



Sydney Church of England
Grammar School
North Sydney

December, 1958

Sydney Church of England Grammar School

Speech Day — 11th December, 1958.

(Visitors are requested to take their seats before 7.45 p.m.)

8.0 p.m.: The Chairman and Headmaster will conduct His Excellency to the Platform.

NATIONAL ANTHEM (Organ only).

OPENING SERVICE (The School Chaplain).

HYMN

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy Throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure,
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting, Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy Sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away,
They fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

LESSON:—1 Peter, ii., 11-25.

PRAYERS

PRIZE GIVING (Chairman, the Right Reverend R. C. Kerle).

1. Chairman's Introduction.
2. Summary of Headmaster's Report.
3. Presentation of Prizes by His Excellency the Governor of N.S.W., Lieut.-Gen. Sir Eric Woodward, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.
4. His Excellency will speak.
5. Announcements.
6. The Third Forms and Preparatory School will sing—
 - (a) "Jerusalem" (Parry).
 - (b) "Christmas Day" (James).
7. The Senior Prefect will speak.
8. A member of the School Council will speak.
9. The Headmaster will reply.
10. The School Song (all are asked to join).

Here's to the fellow who loves the School,
Be he schollard, or dullard, or wit, or fool,
If he never allows his love to cool—
Tradit lampada vitai.

And here's to the fellow who facing the foe,
Showed the stuff that is reaped from the seed that we sow
For the Queen's and the old School's honour aglow —
Tradit lampada vitai.

Here's to the Bishop, the Council and all,
Who consult for our welfare, right gladly we'll call,
Three cheers for them too, while we muster in Hall,
Tradunt lampada vitai.

Here's to the Queen, may she long live to reign
O'er this land where Old England is youthful again,
O'er an Empire as wide as the world-circling main—
Tradit lampada vitai.

BENEDICTION.
NATIONAL ANTHEM.

President of the Council:
THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE (ex officio).
COUNCIL

Rev. Canon FRANK CASH, M.A., B.D., Th.D.	Dr. IAN W. HOLT, M.B., B.S., D.T.M., D.T.H.
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Hon. Secretary: R. E. LUDOWICI.

Hon Treasurer: D. M. MacDERMOTT.

Headmaster: L. C. ROBSON, C.B.E., M.C., M.A. (Oxon.), B.Sc. (Sydney).

Senior Masters:

P. H. ELDERSHAW, B.A. (Sydney).

K. D. ANDERSON, M.A. (New Zealand).

Chaplain: Rev. J. F. W. MASON, B.A. (Sydney), Th.L.

Master of the Preparatory School: L. M. JAMIESON B.A. (Sydney).

House Masters:

*W. SAWKINS, B.A., Dip. Ed. (Sydney) (5)	Hodges House
*K. D. ANDERSON, M.A. (New Zealand) (3)	Robson House
*P. H. ELDERSHAW, B.A. (Sydney) (1)	Barry House
P. R. M. JENKINS, B.A. (Sydney)	School House
L. M. JAMIESON, B.A. (Sydney)	Purves (Junior) House

Masters:

*I. F. JONES, M.A. (Q'land) (2).	R. BLOMFIELD, B.E. (Sydney).
H. W. GRIGG, B.A. (Sydney).	Dip. Ed. (Melbourne).
*J. N. PASCOE, B.Ec. (Sydney) (7).	D. A. WEBSTER, B.Sc. (Syd.).
*T. B. WHIGHT, B.A. (Queensland) (11).	*R. K. DOIG, A.S.T.C. (9).
R. A. GILFILLAN, B.A. (Syd.)	J. K. MORELL, B.A., Dip. Ed. (Sydney).
W. M. MCGREGOR.	*J. E. COLEBROOK, M.A. (Cantab.) (4).
T. MILFULL, B.A. (Q'land).	B. K. ALLDIS, B.A., B.Sc. (Sydney).
D. P. FOMENKO, B.Ec., M. Litt.	B. G. HAMILTON, M.A. (New Zealand).
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J. W. BURNS, B.A. (Sydney).	N. A. EMERY.
*T. H. VISSER, Ph.D. (Utrecht). Mus. D. (London) (12).	A. E. STAFFORD, A.C.P. (London).
J. R. BERNARD, B.A., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (Sydney).	K. GRAHAM.
Rev. R. F. BOSANQUET, B.A. (Sydney), Th.L.	W. FOULKES.
R. M. BLANSHARD.	

*Senior Masters in (1) English; (2) Classics; (3) French; (4) History; (5) Mathematics; (6) Physics; (7) Chemistry; (8) Music; (9) Art; (10) Geography; (11) Games; (12) Librarian.

J. H. DIXON, J.P. (formerly 2nd A.I.F.) Sergeant-Major
 Miss M. G. Keyte Piano

Bursar: R. ANDERSON.

School Medical Officer: Dr. R. M. DEY, M.B., B.S. (Sydney).

PREFECTS:

Senior: J. SEDGWICK.

Second: P. E. BASSINGTHWAIGHTE.

Third: P. R. MILLARD.

D. P. H. ALLEN
G. D. W. CURLEWIS
D. R. DOYLE
J. C. W. GILL
N. HEATH
J. D. HUDSON
I. P. McCAUSLAND
C. S. PHEGAN
R. SINCLAIR
R. G. SWIFT
D. W. BUTCHER
J. R. CADWALLADER
K. H. C. HARRIS

P. N. D. JENKYN
A. R. B. McLENNAN
W. M. C. FOULTON
P. N. WANSEY
D. F. CATTS
G. B. McGUINNESS
R. C. STUART
R. I. BROGAN
B. I. DICKSON
S. J. T. LOVELL

P. A. NEWCOMB
G. R. SMITH

CAPTAINS OF SPORT:

Athletics : D. P. H. ALLEN
Boats : J. D. HUDSON
Cricket : P. R. MILLARD
Football : D. R. DOYLE

Shooting : P. B. SHEATHER
Swimming : R. G. SWIFT
Tennis : P. R. MILLARD

HOLDERS OF SCHOLARSHIPS, 1958.

A.B.S. White Scholarship	R. Sinclair
Grainger Exhibitions	{C. S. Phegan
	{C. C. Vonwiller
J. N. Graham Exhibitions	B. M. Munday
	{J. B. Burgmann
	{B. A. Frost
Old Boys' Union Bursary	I. P. McCausland
Bruce and Eldon Beale Memorial Prize	{C. J. Burrell
	{M. E. Sainsbury

Junior Scholarships:

Open Entrance: (Christina Campbell Scholarship)	I. M. Richardson
(Oswald Stanton-Cook Scholarship)	P. A. Wood
(Hodges Scholarship)	D. J. Cotton
Open School	A. H. D. Budd
	D. R. F. Irvine
	R. E. Alexander
Under 14 yrs. No. (1) and No. (2)	G. Pollard
	A. R. Coulter
	J. D. Schwartzkoff
	P. Evans
	J. C. Wallace
Archbishop's Exhibitions	H. J. C. Doyle
	A. R. Steele
	S. A. Stewart

PRIZE LIST, 1958

SIXTH FORM:

Brian Pockley Memorial Prize	J. Sedgwick
Burke Prize and United Services Prize (1st in General Proficiency)	R. Sinclair
War Memorial Prize (2nd in General Proficiency)	{M. L. H. Hope B. M. Munday
A. H. Wade Memorial Prize (General Merit)	B. M. Munday
Percival Sharp Memorial Prize (Form Prize)	M. L. H. Hope
Harold Dean and R. S. Reid Prizes (Mathematics)	R. Sinclair
Charlton Prize (Divinity)	C. S. Phegan
J. S. Wilson Memorial Prize (English)	T. A. Roseby
David Cowlishaw Memorial Prize (Latin)	R. Sinclair
Herbert Kendall Memorial Prize (French)	M. L. H. Hope
Ian Menzies Memorial Prize (History)	{P. M. Clark T. A. Roseby J. Sedgwick
Monteith Cowper Wood Memorial Prize (Physics)	C. W. Williams
John Kingsmill Phillips Memorial Prize (Chemistry)	{D. C. Luther C. W. Williams
Desmond Hum Memorial Prize (Geography)	J. Sedgwick
Russell Sinclair Memorial Prize (General Merit)	J. E. M. Gill
Donald Muston Memorial Prize (General Merit)	J. B. Dorter
German	M. L. H. Hope
Ancient History (The "Lodge Torch-Bearer" Prize)	P. W. Jackson
Accountancy	J. Sedgwick
Geology	R. W. Murchison

FIFTH FORM:

Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (VA Form)	J. D. Heydon
Hunter Stephenson Prize (Mathematics)	{J. D. Heydon H. Pollard
Eric Mileham Litchfield Memorial Prize (General Merit)	{J. Harris J. D. Moore
Harry Eames Budd Memorial Prize (English)	J. D. Heydon

FOURTH FORM:

Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (IVAr Form)	D. N. Scott
Roy Milton Prize (French)	P. T. Southwell-Keely
L. R. Benjamin Memorial Prize (Science)	{A. H. D. Budd D. N. Scott
Geoffrey Cohen Memorial Prize (General Merit)	K. J. Phillis
Frank Bennett Memorial Prize (English)	D. N. Scott
Tamworth Group Prize (Mathematics)	A. H. D. Budd

SUB-INTERMEDIATE FORM:

Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (SAr Form)	{T. S. Southwell-Keely J. D. Schwartzkoff
Hunter Stephenson Prize (French)	J. D. Schwartzkoff
The Selby Prize (Physics and Chemistry)	D. G. Barling
Tamworth Group Prize (Mathematics)	P. A. Wood

THIRD FORM:

Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (IIIA Form)	D. J. Cotton
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PREPARATORY SCHOOL:

John Scott Memorial Prize (IIA Form)	R. E. McGlynn
John Scott Memorial Mathematics Prize (Division 6A)	{R. E. McGlynn R. M. FitzHerbert

PRIZE LIST—(Continued)

SPECIAL PRIZES:

General Activities:

D. J. Richards Memorial Prize	J. C. W. Gill
Old Boys' Union Prize	{P. E. Bassingthwaight D. W. Butcher

Catechism:

Uther Prize	R. M. FitzHerbert
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Choir:

The David Davies Memorial Prize	R. N. Wyndham
Choir Prizes	{A. B. M. Wallis F. H. Atkin

General Knowledge:

John Jamieson Memorial Prize	P. G. Gaskin
Junior Prizes	{M. J. D. Roberts J. R. Nield

Art:

E. T. Thring Memorial Prize	G. J. Shead
Junior Prize	D. J. Cotton
W. M. N. Stewart Memorial Prize (Preparatory School)	A. F. Howell

Original Contribution to the School Magazine:

"Torch-Bearer" Prize	G. J. Shead
Debating Prizes	{R. H. Wyndham C. C. Vonwiller

Music:

For Interest and Proficiency	{J. C. W. Gill S. J. T. Lovell
Practical Senior	J. H. Pollard
Practical Junior	J. W. Williamson
Theoretical Senior	R. N. Wyndham
Theoretical Junior (The R.G.H. Walmsley Prize)	R. E. McGlynn

Orchestra Prize	P. L. Isbister
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Woodwork:

G. R. and R. V. Kierath Prize	R. H. V. Douglass
Junior Prize	J. L. Poole

Play Day:

Senior	Robson House ("Harlequinade")
Junior	S.A.I. Form ("The Odyssey of Runyon Jones")

Vith FORM			Vth FORM		
DIVINITY	(C. S. Phegan)	A set	J. Harris	A ₁ set	
			J. D. Heydon	A ₂ set	
			S. N. Langshaw	B set	
			R. B. Parker	C set	
FORM	(M. L. H. Hope)	VI A	(J. D. Heydon)	V A	
	D. R. Lewarne	VI B	M. J. Alexander	V B	
	R. W. Murchison	VI C	R. C. B. Scott	V C	
			R. B. Parker	V D	
DIVISION	(R. Sinclair)	1a	{(J. D. Heydon)	2a	
	B. M. Munday	1b	{(J. H. Pollard)		
	G. K. Gunnyon	1c	J. B. Keene	2b	
	J. M. Cottee	1e	D. W. Liddle	2c	
	(General Maths)		R. F. Dowe	2d	

	DIVINITY	FORM	DIVISION
Form IVA ₁	R. J. B. Bosworth	(D. N. Scott)	(A. H. D. Budd)
Form IVA ₂	R. T. Bowen-Thomas	C. J. E. Jarvis	P. R. Whight
Form IVB ₁	P. B. Andrews	D. A. Cowdroy	M. D. C. Truscott
Form IVB ₂	J. A. D. Whitty	J. A. D. Whitty	J. A. D. Whitty
Form IVC	S. G. Litchfield	S. G. Litchfield	W. E. B. Webb
Form SA ₁	T. S. Southwell-Keely	{(T. S. Southwell-Keely)	{(P. A. Wood)
		{(J. D. Schwartzkoff)	
Form SA ₂	R. F. Charles	R. F. Charles	A. R. P. Steele
Form SB ₁	B. M. Connell	R. J. Wythes	D. J. Coates
Form SB ₂	I. C. Bruce	W. B. Thomas	E. G. Harvey
Form SC	S. de Kantzow	S. de Kantzow	J. G. Dalton
Form IIIA ₁	P. Evans	(D. J. Cotton)	D. J. Cotton
Form IIIA ₂	S. A. Stewart	A. N. Chenhall	L. A. Scott
Form IIIA ₃	J. F. Cowper	J. F. Cowper	G. L. A. Cohen
Form IIIB	A. R. Corbett	A. R. Corbett	A. R. Corbett
Form IIIC	A. P. Ellerman	M. F. McEachern	M. F. McEachern
Form IIA	R. E. McGlynn	(R. E. McGlyna)	{(R. E. McGlynn)
			{(R. M. FitzHerbert)
Form IIB	C. J. Penney	A. J. Edye	J. P. Wenborn
Form IIC	P. W. Powell	N. A. Thomson
Remove A	P. B. McKell	A. W. Bathgate	R. M. Wallace
Remove B	C. R. Wallis	R. M. Simpson	M. D. Bligh
Form I	J. S. Bosanquet	J. N. Sutherland	R. L. Whitten

GENERAL MERIT: (B. M. Munday), (J. E. M. Gill), (J. B. Dorter), (J. Harris), (J. D. Moore), H. C. Morgan, M. F. Anderson, P. M. Taylor, (K. J. Phillis), J. M. Kingsmill, D. I. MacDermott, R. J. Harvey, R. M. Firth, D. G. Barling, R. P. Armati, P. J. Coote, P. T. Leddin, P. W. Mitchelhill, R. Holman, R. E. Alexander, K. B. McCaskill, M. C. Baker, R. W. Hutchins, J. C. McMaster, A. N. Woods, A. G. Neill, J. T. M. Vernon, R. D. Williams, N. A. Swift, G. M. Thomas.

ORDER OF MERIT IN THE SIXTH FORM IN GENERAL PROFICIENCY

1, R. Sinclair; 2, (aeq.) M. L. H. Hope; B. M. Munday; 4, J. Sedgwick; 5, C. W. Williams; 6, (aeq.) J. E. M. Gill; D. C. Luther; 8, J. B. Dorter; 9, M. S. Bisley; 10, C. S. Phegan; 11, G. D. W. Curlewis; 12, D. R. Lewarne; 13, N. Heath; 14, D. E. Ryerson; 15, A. R. B. McLennan; 16, L. L. Hall; 17, J. C. W. Gill; 18, P. M. Clark; 19, R. H. Macready; 20, T. A. Roseby.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT, 1958.

The School suffered serious loss by the death on October 24th of the Primate, the Most Reverend Dr. H. W. K. Mowll. As Archbishop of Sydney he was President of the Council. His many duties prevented him from attending meetings regularly, but he was always present whenever he could be of service and his guidance was frequently of the greatest help. His Grace presided at Speech Day for the first time in 1934 and he has made a point of doing so since that time except when he was overseas. I myself have always felt that I could turn to him and be certain of a sympathetic hearing and of sound and well considered advice. We have lost a wise leader and a firm friend.

The past year has been a time of steady progress and lively activity. The number on the roll was increased slightly to 838 at the beginning of the year by the creation of an extra Third Form. This does not really mean that we can take more boys into the School but rather that we can take a few for a year longer. Hitherto we have provided for a small intake at entry to second year, but these boys will now be absorbed at the beginning of the secondary course. The demand for enrolment is as big as ever.

The properties have been further increased and improved. The increase in area is small but exceedingly important, for we now own a continuous frontage along William Street, on the east side of the School, south of Flagstaff St. It has been a tedious business to acquire all this property and we may not wish to put it to use at once, but it will become extremely important in the future. The two old houses which we have long owned in Alma Street, adjoining the Memorial Hall, have recently become vacant, and they are now being demolished. An unsightly area will thus be tidied and a piece of ground which is of vital importance will become available for occupation. I hope it will not now be long before there will be a move to complete the planned quadrangle of laboratories and class rooms of which the Hall is the southern side. It may now be confessed that the planning of the quadrangle was in the first place an act of faith, for the plan was drawn, and indeed the western portion was built before we had succeeded in purchasing all the land. It seems plain sailing now to move ahead towards a well-arranged group of rooms for all teaching and administrative purposes. The only difficulty involved is financial.

The building of new Class Rooms for the Preparatory School and the remodelling of the existing building is the most important work of the year and I am happy to report that it is nearing completion. The new building contains five class rooms, a staff room, library, an art room, dressing rooms, and a large room for recreation and general purposes. The old building will be used entirely by boarders, and will be much more commodious and much better arranged for them. The cost of this project has been great and shows that large sums have to be in sight in these days before building can be undertaken.

In the latter part of the year we received a most generous bequest of £3000 from the late Richard Smith Greenwell. Many will remember that, in the year 1931, George Greenwell lost his life at Collaroy at the age of 16, while still at School, in attempting a rescue in circumstances involving much gallantry, and that Richard was highly praised for his endeavour to save his brother. Richard's gift now comes to us for the purpose of establishing a permanent memorial to George. We propose to associate the gift with the Preparatory School Library and we shall be proud to have the names of these two brave young men so recorded.

Another Old Boy of a much earlier period, G. A. N. Woodcock, has sent us gifts from the United States, where he now resides, and has ex-

pressed the wish that these be received as a token of his kind memories of the masters that he knew in 1904. We shall use this gift in equipping the Preparatory School Library and shall suitably acknowledge it there in a permanent way.

Again we have received a bequest under the will of the late Mr. H. W. Stewart, in commemoration of his son Wallace Stewart, who lost his life while in the R.A.A.F. This will be used to endow a prize for Art in the Preparatory School, and also to equip the Art Room in the new building. It is very heartening to receive such expressions of loyalty.

The improvement of the Playing Fields at Northbridge is proceeding further, under the very knowledgeable guidance of the Bursar. He has overcome many difficulties and now has D Ground in excellent condition and is proceeding to treat C Ground similarly. It has not been possible yet to get good enough topsoil to cover the filling on the North side of C and D Ground; I hope it will not be long before it becomes possible thus to extend these grounds to full length. I hope also that in years to come the School will seek to fill all the ground north of B, C and D to a uniform level. It may take many years, but it is bound to become practicable as building projects proceed in North Sydney.

Those who have not recently seen our Boat Shed and riverside property at Gladesville would be pleasantly surprised by their appearance today. We have to thank Mr. Gilfillan for pursuing this work with such persistence and initiative. The Boat Shed property is now comfortable, spacious and attractive.

At the beginning of this year a vastly improved scheme for providing for masters on retirement was inaugurated. There was practically no provision of this kind when I came, and I am therefore the more pleased to leave behind a scheme which is likely to prove very effective as it develops. At the same time I ought to make it clear that the Council has always done its best to make adequate provision for retired masters from current revenue while working towards a more permanent arrangement. We have also endeavoured to increase our provision of living accommodation for masters near the School, and shall go on doing so. The providing of these benefits and of increased remuneration for those who loyally serve the School is no more than their due. These additional charges upon revenue, together with other rising costs, have necessitated a further increase in school fees.

I referred last year, and indeed on several former occasions, to the growth in the burden of administration and management. This is becoming a very serious problem, particularly in relation to the Headmaster's function. Perhaps now that I am vacating the office, I may be permitted to appeal the more emphatically to all to help in keeping this burden within reasonable dimensions for my successor. It is proper that the Headmaster should have in his hands the reins of management, and indeed that all the activities of the School should be under his ultimate control. He can be relied upon to delegate, and in this School he will find himself surrounded by the most ready helpers. It is of first importance that he should be free enough to maintain close personal relations with the school community and that he should move about among the boys. All my fellow headmasters are beginning to feel, as I do, that it is becoming a struggle to keep up the personal side of the work, which is quite basic in importance, as the management burden increases. My successor is the very one who will wish to avoid this disadvantage. However I do ask all to make it as easy as possible. The ways of doing this are many and varied. Under no circumstances should anyone, boy or parent, hesitate to seek the Headmaster's personal advice in necessary cases; his chief function is to be ready to give it. However, much can be done by avoiding trivial and unnecessary correspondence, by observing the routine and by following adminis-

trative arrangements, by caring for property, by showing initiative, above all by avoiding the use of the telephone except in urgent matters. There has in fact been a splendid response to my former requests in every respect but perhaps this last.

The Chapel Services have been arranged in much the same way as in former years. Among visiting preachers we have had the pleasure of welcoming the Chaplains of Trinity and Barker, the Rector of St. Clements, Mosman, and our old friend Archdeacon Tugwell. Confirmation was administered in July by Bishop Hilliard, also a friend of many years' standing. The chief work ahead in beautification of the Chapel now seems to be the completion of the roof in wood, and maybe this is not very far ahead. It is a fine building and full of associations for us all.

In October a clock was erected by the Old Boys' Union, with a suitable commemorative tablet, as a memorial to Sgt.-Major F. J. Davidson, who was School Sergeant and Clerk from 1913 to 1940. There are few who have made as deep an impression for good as he made upon the boys who were here in his time.

I am always at a loss to convey in a report adequate information about the progress of school work. The results of examinations are the only results that can be given in figures. They convey very little idea of the work which goes on throughout the whole school steadily. The Leaving Certificate results of 1957 were sound; the number of honours was certainly smaller, but the number of passes was higher, and the average quality of pass was decidedly higher than usual. 103 boys gained the Leaving Certificate; and 40 of these won Commonwealth Scholarships. If the number of honours was smaller, the standard of the very best was high indeed. B.D.O. Anderson was second in general proficiency in the examination and first in Mathematics. He is a boy of wide attainment and of strong musical interests; he should do well. Christopher Burrell and Murray Sainsbury also distinguished themselves. 112 Intermediate Certificates were awarded. This year's candidates for the Leaving Certificate seem to me, on the whole, to have been diligent. We are very short of good honours candidates, and there may be a further recession in this part of the results, but the average level may be expected to be much the same as usual. Russell Sinclair is top of the School, a due reward for sensible diligence; it is interesting that yet another bearer of this name has earned a place of distinction in the School. There is a liberal sprinkling of good scholars at each level in the School now, and the results are likely to show improvement in the next few years. At the same time those who aspire towards high honours and scholarships ought to bear in mind that competition is becoming keener. There are 12000 Leaving Certificate candidates this year, an increase of about 20% on 1957.

There have been indications that parents would do well to seek the advice of the School before entering into arrangements for coaching of their sons. There are not many cases in which intensive work in addition to class teaching is an advantage and there are some in which it may bring unfortunate results. In particular it would be wise to seek advice before being unduly influenced by public advertisements of the efficacy of coaching, and before undertaking the payment of excessive fees.

Some University results are worthy of special mention. Recent Old Boys won three University Medals, Anthony Stiles in Mathematics, John Hooke in Electrical Engineering and Dugald Cameron in Chemical Engineering. In Queensland John Kerr graduated in Medicine in top place.

Up to the present there has been no announcement leading us to expect that effect will be given soon to the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee of Enquiry into Education. I myself was a party to two earlier reports in the past, both of which made recommendations

concerning secondary education very much the same as those now understood to be before the Cabinet. It is indeed more than thirty years since certain of us began to seek for a reorganisation which would lead to higher Sixth Form standards. In this respect we are lagging behind some other countries and lagging unnecessarily. Surely it is time for the Cabinet to grasp this nettle. The essential part of the change proposed is the extension of the Secondary School course to six years. This will give more time for bright youngsters to grow up under a discipline appropriate to their years, and in general to be broadly educated. It will give a chance to develop in Schools a higher scholarly aim and at the same time a greater breadth of intellectual interest.

The various musical and dramatic interests have been kept up very well. The opera chosen this year by Mr. Grigg was "The Yeomen of the Guard". The choice of this more difficult work was made with some diffidence, but was entirely justified by a series of highly successful performances. There is a natural tendency to discuss each year whether the production is better than one's first choice among the productions of former years. Some thought this was the best so far, and, taking difficulties into consideration it may have been. The important fact is that it gave great pleasure to very large audiences, and provided a large number of boys with a most stimulating experience as actors and singers and instrumentalists, and also as stage hands and technicians. This was Mr. Grigg's fourteenth production of Gilbert & Sullivan operas. It is interesting to think of the amount of pleasure that he and his associates have given to so many. One finds Old Boys coming back to the School now who look back on their parts in these productions with as keen satisfaction as they find in any of their achievements. Mr. Morris has been a most enthusiastic and competent partner in the past two years.

On the evening of July 14th members of the Sixth Form presented "Richard of Bordeaux" at nearly full length. They thus followed an example well set the year before, and their initiative is highly to be praised. Much of the credit is due to Colin Phegan, who produced the play and took the principal part. The Senior and Junior Play Days were held as usual, with very full programmes. There have been suggestions that the standard of these was slightly lower than usual. It may be so; however, having in mind that beginners are constantly appearing on the stage for the first time, and also that this work has to contend with many other claims upon time, I think the result is very good. I congratulate and thank all who have contributed to this side of the School's life and who have helped to bring it to its present state.

The orchestral work has been maintained at about the usual level. One would like to see a greater number of boys coming forward at an early age to learn to play instruments. A highly successful concert was held in October. I echo the generally expressed hope that this will be an annual event. A good standard has been achieved and it is not to be doubted that, with similar enthusiasm, improvement will proceed to a level of some distinction.

I do not feel that a sufficient number of boys have yet taken full advantage of the facilities offered now for art and craft work. Much has been done, but there must still be many who would find great interest and pleasure in such work and who do not come forward. I should like to see in the next few years an advance in this field to rival that which has taken place in the making of music.

The results obtained in games by our first teams have not this year been as good as usual. The first eleven had several good performances but they disappointed themselves on other occasions; they were a very fair team. The second eleven won their competition. The football team started well, but were weakened by injuries, and did not hold their form well in

a year of strong rivalry. The eight was a very good crew. They won several club races, including the Junior Championship of N.S.W., and, quite easily, the Riverview Gold Cup. The principal race was indeed the only one they did not win; they got behind and then could not catch the spirited Riverview crew, who won for their College for the first time for 51 years. It was a consolation to them that the victory went to the College, both because the Riverview-Shore friendship on the river is as old as this School, and also because Riverview's advance in standard is partly due to Duncan Baggett and J. B. Burrell, both members of our Boat Club. This kind of co-operation is a fine thing. There were a few fine runners in our athletic team, but it was not strong all round. Ian McCausland is a fine miler, and modest in success. I commend also Michael Staniland, his partner in training, who has worked hard and keenly though it was always clear that he could not secure selection. He did in fact run a mile in faster time than anyone from this School has run it except McCausland. Our shooting team was not up to expectation. However in tennis we were clear winners in the G.P.S. matches.

Once more I thank those who have contributed to the big programme of games by coaching and supervision. Many boys have reason to be grateful to Mr. Whight. Not only does he, as Sports Master, undertake the big task of arranging all the details of games; he also is constantly devoting his time to youngsters in the lower teams. I record my thanks also to Mr. Colin Davies who is now taking our eight for the third time; we wish him the success that he so narrowly missed this year.

The Cadets this year celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of the Corps. The work seems to have been carried out as efficiently and as keenly as ever. Some of the Cadet Under-Officers have reached a very good standard, conspicuously J. B. Dorter, who passed out of a School for prospective officers in first place among 450 candidates. The unit was reviewed by the G.O.C. Eastern Command on October 21st, and acquitted itself very well indeed. At this parade the Commanding Officer, Major P. R. M. Jenkins, received the Cadet Service Medal, a due recognition of more than twelve years of keen service, which has been a notable contribution also to the life of the School.

The A.T.C. flight was 110 strong. Its standards have been well maintained. The work of the Cadet Under-Officers is worthy of commendation and particularly that of C.P.O. Butcher. A band has been formed and has progressed with the help of instructors from Richmond. The unit was reviewed on 19th August by the Hon. F. M. Osborne. Mr. C. S. Tiley, who founded the Shore Flight, and commanded it for many years, has presented a trophy for annual award.

The Scouts under Mr. Bosanquet and Mr. Morell have been energetic in training and in camping and hiking. During the year three senior members, namely Nicholas Heath, Ian Fraser and David Mullen became Queen's Scouts; this is a great distinction for them and a source of pride to the Troop. The Group Committee has been active and helpful; over the years indeed it has been very valuable, not only in helping the Scouts but also in promoting acquaintance among parents and masters and boys.

The Association held its customary meetings and promoted another highly successful "American Tea" in October. The financial result on this occasion was splendid in spite of very bad weather. It is important, however, to emphasise that the usefulness of the Association's work far exceeds the value of the amenities which it provides, greatly appreciated though these are. It gives a splendid opportunity for parents to meet one another and to become a little more familiar with the atmosphere of the School. It is also delightful to be able to meet again on these occasions many whose boys have left some time ago. My wife and I hope that new parents will

join in these activities and that the older members will keep up their interest; it is a great help to the School's work.

The Old Boys' Union was very active under the presidency of Mr. R. A. Swift. He promoted several highly successful functions and further encouraged gatherings in country centres. He and his Committee have been very helpful to me and to the School generally. Mr. E. C. S. White was elected President in October and thus became the first son of a former President to be so elected. His distinguished father held the office from 1928 to 1930.

John Sedgwick has been a very good Senior Prefect. He has tackled the responsibility in a positive manner, with initiative and persistence and common sense, and yet with ease of manner. He has been loyally and sensibly supported by Philip Bassingthwaight and Peter Millard. As a trio they have been well up to the normal standard. Sedgwick deserves special commendation for coming fourth in the School; it is a good "double".

I am grateful to Mr. P. H. Eldershaw and Mr. K. D. Anderson for their help as Senior Masters; they carry a big load. I thank also my other colleagues for being so loyal and helpful, and — necessarily at times — so patient. There is a fine tradition among the Shore staff. We welcomed back Mr. Neville Emery at the beginning of the year and Mr. David Webster in September and we shall have Mr. Robert Blomfield rejoining us in January. They have all had valuable experience overseas. Mr. Ross Sowden, to my regret, is leaving us, and also the Reverend R. F. Bosanquet.

The members of the Council have been busier than ever in the School's interest this year, in their endeavour to secure an easy and efficient transfer of the Headmastership. Several very important moves have been pushed ahead. More than ever I am grateful to those who have always been at hand to help me, in spite of the other very big responsibilities which they shoulder in the city. There are not many who understand how much service is freely given by the Executive Officers. This year I offer particular thanks to Mr. R. B. Hipsley, Mr. J. E. M. Dixon, and to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Richard Ludowici, and the Hon. Treasurer Mr. D. M. MacDermott. They are all old and valued friends.

It is scarcely appropriate in the annual report for a single year to make valedictory acknowledgements in full; I shall hope to do this elsewhere. It is sufficient to say here that my wife and I are leaving a work which has given us many years of happiness, and which would not have been possible if we had not had the ungrudging help and friendliness of countless people. For all this we are grateful. We know that the work is being transferred to capable hands, and we are confident that the same help and friendliness await our successors.



