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Grammar School
North Sydney

December, 1969

Sydney Church of England Grammar School

Speech Day—11th December, 1969

*Visitors are requested to be seated before 2.45 p.m.
The Official Party will arrive in the
marquee at 3.00 p.m.*

OPENING SERVICE

Prayer

Hymn

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

Beneath 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:—I Peter, ii. 11-25.

Prayers

PRIZE GIVING

The Chair will be taken by His Grace, Most Reverend M. L. Loane,
M.A., D.D., Lord Archbishop of Sydney and President of Council.

Summary of the Acting-Headmaster's Report.

The prizes will be presented by The Honourable Vernon Treatt, M.M.,
Q.C.

Vote of thanks by the Senior Prefect.

Benediction

National Anthem

Tea will be served in the School Grounds.

COUNCIL

President:

THE MOST REV. THE LORD ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY.

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STAFF

Headmaster:

B. H. TRAVERS, O.B.E., M.A., B.Litt.(Oxon.), B.A.(Syd.), F.A.C.E.

Senior Master and Acting-Headmaster:

K. D. ANDERSON, M.A. (N.Z.), M.A.C.E., Housemaster Robson House.

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Masters:

W. SAWKINS, B.A., Dip.Ed.(Syd.), M.A.C.E., (5), Housemaster Hodges
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P. R. M. JENKINS, B.A.(Syd.), M.A.C.E., Master of Middle School
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W. FOULKES, T.C.(Newc.), Housemaster School House.

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D. J. ROSSELL, B.A., Dip.Ed.(Syd.), M.A.C.E., (3).

G. J. WHITE, B.Ec.(Syd.), (10).

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T. W. BREWIS, M.A.(Oxon.), (1).

I. R. BARLOW, B.Sc., Dip.Ed.(Syd.).

J. E. WILSON, B.A.(Syd.).

F. H. ROSS, B.Sc.(N.S.W.), Dip.Ed.(Melb.), A.S.T.C.

W. CHAMBERS.

G. J. LEWARNE, B.Sc.(Syd.), Dip.Ed.(N.E.).

B. J. EDWARDS, T.C.(Tas.), F.R.H.S.

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D. C. RAADGEVER, Dip. Fr., Gn., Span.(Amst.).

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Master of Preparatory School, Housemaster Purves (Junior) House.

J. W. MOIR, B.A.(Syd.).

M. J. LAIDE.

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S. W. GILLESPIE.

W. B. S. PIERCE, F.R.C.O., F.T.C.L.(Lon.), L.Mus.A.(Syd.), (7).

D. G. F. BARRY, B.A.(Oxon.).

A. J. deV. HILL, B.A. (Syd.), F.R.G.S.

S. A. J. CALDBECK, B.A.(N.E.), T.C.(Syd.).

Rev. R. E. EVANS, Th.L.

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J. R. GORHAM, B.A., Dip.Ed.(Syd.).

C. J. DAVY, B.Sc.(N.Z.), T.C.(Selwyn).

N. J. CURRAN, B.A.(Syd.).

C. HAWKINS, T.C.(Wollongong):

Rev. N. K. MACINTOSH, B.D., Th.Schol.

J. R. B. TERRY, F.T.C.L.

A. J. OWEN, B.A., Dip.Ed.(N.E.).

L. A. PETERKIN, Dip.Ph.Ed.(Syd.).

Senior in (1) English, (2) Classics, (3) Modern Languages, (4) History,
(5) Mathematics, (6) Science, (7) Music, (8) Art, (9) Geography,
(10) Economics and Commerce, (11) Games; (12) Library.

School Counsellor: R. K. CHAMBERS, B.Ec.(Syd.), Dip.Ed.(Melb.),
A.B.Ps.S., M.A.Ps.S.

Visiting Music Staff:

Piano: Miss T. SPEHOFF, A.Mus.A.; Violin: Mrs. N. STENDER,
A.C.M.M.; Clarinet: Mrs. C. LA MOTTE, T.Mus.A.; Flute: R. ARM-
STRONG; Classical Guitar: C. A. LEES; Brass: A. P. STENDER.

Woolclassing: F. G. WILSON; Tennis: V. EDWARDS; Unarmed Combat:
W. TURNER.

Sergeant Major: J. H. DIXON, J.P. (formerly 2nd A.I.F.).

Bursar: J. E. McCANN, B.Com., A.A.S.A. (Senior), A.C.A.A., A.S.T.C.

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

* On leave.

PREFECTS

Senior: A. J. FALK; **Second:** R. I. HUTCHINSON.

Prefects: J. R. POWELL; J. R. DAVIDSON, M. J. DREVIKOVSKY, A. P. GOLSBY-SMITH, A. J. MAKAI, A. R. MORGAN, G. H. WALL; J. R. BARNES, P. C. BARRETT, N. W. BUCKMAN, A. J. LAMBELL, J. A. TREBECK, G. J. WOLSTENHOLME.

Sub-Prefects: G. M. BECK, J. S. DRUMMOND, M. H. KNODLER, D. M. MacDIARMID, R. M. PEGG, C. L. SCHWARTZKOFF, H. B. SMITH, R. G. STINSON, J. B. WHITTLE, R. E. WORBOYS; A. S. BONNETTE, J. H. BOWER, R. J. C. CHURCH, A. D. DREVERMAN, T. K. EKIN, A. J. HARDY, A. D. HILL, R. W. HOLT, R. G. HOSKINS, N. T. MALTBY; S. H. FRASER, J. C. HORDER, S. C. ISBISTER, A. E. JONES; P. F. CONWAY, R. G. DAVIES, J. J. JENKINS, P. E. KING, I. A. POLLARD, R. K. TAPP.

CAPTAINS OF GAMES

Athletics: A. P. GOLSBY-SMITH; **Boats:** J. R. DAVIDSON; **Cricket:** A. J. FALK; **Football:** G. H. WALL; **Golf:** R. H. HATTERSLEY; **Shooting:** A. S. RICHARDSON; **Swimming:** R. I. HUTCHINSON; **Tennis:** H. B. SMITH.

SCHOLARSHIPS, 1969

A.B.S. White Scholarship	A. J. Falk
Old Boys' Union Bursary	A. R. Morgan
Bruce and Eldon Beale Prize	S. R. Pickering
Cecilie Purves Memorial Prize	P. E. A. Koppstein
S.C.E.G.S. Association Bursary	M. I. Drevikovsky
S.C.E.G.S. Association Exhibition No. 1	{ C. L. Schwartzkoff
	{ D. I. Kelly
S.C.E.G.S. Association Exhibition No. 2	{ G. H. Wall
	{ P. E. King
Grainger Exhibition	{ A. J. Makai
	{ R. G. Davies
J. N. Graham Exhibition	{ A. P. Golsby-Smith
	{ I. A. Pollard
5th Year Entrance Scholarship	P. J. L. King
Junior Entrance Scholarship:	
(Hodges)	T. S. Olds
(Oswald Stanton-Cook)	J. W. McPhail
(Christina Campbell)	L. R. Townley
(Council)	J. W. F. Gidney
Junior Close Scholarship	{ A. G. Robinson
	{ T. C. Sutherland
	{ T. M. Carment
	{ R. S. Gray
	{ J. P. Wall
	{ G. J. Fogl
Junior Open No. 1	{ A. R. Nossal
	{ W. J. Clarke
	{ J. D. Cook
	{ D. E. Farmer
Junior Open No. 2	{ B. C. Newell
	{ D. J. Fulford
	{ P. J. Kaldor
	{ R. P. Salmon
Archbishop's Exhibitions	{ D. A. Patrick
	{ P. C. W. Giltrap
	{ P. W. Gelding

PRIZE LIST, 1969

DIVINITY

GENERAL PROFICIENCY

GENERAL MERIT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Form I	W. J. S. Pierce	G. R. D. Jones	P. J. Scougall
Remove B	I. K. Berry	T. J. Rodger	C. T. C. W. Dean
Remove A	J. A. Hamilton	R. J. Halliday	J. J. H. Colebrook
II B	R. J. Muston	G. C. C. Statter	G. K. Michael
II A	D. I. Cook	(D. G. Wood)	O. P. Wood

LOWER SCHOOL

III C	R. H. Prowse	H. Fay, R. A. McGregor	
III B2	M. R. D. Roxburgh	N. R. Forsyth	P. C. Coleman
III B1	R. P. Beecroft	R. P. Beecroft	P. J. Starkey
III A2	R. S. Johnston, R. K. Connor	J. B. Barclay	P. D. Setright
III A1	P. R. Jackson	(R. P. Salmon)	J. S. McCaskill
SC	W. J. Rostad	I. T. Hayward	P. A. Bright
SB2	E. T. Platt	E. T. Platt	R. A. J. Crebbin
SB1	D. H. Pigott	R. D. Harvey	A. Henderson
SA2	D. J. N. Lemon	A. M. Graham	G. M. Berner
SA1	T. S. Olds	(T. S. Olds)	T. C. Sutherland

MIDDLE SCHOOL

IV C	R. T. Leslie	A. J. Harvey	R. G. Dreverman
IV B2	R. B. Burnell	E. R. Davis	J. B. Knox
IV B1	A. M. Long	A. M. Long	M. V. Bennett
IV A2	P. A. Cole	P. A. Cole	I. C. Clarke
IV A1	J. W. McPhail	(J. W. McPhail)	(P. W. M. Ilbery)
VC	G. R. Wilson	C. H. Vowell	H. V. Langdale
VB3	I. M. Robertson	P. A. Mueller	T. W. I. Geddes
VB2	S. H. Gelding	J. M. Haigh	P. M. Smidmore
VB1	P. J. Whild	D. S. Little	A. J. Pearson
VA2	A. W. Sweetnam	A. W. Sweetnam	S. A. Cooper
VA1	L. R. Townley	(L. R. Townley)	(R. S. Gray)

UPPER SCHOOL

Lower VI

Divinity	D. R. Alexander
General Merit	A. M. D. Cole
General Studies	R. G. Davies
Economics	G. B. Weir
Ancient History	P. K. B. Robinson
Geography	P. R. Wood
Science	I. A. Pollard
Modern History	(R. G. Davies)
German	D. I. Kelly
French	R. G. Davies
Latin	R. G. Davies
English	R. G. Davies
Mathematics	B. P. Edwards, I. A. Pollard
Second in	
General Proficiency	D. I. Kelly
First in	
General Proficiency	(R. G. Davies)

Upper VI

(A. R. Morgan)
{(J. B. Wood), (G. K. Bailey),
{(P. A. Bicevskis)
C. L. Schwartzkoff
S. H. Fraser, I. J. Davis
(H. M. Clifford)
(J. R. Fenwick)
{(P. C. W. Giltrap),
{(A. J. Makai, K. D. Pettigrew)
(A. P. Golsby-Smith)
D. G. Selby
(M. J. Drevikovsky)
(A. J. Makai)
(A. P. Golsby-Smith)
(G. J. Hughes), (A. J. Makai)
(A. P. Golsby-Smith)
(A. J. Makai)

SPECIAL PRIZES

ART:

W. M. N. Stewart Memorial Prize	
(Preparatory School)	S. J. Kendall
Junior Prize	A. C. Nivison
E. T. Thring Memorial Prize	J. S. Gemmill

CATECHISM:

Uther Prize	D. G. Wood
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:

IIIrd & S Forms	B. C. Newell
IVth & Vth Forms	W. J. Clarke
John Jamieson Memorial Prize (VIth Forms) ...	J. B. Whittle

MUSIC:

Theoretical Junior	B. C. Newell
Theoretical Senior	A. M. Kindred
Practical Junior	D. J. N. Lemon
Practical Senior	P. S. Thomson
R. G. H. Walmsley Memorial Prize	J. B. Whittle

WOODWORK:

Junior Prize	G. M. Jackson
G. R. and R. V. Kierath Prize	P. R. Jackson

WOOLCLASSING:

Riverina O.B.U. Group Prizes	{	(3rd Year) A. M. Long
		(4th Year) K. A. C. Thompson
		(5th Year) D. C. Tym

CHOIR:

Junior	R. P. Salmon
Senior	I. A. M. MacDiarmid
David Davies Memorial Prize	M. B. Boulter

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION TO SCHOOL MAGAZINE:

"The Torch Bearer" Prize	R. G. Davies
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DEBATING PRIZES:	{	A. J. Makai
		P. R. Wood
		S. H. Fraser

GENERAL ACTIVITIES:

John Martin Burgess Prize	P. E. King		
Frank Cash Memorial Prize	A. G. Bosanquet		
Hugh Barker Memorial Prize	G. H. Wall		
Old Boys' Club Prizes	{	(Vth Form)	S. T. Armstrong
		(Upper VIth Form)	J. R. Powell
Old Boys' Union Prize	R. M. Pegg		
D. J. Richards Memorial Prize	R. I. Hutchinson		

PREPARATORY SCHOOL:

John Scott Memorial Mathematics Prize D. G. Wood
John Scott Memorial Prize (II A Form) D. G. Wood

THIRD FORM:

Daryl Loddington Hall Memorial Prize (French) R. P. Salmon
Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (III A1 Form) R. P. Salmon

S FORM:

George Gordon Black Memorial Prize (English) T. S. Olds
Hunter Stephenson Prize (French) T. S. Olds
Selby Prize (Science) T. S. Olds
Tamworth O.B.U. Group Prize (Mathematics) ... T. S. Olds
Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (S A1 Form) T. S. Olds

FOURTH FORM:

Frank Bennett Memorial Prize (English) E. C. C. Hinder
Roy Milton Prize (French) J. W. McPhail
L. R. Benjamin Memorial Prize (Science) P. M. Jeffery
Geoffrey Cohen Memorial Prize (General Merit) P. W. M. Ilbery
Tamworth O.B.U. Group Prize (Mathematics) ... G. B. Cranney
Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (IV A1 Form) ... J. W. McPhail

FIFTH FORM:

Harry Eames Budd Memorial Prize (English) ... C. F. Fenton
Eric Mileham Litchfield Memorial Prize
(General Merit) R. S. Gray
Hunter Stephenson Prize (Mathematics) L. R. Townley
Alan Ludowici Memorial Prize (V A1 Form) ... L. R. Townley

LOWER SIXTH FORM:

M. A. Ilbery Prize (Modern History) R. G. Davies
First in General Proficiency R. G. Davies

UPPER SIXTH FORM:

David and Elizabeth Carment Prize
(Mathematics) G. J. Hughes
Donald Muston Memorial Prize (General Merit) J. B. Wood
Russell Sinclair Memorial Prize (General Merit) G. K. Bailey
The Lodge Torchbearer Prize (Ancient History) H. M. Clifford
Desmond Hum Memorial Prize (Geography) J. R. Fenwick
John Kingsmill Phillips Memorial Prize
(Chemistry) P. C. W. Giltrap
Monteith Cowper Wood Memorial Prize {A. J. Makai,
(Physics) {K. D. Pettigrew
Ian Menzies Memorial Prize (History) A. P. Golsby-Smith
Herbert Kendall Memorial Prize (French) M. J. Drevikovskiy
David Cowlshaw Memorial Prize (Latin) A. J. Makai
J. S. Wilson Memorial Prize (English) A. P. Golsby-Smith
Charlton Divinity Prize A. R. Morgan
Harold Dean and R. S. Reid Prizes
(Mathematics) A. J. Makai
Percival Sharp Memorial Prize (VI Form) N. W. Buckman
A. H. Wade Memorial Prize (General Merit) P. A. Bicevskis
War Memorial Prize (Second in General
Proficiency) A. P. Golsby-Smith
Burke Prize and United Services Prize
(First in General Proficiency) A. J. Makai
Brian Pockley Memorial Prize A. J. Falk

THE ACTING-HEADMASTER'S REPORT, 1969

Your Grace, the Honourable Mr. Treatt, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is a very great pleasure to welcome today on your behalf our distinguished visitor, the Honourable Mr. Vernon Treatt. You will all know how active Mr. Treatt has been during the greater part of the last two years in his capacity as Chief Commissioner for the City of Sydney. The people of Sydney are, I am sure, deeply grateful to Mr. Treatt for the work he has done, and the School is honoured to have him here today, on its eightieth Speech Day.

Some of those present, however, may not know that Mr. Treatt is a distinguished Old Boy of the School, that he was a Rhodes Scholar from Sydney University, and that in due course he became a Shore parent. In fact, I first met Mr. Treatt as a Shore parent when he and his wife brought their son to the School to entrust him to my care in 1944. It is therefore doubly pleasing to me to greet Mr. Treatt once more at the School, and I extend to him my own special welcome. I am sure, as a result of his more relaxed life since he relinquished his post as City Commissioner, he will have had time to prepare an interesting address for us and I, for one, look forward to hearing from him.

At the end of last year the second group of New South Wales boys and girls took the new Higher School Certificate Examination. There has been therefore only one previous year with which to make comparisons, but all the criteria by which examination successes are evaluated show that this School had an exceptionally good year. A total of 151 candidates sat for the examination and all passed in one or more subjects. P. E. A. Koppstein gained five first level passes; J. D. Booth, K. G. Hindle, F. P. Hoffman, S. R. T. Horn, J. M. Ireland and S. R. Pickering each four first level passes. 110 boys matriculated and of these 90 gained entry to one or other of the universities. A record number of 57 Commonwealth University Scholarships was gained, as well as 8 Advanced Education Scholarships and 2 Technical Scholarships.

In addition to the classified passes already detailed, the published lists of candidates who showed meritorious performances in their attainments at first level contained the following names from this School: S. R. Pickering 2nd aeq. History, 8th Latin, and gained mention in English and French. In Economics J. H. Colvin was 2nd, W. H. Turk 3rd aeq., P. J. Dowdy 7th aeq., P. A. Becke 12th aeq., R. S. Hill 13th, and D. H. Hyles 14th aeq.. C. B. Dowe was 12th aeq. in Art, N. Burton-Taylor 10th aeq. in History and 16th aeq. in Geography. P. E. A. Koppstein was also high in the Mathematics and Science lists.

At the School Certificate level 159 candidates sat for the examination and all passed. 43 boys gained six A level passes, while 39 boys gained Commonwealth Secondary Scholarships as a result of a special examination held in July, 1968. In making these awards consideration was given also to their school record.

A significant change has now taken place in the School Certificate Examination in that this year, for the first time, a school assessment of its pupils was submitted to the Board by each school. This assessed mark for each pupil, arrived at after very careful consideration by the class teacher and the master in charge of the subject, is an estimate of the

work of a pupil in all aspects of the subject and not only in those aspects which are specifically examinable in a written test. But although an estimate has been required in previous years it has had little bearing on the ultimate result, whereas now the school assessment counts as half of the final mark. Thus it has an important bearing on the kind of pass a pupil is eventually awarded. It seems that this move could be the first step towards the establishment of a completely internal system of examination for, and awarding of, the School Certificate.

The School opened on February 4th with 1078 boys, 842 day-boys and 236 boarders. 1969 was to see the commencement of the second stage of the building programme consequent upon the 1968 Trident Appeal. This involved modernisation and extensions to both Barry and Hodges Houses, so it was necessary to make alternative arrangements for accommodation for the boarders in these two Houses. Hodges House accordingly occupied the temporary boarding accommodation in Benefactors' Building, while some 27 boys, together with the Housemaster, Mr. J. W. Burns, and his family, the matron and a resident master, occupied two large houses below the School in Union Street. Eight first-year boys from Barry House were placed for the year in the Junior House. These arrangements, although not ideal, have proved to be reasonably satisfactory; in fact it is probably true to say that in certain respects the boys of Hodges and Barry Houses have been somewhat better off than they had previously been.

Because a number of members of the teaching staff had either resigned or gone on leave of absence, a number of new men joined the staff at the beginning of the year; Mr. A. R. P. Steele, B.Sc.(N.E.), an Old Boy, and Mr. C. J. Davy, B.Sc.(N.Z.), to teach Mathematics; Mr. N. J. Curran, B.A.(Syd.), to teach English and Latin; Mr. J. R. Gorham, B.A., Dip.Ed.(Syd.), Geography and Ancient History; Mr. M. J. Harrow, B.Sc. Ec.(Lon.), to teach Economics and Geography, and Mr. C. Hawkins, T.C., to teach Science. Mr. J. E. Wilson and Mr. M. J. Laide rejoined the staff after a period of leave of absence, while Reverend D. C. S. Smith moved from the Preparatory School to teach in the Lower School. Mr. W. T. Reinholdt and the Reverend N. Macintosh, B.D., Th.Schol., joined the staff of the Preparatory School. Mr. Harrow resigned during the First Term and was replaced by Mr. A. J. Owen, B.A., Dip.Ed. (N.E.), while Mr. J. W. Sleep left the staff in the middle of the year to take up a post in industry. His place was filled by the return of Mr. I. R. Barlow from leave. Mr. L. A. Peterkin joined the staff in the Third Term to assist in the Art department. Mr. P. R. Carroll and Mr. P. J. Cornish are on leave in the United Kingdom. Mr. Curran and Mr. Gorham took up residence in Hodges House in Benefactors' Building, Mr. S. A. J. Caldbeck in Robson House, while Mr. Sleep and Mr. A. J. deV. Hill moved into School House.

We have already said farewell to Mr. D. G. Barry who returned to England in November after three years with us; today we say goodbye to Mr. N. T. A. Jackson, who is leaving to take a post at Prince Alfred College in Adelaide, to Mr. D. J. Rossell who is going to Sydney Grammar School, and to Mr. W. Chambers, who is retiring. The School pays a tribute to each of these gentlemen for their generous and loyal service. Mr. W. G. Newton and Mr. C. J. Davy also left at the end of the year. Mr. R. J. McIntosh, Mr. R. A. Evans, Mr. H. J. Andrew, Mr. R. G. Puller, Mr. H. J. Pidoux, Mr. K. Clegg and Mr. R. Stark will join the Staff in 1970.

Early in the first term we accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. M. J. Dudman, Organist and Choirmaster and Master in charge of

Music. Mr. Dudman left us to take up the post of Organist and Choirmaster at the Newcastle Cathedral. On Mr. Dudman's departure, Mr. J. B. W. Terry joined the staff in the Music department.

In the 1968 University examinations, Mr. D. A. Spurr completed his B.A. degree from the New England University, while Mr. G. J. White, now on his way towards the completion of a second degree at Sydney University, gained first place in History II, and shared the George Arnold Wood Prize.

Important changes have been made in the internal administration of the School. At the end of the Second Term, Mr. P. R. M. Jenkins relinquished his post of Master of the Middle School and was replaced by Mr. A. J. Moyes, while as from the beginning of 1970, Mr. J. K. Morell will replace Mr. N. T. A. Jackson as Master of the Lower School. Mr. Jenkins has, in the meantime, been assisting the Acting-Headmaster, Mr. K. D. Anderson, while the Headmaster is on leave. Mr. Jenkins' term as Master of the Middle School has been marked by his wise guidance of boys in their preparation for the School Certificate Examination, and by his careful organisation and administration of the many problems associated with the public examinations and with the choice of subjects for the final two years of secondary education. Mr. Jackson's work as Master of the Lower School has been marked by his keen interest in diagnostic testing and remedial reading.

Many Old Boys figured in the lists of passes in the Universities of this State. Some of the outstanding results at graduation were:

S. W. Elliott, Honours I Science, 1st in Pure Mathematics; A. C. D. Osborne, Honours II in Civil Engineering (A.I.S.C. Senior Prize); M. J. D. Roberts, Honours I Arts (History); C. B. Williams, Honours I Economics (1st in Economic History).

W. J. Britton, who left school in 1965, gained first place in all three subjects, Bacteriology, Pathology and Pharmacology in Medicine III at Sydney University. He received the G. S. Caird Scholarship No. 1, the Inglis & Ward Prize in Pathology and Bacteriology, the Parkinson Memorial Prize for Proficiency in Pathology and Bacteriology, the Harold Alfred Wardron Memorial Prize for Bacteriology, the Allan Douglas Gillies Memorial Prize for Pathology and the Burroughs Wellcome Prize for Pharmacology.

Other successes achieved by Old Boys in various fields during the year include the following: Mr. G. B. Feakes (1944-1947) was appointed Ambassador to Cambodia early in the year. This is Mr. Feakes' first post as head of a Mission. He had been Counsellor at the Australian Embassy in Paris since August, 1965.

Timothy Storrier (1960-1966) was awarded the Sir John Sulman Prize for the best subject painting or mural decoration by an artist living in Australia. Storrier, aged 19, won with his painting "Suzy 350", which was highly praised by the Director of the Art Gallery of New South Wales. Gordon Freeth was, until his defeat in the recent elections, a member of the Gorton Cabinet as Minister for External Affairs. Mr. Freeth, the son of the Reverend R. E. Freeth, later Bishop of Perth, and the first Headmaster of Shore Preparatory School, was a pupil at Shore in 1926-27. In the Queen's Birthday Honours Dr. A. Distin Morgan received an O.B.E., Mr. F. M. Osborne and Mr. J. H. Broinowski the C.M.G., and Lieut.-Colonel Ian MacLean received the M.B.E. for meritorious service in Vietnam.

The year has been a highly successful one in games. Of course, the winning of the premierships in the two major sports has made 1969 quite exceptional. It is many years since Shore has had a double success

of this nature and it is to be hoped that the achievements of the Cricket and Football teams will inspire the younger members of the School to work hard at their individual skills in the hope that when their turn comes to represent the School they will be able to carry the responsibility with the same courage and humility.

Certainly it is true to say that in Cricket we have had our most successful season for some time. The season, of course, embraces Term III of 1968 when we played 81 games for 37 wins, 18 draws and 26 losses, and Term I, 1969, when we played 143 games for 87 wins, 28 drawn games and 28 losses. Both the 1st and 2nd XIs had most successful seasons, the 1st XI winning the G.P.S. Premiership for the first time since 1952 with 6 wins and 1 draw in the final round, while in the 19 matches played throughout the season they won 12, drew 4 and lost 3. The 2nd XI shared the G.P.S. Premiership with St. Joseph's College, coming from behind and staging some fine successes in the latter games. This was the first time since 1958 that the 2nd XI had been premiers. In their competition games they won 4, drew 2 and lost 1, while in all 14 games played in 1968-69 they won 7, drew 5 and lost 2. Andrew Falk, captain of the 1st XI, was selected as captain of the G.P.S. 1st XI, and Dugald MacDiarmid was also selected in this team. M. J. Drevikovskoy and G. J. Wolstenholme were selected in the 2nd G.P.S. XI. The 1st XI was a well-balanced team, being strong in all aspects of the game. They played their games keenly, and with great enthusiasm, but to a large extent the team's success was due to the splendid leadership of A. J. Falk, the captain.

41 regular teams played football during the 1969 season. This means that more than 700 boys and about 30 masters were involved. A large number of Old Boys, present boys and parents also acted as referees. Needless to say all grounds were in constant use and in fact, to provide proper practice fields, we had to hire grounds from both North Sydney and Willoughby Councils. In all, 472 football matches were played in the season, an average of 11 to 12 games per team. 259 matches were won, 39 drawn and 147 lost. This overall result is somewhat better than usual and the School has reason to be well pleased with the whole performance. The 1st XV had its best season since 1945, winning the G.P.S. Premiership for the first time since 1933, when it was shared with St. Joseph's College. Of course, the School team was first equal in 1941 and was unbeaten in 1944 and 1945, but because official G.P.S. competitions were suspended during the war years these teams could not claim the title of Premiers. The 1st XV this year played 15 matches of which they won 11, drew 1 and lost 3. After a good start in the competition in which they won their first three hard matches, they slipped a little and could only manage a draw against Sydney High, and then were beaten by a good Riverview team the following Saturday. It is quite true to say that this team showed great promise right from the beginning and they had undoubtedly great potential, but unfortunately their forwards were not really quite strong enough to hold the ascendancy throughout many of their games. Consequently, the three-quarter line, which must be rated as one of the best the School has ever had, was to some extent deprived of the opportunity to reveal its true quality.

G. H. Wall, Captain of the 1st XV, was selected as Captain of the G.P.S. 1st XV, while R. I. Hutchinson, N. T. Maltby and A. S. Bonnette were also selected in this team. J. C. Horder was selected in the G.P.S. 2nd XV and A. P. Golsby-Smith and J. A. Trebeck were selected in the 3rd XV. A. A. Lyttle was also selected to play in the 3rd XV but did not play because of an injury. J. C. Horder achieved the distinction of being the only Shore representative in an Australian Under 17 schoolboy team which toured South Africa in the September vacation.

This term Basketball has become a school sport for the first time, some boys having already played in inter-school matches. At present the teams practise on the asphalt but of course will use the court in the gymnasium when this is available. Our basketball teams will take part in the series of inter-school matches arranged for Term I, 1970.

The provision of two Squash courts at School will enable us to play regularly against other schools in winter. At present the game is played amongst ourselves on hired courts at North Sydney.

Golf has for quite a number of years been a semi-official sport in the School. The School does not provide any golf during term time purely because the first calls on boys here are for the official School games. But many boys are weekend and holiday golfers, and the School has continued to support the N.S.W. Golf Association in its efforts to encourage schoolboy golf by entering one or more teams in the Association's competitions which are held in the May and August vacations. In the August vacation of this year a team consisting of R. H. Hattersley, S. J. Woodhouse and D. A. Richards won for the first time the Blue Mountains Cup in a competition at Katoomba in which boys from more than thirty schools competed.

In the G.P.S. Rifle Shooting competition, held in the first week of Term III, our Senior team finished 2nd equal with The Armidale School behind Sydney Grammar School. The School's second team won its competition. The Senior team were 2nd in the Rawson Cup, 2nd in the N.R.A. Shield and 3rd in the Buchanan Shield. The Venour Nathan Shield, awarded to the boy with the best score in the Shore Senior team, was won by J. H. E. Smith with 166 points out of a possible 182. J. H. E. Smith was also selected as a member of a ten-man G.P.S. team to shoot against a combined Universities team.

In common with other G.P.S. schools we are faced with increasingly difficult problems in maintaining Rifle Shooting as a competitive sport. Obsolete rifles, scarcity of ammunition and targets, plus increasing costs may force us reluctantly to withdraw from an activity of long standing in the School.

There has been a temporary suspension of Small Bore Rifle Shooting in the School this year because the range, which was situated at the rear of Robson House, is no longer in existence. However, plans have been made for an indoor range in the basement area of the gymnasium and we hope that this type of target shooting will be resumed in the near future.

Surf Life Saving continues to provide a form of organised activity for a fairly large group of boys in the First and Third Terms. The School Surf Club has now extended its activities to include the patrolling both of Queenscliff and Long Reef Beaches on Saturdays. This has broadened the scope of the work and has given us greater contact with the surfing organisation of which we are a part. Our special thanks are due to the President of Queenscliff and the members of his Club for their assistance and encouragement during the year.

This summer has seen the introduction of revised methods of Rescue and Resuscitation in the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia. We have received great assistance from the Board of Examiners of the Manly-Warringah Branch in introducing its new techniques and our particular thanks are due to the Superintendent of the Board, Mr. Alan Slevin, for his help.

Already during the year Surf Life Saving Awards have been gained by 7 boys as instructors, as well as ten qualifiers' certificates and fifteen bronze medallions. Candidates have been in training this term and will by now have taken their examinations. One cannot emphasise too greatly the value of this work as a community service. Obviously it cannot be

taken lightly, and boys on patrol have a responsibility firstly, not to act unwisely, and secondly, to take only whatever action may be called for within the principles laid down in their training. Several Shore boys did, in fact, give valuable assistance in a surf rescue at the northern end of Queenscliff Beach on Saturday, March 15th, of this year.

Two Swimming Carnivals were staged at the Olympic Pool and teams from Shore took part in carnivals at Barker, Newington and St. Pius. In our own Swimming Carnival the individual championships were won as follows: Under 13—A. F. Godfrey; Under 14—S. J. Gatliff; Under 15—S. A. Holliday; Under 16—I. R. Hatchett; Under 17—D. G. de Greenlaw; Open—N. G. S. Wallman. In the G.P.S. competition, the Shore team, with a 1st place in the 4 x 50 metres Free-Style Relay, a 2nd in the 5 x 100 metres Free-Style Relay, and 3rd in the 100 metres sprint, won the competition for the second year in succession. Next year, of course, our own pool will be in use, but the present intention is to continue to stage the School Carnival and the Annual Invitation Carnival at the Olympic Pool. We feel that, until the surrounds of the new pool and the landscaping are complete, it would be unwise to attempt to provide for any large number of spectators.

Tennis continues to attract a large number of boys—more in fact than can be adequately catered for with the courts available. Selection and training for the School teams to play in the Fairwater Cup competition at White City in April took place early in Term I. In this competition the Senior team was defeated by Sydney Grammar School, the eventual winners, in the morning round, but had an easy win against King's in the afternoon. The Junior team won both their matches and were consequently winners of the Junior competition. Shore has won the Junior competition in 1966, the Senior in 1967 and 1968, and the Junior in 1969. This indicates the continuing strength of Tennis in the School.

The second annual match between a team from the competing G.P.S. schools and a team from the Associated Schools took place at the White City on Monday, November 24th. The match was won this year by the G.P.S. and Shore had 4 representatives in the team.

Because Tennis is growing in popularity in many schools, moves are now being made to establish a G.P.S. Tennis competition. The first step towards this has already been taken and the G.P.S. schools have been invited to compete in a tournament in 1970. Only The Armidale School indicated that it will be unable to participate. Thus the eight metropolitan G.P.S. schools will meet in April in what is at present referred to only as a Tournament Day. There is also a proposal that the G.P.S. schools should meet each other in Tennis on the same days as they do in Cricket and meanwhile matches between Shore and the Associated Schools will continue as at present during Terms II and III. There is still an urgent need for more courts within the School to enable more boys to participate in Tennis, and plans have been drawn up to have two additional courts built on an area in Lord Street, adjoining the Preparatory School.

Our Athletic season was rather disappointing. Although the senior boys were keen to win a third premiership, it was fairly obvious from the beginning that this would be unlikely, and as it turned out, with several regular participants dogged by injury, the task was an impossible one. Although we had reasonable success in field events, there was a serious shortage of good sprinters and long-distance runners, and in the final point-score we were able to beat only one other school. The junior team, however, with a better overall performance, finished fifth. Of the eight first places gained by Shore athletes, six came from the Under 15 group. Perhaps the most outstanding individual performances came from M. J. Mathers and R. M. Pegg. M. J. Mathers broke the G.P.S. record to win the Under 15 Shot Put with a throw of 49 ft. 5½ ins., whilst

R. M. Pegg in winning the Open Long Jump, recorded 23 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in. This easily broke the School record, and is one of the best jumps recorded at the G.P.S. Athletics since J. McCann's record-breaking leap of 24 ft. 4 ins. in 1957. Mathers also equalled the G.P.S. record in the Under 15 Hurdles and was the final runner in the Relay team which won in the best time of 46.6 secs. E. J. Barker, who also ran in this winning relay team, won the Under 15 Long Jump and the 100m. (Div.). P. M. Selosse concluded a fine season in winning the Under 17 Hurdles in the smart time of 15.3 secs. In clearing 5 ft. 3 ins. to win the Under 15 High Jump, R. G. Stanistreet recorded his best ever jump, only $\frac{1}{2}$ inch outside the School record. In our own Athletic Carnival the individual championships were won by the following: Open: A. D. Dreverman; Under 17: R. A. Lambell; Under 16: A. G. Bosanquet and R. N. Duddy equal; Under 15: M. J. Mathers; Under 14: G. H. Parsonson; Under 13: A. E. Clemens.

While it is easy to be critical, it is probably not unreasonable to point out that in these days of more scientific approach to training for competitive sports, boys simply cannot expect to perform well in athletics without careful and lengthy preparation. That this is a difficult matter for boys who have heavy demands on their time throughout the year is only too apparent. But participation in Athletics by a larger number of boys and more attention to early preparation would go a long way to producing a better all-round success than we enjoyed this year.

Adventure Training, a group activity for boys in their Third, Fourth and Fifth Years, provides training in such subjects as Map Reading, First Aid and Bushcraft. This is done at the School and in addition these boys all do the equivalent of three weekends in the bush. Some of this training can be a start towards a Duke of Edinburgh's Award, for which the emphasis is on individual initiative. The Bush Hut at Linden is now being used on weekends during the term, and this year two Second-Year forms camped there during the second-last week of the term.

The 1969 Rowing season was a highly successful one. Despite the fact that the VIII failed to perform up to expectations, the performances of the other Regatta crews and of the Tubs exceeded those of recent years. It is of course disappointing to many to see a Shore VIII in a poor position at the conclusion of the Head of the River, but changes in the crew towards the end of their training period undoubtedly affected their performance on the final day. At the Riverview Regatta the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Fours won their finals, while the 2nd VIII was 2nd. At the G.P.S. Regatta our Fours had great success. The 2nd and 3rd Fours won their finals, and the 1st and 4th Fours were placed second. This fine all-round performance is a tribute to crew members and their coaches and the School appreciates their efforts; in particular we owe a debt to those men from outside the staff, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Wise and Mr. Gilfillan, who gave so willingly of their time during what is really a long and arduous season.

A pleasant occasion in the early part of the year was the launching of a new racing VIII. This was christened "The Andrew Distin Morgan" by Mrs. Morgan on February 22nd. The year too has seen an important change in the administration of Rowing in the School. Mr. A. J. Moyes has relinquished his post as Master-in-charge of Rowing and his place has been taken by Mr. A. J. deV. Hill. Mr. Moyes has given ten years of loyal service to the Boat Club, and by his friendly and cheerful manner with boys and coaches alike, has contributed a great deal to the happy running of the Boat Shed. The School acknowledges Mr. Moyes' efforts and I extend to him our sincere thanks.

This record of Rowing would not be complete without a public reference to the great help given by Mr. Julian Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell has now retired from active participation, but during his fourteen years'

association with the Shed has given his services in coaching at whatever level he has been required, and both in his personal relations with the boys in his charge and in his cheerful acceptance of results good or bad, he has done much to foster the fine spirit of sportsmanship of which the School is so proud. We extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Mitchell for his devoted service.

Both the Cadet Unit and the Air Training Corps have continued to carry out valuable training. The School expects all boys to take part in this training during their 3rd, 4th and 5th years, unless they are excused for medical reasons. This year 364 boys were members of the Cadet Corps and 115 boys were enrolled in the Air Training Corps. Thus the School has given training to a total of 479 boys during the year. This undoubtedly is a valuable contribution to public welfare.

1969 has seen an important innovation within the Cadet Corps in the establishment of an Intelligence Platoon to replace the old M.M.G. platoon. Intelligence for many years has been somewhat of a cinderella in the unit and it is pleasing to see it being given more importance. Big demands have been made on the Platoon Commander and his N.C.O.s to get this under way, and the boys have tackled their task with enthusiasm. A new Training Syllabus for the Army Cadets has been published and is being followed by the Recruit Company. Under this syllabus, cadets are meant to move rather faster in their elementary training and although they may now spend less time on this work, they are still required to achieve a standard no less high than that of their predecessors.

Once again it is pleasing to note the winning by P. C. Barrett of the Winston Churchill Prize, awarded to the cadet coming top in the course for potential C.U.O.s. This is the fifth time in the last six years that we have won this award, a considerable achievement in view of the fact that there are over 100 cadet units in New South Wales, each of whom sent several candidates on the course.

1968 saw the retirement from Cadet service of Captain J. E. Colebrook and Lieutenant W. Foulkes. Captain Colebrook was an Officer of Cadets for 17 years, 13 of them with the Shore Cadet Unit, while Lieutenant W. Foulkes became Q.M. in 1960 and has held the same posting ever since. Captain Colebrook was Adjutant of the Unit during most of his period of service, and, by his attention to points of detail in administrative matters, gave outstanding service. Lieutenant Foulkes, as Q.M., coped with the duties and responsibilities involved in the handling of a large volume of stores with rare efficiency. Both of these men will be greatly missed. Mr. D. G. Spurr and Mr. S. A. J. Caldbeck have joined the Unit during the year.

The Air Training Corps too has continued to make good progress. The new Syllabus of Training has been extended to include the Proficiency Course as well as the basic stages, and most of the Flight are now working to this new syllabus. Flying Officer P. J. Cornish, Pilot Officer G. I. Feletti and Pilot Officer P. C. R. Meyer left the Flight at the end of last year. Flying Officer Cornish had been with the Flight since January, 1966, and had been Adjutant since 1967. Flight Lieutenant L. Harvey has continued to act as Officer in Command of the Flight, while we have had the assistance of Pilot Officer B. R. Dawson in the latter part of the year. Mr. J. E. Wilson has also joined the Flight this year.

On Speech Day, 1968, the Flight presented a Guard of Honour for Dr. D. M. Myers, while on October 15th, 1969, the Flight had the honour of presenting a Ceremonial Parade on the School Oval. The Inspecting Officer, Wing Commander A. V. Jackson, A.F.C., Officer in Charge of Transport Squadron, R.A.A.F. Base, Richmond, in the course of a brief address to the Flight, complimented the members on their dress and

bearing and said that the standard of their drill compared most favourably with the best he had seen. After his address Wing Commander Jackson presented awards won by members of the Flight for outstanding service during the year.

Once again members of the Shore Flight achieved great success in the annual C.U.O. course. Of the seven Distinction passes awarded, three were gained by Shore: A. J. Makai, M. H. Knodler and S. H. Fraser, Makai being placed first. For his success in this course and for outstanding work in the Flight, C.U.O. Makai has been awarded the Smith's Aviation Instrument Company's Trophy for the best cadet of the year in New South Wales.

The Scouts have maintained their strength and activity with their usual camps to give them the out-door experience which is their chief purpose. Mr. Morell maintains his interest in this valuable work while his committee of parents has again been constant in its interest and support. During the year J. D. Edwards gained his Queen's Scout Badge and has been largely in charge of the Senior Scouts, while five boys have gained First Class badges.

Two first-class dramatic productions were put on during the year. *A Man for All Seasons* was produced by Mr. S. A. J. Caldbeck and performed in the School Hall on Friday and Saturday, May 30th and 31st. This was an ambitious project, but such was the enthusiasm of the cast and so great was their response to the demands of their producer that the two performances, timed incidentally to coincide with the School's 80th birthday, were of the highest order and undoubtedly provided much pleasure to players and audience alike.

R. B. Sheridan's *The School For Scandal* was produced by Mr. N. T. A. Jackson, and staged on Friday and Saturday, September 26th and 27th. Again this was an extremely difficult and ambitious project and one which presented many challenges and problems. Heavy demands were made on stage crews and dressers, and everyone behind the scenes deserved the highest praise. Mr. Jackson has done much work in this field at Shore, but in this production he found his greatest challenge and probably his greatest success. He and his cast deserve the utmost credit, and it was no doubt a pleasure to him that this play drew the largest house for many years.

Mr. Caldbeck will be with us in the future and we hope that we shall see further stage productions from him, but unfortunately Mr. Jackson has produced his last play for Shore. He has made an extremely valuable contribution in a wide variety of ways to the life of this School. Undoubtedly Prince Alfred's gain will be Shore's loss. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Jackson success and happiness in their new sphere.

Debating continues to hold the interest of a fair number of boys, and they are very keen to promote it. They probably have from time to time felt the need for more support, and they certainly deserve it. But unfortunately, they have to compete for interest with other affairs. In the G.P.S. Debating Competition the first team, Makai, Wood and Fraser, won against Newington and Riverview, but lost to St. Joseph's. This resulted in a tie in the zone, and in a further debate Shore lost to Riverview, who went on to win the final. The Second Team won against Newington and St. Joseph's but lost to Riverview. A. J. Makai was our representative in the Lawrence Campbell Oratory Contest, but was unplaced, while S. H. Fraser was selected to speak in the G.P.S. v. C.H.S. debate.

A performance of Haydn's *Nelson Mass* was given by the School Choir of ninety voices with professional soloists on April 10th in the School Chapel. That this was a musical highlight in the life of the School was

commonly agreed by the large number of friends who filled the Chapel on this occasion. In view of the interest aroused by this work, a recording was made from a tape taken during the performance and this too has proved to be of a high standard.

Inspired by their success, the Choir is now studying another great choral work, Mozart's *Requiem*, and it is planned to present this work during First Term of 1970. The trebles in the Choir made a visit to Newcastle on December 3rd, joining with the Cathedral Choir there to present a recital of choral music from the 17th to 20th century. The visit to Newcastle was arranged at the invitation of Mr. M. J. Dudman, whose work in music circles in this School will be well remembered.

The ladies of the S.C.E.G.S. Association have again brought their activities to a highly successful conclusion. Their main function was of course the annual American Tea, held on Friday, October 10th, which was again, despite rather inclement weather during the morning, an outstanding success. As a result of this and a number of minor but nevertheless important gatherings, the Association has been able to distribute within the School the sum of \$6300, to be used in a variety of ways.

The School is indeed fortunate to have had for so long such a loyal and enthusiastic band of workers. It is quite amazing that so many ladies, who lead such busy lives, should be so willing and anxious to help in this way. Indeed there is reason to believe that some either enlist to serve or are invited to join a team even before their sons are actually enrolled. To Mrs. Falk, Mrs. Wood and other executive officers, and all the members, I extend my thanks.

The School is fortunate to have the services of a loyal and efficient outside staff. Mr. Barry, the Works Foreman, has a staff of men under him who seem to be ready to meet emergencies at all times, as well as being able to maintain the many buildings and properties now under the School's control. The maintenance staff performed almost a herculean task last summer when they worked against the clock to alter and prepare for occupation for the boarders of Barry House, two buildings in Union Street, while Mr. Pierce and his ground staff have as always worked hard to keep up the high standard of playing fields and gardens. This year Mr. Pierce and his Head Gardener, Mr. Gates, were rewarded for their careful planning and special attention to the lawns and gardens when the School won *The Sydney Morning Herald* Garden Competition for Schools.

I should particularly like to thank the Bursar, Mr. McCann, and his assistant, Miss Hall, for their willing help to all members of the staff, while I must extend my own particular thanks to Mrs. Sautelle and Mrs. Welsman, without whose assistance my task this term would have been impossible.

The Prefects have again been a good team. It is probably inevitable that, among such a large number, one or two should not quite measure up, but in general they have exerted influence and authority. Andrew Falk, the Head Prefect, has shown quiet assurance and maturity of judgment in the handling of his responsibilities.

Visible progress is being made towards the completion of Stages One and Two of the Trident Development Project in which the Physical Education Complex, comprising gymnasium and swimming pool, and the enlargement of both Barry and Hodges Houses, are going on side by side. After a very lengthy period of investigation and planning, contracts for these two separate ventures were finally signed in February and March respectively, Messrs. Girvan Bros. being the successful tenderers for the P.E. Centre

and Max Cooper & Sons for the boarding-houses. Wet weather and other complications have unfortunately retarded progress on both projects and although the final date for the completion of the P.E. centre should be satisfactory, it is now somewhat doubtful whether much more than a small part of the new boarding accommodation will be ready for occupation in the New Year. This has, of course, caused the School considerable concern, as additional boarders have been accepted in the expectation of enlarged accommodation being available, but we are endeavouring to make further temporary arrangements which we hope will provide a reasonably satisfactory solution. Needless to say the School hopes that the necessity to occupy temporary premises will not extend far into the new term.

We expect the Physical Education Centre to be in use as from the first week of next term. A fully qualified P.E. Instructor has been appointed and he will no doubt devote most of his time in February and March to supervising and instructing in swimming. The gymnasium will be of standard size, 100 feet x 50 feet, with a 28-foot ceiling, and will be fully equipped for basketball and all forms of gymnastics. The basement area will provide space for weight-lifting, ergometer testing, and an indoor Miniature Range, while on a lower level on the southern end two Squash courts will be situated. Although the space for these courts was included in the main fabric of the building their completion was not included in the contract. But the generosity of the ladies of the S.C.E.G.S. Association has enabled the contractors to proceed with their completion to normal standards.

The Swimming Pool which adjoins the gymnasium is 25 metres in length, and there is a separate 40 ft. x 25 ft. Diving Pool with a 1 metre and a 3 metre board. The pool area will be surrounded by a concrete concourse of varying width, and access to the whole area will be by two ramped paths connecting with the end of the path between Robson House and the Chapel.

As was the case with Robson House, the boarding-house project includes the modernisation of the two old houses and in addition the construction of a 124-foot long building standing to the north of the existing houses and joined to them. The completed buildings will provide accommodation of a standard similar to what has been provided in Robson House, and which the School considers most suitable to its needs, for 52 boys in Barry and 48 boys in Hodges.

At present it appears that all the boarding-houses will be almost fully occupied next year. There may be a few empty beds in Barry House and even these could probably have been filled had it not been for the limitation on the size of our First Year classes. Should the current demand for boarding places keep up I feel confident that there will be few, if any, beds vacant in 1971.

The problem of enrolments is as great as it ever was. Despite the increase in numbers in the School in recent years from about 800 to 950 in the main school, there has been no significant increase in our annual intake, certainly not at the first year of the secondary course. We still accept about 150 boys in our First Year, approximately 60 from the Preparatory School, and 90 from other sources. This is not really any more than it was ten years ago. We are now experiencing a fairly steady demand for entry after the School Certificate from the parents of boys who perhaps have attended a country or suburban high school, while there is a never-ending stream of enquiries from Asian countries for enrolment in the two-year course leading to matriculation with an Australian University. We have in fact been able to accept between 10 and 20 boys at this stage in the last two years, but this is possible only because a few boys leave after the School Certificate. Three Asian boys

have been enrolled at this stage for 1970, but in general we have been finding that enquiries from this quarter are too late for us to be able to help.

It is therefore seldom possible for us to accept new pupils at other than First or Fifth Year. Certainly we endeavour to help wherever possible, especially in the case of new arrivals to Sydney, but more often than not we can do nothing, because we feel that, no matter how deserving a case may be, our first obligation is to the boys already in the School, for whom an unnecessarily overcrowded classroom would be an unfair handicap.

Applications for enrolment still flow in at an alarming rate and all available places for firm bookings, as well as places on waiting lists for possible vacancies in the future, soon fill up. We endeavour to make this position clear in the brochure which is attached to the application form, but inevitably disappointments and misunderstandings arise. It is difficult to see how the School can do more to make the problem easier. Even for Old Boys, the necessity for making early application is still as great as it ever was. We endeavour to help them to the fullest possible extent, but if Old Boys fail to keep in touch with the School on enrolment matters, they cannot expect places to be held indefinitely for their sons.

Unfortunately the School Council has found itself obliged with great reluctance to raise fees as from Term I, 1970. Perhaps it is not fully understood by parents that these increases are inevitable; perhaps it was unfortunate that the timing of this announcement coincided almost exactly with the announcement of increased aid to Independent Schools. But parents will need no reminder of the constant struggle between income and rising costs. Since the beginning of 1968, when fees were last increased, there have been substantial increases in the salaries of the teaching staff while wages and other costs have also risen and are still rising. In fact, the amount which the School will receive if the expressed intention of the Federal Government is carried out in 1970 will not be sufficient to cover the salary increases of the past two years. Even though the Council has taken into account the expectation of a grant of approximately \$52000, which must be put towards running costs, it had no alternative but to announce these increases in tuition and boarding fees. Now more than ever, there is a very strong case for an increase in allowable deductions from taxable income in respect of school fees.

The School still, as always, regards it as one of its prime duties to maintain a high standard of discipline and it works hard and constantly to achieve this. It is a regular practice of the Headmaster to make, at the beginning of each year, specific statements about the School's attitude in regard to smoking and drinking, while constant vigilance and frequent reminders are necessary concerning such other matters as conduct, bearing, dress and honourable dealings. But the School cannot fight this battle alone and it relies on the continued co-operation of all who are associated with the School, whether as parents, masters or boys, to see that these standards are kept at the highest level.

I am able to report that the standards of conduct this year have been good. There have been a few occasions during the year when the School has had to take firm action, but I am pleased to be able to say that on the occasions when it has become necessary for me to take such action, I have had the full understanding and co-operation of the parents. As far as I am aware, there have been no occasions this year when disciplinary action about smoking and drinking has been called for. One problem, however, always seems to be with us, that is the problem of shop-lifting. Far too frequently the Headmaster or one of the Housemasters has been called on to investigate charges of this nature against Shore boys.

This is, at best, an unpleasant business, and one of which most of us are heartily tired. Perhaps it is unfair that all Shore boys should be penalised for the foolish actions of a few. But the worry associated with this has lately become so great that I have found myself obliged to place certain shops in North Sydney out of bounds to all Shore boys.

The really serious cause for concern during the latter part of the year has been the tendency of Sixth Form students to misbehave on or about their last day at school. So far, in this School, there has been little more than a desire to have some fun and games and what took place this year occurred largely outside the normal hours of class teaching.

I am not sure whether this custom exists in other States of Australia. As far as I know, it is not the custom in other countries and I know that recent arrivals from overseas have been appalled at the degree to which these organised interruptions to the last days of school work are apparently accepted in some quarters as a necessary end to the years at school. In general it can be said that at Shore this year there was little interruption to school work and there certainly, was no defacement or damage to school property. Certainly in comparison with the experience of a great many other schools, we got off lightly and in this I recognise a restraining influence among many of the leavers. But it should not be necessary to make these comparisons, favourable or otherwise as they may be, as there are principles involved to which answers must be found. Are schools justified in giving their sixth-formers up to two weeks' leave for study? Are the students themselves really able to make profitable use of a period of more than a few days? We think not, and in holding our boys until only four school days before the start of the examination, we were one of the last schools to finish. Is it fair that boys should leave behind them a mess to be cleaned up by others? Is it fair that those people who live in a school should be kept on the *qui vive* day and night for forty-eight hours or so? In fact, have students leaving school any right whatsoever to ruin or seriously disrupt the running of a school at any time? The answer is, of course, no, and effective measures to stamp out these practices must be found.

Headmasters and Headmistresses are deeply conscious of the seriousness of this problem and it may well be that some restrictive conditions will be imposed that will make it impossible for any final-year pupil to behave improperly. The means already exist for withholding a pupil's right to take his final examinations, for without the school's guarantee of his satisfactory conduct throughout the final two years, a pupil cannot qualify for this. Up to the present schools have been reluctant to take this step, but it now seems that the time has come for a united attack on this problem by the exaction of the full penalty, should it be deserved.

I intend to direct my concluding remarks to the boys of the School, and I hope that in them, all boys, both young and old, will find something of interest and perhaps some spark of inspiration.

It is not unusual for schoolboys to have at some time or other, heroes to whom they look upwards, and I certainly had mine during my schooldays. All boys have a skill, or perhaps more than one skill in one field or another. All boys, too, have some degree of courage on which they must draw from time to time as they develop. When, to this natural skill and courage are added ambition and self-discipline, and perhaps a dash of inspiration, some young men make for themselves a place in their community in which they become what I shall call *young heroes*. My particular young hero was a Maori boy named George Nepia. Nepia left school in New Zealand in 1923 and was a good enough footballer to play first grade Rugby in the next winter. Towards the end of his first season, while still only 18, he was invited to play in the trial games for

the selection of the 1924-25 All Blacks. He was selected as the only fullback in that side, and turning 19 after the tour of the British Isles commenced, he played in every match of that tour, in which this famous New Zealand team did not lose a game.

Many of you who are present today will recall very clearly the skill and courage of a young Australian named Stan McCabe in the famous bodyline series against England in the early 1930s. Nepia and McCabe were surely outstanding examples of schoolboys' heroes.

In 1937 a young Polish Prince named Obolensky was studying at Oxford. He played Rugby for Oxford and then was selected as a wing three-quarter in the English team to play against the New Zealand All Blacks who were touring Britain at the time. In this match Obolensky scored one of the most remarkable tries ever seen in international Rugby. He had scored an ordinary try in the early part of the game, but late in the second half, the ball came to him in his position as right wing. When he saw that he was unable to make ground down the right wing, he ran in-field, and using his great speed he ran round the whole All Black side to score in the opposite corner. This was an extraordinary feat. I have seen it done only once in first-class Rugby. I am sure that many of you boys realise only too well that it is not always easy to score tries. Tries are even more difficult to score in international Rugby. That Obolensky had the skill, courage and inspiration to do what he did on this occasion earned him an outstanding place in the gallery of famous Rugby players. Obolensky later lost his life flying a Spitfire with the R.A.F. in the Battle of Britain.

I now want to mention a Shore boy of my own time and with whom I had personal contact. In the first term of 1941, Ian Osborne was a member of the Eight. Although there was no official G.P.S. Regatta in that year, and no Head of the River, this crew, by its performance in various club regattas, was rated as a really top-class crew. In the winter term Osborne was a forward in the 1st XV, a team which was without doubt one of the best the School has had; equal first in the season and with a tally of points far in excess of any tally put up by a Shore 1st XV, before or since. I can still see Osborne in a match against King's at Northbridge, in possession of the ball in mid-field and, when hemmed in, kicking high above the head of the opposing fullback and breaking clear to take his own kick and score under the posts. To me, this was skill and inspiration of the highest order. Osborne was one of the four Shore boys in the G.P.S. team of that year. When Term III came, Osborne decided to play cricket; he was selected immediately in the 1st XI and scored a brilliant 92 in his first match. Again, I can still see him, later in the term, hitting two sixes in the one afternoon at Northbridge, not just over the fence but right to the back door of the house on the far side of the old gates into the grounds. Osborne played cricket with the same skill that he brought to his rowing and football. With an ounce of luck, Ian Osborne could have had three premierships badges to put on his blazer, but as there was a war on, there were no premierships badges. As there was a war on, he joined up, with all of the other members of the 1st XV. Osborne's name does not appear in the G.P.S. records but it does appear in our Book of Remembrance among those who gave their lives for their country.

Within our own circle, I must mention John Newcombe, who was an outstanding tennis player when he came to the School at the age of 11. He played for the School senior team every year for five years, and as you know, it was no time before he was representing his country in the Davis Cup. With his Wimbledon victory of 1967 behind him, John Newcombe is now one of the tennis greats of the world. Geoff Pollard's early tennis career was equally distinguished. He represented Australia twice in the

Junior Davis Cup in America and it is certain that if he had not chosen to put his studies first, he could have reached almost the same great heights in tennis as John Newcombe. Now at the age of 25, he has been on the staff of Macquarie University for some years.

Peter Dickson is another young man with whom I have had a good deal of personal association. Indeed, I can recall certain occasions on which I was obliged to administer certain corrective treatment when he was a boarder in my charge. I am afraid, however, that I cannot guarantee that this particular type of contact had any real effect on Peter Dickson's determination to make himself a top flight oarsman. But it is certain that his personal qualities of skill, courage and self-discipline have put him where he is today, in the top rank of world oarsmen. If he is present today, I congratulate him.

Some of the really great games-players have been endowed with natural skill far beyond the normal. The great A. E. Cooke, one of New Zealand's most famous Rugby players, was selected to play for Auckland while still playing in Third Grade, and he was in the New Zealand team a year later. But in most successful games-players there is a combination of unusual skill and great self-discipline. A personal friend of mine, who did not play Rugby as a schoolboy, worked so hard at perfecting the technique of half-back play that he became the number one half-back in New Zealand for nearly a decade. Even Bradman, it is said, developed his eye and wrists by long hours of practice with a cricket stump instead of a bat against bowlers using a tennis ball. John Newcombe, Geoff Pollard and Peter Dickson are all in this class.

Each year brings fresh announcements of young heroes in the academic world. *The Torch Bearer* and the *Shore Weekly Record* continually record brilliant passes gained by young men from this School whose courage and self-discipline have brought success and fame to them in their chosen professions. Indeed, although this may seem out of place in a chronicle of young heroes, I think it is probably true to say that young men who are embarking on a career on the land today require an amount of skill, courage and determination, to a degree almost equal to what is required to achieve any great success on the playing fields or in the halls of learning.

All schoolmasters, good or indifferent, seek the opportunity to inspire those with whom they come in contact. I am almost at the end of my career as a schoolmaster; I have spent the greater part of it in this School. At times I look back and try to balance the debits against the credits, and I think to myself that if, even in the humblest way, I have done anything to inspire a small number of those who have passed through my hands with the ambition and courage to battle on to greater things, to become young heroes and a source of inspiration to others, then I shall not have worked in vain.