

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Mr. Chambers gave us a boxing lamp, which made the "stage" a great deal brighter. He also gave us an outside light to direct people across the field.

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Visit to 1st Gordon Troop.—Ten Scouts and the T.L. visited 1st Gordon at their hall on Friday, 13th July. Some games were played and supper served. The history of 1st Gordon was told by a P.L. They won the "Fairfax Flag" Competition in 1937 and again in 1942. As 1942 was the last time it was held, they still hold the flag.

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The meetings, which were formerly held on Tuesday afternoon, are now being held on Friday. This will enable boys who are in the Cadets to join, if they wish.

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Awards.—T.L. J. R. C. Tanner has passed tests for Green and Yellow All-round Card, Cook, Healthyman, Entertainer, Oarsman, Interpreter and Prospector Badges, and has gained his five years' service star; P.L. N. Witten his Interpreter and Fireman Badges; P.L. J. Myers his Athletic Badge; J. K. Gembrill and M. T. Allen have passed their Second Class Badges.

The Patrol Competition of this term was won by the "Jacky Winter" Patrol, under J. K. Gembrill.

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September Camp.—As we were flooded out of the camp last May, we have decided to hold the camp in these coming holidays once again at Douglas Park, as there are many parts of the country which have not been explored. It will be from 24th August to 30th, weather permitting.

FOOTBALL.

The 1945 season has again been generally very satisfactory. The usual number of teams was fielded, and all completed the season, most of them enjoying a good measure of success. It can be truthfully said that all the teams, from the First XV. downwards, practised and played with great enthusiasm, and this enthusiasm was reflected in the results. The achievement of the First XV. was again outstanding. The Seconds had good forwards, but their backs were below the standard of previous years. The Thirds and Fourths lost only one match each, while the Fifts, Sixths and Sevenths were unbeaten. The Under Fifteen teams were not quite as strong as usual, but the Under Fourteen group were stronger, the A Team having a splendid record.

Some difficulty has been experienced in providing enough practice time for all who wish to play. While we do endeavour to provide match play on Saturdays, and practices during the week for all, it is realised that not quite enough is being done, as there is still a good number of would-be players who fail to make any of the existing teams, and drop out as the season goes on. This is a difficulty of organisation of which we are fully aware, and it is hoped that more facilities can be provided next year.

The First XV. have again achieved the distinction of going through the season without a loss. In some ways this achievement was even more meritorious than that of the 1944 team. The latter were a very even team who enjoyed a season remarkably free of injuries, and they were probably always capable of more brilliant football. This year's team had more difficulties to contend with, but their successes were none the less certain. Only two members of the previous team, Burns and Hall, were available, but competition for the other places were keen from the start. Injuries deprived us of the services of Burns and Coghlan in some of the early games, and the frequent changes necessary at a time when team-building was in progress certainly prevented the team from finding its best form, though individually most of the members were playing well enough.

We began the season with an early match against North Sydney Boys' High School, and then no matches were played until after the Regatta, when various members of the rowing personnel joined the team. The forwards showed up very well in the match against Barker College, and two days later we met The Armidale School, when good defensive work kept us in check until well on in the second half. But our weight and pace prevailed, and we scored rapidly in the latter stages. The third match in five days was the annual fixture with Waverley College, which resulted in a win for us by 18 points to 13. Various combinations were being tried among the backs, none of which seemed to be quite satisfactory, but against Grammar in the first match after the vacation a stronger selection was available, and promising form was shown. Another good

display was given in the game against King's the following week. The St. Joseph's practice game had to be cancelled owing to unfavourable weather conditions, but a hard game against Hawkesbury College gave the team a really serious test. Their heavy forwards and fast backs gave us a good deal of hard defensive work, and we were rather fortunate to be eight points ahead at the end. The form of our backs was even yet not quite as good as expected, but the forwards were improving rapidly, and learning the value of concerted rushes and solid tackling.

We began the Schools' round with what appeared to be our strongest team, and after an even first half we were able to keep up a steady and, at times, brilliant attack, to overcome completely The King's School defence. Some very good football was played in this game, Burns and Chambers showing excellent combination and penetration. We were outplayed in the first half of the next match by a strong Grammar team, largely through allowing their backs too much latitude. We were down 8-7 at half-time, and we played the second half a forward short, having lost Warby with a broken collarbone. The remaining seven forwards, however, played with such vigour and speed that we were able to do most of the attacking. Playfair came up from full-back at the right moment to score a try and put us ahead. Then Coghlan sent Clarke over in the corner, and we led 15-8. We kept up the attack, but Grammar fought back just before time to score another try, and a very close and exciting game ended with the score 15-13 in our favour.

Several changes had to be made for the next match against St. Joseph's: Burns was unable to play and was replaced by Playfair, Stroud coming in to full-back; Cox replaced Love at half, and Wood took Warby's place in the scrum. Not unexpectedly, the combination of the backs suffered, but Clarke played excellently to score two fine individual tries, and he finished off a good movement with another. We were superior to St. Joseph's in the forwards throughout, and finally won comfortably by 14-3. We met St. Ignatius' at Riverview with a side weakened by further withdrawals, Playfair being absent with an injured shoulder, and Lloyd and Turner missing from the forwards. The loss of two strong forwards made it difficult for us to win much of the ball, and our defence was fully tested by the lively Riverview team. Stroud played very well at full-back, and the other backs were always dangerous and made good use of their limited opportunities. A fine run by Cox from the first scrum of the match gave Everett an easy try, and Chambers scored under the posts after a nice opening by Burns. A rather lucky try just before the end put us ahead 14-3.

Our backs were not allowed much freedom in the next match against Newington, but well placed kicks by Burns and good handling by Coghlan resulted in two tries. Coghlan's goal-kicking gave us a good lead, which Newington reduced to only seven points by a try late in the game, after giving us some very strenuous defence. After even play during the first half of the High School match, the team played its best football of the season in the second half to score 20 points in very quick time. The backs combined splendidly, and Cox, Burns, Chambers and Coghlan each made fine openings. The team work of both backs and forwards in this match was of a high standard. Coghlan had to retire with an injured leg in the late stages of this game, and was not available for the last match against Scots; but Playfair was available again, and Stroud took Coghlan's place at centre. The Scots team played with great dash at first, hammering at our line steadily for the first twenty minutes and scoring early with a penalty. Excellent defence by backs and forwards, however, kept our

line safe, and, after a dash up-field, Burns put us ahead with a field goal. From the ensuing kick-off, Turner kicked high and followed up fast to regain possession and score in the corner! Shortly afterwards we scored twice more from penalties; then Cox made one of his runs from the scrum to give Lloyd a try under the posts, and we were 17 points ahead at half-time. Clarke was injured midway through the second half, Lloyd moving out to his place, and once again we finished with seven forwards. But our forwards broke up the Scots attack, and we were now well on top. Just before time Burns sent Lloyd over in the corner, and we won a hard match by 23-3.

The win in this match completed another very successful season for the First Fifteen. The points scored in all the matches were 318, with 79 against, and in the Schools' round 150 to 48. This is a performance of which the team and the School are very proud. It is a performance, moreover, which was achieved in rather trying circumstances, constant changes being necessary. We fielded our best team in only two matches, and finished three of the main games a man short. But the team was always most determined to overcome all setbacks; when replacements were made we were not let down at all, and whenever the team was short the others could be relied on to produce an effort of more than usual merit.

While the standard of the backs' play hardly compared with that of our 1944 team in speed and smooth combination, the backs were individually always sound and dangerous. They carried out a number of neatly executed movements, and each produced a few fine individual efforts. In fact, one came to look for this feature of the play in each match. Combined with a defence that was always very sound, and with the help of a strong and vigorous pack, the ability of the backs to capitalise mistakes and turn defence into attack was one of the most striking features of their play. Its value was seen in both the High School and the Scots matches, when a completely new aspect was put on the game in the space of a few minutes.

Burns, the captain, missed several of the earlier matches, and was rather slow in finding his form, but in the later games he was at his best. His attacking play was always very sound; he handled and kicked very accurately, and with fair speed, a deceptive change of pace and a splendid eye for an opening, he was always a source of danger to other teams. Apart from a tendency to be slow in defence, and an occasional attempt to do too much on his own, his game could not be faulted, and his captaincy was excellent. He thoroughly deserved his selection as captain of the All Schools' team. Cox was moved from the Seconds about half-way through the season, and immediately made his presence felt. The smallest boy to play for the School for many years, he showed extraordinary courage and natural ability. An outstanding feature of his play was his swift moves from the scrum, by which he so often made tries for himself or a support. Chambers played at inner-centre in all the matches, and performed most satisfactorily. His handling and passing were sometimes erratic, but he cut through well at times, and he always came up quickly on his opponent, frequently stopping the movements of the opposing backs with his solid tackling. Coghlan, at outer-centre, played himself into a fine centre in the later games. Tall and fast, he could cut through strongly, and showed good judgment in running his wings into position. Clarke, on the left wing, was one of the stars of the team. Tremendously keen and hard-working at practice, he added to his natural assets of speed, good handling and courageous tackling by developing his attacking play greatly. He was always looking for

opportunities, and could always be relied upon to make the most of them, with his hard swerving runs down the line. It was most unfortunate that he should be prevented through injury from taking his place in the All Schools' team. Everett, and later, McCormack, both played on the right wing. Both could handle well; Everett was fast and a hard runner, but McCormack was a better tackler, though slow off the mark.

From the start of the season Playfair showed good form at full-back. A deadly tackler and a safe handler, he was not afraid to come up with the other backs in penetrating runs. He filled Burns' place very capably in the St. Joseph's match, and then was absent until the last match, when he again showed almost his best form. We were very fortunate to have such a good reserve back as Stroud. He filled Playfair's place admirably, and by his cool and clever play he extricated the side from many awkward situations.

The forwards were a strong and hard-working pack. Hall was the only one available from last year, and again hooked well. He led the forwards tirelessly in tight and open play, and captained the team well in Burns' absence. Turner and Irving made a very powerful second row, and both used all their weight in breaking through scrums and line-outs. Lloyd locked the scrum well and was good in the line-outs. His speed and anticipation enabled him to link up with the backs to finish off a scoring movement. Boyd and Thornton made up an even front row, and Boyd showed up well at times in open play. The break-away positions were perhaps the one weakness in the team. After losing Warby, who had been showing promise, we were not able to find any really good players for these two positions, though Wood and Freeman were quite sound in their general play. But neither had the attributes of speed and sure tackling required for the position, though Wood in particular always worked very hard.

The following members of the XV. gained places in the All Schools' teams: 1st XV.—A. J. Burns (captain), D. H. Playfair, J. F. Clarke, F. E. S. Hall, B. G. Turner. 2nd XV.—G. R. J. Coghlan, B. P. Cox, M. M. Irving. 3rd XV.—A. S. Boyd, C. B. M. Lloyd, A. D. Chambers. Reserves—J. A. Stroud, D. H. Freeman.

We are grateful to Phil. Hanks, Craig Ferguson and Malcolm Clarke for their assistance in refereeing during the season, and we offer them our congratulations on their success in the referees' examinations.

Following are the results of matches played:—

1st XV.

PRACTICE GAMES.

v. N.S.B.H.S.—Won, 14-3 (Coghlan 2, Chambers and Weeks, tries; Burns, 1 goal).

v. C.B.W.—Won, 18-13 (Chambers 2 and Audette, tries; Bennett, 1 penalty goal and 3 goals).

v. T.A.S.—Won, 21- (Irving, Love, Clarke and Bennett, tries; Bennett, 3 goals and 1 penalty goal).

v. B.C.—Won; 41-0 (Hall and Boyd 3 tries each, Everett and Thornton tries; Bennett 4 goals and 2 penalty goals, Burns 1 penalty goal).

v. S.G.S.—Won, 21-3 (Clarke and McCormack, 2 tries each; Coghlan, 3 goals and 1 penalty goal).

v. T.K.S.—Won, 37-0 (Coghlan, Chambers and Lloyd 3 tries each, Irving, Clarke, Everett and Burns tries; Coghlan, 2 goals and 1 penalty goal).

v. H.A.C.—Won, 16-6 (Coghlan, 2 tries; Burns and Lloyd 1 goal each, Burns 2 penalty goals).

COMPETITION GAMES.

- v. T.K.S.—Won, 40-8 (Chambers 3 tries, Burns, Clarke, Everett, Lloyd and Warby tries; Coghlan, 5 goals and 2 penalty goals).
 v. S.G.S.—Won, 15-13 (Clarke and Playfair, tries; Burns 1 goal and 1 field goal, Coghlan 1 penalty goal).
 v. S.J.C.—Won, 14-3 (Clarke 3 and Cox, tries; Coghlan, 1 goal).
 v. S.I.C.—Won, 14-3 (Everett, Chambers and Hall, tries; Coghlan, 1 goal and 1 penalty goal).
 v. N.C.—Won, 19-12 (Irving, McCormack and Clarke, tries; Coghlan, 2 goals and 2 penalty goals).
 v. S.H.S.—Won, 25-6 (Cox and Lloyd 2 tries each, Chambers and Thornton tries; Burns and Coghlan 1 goal each, Coghlan 1 penalty goal).
 v. T.S.C.—Won, 23-3 (Lloyd 2 and Turner, tries; Burns, 2 goals, 2 penalty goals and 1 field goal).

2nd XV.

PRACTICE GAMES.

- v. C.B.W.—Lost, 5-9 (Wood, 1 try; Ballhausen, 1 goal).
 v. S.G.S.—Lost, 9-19 (Weeks and Stroud, tries; Bennett, 1 penalty goal).
 v. T.K.S.—Won, 31-3 (Weeks 2, Cox, Bennett, Freeman, A. Shand, J. Shand and Wood, tries; Bennett, 2 goals and 1 penalty goal).
 v. H.A.C.—Won, 17-6 (Bennett 2 and Weeks, tries; Bennett, 1 goal and 2 penalty goals).

COMPETITION GAMES.

- v. T.K.S.—Won, 20-3 (Weeks and Cox 2 tries each, Shand and Bennett tries; Bennett, 1 goal).
 v. S.G.S.—Won, 12-6 (McCormack 2, Cox and A. Shand, tries).
 v. S.J.C.—Lost, 6-12 (R. T. Hall and Bennett, tries).
 v. S.I.C.—Lost, 6-11 (Cameron and McCormack, tries).
 v. N.C.—Won, 10-0 (Bennett and J. Shand, tries; Bennett, 2 goals).
 v. S.H.S.—Won, 12-5 (Weeks, A. Shand, Macourt and Audette, tries).
 v. T.S.C.— ——— (Fraser, 1 try; Bennett, 2 penalty goals).

3rd XV.

PRACTICE GAMES.

- v. C.B.W.—Drawn, 8-8 (Macourt, 1 try; Suhan, 1 goal and 1 penalty goal).
 v. S.G.S.—Won, 15-3 (Nickoll 2, Hawke, Laurie and Bretherton, tries).
 v. T.K.S.—Won, 12-6.
 v. A.S.C., Bathurst.—Won, 9-3 (Bretherton, Wolff and Macourt, tries).

COMPETITION GAMES.

- v. T.K.S.—Won, 19-0 (Hawke, Carr, Suhan, Nickoll and Macourt, tries; Suhan, 2 goals).
 v. S.G.S.—Won, 9-0 (Fraser and Macourt, tries; J. Shand, 1 penalty goal).
 v. S.J.C.—Lost, 3-10 (J. Stand, 1 penalty goal).
 v. S.I.C.—Drawn.
 v. N.C.—Won, 18-5 (Hay, Pennefather, Sangster and Nickoll, tries; Suhan, 3 goals).
 v. A.S.C., Bathurst.—Won, 19-5 (Hawke, Miller, Suhan and Bretherton, tries; Suhan, 2 goals and 1 penalty goal).
 v. T.S.C.—Won, 8-6 (Macourt, 1 try; Suhan, 1 goal and 1 penalty goal).

SWIMMING.

The 43rd Annual Swimming Carnival was held at the Olympic Pool, North Sydney, on March 7th. We were fortunate in picking a fine, warm day, and the sports were a success in all respects. The House Competition resulted in a win for Robson from School, with Barry third. The 200 Metres G.P.S. Teams Race resulted in a win for Shore, with Scots and Grammar filling the minor places. Our team consisted of F. W. S. Ballhausen, J. F. A. Cameron, P. A. Limbers and J. J. Allen.

In the 550 Yards Open G.P.S. Relay at the Scots Carnival we were narrowly defeated by Sydney High School. Our team comprised of D. H. Playfair, F. W. S. Ballhausen, J. D. Hay, S. G. Morris and J. J. Allen.

The results of the Carnival were as follows :—

50 Metres Championship (Open).—F. W. S. Ballhausen, 1; J. F. A. Cameron, 2; P. A. Limbers, 3. Time, 30.8 secs.

50 Metres Open Handicap.—K. W. Davies, 1; J. M. Michelmore, 2; J. R. L. Loveday, 3. Time, 39.9 secs.

50 Metres Under 13 Championship.—R. G. Barnes, 1; W. G. Scammell, 2; R. Macallum, 3. Time, 38.1 secs.

100 Metres Under 16 Championship.—J. J. Allen, 1; C. G. Limbers, 2; H. Simpson, 3. Time, 1 min. 10 3-16 secs.

50 Metres Under 14 Championship.—C. T. Le Gallien, 1; D. A. Newton, 2; R. G. Bloore and D. B. Anstey, 3. Time, 35.3 secs.

Diving Under 16 Championship.—J. Endicott, 1; M. J. Allen, 2; D. R. Law, N. J. Davey and N. M. Elvy, 3.

50 Metres Under 14 Handicap.—B. Barrand, 1; R. G. Bloore, 2; H. Codey, 3. Time, 45.4 secs.

50 Metres Under 16 Championship.—C. G. Limbers, 1; J. H. Carnwell, 2; I. A. Curlewis, 3. Time, 31.2 secs.

50 Metres Under 16 Handicap.—B. Carruthers, 1; A. J. Garland, 2; J. P. Hall, 3. Time, 37.4 secs.

100 Metres Open Championship.—J. J. Allen, 1; P. A. Limbers, 2; S. G. Harris, 3. Time, 1 min. 10.7 secs.

Diving Championship (Open).—P. N. Love, 1; D. H. Playfair, 2; J. F. A. Cameron, 3.

150 Metres Medley Open Championship.—P. N. Love, 1; G. G. Warby, 2; A. R. Miller, 3. Time, 2 mins. 27.4 secs.

50 Metres Under 16 Breaststroke Championship.—J. F. Barnes, 1; C. J. Bristow, 2; A. R. Miller, 3. Time, 43.5 secs.

100 Metres Open Handicap.—M. L. Foster, 1; G. B. Doust, 2; C. J. Bristow, 3. Time, 1 min. 35.7 secs.

100 Metres Under 14 Handicap.—W. G. Scammell, 1; M. T. Allen, 2; M. L. Rothwell, 3. Time, 2 mins. 3.9 secs.

50 Metres Open Backstroke.—P. N. Love, 1; J. D. Hay, 2; B. G. Warby, 3. Time, 41.4 secs.

100 Metres Under 16 Handicap.—J. B. Jackson, 1; D. C. Cathells, 2; J. R. Powell, 3. Time, 1 min. 41.5 secs.

50 Metres Under 14 Breaststroke Championship.—P. G. Goddard, 1; K. Barnes, 2; M. T. Allen, 3. Time, 50.2 secs. (record).

200 Metres Under 16 Championship.—J. J. Allen, 1; I. A. Curlewis, 2; C. G. Limbers, 3. Time, 2 mins. 45 secs.

50 Metres Open Breaststroke.—D. H. Playfair, 1; J. F. Barnes, 2; C. B. M. Lloyd, 3. Time, 38.5 secs. (record).

200 Metres Open Championship.—S. G. Harris, 1; D. H. Playfair, 2; F. W. S. Bailhausen, 3. Time, 2 mins. 51 secs.

50 Metres Under 14 Backstroke Championship.—M. T. Allen, 1; K. G. Barnes, 2; P. Haugen, 3. Time, 50.4 secs. (record).

50 Metres Under 16 Backstroke Championship.—J. J. Allen, 1; J. D. Macallum, 2; D. R. Law, 3. Time, 43.2 secs.

100 Metres Under 14 Championship.—D. A. Newton, 1; C. I. Le Gallien, 2; D. B. Anstey, 3. Time, 1 min. 24.5 secs.

House Teams Relay Race (Open).—1, School; 2, Robson; 3, Barry. Time, 2 mins. 12.5 secs. (record).

House Teams Relay Race (Under 16).—1, Hodges; 2, School; 3, Barry. Time, 2 mins. 17.4 secs.

House Teams Relay Race (Under 14).—1, Robson; 2, Hodges; 3, Barry. Time, 2 mins. 36.1 secs.

400 Metres Open Championship.—J. D. Hay, 1; D. H. Playfair, 2. Time, 6 mins. 26.4 secs.

800 Metres Open Championship.—S. G. Morris, 1; D. H. Playfair, 2; K. C. Barnes, 3. Time, 13 mins. 28.4 secs.

Old Boys' Race.—Collett, 1; Garland, 2; Playfair and Daymond, 3. Time, 30.3 secs.

Novelty Event.—R. G. Urquhart, 1; D. A. Arblaster, 2.

Distance Plunge.—J. R. L. Loveday, 1; D. R. Law, 2; P. N. Love, 3. Distance, 49 feet.

400 Metres Under 16 Championship.—J. J. Allen, 1; A. R. Miller, 2; I. A. Curlewis, 3. Time, 6 mins. 32.4 secs.

House Competition.—1, Robson, 107 points; 2, School, 76 points; 3, Barry, 75½ points.

Greenwell Cup (Senior Champion).—1, D. H. Playfair; 2, P. N. Love.

Allworth Cup (Under 16 Champion).—1, J. J. Allen; 2, C. G. Limbers.

Under 14 Champion.—C. I. Le Gallien and D. A. Newton, 1 (equal); M. T. Allen, 3.

ALL SCHOOLS' CARNIVAL.

This year, owing to lighting difficulties, the All Schools' Swimming Carnival was not held at the Olympic Pool as in previous years, but at the Coogee Aquarium.

In order to add interest, Mr. Forbes Carlile donated a cup to be presented to the school which was the most successful in the carnival; a point score was devised—five for first, three for second and two for third, with one point for every competitor who reached the final. The point score resulted in a dead heat between Shore and Scots, both schools gaining 35 points.

This year we had a large entry, more so than in any previous year. Although many of our representatives did not reach the final, they all, with no exceptions, trained consistently and hard for a period of approximately four weeks, and by the end of that time we were proud to be able to produce three very good relay teams.

The School witnessed its greatest success in the Under 16 100 Metres, when our two representatives, namely, J. J. Allen and C. Limbers, gained first and second places respectively.

RESULTS.

100 Metres (Under 16).—1, J. J. Allen; 2, C. Limbers.

Open Breaststroke.—J. F. Barnes swam third.

Senior Angus & Coote Relay.—1, S.T.H.; 2, Shore (D. H. Playfair, F. W. S. Ballhausen, P. A. Limbers, J. F. W. Cameron, J. D. Hay, B. G. Warby); 3, S.I.C.

Junior Angus & Coote Relay.—1, Shore "A" (J. J. Allen, C. Limbers, J. Simpson, J. H. Cornwell, I. A. Curlewis, V. Arnold); 2, Scots; 3, Shore "B" (D. Matthews, J. R. Powell, A. R. Millar, D. A. Arblaster, A. J. Garland, B. Carruthers).

 THE ART CLUB.

Although there have been no meetings or exhibitions, a good deal has been done on the quiet. Excellent drawings and posters by Nicolson, Nickoll and Cornwell have often appeared. Richardson and Watling are doing well at water-colours. Many others are showing great interest, and if all work well there should be a good exhibition next time. Please save up your drawings for this. The Art Master at Scots has promised to send us over an exhibition of work done by his boys.

 OCTET CLUB.

Battling with many and, at present, unavoidable difficulties, the Club evolved a Pierrot show. The songs chosen were highly varied, and we hope that all tastes were accommodated. Any success is largely due to so many people who spared no pains to co-operate. No words are adequate, expressing thanks to Mrs. Allman and her accompanying orchestra with Miss Holmes for their invaluable contribution.

It is rightly left to others to criticise our efforts, but we hope our audiences derived from the show as much pleasure as did the performers. As regards the loyalty and keenness of members, no more could be desired.

It was a great disappointment that we were denied the use of the Independent Theatre, which we have enjoyed for some years. This sudden deprivation added greatly to the many difficulties already caused by the lack of a concert hall of our own.

 OLD BOYS' UNION NOTES.

On the 5th July, G. B. Connor was elected to a vacancy on the Committee caused by the resignation of H. D. Ainsworth, and at the same time N. R. Conroy was co-opted.

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Since the last issue of "The Torch-Bearer" the Union has held two important functions, the Memorial Chapel Service on April 29th and a Reunion Tea on June 8th. There have been many expressions of approval at the nature of the service, the characteristic note of which was its dignified simplicity. At the beginning of the service a wreath was borne into the Chapel by a member of the Senior Service, escorted by members of the other two services, and placed beneath the Roll of Honour. The service was conducted by the School Chaplain,

and a most impressive address was given by the Ven. Archdeacon E. A. North Ash, an Old Boy. It is hoped that this address will soon be available in printed form. The Union also sent a letter to Mr. R. G. H. Walmsley, expressing thanks for the way in which the Choir so materially contributed to the impressiveness of the service.

The Tea was as successful and enjoyable as the corresponding function last year. Some 155 members were present, and we were glad to welcome a number of servicemen and ex-servicemen, some of whom had returned from overseas. Much credit is due to the sub-committee, which put in much hard work grappling with the difficult problems that catering for such an occasion nowadays presents.

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Since these notes were last published, the European War has ended, and we have in consequence been able to welcome back to Australia a number of Old Boys who were prisoners of war in German hands. Amongst these are:—

A.I.F.: Captains W. H. Travers and W. A. Tyrrell, Lieut. A. R. Walter and Pte. I. A. Farr.

R.A.A.F.: F/O. A. W. Wolk, F/Lt. G. I. Gunton, F/Lt. J. H. Vincent and W/O. B. Y. Samuels.

I. A. Farr arrived back on 18th June last and W. H. Travers towards the end of July. A. W. Wolk, Pathfinder Navigator of a Lancaster bomber, was posted missing in February last, no trace of aircraft or crew being found after an attack on an enemy target at Duisberg, Germany, on the night of February 21st, 1945. He returned to England on 15th May, after seeing half of Germany as a prisoner of war, being released by the United States Army, entirely unscathed. Another Old Boy, Lieut. T. W. Elliott, was captured at Tobruk in May, 1941, and subsequently sent to Italy. After spending two years behind barbed wire, he managed to escape to Switzerland from a German prison train, and he was there for ten months. He arrived out in this country last November, having met John Goldfinch, who has been operating with the R.A.A.F. in Burma, on the way.

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Two awards have been announced since the last issue—one of the D.F.C. to P/O. R. B. Irvine, of Goulburn; and the other of the M.M. to Dvr. Basil Brudenell-Woods, A.I.F., who was a prisoner of war until the end of the European War. No details of either of these awards have yet been received.

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In previous issues there has been reported the award of the O.B.E. and George Medal and Bar to Lieut.-Commander G. J. Cliff, of Collaroy. Details of the exploits which led to these awards were recently published, and run as follows: "One of his most hazardous assignments was in May, 1941, when an unexploded parachute mine was buried in a two-storey building at Bermondsey. To reach it, Lt.-Comdr. Cliff made his way down and through the debris. Then a mine or a bomb detonated, nearly burying him in wreckage. He realised that this explosion probably had started the clockwork fuse on the mine with which he was dealing, but he extricated himself from the wreckage, worked on the mine, and rendered it safe.

"At Leysdown, Isle of Sheppey, Lt.-Comdr. Cliff had to deal with a mine buried in 24 feet of clay. The mine was even more dangerous than usual, as it had been badly damaged in its fall."

News has also reached us of a further distinction to another award-winner, Lieut.-Commander F. M. Osborne, D.S.C., who received his award for "bravery and devotion to duty" off the Norwegian coast. He has now been appointed to the command of H.M.S. "Peacock," an anti-aircraft sloop, and is the first member of the R.A.N.V.R. to receive such an appointment.

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An Old Boy, F/O. L. J. Norton, of Mosman, who is an experienced fighter-pilot, was included in the first batch of airmen to transfer from the R.A.A.F. to the Fleet Air Arm of the British Pacific Fleet, and we understand also that F/O. W. R. Wileman was included in a group from whom twelve were to be selected for the same distinction. We have not yet heard if he was successful in his application.

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Captain P. G. Taylor, who has been with the R.A.F. Transport Command for the last two years, has resigned his appointment with that service and, after investigating the latest air transport developments in the United States, returned to Sydney in June in a R.A.F. Transport Command plane.

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J. D. Murray-Jones, who left Australia in October, 1943, to join the firm of de Havillands in England, from there entered the Fleet Air Arm as a Technical Officer in September, 1944. The latest news of him was that he was stationed at Tangmere in Sussex, his rank being Sub-Lieut. (A.); R.N.V.R.

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The following items of news, gleaned from correspondence received at the Union, may be of interest to many:—

R. W. Martin writes that his brother, F/Sgt. S. M. Martin, after twelve months' non-operational service in the U.K., was sent to India to train as a pilot in Dakota transport aircraft, and after extensive training was sent to Burma at the beginning of June last. According to his latest letter, he was dropping 'chute-borne supplies to forward troops in the so-called "Biscuit Bombers." Martin also mentions that Peter Freeburn is now on service somewhere in the North with the R.A.A.F.

We have heard also from Capt. R. Minton Taylor, who writes that he served from the outbreak of war till the end of 1943 in the Royal Artillery, after which he was relegated to staff duties in Algiers, Cairo, and places in Italy. His present address is: Civil Censorship Group, H.Q. Allied Commission, C.M.F. He writes, too, that Capt. N. A. McPhie is serving in India.

W/O. W. J. Tilley informs us that all last year he was in Darwin with two different squadrons, and at the time of writing was at Morotai, having spent a few days in Manila about two weeks previously.

An interesting letter-card was received from F/Lt. N. M. Kater describing operations on Tarakan, in which he was participating.

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Congratulations must be extended to Mr. T. J. Dunbabin, who has been appointed Reader in Classical Archaeology at Oxford University, a very high academic distinction. He had previously been working at the British School of Archaeology at Athens. It will be remembered that Mr. Dunbabin was awarded the D.S.O., the award being made, it is understood, for organising underground activity in Crete during the German occupation, a story which should make very interesting reading after the war.

The following Old Boys were successful in the recent final year medical examinations at Sydney University: J. Ashley-Thompson, A. H. B. Chancellor, A. B. Cuthbert, D. J. Howell, W. R. Lang, K. P. Lyttle, K. S. Millingen, R. M. Moxham, T. I. Robertson, P. A. Stanton-Cook and L. S. Symonds. Shortly after these results were published, the sad news came of the death by drowning of Dr. John Ashley-Thompson, together with four other young doctors.

In continuation of the lecture series organised by the Union for Old Boys and senior boys of the School, the following lectures have been given during this term: "Pacific Affairs," by R. W. Robson; "The Significance of Public Opinion," by W. K. McConnell; and "Money After the War," by L. G. Melville. As will be seen from this, the topics were varied and the speakers able, and there is no doubt that those present derived from them much benefit and no little enjoyment. This being the case, it is disappointing to record that the numbers present were not very large; surely one of the most pressing needs of the present day is a knowledge of public affairs, without which none is entitled to hold a position of any responsibility in the community.

In conclusion, it is our melancholy duty to record that Major R. W. Keegan is now presumed to have lost his life in Malaya in 1942. Major Keegan was elected to the Old Boys' Union Committee in 1933, and became Hon. Secretary the following year. He held the office at the time of the School's Jubilee celebrations, and much credit must go to him for the Union's successful part in these. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his relatives and many friends.

HOLY BAPTISMS, 1945.

- March 4, 1945: Graham Robert Cook.
- March 4, 1945: Ian David Crauford.
- March 25, 1945: Andrew Dymock Forsyth.
- March 25, 1945: Garry Winten Rothwell.
- April 14, 1945: Peter Sterling Swift.
- April 15, 1945: David Vincent Bourke.
- April 15, 1945: Malcolm Roland Glennie Holmes.
- April 22, 1945: Pamela Berwick Williams.
- April 29, 1945: Ronald Richard Moody.
- May 20, 1945: Ian Alexander Tonkin.
- June 10, 1945: Brian Sundstrom.
- June 16, 1945: Virginia Margaret Brigden.
- June 17, 1945: Christine Jean McDowell.
- June 24, 1945: Virginia Ann Newton.
- June 24, 1945: Peter Colin Capp.
- July 1, 1945: Patricia Jane Alice Mason.
- July 8, 1945: Sandra Joy Morell.
- July 15, 1945: Elizabeth Gordon Smith.
- July 15, 1945: Ross Warwick Alexander.
- July 22, 1945: Elisabeth Anne Edwards.
- July 29, 1945: Jan Stewart White.

CHAPEL DONATIONS, 1945.

H. Vincent, R. V. Bourke, T. A. Tonkin, E. F. J. Newton, M. T. Morell, V. M. Early, W. L. Morris, A. H. Mack, J. A. S. Robertson, G. P. Standing.

S. P. Cains, I. B. Robertson, J. W. Hipsley, I. A. Farr, E. B. Ferguson, £1/1/- each; R. Swift, R. A. G. Holmes, Mrs. A. Burns, R. R. Moody, A. C. Sundstrom, N. L. Brigden, O. L. Edwards, K. D. McDowell, E. C. S. White, G. E. Mason, J. P. Gunning, D. K. Briggs, £2/2/- each; R. D. Williams, £1/10/-; C. Capp, £5; J. Bradfield, £5/5/-.

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HOLY MATRIMONY.

April 26, 1945 : William Leighton Morris to Helen Annette von Zuylen.
 May 1, 1945 : Augustus Henry Mack to Dorothy Mary Knaggs.
 May 5, 1945 : John Arnold Struan Robertson to Alma Jean Fleeton.
 May 17, 1945 : Victor Maynard Early to Patricia Vere Bosanquet.
 May 19, 1945 : Gordon Prenton Standing to Marie Esmé Bowman.
 June 9, 1945 : Sidney Petherbridge Cains to Joan Linton Pitt.
 June 9, 1945 : Ian Bruce Robertson to Betty Gifford Starr.
 June 15, 1945 : John William Hipsley to Joan Alison Kidd.
 June 25, 1945 : John Phillip Gunning to Gwendolyn Minnie Nolan.
 June 30, 1945 : Ian Andrew Farr to Nancy Winifred Robinson.
 July 14, 1945 : David Kendall Briggs to Marjorie Elfreda Begbie Campbell.
 July 21, 1945 : Edward Bruce Ferguson to Mabel Gertrude Hagedorn.
 July 23, 1945 : William George Henderson to Catherine Dorothy Russ.

MUSICAL FORM (b).

The CONCERTO is the chief form of solo performance in conjunction with orchestral accompaniment. There are earlier uses of the word : "Concertio ecclesiastici" was the name given to many church motets of the early 17th century. Later the word was applied to instrumental music, as to the six famous "Brandenburg Concertos" of J. S. Bach, which were composed for different sets of instruments. These approximated to the style of a symphony, except that the order of movements was not based on symphonic plan. Handel and Bach used the concerto as a method of display of a solo instrument with accompaniment—e.g., Handel's organ concertos; but the true founder of the present concerto form was W. A. Mozart, whose concerto form has been followed by all great composers, both romantic and classic.

The plan of the concerto is very similar to that of the symphony (c.f. last "Torch-Bearer"). It possesses only three movements as a rule, which are in the order : (1) a quick movement; (2) a slow movement; (3) a quick movement.

The Brahms 2nd Pianoforte Concerto has four movements, and this is one great exception to the above. Normally, the first movement is in sonata form; the second is not of a fixed form, but can be of sonata form—it sometimes takes the form of a theme with variations; while the last movement is, as a rule, a rondo. The 1st movement consists of (1) an orchestral tutti and (2) a cadenza. The orchestral tutti is the opening part of the 1st movement, in which the orchestra itself presents the principle themes used in the movement. Then the soloist enters and again presents the tune and unfolds the movement with all its developments, recapitulations and codas as in the regularly designed symphony. The object of the tutti was to present to, and express the themes on, the audience, but later on, when the principles of the concerto were understood, the tutti was dropped, and the solo instrument opened up the themes itself. Examples of such openings are the Violin Concerto of Mendelssohn and the Pianoforte Concerto

of Schumann. Since that of Mendelssohn, the tendency of composers—with the notable exception of Brahms—was to omit the tutti.

The cadenza is perhaps the most distinctive part of a concerto. It originated with the early composers, such as Handel, who inserted blanks on the score, during which the solo instrument played "ad lib" and the performer shows off his or her capabilities with Mozart and others. The cadenza finally took its position after the recapitulation of the 1st movement, though it sometimes occurs in other movements. The cadenza is unaccompanied, though in modern music there are instances of accompaniment. However, the technical achievement of present day instrumentalists have more or less transferred the concerto itself into a vast accompanied cadenza. It was originally intended for the soloist to extemporize, but this was found unsuitable, and in all later concertos by Mendelssohn and Schumann, and later composers, cadenzas were written with; while with earlier concerto there have been cadenzas written in accordance with the themes and motives of the movement.

The cadenza is often omitted in modern compositions, although, as Sir F. Cowen remarked, it gives the conductor a well earned rest.

The other two movements are in symphonic form, except that the solo instrument expounds the themes, while the orchestra provides interludes and accompaniment.

There have been concertos written for more than one instrument at a time. These are called double or triple concertos in accordance with the number of solo instruments employed. This type of composition was mainly employed only by J. S. Bach.

The main concertos played to-day are violin and piano concertos, namely, the List and Beethoven pianoforte concertos and violin concertos, the pianoforte concerto in A minor by Schuman, and Mendelssohn's violin concerto in E minor.

D. J. C. M.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1944.

(Key to Subjects of Examinations: 1, English; 2, Latin; 3, French; 4, German; 5, Mathematics I.; 6, Mathematics II.; 7, Mechanics; 8, Modern History; 9, Ancient History; 10, Physics; 11, Chemistry; 12, Botany; 13, Geology; 14, Geography; 15, Biology; 16, Lower standard Mathematics; 17, Economics; 18, Music I.; 19, Music II.; 20, Art; 21, Zoology; 22, Dressmaking; 23, Technical Drawing; 24, Home Economics; 25, Agriculture; 26, Physiology and Hygiene; 27, Wool Classing; 28, Greek; 29, Italian; 30, Chinese; 31, Japanese; 32, Hebrew.)

The letters "H1" signify first-class honours; "H2," second-class honours; "A," first-class pass; "B," second-class pass; and "L," a pass at the lower standard. The sign "x" denotes those who have gained honours in Mathematics; an asterisk (*), those who have shown merit in two pass papers and one honours paper; "16L" indicates a lower standard pass in Mathematics for purposes of the Leaving Certificate as well as for matriculation; "16Q," a pass in the Qualifying paper in mathematics for matriculation purposes only. The sign "o" denotes those who have passed in the oral tests in French or German.

Adams, Peter Donald B.: 1B 2L 3L 5B 11B.

Amos, Roger Stuart P.: 1B 3B(o) 5A 6A 10H1 11H2.

Anderson, Hugh Cairns: 1A 2L 3B(o) 5B 6B 11B.

Backhouse, Robert Geoffrey: 1B 2B 5B 6B 10A.

Bagot, Edward Mead: 1A 5B 6B 7B 10B.

Barsby, Donald R.: 1A 5A 6B 7A.

Bedingfeld, Richard Collier: 1A 2A 3H1(o) 5B 6B 11A.

Best, John Paul: 1A 2B 3B 5A 6A(x2) 11A.

Black Charles Theodore A.: 1B 3B 8B 17B.

Bucknell, Anthony D'Arcy : 1B 3L 5A 6B 7A 10A.
 Bull, Richard Stuart : 1A 2B 3B 5B 6A 11H1.
 Burke, Quentin : 1A 5A 6A 7A 10A.
 Clark, George James M. : 1A 5B 6B 10B 11B.
 Collett, Bryan : 1B 5B 6B 10B.
 Cooke, John Montague B. : 1B 3B 5A 6B 7B 11L.
 Cornwell, Kenneth Hindmarsh : 1B 5B 6B 10B 11A.
 Cropley, David O. : 1A 3B 5A 6A 10B 11H2.
 Crossman, Charles John : 1A 3B 5A 6B 19H2 11A.
 Davey, Warwick Arnold : 1A 2B 3B 5B 8H2.
 Davidson, Peter John : 1A 2B 3B 5B 8H2.
 Davies, John Chalmers : 1A 3B 5B 6A 7A 10B.
 Doig, Peter Robin : 1A 3A(o) 5A 6A(x1) 10H2.
 Edwards, Anthony Wilbraham T. : 1A 4B(o) 5A 6A(x1) 11H1.
 Eedy, Arthur David : 1A 3B 5A 6A(x2) 10H2.
 Faram, Brian John : 1B 3B 5B 6B.
 Fay, Warwick Harvey : 1B 3B 5B 6B 10L 11A.
 Fennell, James Fredrick : 1B 5B 11B 14B.
 Fitzpatrick, Ian W. : 1A 3A 5A 6A 10B 11B.
 Forbes, Hugh Patrick M. : 1B 3B 5B 6B 11B.
 Freeman, Walter Alfred H. : 1A vL 5A 6B.
 Fuller, Peter Harvey : 1A 3B 5A 6B 10A 17B.
 Gall, John Francis : 1B 3B 5A 6A(x2) 10B 11A.
 Garland, Broughton : 1B 2B 3B 5B 6A.
 Gilbert, Vernon Keith : 1B 3B 5A 6A(x2) 11H2.
 Gilder, William Telford : 1B 2B 3B 5A 6A 10B.
 Goldby, David Philip : 1B 5A 6B 10H2 11H1.
 Griffith, Ross McLean : 1B 3A 5A 6A 11H1.
 Harris, Stuart Grant : 1B 3B 5B 6B 7A 10H2.
 Hill, Brian Edmund : 1B 2B 3B 5B 6B 11B.
 Holliday, Richard Edward H. : 1B 5B 6B 7B 11B.
 Hope, Bertram Kendall : 1A 2A 3B 5B 6A 11H2.
 Langmead, John Hooper : 1B 5B 6B 7B 10L.
 Litchfield, Ian Mileham : 5B 6E 7B 10B.
 McCaskill, Trevor John : 1H2 2B 3B 5B 6B 8H2.
 McKeown, John Harvey : 1B 5B 6B 7B 10B.
 Mackenzie, Bob Stuart : 1A 2B 3B 5A 6B 8A.
 Maccourt, Denis John C. : 1A 3B 5A 6B 10H2.
 Macphillamy, Neil Mowbray : 1A 2L 5B 8A 9A 14B.
 Mallinson, John Philip : 1A 5B 6B 8B 14L 17B.
 Marquis, Peter James : 1A 3B 5B 6B 7B 10A.
 Meikle, Leslie : 1B 3B 5A 6A† 10A.
 Melville, Anthony Edwin : 1H2 2B 3B(o) 5A 6A† 10B.
 Mills, Edward Lewis : 1B 3L 7B 11B 16L.
 Mitchell, Robert Ian : 1A 3L 5A 6A(x2) 10A 11A.
 Monaghan, John Graham : 1A 3B 5B 6B 7B 10B.
 Morris, David Lyall : 1B 5A 6B 7A 10B.
 Muston, John Alan : 1B 3B 5A 6B 10B 11B.
 Nelson, John Ross : 1A 3A(o) 5A 6B 10B 11A.
 Nelson, Thomas Peter W. : 1A 3B 5B 6B 10B 11B.
 Nelson, William Paul : 1A 2A 3H1(o) 5B 6A 11B.

Newman, John Warwick : 1B 3B 5B 6B 10B 11B.
 Noble, Harold Alexander D. : 1A 2B 3B 5B 6A 10B.
 Packard, Robert Spencer : 1H1 2A 3H1(o) 5B 11H2.
 Paine, John Lansdell : 1A 5B 6B 10B.
 Paterson, William Alexander : 1A 3B 5B 6B 7A 8B.
 Paton, Anthony Sutherland : 1A 3B 5B 6B 8A 11B.
 Playfair, Edmund John H. : 1B 5B 6B 7B.
 Powell, Robert Eric : 1B 3B 5B 6B 7A 10B.
 Reinhard, Owen Henry : 1B 5B 14A 17B.
 Richards, Geoffrey Evans : 1B 3L(o) 5A 6B 7B 10A.
 Rigg, Charles Andrew : 1H2 2B 3H1(o) 5B 11A.
 Ritchie, William : 1A 2H1 3A(o) 5A 6A(x1).
 Robson, Alastair Geoffrey G. : 1A 3B 5B 6A 7A 10A.
 Ross, John Ben Moore : 1A 2B 3A 5A 6B 11H1.
 Royle, Charles Paul : 1B 3B 5B 10B.
 Royle, David J. : 1B 3B 5B 6B 7B 10A.
 Schlueter, Graham August : 1A 11B 14B 16Q 17B.
 Schmidt, Roy Trevor : 1A 2B 3A(o) 5B 6B 10B.
 St. Clair, John James : 1A 5B 8B 11B 14B.
 Stephenson, John Hunter : 1A 2L 3B(o) 5B 6A 10A.
 Stewart, Daniel Malcolm D. : 1B 3B 10A 11A 16L.
 Stutterd, Anthony Brent : 1B 3B 5B 6B 7B 10B.
 Taplin, Francis Cyril E. : 1B 3A(o) 5A 6B 10H1.
 Thompson, Victor Frederic : 1B 3B 5A 6A(x2) 10H2.
 Trenerry, Selwyn Peter : 1B 3B 5B 6B 10A 11B.
 Tugwell, Kingsley Frederic : 1A 2L 3B 5B 6B 10L.
 Valkenburg, Peter John 1A 3B 5B 8B.
 Wallace, Gilbert Hugh M. : 1B 5B 6B 10B 11B.
 Warden, David Barton : 1B 5A 6B 10A 11L.
 Weissflog, Klaus Gustav A. : 3A(o) 5B 6B 10B 11B.
 Wood, Boyd Ormond : 3B 5B 7B 10B.

DEBATING.

Debating this term has been fairly successful. Aided by continual practice, the team has won two out of three inter-school debates.

The first school we debated against was Newington, on the subject, "That the sooner Germany re-enters her rightful place in the world the better." The team was Melville, Foster and Woollet. This we won.

The second was with S.H.S., at home, on "That education should be predominantly technical after the war." We also won this as the opposition, the team being Foster, Mackenzie and Melville.

The third was against Scots, at Scots, where we affirmed the motion, "That democracy is vanishing in Australia." This we lost to Scots, the team being the same as with High.

A strange position has arisen. Scores are: Newington, 0; S.C.E.G.S., 2; T.S.C., 2; S.H.S., 2. We understand that the same kind of position is affecting the Grammar, St. Joseph's, King's and St. Ignatius, half of the contest. What

will happen eventually to decide this dilemma is not yet certain at the time of going to press.

Melville was our representative at the "Laurence Campbell" competition in oratory. He succeeded in carrying off the trophy, after having been runner-up last year.

THE SCHOOL CONCERT.

The Annual Concert was held this year in the Anzac Memorial Hall, North Sydney, on July 30th and 31st and on August 2nd. The Hall was completely booked out on all three occasions, and a very enjoyable performance was given by a large number of boys and masters. His Grace the Archbishop was present on one of the evenings.

The School Orchestra, under Mrs. G. Faunce Allman, gave by far the best performance of its career. It is really amazing that in so short a time so strong a musical tradition should have been built up. The time available for rehearsal, the immaturity of the majority of the players, and the difficulty of procuring scores being taken into account, the result is truly excellent. The items played were selections from the "Coppelia Ballet" by Delibes, and selections from Tchaikowsky's "Nutcracker Suite." The players knew their notes; they played with confidence and zeal, and they were very ably conducted.

This year the Octet Club presented itself in the guise of pierrrots, together with a couple of graceful and most convincingly lovely ballerinas. For some reason, a complicated arrangement of microphones was interposed between players and audience. Surely, one of the objects of School concerts is to encourage people to speak up and sing audibly with the "naked voice," not to croon and whisper. But it added to the wild hilarity, so perhaps it was justifiable. As usual, the company did its work with gusto; even the bewhiskered old jokes came creaking along in good heart, bless them! And the long, painstaking preparation that had been given—hours and hours of planning and practising—was self-evident. Congratulations, everybody!

Galsworthy's "Little Man" was the play—a more ambitious effort than heretofore. It was fine. It is a good comedy to begin with. It was well cast: players suited their parts. The lines were well spoken and evidently understood. The grouping and colour schemes were pleasing, and the scenery was cleverly devised and carried out.

Everybody concerned is to be congratulated on a very successful and enjoyable show. Not everybody understands what a toilsome, anxious and, at times, infuriating job it is to organise a show like that. The Headmaster paid a tribute to these seen and unseen workers for our enjoyment, and "The Torch-Bearer" wishes to emphasise his remarks by this repetition. We have enthusiastic and willing workers in the School, and many good friends without it, to whom we owe our thanks.

There has been waged since our last issue a war of criticism and counter-criticism on such efforts as we make to provide our own entertainment. A community like ours shows a cross-section of popular taste, but as a School it should always be reaching upwards. While we remain thankful for and appreciative of all past efforts, we do nevertheless maintain that we ought to be able to provide occasionally more serious choral work, possibly with orchestral accompaniment. More serious need not mean either more difficult or less enjoyable. We ought to be able to satisfy the highbrow without scaring the other fellow.

TENNIS REPORT—TERM I, 1945.

This year an effort has been made to start tennis in the School again. During the last few years, owing to the shortage of balls and the lack of courts at the School due to wartime difficulties of labour and material, no tennis has been played. This term, however, courts have been hired for three afternoons a week at the Lawn Tennis Ground, and a large number of boys have taken the opportunity to play there. Later in the year it is hoped that more boys will be able to play.

D. R. Berckelman has been of great assistance in organising the tennis, and also in looking after arrangements at the courts.

During the third term it is hoped to hold a House tournament, with as many boys competing as possible.

A. J. Burns has been elected Captain of Tennis for 1945.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

Allen: 15/6/45—Died in India following transport aircraft crash on 13th, F/O. James Jeffery Allen, D.F.S., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allen of Killara, brother of Lyle, husband of Nancy (Yorkshire, England), and father of Josephine and Christine; aged 28. At School, 1932-34.

Beale: 13/2/42—Died of wounds, Singapore, Major Rex Francis Strangman Beale, Aust. Staff Corps, Bde. Major, 22nd Bde., 8 Div., A.I.F.; aged 41. At School, 1914-16.

***Boyce:** 29/10/44—Previously posted missing in air operations, Dutch New Guinea, now presumed to have lost his life, F/O. Richard Francis Boyce, R.A.A.F., Kittyhawk Squadron, elder son of the late W. M. Boyce and of Mrs. M. Boyce of Artarmon, both of Val. and Ken.; aged 21. At School, 1936-39.

Boydell: 2/5/45—Killed in plane accident near Sydney, L.A.C. Charles Broughton Boydell, R.A.A.F., only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Guy B. Boydell of Mosman, brother of Justine; aged 24. At School, 1934-36.

***Bucknell:** February, 1945—Previously missing, now presumed dead abroad, A/F/O. Geoffrey Charles Bucknell, R.A.A.F., of Newstead North, Inverell, husband of Joan; aged 33. At School, 1925-28.

***Charley:** October, 1944—Previously reported missing, now presumed dead abroad, F/Sgt. John Ross (Jock) Charley, R.A.A.F., son of Mrs. E. Charley of Summer Hill; aged 20. At School, 1937-41.

Daniell: 7/6/45—Died of wounds received in action, Lt. Douglas Alan Daniell, A.I.F., husband of Joy Beatrice, fourth son of Harold and the late Mrs. Daniell, brother of Frank, John, Iris, Dally, David and Warwick; aged 30.

***Edwards:** Early July, 1944—Previously missing, now presumed dead abroad, F/O. George B. Edwards, R.A.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Edwards of Carroll; aged 20. At School, 1936-42.

***Finch:** 10/4/44—Previously reported missing, now believed to have lost his life in air operations over Danzig, F/O. Jack Finch, R.A.A.F., Captain of Lancaster bomber, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Finch of Molong; aged 29. At School, 1929-31.

Flowers: 1/4/45—Accidentally killed up North, Gnr. Thomas French Flowers, A.I.F., younger twin son of Mr. and Mrs. James Flowers of New Farm, Brisbane; aged 31. At School, 1929-30.

- Hore** : 9/2/45—Drowned when plane broke up and sank in Plymouth Harbour, Sgt.-Pilot Peter Hore, R.A.A.F., member of Sunderland Squadron, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hore of Clayfield, Brisbane, brother of Kenneth, R.A.A.F. (killed 29/11/43); aged 21. At School : September, 1934—August, 1938.
- ***Keegan** : Missing in Malaya since 11/2/42, now officially presumed dead, Major Richard Wonson Keegan, Officer Commanding B Coy., 2/19 Btn., A.I.F., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Keegan of Willoughby, and brother of John; aged 34. At School, 1921-25. Former Honorary Secretary of Old Boys' Union, 1934-39.
- Martin** : 25/6/45—Killed in action, Lt. Gordon John Martin, A.I.F., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Martin of Killara, brother of Geoffrey, James and Mary; aged 32. At School, 1929-30.
- Morgan** : 8/6/45—Killed in action, Bougainville, Lt. LeRoy Robert Morgan, A.I.F., younger son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Morgan of Lindfield, both of Mavis and Gordon, and husband of Laurice; aged 26. At School, 1932-36.
- Varley** : 2/4/45—Killed in action in New Guinea, Lt. Robert Ashton Varley, A.I.F., of Inverell, younger son of Brigadier A. L. Varley, M.C. and Bar, 8 Div. (missing, believed deceased); aged 21. At School, 1938-39.
- Walton** : July, 1945—Killed in Borneo, Pte. Thomas Broadbent Walton, M.M., A.I.F., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Walton of Wollstonecraft, brother of Jack, Frank and Ian; aged 22. At School : 1932 to August, 1939.

* Now presumed dead.
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BIRTHS.

- Bannister** : 25/6/45, to Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Bannister—a daughter.
- Bradhurst** : 9/5/45, to Dorothy, wife of Sgt. Harry C. Bradhurst, A.I.F.—a son (Anthony John).
- Cadwallader** : 25/5/45, to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Cadwallader of Chatswood—a son.
- Cowdroy** : 4/5/45, to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cowdroy of Roseville—a daughter (Brenda Jean).
- Gilet** : 15/7/45, to Cpl. and Mrs. Maurice Gilet—a son (David Anthony).
- Glennie Holmes** : 25/6/45, to Capt. and Mrs. T. A. Holmes (A.I.F., abroad)—a daughter.
- Hipsley** : 3/5/45, to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hipsley of Killara—a daughter (Margaret Frances).
- Lewis** (nee Southwick) : 27/5/45, at Brisbane, to Lyndon, wife of Geoffrey S. Lewis (L. Tel., R.A.N.)—a son (Rodney Selwyn).
- Major** (nee Bakker) : 2/5/45, to Elaine, wife of Lt. Geoffrey Major, A.I.F.—a son.
- Ormiston** : 6/6/45, to Joan, wife of Major George Ormiston, A.I.F.—a son (David Dalziell).
- Reynolds** : 13/4/45, to Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Reynolds of Trevallyn, Gosford—a son (Walter Seton).
- Phillips** : 18/7/45, to Jean, wife of D. K. Phillips of Dubbo—a son (Peter).
- Stokes** : 11/5/45, to F/O. and Mrs. R. H. Stokes—a son (Peter Moncrieffe).
- Sinclair** : 18/5/45, to Mr. and Mrs. Colin Sinclair of Wilde's Meadow—a son.
- Sundstrom** : 13/4/45, to Moira, wife of Alfred C. Sundstrom—a son.
- Travis** : 14/5/45, to Nola, wife of Lt. F. G. Travis, A.I.F.—a son (Richard Frederick).
- Truscott** : 1/5/45, to Barbara, wife of Major M. S. Truscott, A.I.F.—a daughter (Susan Louise).

Westgarth (nee Berenice White) : 16/5/45, at Mullumbimby, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Robertson Westgarth—a son (David Antony).

Withy : 16/5/45, to F/Lt. and Mrs. R. G. Withy—a daughter (Elizabeth Ann).

Wood : 26/5/45, to Marion, wife of Lt. David R. V. Wood, A.I.F.—a daughter.

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ENGAGEMENTS.

The following engagements have been announced :—

Davies—Fleming : June Bonnie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fleming of Aberdeen, to F/O. Louis Walter Davies, R.A.A.F., elder son of Major L. W. Davies, M.C., and Mrs. Davies, The Peppers, Aberdeen.

Paynter—Chapman : Joy, younger daughter of Mrs. G. E. Chapman of Lindfield, to John Charles, elder son of Mrs. R. H. and the late R. H. Paynter of Cremorne.

Pringle—Dutton : Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dutton of Hunter's Hill, to Bdr. John Alexander Pringle, A.I.F., younger son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pringle of Barraba.

Thomas—Moore : Hazel, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. C. Moore of Waver-ton, to Lt. Donald Mortimer Thomas, A.I.F., younger son of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Thomas of Gordon.

Wallace—Holmes : Enid Joyce, second daughter of Mrs. J. E. Holmes and the late Mr. Holmes of Ipswich, Q., to L.A.C. Bruce Wallace, R.A.A.F. (retd.), elder son of Mr. W. L. and the late Mrs. Wallace of Chatswood.

Yeates—Chrystal : Constance, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chrystal of Mosman and Port Macquarie, to John, eldest son of the late Rev. Ainslie A. Yeates, M.A., and Mrs. C. Yeates of Mosman.

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MARRIAGES.

(See also under "Chapel Notes.")

Banyard—Dearman : 21/2/45, at Lincoln, England, Section Officer Joan Olga Dearman, W.A.A.F., of London, S.W.15, to F/Lt. James Ralph Banyard, R.A.A.F., of Sydney.

Clive—Haylock : 28/3/45, at St. Peter's, Cremorne, by the Rev. R. P. Gee, Constance, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haylock of Cremorne, to Cpl. Archer Anthony Clive, A.I.F. (retd.), Singapore, younger son of Mrs. Clive and the late Mr. A. S. Clive of Waverton.

Doubleday—Walker : 2/5/45, at St. Paul's Chapel, Sydney University, Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walker of Ashfield, to Dr. Leonard Doubleday, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Doubleday of Moorwatha, via Albury.

Ferguson—Fearn : 21/4/45, at St. Matthew's, Marryatville, S.A., by Ven. Arch-deacon Clampett, Joy Celeste, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Fearn of Glenunga, to W/Cdr. Alan Douglas Ferguson, R.A.A.F., youngest son of Mrs. E. A. Ferguson and the late G. P. Ferguson of Cooma.

Fetherstonhaugh—Bidencope : 27/2/45, at St. Stephen's, Sydney, by the Rev. A. Tulloch, Lillian Doreen, widow of the late Capt. C. V. Bidencope and elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crisp of Killara, to Lt.-Col. C. M. Fetherstonhaugh of Coonamble.

Fowler—Norrie : 30/5/45, at St. Margaret's, Turramurra, by the Rev. Edmunds, Judy, elder daughter of Brigadier and Mrs. Norrie of Turramurra, to F/Lt. Edward F. Fowler, son of the late Robertt and Mrs. Fowler of Roseville.

- Gledhill—Thomas** : 14/4/45, at St. Luke's, Mosman, by the Rev. A. R. Ebbs, Nessie Margaret, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. C. Thomas of Millthorpe, to Walter, only son of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Gledhill of Manly.
- Greenwell—Pierce** : 29/6/45, at St. Phillip's, Church Hill, Dorothy June, only daughter of Mrs. H. Pierce and the late W. H. Pierce of Mosman, to Lt. Mark Pritchard Greenwell, A.I.F., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Greenwell of Lindfield.
- O'Neil—Walton** : 12/6/45, at St. Philip's, Church Hill, Joan C. Walton of Artarmon, to F/Lt. George C. W. O'Neil, D.F.C., M.M., of Cremorne.
- Trebeck—Smyth** : May, 1945, at Warwick, Q., Marily, third daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Smyth of Warwick, to Lt. E. P. Trebeck, A.I.F., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Trebeck of Bundaroo, Brewarrina.

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OBITUARY.

- Boydell—28/5/45** (suddenly), Frederic Mervyn Boydell of Killara, husband of Daphne, father of Arnold (R.A.N.V.R.), Richard (R.A.A.F.) and Ian; aged 58. At School, 1899-1903.
- McMaster** : 13/5/45 (suddenly), at Binnia Downs, Coolah, Leslie John, husband of Kathleen Russell, only son of the late John and Christina McMaster; aged 53. At School, 1907-10.
- Thompson** : 16/5/45, drowned as result of launch foundering at Cape Barrenjoey, Dr. John Ashley Thompson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ashley Thompson of Pymble; aged 29. At School, 1930-33.
- Vallack** : 27/5/45, Robert Bertin Richard Vallack, M.B., Ch.M., of North Sydney, husband of Eadith; aged 46. At School, 1912-17.

EXCHANGES.

The Editor wishes to acknowledge the receipt of the following, and to apologise for any omissions:—

The Southportonian, The Wenonian, The Portal, The Hawkesbury Agricultural College Journal, Lux, The Melburnian, The Bush Brother, The College Barker, Collegiate School of St. Peter, The Cranbrookian, The Johannian, The Hutchens School Magazine, The Christ's College Register, The Mitre, The Armidalian, The King's School Magazine, The Tudorian, The Wanganui Collegian, The Canberran, M.C.E.G.G.S. Magazine, The Scotch College Magazine.